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THE EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

by Dorothy Marr Roberson

A PARAGRAPH in the *Knoxville Daily Whig* of 11 June 1870 demonstrates that some things never change.

Said The Whig of 129 years ago:

"Here is the latest Internal Revenue decision: 'Boot blacks are required to use their blacking just as they find it when the box is opened, adding nothing to it whatever. The act of spitting in the box and smearing the contents with a brush constitutes the boot-blacker a mixer or rectifier or manufacturer of blacking, and he must pay the ordinary manufacturer's license.' "

WHAT A SPECIAL DELIGHT it is to read items from the past that reflect a great sense of humor on the part of some ancestors. Perhaps history has omitted too much of that, and the images that have come down to us too often appear to be staid, pious, almost grim characters. In writing family histories, especially, it seems to me that it's important to include the humorous tales that have been handed down through the years ... it makes our ancestors seem more human. Occasionally, you can run across some newspaper items that do just that.

One I especially enjoyed in a recent issue of *Piedmont* Lineages was abstracted by Anna Evans Dodson from the Danville, Va., Democratic Appeal of 11 Jul 1860. It was a classified ad that went like this:

"Lost, Strayed or Stolen - an individual whom I, in an urgent moment of loneliness, was thoughtless enough to adopt as my husband. He is a good looking and feeble individual, knowing enough, however, to go in when it rains, unless some good looking girl offers him her umbrella. Anybody that will bring him carefully back, so that I can chastise him for running away, will be invited to tea by

Henrietta A. Smith"

Now who wouldn't wish they could claim Henrietta as an ancestor -- or better still, sit down to tea with her?

MY PLEA FOR readers to share some of their family history with the rest of us did not fall on deaf ears, I'm delighted to say. We've heard from at least six of you so far, and have high hopes of hearing from more of you in the coming days.

Among our contributors in this issue is James M. Bennett whose notebook of family history appeared on my desk with the brief note "In response to request for materials." There were so many gems in the Bennett Family History that it was difficult to pick just one. I finally narrowed it down, and the choice appears on Pages 49-52 of this issue. In the preface to his history, James tells of the closeness he began to feel during the course of his research to people he never dreamed existed. "By knowing something about them, they no longer are unremembered. They suddenly become flesh and blood people who, like ourselves, faced and solved problems in everyday life, laughed at fate, and refused to be broken by misfortune." Another family story we were happy to receive came from Estelle Sloan McDaniel. For several years, Estelle has been kind enough to do some illustrations for the magazine -including the front cover illustration of TGS headquarters



-- and now she's done one for her own family history which appears on Pages 46-48. We've been trying to connect our Marr family lines but -- to make an awful pun -- are still casting about.

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PUT A GREAT BIG CIRCLE around Sept. 11 on your calendar! That's the date of the genealogical workshop, "Discovering Your Heritage," which will be presented here by Everton's *Genealogical Helper*. It's a rare opportunity to get help from real, live, on-the-scene experts and an event no red-blooded genealogical researcher should miss.

The editorial me devoutly hopes you'll <u>all</u> turn out en masse for this special seminar, the first TGS has sponsored in several years.

Those of you who live out of town and have often thought it would be nice to visit the TGS library and headquarters on the historic Davies Plantation couldn't pick a better time than Sept. 11. If you need info on accommodations, call or write TGS headquarters. We're in close proximity to some virtually brand new motels, a fancy two-story shopping mall, several shopping centers, and eating places for every taste.

For more details on the workshop itself, check Page 37. Be sure to get your reservation in early and save a few bucks.

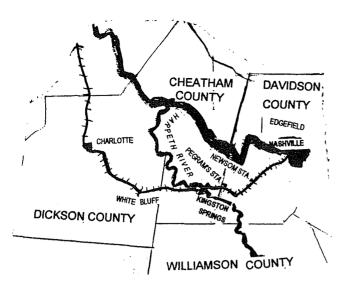
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AT TGS' SPRING meeting, members unanimously passed a resolution of appreciation to **President Jim Bobo**. And here's what it said:

"The Board of Directors and members of the Termessee Genealogical Society do hereby extend their sincere thanks and deep appreciation to Jim Bobo for the fine work he is doing as president of our organization. Assuming the responsibilities of the office following the sudden and unexpected death of our former president, Lincoln Johnson, Jim has proved himself more than equal to the task and is doing an outstanding job in behalf of all the members of this Society. His dedicated leadership, energy, and devotion to the cause are sparking new interest and enthusiasm among the members of this Society and bode well for its future."

We thought it worth repeating and hope that those of you who couldn't make it to our Spring shindig will take the time to let Jim know how you feel about the great work he's doing in our behalf. In a payless Society, 'thanks' is like money in the pocket ... and warms the heart. When did you last thank a TGS volunteer? Or better, when did somebody thank you for the voluntary work you're doing for the Society?





The Harpeth River Bridge Disaster of July 3rd, 1871

It was 8:20 on the evening of 3 July 1871 when a happy and excited group of some 50-60 passengers boarded the Nashville & Northwestern train at the capital city's Church Street depot. Most were bound for Cheatham County where they planned to join in Fourth of July festivities at Kingston Springs, a popular "watering place" some 24 miles to the west.

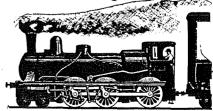
As the train with its tender, smoking car, ladies' car, and sleeping car moved out of the station and headed for its nearby destination, passengers began striking up conversations with their neighbors. John W. Scott, a freight agent at the Nashville depot, was seated in the center of one of the passenger cars exchanging pleasantries with his cousin, Miss Sophronia Heard of Trenton [Gibson County]. Across the aisle were General Jacob Guise Hornberger of Clarksville, one of the state's most distinguished barristers, and John Marshall, a rising young attorney of Nashville. They were on their way to a court session in Charlotte, Tenn. Seated opposite and fronting them were Henry Howard of the Chapel Hill community in Marshall County, and his brother William. On the next seat to the rear of the car were Capt. W. E. Yeatman and wife, Emma Moon Yeatman, of Memphis, and nearby were Charles Campbell, his wife Celia Case, formerly of Granville Ohio, and their little 10-months old baby daughter [name unknown]. The Campbells lived at Edgefield just north of Nashville.

About 18 miles out of Nashville, as the train drew near Bridge No. 7 that crossed the Harpeth River, the engineer reduce the locomotive's speed to about nine miles an hour. The conductor rang the bell, signaling the engineer to stop at the flag station on the other end of the bridge to let off two passengers, **Mrs. Catharine Burns** and child [not named] of Smith's Mill. The engineer shut off the steam, and the brakemen began applying the brakes. The train turned onto the bridge, and the engine and baggage car passed over the pier in the middle of the river. Just as the front passenger car reached the pier, the bridge suddenly gave way. The front passenger car dropped 20 feet into the river, falling on its side in eight feet of water. The ladies' car fell on top of it, landing end up and throwing all of the passengers to the front of the car. Seats broke loose from their fastenings and came crashing down on the hapless victims. Meanwhile, the sleeping car ran halfway over the break in the bridge and then lodge perpendicularly on the upper end of the ladies' car. The engine and baggage car continued on to Kingston Station where the engineer woke up the operator and asked him to telegraph the railroad superintendent, **Col. J. W. Thomas**. News of the accident reached him at 12:30 p.m. and he lost little time in rounding up some doctors¹ and a wrecking train and heading for the disaster.

At the scene of the wreckage, it was found that 13 of the 30 women passengers had been killed instantly, and their dead bodies and broken seats were piled up on the other passengers. Up front, John Campbell of Nashville, who sustained leg and head injuries, was the only person left free to move. **R. T. Stone²** of Talladega, Ala., a passenger in the sleeping car, dressed and climbed out the rear. According to news

² Nashville Union & American, 6 Jul 1871

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¹ Identified in the Nashville Union & American as Drs. Briggs, Baist, and Nichol

accounts,³ the two men swam through the dark cars and, after working about an hour, extricated 8-10 passengers who had sustained only slight bruises. The other passengers remained under the seats. Many had been killed or drowned, and their bodies were not found until daylight. It was about 2 a.m. when the rescue party finally arrived at the disaster scene. Some passengers, pinned down all this time under dead bodies and debris, were unable to move hands or feet. Some were praying for mercy, some were bemoaning the loss of loved ones, and others were rejoicing that the disaster was no worse than it was. The doctors found it virtually impossible to reach the survivors without standing on or holding to the bodies of the dead or wounded. A wire service account said a **Mr. Williams**, a stout man of Nashville who suffered a mangled and crushed leg, proved himself a hero by telling doctors to stand on his hip. "Never mind me, just help the others who are in worse condition than myself," he was quoted as saying. **J. M. Thompson** of Amherst Court House, Va., who was cut about the head and hip and sustained severe internal injuries, was under the impression that he had been in a great battle and a cannon ball had struck him below the knee. When they brought a stretcher to take him out of the wreckage, he said, "Oh, I know what that is. I have been wounded in battle before and taken off the field on a stretcher." He remained cheerful, but died shortly after being returned to Nashville.

Most of the group in the first passenger car were killed instantly except Capt. William Yeatman, who escaped with a severe head wound and internal injuries, and Mr. Scott who was under all of the others and suffered bruises on the head and a crushed foot. Capt. Yeatman, a commission merchant of Memphis, had caught his wife Emma in his arms as the train went down. She died from suffocation. Alex Wright was taken out of the wreckage alive and laid on the river bank. Wright said he felt as well as could be expected and only wanted a drink of water. Immediately after drinking the water, he threw up a large amount of blood and died within a few minutes.

The dead and wounded who had been extricated by July 4th were taken to Nashville, presenting a sad spectacle. The cry of "*Extra*, *Extra*!" awakened the city's residents as newsboys hawked special editions about the terrible smashup on the Harpeth River bridge.⁴ Thousands flocked to **R. H. Groomes**' undertaker's establishment on Cherry Street where the dead bodies had been laid out in a room fronting on the street. Through glass doors could be seen the mangled and broken bodies as they lay in their coffins awaiting identification. In Nashville, universal gloom pervaded. The city bells were tolled, and the mayor issued a proclamation suspending business.

By July 5th, the cars had been raised and all bodies recovered except that of the newsboy who was in the baggage car and was believed to have been thrown headlong into the river. Some of his oranges and apples were seen floating on the water. Found in the wreckage and debris were hoop skirts, hats, chignons, handkerchiefs (including one with the name of Mrs. Hornberger on it), a newspaper, a card of **E. C. Allen & Co.** of Augusta, Maine, a lady's beautifully marked underskirt that was covered with blood, and a bracelet inscribed "*Celia*, *Dec. 25*, *1866*" which was believed to have been Mrs. Campbell's. The list of casualties, reported in the *Memphis Daily Avalanche* of July 5th, showed at least 16 dead, and 23 wounded. Within the next few days, the death toll had risen to 21.

Reported killed in the wreck were:

1. Aleck/Alex Wright, railroad agent, White Bluff, Dickson Co., Tenn. A native of Scotland, he was one of the early settlers of White Bluff and was in the mercantile business for seven or eight years. He was the son-in-law of James Sloan, Esq.

³ Story from the American Press Association (via S.P.& A Telegraph Co.) in the Memphis Public Ledger, 5 Jul 1871.

⁴ Even as far away as Memphis, The Daily Appeal put out an extra edition on July 4th.

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2. J. G. Hornberger, Clarksville attorney, Montgomery Co., Tenn. Born 12 Oct 1819 in Stewart County (now Houston), he was the youngest of six children. Left an orphan at an early age, he received only a limited education. Before he was 21, he moved to Clarksville to work as a clerk for G. A. Davis at the old Washington Hotel. He soon began studying law in the office of Hudson S. Garland and, as stated in a resolution adopted by the Clarksville bar, was considered "at the topmost point of professional eminence and distinction at the time of his death." The Clarksville Royal Arch Chapter of the Masonic Order also passed a resolution of respect in honor of Hornberger who had received the Royal Arch degree in 1846. He was survived by his wife. They had no children.

3. John Marshall, Nashville attorney. Married and with a young family, he was the son of the late Hon. John Marshall of Williamson County who was said to be nationally recognized as one of the ablest jurists of the age. John II studied law under his father, and served in the Confederate artillery during the war. In 1866 he began his law practice in Nashville as a partner of David Campbell of Williamson County. In a tribute of respect, the Nashville bar called Marshall "a young man of high attainments .. [who had] a long life of usefulness and honor before him."

4, 5, 6. Charles and Celia Campbell and 10-month old child of Edgefield near Nashville. A former member of Campbell & Spire, wholesale dealers in queensware and chinaware, he retired from the firm to study the ministry. He had been in ill health for more than a year and, after several months in Florida, recently returned home to spend the rest of the summer at Kingston Springs. He was survived by his parents and other relatives. The funeral procession for the Campbells was one of the largest ever seen in Edgefield. They were buried in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

7, 8. John E. Crockett and son William Crockett, Chapel Hill, Marshall Co., Tenn. John, born 15 May 1823, was the husband of Nancy Ezell (1820-1904). He died 8 July, five days after the accident. William [also known as W. H. B.] was born 4 Nov 1845 and died 3 July, the day of the accident. He worked as a clerk for E. T. Williams at Chapel Hill. Father and son are buried in Swanson Cemtery sourth of Chapel Hill.

9. Wylie C. Howard, Chapel Hill, Marshall Co., Tenn. A recent student at Cumberland University, he was en route to visit his half-brother, B. F. Boyd, at Bell's Station.

10. Miss H. Ettie Jones, Huntsville, Ala. Found in her trunk was a certificate dated 26 June 1871 and signed by R. S. Rast, F.A. S. corresponding secretary, recommending her as a successful teacher. [Some lists give her home address as Ohio.]

11. Mrs. Emma Yeatman, Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn. The daughter of Jacob Moon of Shelby County, she and her husband were going to visit their parents who were vacationing at Kingston Springs. Her body was taken to the residence of Sam D. Morgan in Nashville and then removed the evening of 5 July to the Nashville and Decatur Railroad to be conveyed to Memphis where she was buried at Elmwood Cemetery on 6 July. Only 24 years of age, she was described by the *Memphis Daily Avalanche* as "a most amiable lady in full bloom and beauty of life."

12. F. Dunn, Kingston Springs, Cheatham Co., Tenn. Newspaper accounts gave her first initial as "F," but her full name was Margaret W. [Ferebee] Dunn. She is buried in Ferebee Cemetery in Cheatham County. The wife of Thomas M. Dunn [see list below of the injured], she was born 10 Nov 1823, and died 3 Jul 1871.

13, 14. Mrs. Catharine Burns and child [not named in reports], Smith's Mill, Cheatham County. Their home was only about 200 yards from the wreck.

15. Mrs. Adda Lynch, Newsom's Station, Davidson County. Her funeral was at the Catholic Church in Nashville.

16. Deputy Sheriff Pendergrast, White Bluff, Dickson Co., Tenn.

17, 18, Mr. J. C. Brackett and brother, Marshall Co., Tenn.

19. Henry Howard, Chapel Hill, Marshall Co., Tenn.

20. S. S. Brown, Nashville

21. J. M. Thompson, Amherst Court House, Va. Suffered severe internal injuries, a bruised hip, and facial cut.

The injured, most of whom were taken to St. Vincent's Hospital and various Nashville hotels, were:

1. Thomas M. Dunn, Kingston Springs. He was a former sheriff of Cheatham County.

2. Thomas Wain/Waine, Edgefield, suffered bruises. He was a hatter with the Nashville firm of Wain & Walker.

3. W. W. Ghee/Gee, brakeman, Huntingdon, Carroll Co., Tenn. - broken leg.

4. Miss Sophronia Heard, Trenton - badly cut and bruised, internal injuries. She was treated in Nashville and then taken to the home of relatives near the Lavergne community in Rutherford County to recuperate.

5. W. Brown, Johnsonville, Tenn. - slightly wounded.

6. Mr. Crutcher/Critcher, Johnsonville, Tenn. - slightly wounded. He was a former Nashville resident.

7. Capt. William E. Yeatman, Memphis - head cut, internal injuries. Bridges seemed to have played a significant role in his life. As captain of Company C, 2d Tennessee Regiment, during the Civil War, he was forced to lead his men across a burning bridge at Chickamauga Creek. After the train wreck, he went to the Decatur Depot on July 10th to return to Memphis but felt so weak he decided to delay his return home. Years later he settled in Knoxville where he was assistant postmaster from 1894 to 1898. Born near Nashville in 1842, he was the son of a Nashville banker. His father died when William was quite young, and his mother then married **John Bell**, Tennessee Whig senator who ran for president in 1860.

8. Thomas R. Yeatman, Kingston Springs - hurt in spine and side. A brother of William Yeatman, Thomas was the innkeeper at Kingston Springs.

9. W. W. Yeatman, Nashville - broken jaw

10. V. Haile/Hall/Hale, Point Isabella, Ind. - very seriously injured

11. John Campbell, Nashville - head cut, leg bruised. He was the son of Rev. John P. Campbell of Nashville.

12. J. F. Wilhoite, Shelbyville, Bedford Co., Tenn. - broken leg

13. Miss Clara E. Leake, Broad St., Nashville - broken arm and wrist. The first person to file suit against the railroad, she sought \$50,000 in damages.

14. W. J. Holt, Union City, Obion Co.. Tenn. - broken jaw

15. W. D. Walker/Walter, Union City - broken jaw

16. Robert Daniel, Bedford Co. - broken arm

17. Conductor R. L. Landis (address not given) - broken leg

18, 19. George and John Pegram (brothers), Cheatham Co., Tenn. - both slightly wounded. George, about 31 years of age, was a retail merchant.

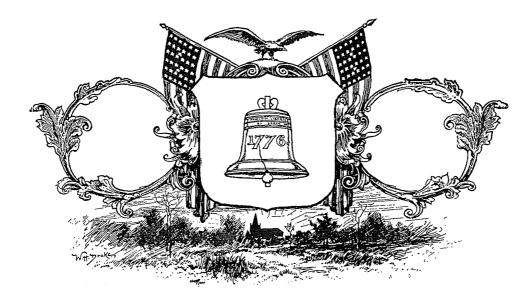
20. J. W. Scott, freight agent, Nashville - slightly wounded in head and hips

21. W. R. Dever, Milan, Tenn. - slightly injured

Newspaper editors across the state expressed outrage over the conditions of railroad bridges in Tennessee. *The Nashville Banner* said the "appalling Harpeth River calamity" added to the accumulated evidence that bridge disasters caused more deaths than any other kind of railroad accidents. *The Memphis Daily Appeal* on 6 July said half a dozen railroad accidents had been reported in its dispatches of the past 10 days. It added: "Tuesday's accident was appalling and shocking to our people because they are acquainted with many of the sufferers." *The Memphis Daily Avalanche* called for the state legislature to create a Board of Railroad Commissioners with full powers of inspection as well as "power over everything connected with the railroad to protect the public welfare."

The Nashville & Northwestern had been built largely with state bonds, and its purpose was to link Nashville on the Cumberland River with Memphis on the Mississippi. Because the Cumberland waterline often was too low for steamboats to make it to Nashville, it was thought that the direct rail line to the Mississippi would provide year-round passage for goods and travelers. Only a 25-mile section between Nashville and Kingston Springs had been completed by the winter of 1862 when the Civil War came to Middle Tennessee.⁵ The Union Army completed the line west to the Tennessee River, with three regiments of black soldiers⁶ doing most of the work. After the war, The Memphis Appeal in its issue of 1 June 1868 praised the Nashville & Northwestern train's punctuality, and said its cars were among the "most sumptuous" on any road in the South and its route the shortest between Memphis and Nashville. The bridge, consisting of two 100-foot spans, was constructed of Northern white pine brought from Cleveland and Chicago. Three other bridges in Tennessee were of the same construction (the Howe Truss) and, ironically, the Harpeth River bridge was considered the safest of them all. According to railroad officials, on the same evening the bridge broke, four heavy engines -- two of then weighing 35 tons each -- with a train of cars passed over the bridge safely as did a passenger train heavier than the one which met with the accident. An inquest by a Davidson County coroner's jury soon followed. J. S. Dashiell was foreman, and jurors were G. T. Thompson, Thomas S. Hays, J. F. Demoville, T. O. Morris, Hiram Vaughn, and R. A. Fraley. After visiting the scene, they reported, "The timbers composing the bridge were so rotten as to be unfit for passage of an ordinary passenger train." Though appearing sound on the outside, they were found to be rotten in the middle, the jury said.

 ⁵ William Brandt: Touring the Middle Tennessee Backroads, John F. Blair, Publishers, Winston-Salem, N.C., 1995
 ⁶ The Nashville Union, Jan 1864



Elderly Veteran of the Revolution Robbed, Slain

A sad ending came to the life of John Sutton of Meigs County, Tenn., on Tuesday evening, the 5th of September 1843.

The 92-year old Revolutionary War veteran was robbed, brutally beaten, and left for dead on the main Western Road about six and a half miles from Knoxville..

The Knoxville Register said the crime was perpetrated for the sake of obtaining the paltry sum of \$33.

Sutton had been to Knoxville to get his pension money, a trip he made every six months for that purpose. After picking up his pension, he left for home on horseback about 1 or 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Several individuals recalled seeing him as he rode slowly along.

About 4 o'clock, a gentleman coming from the West found the old man seated near the roadside, badly beaten and mangled, and unable to speak. Sutton had been savagely beaten with a club or heavy instrument of some sort. His horse was tied to a nearby tree, and his saddle bags were found lying concealed a short distance off, rifled of the money they contained.

Sutton was taken to a neighboring house and a doctor was called in. But all efforts to resuscitate the old man failed, and he died about midnight without having been able to articulate distinctly or give any clues as to who his murderer might have been.

The Register said Sutton was reported to have been a member of the Baptist Church in good standing, and was unusually active and sprightly for his age.

Shortly after the murder, a young man was taken into custody and examined by a justice of peace, but was released because of insufficient evidence, the *Register* reported.

Sutton's pension application reveals that he was born in 1751 and twice enlisted in military service.¹ He first enlisted

on 11 May 1775 when he was a 14-year old farm boy living in Georgetown District, South Carolina. His second enlistment was at the Rockingham Court House in North Carolina. During his service, John saw action in the siege of Savannah and in the battle of Eutaw Springs.

After the war, he returned to South Carolina where on 24 Aug 1791 he married 22-year old Elizabeth Hodges. For the next four years, they lived on the Hodges farm. In 1795, the Suttons moved to Roane Co., Tenn., where they joined a Baptist church.

According to a statement² in John's pension file, the Suttons had 12 children, six of whom were stillborn. The six surviving children, all Tennessee-born, were:

- Anne b. 14 Nov 1798
- Elisabeth b. 28 Nov 1800
- Curdilla b. 6 May 1803
- John Pierce b. 20 Sep 1805
- James Kinney b. 16 May 1809
- Polly b. 15 Jan 1812

John Sutton applied for his war pension on 5 Feb 1833. By this time he was 82 years old and living in Rhea (later Meigs) County.

The 1840 census of Revolutionary War pensioners taken on the first of June listed John Sutton's age as 90, and his place of residence as the home of **Thomas P. Davis** in Meigs County.³

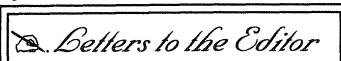
Following John's death, Elizabeth applied for a widow's pension on 25 Jan 1844 [W997] in Meigs County. She died in 1848 at the age of 79.■

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¹Virgil D. White: Genealogical Abstracts of Revolutionary War Pension Files, Vol. III, National Historical Publishing Co., Waynesboro, Tenn., 1992, p. 3395.

² Statement by Thomas P. Davis of Meigs County who appears to have been a relative of John's wife Elizabeth. John H. Davis of Marlboro District, S.C., stated in 1845 that he was related to Elizabeth.

³Census of Pensioners for Revolutionary or Military Services, by the Genealogical Society of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Genealogical Publishing Co., Baltimore, Md. 1974



WORDS FROM SOME NICE FOLKS

Each issue of *Ansearchin' News* seems to be better than the previous one. So good, in fact, that some of my non-genealogical friends even ask to read the articles. So, I wanted to give you all a big pat on the back and tell you to keep up the good work.

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Please accept my congratulations and appreciation for a fine magazine.

James M. Allen, Jr. 3324 Sunset Ave., Apt. A6 Rocky Mount, NC 27804

Thank you for a very informative publication.

Margaret Alley 797 N. Maple Ave. Montebello, CA 90640-3250

<u>Editor's Reply:</u> The editorial 'we' appreciates those comments. They'll give us enough strength to get out the next issue.

LINCOLN JOHNSON

Was so saddened by news of the death of Mr. Lincoln Johnson. He was a fine gentleman and I know he will be greatly missed by the Tennessee Genealogical Society and its members.

> Dr. & Mrs. Joe A. Campbell 225 Westover Drive Clarksdale, MS 38614

<u>Editor's Reply:</u> He is indeed missed by his TGS colleagues and the friends he made throughout genealogical and historical circles. His contributions were many, and his memory lives on. Memorial gifts to the society in his honor have been used to buy a computer for the TGS library.

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THE LATCHSTRING'S OUT

Is it possible to research when I am in the vicinity? If so, which days and hours are your records available? Thank you and your staff for all the information you have disseminated. I have found it most useful and informative.

> Grace L. Maglione 776 Seven Hills Lane St. Charles, MO 63304

<u>Editor's Reply:</u> It's not only possible for you to research at the TGS library when you're in this area, it's imperative that you do! We're open every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday (except holidays) from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and look forward to seeing you and any other TGS members who find themselves ' in the neighborhood.'

TWO SCORES IN ONE ISSUE

I enjoyed reading the Spring 1999 issue of the quarterly and was surprised to see two of my ancestors mentioned.

The Thomas Hicks (Thomas H.) Williams struck by lightning was my great-great grandfather, and a few years ago I learned of the incident. That, however, after my Williams books were printed. At the time of his death, he was only 33 years old, with a wife and children. His widow, Narcissa Ann Stevens Williams Gadby remarried and outlived him by over 50 years. My daddy knew his Great Grandma Gadby and mentioned her often. I never heard him mention his great grandfather's death.

The Clinch Howell, mentioned as a chain carrier, was also my great great grandfather, and found in the outlined Shelby Co., Tenn., deeds. He lived in the Macedonia Church community (also better known as 'Little Texas') where he moved about 1843 from Edgecombe Co., N. C. He died in 1846, the year he was the chain carrier. He left his wife and a large family. His four or five sons served in the CSA. His widow, Elizabeth Whitehead Howell, never remarried and died after 1900. Elizabeth and Clinch Howell were buried in the El Bethel Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery in northeast Shelby County, one of the oldest cemeteries in the county. My great-great grandparents, John and Eliza Jane Thomas Isom, also were buried there. The cemetery and church are gone now, and a cornfield is there.

I do not mean to gripe, but I feel someone needs to be reminded that if he or she submits a query, receives help, etc., that individual should thank the person who gives the help. I replied to a query in the Winter issue and provided the person with information as well as how to purchase a fine book on one of the families she is reaching. I never received a reply after over a month, so I don't know if the info was received or not. As you know, in most instances copies need to be made as well as a letter. In this instance, I made a call to Houston, Tex., to inquire about the availability of the book.

I do not mind helping people and, during the past 22 years of family research, have made many friends this way. I always made it a point to thank a person whether the info was large or small. The times "they are a-changing."

Becky Harris 7440 Wrenwood Southaven, MS 38671

Editor's Reply: It's good to hear you found two of your relatives in one of our issues, and we appreciate your additional information about them. As for your plaint about folks not acknowledging answers to their queries, it's a point well taken ... and one which TGS member Samuel T. Davidson of Tallahassee, Fla., brought up in our Fall 1998 issue. [Page 2 of that issue.] We added our 'amen' to his comments and inserted the line, "Please acknowledge all responses to your query," in the paragraph under the Queries head. Not acknowledging responses to queries falls in the same category as not including a self-addressed, stamped envelope when you ask someone for some info. A plague on the perpetrators of both unbecoming actions!

