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TGS Librarian Nelson Dickey Dies After Extended Illness

Nelson Dickey, librarian of the Tennessee Genealogical Society for the past five years, died 23 June 1999 at a Memphis hospital following an extended illness. He was 67.

Born 9 Oct 1931 in Jackson, Tenn., he was the son of George Hervey Dickey and Mayme Huber Chumber of Milan. On 19 June 1957, Nelson married Gladys Ann Ross in Milan. They later moved to the Memphis area where he was vice president of Atlas Contractors, Inc. He was a Navy veteran of the Korean War, a member of the Germantown United Methodist Church choir, a Mason, Shriner, and member of the Sons of the American Revolution.

Nelson is survived by his wife; two daughters, Dara Fields Dickey and Dawne Dickey Davis, both of Leesburg, Va.; and two grandchildren. Graveside rites were held at Oakwood Cemetery in Milan on 24 June, and memorial services at Germantown Methodist Church the following day. The family requests that any memorials be sent to the Tennessee Genealogical Society or Germantown United Methodist Church.

In Memoriam

It can truly be said of Nelson Dickey that 'he fought the good fight.'

Those of us who worked with him in the Tennessee Genealogical Society came to know him as a person devoted to history and genealogy, and always willing to share his knowledge with others. He was a hard worker, giving freely of his time and energy to maintain and develop the Society's library. Its reputation as one of the finest genealogical libraries to be found in the Mid-South was due in no small part to his efforts.

When he learned about two years ago that he had lung cancer which had metabolized to the brain, Nelson -- as the younger generation would say -- maintained 'his cool.' He was determined to do all he could to overcome the disease. He took radiation and chemotherapy, all the while continuing to show up regularly at the TGS library and carry out his duties. Nelson -- in our presence at least -- never seemed to blink in the face of adversity. In fact, he exhibited such a cheerful, optimistic outlook that some of us thought he might even overcome his illness. Then he suffered a stroke and had to struggle to get his speech back. From then on, he was confined to a wheelchair and forced to give up his services as librarian. It was hard for him to stay away, and one day he had his nurse bring him out to the library to see for himself how it was doing. He was impressed with the way Acting Librarian Loretta Bailey had been handling things in his absence, and seemed gratified that his work was going on.

From all of at TGS: Thanks, Nelson, for all you did in behalf of genealogy in general and the Society in particular. We'll miss you, that's for sure. ■

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THE EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

by Dorothy Marr Roberson

A TREMENDOUS THANKS TO all those great folks out there who pitched in to help make this an issue brimming over with names and family information!

My favorite hobby of browsing through old newspapers turns up a lot of story possibilities which I don't always have time to follow up. **Carol Mittag** came to my rescue in one such instance, and the result is our lead story on Page 3, "The German-Swiss Migration to Franklin County in the Late 1860's."

Much has been written about Tennesseans going to Illinois, Texas, California, and other states, but perhaps not enough attention has been given to those who migrated to Tennessee and other Southern states after the Civil War and helped rebuild agricultural productivity. Carol did intensive research on a group of farmers who came primarily from Ohio's Stark and Tuscarawas counties to Franklin Co., Tenn. Her work is a real contribution, and it's wonderful to have a volunteer like her to call on.

Thurman Jackson shares information he discovered about tracking down ancestors who worked on the railroad. His experience in checking on one of his ancestors turned up far more info than he ever dreamed it would, and he tells how to go about tapping this resource.

Pauline Washington told me about the long journey home to Tennessee from Missouri that her ancestor, **Margaret Underwood**, made after the Civil War. She supplied details about her line and also put me in touch with **Edna Clack** who must know more about Rhea and Roane counties than anybody anywhere. (Check her webpage with the intriguing e-mail address of Woodchippy@aol.com). Edna was generous in sharing her info and the result: two stories from that area of the state [Pages 12 & 14].

Ray Huffstutter of Marietta, Ga., and his brother, **Dan**, of Nashville, are doing something highly commendable -- and that's erecting plaques at the gravesites of some of their ancestors. In August they put one up at the grave of their great-great grandfather, **Lewis Huffstutter**, in Obion County. An account of Lewis, his ancestors, and descendants appears on Page 19.

Jean Conyers Herndon of Nashville and I have kept the Internet hopping for months now about her ancestor **Thomas Conyers, Sr.**, Revolutionary War soldier who survived Valley Forge and fought in numerous battles before coming to Tennessee. Our e-mail correspondence grew out of a query she ran in the magazine, and the result is the story starting on Page 21. I now found myself looking for the Conyer surname whenever I pick up a genealogical book.