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Jefferson County Court Minutes, April 1838

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The Jefferson County Court met at the courthouse in Dandridge on the first Monday of April (it being April 2), 1838. Present: William Hill, Nathan Davis, Nicholas H. Davis, Reuben Churchman, Isaac Grant, Allen Baker, George D. Edgar, Alexander S. Landrum, Joel W. Cournan, James Chilton, John Gass, Rubert F. Campbell, and William S. Mason, Esqs.

The court appointed Henry McCullah overseer of a road of second class from William Graham's to Gideon B. Rodgers and assigned to him hands from the following plantations to work on said road: Peter Harrison's upper farm, James Rodgers, Widow Hickman, Joseph and Johnathan Langdon's farm. Vredenburgh Thompson qualified as deputy county trustee. The court appointed John Moyers as overseer of a second-class road from the ford of Long Creek at Joshua Moyers to James McDaniel's and assigned to him hands from the following plantations to work on the road: James Moyers, Shadrack Manard, Aaron Laverty, Thomas Hazlewood, Henry Helm, Russell Snodgrass, Lynn Snodgrass, and Daniel Knowland.

A report from John Fain and Casper Branner, two of the commissioners appointed to lay off and allot to Hannah Hinkle and family one year's support of the provision and grain on hand belonging to the estate of William Hinkle, deceased, was returned and the court committed it to record. Deputy Sheriff Alexander K. Bradford was allowed the sum of \$26 for fees due him and his attendance in court during the trial of Frances Ashbury, charged with larceny. The fee is to be paid out of county taxes.

The court appointed a jury to view and lay off a second-class road leading from the mouth of the lane above **Reed**'s Meeting House to intersect **Moore**'s new road at the nearest and best point, and where said road passes through the lands of **William Baker**, and to assess to him such damages as he may have sustained by the road passing through his land, or, if it seems practical to lay off said road without it passing through his enclosures that the same be done. The jury, which is to report back to this court: **Harry Riggs, John Harris, Jesse Riggs, Edward Riggs, Vinscen McKinney, John Newell, and Samuel Riggs.**

John Eudaley and Nathaniel Line/Lane, duly elected constables for Jefferson County, appeared in open court and took oaths to support the constitutions of the United States and Tennessee, and also the oaths of office as constables. They entered into bond with security for faithful discharge of their duties.

The court appointed Joel R. Denton overseer of a second-class road from near Robert Craig's house to William Moyers' mill, and to continue as overseer of said road until it is put in repair and then the hands assigned to work the road are to return to their proper roads. The hands are: William Hale, Jack Edmonds, Henry Chambers, Hezekiah Reneau, John Edgar, Robert Craig, Jacob Denton, Robert Burchfield, William Burchfield, Vinyard Brimer, John Brimer, Robert Denton, James Denton, George Denton, John Slover, George Slover, Benjamin Casey, Sterry (?) Layman, John Reneau, Sr., Richard Woods, John Chambers, Abel McCarty, John Carter, Lewis Reneau, and Isaac Reneau.

The court appointed Thomas Brown overseer of a first-class road from John McFarland's to Vinscen Mc-Kinney's and assigned to him the following hands to work on the road: Col. John McFarland's plantation, Andrew B. McFarland, William Minnis, George D. Edgar, Andrew B. Edgar, Thomas Brown, William Hazlewood, Joseph McKinney, Love Staton, Isaac Gregory, Alexander Rodgers, Elisha Rodgers, William Orr, the Camp Ground.

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James Scruggs, administrator of all and singular the goods and chattel rights and credits of Jesse Y. Read, deceased, returned an additional list of sales of the estate amounting to \$2.37-1/2 cents which was received in open court and admitted to record. The court appointed William Donalson overseer of a first class road from Check's Cross Road to Dandridge Road and assigned hands from the following plantations to work on the road: James W. Deaderick, John Donaldson, Caleb Witt, Coalman Witt, Samuel H. Witt, William Donaldson, Thomas B. Jarnagin, Harvey Andrews, James Anderson, James Alexander, Thomas McCall, and Samuel Coffman. Hands from the following plantations were assigned to Doctor John F. Rhoten, overseer: James Caldwell's farm and Joseph Newman's farm.

The court appointed John Hance overseer of a first-class road from the sign post above Widow Swann's to the county line and assigned him the following hands: Greenburg Hance, Jackson Hance, Benjamin Bias, John Gardner, John Griffin, Simon Griffin, Noah Griffin, Gabriel Lewis, Andrew Mason. The court appointed James Blackburn overseer of a second-class road from Blackburn's Meadow to the place where Joseph Talbott formerly lived and assigned him hands from the following plantations: Benjamin Blackburn, Miles Scruggs, William Lennon, James H. Blackburn, Alexander Blackburn, Andrew A. Blackburn, and David Anderson.

The court appointed **Robert Burchfield** overseer of a second-class road from **Bryan**'s old field to a stake near Jones Chapel and assigned as hands: William Burchfield, Henry Chambers, William Chambers, Henry Layman, Thomas Brimmer, Isaac Reneau, John Brimmer, William Edmonds, and John Edmonds.

The following hands were assigned to Adam Haun, overseer of a second-class road from Old Mill Branch at Pleasant A. Witt's shop to the branch at Col. McFarland's: Archabald Cox, Sampson Stanberry, John B. Horner, John W. Hill, Benjamin McFarland, Con Stephen, Hiram (a free man of color), Elijah Stansbury, Daniel Haun, William Cox, Alexander Haun, John McDaniel, David Day, G. W. Swearinger, and Abraham Spoon. On a petition of sundry citizens of Jefferson County, the court appointed the following jury to view and lay off a first-class road from the mouth of the lane at Elisha Bull's to Noluchucky Bend and report to the court: Harry Riggs, James Morris, Jessie Riggs, Edward Riggs, Vinscen McKinney, John Newel, and Samuel Riggs.

The court admitted to record a report returned by Zackens Copeland, Peter Harrison, and Willis Taylor, commissioners appointed at the last court term to make an additional allowance for the support and maintenance of the widow and family of George Campbell, deceased. Richard White was given leave to administer the goods and chattel rights and credits of Hannah White, deceased, and he entered into bond with security and was qualified.

An order was made at the February county court appointing a jury to view and lay off a second-class road from the top of the hill east of **Robert Scott**'s, passing **John Blackburn**'s, thence to **Caldwell**'s saw mill, passing the new meeting house thence to intersect the Dandridge Road near the plantation of **Thomas Biddle**. The jury returned its report, making a third-class road. The court ordered the report set aside and appointed the following jury to lay off a road agreeable to the above order and report at the next quarterly court: John Mathew, John Snoddy, James Blackburn, Shadrack Maner, Andrew Blackburn, Lemuel Carmichael, David Snodgrass, Jefferson Woods, William Hutchison, Elijah Cannon, William Nelson, and Samuel Bell.

The court elected a quorum court to hold eight monthly courts in the year, and a majority of the county's justices of the peace being present and having voted and ballots being counted, it appeared that William Hill, William S. Manson, and John Roper were duly elected. The court appointed John Lane overseer of a second-class road leading from Mount Sterling to Dandridge Road, and assigned as hands Peter Burt, Samuel Smith, Isaac White, Noah White, Joseph White, Lidence Lane, Talton Lane, Samuel Lane, John Lane, Alexander Anderson, and Lewis Lane.

The court appointed Abraham Haun overseer of a second-class road from McBrown's Gap at the Greene County line to Abraham Haun's house, crossing the Dandridge Road at Capt. James M. Lane's thence to intersect the

Dandridge Road near Ezekiel King's. Assigned as hands: William Courtney (Negro), Benjamin James Courtney, Jr., William Courtney, John Courtney, George Haun, Adam Haun, James M. Lane, James Britton, John Anderson, Negro Andrew, and hands on Ezekiel Williams' farm. The court appointed Enoch Marshall overseer of a first-class road from the Greene County line to Cheeks XRoads to the place where the road intersects Bulls Gap Road and assigned as hands: William Maskell, Sr., William Maskell, Massy Hill, Robert Curinton, William Wyatt, Solmon Wyatt, William Maskall, Adam S. Weaver, Alexander Williams, George Williams, Jacob Haun, and Frances Reese.

The court appointed as a jury to view and lay off a second-class road leading from Dandridge and passing Jacob Alley's to the Sevier County line. The jury is to view both roads from the same point near Jacob Alley's to the Sevier County line and report which one of the two will be most advantageous to the public, taking into view the interest of individuals' concerns and report back to the court on the first Monday in July. Named to the jury were William Henderson, Joniah Denton, James Rainwater, Thom Lacy, John Fain, Isaac Slover, and John Swann.

Joel W. Cowan, Esq., presented in open court his resignation as justice of the peace which was accepted and ordered to be filed.

The following bills of costs were presented in court and allowed. The court ordered certificates issued for same payable out of the county tax:

State vs. Mary Hickman, Mouth of Chucky, 10 Mar 1838, A List of Costs:

Snoddy serving warrant	.50
Snoddy summoning witnesses	1.25
Dr. Jarnagin's attendance as witness	1.00
Lucinda Welch attendance 3 days	.75
Sarah Moses witness attendance 4 days	1.95
James Farris attendance as witness	1.00
Samuel Moses summoning Mary Clark	.50
Samuel Moses summoning witness	.50
Mary Clark attendance as witness	1.00
Elizabeth Moore attendance as witness	1.00
Edward B. Snoddy summoning 3 wit.	1.00
Henry Smith witness attendance 4 days	1.00
Mrs. Moore	.50
Elizabeth Moore witness 4 days	1.00
Edward B. Snoddy, 3 witnesses Henry	
Smith, Miss Smith, Mark Rodgers	
Henry Smith, witness attendance 4 days	1.00
Mark W. Rodgers witness 4 days	1.00
Samuel Moses summoned George M.	
Crookshanks, witness 4 days	1.00
Geo. M. Crookshanks, witness 3 days	.75
Total	13.50

Hickman, Henry Helm	1.50
E. B. Snoddy for summoning John Clark,	
Elizabeth Moore, James Farris, Rhody	
Margraves, Henry Smith & Elizabeth	
Smith, Benjamin Hickman, Margaret	
Miller, 9 witnesses	1/6
Rhody Margraves, witness attendance 4 days	1/6
A. G. Gillett for summoning John N. Sheddan,	.50
Joseph Rice Puckett	.50
E. B. Snoddy, const., for summoning	
J. N. Sheddan	.25
John N. Shadden, witness attendance 1 day	.25
E. B. Snoddy for guarding defendant	
5 days, 6 nights. Per day	5.00
E. B. Snoddy and one assisting guard,	
1 night, 1 day 6/r	1.00
John N. Shadden, summoning Mrs. Moser	
· •	19.25
Samuel Moser, constable	2.50
	21.75

State vs. Mary Hickman, Leah Hickman, Henry Helm -- 27 March 1838

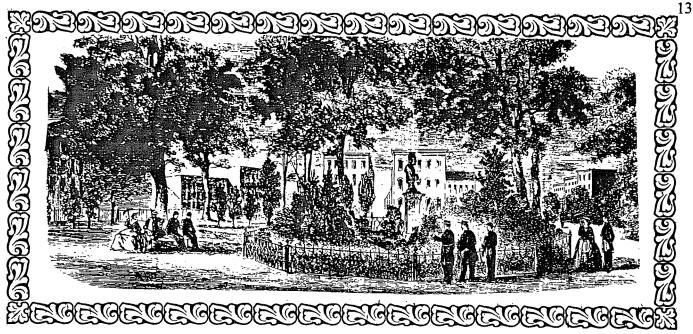
The majority of the county justices of the peace being present, the court allowed the quorum court the sum of \$1.50 each per day to be paid out of the county tax, and to the court clerk the sum of \$22.50 for making the tax list for the year 1838, which is to be paid out of the county tax.

Personally appeared in open court John McCampbell, a reputable witness who, being duly sworn, deposeth that he was acquainted with Gen'l. Samuel Blackburn, attorney-at-law, Staunton, Augusta Co., Va., and also with John Blackburn, late of Jefferson County, now deceased, and that they both claimed and spoke of each other as brothers, that he has been intimately acquainted with the family of John Blackburn, late of Jefferson County for 34 years and that he died leaving the following legitimate children: Andrew Blackburn, John Blackburn, Edward Blackburn, James Blackburn, William Blackburn, George Blackburn, Polly Blackburn who intermarried with a certain James Moyers (now dead), Grezey Blackburn who intermarried with a certain Gideon Blackburn, Nancy Blackburn who intermarried with John Carson, Jane Blackburn who intermarried with Thomas Snoddy (Jane now being dead), leaving the following legitimate children: Edward B. Snoddy, Casey Snoddy, Grezey Snoddy, and Margaret Snoddy.

Also appeared in open court was George Edgar, reputable witness who, being duly sworn, deposeth that he was acquainted with Gen'l. Samuel Blackburn, attorney-at-law, Staunton, Augusta Co., Va., and also with John Blackburn, deceased, late of Jefferson County and that he understood they were brothers and that he was well acquainted with all of John's children except William and George Blackburn, to-wit: Andrew Blackburn, John Blackburn, Edward Blackburn, James Blackburn, Polly Blackburn who intermarried with James Moyers (now dead), Grizey Blackburn who intermarried with Gideon Blackburn, Nancy Blackburn who intermarried with John Carson, Jane Blackburn who intermarried with Thomas Snoddy (Jane now being dead), leaving the following legitimate children: Edward B. Snoddy, Carey Snoddy, Grizey Snoddy, and Margaret Snoddy. The court being satisfied with the proof ordered that the same be certified. The court adjourned until the court in course. [Minutes signed by William Hill, John Roper, and William S. Manson.

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[[]Memphis' Court Square as pictured in Harper's Weekly, 5 Jul 1862]

From Sumner County to Memphis ...

George and Mallie Winchester Find Post-Civil War Home

(Continued from Spring 1999 issue) Third excerpt from typescript, "My Mother - A Biography" by Susan Winchester Powel Scales Provided by her grandson, Dabney Scales Wellford, 7488 Dexter Rd., Cordova, TN 38018



o 13-year old Susie Winchester, arriving in the river town of Memphis with her mother, Mallie, and three of her siblings after having lived all of her life in Sumner County was a strange experience. Looking back on it years later, she wrote:

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"All was noise and commotion, gongs sounding, whistles blowing, and Negro roustabouts singing and calling to each other as they shouldered huge burdens, rolled barrels about or wheeled them ashore. Almost before we could get our breath, there were Father [George Winchester] and Brother Napoleon almost running up the gangplank to meet us. ... We walked up the bluff to Main Street, and the first object that met my eyes was Court Square, a lovely little oasis in the heart of a dusty city, a fountain playing¹, squirrels -- as saucy as they were pretty -- and pigeons following children at play to pick up bits of nuts and candy."

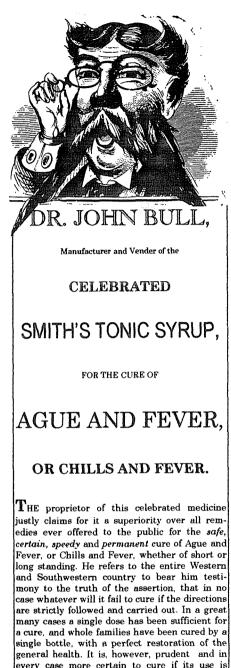
After spending the night with Winchester relatives,² the family went to a house on Kerr Avenue which George had found with the help of a cousin. The tiny house was quite a contrast to the 14-room Cragfont that had been the children's life-long home up to that point. It had two rooms, a "lean-to" kitchen, and a narrow porch across the front that had been closed off for a trunk room. A log cabin in the yard was to be the boys' room. Only one bed with chairs around it had been set up. The other furniture was stored in the cabin except the piano and big pictures which were to be delivered by hack. George left by horseback for his office the next morning and Mallie set about creating a home for the family.

"We met our first neighbor the second day of housekeeping. Poor little Susie³ was sick abed and Father went to **Doctor Alex Erskine** whom he knew in the Army, and was delighted to find living nearby. Fortunately, the

² Possibly descendants of her father's oldest brother, Marcus Winchester, Memphis' first mayor

¹The present fountain was not erected in Court Square until 1876. When Susie arrived in Memphis, a bust of **Andrew Jackson** graced the scene. The statue was damaged by vandals after the Civil War, and eventually moved to City Hall.

³ The author frequently refers to herself as "little Susie."



single bottle, with a perfect restoration of the general health. It is, however, prudent and in every case more certain to cure if its use is continued in smaller doses for a week or two after the disease has been checked, more especially in difficult and long-standing cases. Usually, this medicine will not require any aid to keep the bowels in good order: should the patient, however, require a cathartic medicine after having taken three or four doses of the Tonic, a single dose of BULL'S VEGETABLE

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trouble was soon relieved and the task of adjustment continued. ... Father tried fruitlessly to find and hire a servant willing to come to the country ... and [finally] an Irish woman, as husky a one as ever was, consented to come ... and after two or three day's trial .. got into a terrible tantrum, called Mother names, and demanded payment of the specified wage.... Poor Mother, distracted with fear and without money or means of communication with her husband or son, sent me across the road to the one neighbor who had called, **Mrs. Hancock** -- a lovely lady -- to ask the loan of \$25 'til Father got home... Mrs. Hancock had no money either and when little Susie got back across the road, the creature was gone and Mother almost overcome with a new and very trying experience."

After a second unsuccessful experience -- this with an Irishman named **O'Brian** -- the Winchesters found **Lucy**, a Negro farm hand who lived nearby. Under Mallie's supervision, she quickly learned to be a good cook and laundress. She worked for the family for five years at a salary of \$12. Meanwhile, the family began meeting more neighbors.

"Mr. William Poston, a lawyer, and his family were near; the Kerrs lately come from Georgia; Mrs. Bullock and her three attractive daughters; and Doctor Erskine -- all helped to prevent the desolation and loneliness which would otherwise have overtaken us."

Mallie, having established order -- and a parlor -- in her household, wrote daughter Alice Laurene, who was still in Nashville with friends and relatives, that the family was now comfortably housed and anxiously awaiting her. Alice soon joined the family, and introduced them to Major Richard J. Person⁴ (later her husband), a Memphis resident who, as a Confederate officer, had been captured at the Battle of Franklin and imprisoned with George Winchester on Johnson's Island. Meanwhile, little Susie started to school just a block away from Court Square, riding behind her father on the family horse Katie. The school was held on the ground floor of Court Avenue Presbyterian Church,⁵ and after class Susie walked to her father's office only two blocks away. The schoolmaster was Professor Stewart, one of George's childhood friends. Tommy went to another private school, George II ["little Georgie"] was at the University of Virginia, and Napoleon -- still working -- was tutored nightly in law by his father. When little Susie came down with what appeared to be malaria, Dr. Erskine was called.

"[He] left the bitterest dose any child ever had to swallow -- quinine, hour after hour, day after day that bitter cup! Black coffee, made worse by quinine, was brought to my bedside and at long last gulped down. What a trial it was to Mother, who yielded the ministry gladly to Father as soon as he came home in the evening and also before he left each morning. Finally, outdone with both patient and practitioner, Father brought home a bottle marked "Smith's Tonic." What a blessed relief to me and him! It had hurt him so to insist in sweetest words when I pleaded to be let alone. Come what may, from then on, that name was engraved on my mind -- Smith's Tonic. Never forget it."

⁴ Richard came to Memphis at age 9 to live with his uncle, William Person, at the famous old Person home built in 1821 on Nonconnah Creek at the Hernando road. He attended Kentucky Militiary Institute, and was commissioned a lieutenant in the CSA at age 19. His first wife, Annie E. Finnell, died in 1866.

² Now Lindsay Memorial. Gen. Nathan B. Forrest was a member of the Court Avenue Church and his funeral was held there some years later.

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Meanwhile, Mallie was not well, and George decided to find a house larger than the tiny home they had lived in during their three years in Memphis. He located a five-room house in a garden spot near Springdale Avenue⁶ and the family moved there in November 1868, finding a small mission church nearby and soon making good friends. Mallie, however, was unable to attend church or even witness her daughter Alice's wedding in June.⁷ She was seriously ill with dysentery, and, since at that time all illness was treated at home, doctors made daily visits bringing medicines, and leaving directions for the patient's care.

"Father and Brother Napoleon gave the medicines and made notes for the doctor, one serving in the morning and the other taking the evening. My brother, rolling himself in a blanket, watched at night lying on the floor in Mother's room. Three months rolled away before the disease was controlled. Desperately ill, Mother was kept alive and nourished solely by brandy-cream punches."

After moving to Memphis, Napoleon had joined the Ku Klux Klan -- described by Susie as "that much maligned Secret Society devised very soon after peace was declared."

"This particular Klan was made up of southern soldiers for the protection of their families .. and was dissolved as soon as carpet bag rule and general lawlessness was somewhat subdued. [It] committed no murders and the punishments inflicted by them were never cruel enough to leave scars. I have thought that maybe Mother knew, in that inscrutable way of mothers, that her son was a Ku Klux. If so, she had a very good reason for anxiety in his behalf. His life would have been the price of detection. We knew, years after, friends who were active members of the Ku Klux Klan. Among them were two Confederate generals. *The Birth of a Nation* and *Gone With the Wind* well pictured the peril and the activities of those days of change and insecurity in the South."

Meanwhile, Napoleon appeared not to be well. He drove his younger siblings to school each day and continued on to his father's office where he did all of the research work and much of the writing since there were no typewriters and no stenographers. In February, 1871, Napoleon died. Later, in the old family Bible, Susie found the following entry in her father's handwriting:

"Napoleon B. Winchester - Died February 6, 1871, from bronchial inflammation and a functional disorder of the heart. The seeds of the disease of which he died were implanted at the bedside of his mother, whom he watched over and nursed through a protracted season of suffering. He was an affectionate son and brother, and conscientious and faithful in the discharge of his duties as a citizen. He died in confident assurance of a blessed immortality beyond the grave."

On the night of Napoleon's funeral, George called the family together for prayers, and Susie said it was the first time her father ever prayed aloud.

Over a six-year period, George had built up an extensive law practice, but lawyers in that day never presented itemized bills. Payments for services depended on the client's pleasure and disposition. For George, sending one son to the University of Virginia for four years, paying for his daughter's wedding, his wife's long illness, the sickness and death of another son, and other expenses made great sacrifices necessary.

"The supreme test came for both Father and Mother when her beautiful watch, chatelaine, and pin -- gifts to her from his first legal fee -- had to be sacrificed. Heartbreak and tears and hurt pride -- what combination of pain and sorrow! I recall that as Mother's highest tribute of love and loyalty. It 'crowned her with many crowns.' Perhaps because Father's hurt was so deep, she it was who suggested the sacrifice."

Susie was valedictorian of her class when she graduated from Gaines Institute. Under prodding of the head mistress, **Miss Bowers**, Susie finally completed her valedictory which she named "Carnival of Dreams." When she delivered it at graduation in June, all of the girl students showered her with their bouquets of roses. "In writing as I have, my

⁶ She later refers to the house as " the Bird Hill cottage."

⁷ Alice and Major Person were married 30 June 1868. Major Person died 28 Oct 1909 at the home of his daughter, **Mrs. J. W. Smither** in Nashville. He left three other children: **George W. Person**, Memphis; **Richard J. Person**, **Jr**., Columbia, S.C., and **Roy E. Person**, Memphis.

eyes are dim with tears, though 79 years have passed since that June evening. It was my day and Mother's day, too, because she was there and I was her 'little Susie.'"

The two spent the summer sewing clothes and making other preparations for Susie's coming year at Patapsco Institute, a boarding school near Ellicott, Mills, Maryland. During her year there, Susie wrote that she never had a happy hour from the time her father left her at the school except on Saturdays when a number of girls would gather in her room. "There was so much practice, so many French verbs to write, and chorus practice with one of the piano teachers, who was cross and requiring." When school was out, she visited with her sister Alice and brother-in-law Major Person at their home in Baltimore and also went with them to North Carolina and Charlottesville, Va., where she saw her brother Tom (no longer Tommy).

"My thoughts were of home much of the time and I was not a bit sorry to say goodbye to Sister as Tom and I left along with several of his friends homeward bound. Mother was standing in the doorway of Bird Hill Cottage to welcome us. Nothing short of paradise will ever be to me more beautiful than that picture -- Mother well and happy.

The first Sunday morning after our return, a handsome carriage drawn by a spanking team of bays stopped at our gate....Father explained that his client and friend Amos Munson had asked the privilege of using his carriage to take me to church. From that day on until fall, Tom and I were the happy recipients of many such courtesies."

In the years that followed, Susie's brothers George and Tom both married. And then tragedy revisited the family. Her brother Tom (now his father's law partner) sent a note to their home early one morning proudly announcing that his wife had given birth to a baby boy. Susie and her mother hurried over to see the new member of the family, riding in the city's mule-drawn rapid transit system of the 1870s. Ten days later came another note. The baby had died, victim of a strange, unpredictable illness.

"The day after, I found Tom alone in the parlor of our new home on Madison Street, his arms around a tiny white casket that was placed on one of the Cragfont tables, his dear head bowed in prayer. What could I or anyone say? I left him alone with his angel child -- so fine, so wonderful that bright morning when Mother's son called us to see his own son."

During a sporadic outbreak of yellow fever, word came to the Winchester home that a niece of an aunt in Nashville was dying in Memphis. The woman, identified only as "Mrs. P.," sent for Mallie and asked her to take her child. Mallie brought the little girl home with her and all the family felt so sorry for the child and became so fond of her that they went on and on caring for her. Occasionally her father visited, but nothing was ever said as to what her fate eventually would be. On New Year's Day of 1877 the Winchesters kept open house, in keeping with the pleasant custom of that era.

"Scores of friends called -- 'doctors, lawyers, merchants, chiefs.' Mother served chicken salad and coffee, such as few make, which was unmistakably enjoyed with the keenest relish ... In all the throng who gathered in our home on that day, none was so interested, so full of excitement, so bubbling over with frolicsome fun as my two young sisters⁸ -- out in the snow one moment, up to all the pranks of the time, the next instant in the house, their laughter ringing through parlor and hall. By the next morning, the youngest -- our Mother's baby, our 'Virgie Wee,' the gayest of the gay, just budding into the beauty of her 16th year -- was lying on a bed of pain, wounded by a snow ball which had been held under a dripping spout until it was a ball of ice. That missile of death was hurled by the child we had loved and fostered. She hid behind a door and waited for her victim."

(To be concluded in the next issue)

⁸ Malvina Henderson Winchester (b. 1 Apr 1859/60) and Virginia Lee Winchester (b. 22 Aug 1862) ANSEARCHIN' NEWS, Summer 1999

Montgomery County Land Sold for Unpaid 1865 Taxes

James M. Trotter, Montgomery County revenue collector, announced that he would sell on the first Monday in July and succeeding days the following lots and acreage for taxes due for the 1865 tax year in keeping with an order by the Montgomery Circuit Court at its January 1867 term:

Owner/Claimant	District	<u>Acres/Lot</u>	<u>Valuation</u>	Tax, Charges
Allen, Mrs. Catharine	8	351	\$4,000	\$26.50
Allensworth, A. J.	12	town lot	\$800	\$10.50
Balentine, S.	12	town lot	\$500	\$9.00
Bartlett, I. N.	12	town lot	\$500	\$9.00
Bell, M. D.	12	town lot	\$1,000	\$11.50
Belote, Sarah	12	town lot	\$1,500	\$14.00
Bradley & Clark	12	140	\$7,500	\$44.00
Bradley & Harrell	12	338	\$4,556	\$29.28
Bradley, L.	12	12.5	\$10,600	\$61.50
Bratton, D. G., heirs of	12	town lot	\$1,000	\$11.50
Buck, P. C.	3	475	\$2,375	\$18.37
Clark, James	6	1290	\$12,900	\$71.00
Dancy, J. A.	5	1 acre, 1 pole	\$600	\$9.50
Daniel, W. B., agent	12	town lot	\$800	\$10.50
Davis, James	12	town lot	\$500	\$11.00
Donoho, T. J., heirs of	12	town lot	\$500	\$9.00
Dortch, J. B.	1	746	\$8,000	\$48.50
Dortch, J. B.	5	836	\$6,500	\$39.00
Evans, Dr. J. H., estate of	2	348	\$243	\$18.65
Fairfax, J. B., trustee	16	507	\$3,050	\$21.75
Firkin, J. W.	12	town lot	\$300	\$10.00
Grave, W. G.	7	town lot	\$100	\$7.00
Holbert, Thomas	12	town lot	\$1,000	\$11.50
Holbert, Thomas	12	9	\$150	\$7.25
Hollinsworth, S. N., heirs of	12	town lot	\$1,000	\$11.50
Johnson, Jas. F.	12	town lot	\$2,000	\$16.50
Linwood Landing Co.	7	warehouse	\$2,500	\$19.00
Lockert, Mrs. E.	11	440	\$3,500	\$24.00
Marr, Duncan	7	287	\$4,300	\$28.00
Marr, Duncan	7	town lot	\$100	\$4.00
Northington, E.	11	218	\$2,200	\$17.50
Pickering, G., estate of	5	80	\$400	\$8.50
Roberts, R. W.	12	5	\$1,500	\$14.00
Rosson, W., estate of	5	172	\$1,000	\$11.50
Stacker, Geo.	12	town lot	\$2,500	\$19.50
Stewart, Mrs.	7	town lot	\$150	\$7.25
Swaney, S. J.	12	town lot	\$2,200	\$17.50
Waller, Daniel	16	230	\$1,400	\$13.50
Ware, Dr. R. S., estate of	5	town lot	\$250	\$7.75
Williamson, B. M.	18	110	\$1,100	\$12.00

18 Following Civil War ...

Tennesseeans File Claims For Property Losses to Feds

Capt. James C. Wheeler, Quartermaster agent with offices in Nashville, announced 9 Dec 1871 that he had in his hands for investigation a number of claims filed by Tennessee citizens for Quartermaster's stores taken by the Federal Army during the war.

The Nashville Banner reported that claims from Davidson County were filed by: Mathew Anderson - \$1,400; J. A. Bland - \$1,145; J. Donnelly (for horses) - \$2,055; Benjamin F. Gleaves - \$2,087; William Grizzard - \$65; A. C. Grizzard - \$65; J. D. Horton - \$1,200; J. W. Parham -\$227; M. Patterson - \$1,085; J. Wilson (colored) - \$400.

Other claims from various parts of the state included Rutherford County - B. W. Henry, \$9,340; Warren County -Thos. J. Heneger, \$32.25, and Washington Mercer, \$60; Sumner County - H. M. Neeley, \$15,605; Wilson County -Samuel Harlan, \$1,000, and J. K. Thompson, \$150; Cheatham County - T. Dunn (for wood), \$1,400; Montgomery County - B. K. and M. J. Gold (for wood), \$4,000; G. F. Adams, \$138; and Nancy Martin, \$125; Williamson County - R. and B. Berry, \$1,061; Tipton County - J. S. Peete, \$600; Lauderdale County - A. A. Freen, \$1,800; Hardeman County - B. F. Dowdy, \$1,597; and Margaret C. Grooves, \$25; Weakley County - J. D. Latham, \$120; Obion County - W. Y. Pursley, \$100; Carroll County - W. C. Pinckley, \$140; Benton County - Abner Johnson, \$150; Gibson County - John C. Ward, \$35; Shelby County - William C. Adams, \$460; Benjamin H. Akinson, \$2,100; Benjamin Cash, \$325; Mrs. M. M. Mason, \$3,925; J. H. Ramsey, \$150; Dixon [Dickson] County - Joseph Perry, \$175; Alexander Kerr, 240.

Bring Back That Bay Horse!

Some person or persons unknown and with malice aforethought did come to my stable in West Nashville on Sunday night between the hours of 10 and daylight and feloniously take therefrom or borrow one bay bob-tail horse, with a star in the forehead and a little white on the left hind foot, lame in the shoulder and fore feet, a fine buggy horse and fine walker under the saddle, 16 hands high and 10 or 12 years old.

As I feel a fraternal affection for the old stager and desire to take care of him in his declining years, I would give \$25 to the parties to return him, and, if they decline my proposition, I will give a \$50 reward for recovery of the horse and apprehension of the thief. - Thomas L. Marshall

[Classified ad in the Nashville Gazette, 11 Nov 1865]

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An Unusual Claim Is Paid

In 1865, the federal government paid a claim in a case that *The Nashville Gazette* described as "the most novel one ever brought before the Department."

It seems that in 1862 Gen. Granger had ordered all women of ill fame to leave the city of Nashville. A total of 173 women were placed on a steamboat commanded by Capt. Newcomb who had orders to leave his cargo at Louisville or Cincinnati. Authorities in these cities refused to let them land, however, and the captain was kept in the river with his live cargo for about a month.

With the government declining to furnish any provisions, he was finally obliged to return his cargo to Nashville. **Newcomb** then filed a claim with the federal government, stating that the trip had cost him about \$6,000 and payment had heretofore been refused. *The Gazette*, in its issue of 10 Nov 1865, reported that the Secretary of War had ordered the claim to be paid.

Two of Giles Co.'s Oldest Citizens

Recognized by 1880 Pulaski Paper

Elizabeth Kidwell, 97, and **John Johnson**, 90, were believed to have been the oldest citizens in Giles County in July 1880, according to the *Pulaski Citizen*.

It was reported that Mrs. Kidwell had a special distinction: she and her late husband, **James**, were granted the first marriage license ever issued in Giles County. The couple's only child still living in 1880 was a son, **Alexander Kidwell**.¹ Mrs. Kidwell, who lived near Buford's, was reported to be enjoying excellent health.

A representative of the Pulaski newspaper interviewed Johnson at his home and learned that he was born in Charlotte Co., Va., on 17 April 1790 -- the day **Benjamin Franklin** died. Johnson migrated to Giles County in 1833 and settled about one mile west of the site known as Wales Station. In a short time, he bought an adjoining farm from his brother and lived there for the next 47 years. From his youth, he was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church. Although Johnson lost a great deal of his property as a result of the Civil War, *The Citizen* reported he still "had enough of the world's goods to render his old age comfortable."

Blanton Family Convention To Be Held In Tennessee For First Time This Fall

The annual **Blanton** family convention will be held September 24-25 at Franklin, Tenn., marking the first time it has been held in the state. Previous reunions have been in Cave City, Ky. Convention headquarters will be at the Ramada Express Inn. For further details, contact **Mary Louise Attal**, 1501 Pokeberry Way, Pace Island, Orange Park, FL 32073.

¹ Alexander's wife was Nancy Ann Glasscock (b. 21 Aug 1821, d. 15 Oct 1892), according to *Cemetery Records of Giles Co., Tenn.,* published in 1986 by the Giles County Historical Society, Pulaski.

AYDELOTT-GRIZZARD

On Monday evening, 3 Jul 1843, by Rev. L. P. Green, Mr. J. D. Aydelott, Mills' Point, Ky., merchant, to Miss Sarah E., daughter of James Grizzard, Esq., of this vicinity. -Nashville Union, 7 Jul 1843

FISHER-COSSITT

Married in Lebanon on 29 Aug 1843 by Rev. C. G. Macpherson, Col. James H. Fisher to Miss Ann C. Cossitt, daughter of Rev. Dr. F. R. Cossitt. -Nashville Union, 5 Sep 1843

DUNN- PENTECOST

On the evening of 31 Aug by Rev. Dr. Edgar, Mr. Wilson Dunn of Kentucky to Miss Martha M., daughter of Mr. John Pentecost of this city. -Nashville Union, 5 Sep1843

COOPER-SMITH

Married at the home of the bride's father in this vicinity Wednesday, 14 Nov 1860, by Rev. Joseph Lindsey, Mr. Caleb L. Cooper, Esq., to Miss Isabella Smith, daughter of John P. Smith of Rutherford County. -Murfreesboro News, 28 Nov 1860

KLOTS-HARRIS

Married at Trinity Church here 10 Sep 1871, Mr. Joseph Klots and Miss Missouri Harris, both of Clarksville. -Clarksville Chronicle, 16 Sep 1871

WALLS-JONES

Married in Montgomery County on 7 Sep 1871, Mr. W. T. Walls and Miss Parthenia A. Jones, both of Montgomery County.

-Clarksville Chronicle, 16 Sep 1871

OZMONT-HENDERSON

Married by Rev. Reuben Burrow on 10 May 1847, Mr. V. Ozmont of Memphis to Miss E. V. Henderson, daughter of Mrs. Mayer of Fayette County.

-Memphis Daily Enquirer, 13 May 1847

EVERETT-MORRISON

On 5 Sep at the residence of the bride's father in New Providence, Charles C. Everett and Mattie Morrison, daughter of Dr. John D. Morrison. -Clarksville Chronicle, 9 Sep 1871

<u>Marriages</u>

from across Tennessee

(From The National Banner Náshville, 6 Jan 1826)

In Rutherford County:

- Mr. George Wade and Miss

Frances Basey

- Mr. Abraham Davidson and Miss L. M. Stoddard
- Mr. William E. North and Miss Purliner N. Jarratt, daughter of Mr. Thomas Jarratt

In Bedford County - Mr. John D. Stovall of Rutherford County and Miss Mary Drake of Bedford County

In Montgomery County - Capt. Felix Northington and Miss Sally Elmyra Norfleet, daughter of Mr. Cordall Norfleet

In Davidson County - On 27 Dec 1825, Dr. Thomas Wells of Nashville and Miss Eliza Phillips

In Butler Co., Ky. - On 8 Dec 1825, Mr. Edmund Hyde of Davidson Co., Tenn., and Miss Jane Davis, daughter of Col. Robert Davis

In Pensacola, Fla. - On 29 Nov 1825, Samuel R. Overton, Esq., navy agent, and Miss Margret Ann Mitchell, daughter of Robert Mitchell, Esq.

PEASE-DIBRELL

Married in Nashville on the evening of 14 Feb [1837] by **Rev. Mr. Davis, Mr. John B. Pease** of Mississippi to **Miss Elizabeth Dibrell**, daughter of **Mr. Edwin Dibrell** of this city. -*National Banner & Whig, 15 Feb 1837*

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DUFFEY-VAIL

Married in Jackson on 29 Jul by Rev. E. McNair, Dr. J. W. Duffey of Griffin, Ga., and Mrs. Emma Vail of Chestnut, Tenn.

-Jackson Whig & Tribune, 12 Aug 1871

DICKINSON-TARVER

On Thursday, 3 Aug, at Carroll Station in Madison County, W. B. Dickinson of Milan to Mrs. Tarver of Carroll Station.

-Jackson Whig & Tribune, 12 Aug 1871

BUCKINGHAM-McINTOSH

Married in this vicinity on the morning of 19 Oct 1843 by Rev. Mr. Hyer, Henry G. Buckingham (of the firm of G. N. Candee & Co.) to Miss Eliza McIntosh, all of this city.

-Memphis Daily Appeal, 20 Oct 1843

MERRIMAN-WILCOX

In New Haven, Conn., on 4 Oct 1843, J. E. Merriman of the firm of Merriman & Clark of Memphis to Miss Emeline S. Wilcox of the former place. -Memphis Daily Appeal, 20 Oct 1843

LEAKE-WATKINS

On 26 Mar 1844 by Rev. Mr. Alston, Dr. E. M. Leake of Shelby County to Miss Catherine T. Watkins, daughter of Col. Joseph Watkins of Fayette County.

-Memphis Daily Appeal, 5 Apr 1844

HARTWELL-SNOW

Married near Collierville in Shelby County on 4 Apr 1844 by Rev. Mr. Halley, Mr. Wilkinson Hartwell to Miss Sarah Snow.

-Memphis Daily Appeal, 5 Apr 1844

BURKHART-REIVES

Mr. J. F. Burkhart and Miss Anna Reives, both of Tipton County, were married there 4 Sep 1860 by Rev. W. A. Cochran.

- Memphis Weekly Appeal, 11 Sep 1860

GARLAND-KEE

Married in Jefferson, Tex., on Wednesday evening 12 Jul 1871, at the Cumberland Church, Mr. Charles W. Garland and Mrs. Helen Kee of Somerville, Tenn.

-Somerville Falcon, 3 Aug 1871

JONES-FREEMAN

Married on the evening of 17 July 1867 by Rev. Dr. Ford at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. John R. Jones to Miss Sallie M. Freeman, all of Memphis. She is one of the loveliest and most highly accomplished daughters of Memphis, while Mr. Jones is one of the most gallant men. He served through the late war in the ranks of the old 154th and the many scars he brought home will prove him fully "deserving of the fair."

-Memphis Daily Appeal, 19 Jul 1867

WARNER-MILLER

Married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Miller in Bartlett at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, 8 Jan 1886, Mr. Fred J. Warner and Miss Sallie D. Miller, both of Bartlett. Rev. J. P. Walker officiated. Parties present: F. L. Warner, B. J. Kimbrough and wife, F. L. Walker, Mrs. H. J. Heister and C. H. Whitmore, Memphis; J. T. Ellis and wife, Dr. N. Blackwell, Miss Willie Blackwell, Thomas B. Crenshaw and wife, Miss Lizzie Pope, Miss Eda Cannon, W. H. O'Neil and wife, Dr. Cochran and wife. Miss Redditt. R. L. Wright. William Redditt and wife, G. E. Neuhartie, John Neuhartie, Felix Truse and wife, George Blackwell, J. S. Williamson, Lilly Warner and Avery Warner, Bartlett; C. H. Caldwell and wife of Raleigh.

[Note: A list of presents and donors concludes the story.]

-Memphis Public Ledger, 9 Jan 1886

LAMBERTSON-JONES

Married Thursday evening, 6 May 1847, by Rev. P. W. Alston, Mr. T. Lambertson of Memphis to Miss Jane Jones of Marietta, Ohio.

-Daily Enquirer, Memphis, 7 May 1847

INNIS-CLARDY

Married in this county on Thursday, 13th July, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. William H. Innis of Galveston, Tex., to Miss Nannie K. Clardy, daughter of the late William Clardy. Thus another of old Montgomery's fair daughters is transplanted upon a distant soil.

-Clarksville Chronicle, 15 Jul 1871

<u>Marriages</u>

from across Tennessee

NEW YORK

WOODRUFF-PATTON On 28th Aug 1843 by Rev. James Tompkins, Mr. Charles E. Woodruff of Nashville to Miss Elizabeth Patton of Wilson County.

-Nashville Union, 5 Sep 1843

MYNATT-VAN PELT

Married Thursday, 10 Dec 1846, by Rev. Mr. Coons, Mr. Thomas B. Mynatt to Miss Martha Hill Van Pelt, all of Memphis.

-Weekly Appeal, Memphis, 15 Dec 1846

McGOWAN-MASON

At the home of the bride's father in Rutherford County on 14 Nov 1860 by Rev. G. E. Naff, Mr. C. E. McGowan to Miss Josephine Mason, daughter of Henry Mason, Esq.

-Murfreesboro News, 28 Nov 1860

GARDNER-TRASK

Percy W. Gardner, young attorney of Gainesville, Tex., and Miss Jessica Trask were wed vesterday afternoon [7 June 1886] by Rev. Dr. Klein of St. Mary's Episcopal Church. The ceremony was witnessed by some 30 friends and relatives. The couple left by train on a brief visit to kindred in Weakley County where they both resided as children. They will proceed by way of St. Louis to their future home at Gainesville, North Texas.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 8 June 1886

SCOTT-CAMPBELL

Married in the vicinity of Jackson on the morning of the 13th November by Rev. J. C. Trimble, Dr. Preston B. Scott of Mississippi and Miss Jane E. Campbell, daughter of John W. Campbell, Esq., of this place.

-East Tenn. Whig, Jackson, 15 Nov 1861

HANKINS-WILLIAMS

Married at Mt. Vernon in Titus Co., Tex., on 1st Apr 1868 at the residence of H. L. Williams by the Rev. Mr. Wilkes, Dr. W. C. Hankins of Giles Co., Tenn. to Miss Hattie Williams of Mt. Vernon.

-Pulaski Citizen, 8 May 1868

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BROWN-EZELL

In Pulaski on Friday evening, the 1st of May, by Rev. F. L. Ewing, Mr. Tully Brown of Nashville to Miss Lou Ezell, daughter of P. H. Ezell, Esa. -Pulaski Citizen,8 May 1868

McLAURINE-HAYWOOD

Married near Cornersville in Giles County on Thursday, 30 Jan 1868, by Rev. Mr. Brown, Mr. John W. Mc-Laurine to Miss Maggie Haywood. -Pulaski Citizen, 7 Feb 1868

FARIS-CAVNESS

On Thursday evening, 12 March 1868, at the home of the bride's father in Corinth, Miss., by Rev. E. C. Gillenwaters, Mr. Bluford M. Faris to Miss Kate M. Cavness.

-Pulaski Citizen, 20 Mar 1868

GATES-BOYCE

Married at the Methodist Church in Jackson on Sunday last [22 Sep 1865] by Rev. Lorenzo Lea, John W. Gates, assistant editor of The Whig, to Miss Georgie Boyce, daughter of Isham Boyce, Esq.

-West Tenn. Whig, Jackson, 28 Oct 1865

FLIPPIN-BUNCH

Married in Pulaski on Thursday evening 12 Mar 1868 by Rev. Felix R. Hill, Mr. Thomas A. Flippin to Miss Virginia A. Bunch.

-Pulaski Citizen, 13 May 1868

MARKS-DUNNAVANT

Married Sunday, 6th Jan 1868, at the residence of the bride's father near Elkton by Rev. John Birdsong, Mr. James T. (Babe) Marks to Miss Mary Dunnavant.

-Pulaski Citizen, 17 Jan 1868

GOFF-ERWIN

Married on the morning of 3 Jul 1843 at White Cottage by Rev. Dr. Edgar, Andrew F. Goff, attorney at law of Winchester, to Miss Rebecca J., daughter of John P. Erwin, Esq.

-Nashville Union, 7 Jul 1843

RUNYEN-DUNKIN

Married Wednesday evening, 31 May, in Nashville by Rev. Mr. Wharton, Mr. B. M. Runyen to Miss Mary E. Dunkin. -Nashville Union, 6 June 1843

<u>A Geographic Perspective:</u> Immigrants in Washington County

Contributed by Judy Mimbs, Department of Sociology, Anthropology, & Geography, University of Tennessee, Chattanooga Douglas Heffington, Department of Geography Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro



Immigrants founded America. Whether they were the first people who arrived via the Bering land bridge and today are known as the American Indians ... or were those forcibly removed from their African homes to supply our country's labor needs ... or those who simply came here from various world locales because of the better life our new country offered, they were all immigrants. It is this mixture and blending of cultures that today makes up the incredibly rich human mosaic our country possesses.¹ Washington County, Tenn., is no exception, and this paper will present a brief overview of its immigrants and show how geography can be used to interpret the past.²

Washington County was important in the development of Tennessee. Situated in northeastern Tennessee, it was the first county organized in the state and its county seat of Jonesboro is the state's oldest city. The first Euro-American settlers in the Washington Territory were **James Needham** and **Gabriel Arthur** in 1673.³ The area was originally part of North Carolina, and included all the Watauga settlements. In 1788, the settlements banded together to become Washington Co., N.C., and eventually Washington Co., Tennessee. Over the next decade or so, portions of Washington were used to form Greene and Sullivan counties. **H. Bokum**'s 1868 handbook on Tennessee describes Washington County as having "rich bottoms and fine mountain lands, within easy reach of the railroad." ⁴

Today the county remains an important agricultural and industrial center, covering 344 square miles. It is still largely rural and agrarian, having more than 2,000 farms. It also has some extractive industries such as iron ore and building stone quarries.⁵ Washington County's history -- especially that concerning immigrants and their role in its development -- is vital to understanding Tennessee's history.

As genealogists know, of course, the United States census in 1850 began listing each individual's country of birth. This information illustrates the mechanics of immigration such as source areas and push/pull factors that drove people out of their homelands and pulled them to our shores. Ireland's potato famine of the 1840's, for example, forced many people to relocate to other parts of the world. Europe's political turmoil in the early 1900's resulted in mass movement of people from that source area to distant lands. At the same time, settlers were lured to places like Washington County with its inexpensive land, job opportunities, and security.

Tennessee's treatment of immigrants was described as follows in Bokum's 1868 handbook:

"There was a time when there were those in Tennessee, as in other Southern states, who imagined that immigrants could be satisfied with the food and the quarters slaves used to receive, but that time has passed.

¹ R Daniels: A History of immigration and Ethnicity in American Life. Harper Collins, Publishers, Princeton, 1990

² Geography for Life: National Geography Standards, 1994. National Geographic Society, Washington, D.C., 1994

³ R. Stahl: Greater Johnson City. Donning Company, Publishers, Norfolk, Va., 1993

⁴ H. Bokum: *The Tennessee Handbook*. J. B. Lippincott, publisher, Philadelphia, 1868. Microfilm 1144, American Culture Series, Reel 404.

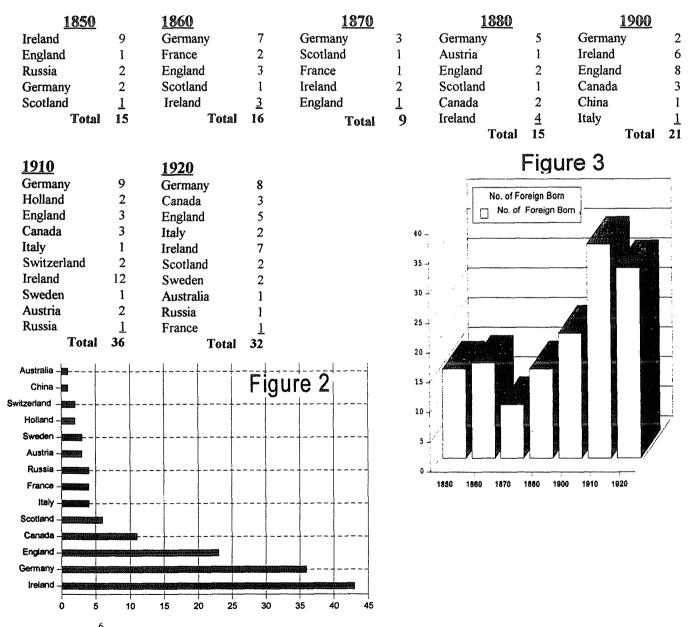
⁵ A.P. Foster: Counties of Tennessee. Tennessee Department of Education, Nashville, 1973.

IMMIGRANTS (continued)

The laborers lately obtained through the instrumentality of **Commissioner Kapp** at Castle Garden in the city of New York are well treated. A just and generous course pursued towards the immigrants is the only sure way of securing them in large numbers and in the shortest possible time."

With problems in places like Europe and promise in places like America, our shores received the masses. The 1850 through 1920 censuses provide insight as to where they came from, where they settled, and what they did once they got here. In short, movement of people is geographic with implications for their former homeland and their new host country.

The following table, created for the decades of 1850 through 1920 from available manuscript census data,⁶ shows a numerical breakdown of the 144 foreign-born in Washington County during this period:



⁶ 1890 data is not included since that year's census was destroyed by fire and only fragments of information remain. Regarding census data from other years, some names may have been omitted due to illegibility.

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An example of censuses examined in this research is the following complete listing of foreign-born in the 1870 census for Washington County:⁷

NAME	OCCUPATION	BIRTH COUNTRY
Adler, Jacob	Retired	Germany
Brady, John	Tanner	Ireland
Cranby, Daniel	Carpenter	Ireland
Effin, Lawrence	Farmer	England
Fosbury, John S.	Farmer	France
Lidderman, Gloria	Housekeeper	Germany
Lockner, Watkins	Farmer	Germany
Prowse, Joseph	Shoemaker	Canada
Turnball, W. S.	Teacher	Scotland

As can be seen from these examples, source areas for Washington County immigrants reflect what is historically known for other portions of the Upland South: many of its immigrants came from the British Isles, and western and northern Europe. Once they arrived, they filled many niches in the labor market. The 1870 census entries show some worked in the primary sector of the economy such as farming; others such as Cranby the carpenter in the manufacturing or secondary sector, while still others such as Lidderman the housekeeper and Turnball the teacher worked in the service or tertiary sector.

The highest number of foreign-born in Washington County was recorded in 1910. This reflects historically the national trend, with 1907 being a peak year of immigration with nearly 1.5 million people admitted into the United States. This falls toward the end of what geographers call the "Century of Mass Migration" with the largest number of immigrants coming to our shores from 1820 to 1920.

Even though the number of foreign-born people living in Washington County from 1850 to 1920 may seem small by some standards, these immigrants' impact in shaping the county's human mosaic is important. They worked the mines and fields, taught the children, tended the stores, and became a part of the community. Today it is difficult to detect vestiges of the cultural landscapes of these immigrants. They have softened to become simply landscapes of America, and the immigrants have become us. We are indeed a nation of immigrants, and Washington County can be proud of its role and that of its immigrants in shaping the state of Tennessee.

Eighty Year Old Mary Hay Proves Point by Fox Hunting

(From microfilm of the Franklin Review and Journal, 23 Dec 1875)

Mrs. Mary Hay and her husband, Mr. James Hay, are one of the oldest and cleverest couples in Williamson County. She is over 80 years of age. Being determined to keep her two favorite dogs from going to the block on account of the tax assessed against them, she 'blowed her horn' and took her pack and went out on horseback last week and chased a fox all around Peytonsville until she caught him. The fox skin is now exhibited as a trophy in her house and with it she intends to remove the encumbrance of the tax levied upon her favorites by the first Tennessee legislature. Such pluck at her age has never been seen in this county.

⁷ 1870 Washington County census, Reels #395 and 396

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PLUNKET

Died in this city Tuesday, 5 July, after a long and painful illness, **Hugh Plunket**, aged 23. A native of Fermaugh, Ireland, he emigrated to Memphis about two years ago. He earned for himself an enviable reputation by the industry, perseverance, and strict integrity which characterized him through life. *-The Daily Appeal, Memphis*, 7 Jul 1853

CARTWRIGHT

Died on Wednesday, 2nd Aug 1843, Mr. Thomas Cartwright in the 80th year of his age. He was one of the early settlers of Davidson County, having emigrated from Virginia in 1780. He was a gallant soldier in many of the Indian wars of the Southwest, a good citizen, and universally respected.

-Nashville Union, 4 Aug 1843

WARREN

Col. James Warren, known as "veteran Greenbacker," died at 11 o'clock last night [25 Mar 1895] at his home two miles east of Selmer. He had been confined to his room following a fall during a sleet storm two years ago. He was 86 and had served three terms in the Tennessee House of Representatives. He was elected in 1844 and again in 1848. In 1880, after 30 years of retirement from politics, he was elected as a Greenbacker and was twice a candidate for Congress on the Greenback ticket. He was honest to a fault, a guileless patriot, and a devoted Christian. He is survived by his wife who is past 80. Burial was in the family graveyard near his home.

-Memphis Appeal, 26 Mar 1895

SHELBY

Clark Moulton Shelby died 5 Oct 1871 in Lyon Co., Ky. He was born in Montgomery Co., Tenn., on 6 May 1814, and was the brother of one of our most esteemed citizens, Mrs. Louisa L. Tompkins with whom he lived for some years in Stewart County. In 1847 he married Helen Lyon of Eddyville, Ky., a cousin of Gen. Lyon, distinguished for his service in 'the lost cause.' -Clarksville Chronicle, 4 Nov 1871

DEATHS Across Tennessee

DELOACH

Died 5 June 1847 at the residence of her husband in Germantown [Shelby County] after a short illness, Mrs. Elizabeth Deloach, consort of William Deloach, Esq., aged about 63. She was an affectionate wife, a devoted mother, and a kind and charitable friend. For many years, she was a member of the Baptist church.

-American Eagle, Memphis, 24 June 1847

McNEAL

Died at her residence in Bolivar, Tenn., on 8th Dec 1846, Mrs. Clarissa McNeal, aged 64. She was the relict of the late Capt. Thomas McNeal, one of the first settlers of Hardeman County.

-The Weekly Appeal, Memphis, 15 Dec 1846

OSBORN

Died in Pulaski on Sunday, 19 July, Mrs. Elizabeth V. [Rankis] Osborn, wife of Caleb Osborn. Born in Rutherford County on 15 Dec 1826, she was 42 when she died. She professed religion at age 12 and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. She and Caleb were married 24 July 1850. She was loved and respected by a large circle of relatives and friends.

-Pulaski Citizen, 24 Jul 1868

WYNN

Died last week near Wheatley in Benton County, Caroline Wynn, wife of Burrel Wynn, aged 65. Her funeral was conducted by Rev. T. R. Luter. -Benton Co. Enterprise, Camden, 15 Nov 1889

RUSHING

Died of consumption 11 Oct 1889 in the 24th year of her age, Mrs. Ida Rushing, wife of R. W. Rushing. She had been in feeble health for several months before her death. A member of the Methodist Episcopal Church South at Rushing's Chapel, she was interred at Rushing's Creek Church. She is survived by her husband and a young boy. A baby died a few weeks before. -Benton Co. Enterprise, Camden, 18 Oct 1889

BROOKS

Miss Bama Brooks died 12 July, 1889. She had been living with her brother, Mr. A. R. Brooks, at Big Sandy for a number of years. She was a lovable young lady of about 21 summers. She was buried at Ramble Creek Cemetery.

-Benton Co. Enterprise, Camden, 9 Jul 1889

HAWKINS

Col. William S. Hawkins, aged 28 years, one month, five days, died 7th Nov 1865 at his residence at 71 Broad Street in Nashville after a short illness. He was a gentleman of rare gifts, and readers of the *Nashville Gazette, the Louisville Journal*, and many other Southern papers are familiar with his name as that of a true and finished poet.

In 1861 he entered the Confederate Army as a major in Gordon's Battalion. He was for a while on the staff of Gen. Joseph Wheeler with the rank of lieutenant colonel, and afterwards was promoted to full colonel and served in the van of the Army in Middle Tennessee until taken prisoner and sent North where he remained in prison until released on the return of peace. The funeral will be at 7 a.m. today. His remains will be forwarded to Winchester and interred in the old family graveyard in the suburbs.

-Nashville Gazette, 8 Nov 1865

CAIN

Died in Washington City on Saturday, 21st Jan., after a lingering illness, Mrs. Martha M. Cain, late of Murfreesborough, Tenn., and daughter of the late Capt. Benjamin Burch of that city. She has left three infant children to the care of relatives.

-National Banner & Whig, Nashville

STEWART

Died on 7th inst. at Glenwood near this city, Mrs. Jane B. Stewart, wife of William M. Stewart, in the 68th year of her age. She was born in Philadelphia, Pa., in May 1803. The funeral will be this evening at 4 o'clock at the Presbyterian Church with interment in City Cemetery.

-Clarksville Chronicle, Sept. 9 &16, 1871

CROW

Died 7 Oct 1880, Andrew Lewis Crow. Pulaski's oldest male citizen. Born in Mercer Co., Ky., 30 May 1804, he came to Pulaski in the fall of 1827. Three years later he married Miss Elvira E. Hahn at Bardstown, Ky., and immediately brought her here where they have resided ever since. He witnessed the building of every house in Pulaski with the exception of four, and retained to the last a vivid recollection of all interesting events connected with the town's early settlement and subsequent growth. He was an active member of the Odd Fellows for 40 years. A genial, sympathetic, and kind man, he is survived by his widow.

- Pulaski Citizen, 14 Oct 1880

MORGAN

Dr. John Morgan, former resident of Murfreesboro, died Thursday, 12 Feb 1891, at Clarksville, Texas. He had been sick for a long time and his death was not unexpected. A former druggist in this city, he was connected with a number of leading families. He married a **Miss Fletcher**, sister of **Squire James F. Fletcher** of Rutherford County's 18th District. At the time of his death, Dr. Morgan was a widower and left no children.

- Murfreesboro Free Press, 20 Feb 1891

DONELSON

Died at Inglewood, residence of **Mrs. Jane P. Donelson**, in this vicinity on 29th June [1853] after a brief but severe illness, **Samuelle Donelson**, aged 2 years and 7 months, youngest child of **Dr. Samuel Donelson**.

- Memphis Daily Appeal, 7 Jul 1853

SIMS

Died on the 17th and 28th of July 1867 at the residence of Col. John A. Sims on Pigeon Roost Road two miles from the city, Mrs. Margaret Sims, his wife, and Walker Brooke Sims, his youngest son, aged 35 and 10 years respectively. She was born in Albemarle Co., Va., in 1831 and subsequently resided in Holly Springs, Miss., until she made her home in Memphis a few years since. She became a member of the Presbyterian Church at age 14, and was married at 15.

- Memphis Appeal, 21 Jul 1867

DEATHS Across Tennessee

FREEMAN

Died at the residence of his father-in-law Joseph Lenow at 8 p.m. on 20 July 1878, Major Edward T. Freeman. He was a Virginian by birth and passed from his state's Military Institute to the field of battle. He served with gallantry under Col. James E. Bailey and later on the staffs of Gens. French and Walthall. Since the war, he has been engaged in commercial life in Memphis. He leaves a wife and one child. - Memphis Avalanche, 21 Jul 1878

BROOKS

Died in Memphis on 8 Sep 1878, Maria Louisa Scruggs, wife of Will S. Brooks. She was 38 years of age. (Bolivar Bulletin and Richmond, Va., papers, please copy.)

In the same issue is the obituary of **Mrs. Rebecca Ely**, aged 60, who died in Memphis on Tuesday, 17 Sep 1878. She was the wife of the late **James S. B. Brooks** and the mother of **Will S. Brooks**. (Bolivar Bulletin, copy.)

- Memphis Appeal, 18 Sep 1878

HAMLET

Mr. John Hamlet died 24 June 1880 at the residence of his son Solon in the 82d year of his age. He was born in Brunswick Co., Va., on 28 Feb 1796. His parents emigrated to Tennessee when he was 14 and settled in Williamson County. Shortly after, they removed to Ohio leaving young Hamlet behind. Fired with martial spirit, he joined the Tennessee Riflemen, serving in two companies in the War of 1812 under Gen. Andrew Jackson. He was at the Battle of Horse Shoe and could recount all the incidents of that memorable combat. After returning home, he settled down to a quiet life near Pulaski and was a respected citizen until his death. He lived in the Parker's Store community.

- Pulaski Citizen-Supplement, 8 July 1880

ARMSTRONG

On 4 Sep 1871, little Mary, aged 5, daughter of Rev. W. H. and Elizabeth Armstrong of this city.

- Clarksville Chronicle, Sept. 9, 1871 ANSEARCHIN' NEWS, Summer 1999

ARNOLD

At Bedford County on 25th inst., Mr. Henry Arnold, 65, brother of Capt. Ed Arnold of Murfreesboro. He served in the 23rd Tennessee Confederate Regiment during the war and was a member of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church.

- Murfreesboro Free Press, 29 July 1881

THARP

Mr. James Tharp, who died at his residence on Bradshaw Creek in the edge of Lincoln County on 3d Aug 1868 lived a rather remarkable life. He was 91 years, 3 months, and 18 days old. He had lived on the place where he died for over 47 years. He never was heard to swear an oath, sing a song, whistle a tune, or utter a prayer; never was intoxicated, and never had a lawsuit. He was respected by all who knew him and had no enemies. The disease of which he died was dropsy.

- Pulaski Citizen, 21 Aug 1868

EZELL

Mr. Gideon P. Ezell, one of our oldest, most respected, and publicspirited citizens, died at his home near Elkton in Giles County of congestive fever at 7 p.m. Tuesday, 8 Sep 1868, aged about 57 years. He was buried at the New Cemetery in this city Wednesday evening with honors of the Odd Fellows of which order he was an honorable and much loved member.

- Pulaski Citizen, 11 Sept 1868

BRIGHT

Died at Fayetteville, Tenn., on 15th March, **Capt. James R. Bright**, aged 48 years 9 months 15 days. He was an able jurist and brave soldier, a loving husband and father, and a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church.

- Pulaski Citizen, 27 Mar 1868

CLAYTON

Died at her residence at the corner of Vance and Walnut streets at 11 o'clock Sunday morning, 29 May 1887 in the 21st year of her age, Mary Mahon Clayton, wife of William Clayton and daughter of Patrick and Bridget Mahon. Funeral services will be Monday at St. Patrick's Church.

- Memphis Daily Avalanche, 30 May 1887

WILLIAMS FUNERAL NOTICE

Friends and acquaintances of Gen. Joseph R. Williams are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of Mrs. Henrie E. Williams today at 10-1/2 o'clock from his residence on the corner of Main and Beal sts., South Memphis.

-Memphis Daily Enquirer, 26 Nov 1847

WILLIAMS

Died suddenly at the residence of Mrs. W. E. Newell near Clarksville on 4th Sep 1871, Dr. T. F. Williams in the 35th year of his age.

- Clarksville Chronicle, Sept. 9, 1871

BROWN

Died in Giles County 4th Feb 1868, Col. Joseph Brown, aged 95 years 6 months 2 days. He emigrated with his father, a Revolutionary officer in the North Carolina line, and family to Tennessee in 1788. His father and brother were massacred by the Indians in that year together with his mother and sisters, and he was captured and held in captivity for a long time. He died on the 58th anniversary of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of which he was one of the founders and was a professed Christian for 80 years. He conducted the first prayer meeting ever held in Maury County to which he invited in person every white inhabitant of the county. A brief history of Col Brown's antecedents and adventures my be found in Ramsey's Annals of Tennessee.¹ It is impossible to portray in this brief notice the many noble traits that adorned his character or to give anything like a synopsis of his daring adventures in the service of his country. - Pulaski Citizen, 7 Feb 1868

DEATHS

Across Tennessee

CARNEY

Gunney Carney, elder of the First Baptist Church of Clarksville, died at age 75 [date of death not given]. Forty-five years of his life were spent as a preacher. He leaves a wife and four children. He gave charge of his church to Elder George Scales by whom his funeral was preached on 12 Oct 1868.

- Clarksville Chronicle 19 Oct 1868

DAUGHTERY

Died near Pulaski on 25 Dec 1867 of consumption, John Daughtery, age 22. Among the first to volunteer at the call of his country, he was an obedient son, affectionate brother, and warmhearted friend. His last words were, "All is well."

- Pulaski Citizen, 10 July 1868

LOCKHART

William Z. Lockhart, son of Samuel and Mary Lockhart, born 29 June 1860, professed religion in 1884, died 31 Oct 1889. He was buried beside his mother at Baker's Chapel.

- Benton Co. Enterprise, Camden, 8 Nov 1889

BOMAR

R. L. "Babe" Bomar, youngest son of **R. J.** and **Martha Bomar**, died at the old homestead two miles west of Camden, the place of his birth, on 12 July 1889. He was born 5 July 1872. - Benton Co. Enterprise, Camden, 19 Jul 1889

ABERNATHY

J. T. Abernathy, former Tennesseean, died 11 Mar 1880 in Medina Co., Tex., after an illness of several months. He was born 8 Jul 1850 in Giles County, and joined the Methodist Episcopal Church South at age 14.

- Pulaski Citizen, 29 Jul 1880

BYRNE

Died in Clarksville on the 29th Oct, Mrs. M. Azzalee Byrne, wife of P. A. Byrne, aged 25. She fell a victim of consumption, a disease that has swept away most of the family name on her side. She leaves a little babe and a kindhearted husband.

- Clarksville Chronicle, 4 Nov 1871 ANSEARCHIN' NEWS, Summer 1999

NICHOLS

Died at his home near Carter's Creek Station in Maury County on 10 Sep [1868], Mr. John A. Nichols, formerly of Pulaski. Only a few days before his death, he paid his old friends here a short visit and seemed to be in the enjoyment of perfect health.

- Pulaski Citizen, 18 Sep 1868

BISHOP

Rev. Jonathan Bishop, aged 76 years 2 months 12 days, died of congestive fever 8 Sep 1870 at his home in Knox County after nine days' illness. He spent 42 years in the ministry, and leaves a wife and 10 children.

- Knoxville Whig, 13 Sep 1870

NEWMAN

Tazewell W. Newman of Franklin County died at his residence near Winchester on Friday, 2 Oct 1868, after a somewhat protracted illness. He was speaker of the Tennessee Senate during the 1860-61 session, and was a colonel of the 17th Tennessee Confederate Regiment during the war.

- Clarksville Chronicle 9 Oct 1868

NEBLETT

Died at Paducah, Ky., on 2 Aug 1866, Mrs. Phoeba Eliza Neblett, wife of John N. Neblett of Clarksville, in the 37th year of her age. She had been a communicant of the Baptist Church for 20 years. A good, pure Christian woman, she was a devoted wife, and tender, watchful mother.

- Clarksville Chronicle, 24 Aug 1866

LAMBETH

Mrs. Marcella Lambeth, relict of C. H. Lambeth, died 21 Apr 1880, aged 64 years 2 months 12 days. Born in Giles County 8 Feb 1816, she united with the Methodist Episcopal Church while in her teens, and in 1838 she and her husband joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church which had been organized in Pulaski. Survived by six children, she died at the residence of her son-in-law, N. S. Beasley, at Lester's Station., Tenn. Her remains were brought to Pulaski and, after funeral services conducted by G. N. Wall at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. F. W. Rudd, were interred in the new cemetery. - Pulaski Citizen, 6 May 1880

¹ The book identifies Joseph's father as Col. James Brown. Joseph had four brothers and four sisters. His father, two brothers, and three brothers-in-law were killed by the Indians at Nickajack. Joseph and two of his sisters, Jane, 10, and Polly, 5,were held prisoners for nearly a year. Contrary to the obituary, his mother, a sister [name not given], 7, and brother George, 9, were held in captivity for 17 months. Joseph was 17 when released in a prisoner exchange in Apr 1789. Five years later he was a member of an expedition sent to the Nickajack area to defend the Mero District against the Creeks and Cherokees of the Lower Towns.

HARTMAN

Michael Hartman, over 72 years of age, died on Christmas Day [1878] after an illness of three months. He suffered from dyspepsia. He married three times and raised a large family of good children. When he was first brought to his bed, he said he would never get well and that he would die on Christmas Day. Both of these prophecies were fulfilled. Mr. Hartman was buried with Masonic honors last Saturday.

- Clarksville Chronicle, 4 Jan 1879

ANDERSON

Mary B. Anderson was born at "Bleak Hill," King William Co., Va., on 4 Mar 1807 and died in Clarksville on 11 Dec 1878. She descended from one of the oldest and best known families of Virginia. In this line were Secretary William Nelson of colonial memory and his son, Thomas Nelson, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and governor of Virginia. She was left early in life a widow with six children to rear.

- Clarksville Chronicle, 4 Jan 1879

BOOKER

It is our sad duty to record the death of Mrs. Julia A. Booker, wife of our esteemed fellow townsman Capt. Mat Booker of the I.C.R.R. She died in Atlanta, Ga., the 16th Nov., after a protracted illness and was buried in Bartow Co., Ga. She leaves six children and a grief-stricken husband.

- West Tennessee Whig, Jackson, 29 Nov 1884

HAYS

Died at the residence of James Walker, Esq., in Columbia on Friday evening the 17th inst., Miss Mary Jane Hays, daughter of Gen. Samuel J. Hays of Jackson and recently a member of the Columbia Female Institute.

- West Tennessee Whig, Jackson, 9 Mar 1849

EMBREE

Departed this life on the evening of the 9th inst. after a long illness which she bore with Christian meekness and resignation, Mrs. Susannah Embree, consort of Mr. Elijah Embree, in the 27th year of her age. She was for many years a worthy member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

- Jonesboro Journal, 16 Dec 1825

DEATHS Across Tennessee

HARRISON

Died at Murfreesboro on 26 Sept 1834, Mr. Alexander B. Harrison, second son of Joseph Harrison of this vicinity in the 25th year of his age. The deceased was an amiable man, few more so. He bore patiently his long and fatal disease, and left behind a numerous circle of friends and acquaintances to mourn their loss and weep over his early grave.

- Central Monitor, Murfreesboro, 11 Oct 1834

FITZGERALD

Mr. M. Fitzgerald, old time citizen of a most substantial and respected character, died this morning at 9 o'clock of pneumonia at his home on Main street near Jackson. He leaves a widow and a family of grown-up children who are well-to-do and most esteemed members of society. He was about 55 and had lived in Memphis 30 or 40 years. He was a member of the Catholic Knights of America. The funeral will be tomorrow at 9 from St. Joseph's Church.

- Memphis Public Ledger, 9 Feb 1887

HARRIS

The Memphis Appeal of the 1st inst. says news reached there yesterday of the death of George L. Harris at San Antonio from consumption. The son of the late Judge W. A. Harris, he was born in Henry Co., Tenn., in 1844 and consequently at the time of his death was only in his 29th year. He was a nephew of ex-Gov. Isham Harris.

- Paris Intelligencer, 13 Nov 1873

MURRAY

Capt A. J. Murray, a native of Scotland and for more than 15 years assistant engineer of Shelby County, died at 6 o'clock this morning. He was about 48 years of age and a prominent member of Leila Scott Lodge F&AM, and also was a conspicuous soldier on the Southern side during the late Civil War. -Memphis Public Ledger, 16 Feb 1887

HOOFMAN

Died at his residence in the 19th District, Henry County, on the 6th inst. **Mr. Jacob Hoofman** at the advanced age of 90. A native of Virginia, he had lived in West Tennessee over 30 years. He had been blind for more than two years. He was an honest man, a good citizen, and highly respected by his acquaintances.

- Paris Intelligencer, 13 Nov 1873

TAYLOR

Col. N. G. Taylor, father of Gov. R. L. Taylor and the Hon. A. A. Taylor, died at his residence at Johnson City, East Tennessee, at 5 o'clock yesterday. He was one of the great Whig leaders in his day, an elegant Methodist minister, and in point of oratory, force, and nobility of character, one of the foremost men the state has produced. He married a sister of the late Col. Landon C. Haynes, who survives him and six or seven grown children. -Memphis Public Ledger, 2 Apr 1887

TAYLOR

Mrs. Emmeline Taylor, widow of Nat G. Taylor and mother of Gov. Taylor, died of pneumonia Sunday morning (16 Nov 1890) at the residence of another son, Alf A. Taylor, in Johnson City. She was a sister of Landon C. Haynes, famous antebellum orator. Her husband was a Methodist preacher, commissioner of Indian affairs under Buchanan, and a member of Congress.

- Murfreesboro Free Press, 21 Nov 1890

McCONNICO

Mr. L. B. McConnico, well known and popular commercial traveler of this city, died suddenly at Decatur, Ala., night before last (17 June 1887). His remains arrived here last night and will be taken to Brownsville this morning for interment. He was about 40 years of age and a native of Franklin, (Williamson Co.), Tenn.

- Memphis Avalanche, 19 June 1887

MURRELL

Died in Jackson Tuesday evening 12 Nov 1861, Mrs. E. D. Murrell, wife of James Murrell and daughter of Rev. A. H. Dashiell, D.D.

- West Tennessee Whig, Jackson, 15 Nov 1861

Shelby Co., Tenn., Survey Book B

Abstracted by Jean Alexander West (Continued from Spring 1999 issue)

The following transcript of Survey Book B does not include Pages 253 and 254 of Survey Book B which were missing from the photocopy of the original book. Plats are included with each entry. Unless stated otherwise, all surveys through September 1849 were certified by John Wherry. Photocopies are available at the Memphis/ Shelby County Archives, 33 S. Front, Memphis, TN 38103.

Page 152, #346 - 1 Jun 1849: Samuel Leake, 176 acres in Range 4, Sec. 3, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Thomas M. Garthright. Adjoins Leake's 133 acres, J. W. Royster, and Wilson Wade. From original certified 9 Dec 1837 by John Wherry, surveyed by John W. Henry.

#339 - 11 May 1849: L. Henderson, 190 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Eppy White. Adjoins Robert Fearn, assignee of B. F. D. Turner. Crosses Nonconnah Creek twice, * adjoins Silas Haralson property. From original certified 2 Jul 1835 by James H. Graves, surveyed by John Wherry. Chain carriers: Ermas (?) Jourdin, Fearn Titus.

Page 153, #331 - 1 Mar 1849: Reading [Redden] Corbitt, 100 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1 including his home place, being the western half of his occupant's claim located by Thomas Thomas. Adjoins Thomas, Henry A. Young, and old State line. From original certified 19 Nov 1830 by John D. Graham and surveyed by John Wherry.

#324 - 1 Oct 1848: William Trusedel, 100 acres as enlargement of his 97 acres in Range 4, Sec. 5. Adjoins his 97 acres, Beaver Dam Creek and crosses creek. From original certified 25 Apr 1846 by John J. Long, surveyed by John Wherry.

Page 154, #347 - 2 June 1849: Blake Huskey, 140 acres in Range 4, Sec. 2, including and excluding from complement 60 acres in name of John Brashers [plat shows 200 acres] being balance of his occupant's claim as assignee of John Brasher [#708]. Adjoins Samuel Wilson. From original certified 4 Aug 1832 by S. B. Choate, surveyed by John Wherry.

#348 - 4 Jun 1849: **B. Blackwood**, 200 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including his occupant's claim as assignee of **Wm. D. Freeman**, which was transferred to **Peter Peterson**. Adjoins **Snow & Doty**, **Wm. A. Tharpe**, **Wm. Shepherd**, **Robert Sanders**. From original certified 16 Jul 1834 by John D. Graham, surveyed by John Wherry.

Page 155, #349 - 18 Jun 1849: William Griffin, 815 acres on waters of Loosa Hatchie in Range 5, Sec. 3, including occupant's claim as assignee of F. M. Weatheread, R. McConnell, and John W. Smith. Adjoins Joshua Hardin, crosses Hardin's Creek, Wm. P. Reaves, A. Redditt, Pascal Buckley, Thomas Anderson, Jesse Wylie, Jesse Lynn, Henry Powell, and John Gunter. Certified 15 Jun 1849 by John Wherry. Chain carriers: Wm. Griffin, G. Griffin.

Page 156, #267 - 16 Jul 1846: John Wood, 150 acres in Range 6, Sec. 2, adjoining Fletcher's Creek, Abner Powers, Edward Deason. Certified 12 Jul 1846 by M. A. Kerr. Chain carriers: Richard Towns, Lowry Deason.

#341 - 3 Apr 1849: Edward Freeman, 162 acres in Range 5, Sec. 5. Adjoins Jesse Osburne, crosses Beaver Dam Creek, W. Williams. From original certified 27 May 1845 by M. A. Kerr, surveyed by John Wherry.

Page 157, #334 - 1 Mar 1849: Tabitha Evatts, 71 acres in Range 6, Sec. 4 including occupant's claim. Adjoins Thomas Henderson, president and trustees. Certified 27 Jun 1827 by John Ralston. Chain carriers: David Givins, James H. Evatts.

#333 - 1 Mar 1849: James R. Harrell, 200 acres on Big Creek in Range 6, Sec. 4 including occupant's claim as assignee of Joseph McDaniel. Adjoins Charles Crenshaw, crosses Big Creek, crosses Crooked Creek. Certified 20 Apr 1836 by John Ralston; chain carriers: Dennis Smith, Stephen Harrison.

Page 158, #332 - 1 Mar 1849: James R. Harrell, 200 acres on north side of Loosa Hatchie in Range 6, Sec. 4, including occupant's claim. Adjoins John Webb, Richard Fenner's 5,000 acres, Tabitha Evatts. Certified 7 Apr 1828 by John Ralston. Chain carriers: John K. Folia, Samuel G. Evatts.

#284 - 3 May 1847: Elijah Pullam, 119 acres in Range 6, Sec. 2 including occupant's claim as assignee of Highland Bland. Adjoins heirs of Benjamin Robins, Fletcher's Creek, Richard Wallice, John Woods, Shaw & Craig. Certified 12 Aug 1846 by M. A. Kerr.

Page 159, #271 - 2 Oct 1846: Joseph Kelly, 346 acres in Range 4, Sec. 5 including occupant's claim as assignee of James Kuykendall and Hosea Brown. Adjoins John Donelson, James P. Taylor, Harwell. Certified 31 Jan 1846 by M. A. Kerr, surveyed by John Wherry.

The plat shows the line crosses the creek four times.

#327 - 5 Oct 1848: James F. West, 100 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1, including occupant's claim as assignee of Mason Nail. Adjoins Howard Owen. Certified 28 Nov 1838 by John Wherry.

Page 160, #328 - 3 Jul 1848: William Reyner, 98 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including mill claim on Wolf River as assignee of Lewis Irwin. Adjoins V. Leake's 300 acres. Certified from original on 19 Jun 1835 by P. R. Tipton, surveyed by John Wherry.

#293 - 10 Oct 1847: William Griffin, 34 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, adjoining George E. Hunter. Certified Jun 1843 by John Wherry.

Page 161, #338 - 10 Mar 1849: Henry A. Young, 24 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, in Shelby and Fayette counties. Adjoins E. Snow, L. H. Coe, Winfry. Certified 7 Mar 1849 by M. A. Kerr.

#351 - 13 Jul 1849: **B. H. Eddins**, 80 acres in Range 6, Sec. 3, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Ulises (?) Spalding. Adjoins Pillow & Brads____'s 580 acres, John Kendy, George Doherty. Certified 13 Jul 1849 by John Wherry. Chain carriers: **B. H. Eddins**, Wm. Bullard (?).

Page 162, #290 - 1 Oct 1847: Heirs of Nathaniel Moore, 200 acres in Range 6, Sec. 4, including occupant's claim improvement as assignee of Dennis Smith. Adjoins Thomas Henderson's 208 acres, Alexander McCullock, Charles Crenshaw. Certified 19 Aug 1836 by John Ralston.

#272 - 2 Nov 1846: Wm. D. McNight, 97 acres in Range 8, Sec. 4, including occupant's claim. Adjoins 3500-acre grant #110, Isaac B. Hickerson, Moses Hickerson, George Doherty. Certified 30 Aug 1836 by John Ralston.

Page 163, #228 - 10 Feb 1846: Heirs of Peter Peterson, 250 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, adjoining Robert Sanders, Jr., crossing Wolf River twice. From original certified 3 Feb 1837. Surveyed by John Wherry, with chain carriers John McLean, P. Peterson.

#337 - 10 Apr 1849: Edward D. Hale, 200 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3 including occupant's claim. Adjoins his occupant's claim. From original certified 27 Nov 1827 by John Ralston. Surveyed by John Wherry.

Page 164, #355 - 3 Aug 1849: Henry Powell, 200 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Abner Hazlewood. Adjoins Jesse Lynne, George E. Hunter. From original certified 25 Feb 1833 by H. Bate, surveyed by John Wherry.

#354 - 3 Aug 1849: Thomas Wherry, 165 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including his occupant's claim as assignee of James Shinault. Adjoins John Wherry, James R. Horn, F. C. Thurman. Certified 15 Mar 1838 by John Wherry.

Page 165, #358 - 15 Aug 1849: Milton A. Kerr, 78 acres on Loosa Hatchie River in Range 7, Sec. 3. Adjoins college president and trustees' 228 acres, S. Abbott, Richard Fenner, John Stocks, J. Harrell [blurred]. Certified 10 Jul 1848 by M. A. Kerr. Chain carriers: James Harrell, A. B. Graves.

#350 - 19 Jun 1849: John Logan, 105 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including that part of occupant claim of Robert Sanders, Jr., which was alloted to him in division of Peter Peterson estate. Adjoins Josiah DeLoach. Certified Jul 1848 by John Wherry.

Page 166, #353 - 3 Aug 1849: William Wylie, 159 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Meredith Bazby/Bugby. Adjoins Peter C. Gilmore, John Taurman, Edwin Herring, John Donelson, and Robert Anderson. From original survey Mar 1833 by H. Bate, certified by John Wherry.

#356 -3 Aug 1849: James Ferguson, 100 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Hiram Hardin. Adjoins Joshua Hardin. Certified 1 Nov 1839 by John Wherry.

Page 167, #357 - 7 Aug 1849: John D. Hines, 25 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including occupant's claim as assignee of James Shinault. Adjoins Walter Shinault, James Shinault's 200 acres. Certified 15 Mar 1838 by John Wherry. Chain carriers: A. J. Wherry, S. A. P. Wherry.

#359 - 13 Aug 1849: William Hamner, 51 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Sampson Nutt and Bethany Church. Adjoins Hamner's 200 acres, Bethany Church lot, Sampson Nutt, G. W. Randle, J. H. Langham Certified 15 Nov 1838 by John Wherry.

Page 168, #364 - 14 Aug 1849: Wilson Loyd, 106 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including occupant's claim as assignee of Richard Leake. Adjoins John and Sam'l Staggs. Certified 12 Nov 1838 by John Wherry.

#365 - 14 Aug 1849: John Kirk, 200 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Meshack Gowin. Adjoins Peter Peterson, Wolf River. Certified 14 Aug 1840 by John Wherry.

Page 169, #360 - 10 Aug 1849: Benjamin Askew, 201 acres in Range 4, Sec. 2, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Henry

H. Nichols and spring lot as assignee of Benjamin Strong. Adjoins Joseph T. Allen, John Brashears. From original 30 Nov 1832 survey by **H.** Bate, certified by John Wherry.

#361- 2 Aug 1849: Joseph T. Allen, 33 acres in Range 4, Sec. 2, including occupant's claim as assignee of William Strong. Adjoins James H. Johnson, Allen's spring lot. From original 15 Nov 1845 survey by W. A. Wherry, certified by John Wherry.

Page 170, #362 - 6 Aug 1849: Turner Person, 200 acres on Wolf River in Range 7, Sec. 2, including his occupant's claim as assignee of James Scott. Adjoins Thomas Powers, William Lakey, Abner Bowen. From original 18 Aug 1831survey by John D. Graham, certified by John Wherry.

#363 - 6 Aug 1849: **R. L. Starkes**, 100 acres in Range 8, Sec. 4, including his occupant's claim as assignee of James Carrel. Adjoins James Rembert, Wilson Cage, and George Doherty's 2500 acres. From original 12 Nov 1838 survey by John Ralston, certified by John Wherry.

Page 171, #366 - 14 Aug 1849: Thomas J. Simmons, 10 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1, including occupant's claim as assignee of William Nutt. Adjoins Benjamin Williamson. Certified 18 Dec 1848 by John Wherry.

#367 - 14 Aug 1849: Theophalus Rogers, 214 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including occupant's claim as assignee of B. B. Spears. Adjoins William Rutledge, Cumberland College trustees' 610 acres, John Nutt, William Hamner, Bethany Church lot, Reid & Butler. Certified 13 Nov 1838 by John Wherry.

Page 172, #368 - 14 Aug 1849: Heirs of Thomas Bazemore, 58 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1, including his occupant's claim as assignee of William Nutt. Adjoins G. W. Randle, Thomas J. Simmons. Certified 14 Aug 1849 by John Wherry.

#369 - 14 Aug 1849: Heirs of William Stone, 53 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Fred Counce, William Nutt, and J. H. Langham. Adjoins David Baxter. Certified 7 Nov 1841 by John Wherry.

Page 173, #370 - 14 Aug 1849: **Benjamin Strong**, 165 acres in Range 5, Sec. 2, including occupant's claim as assignee of **James H**. **Johnson**. Adjoins **John Brashears**, **Robert Williams**, trustees of Cumberland College, **Joseph T**. **Allen**'s springs lot, **Benjamin Askew**. From original surveyed 15 Aug 1834 by **H**. **Bate**, certified by **John Wherry**.

#371 - 14 Aug 1849: James G. Houston, 84 acres in Range 4, Sec. 2, including his occupant's claim as assignee of Phillip Mason. Adjoins Willis Sawyers, trustees of Cumberland College, Reid & Butler, Henry McKenny. From original surveyed 4 May 1830 by J. D. Graham, certified by John Wherry.

Page 174, #392 - 3 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 200 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Adjoins H. Hurt, bank of Nonconnah Creek, J. Turner, J. H. Russell. From original 1831 survey by John D. Graham, certified by John Wherry.

#391-3 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 300 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Adjoins Clingham & Poindexter's 2,000 acres, J. L. Davis, C. Snider, J. H. Russell. From original 1835 survey by John D. Graham, certified by John Wherry.

Page 175, #395 - 2 Oct 1849: James Hughes, 200 acres on Loosa Hatchie River, Range 4, Sec. 4. Adjoins Lewis Herring, S. J. Hays, John Willis, Bryan H. Glisson, S. J. Hayes, Samuel Leake. Certified by John Wherry (no date).

#396 - 2 Oct 1849: James Hughes, 400 acres, Range 4, Sec. 4. Adjoins Lewis Herring, Hopkins & McLemore, John Donelson, F. M. Weatheread, Andrew Wherry, John Bigley/Briley. Certified by John Wherry 26 May 1843.

Page 176, #397 - 2 Oct 1849: Surveyed and awarded to Samuel J. Hays, 1,400 acres on Loosa Hatchie River in Range 4, Sec. 4. Adjoins Hays' 640 acres, Alexander Huchason, John M. Thomas, Fayette County line, Peter Ammon. Certified 26 May 1843/5 by John Wherry.

#398 - 2 Oct 1849: Samuel P. Walker, 1,000 acres in Range 4, Secs. 4 & 5. Adjoins Beaver Dam Creek, Loosa Hatchie River, John Thomas, Alexander Huchason, Samuel J. Hays, John Willis, Godfry Carrigin, James Manasco, McLemore, Elam Thomas, William Hill. Certified 27 May 1843 by John Wherry.

Page 178, #399 - 2 Oct 1849: James Hughes, 400 acres Range 6, Sec. 2. Adjoins Wolf River, Frances Wright, John Brown, E. Bunch, M. Hale, Joseph McDowell's 5,000 acres, Joseph Choate. Certified 28 May 1843 by John Wherry.

#401 -- 2 Oct 1849: Robert I. Chester, 165 acres on Loosa Hatchie River, Range 6 (?), Sec. 4. Adjoins H. Bate, heirs of Alexander McDonald, George M. Williams. Certified 18 Sep 1848 by Milton A. Kerr. Chain carriers: Jos/Jas Bledsoe, M. A. Kerr.

Page 179, #400 - 2 Oct 1849: Samuel P. Walker, 2,000 acres in Ranges 8 & 9, Secs. 4 & 5. Adjoins George Doherty, W. Harrell, John C. Johnson, David Royster, John Overton, Whit (?) Harall, McLemore & Brashears, heirs of Jesse Benton, Joel W.

Royster. Certified 29 May 1845 by John Wherry.

Page 180, #402 - 2 Oct 1849: Samuel P. Walker, 244 acres in Range 8, Sec. 4. Adjoins George Doherty, John C. Johnson. From original Nov 1837 survey by John Wherry.

#394 - 3 Sep 1849: Collins Persons, 57 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1. Adjoins Doty & Snow, Peterson. Surveyed 19 Apr 1847 for M. A. Kerr by L. C. Graves. Chain carriers: C. Persons, J. H. Brown.

Page 181, #402 - 1 Oct 1849: Wm. H. Robertson, 193 acres in Range 7, Sec. 1 adjoining Thomas Holeman, Holeman & Cothram, E. Day, Brice Collins, Thos. H. Persons, James Kimble. Certified 18 Mar 1841 by John Wherry.

#403 - 3 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 100 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1 adjoining James L./S. Hunt, C. Snider. From original 1831 survey by John D. Graham, certified by John Wherry.

Page 182, #404 - 3 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams**, 61 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1 on President's Island in Mississippi River. Adjoins William Persons, John Overton, William Lawrence. Certified Jan 1846, M. A. Kerr, John Wherry.

#405 - 3 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams**, 1, 250 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1 on President's Island at bank of Eastern Chute from mouth of Nonconnah Creek. Adjoins **Wm. Thompson**, crosses lake. From original 25 Oct 1821 survey by **Wm. Law-rence**, certified by John Wherry.

Page 183, #406 - 3 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams**, 1,950 acres in Ranges 8 & 9, fraction of Sec. 3. Adjoins Alexander McCullock's 3,000-acre grant (#41), Mississippi River, meanders with river to Island Chute opposite Island #40, **A. Dowell.** Certified Sep 1847 by M. A. Kerr, John Wherry.

#407 - 3 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams**, 79 acres in Range 8, Sec. 3. Adjoins Wilson Sanderlin, A. Bayles, Sanderlin's 80-acre grant. Certified 17 Aug 1846 by M. A. Kerr, John Wherry.

Page 184, #408 - 3 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams,** 200 acres in Range 9, Sec. 1. Adjoins William Little's 2,250 acres at east chute of President's Island, Nonconnah Creek. Certified May 1847 by **M. A. Kerr, John Wherry.**

#409 - 3 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 71 acres in Range 8, Sec. 3. Adjoins Wilson Sanderlin as assignee of John Ross, crosses Loosa Hatchie River twice. Certified 10 Aug 1846 by John Wherry.

Page 185, #410-3 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams**, 100 acres on President's Island in Mississippi River in Range 9, Sec. 1. Adjoins John Overton, meanders with river, William Lawrence. Certified Jan 1846 by **M. A. Kerr**.

#411-5 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 500 acres in Range 8, Sec. 1. Adjoins Joseph Seawell, Person, A. W. Overton. From original 4 Oct 1821 survey by William Lawrence, certified by John Wherry.

Page 186, #412 - 3 Sep 1847: H. B. S. Williams, 102 acres in Range 8, Sec. 3. Adjoins John W. Fuller, Z. H. Gordan, heirs of William Brinkley's 1,197 acres. From copy of records in my office, John Wherry.

#413 - 3 Sep 1849: L. C. Graves, 230 acres on President's Island in Mississippi River in Range 9, Sec. 1. Adjoins A. B. Carr, batture at east chute, William Person. Certified 8 Jan 1846 by M. A. Kerr, John Wherry.

Page 187, #414 - _ Sep 1849: James Turner, 300 acres in Range 9, Sec. 1. Adjoins Alexander Maybin, John D. Graham, the Mississippi River and President's Island, south to near the mouth of Nonconnah Creek, William Little's 2,250 acres, William Person's 2,500 acres. From copy in my office, John Wherry.

#417 - 3 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 400 acres in Range 4, Sec. 4. Adjoins Lewis Herring, Hopkins & McLemore, John Donelson, F. M. Weatheread, Andrew Wherry, Jesse Briley. From office copy, John Wherry.

Page 188, #418 - 5 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 400 acres in Range 6, Sec. 2. Adjoins Frances Wright's 180 acres, John Brown, M. Hale, Joseph McDowell, Joseph Choate. From office copy, John Wherry.

Page 189, #419 - 5 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 1,000 acres [plat shows 100 acres] in Range 4, Secs. 4 & 5 on Beaver Dam Creek and Loosa Hatchie River. Adjoins John M. Thomas' 160 acres, John Thomas' 1,280 acres, Alex Hichason, S. J. Hays, Willis, Godfry Carrigan, James Mansaco, McLemore, Elam Thomas, and William Hillis. From office copy, John Wherry.

Page 190, #421 - 5 Sep 1849: H. B. S. Williams, 2,000 acres in Ranges 8 & 9, Secs. 4 & 5. Adjoins George Doherty, W. Harell, John C. Johnson, David Royster, John Overton, Whitfield Harell, McLemore & Bryan, Jesse Benton, J. W. Royster, John Wherry. From office copy, John Wherry.

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THE HIDDEN HALF OF THE FAMILY. A Sourcebook for Women's Genealogy by Christina Kassabian Schaefer. 8-1/2 x 11" softcover, 310 pp., illustrated and indexed. 1999. \$35 plus \$3.50 postage & handling. [Maryland residents add 5% sales tax, Michigan residents 6%.] Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202.

Having trouble finding information on your women ancestors? Conventional sources for genealogical records don't always provide easy answers in this case. For centuries women were not allowed to own real estate in their own name, sign a deed, devise a will, or enter into contracts. Christina Schaefer suggests that the key to unraveling the identity of female ancestors is to look at records in light of women's legal status at the particular time in which they lived. She advises a close look at areas where the female ancestor interacts with the government and legal system -- instances where law, precedent, and even custom mandate the unequivocal identification of all parties, male and female. Her sourcebook highlights both federal and state laws which indicate when a woman could own real estate in her name, devise a will, enter into contracts, etc. The introductory part of the book deals with special ways women are dealt with in federal records, and the bulk of the reference work is devoted to the individual states. In Tennessee, for instance, marriages were first recorded in county records in 1787 but statewide registration didn't begin until 1945. Under Tennessee's early divorce laws, the state legislature granted divorces from 1797 to 1858, and county circuit courts also handled divorces from 1809 to 1835. Eight key categories of genealogical information on women are listed for each state, along with suggested sources.

TENNESSEEANS IN COURT. 2.500 Early Settlers Found in Supreme Court Reports 1791-1820 by Charles A. Sherrill. 5-1/2x8-1/2" hardcover, 235 pp. including full-name index. \$33 including postage & handling. Tennessee residents add \$2.50 tax. Published by author, 1023 Waters Edge Circle, Mt. Juliet, TN 37122.

Charles Sherrill has contributed still another helpful resource for the Tennessee genealogical researcher. In this book, he has gleaned the names of 2,500 early settlers mentioned in Tennessee Supreme Court reports from 1791 through 1820. Most of the legal details found in the collection known as *Tennessee Reports* have been omitted, giving researchers a less formidable and quicker approach to the information in these long-ago court cases. For those wishing to read the full details of any of the cases covered in this era, each entry is prefaced with the volume and page number on which it appeared in the *Reports*. These can be used for ordering a copy of the full report from the Tennessee State Library & Archives¹ or looking up the case in local libraries having sets of *Tennessee Reports*. Sherrill includes a brief but useful explanation of the Tennessee court system in the introduction to his book. Both civil and criminal cases are covered, including some land grant cases involving Revolutionary and early occupant grants. Additional volumes of similar Supreme Court records are planned in the coming years.

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN MICHAEL KREIDER OF MONTGOMERY CO., PA., Crider Families of Va., Ky., and Tenn. by Rebecca L. Blackwell. 5-1/2x8-1/2" softcover, 180 pp. including full-name index. \$25 including postage & handling. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540E Pointer Ridge Pl., Bowie, MD 20716

Nine generations of Kreider/Crider families have been born in America since 20-year old Michael Kreider signed the passenger list of the ship "Samuel" in 1732 and left Rotterdam for Philadelphia. He became a blacksmith and owner of a grist mill in Hatfield Township, Philadelphia County (later Montgomery County), Pa., and today -- 267 years later -- he has a two-year old descendant, William Blackwell Wood, living in Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn. In between are Kreider/Criders of every declension and spelling. The family name became Crider after Michael's son Daniel moved to Pittsylvania Co., Va., in 1786. Four of his 11 children migrated to Tennessee, settling in Gibson and Carroll counties, and their descendants in turn scattered as they moved westward. The author, a seventh generation descendant, was born in Corinth, Miss., and is now a special education teacher in Maryland. Entries in this succinct but well done family history include birth, death, and marriage dates along with numerous anecdotes and family histories.

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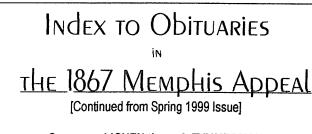
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In Montgomery County ---

Aged Veteran Gets Pension After 58 Years

The Clarksville Chronicle reported in its issue of 18 Dec 1871 that Rev. Robert Crank, an old citizen of Montgomery County and a soldier of the War of 1812, had been granted a pension -- 58 years after enlisting in the service of his country.

By the time the pension was awarded, Crank was 82 years of age. He and his elderly wife lived on a small farm he owned about six miles from Clarksville.

Crank enlisted in 1813 in Abington, Va., and was signed up by Lt. Mackey who was under Capt. Charlton of the 12th Regiment of Virginia Regulars. He served a while on the Canadian border.

Although the size of the annual pension was small, the Chronicle reported, it was expected to be of great benefit to the aged couple.

The necessary papers for obtaining the pension were prepared and forwarded by W. A. Jackson, Esq., a young attorney of Clarksville.

Humphreys County Land Sold For Unpaid 1869 Taxes

R. W. Cooley, collector of the railroad tax for Humphreys County, submitted to the county court in its fall 1871 session a list of tracts of land or town lots on which taxes were due and unpaid for the 1869 tax year. Cooley reported that the owners of the properties involved had no goods and chattels in the county on which he could distrain for the taxes. The court ordered the property to be sold as directed by the law. The following list was run as a legal notice in the *Nashville Union & American* on 26 Aug 1871 by **H. M.** Little, court clerk.

DISTRICT 1

Hambleton, J. W. - acreage on Richland Creek, value - \$2,000; total owed (unpaid tax plus costs) = \$20.00

DISTRICT 2

- Trabec, A. C. acreage, value \$800; total owed \$10.40
- Mathis, J. B. house & lot in Johnsonville, value \$125; total owed = \$9.00
- Prichard, Alten & Co. 1 town lot in Johnsonville, value \$250; total owed - \$6.00
- Webb, W. C. 1 town lot in Johnsonville, value \$300; total owed -\$6.40
- Mack & Bros. house & lot in Johnsonville, value \$700, total owed -\$9.60

DISTRICT 3

- Warren, Bryan tract of land, value \$150, total owed \$5.20
- Hargus, George tract, value \$150; total owed \$5.20
- Jones, R. W. W. tract, value- \$60; total owed \$7.80
- McCraw, C., heirs of tract, value \$1,100; total owed \$12.80
- Weakley, J. A., heirs of tract, value \$535; total owed \$8.28
- Waggoner, E. tract, value \$880; total owed \$11.00
- Waggoner, E., as guardian for H. L. Harmon tract, value \$1,000; total owed - \$12.00
- Crockett, Sallie tract, value \$1,250; total owed \$14.00

DISTRICT 4

Whetfield, J. H. - tract of land; value - \$300; total owed - \$9.45

DISTRICT 5

Adams, Sylvester, heirs of - tract, value - \$1,000; total owed- \$12.00 Bishop, Jeremiah - tract, value - \$100; total owed - \$4.80 Carroll, H. - tract, value \$100, total owed - \$4.80 Merriwether, _____- tract, value - \$300; total owed - \$6.40

DISTRICT 6

McKinnon, Norman - tract, value - \$300; total owed - \$6.40 Priestly, Mrs. - tract, value - \$400; total owed - \$7.00

DISTRICT 7

Harris, J. M., heirs of - tract, value - \$800; total owed - \$6.40 Hobbs, W. H. - tract, value - \$650; total owed - \$9.20 Toland, J., heirs of - tract, value - \$700; total owed - \$9.60

DISTRICT 8

Graham, ___ - tract; value - \$200; total owed - \$5.60 Larkins, John - tract; value - \$1,375; total owed - \$15.00 Mason, Joe - tract; value - \$4,000; total owed - \$36.00

DISTRICT 9

Love, J. N. - tract; value - \$775; total owed - \$10.20 Grey, Tabitha, heirs of - tract; value - \$300; total owed - \$6.40



DISTRICT 10

Donegan, J. C. - tract; value - \$1,250; total owed - \$14.00 Chust, L. M. - tract; value - \$2,300; total owed - \$22.40 Walker, H. K., heirs of - tract; value - \$2,500; total owed - \$24.00 Jenkins, R. P., heirs of - tract; value - \$2,500; total owed - \$24.00 Dobbins, J. T. - 3 land entries; value - \$4,000; total owed - \$36.00

DISTRICT 11

Jamison, G. P. - tract; value - \$100; total owed - \$4.80 Forrest, John, heirs of - tract; value \$2,000; total owed - \$20.00 Lorance, David - tract; value - \$120; total owed - \$4.90

DISTRICT 12

Swindle, W. E. - tract; value - \$200; total owed - \$5.60 Mack & Bros. - tract; value - \$1,600; total owed - \$16.80 Langly, William - tract; value - \$625; total owed - \$9.20 Semple & Son - tract; value - \$650; total owed - \$9.20 Wallace & Ringle - tract; value - \$625; total owed - \$9.00 Lowery, J. B., heirs of - tract; value - \$100; total owed - \$4.80

UNDESIGNATED DISTRICT

Hall, A. - tract of land; value - \$525; total owed - \$8.20 Hopkins, J. F. - tract of land; value - \$3,000; total owed - \$28.00

Cumberland University Graduates 23

Commencement exercises of the Law Department of Cumberland University were held at Lebanon, Tenn., on 6 Jul 1871, with diplomas being conferred on 23 students.

The exercises included a moot legislative proceeding in which a bill, drawn in regular form, was proposed to change the law so as to allow married women the same control of their personal property as on their real property. Arguing in favor of the bill's passage were E. E. Beard and W. L. Welcker, and opposing its passage were George B. Peters, Jr., and T. F. Baynes. A judiciary committee composed of the Hon. W. H. Williamson, P.K. Williamson, and J. W. Story, Esqs., after hearing the "able, manly, and interesting" debate, recommended the bill's rejection. W. T. Brock, valedictorian, spoke on the topic, "Labor Is the Lot of Man."

Receiving diplomas were: George B. Peters, Jr., Memphis; T.S. Weaver, Nashville; W. T. Brock, Florence, Ala.; T. F. Baynes, Brownsville, Tenn.; W. F. Heartman, Greenville, Miss.; Charles F. Clint, Jackson, Miss.; H. M. Hale, Statesville, Tenn.; E. E. Beard, Lebanon, Tenn.; W. J. McQueen, Newsport, Tenn.; E. R. Stephens, Linnens, Mo.; Young Redmond, Triune, Tenn.; G. M. Quarles, Clarksville, Tenn.; Richard Wooldrich, Paris, Tex.; Thomas B. Caraway, Mason's Depot, Tenn.; J. T. Lane, Lebanon, Tenn.; W. J. Franks, Huntsville, Ala.; J. H. Curry, Cartersville, Ga.; W. A. H. Miller, Gonzales, Tex.; Thomas J. Buchanan, Jr., Opolona, Tenn.; W. M. Abernathy, Early Grove, Miss.; W. L. Welcker, Lenoir's, Tenn.; M. M. Hope, Lenoir's, Tenn., and W. S. Dismukes, Gallatin, Tenn.

An A. M. degree was conferred upon W. G. Baird of Wilson Co., Tenn. - Nashville Union & American, 11 Jul 1871

A FORMER TENNESSEEAN, Mrs. W. C. Porter, died 7 Feb 1909 in Fort Scott, Kans.., according to an obituary in Old Fort Log, published by Old Fort Genealogical Society of Southeastern Kansas, Vol. 25, No. 3. Born at Jonesboro, Tenn., 15 Mar 1844, she was the former Lucy Isabella Cunningham, daughter of Rev. John W. and Elizabeth Sevler [Sevier?] Cunningham. When she was about 10, the family moved to LaPorte, Ind., and later to Naperville, Ill., where on 27 Nov 1866 she married Rev. W. C. Porter, a Presbyterian minister. They lived in Coldwater, Mich., until 1871 when they moved to Fort Scott. Four of the couple's five children --William, Jr. of Chicago, and Misses Alice, Carolyn, and Lucy Porter -survived their mother.

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A PENSION CLAIM filed in 1871 by Elizabeth Fine of Cocke Co., Tenn., was rejected for lack of supporting according to documents, papers reproduced in Fine Lines, Vol. 8, No. 4, a quarterly family newsletter published in Merced, Calif. Elizabeth, the daughter of George and Sarah (Jones) Henry, was the widow of Abraham Fine, son of Vinett and Etta (McElwain) Fine. Elizabeth and Abraham were married in 1806. He enlisted in Capt. Lillard's Company of the Tennessee Militia at Newport, Tenn., on 17 Oct 1813 and was discharged 8 Feb 1814. Abraham died 5 Jul 1863 at his home in Cocke County.

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REVOLUTIONARY WAR pensions paid to 15 disabled and indigent veterans in Tennessee in 1813 are listed in Georgia Genealogical Magazine, Vol. 38, No. 1&2. The pensioners were Sgt. Benjamin Blackburn, Lt. John Blair, Pvt. William Carr, Pvt. Ethelred Cobb, Ensign James Crawford, Pvt. Perry Floyd, Pvt. William Haile, Pvt. Rinley Hazelet, Pvt. Charles Kilgore, Pvt. John Kirk, Lt. Samuel Newell, Capt. John Newman, Pvt. Joseph Reed, Pvt. John Taylor, and Pvt. Thomas Wyatt. The pensions to Tennesseeans totaled \$789, and ranged from \$20 a year to \$120.



TENNESSEE-BORN Thomas Hall and his wife **Jane** are the subjects of a feature story in *Itawamba Settler*, Vol. XVIII, No. 4, published by Itawamba Historical Society in Mantachie, Miss. The article, written by their greatgreat-granddaughter, **Ellon Grace Davis**, states that the family was in Mississippi by 1841.

Thomas, born 9 Oct 1805, died before Oct 1857 and his widow Jane married John C. Stockton. Four of Thomas and Jane's eight children were born in Tennessee -- Josiah S. on 25 Jul 1830; Matilda, ca. 1834; John, ca. 1837; and William Hall, ca. 1839. The other four, all born in Mississippi, were: Louisa, born ca. 1841; George, ca. 1843; James "Jim" S., 6 Oct 1847; Henry, ca. 1850, and Robert Hall, ca. 1855. Jane and her second husband had a son, James Lafayette Stockton, born in February 1858.

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THE MORRISES of Tennessee were among families in the mid-1800s who migrated to southern Illinois, according to a feature in the Saga of Southern Illinois, Carterville, Vol. 26, No. 1. Alfred G. Morris, his wife, the former Surlina Anderson, and their 3-year old son, Samuel, moved to Marion Co., Ill., in 1855 after the death of his father, Samuel P. Morris, in Sumner County.

Samuel P., born in North Carolina in 1802, was the son of William Morris (1761-1840), a Revolutionary War veteran who moved to Tennessee in 1808. Samuel P. married Betsy Harrison in 1822 and they had two children, James and Martha. After Betsy died, Samuel married Elizabeth Caldwell. Their children were: William H. (b. 1829), Alfred G. (b. 1832), John W. (b. 1833), Samuel W. (b. 1835), David C. (b. 1839), Susan E. (b. 1841), George H. (b. 1846) and Lucinda R. Morris, (b. 1848). THE BATES COUNTY, Mo., directory of 1884 listed five Tennessee-born residents, according to *Prairie Gleaner*, Warrensburg, Mo., Vol. 30, No. 1. The former Tennesseeans and their birth dates were: Isaac Crain, b. 1815; Mrs. M. E. Coope, b. 1821; Mrs. Eliza Douglas, b. 1834; Joseph Goolsbay, b. 1829; and Jane Cates, b. 1830.

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FORMER MEMPHIAN Mrs. Bridget Kelly, 80, died in Brinkley, Ark., in mid-November 1920. Her obituary from the local paper is reproduced in the Tri-County Genealogy magazine of Marvell, Ark., Vol. 14, No. 1. Mrs. Kelly was born in County Clare, Dublin, Ireland, and during the Civil War moved to Memphis where she was a nurse and her brothers were Confederate soldiers. She met and married Michael Kelly in Memphis, and they moved to Brinkley in 1870. Her husband died about 1899. As matron of the Hotel Kelly in Brinkley, she made thousands of friends.

A NUMBER of Tennesseeans who were students at the University of North Carolina on the eve of the Civil War signed a petition seeking emancipation of a slave, **Sam Morphis**, who was a hack-driver and waiter at the University. Names of the signers are listed in the North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal, Vol. XXV, No. 1.

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Tennessee students signing the petition were: J. H. Ringo, Wm. Bonner, E. L. Drake, Wm. Frierson, W. J. Somervill, John Jouell (?), Ambrose B. C. Davie, A. B. Washington, Robert J. Cannon, A. B. Pulliam, James L. Webb, Will. G. Mebane, Jno. W. Mebane, Thomas J. Reid, Joe. L. Granbery, G. J. Davie, Jno. W. Jordun, E. L. Allen, J. W. Jordan, Clement W. Wade, T. B. Wade, C. Polk, James P. Coffin, and P. B. Faison.

The petition was said to be the first presented by University of North Carolina students to the North Carolina General Assembly. THE OBITUARY of Tennessee-born John N. Carpenter, 63, was printed in the *Missouri State Genealogical Association Journal*, Vol. XVIII, No. 4. The article, which originally appeared in the *Current Local*, Van Buren, Mo., stated that Carpenter, a farmer residing on Ten Mile Creek and a cousin of the paper's editor, died at his home 10 Sep 1903. He left a widow and five children, four of whom were married. His wife was a daughter of Martin Hardin, one of the first settlers of Carter Co., Missouri.

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A LOUISIANA voter registration list in Bossier Parish in 1898 contains the names of several Tennessee-born voters. A partial list is printed in *The Genie*, Vol. 33, No. 1, published by the Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association, Shreveport. Former Tennesseeans mentioned were :

Wiley B. Allen (b. 1829), and John D. Allen (b. 1838), both in the milling business and sons of J. D. Allen of Arkansas; T. N. Braden, Sr., (b. 1839), a clerk whose father was John G. Braden of Tennessee;

J. M. Coile (b. 1860), W. L. Coile (b. 1866), and C. H. Coile (b. 1871), all farmers and sons of registered voter M. H. Coile, (b. 1830 in Tenn.) whose father was James Coile of Tennessee;

D. H. Carle (b. 1855) and **J. H.** Carle (b. 1862), both farmers and both sons of **M. H. Coile.**

Antonio Curtiz (b. 1858), a merchant and son of John Curtiz of South Carolina; M. A. Connatsen [?], (b. 1842) a farmer (no father or grandfather named); Robt. G. Estell (b. 1813), a minister and son of Johnathan Estell of Tennessee; G. B. Garrett (b. 1840), a farmer and son of George Garrett of Tennessee; M. Gardner (b. 1849), a farmer and son of A. J. Gardner of Tennessee; T. J. Giles (b. 1848), a farmer and son of Jessee Giles of Tennessee; H. L. Giles (b. 1855), a farmer and grandson of Jessee Giles of Tennessee. The registration list also shows the number of years each person had lived in Louisiana.

Gleanings FROM HERE 'N THERE Mentions of Tennesseeans ~In Our Exchanges~

VIRGINIAN Michael Hickey (b. ca. 1754) and his wife Nancy moved to Tennessee where their son James was born in 1813, according to a story in Piedmont Lineages, Vol. XXI, No. 1, published by the VA-NC Piedmont Genealogical Society. James Hickey's daughter Pamela (b. 1831) married Mark Crabtree and they moved to Missouri where their son James W. Crabtree was born in 1854. He married Agnes Vedder, (b. in Scotland in 1863), and they settled in Texas where their daughter Maggie was born and married Samuel H. Johnson in 1880. Samuel and Maggie's daughter, Flora A. (b. 1906), married John A. Lewis (b. 1903 in Ark.), and their son, Olan R. Lewis (b. 1932 in Tex.) now lives in Alameda, Calif.

Cornelius Hickey, another son of Michael and Nancy, appears in 1806 tax records of Knox Co., Tenn.

TWO TENNESSEEANS are listed in the 1900 census of Logan Store Township in Rutherford Co., N.C., according to an article in *Eswau Huppeday*, published by the Broad River Genealogical Society of Shelby, N.C. The two, apparently in North Carolina selling lightning rods at the time of the census, were **Isaac A. Smith**, 32, born in Tennessee in May 1868, and **R. A. M. Whitehead**, 26, born in Tennessee in October 1873.

"lodgers." The same issue also includes two Tennesseeans in a pedigree chart. Silas Monroe Wood (b. 9 Nov 1866 in Blount Co., Tenn.) and Naomi Tennessee Allison (b. 24 Sep 1872 in Blount Co.) were married 27 Nov 1888 in Swain Co., N.C. Both died there, Silas on 30 Sep 1900 and his wife in Feb 1955. The pedigree chart was submitted by Linda Brooks Banwarth of Higganum, Connecticut.

Both were single, and listed as

THE NAME OF James J. Gibson, Jr., a native Tennesseean, appears in a list of Alexandria, Va., burials reported in *Northern Virginia Genealogy*, Vol. 4, No. 1. Gibson died 12 Mar 1875 at the age of 32.

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INFORMATION about the Anglea family of Tennessee appears in Kentucky Ancestors, Vol. 34, No. 2, published by the Kentucky Historical Society. The family is apparently descended from James Monroe Lee Anglea, who was born about 1765 in Cumberland Co., Va. His children were Andrew (b. 26 May 1790), Walter (b. 1795), James W. (b. Jan 1800 in Cumberland Co., VA.), and John Anglea (b. ca. 1802). James W. married Susannah Briley on 3 Jul 1824 in Sumner Co., Tenn. He died in 1865 in Sumner County. The information was supplied by James Anglea of Franklin, Tenn., after seeing a photograph of the family in the magazine's "Mystery Album" feature in an earlier issue. r

THE 1880 MORTALITY schedule for Rutherford Co., N.C., contains names of two former Tennesseeans, according to a list published in *The Bulletin of Old Tryon Co., N.C.*, Vol. XXVII, No. 1. The two were **Robert L. Mauldin**, 3, who died in May 1880 and **Elisabeth A. Cooper**, 27, who died in Aug 1879. (The mortality schedule was for the year ending May 1880.) Both lived in High Shoal Township.

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RECORDS concerning Tennesseeborn Anderson Martin are published in *Kentucky Family Records*, Vol. 23, page 12. Anderson was born 10 Jan 1825, the son of North Carolinians Lewis Martin and Elizabeth Davis. He married Mary "Polly" Stogner (b. 27 Aug 1826) before 1848, and they were living in Ohio Co., Ky., in 1850. They had eight children, all born in Kentucky. Polly died 23 Jan 1877, and Anderson married Nancy Wiley Foreman on 10 Jan 1878. He died in Ohio County in 1900.

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CIVIL WAR RECORDS sent by the War Department to John F. Fielding, Sr., in 1932 and published in Limestone (Ala.) Legacy, Vol. 21, No. 3, contain names of several Tennesseeans. The records show oaths of allegiance to the U. S. were sworn at Nashville on 27 Jan 1865 by Pvt. Riley B. Meadows and Pvt. Terry H. Meadows, both of Marshall Co., Tenn., and both in the 35th Regiment, Alabama Infantry, C.S.A. Records also show Jacob Campbell, Lawrence Co., Tenn., served as a private in Co. G of the 48th Regiment, Tennessee Infantry. He is buried at Sandlin's Cemetery at Cairo in Limestone Co., Ala. Also buried in Limestone is Archibald N. Yarbrough, a private in Co. E. 50th Regiment, Alabama Infantry. A Limestone County resident. he enlisted at Knoxville, Tenn., on 1 Nov 1862 at age 21, and died 16 Nov. 1862 (cause of death not stated). His father, David H. Yarbrough, filed a claim 24 Feb 1863.

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FOUR TENNESSEE LINES appear in the family chart of Granville D. Edwards, published in Ellis Co., Tex., Genealogical Society's publication, Searchers and Researchers, Vol. 22, Issue 1. His oldest Tennessee ancestor, William L. Mitchell, Sr., was born in Rutherford County in 1795 and married Mary Ann McCulloch. She was born 20 Oct 1807 in Rutherford Co., the daughter of Major Alexander McCulloch and his wife, Frances Fisher Lenoir. William and Mary Ann's son, Wm. L. "Brack" Mitchell, Jr., was born in Tennessee on 8 Jan 1829 and married Mary Jane Howe, born 10 Nov 1836 in Lauderdale Co., the daughter of William Ross Howe and Mary Jane Smith. The families apparently moved to Texas in the mid-1840s.

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AN ARTICLE in the Guilford Genealogist, Vol. 26, No. 1, cites the will of Martha Lackey, probated in Granville, N.C., in Nov 1820, which refers to her nephew, Col. Walter McConnel and Martha Lackey McBride, daughter of Samuel McBride, "both now living in Tennessee."



SEVEN Tennessee-born men were among convicts sentenced to Alabama's new state prison in November 1846. The list of inmates sentenced from North Alabama counties appeared in *Valley Leaves*, Vol. 33, No. 3 published by the Tennessee Valley Genealogical Society in Huntsville, Ala.

The former Tennesseeans were: Augustus Brumby, 36, farmer, sentenced to seven years from Lauderdale Co., Ala.; Joseph H. Dixon, 26, farmer, sentenced to three years from Franklin Co., Ala.; Jackson Flake, 21, farmer, sentenced to three years from Lauderdale Co., Ala.; James Grimes, 33, farmer, sentenced to three years from Franklin Co., Ala.; Joseph Hart, 33, blacksmith, sentenced to 10 years from Morgan Co., Ala.;¹ Elisha J. Lindsey, 25, wagon maker, sentenced to five years from 34, Limestone Co., Ala.; David R. Paite, farmer, sentenced to five years from Lawrence Co., Alabama.

2 ENOCH WEST of Meigs Co., Tenn., is listed in a family chart compiled by Sandra Oliver and published in Northeast Alabama Settlers, Vol. XXXVII, No. 4. Enoch, the son of Elijah J. West and Caroline Larrants, was born in October 1868, and married Mary Daniel (born 1874) in Meigs on 8 Sept 1889. Their son, Elijah Alexander West, was born 3 Apr 1894. He died 5 Nov 1925 in Etowah Co., Ala. His wife, Lillie Elizabeth Reece, was born 6 Jan 1899 (place not indicated) and died 30 Apr 1941.

MECKLENBURG CO., VA., records of 1834-36 indicate a number of families who migrated from Virginia to Tennessee. They are named in an article in the *Magazine of Virginia Genealogy*, Vol. 37, No. 1, published by the Virginia Genealogical Society. The deeds and powers of attorney, abstracted by J. Christian Kolbe, Library of Virginia archivist, also provide much family information.

Granting powers of attorney to obtain property they may have inherited in Mecklenburg County or selling land they owned in Mecklenburg County were: (1) Peter Fowler, Montgomerv Co., Tenn., (2) Gray Blackbourn and wife Sarah E. Langly, Favette Co., Tenn., (3) Thomas Hunt, Henderson Co., Tenn., (4) John and Mary Ann Day, Rutherford Co., Tenn., (5) Thomas R. Harrison, executor of Mary H. Harrison, Montgomery Co., Tenn., (6) Samuel Dickens of Tennessee; (7) Robert H. Warren, Tipton Co., Tenn., (8) Willis S. Somerville, Hardeman Co., Tenn., (9) William T. Smith, Lincoln Co., Tenn., (10) John and Elisabeth Cobbs, Henry Co., Tenn., (11) Thomas P. Hawkens and wife Mary F. Boyd, Shelby Co., Tenn., (12) John Haley, Smith Co., Tenn., (13) John and Lilly Brame, Montgomery Co., Tenn., (14) Thomas T. Somervill, Haywood Co., Tenn., (15) Edmund H. Vaughan, Shelby Co., Tenn., (16) John Singleton, Gibson Co., Tenn., (17) Edmund D. Haile, Hickman Co., Tenn., (18) Abraham S. Green, Haywood Co., Tenn. In another deed, John and Sally H. Lewis of Mecklenburg County sell to William A. Taylor of Tipton Co., Tenn., land they owned in Carroll, Tipton, and Gibson counties. Another record is a power of attorney granted by Augustine Timberlake, Mecklenburg Co., to collect monies due him from Presly Dodson of Murray [Maury] Co., Tenn. ×

W. E. FAUST, Lauderdale Co., Tenn., resident for several years in the 1870s, returned to Oglethorpe, Ga., to live in 1876, according to an item in the *Georgia Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol. 35, No. 1. Faust was quoted as saying "the old hills of Georgia are good enough for me."

¹ Also sentenced to 10 years from Morgan Co., Ala., was **Thomas Hart**, 56, blacksmith, whose birthplace was Kentucky.

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¹In same dwelling, **Rebecca Cyrus**, 54, b. N.C.; **Plasant**, 21, **John**, 19, and **Rachel Cyrus**, 17, all b. Ill.; **Jesse Cyrus**, 13, b. Mo.

 2 Living with them, Louisa Egerton, age 2, born in Calif.

³ In same home, **Mary T. Grigsby**, 5, b. Mo., and **Margaret Finch**, 8, b. Tenn.; **John N. Grigsby**, 18, b. Tenn.

⁴ Living with him, Margaret Grigsby, 32, b. N.C.; Polaski, 12, Wm. T., 6, John W., 4, and Rebecca G., 2, all b. Mo.

⁵ In same home: Mary J., 14, Sylvester, 12, Wiley, 11, Nancy A., 8, and John Grigsby, 6, all b. Mo.; James K. T., 4, and Kesiah Grigsby (m.), 1, both b. Calif.

⁶ Her husband, James Harbin, 53, b. N.C.; daughters Clementine, 16, and Josephine Harbin, 9, both b. Mo.

⁷ In same dwelling: Junita Hensley, 36, b. Ky; Wm. S., 14, Mary F., 10, and Missouri Ann Hensley, 7, all b. Mo.; Thomas Hensley, 2 months, b. Calif.

⁸ His wife Rachel Hopper, 36, b. Mo. Living with them, Emiline Cook, 22, b. Mo.; Elizabeth Cook, 3, b. Calif.; Charlotte, 18, Frances, 16, Thomas 14, Charles, 12, and Julia A. Hopper, 5, all b. Mo.; Missouri Hopper, 2, b. Calif.



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⁹ Her husband, **A. C. Jessee**, 32, b. Va.; children, **Eliza Ann**, 6, and **James M. Jessee**, 8, both b. Mo.; and **Madison Jessee** (m.), 1, b. Calif.

¹⁰ Her husband, J. W. Johnson, 27, and son L. James Johnson, 7, both b. Ark.; children Robert H., 5, and Sarah E. Johnson, 2, both b. Oregon

¹¹ In same dwelling, Hanna H., 18, Ellen Mc-Kinney, 14, Mary, 12, Sally, 8, Nancy, 6, Charles T. McLellan, 5, all b. Mo.; and John A. S. McLellan, 2, b. Calif.

¹² Listed with W. H. and Mary Nash: Rachel, 7, and Cornelious Nash, 6, both b. Mo.; Mary A., 4, Ribben J., and Carol<u>in</u> Nash, 4 mo., all b. Calif.

¹³ In same dwelling with Henry and Frances Ousley: Elizabeth, 12, Rebecca, 9, and Wm. David Ousley, 4, all b. Mo.; Sarah J. Ousley, 1, b. Calif.

¹⁴ Living with William, Mary, and Bartley Rector are: G. W., 17, Sally Ann, 16, and Dice Ann Rector, 12, all b. Ky.; John P., 10, Lucinda, 8, and Thomas J. Rector, 5, all b. Mo.

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¹⁵ In home with James and Ruth Shields are William, 10, Handeas (f.), 9, John, 6, Marion Shields, 3, all b. Mo.

¹⁶ Living with him: Lucinda, 25, and William York, 7, both b. Mo.; David, 5, Henry, 2, and John York, 5 mo., all b. Calif. ¹⁷ Listed with Elizabeth Ashley, 39, b. N.C.,

¹⁷ Listed with Elizabeth Ashley, 39, b. N.C., James Ashley, 44, Va.; G. W., 20 and James, Jr., both b. Va.; Anne, 9, and Georgianne, 6, both b. Texas

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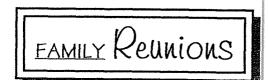
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Lampley Family To Gather For 7th Annual Reunion

The Lampley family's 7th annual national reunion will be held Saturday. June 26, at Montgomery Bell State Park, Burns, Tenn., just off U. S. Highway 70. The family descends from James Lampley who came to America from London, England, arriving at St. Christopher Island in 1635. Those attending the reunion are asked to bring a family style picnic lunch, along with old and new family pictures, mementos, and genealogies. For more information, contact Bob Lampley, Memphis, (901) 323-2662 or Charlie Lampley, Calvert City, Ky., (502) 395-7498.

Washington Family's Reunion Set For Mid-September

The Washington family's 1999 reunion will be held Saturday, 18 September, at the Family Living Center of New Cooke Memorial Baptist Church in Pontotoc Co., Miss.

The event will begin at 8:30 a.m. and run until late afternoon. For further details, contact Pauline G. Washington, 2707 Chatworth St., Memphis, TN 38127-8176, phone (901) 358-0595.

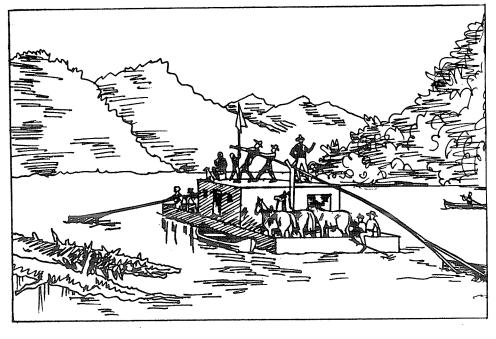
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46 William 'Billy' Sloan: A Pioneer Riverman of the 1830's



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Young William E. "Billy" Sloan was among the pioneer rivermen of the 1830's who hauled freight flat-bottomed keelboats, skillfully guiding their crafts with long, pole-like oars through the often treacherous currents. Broad-shouldered and muscular with black curly hair and blue eves, Billy was born in Kentucky in 1804. He was the son of Alexander and Rutha Sloan.¹

Besides his prowess as a keelboater, he gained a reputation in the boxing ring and had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, including Andrew Jackson.

Billy transported salt and minerals from the mines in Kentucky² to Nashville, and brought cotton from plantations in Middle and West Tennessee to Memphis. Since keelboats could only be used for downstream transportation, Billy would demolish his boat each time he reached his destination and sell it for lumber. Then he would ride his horse back home to start all over again.

One of the planters whose cotton he frequently took to Memphis was John Marr who lived on a plantation in Haywood Co., Tennessee. John and his wife, Sarah (Rucker) Marr, had a brown-eyed blonde daughter, 16-year old Susannah (Susan)³ whose beauty didn't go unnoticed by Billy.

Before coming to Tennessee, the Marrs and the Ruckers had lived in Orange and Amherst counties in Virginia, and there were numerous intermarriages among the two families. In the late 1820s the John Marr family had moved to Tennessee where he bought land from **Blackman Coleman** in the area of Haywood County that later became Crockett County. A Revolutionary War veteran, John (1764-1840) was the son of Alexander Marr⁴ and his wife Elizabeth Rucker of Amherst County.⁵ Sarah's parents were Col. Ambrose Rucker of Amherst County and his second wife, Mary Tinsley.⁶

John and Sarah were less than enthusiastic about the budding romance between their young daughter and the boatman, but love won out and some time in 1830 Susan and Billy eloped.

⁵ They also removed to Haywood Co., Tenn.

¹ Alexander Sloan died in Savannah, Tenn., before 1850. Rutha, b. in South Carolina ca. 1795, was living in Hardin Co., Tenn., a t the time of the 1850 census. She apparently died during the Civil War since the direct tax list for Hardin County refers to the owners of her 200 acres as "Rutha Sloan Heirs." ² Perhaps Sloan's Valley, Ky.

³ Susannah/Susan, was born in Virginia on 26 Oct 1814.

⁴ Alexander Marr was a Jacobite in Scotland who was captured and held prisoner at Carlisle. Banished to America, he left England on the Liverpool on 5 May 1747 and Janded at Port Oxford, Md., on 5 Aug 1747. In 1760 [some sources say 1756] he married Sarah Rucker of Orange Co., Va.

⁶ Mary's parents were Edward Tinsley and Margaret Rucker.

They established a home of their own in Haywood County and began raising a family. Billy bought 100 acres of land from Susannah's brother Alexander Marr⁷ in 1842

In 1850 Billy and Susan moved with their young family to the Dixie community in DeSoto Co., Miss., settling on Commerce Road between Hurricane Bridge and Bear Creek.

In all, the Sloans had 16 children -- including three sets of twins. By the time of the Civil War, seven of their children -- six sons and one daughter -- had died. Billy and Susan's children were:

- (1) John b. ca. 1835 in Haywood Co., Tenn. Is listed in 1860 census as 24 years of age. Is not mentioned in succeeding censuses.
- (2) Alexander b. ca. 1837 in Haywood Co., d. of consumption at age 22 in Eudora, DeSoto Co., Miss., in December 1859.
- (3) William b. ca. 1839 in Haywood Co., d. young. Was 21 at time of 1860 census; not listed after that
- (4) Sarah "Sally" G. b. ca. 1841 in Haywood Co., m. C. John Rucker in Bells, (Crockett Co.), Tenn. They have descendants with surname Sumrow.
- (5) Ruthy/Rutha b. ca. 1843 in Haywood Co.
- (6) Simpson b. ca. 1845 in Haywood Co.; shot and killed on a mission for the South during Civil War
- (7) James Marion (twin) b. ca. 1846 in Haywood Co., m. Adella Moody, had daughter, Cora Nichols, d. in 1932 in Tunica Co., Miss.
- (8) Jane (twin) b. ca. 1846 in Haywood Co., m. Carouthers; had 3 children: Blanche, Thelma, and Henry; lived in Tunica Co., Miss. Had granddaughter named Bertha Nobles.
- (9) Elijah (twin) b. ca. 1848 in Haywood Co., was killed during Civil War
- (10) Eliza (twin) b. ca. 1848 in Haywood Co., m. Taylor Boyd of Holly Springs, Miss., had one daughter, Anna, who m. Carl Kerr, had one son
- (11) Fanny b. June 1850 in Haywood Co., d. young
- (12) Susanna "Susie" b. 1852 in DeSoto Co., Miss., never married
- (13) Tommy J. b. 26 Feb 1852, DeSoto, Co., Miss., d. 22 Dec 1859 of brain fever
- (14) Marcus "Mark" Ethridge (twin) b. 7 Jan 1855 in Eudora, DeSoto Co., Miss., d. 1902 in Independence, Miss.; m. Margaret "Maggie" Wooten (b. 1861- d. 1941). [Children listed below.]
- (15) Martin Van Buren (twin) b. 7 Jan 1855 in Eudora, DeSoto Co., Miss., m. Narcissus "Narcy" Province, d. in Nesbitt, Miss., before 1910; buried in Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, D. C.; children: Elizabeth Sloan⁸, Arthur Sloan (married, lived Washington, D.C.), Martin Aubrey Sloan (wife Bernita, both son and grandson named William), William Sloan (killed in an accident at age 12), Maelillian Sloan⁹ McOuinn.
- (16) Clarissa b. 13 Oct 1860 in DeSoto Co., m. Randal Lacurgus Mitchell in 1887, d. 5 Dec 1944 in Paragould, Ark.; five children: Connley, Olive, Randal L., Lenolia, and Raymond Cecil Mitchell.

By 1860 the Sloans' land was valued at \$4,800 and their assets at \$6,000. Billy donated some of his land for a town he named Eudora -- meaning "good gift." Unfortunately, the land on which Billy and Susan had built their plantation was in the direct path of the Civil War. Soldiers burned their barns full of cotton, and took their stable of race horses for Army use.¹⁰ These events, coupled with the deaths of their sons -- Elijah in the war and Simpson who was shot in Memphis while on a secret mission for the Confederates -- were losses from which they never recovered. The fiances of two of their daughters. Ruthy and Susie, also died in the war. Neither girl ever married.

⁷ This was land that Alexander Marr inherited from his father John whose will was recorded in Haywood County in 1840. Sarah died in Haywood County three years later. John and Sarah's other children, besides Alexander and Susan, were John, Jr., Mary (who m. Carter B. Harris), James, Ambrose (who m. isabelia Lea), Jane (who m. Ambrose Rucker, Jr.), John, Jr. (?), William T., and Sarah R. Marr.

Elizabeth married Robert Mitchell. Their daughter, Paula Anne, married Col. Nelson Jones, Washington, D.C. The Jones had three children:(1) Dr. Mark A. Jones, whose daughter Meghan Jones, lives in Memphis, Tenn., (2) Paula Anne Jones, Washington, D.C., and (3) Elizabeth "Libby" Jones, Washington, D.C. All of Martin's family buried in Arlington except William and Maelillian who are buried in Calvary Cemetery, Memphis

Married Charlie Quinn and died shortly thereafter

¹⁰ They also made off with Billy's store of whiskey

Susan died 15 April 1865, probably from malnutrition resulting from food shortages due to the war and numerous pregnancies. She was buried in the old cemetery at Oak Grove Baptist Church on Fogg Road near Eudora beside two of her sons, Alexander, who died at age 22, and Tommy, who was only seven when he died. [William and Fanny also died young.]

After Susan's death, Billy married Jane Colter. They had a son, Robert E. "Lee" Sloan, who was born in 1873 and died in 1910 at the age of 37. Billy died in 1885, and a notice of his death appeared in *The DeSoto Times* of 5 Mar 1885. He died near Eudora, but his grave has not been found.

Of the 16 children born to Billy and Susan, the twins Mark and Martin were the only ones to have male heirs bearing the name Sloan.

My grandfather, Mark, was one of Billy's surviving children. He and his wife, Margaret "Maggie" Wooten, had three children:

- (1.) <u>William Absalom Sloan</u> b. 1887 in Eudora, Miss., d. 1958 in Memphis, Tenn.; m. Estelle Lockhart Gray,
 b. 1891 in Starkville, Miss., d. 1986 in Memphis, Tenn.)
- (2.) Stella Sloan b. 1893, d. 1915 in Senatobia, Miss., m. Elmer Moore; one child Elmer Laverne "Ozzie" Moore b. 1912 in Senatobia, Miss., d. 1983 in Opelousas, La., m. Gloria Dunbar in 1953 and adopted her sons, Ralph and Richard). Gloria and Ozzie's children: [1] William Moore, ¹¹[2] Susan Moore, who m. Lee J. Sonnier, III.
- (3.) James W. Sloan b. 29 Dec 1897 in Tate Co., Miss., died 27 Jul 1967 in Denver, Col., never married.

William Absalom and Estelle Gray Sloan's children were:

- (1.) Herbert Grant Sloan b. 1913 in Starkville, Miss., d. in 1998 in Miami, Fla.; m. [1] Velma Inez Moore,
 b. 1913 in Tate Co., Miss., d. 1984 in Miami, Fla.), [2] Cleo Manning in Miami, Fla., in 1986. She was b. 1920. Children:
 - [1.] Herbert Grant Sloan, Jr., b. 1940, Memphis, m. Barbara Kovilesky [b. 1960, Miami]¹²
 - [2.] William Carey Sloan, b. 1943, m. Carol Cusick¹³
 - [3.] Jerald Gray Sloan, b. 1952 Miami, Fla., d. 1968 in Miami.
- (2.) Estelle Jane Sloan b. 1924 in Memphis; m. in 1948 to James Madison McDaniel II (b. 1921 Memphis). Children:
 - [1] Johnny Alfred McDaniel b. 1952 in Memphis, m. in 1995 to Vickie Garvey Cobb (b. Memphis)¹⁴
 - [2] Dr. James Madison McDaniel, III b. 1954 in Memphis, m. 1986 to Dani Lynn Martin (b. 1961 Kansas City, Mo.)¹⁵
 - [3] Estelle Luann McDaniel b. 1961 Memphis, m. in Memphis in 1989 to Jon Wayne Watson (b. 1962 in Memphis)¹⁶, now resides in Duluth, Ga.
 - [4] Duane Sloan McDaniel b. 1962 Memphis, where he now resides.

¹⁴ Their daughter, Adrianne Gray McDaniel, died at birth 1998.

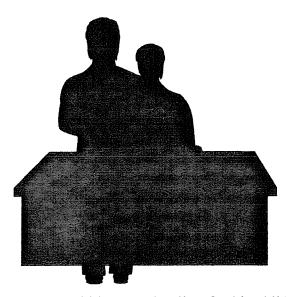
¹¹ He m. (1) Jennifer Simon, (2) Shannon Snell. Children: Bethany (b. 1970), Jared (b. 1979), and Lanie (b. 1993, La.)

¹² Adopted children: Dr. Kim Peaslee, Michael Sloan, Renee Sloan of Clarksville and Crossville, Tenn.

¹³ Their child: Scott Anthony Sloan, b. 1962, Miami, Fla., lives in Dallas, Tex.

¹⁵ Their children: Darah Lockhart McDaniel (b. 1990 Memphis), Larkin Dunedin McDaniel (b. 1993 Memphis), James Madison McDaniel IV (b. 1997 Mountain Home, Ark.)

¹⁶ Their daughter, Bonnie Estelle Watson (b. 1994 in Honolulu, Hawaii)



<u>The Merging of Two Families:</u> The Stroupes and the Bennetts

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My grandfather, **Papa Stroupe**,¹ as we called him, was a farmer with minimum education who had a strong conviction that man was born on this earth to toil from sunup to sundown and there should be no pleasure along the way. He raised his children by the sting of a hickory switch and the sweat and pain of hard work. He prided himself in being self-sufficient. He accepted no help from anyone. He had no patience with anyone in need. He was not a charitable man.

There could be no schooling for his children until all his crops were gathered and the firewood cut and stacked for the winter. His family lived in a house built by his own hands. Cracks in the floor boards and walls allowed the cold north wind to penetrate, and snow accumulated inside around the windows. Even a roaring fire in the fireplace could not eliminate the numbing cold of winter. At meal time he was served first with the very best on the table, and the children and his wife got what was left.

Grandmother Stroupe² was a weak person, sick a lot of the time, with no more rights than the children except that she was the one who produced the babies.

My mother,³ being the oldest child in a family of three girls and two boys, had to bare a heavy load early in life and it increased as she grew older. She cooked, washed the clothes, tended to babies, made much of the family clothing, worked in the fields, and then walked three miles to school when permitted. All the other children as they grew old enough had to fall in line and march to the same drumbeat. So, much like a beautiful flower amongst a bed of thistle, from this horrid, abusive environment emerged a little girl, and ultimately a young lady and a beautiful woman. Having survived this ordeal, is it any wonder that she at age 20 began to look for a way out? She left home to attend school in another neighborhood, and it was there that she was discovered by a particular young man⁴ who shared her views and ideas about life.

On the other hand, **Grandpa Bennett**,⁵ a big 6-foot tall, bald man weighing about 200 pounds, was a quiet, gentle person until someone or something riled him. Then he roared like a lion and could be heard for miles around. He was very meticulous in the care of his tools, his car, and his livestock. He provided well for his family by teaching school and farming, and supplemented his income by hauling freight from the railroad depot. **Grandma Bennett**,⁶ truly a lady in every respect, was in total contrast to her husband. She was petite, delicate, and soft-spoken, but she was a master when it came to achieving the hard work of feeding, clothing, and rearing a family of six children. She was an artist, a school teacher, a seamstress, a mother, and a wife. Her soft voice and background in education gave her the

¹ Luther Ephraim Stroupe, b. 24 Oct 1877 in Tippah Co., Miss., d. 10 July 1974 in Tippah Co., son of Thomas R. Stroup (1853-1938) and Mary F. Gurley (1854-1943). Married Sallie Coombs 23 Mar 1902.

² Sallie Etta Coombs, b. 31 Jan 1881, d. 1 June 1959, daughter of John Thomas Coombs (1845-1911) and Mary Elizabeth Manning (1848-1928) of Tippah Co., Miss.

³ Ruby Celeste Stroupe, b. 15 Mar 1903 in Tippah Co., Miss., d. 4 Jul 1995 in Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn.

⁴ John Miles Bennett, b. 7 Mar 1903 in Tippah Co., Miss., d. 4 Mar 1946 in Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., son of Gaines Petty Bennett (1872-1956) and Sallie A. King (1869-1960)

⁵ Gaines Bennett was the son of Miles Jefferson Bennett, Jr., (b. 3 Mar 1840 in Laurens, S.C., d. 28 Aug 1911 in Tippah Co., Miss.) and Lucy Jane Dodds (b. 15 Dec 1845 in Laurens, S.C., d. 10 Mar 1929 in Tippah Co., Miss.). Lucy Jane was one of 10 children born to Thomas and Polly (Crook) Dodds of Jack's Creek, Tenn., southeast of Jackson on Highway 100 near Henderson

⁶ Sallie King (b. 5 May 1869, d. 9 Dec 1960) was a daughter of John S. and Mahalia King. She and Gaines Petty Bennett were married 24 Mar 1895 in Tippah Co., Miss.

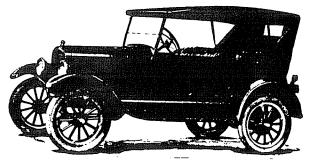
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ability to speak with such authority that there was absolutely no room left for misunderstanding among her own children and her students. The family gathered at the big dining room table at meal time, and a huge platter of fried chicken just made it around the table one time, but there was always another platter waiting in the kitchen. A quart jar of blackberry jam might make the trip twice and there were always enough biscuits and butter to top off the appetites of their big hungry family.

Education was important to the Bennetts, and they saw to it that their children attended school, graduated, and went on to college -- all except my father, John Miles Bennett. He grew up to be a big man in statue and temperament much like his own father. But that was the only resemblance. He flatly refused an education ... barely getting enough to read and write his own name. He also found that to be a Mississippi sod-buster was not to his liking either. So at age 20 he began looking for a way out. He was not happy with himself and the prospects of his future until his eyes fell upon that beautiful young lady who suddenly appeared at school one day. Now there were two handsome young adults, bred of the same Mississippi red clay but from totally different families ... two of the same age but of entirely different temperament and aspirations ...two harboring a growing dislike for their present life style and future prospects but grossly unprepared for the cruel reality of life that lay ahead of them. They agreed there must be something better for them down the road, and they decided to seek and find that fortune together.

On Sunday, 8 Sep 1923, a minister in Ripley, Miss., was driving home from church services when he was flagged down. There in the middle of that dusty old gravel road **Ruby Celeste Stroupe** and **John Miles Bennett** exchanged the vows of matrimony and were married by the preacher in the presence of one witness. They caught the train at Walnut and traveled to Memphis where they lived with his aunt **Grace King** until he got a job and a place to live. My father found employment at the Ford Motor

Company in 1923 and worked there for 23 years as an upholsterer or "tack-spitter." He would empty a box of tacks into his mouth and, with his tongue, position each tack between his front teeth and spit them, one at a time, onto the head of a magnetic hammer. Then with a single stroke, he sank the tack into its target, fastening the fabric to the interior wooden frames and panels of the early model Ford cars.



Target of a tack-spitter's art

He could spit an average of 50 tacks a minute and never miss his mark (a lost art with invention of the staple gun.) Although my father helped build Fords, he was never able to own a new one. All we were ever able to afford was somebody's old worn-out clunker.

After acquiring a job, John Miles and his new bride began immediately designing and creating their own new 1924 model because on 29 June 1924 a son was born to this couple at St. Joseph Hospital. That is where I -- James Milton Bennett -- came into the picture. A new baby, born to this couple fresh from the farm and ignorant of the ways of the big city, presented a whole new set of problems that only a few months earlier they could not even imagine or foresee. Determination and true grit were characteristics that helped see them through the dark days of the Depression years. My father was just a line crewman at Ford, drawing 25 cents an hour. In a good week, working 8 to 12 hours a day, he might bring home \$15. What a humbling experience it must have been for my parents who had never encountered the dilemma of stretching an inadequate pay check to cover the cost of food, clothing, and shelter let alone the extra needs of a new baby plus doctor and hospital bills.

There were layoffs each year at model change. There were never enough surplus dollars to carry them through those lean months and raise a family, too. But with John Miles' great strength and Celeste's ingenuity and will, they survived. When the Ford plant opened for production again after three months' layoff, the entrance on Riverside Drive was much like a logjam in the bend of a river: too many men for the jobs. My father was a big man, never weighing under 200 pounds, so he was able to hold his ground very well. When he could not get on the production line, he would take the "bull gang" (unloading boxcars). A foreman would pace up and down the line yelling and cursing the men, pushing for more and more production.

Living in the city, my young parents were faced with the stark reality that all those food items which seemed so plentiful on the farm now must be purchased at the corner grocery. This took money and lots of it to feed themselves and a growing little family. By the time they paid the house rent, doctor bill, and bought a few pieces of clothing now and then, there just wasn't any. By successfully shedding all the gruesome burdens that were related to life on the farm, they had created for themselves some deficiencies quite unexpected and unique. Two and a half years later my mother was expecting another child. Realizing they were going to need help in caring for a three-year old child while giving birth to another, my mother finally put away her pride and wrote a letter to her parents in Mississippi asking if we might come home during this time. A letter came back stating, "No, you've made your bed, now lie in it." In desperation my father contacted his parents, and they welcomed us with open arms. It was there at Grandma and Grandpa Bennett's house that my little brother was born 29 Sep 1927. He was named for both grandfathers, **Gaines Ephraim Bennett**. I was only three years old at that time, but I still can remember our stay at my Bennett grandparents' home as very pleasant. When Mother was well enough to travel, she and my little baby brother and I boarded the train back to Memphis.

It was then that Mother and Dad came to the bitter conclusion that the only means by which they could feed and care for themselves and their young family was 'back to the farm.' We rented a small house and farm near Germantown at the edge of Memphis. By putting in a small crop each year to supplement Dad's income at Ford, together with some livestock and a garden, we somehow survived the bewildering crisis of what was called "The Great Depression." My father was normally a happy-go-lucky man, prone not to worry about the common everyday problems a lot of people are concerned about. He would roll up his shirt sleeves, exposing those huge biceps and, whistling a merry tune, set a course of action. It seemed no job was too big for him to tackle. He was a big tease and loved nothing better than to pull a prank of some kind on my Mother who would become infuriated at him. My mother worried about everything. She would become angry with my father, calling him irresponsible because of his lack of concern about everyday things. He only shrugged it off, saying, "There's no need for me to worry when you are going to do enough for us both." He worked hard, loved his family, and loved life, but his ill-timed death⁷ on 4 Mar 1946 at age 42 struck a devastating blow to the heart and soul of our little family. I had just returned from a three-year stretch in the Army Air Force during World War II when Dad became seriously ill and died a short while thereafter. I had no job and certainly no desire to live and work our small farm in East Shelby County. My mother was so tired and burned out with farm life that after my father's death, we decided to sell the farm and move to town. We bought a small home in East Memphis. I got a job, and our little family began to pick up the pieces and get our lives back in order again.

One Sunday afternoon I visited the Methodist Youth Fellowship meeting at St. Paul's Methodist Church. Two young ladies met me at the door. They were twins, and I later chose one of them-- Gynette

⁷ During the course of a day's work at Ford, Dad, being a tack-spitter, invariably would swallow some tacks. At the end of the shift, he and his fellow workmen were offered a glass of liquid to drink to dissolve the tacks. I am quite certain that was the cause of his early death. At age 41, his kidneys had ceased to work and a year later he died of uremic poisoning.

Oliver⁸ -- to be my bride and partner for life. On 21 June 1947 we were married right there in that little church.⁹

Not long after our marriage, an old boyhood friend of my father, **Otha Clemmer**, came calling on my mother. Subsequent visits continued, and on 4 Nov 1948 they were married and moved to Jackson, Miss. Meanwhile, my brother **Ephraim** married **Martha Lyn McFarland** on 1 Apr 1949. That left only my little sister, **Loretta**,¹⁰ who was about 14 at the time. Gynette and I bought the little house from Mother which allowed her freedom to move to Jackson with Otha. Loretta stayed with us till the end of the school semester and then journeyed to Jackson to live with Mother and Otha.

A few years down the road Otha's business went bad and they sold their home in Jackson and built a new one in Cleveland, Miss. This was a small college town and Mother was happy there. For nearly 30 years she worked among the neighborhood women in the County Home Demonstration Club, cultivated her flower gardens that she loved so dearly, and developed her skills in crafts of all kinds. Otha became ill and died 19 Feb 1985.

Those were trying days for Mother. Once again she buried herself in her work. Then suddenly she was faced with major repair bills for her house which had provided comfort and security for so many years. Her eyesight began to dim because of arterial ruptures, she crushed two vertebrae in her back causing severe pain and disability, and her car quit running. It seemed her whole world came crashing down around her and there was little she could do about it. She didn't understand. She was angry and scared.

For once in her lifetime, her body and all the things around her no longer functioned or responded to her command as they always had. But, of course, she had never been 90 years old before.

Soon she had to tearfully face the painful problem of selling her home and car and move to Memphis in a neat little apartment at the Wesley Highland Terrace. Three weeks after moving into her new home she fell and broke her leg just below the hip. Two months in the hospital and daily therapy used up every ounce of her strength and energy. Mom lived to the ripe old age of 92. She struggled and fought so hard trying to recover the skills that her poor old knurled hands once knew so well. But finally she became so tired that she just laid those old faithful hands to rest by her side and went to sleep and did not wake up. She died 4 July 1995.

Our mother was a remarkable woman, unlike any person I have ever known.

If I were asked to describe her, I guess I would have to say:

"She was delicate as bone china but microwave and dishwasher-safe.

"She taught me, among other things, that anything that is worth doing is worth worrying about, and that is the reason I never start a job until I have had the proper worrying time."

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⁸ Gynette and her twin sister, Lynette, b. 6 Aug 1923 in Cayce, Ky. Their parents were Arch Alexander Oliver (b. 15 Jul 1880 in Obion Co., Tenn., d. 17 Oct 1945 in Memphis, Tenn.) and Ethel Campbell (b. 25 Mar 1882 in Mississippi Co., Mo., d. 10 Mar 1977 in Memphis, Tenn.). Arch and Ethel m. 3 Aug 1903 in Fulton Co., Ky. Lynette d. 26 Apr 1990 in Memphis and is buried in Obion Co. Cemetery.

⁹ James and Gynette have a daughter, Myra Lyn Bennett, b. 6 Jul 1949 in Memphis, m. (1) on 16 Aug 1968 in Memphis to Benjamin Antwine [1948-1997], (2) on 15 Feb 1992 in Memphis to Wm. Edward Horton [1936-1992], and (3) James Lee Jongewaard [1944 -], and a son, John Miles Bennett, II, b. 31 Aug 1952 in Memphis, m. 6 Oct 1977 in Jackson, Tenn., to Cathy Shaffer (b. 1 Aug 1947).

¹⁰ Born in Memphis, Tenn., 30 May 1934



to the Editor (continued)

MORE NICE FOLKS WRITE IN

My husband and I thank you for the nice review you gave our book, "Evergreen Cemetery." We are now in our second printing. I certainly enjoy the quarterly and saw Isaac Jenkins, my ancestor, mentioned this time. I'll start looking for the record now on him!

> Mary Jane Stallworth 102 Sunset Drive Chester, SC 29706

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It is time to renew! I wouldn't want to miss a single issue. Enclosed is my check and my free query.

Velma D. Evans P. O. Box 926 Joelton, TN 37080-0926 ***

Enclosed is my check for a one-year subscription and membership. What an improvement over former *Ansearchin' News!*

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INTEREST IN SMITH COUNTY

I receive your magazine and enjoy it very much. My father was born in Wilson County in 1889. He came to Texas in the early 1900's, but our roots run deep in Tennessee, especially in Smith County.

I would appreciate any thing you have from there in some future printing. Some of our relatives from Smith County were Bradley, Bradford, Lancaster, Waters, Gill, Pruitt, Dowell, Davis, Kyle, and Kitchens.

> Mrs. Ethylene Collins Box 217 Bells, TX 75414

COMPLIMENTS TO RIPLEY

I have tried for some time to locate a copy of the **Peters**' book, *Lauderdale County from Earliest Times*, but, as it is now out of print, have been unable to do so. However, I have copies of the Oldham family material from it. Unfortunately, the genealogy is incorrect, but that could not be helped. My husband's grandfather, **Franklin Pearce Oldham**, was shown as having died with no issue! That was quite a feat as he had nine children.

We have made three visits to Ripley and been out to Evlau Farm which is still in existence. The house pictured in the Hellum & McCauley book, Visions of Lauderdale County, Past & Present, burned in the 1950s. Electricity had been brought to the house but not connected, and it burned to the ground. The bricks from the four chimneys were used to build the house currently standing on the property. What were left were used to face the front of the house belonging to the owner's uncle. We visited the current owner, Sidney Davis, a very gracious lady who gave us two of the original bricks which were made ca. 1829 or '30 right there on the property when the original house was built.

Along with three of the overseers' houses, **Dr. Samuel Oldham**'s monument still stands. There used to be quite a few more stones with it but, through the years, farming operations on the property have obliterated the rest. Dr. Samuel's monument is quite interesting, being a miniature of the Washington Monument and bearing a bronze plaque stating his name and the names of those buried near him.

It has been a real joy for us, along with cousins of my husband's, to visit Ripley and to get to know the people from Immanuel Episcopal Church which was begun with land and funds donated by Dr. Samuel. It is still in use today and, as I said, has a lovely congregation. To meet friends such as these and to find cousins whom we did not know existed has been the real reward of genealogy.

> Susan A. Oldham 5410 S. Sycamore Springfield, MO 65810-2040 oldham@ipa.net

Your Ancestor May Not Have Moved, But County Lines Did

The Tennessee General Assembly in 1871 changed the lines separating eight counties, giving new addresses to at least 16 citizens. As reported in the *Nashville Union & American* of 28 Dec 1871, the following changes were made with written approval of the landowners involved::

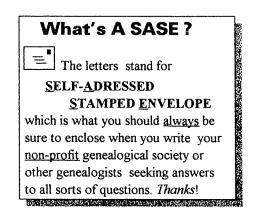
• The line between Hawkins and Hamblem counties was changed to include in Hawkins the entire tracts of land on which J. W. Keele, H. P. Mc-Cullough, and Thomas Moore resided

• The line between Monroe and Loudon counties was changed in embrace in Monroe the respective tracts upon which Charles Moore, Charles H. Jones, William Harrison, William A. Upton, Jr., Dolphus Lowe, and Margaret Lowe resided

• The line between Meigs and Monroe County was changed to include in Meigs the tracts upon which Elijah McPherson and David Webb were then residing

• The line between Warren and Van Buren counties to include in Van Buren the lands on which J. Wiley Miller, H. L. Moffet, William L. Stickley, and John C. Miller were then residing

• The line between Hawkins and Hamblin County to include in the new county of Hamblin Clisby Austin's lot at Rogersville Junction and all that part of the public road known as White Horse Road leading southwest of said lot to the county line.



Queries

(Please type or print query submitted and limit length to five lines or less. All queries will be edited for length and clarity, and will be used in the order received. Counties and towns referred to in queries are in Tennessee unless otherwise indicated. All queries should be Tennessee-related. Please acknowledge all responses to your query. TGS members are entitled to one free query each year and can run additional queries for \$3 each. Non-member charge is \$5 per query.)

BRITTON: What was first name of Elvira Britton's 2nd husband? Elvira b. 1816, m. (1) Thos. Morelock in 1837, had one child Polly Ann; (2) ____ Britton ca. 1847, had two children, John Sack Britton b. 1848, and Sarah Jane b. 1856. Elvira's father, Joseph, Jr., was heir of Joseph Britton Sr., Rev. War soldier, lived Washington Co., d. Hawkins Co. Her siblings: Eleanor, Rachel, Margaret (m. Sacket Wilson), Charles, Martha (m. Wm. Bailey), Nancy Ann (m. Richard Henry Stacey), and Joseph III. Mrs. Floyd E. Britton, 133 Kingwood Dr., Chattanooga, TN 37412-1627

CAMPBELL: Seeking info on Alexander Campbell, who m. Sallie Pate in Richmond Co., N. C., in early 1800's and moved to Carroll Co., Tenn. Children b. ca. 1830-40: Phillip P., Alexander S., Daniel, and Margaret. <u>Carroll Co. Historical Society</u>. Gordon Browning Museum & Genealogical Library, 640 Main St. N., McKenzie, TN 38201

WELCH: Need info on Thomas Welch II, b. ca. 1765-67 N. C., d. ca. 1842 Rutherford Co., Tenn. Children: Ruth, Serenia, William, Nathaniel (m. Temperance Johnston), Nicholas, Mary (m. Wm. B. McCoy), Thomas III, Eleanor (m. Wm. N. Wooten). Clara Drysdale, 1235 Claycrest Dr., St. Charles, MO 63304

WOULD LIKE TO CORRESPOND with anyone researching any of these Tennessee ancestors: Allen, Carr, Derryberry, Flippin, Hughes, Grimes, Johnson, Highfill, Lasley, Liggett, Martin, Moore, Kuykendall, Ricketts, Roberts, Scott, Southall, Stroud, Voorhees, White. Hazel J. Hayes, P.O. Box 77, Blair, OK 73526-0077, e-mail: hhayes@Intellisys.net

ALLEN: Would like info on Wm. Henry Allen b. 1844 Tenn., m. Adelia LaRue 29 June 1873, d. 10 Feb 1891 in Doniphan, Mo. Ms. Marlowe J. Meyers, 1026 Kirkham, Glendale, MO 63122-3122

BELOTE, BENTLEY, BROGDON, LEGGETT: Will exchange info on these families in Sumner Co.by 1798. They lived in Bertie Co., N.C., and Princess Anne Co., Va., before 1800. Linda S. Myers, 404 Sango Rd., Clarksville, TN 37043-5406

EARP, LUPER, CASEY: Ervin Earp m. 9 Mar 1884 in Benton Co. to Eliza Luper, daughter of Sherwood Luper and Mary Frances Hall/Hale. When was Ervin b., who were his parents, when did he d.? Eliza in 1900 Decatur Co. census under name of Casey/Case/Cosey, living next door to her father. Children with her having Earp surname: Idar, Cora, and Adrain C.; another child, Sarah Casey, b. 1900. Ms. Paige Miller, P.O. Box 622, Earle, AR 72331 (870) 792-8692, e-mail: pau.miller-earle@worldnet.att.net

NICHOLS: My g-g-grandfather James Nichols and wife Elizabeth (?) were in Bledsoe Co. in 1850. My g-grandfather George Washington Nichols and wife Sarah King came to Texas in 1859 and were killed 31 May 1865 by Quantrill's men. Does anyone have info about them? <u>Anita Nichols Miller, 6502 Petain Ave., Dallas, TX 75227-3755</u>

HELP WANTED: Researching Barefoot, Smedley, Yows anywhere in Tenn. <u>Betty Nelson McDougald, 9718 Moorberry,</u> Houston, TX 77080-5223

DILLARD, EWING: Wish to contact anyone with Dillard line which includes Ladovesy (b. ca. 1785, m. James Ewing) and Elizabeth (b. ca. 1791, m. John Ewing, son of James). In Smith Co. 1810. Elizabeth and John later moved to Logan Co., Ill Did Ladovesy remarry after James d. in 1810? She d. ca. 1821, and in 1827 guardian appointed for her children Alfred, Melinda, and Sarah Ewing in Hardeman Co. <u>Bobbie Jones McLane, 222 McMahan Dr., Hot Springs, AR 71913-6243</u>

BRANUM, WITT: Need info on Tarlton Branum (b. 1789 N.C.) and wife Agathy Witt (b. 1782 N.C.) who lived in Tenn. from 1811-33. They were on 1830 Roane Co. census. Myra Norman, P.O. Box 944, Anahuac, TX 77514-0944

CABE/McCABE: Would like to share info with Cabe/McCabe descendants. Celia Cabe Graham, Rt. 1, Box 269, Meeker, OK 74855, e-mail: cgraham329@Aol.com

DRUMRIGHT: Need children's names and place of death for James Drumright, b. ca. 1771 in Mecklenburg Co., Va., m. there 23 Oct 1794 to Elithaba "Lytha" Crowder. Family in Mecklenburg Co. until after 1820 census, in 1830 Lincoln Co., Tenn., census, and 1840, 1850 Marshall Co., Tenn., censuses. Jerry J. Webb, 3120 Highland Plaza, Huntsville, AL 35801

HOOKER: Seeking info on Wm. "Ole Bill" Hooker, b. 1790/95 Va., moved to Ky. and/or Tenn. by 1820-30. Sons: Frederick Augustus, Wm. George; daughters: Lucy Jane, Catherine Susan. Jane H. Hooker, 307 Houston Levee, Cordova, TN 38018

LET'S SWAP INFO on Webb, Lawler lines in Henderson Co., Gilliam in Sumner Co., Cantwell in Hawkins Co., and Cardin-Huff in Giles Co. Nancy Webb Wood, 408 Lilac Dr., El Dorado, AR 71730-8128, e-mail: nwood@arkansas.net

BROWN, HARRIS: Seek info on family of Robert Adkins Brown, Sr., (b. Jan 1772 in Caswell Co., N.C.) m. 19 Dec 1795 to Lydia Harris (b. 31 Dec 1776, Caswell Co., N.C.). Children: John Howlett, Tyree Harris, Robt. Adkins (founded Macon, Tenn.), Alfred William, Cristopher W., and Ede Harris (Mrs. Wm. B. Reid). <u>Mary Hare Nelson, 4653 Chickasaw, Memphis, TN 38117-1801, e-mail: dalmary@msn.com</u>

TRUSTY, GARRISON, FORRESTER: Who were parents and siblings of John Giles Trusty? John b. 19 Sep 1810 N.C., m. (1) on 31 Jul 1829 to Hannah Garrison in Sumner Co., Tenn., had daughter, Rachel, b. there 1830, (2) on 9 Jul 1831 in White Co., Ill., to Francis Forrester, b. 16 Apr 1811 in Wilkes Co., N.C. John moved to Robertson Co., Tenn., and then White Co., Ill., in 1820. Son John Taylor Trusty, in 1880 White Co. census, indicated both parents b. Tenn. His sister Obedience Samantha Trusty m. Job Blackard. Judy Cox Batteiger, 1101 Beaumont Centre Ln., #30107, Lexington, KY 40513-1778, e-mail: jbatteig@mindspring.com

HALE, BARNES: Seeking info on Mary Barnes, b. ca. 1810 S. C., wife of William Hale, Jr. Her brother may have been Richard Barnes, b. ca. 1813 N.C. All in 1850 Claiborne Co., Tenn., census. Mary in 1880 Estill Co., Ky., census. Dorothy Hale Amis, 8730 Ferncliff Ave. N.E., Bainbridge Island, WA 98110-2940

ANDERSON, WRIGHT: Seeking descendants of Caleb W. Anderson (b. 1810) and wife Jane Wright (b. 1807), both b. Caroline Co., Va., d. Lauderdale Co., Tenn. Also need siblings and parents of Mary E. Carter, b. 17 Apr 1841, m. Edward S. Hellen. Both lived in Gibson and Crockett counties. <u>Dr. and Mrs. Joe A. Campbell, 225 Westover Dr., Clarksdale, MS 38614</u>

McLEMORE: Does anyone know what happened to tombstone of Sugar McLemore who was buried on farm of his parents, Rev. Y. A. McLemore and wife Elizabeth Ann Jelks, in Madison Co., Tenn., during Civil War? He was age 15 in 1860 census. Joined Confederate Army at young age and was killed in Miss. At one time a tombstone at his burial site listed his age at 16. Fairy B. (McLemore) Edwards, 816 Serene Woods Circle, Canyon Lake, TX 78133-3514

BAKER: Seeking descendants of Francis Baker, b. 1835 in western Wayne Co., son of Reason Baker and Elizabeth Reves. On 1850 census of 7th Civil District, p. 329. Enlisted in Confederate Army, Co. B, 20th Tenn. Infantry at Nashville 17 May 1861. No info since. James & Alice Foley, 6730 Messick Rd., Memphis, TN 38119-7844

RESEARCHING inter-related surnames of Parrott/Parrett, Edwards, Bean, Hughes/Hughs, Mayfield, Wolf/Woolf -- mid-1700s to mid-1800s. <u>Mrs. Louise Groenenberg Day, 816 S. 216th St., Des Moines, WA, 98198-6331, e-mail:</u> <u>dgroenenberg@juno.com</u>

HARRIS: Who were parents of William Harris, b. ca. 1834, m. Mary C. Yerger 19 Apr 1847 in Lincoln Co.? <u>Betty H. Gambill</u>, 127 Green Hill-New Hope Rd., Wilmar, AR 71675

CRISP: Seeking parents and siblings of Elizabeth Crisp who m. Samuel Walker in Roane Co. 6 Aug 1820 at father's home. She had brother James, and probably others. Jean B. Baswell, 4300 Burns Dr., Bessemer, AL 35022-5368

WAGGONER: Who were parents of Daniel Waggoner? Born. ca. 1815 Tenn., d. after 1860 in Mo., m. 21 Aug 1842 in Benton Co., Tenn., to Cassondra McFarley (b. ca. 1826 in Lincoln Co.). Ruth Easley Branch, P.O. Box 263, Imboden, AR 72434-0263

TABER/THOMPSON: Lived in Rutherford Co., N.C., and Tennessee 1760-1880's. Given names: David, Elenor, John, Elizabeth, William, Caswell, James, Almon, Margaret, Mary, Jonathan. Inez Freeman, 425 E. Scooteney, Othello, WA 99344

56 <u>QUERIES</u> (continued)

BARNES: Seeking parents, siblings, and children of Loftin Barnes (in 1830 Madison Co. census) and his possible brother William (in 1830 Fayette Co. census next door to son [?] Lilburn Barnes). All three in Yalobusha Co., Miss., by 1833/34. <u>Cecilie</u> Gaziano, 4511 Fremont Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN 55409-1744, e-mail: DNNM42A@prodigy.com

LANE: Seeking burial place of George B. Lane, b. ca. 1800 Sussex Co., Va., d. 21 Apr 1858 at Hickory Wythe, Fayette Co., Tenn. After his death, wife Jane Lanier Lane and children moved to Ark. where she is buried. <u>Carolyn Ericson, 1614 Redbud</u> St., Nacogdoches, TX 75961-2936

WILLIAMS: Need any info on Jesse W. Williams and maiden name of his wife Pamelia W. of Williamson Co. Both were b. Va. By 1850 they had five children. <u>Betty Larrabee, 4417 Garden Ave., West Palm Beach, FL 33405-2541</u>

PEWITT: Have 2,000 Pewitts in my files. Would like to trade info with anyone researching this name. <u>Hal Pewitt, 909</u> Cottonwood, Woodland, CA 95695-4314

ROBERTSON, BYRD: Interested in exchanging info on Richard Robertson (b. ca. 1806 Va., d. near Pine Bluff, Ark.) and his wife, Clara Byrd (b. ca. 1807 N.C., d. near Pine Bluff 1871). In 1830, '40, and '50 Hardin Co., Tenn., censuses. Children: Mansel, Nelson, Elizabeth, Wm. Garrett, Thos. Mathias, Samuel Monroe, John Pleasant. <u>Robert E. Robertson, 3276 Hiwan Dr.</u>, Evergreen, CO 80439-8926

WILL TRADE INFO on Ozment/Osment, Bland, Weatherly, Graham, and Ward lines. Evelyn J. Thoes, 3 Willowbrook Circle, Athens, TX 75751-3547

MINICK, BARNETT: Samuel Minick m. Elizabeth Barnett, daughter of John Barnett. Seeking her birth and death dates. Was she Samuel's second wife and mother of: Peter, Samuel, John, Isaac, Henry (my g-g-grandfather), Sarah A., Wm. M., Martha E., and Samuel D.? All b. ca. 1816-1830 in Rhea Co. <u>Verna M. Williams, 13688 Sun Forest Dr., Penn Valley, CA 95946</u>

SHELLEY: Seeling info on Shelley family that may have moved from Tenn. to Miss. My Eli Shelley m. in Itawamba Co., Miss., in 1890 and died as young man ca. 1896. <u>Billie J. Rochevot, 7634 Memphis-Arlington Rd., Bartlett, TN 38135-1945</u>

FITCH, MURPHEY: Need any info on Abraham Fitch who moved to Claiborne Co. ca. 1790 from Caswell (Orange) Co., N.C., with John and Mary Fitch Murphey. Julia F. Chwalik, 7231 S.W. 132nd St., Miami, FL 33156-6801

POER/LA POER: Looking for any record of Charles A. Poer or LaPoer in mid-1800's in Tenn., Ala., possibly Ark. <u>M. Loyd.</u> 2089 Thayer Rd., Trinity, NC 27370-7167, e-mail VHRQ39A@prodigy.com

McCONNELL: Who were parents of Francis McConnell who m. Margaret Love in Green Co., Ky., in 1804, went into Tenn. ca. 1818, and on 1832 tax list? When did Margaret die? Francis married 2nd time in 1838, d. Henry Co. 1843. Norma Faye (Sams) McConnell, 203 Kennedy Dr., Sikeston, MO 63801-5128, phone (537) 471-9120

TATUM: Need info about ancestors of Thomas Jefferson Tatum, b. ca. 1858 Shelby Co., and brother James William Tatum, b. ca. 1888 in Hardeman Co. <u>Helen C. Havers, 962 S. Ironton St., Aurora, CO 80012-3009</u>

WASHINGTON, BAKER, THARP, WORLEY, PURCELL: Tempy Baker, daughter of Henry and Rebecca (Purcell?) Baker, m. 1822 in Franklin Co., N.C., to Gilliam Tharp, son of Revolutionary soldier Timothy Tharp and Jenny/Jane Worley. They moved to Fayette Co., Tenn., ca. 1840 and Tempy died soon after. How were her children Washington heirs as mentioned in Fayette Co. court records? Margaret Norvell Sinclair, 4984 Welchshire, Memphis, TN 38117-5647

BLYTHE, NOLIN: Who were parents of Elizabeth Blythe who m. Abraham Nolin 5 May 1797 in Davidson Co.? Had son Philip. Abraham with Andrew Jackson in New Orleans. Pat Jones, 5015 B Sun Valley Rd., Oakwood, GA 30566-3115

RESEARCHING Bunch, Harden, Denton, and Richardson families of Perry County. Will exchange info. <u>David B. Howell, 111</u> Parlange St., Thibodaux, LA 70301

HODGES: Who were parents of Aaron Doyle Hodges (b. 1799 Va.)? Aaron in Ill. in 1840, Ind. 1850; m. Martha _? in Mo. 1860, in Texas 1870. Where was he between 1799-1840? <u>Mary L. Jernigan, 206 Bowling Dr., Pauls Valley, OK 73075-5203</u>

OUERIES (continued)

HUDSON, GIVAN, BREVARD, LAWS: Interested in ancestors and descendants of Isaac & Sarah (Givan) Hudson and their parents, Solomn & Esther (Brevard) Hudson and George & Martha (Laws) Givan. John A. Leo, 5344 Cristfield Ct., Fairfax, VA 22032-3809

MOORE, PETERS: Seeking info on James Moore b. 26 May 1777 N.C., d. 20 Aug 1859. His Bible lists his parents as William Moore (d. 7 Mar 1818) and wife Elizabeth. James m. Mary Peters, b. 3 May 1775 N.C., d. Sep 1852. Bible gives her parents as Etheldred and Elizabeth Peters. James and Mary buried in Moore Cemetery, Madison Co., Tenn. <u>Mrs. C. C. James, 236 State Rt. 152 West, Humboldt, TN 38343</u>

PARENTS SOUGHT: Polly Foster (m. John Hooper 1809 Davidson Co.); Samuel Cox (b. 1779 Va., d. 1830 Haywood Co., Tenn., 4th wife Barbara Hammond, Williamson Co.); John Rhea (b. 1776 Va., d. 1839 Lincoln Co., Tenn.); Edward Isom d. ca. 1828 Lincoln Co.), Martha Clark (d. ca. 1828 Williamson Co., m. N.C. Rev. veteran Samuel Wilson of Steele Creek), Luke Tipton (b. 1760 Md., d. 1855 Weakley Co., Tenn., m. Rachel ?), James A. Mangum (b. 1823 Granville Co., N.C., d. 1890 Weakley Co.). Joanne Cullom Moore, 1 Corona, Frenchmans Bayou, AR 72338-0127

LOCK: Need parents, siblings of Wm. Henry Lock who m. (1) Rhoda Boyd Jones, (2) Martha Ellen Thomas, b. Tenn., d. ca. 1888 Mo. Father b. Va. William's 1st marriage in Williamson Co., Tenn. <u>Martha Miller, 9023 Central Ave., Brooksville, FL</u> 34613 -5087.

LAYROCK: Seeking info on Sandy Layrock who was in Oakland, Miss., in 1870. Curtis Dillihunt, 9156 Anderton Springs Cove, Memphis, TN 38133

INCE: Does anyone have any info on Edgar Ince who was in Cairo, Ill., in late 1800's and early 1900s? He was grandfather of my wife, E. Louise Ince Carman. <u>Carlos R. Carman, 513 Eastbourne Pl., Memphis, TN 38117-3643</u>

SUMNER COUNTY RESEARCHING? Wish to correspond with anyone researching these Sumner Co. families for years 1790-1860: Cyrus Vaughn, Wm. Smothers, Joshua Biggers, Henry and Moses Gaines, Ezekiel Marshall, and Wm. Key. <u>Mrs.</u> Hope Hotchkiss Niedling, 700 Third St., Plover, WI 54467-2256

TAYLOR, KING: Seek info on William Taylor, b. 1790s N.C., m. Priscilla King on 5 Aug 1819 in Davidson Co., Tenn, lived in Williamson Co.'s 19th Civil District in 1846, d. there before 1850. Son Nathan m. Angeline Prince in Williamson Co. 23 Sep 1844, and moved to Gadsden area of Madison Co., Tenn., ca. 1856. <u>Don L. Porter, 183 Trails Lane, Waverly, TN 37185</u>

PARROTT, MANNING: Will exchange info on George Parrott, b. ca. 1828, d. 17 Sep 1862 in Civil War. Married Elizabeth Jane Manning, b. ca. 1830. Children: William, b. 1851; Emily, b. 1854; Margaret, b. 1857; and Thomas A., b. 1859. <u>Bette</u> Grigsby, P.O. Box 776, Hewitt, TX 76643-0776

THARPE: Seeking death date and burial place of Oscar Joseph Tharpe, son of Henry Allen and Dora Tharpe, whose last known address was Texarkana, Ark. Juanita Greenshields, 3069 N. Pollard St., Arlington, VA 22207-4153, (703) 528-6665

RUMLEY/RUMBLEY, LINDSEY: Who were parents and siblings of Levicy Rumley, b. 16 June 1813, d. May 1894 in Benton Co.? She was Edward Lindsey's 2nd wife. Linda Moody Neal, 6608 Maybole Place, Temple Terrace, FL 33617-3830, e-mail: NEAL63@juno.com

WILLIAMS, HENDRICK, GARDNER, RICHEY, STEPHENS: Seeking descendants of Charles Williams who d. 1840 Marshall Co. Heirs: wife Susannah, sons Charles A. and Peter, daughters, Mary A. M., Elizabeth Hendrick, Nancy M. Gardner, and grandchildren Richey, Stephens, and William. <u>Nona E. Williams, 4160 Dunhaven Rd., Dallas, TX 75220, e-mail:</u> <u>newilliams1@hotmail.com</u>

McLIN: Researching David McLin whose will probated Sep 1852 in Coweta Co., Ga. Wife: Francis ____. Children: Mary S. (m. John I. Byrd/Bird), Martha C. (m. Theopholus Meadows), Margarett E. (m. Andrew F. Wood), James G., and Elizabeth June. Nela M. Hall, McCurtain Co. Gen. Soc., P.O. Box 1832, Idabel, OK 74745.

McCLUSKEY: Seeking any info on George W. McCluskey family that lived in Franklin Co.before 1840. H. H. Cunningham. 13809 E. 87th Place N., Owasso, OK 74055-2077

RAMSEY, WALKER: Who was father of John Edmund Ramsey (b. 1802 Rockbridge Co., Va., d. 27 Feb 1880 Bradley Co., Tenn., m. Sarah Long Walker, Methodist minister's daughter in McMinn Co.? <u>Dr. Dennis E. Ward, P.O. Box 1500, Corinth.</u> <u>MS 38835-1500</u>

WEAVER, UNDERWOOD: Researching (1) Hartwell Weaver (b. 20 June 1811), m. Mary ____ (b. 1812) in Montgomery Co. 1829, and (2) Jeremiah M. Underwood (b. 1807, N.C.), m. Catherine Arnold (b. 1810) in Montgomery Co. 29 Jan 1829. Sam Weaver, Sr., 140 Liberty Lane, Mountain Home, AR 72653-6745, phone (870) 492-4603, e-mail: sweaver@centuryinter.net

McDONALD, DAVIS: Need info on John Morgan McDonald who m. Kate Davis in Memphis on 28 Sep 1864, d. La. 1879. Charlotte W. Williams, P.O. Box 18257, Memphis, TN 38181-0257

OSBORN(E): Seeking parents of Richard Osborn/Osborne, b. 1784 in Hingham, Mass., soldier in War of 1812. Settled in Michigan. Wife: Lydia Bristol, b. 1795. Lois M. Tobias, 2199 Woodcreek Dr., Germantown, TN 38138-4131

CARTER: What was maiden name of James Madison Carter's wife Carolina? They m. in Fayette or Henderson Co. before 1856. She was b. N.C. ca 1833. <u>Mary Smiley, 4036 Dugan Ln.</u>, Weatherford, TX 76086-8704, <u>msmiley@ix.netcom.com</u>

CARR, JUSTUS, SKILES: Seek ancestry of these siblings, all b. Tenn.: (1) Wm. Carr, 1791-aft. 1860, m. Margaret [Skiles?]; (2) Mary Carr 1792-1872, m. Thos. Justus; (3) Catherine Carr, ca. 1795-1845, m. James Justus; (4) John Carr, ca. 1796-aft. 1830, m. Sarah Skiles. Janet Pease, 10310 W. 62nd Pl, Apt 202, Arvada, CO 80004-4815

GOLDEN, YORK, ESSARY: Seeking info on Wm. P. Golden b. 17 Nov 1847 in Benton Co., Ala., d. 12 Jan 1913 in Dyer, Tenn., m. Sarah Elizabeth York (b. 23 Mar 1845 in Ga., d. 27 May 1936 in Dyer Co.). Also Joseph Essary (1802-ca 1865) who m. Fannie Irving (1801-1846) in Henderson Co., Tenn.; and Benjamin Essary, b. 15 Jan 1812 Tenn., m. (1) Elizabeth Groves, (2) Smith. Martha Shaw, 22902 Trailwood Ln., Tomball, TX 77375-7108

SMITHSON, HARRIS, COPPEDGE: Need info on Emma E. Smithson, b. 5 Oct 1858 in S.C., d. 13 Apr 1936, daughter of M. T. Smithson and Sally Harris, both b. S.C. Family lived in Ala. at one time. Emma m. Dr. John Abner Coppedge and they lived in Sulphur Springs, Texas. <u>Mrs. Mary M. Woodward, 464 Chesterfield Dr., Cardiff by the Sea, CA 92007-1934</u>

LIPSCOMB, STUBBLEFIELD: Who were parents, siblings of Sarah Lipscomb, b. 12 Jul 1812 Tenn., d. Feb 1893 Henderson Co., m. Thos. Major Stubblefield 10 May 1835 Maury Co. <u>Faye Webster, 7822 Ferguson Rd.</u>, Dallas, TX 75228-6352

GOODLOE, TURNER: Need info on Calvin Hall Goodloe's first marriage. Family record shows he m. Victoria Turner in Dec 1872 in Rutherford Co. .Children: Mora, Ida Belle, Daisy, and Ellen. <u>James & Loretta Forrester, 1205 Mulberry Dr., Trumann, AR 72472-3404.</u>

LEFORS: Seeking info on Samuel Lefors, b. 1785 N.C., m. Margery Montgomery ca. 1806 Ky. Need to know about her father Henry Montgomery. <u>Ms. Sue Barnes, 2633 CR 154, Tuscola, TX 79562-3309</u>

CURLIN, WHITE: Seeking birth places and parents of my father, James Amos Curlin, b. 8 Sep 1888 Tipton Co., and mother, Rosa White, b. somewhere south of Jackson or in Chester or McNairy counties. My grandfather and father had same name. Need also to know where grandparents b. and buried. <u>Delbert L. Curlin, 3340 Bruton Parish Dr., Memphis, TN 38133-4153</u>

COSBY, FARRAR: Need to confirm that Wm. Cosby (b. 1805 Mecklenberg Co., Va., d. 1835 Tipton Co., Tenn.) was son of Wm. and Hannah (Smith) Cosby. Wm. II m. Tabitha Farrar 24 Jan 1833 in Granville Co., N.C. <u>Lanier Ferguson, 1280 Elm St.</u>, <u>Martin, TN 38237-5202</u>

BROWN, LOVE: Searching Brown and Love surnames in Henry and Weakley counties. John Mathis Brown m. Parolee Love on 13 Apr 1858. <u>Ann M. Bashaw, 120 Lindsey, Bay City, TX 77414-3149</u>

CATHEY: Who were parents and siblings of Sarah ____ Cathey, b. ca. 1810, m. George Cathey ca. 1828 in Marshall Co.? She d. after 1860 in Weakley or Obion Co. Children: John, James, Narcissa, Isaac, Huldah (Horton), and William. <u>Eleanor Horton, P.</u> <u>O. Box 742, Roseburg, OR 97470-0151</u>

OUERIES (continued)

MANUEL, BARNETT, FRAZIER: Wish to contact descendants of John Manuel, b. 1807 Tenn., Jesse Barnett b. 1784 N.C., Wm. C. Barnett b. 1774 N.C., and Julia Ann Frazier b. 1826 N.C. <u>Virginia Beach Jiminez, 2804 Texoma Dr., Oklahoma City, OK 73119-4645</u>

STEWARTS OF SUMNER COUNTY: Samuel Stewart (1754? - 1833) m. Sarah Robb, d. 1832, had 8 children: Rev. James Stewart (1777), Polly (1779), Sally (1782, m. Adam Wallace), Peggy, William, John, Hannah, and Samuel, Jr. Anyone working on this family please contact: <u>Col. John D. Jackson, Rt. 1, Box 208, Wing, AL 36483, e-mail jjcolinf@cyou.com</u>

IDA McCULLEN: Born Julia Regina Bacigalupo in Memphis 21 Sep 1874. Living Philadelphia, Pa., 1941. Seek descendants. Emily Iland, 28848 Woodside Dr., Saugus, CA 91350-1294; e-mail: emily@lacbbs.com

FORTUNE: What happened to America Fortune who was on 1840,'50, '60, '70 Hardeman Co. censuses then disappeared? Born ca. 1837-39 Hardeman Co., only daughter of Nicholas W. and Rachel (Paschall) Fortune. Did she marry? Die? Move? Joan Vickers, 110 Pine Meadows Loop, Hot Springs, AR 71901-8229

THORN/THORNE: Seek info on John Thorn who is in 1830 Dickson Co. census with wife (prob. Elizabeth or Tennessee) and 3 children, and in 1840 Tenn. census with 6 children. Probable residence in Bethel just north of Thomasville near Clarksville, Montgomery Co. <u>Verna Banes, 120 Elmwood, Huntsville, TX 77340-3057, phone (409) 294-9431</u>, e-mail.vbanes@myriad.net

McCORMICK: Seeking parents, marriage date, and any descendants of John B. McCormick, b. 1824 Va., m. Harriet (?), b. 1829, Va. Children: Elizabeth (b. 1849 Ky/Tenn.), Elsie (b. 1851 Tenn.), Wm. (b. 1854 Tenn.), Sarah (b. 1857 Tenn.), John Albert (b. 1859 Tenn.), Peter Franklin (my great-grandfather, b. 16 June 1862). Norma Keller, 13527 S.E. Market St., Portland, OR 97233-1752

McDOWELL: Need parents, birthplace of Charley Henry McDowell, b. ca. 1869, d. 1921 Haywood Co., m. 1902 to Dora Etta Askew, daughter of George U. Askew and Sarah Buckner of Jackson (Madison Co.). <u>Mrs. Opal McDowell Keen, 4731 Nail</u> Rd., Olive Branch, MS 38654-0619

WALKER: Seeking ancestors, descendants of Maury Co. residents: [1] Thomas Walker (1762-1841, m. Sarah Coleman); [2] Thomas Walker (b. ca. 1780, m. Betsy Cathey); [3] Thomas Walker (b. ca. 1803, m. Martha Curry). Jerri Beshears Kennedy, 716 Washington St., St. Charles, MO 63301-1869

COUNTS, RICH: Who were parents of Rosannah Counts (b. ca. 1781 Va.)? She m. Jacob Rich (1762-1838) in Franklin Co., Tenn., 15 June 1810. She possibly was Rosannah Sartin, widow of John Counts, and mother of 3 young sons (John, Isaac, and David Counts) when she m. Jacob. Will share Counts and Rich info. J. T. Limbaugh, 4623 Lynchburg Rd., Winchester, TN 37398-3648

GRINDSTAFF, MORELAND: Seeking parents of Mary "Polly" Grindstaff, b. ca. 1806, m. Wright Moreland in Johnson Co. July 1819. Later lived in Carter Co. <u>Carol R. Basile, 852 N. Harrison St., Arlington, VA 22205-1229</u>

THOMPSON, GREEN, NIX, ARNOLD: Wilson T. Thompson and wife, Sarah J. Green, both b. ca. 1849 in Lexington, Henderson Co. Who were her parents? Also need parents of Wilson's father, Stephen Thompson, b. ca. 1814 in Tenn.; and info on Thomas Nix and Elizabeth Arnold, parents of Stephen's wife Agnes. <u>Neva King Barnhart, 2240 Mohigan Way, Las Vegas, NV 89109-3374</u>

SPICER, HORTON, GOODLETT: Need death date, burial place, and children [if any] of Carrie Spicer Goodlett, daughter of Samuel S. Spicer and Frances L. Horton, b. 1866 Memphis, m. W. R. Goodlett, lived in Chattanooga in 1916. William Bauer, 823 Calhoun St., Columbia, SC 29201

CLOSE-OUT SALE: Three books, published by late Eugene Wiseman in mid-1990's and originally priced at \$50 each, have been drastically reduced in price for quick sale. *The Wiseman Family & Allied Lines*, Vol. 1, now available for \$25. *Wiseman/Davenport Families & Allied Lines*, Vol. II, and *The Warren County Story*, available at \$20 each. Please add \$3 postage & handling per book. <u>Mary Elizabeth Barnes, 116 Seitz St., McMinnville, TN 37110</u>

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BEATY: Seeking info on parents and siblings of Dr. Abel E. Beaty, b. 1828 Tenn., m. Mary Lucinda Bond 1856, d. 1890 Memphis. Had office on Madison Ave., Memphis. <u>Nina Bell, 15220 Meadow Wood, Wellington, FL 33414</u>, <u>NSBELL@bellsouth.com</u>

DRUMMOND, CHITWOOD: Who were parents of Nancy R. Dummond, b. Aug 1832, possibly S. C.? Married Josiah Chitwood in Dyer Co., Tenn. 1900 Obion Co. census shows her living in home of Race Chitwood. <u>Kathryn T. Dickenson</u>, 2335 Lovitt Dr., Memphis, TN 38119

BROWN, PREWITT, BRUTON: Need parents and siblings of Archaelaus Brown, b. 1803 N.C., wife Clarissa Prewitt, b. 1807. Old family records indicate they moved from Shad (?) Co., N.C., to Lincoln Co., Tenn. Children (b. 1826-1852): Elizabeth, Wm., Mary A., Elisha, Clarissa, Martha J., George W., Sarah A., Emeriah, Samuel David, Malinda M. (m. George W. Bruton), Susan, James Ervin (m. Abigail Bruton), and Green. Kenneth Bruton, Rt. 2, Box 135 B3, Sherman, TX 75092-9606

ARMSTRONG, DAVIDSON: Researching families who lived on Duck River, Bedford and Coffee counties. Particularly interested in Samuel Leander Davidson (1812-1870) and wife Mary Coleman Moseley; Dr. James L. Armstrong (1782-1868) and wife Mason Potter Temple. Also Robert Marshall (d. 1850?) and Sarah "Sally" Dobbins of Sumner Co. (b. 1776). <u>Betty S.</u> <u>Carr, 3212 - 56th St., Lubbock, TX 79413-4811</u>

JAMES, SMITH: Will exchange info on George W. James, shown in 1850 Hardeman Co. census as b. Va. ca. 1791. Second wife Mary, b. ca. 1801. Son's death certificate indicates her maiden name Smith. Children: (b. 1825-1841) were: Thomas, George, Isham, Mary, Jasper, John, and Sarah. All in Cherokee Co., Tex., by 1852. Believe there were other children b. between 1825-1834. <u>Obera Cypert, 1620 First Ave., S. W., Ardmore, OK 73401-2826</u>

WARD: Seeking parents, family of Joseph(us) Ward, b. ca. 1833 in Tenn., m. Sarah McGregor, daughter of Wm. and Mary McGregor, b. ca. 1835 in Warren County. Joseph and Sarah resided in Dade Co., Mo., from 1850s. Will exchange info. <u>Dr. K.</u> Earle Cochrane, 1925 S. Arizona Blvd., #50, Coolidge, AZ 85228-6214

BLOUNT/BLUNT, JONES: Seeking info on Isaac Blount and wife Lovey Jones who lived in Carroll County in 1825. <u>Sunny</u> Daily, Rt. 5, Box 201, Hwy. 21, Pittsburg, TX 75686-9026

DAVIDSON, PATTON: When and where did John Davidson m. Rebecca Patton, daughter of James Patton, and where did they live? First child, Samuel, b. June 1805 in Williamson Co. John came from Buncombe Co., N.C., in 1798, but is only on 1809 tax rolls. Williamson Co. records indicate he died in Mo. Territory after 1814. Rebecca and children returned to Tenn. ca. 1820/21. Her family came to Tenn. ca. 1803 from Wilkes Co., Ga., and father James d. 1806. <u>Samuel T. Davidson, 115</u> Glenhaven Terrace, Tallahassee, FL 32312-2037

KENDRICK, HOLLINGSWORTH: Seeking info on Edom Jackson Kendrick and Jane M. Hollingsworth of Cocke Co. who migrated to Pettis Co., Mo., after 1849. Who were her parents? <u>Margaret Deal, 3450 Hoover St., Redwood City, CA</u> 94063-4349

GRAY: Who were parents of William Gray, Sr., and where did they live? His daughter, Mary "Polly" Gray, m. James Tipton in Wilson Co. <u>Kathryn T. Dickenson, 2335 Lovitt Dr., Memphis, TN 38119</u>

ALLEN, JACKSON: Need birth date of Monroe Allen, b. Tenn., son of Abraham Boiler Allen. Who was his mother? Monroe m. Laura Jackson in Wichita Co., Tex., on 24 Jan 1887. Eva M. Eckstein, 470 Churchdale Ave. N., Salem, OR 97303-5402

BARNETT: Still searching for any and all Barnetts in Tenn., especially Wayne Co. <u>Kenneth C. Fitzgibbons, 1508 Leisure</u> World, Mesa, AZ 85206-2737

HELP WANTED: Need any info prior to 1850 on surnames Gattis, Gibbs, Patterson, Garrett, Votaw, and Hager. <u>Carl W.</u> <u>Gattis, 2573 County Rd. 111, Georgetown, TX 78626-7657</u>

LOGAN, McPHERON: Who were parents of David and Peggy (McPheron) Logan who m. 10 Aug 1803 in Greene Co.? David d. May 1849; Peggy d. after 1804 and before 1849. Suzanne M. Froede, 3930 N. Placita de la Escarpa, Tucson, AZ 85750-2354

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