Henry Hudson of Millington shares his collection of postal items with us once again, this time passing along information from letters in the 1840s to Tennessee lawyers. Included are interesting biographical sketches about some of the lawyers whose stampless correspondence is in his private collection. The article begins on Page 25.

These contributions are by far the most I've received during my tenure as editor, and here's hoping their number will increase. Did you ever stop to think about how distorted history could be when it comes down to ordinary, law-abiding folks who worked hard for a living, raised their families, and acted like good citizens? They may not have been elected to public office, or may not have had the money to buy space in the so-called "vanity books" to perpetuate their surnames, but, by golly, they're the ones who kept this country going.

Yep, folks like that may well have been on your family tree ... and it may be up to you to tell their story and keep their family history alive. (End of sermon.)

Also in this issue Frank Paessler has completed Family Charts Book IV and the surname index is on Pages 32-33.

AN INTRIGUING NOTICE was run by a black woman in the *District Telegraph & State Sentinel* of Jackson, Tenn., on 22 Dec 1837. Her paid notice -- which includes a Shakespearean quote -- follows: "**BLACK LIST** - *Having been much imposed upon by a species of animal holding themselves forth as gentlemen, in my humble but honest vocation of washer woman, I have concluded to follow the precedent of white people in publishing a Black List. I commence with the name of NATHANIEL A. CLARK who 'strutted his brief hour on the stage' upon my labor, and then found it convenient to 'go to parts unknown' \$20 in my debt. All wash women are cautioned to beware of him.*

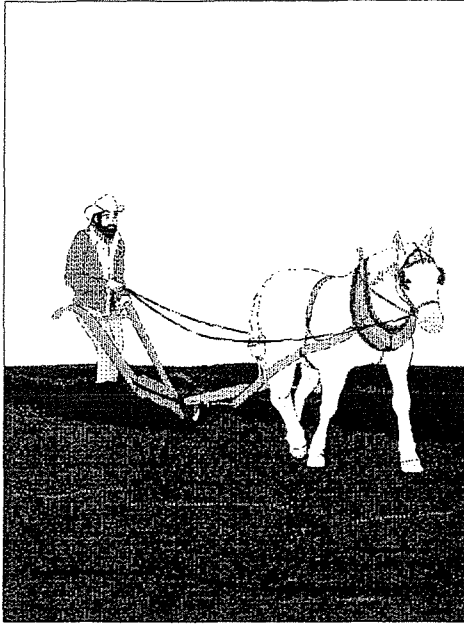
Sarah Dulaney Jack. Dec 22. "

One can only hope that Nathaniel came clean and paid off his debt. Twenty dollars' worth of laundry in 1837 must've been a **WHOLE** lot of dirty linen.

JULIE CASE in her *RootsWeb Review*, No. 23, Vol. 2 on the Internet discusses the benefits of the traditional genealogical magazine as compared with the World Wide Web. For one thing, Julie says being able to carry a copy of an article with you as you research in a library, cemetery, or courthouse is important to the majority of genealogists. She also cites the genealogical magazine's durability, noting that many web sites disappear daily and make it difficult to re-read an article that appeared weeks, months, or even years ago. In addition, Julie says it's still easier to grab a magazine from the bookshelf or coffee table than it is to boot up your computer, enter your password, connect to the site, hunt for an article, etc.

Thanks for pointing out those advantages, Julie. I couldn't have said it better myself! One thing probably should be added: most genealogical magazines, in contrast to the majority of WWW sites, are careful to cite sources. It's fun to surf the Internet for genealogy clues, though, so long as you keep in mind that most are clues that need verifying. Julie and her colleagues make a genuine contribution to the cause of genealogy with *RootsWeb* and all its many services.■





The German-Swiss Migration To Franklin County in Late 1860s

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After the Civil War, many German-Swiss families migrated to Franklin Co., Tenn., from Ohio's Stark and Tuscarawas counties and also from Switzerland. They came for a variety of reasons: cheap land, milder climate, better economic opportunity, and some to be near their family and friends.

For father and son, **Samuel and John Kaserman**, it was a matter of the younger man's life and death. John had served as a sharpshooter and Union Captain in the First Ohio Regiment and, upon his return home to New Philadelphia, Tuscarawas Co., O., he had developed

complications from pneumonia. The doctor advised John to move to a warmer climate or he would be dead within two years. Samuel and John, whose combined assets were about \$7,000, spent two winters searching on foot in several southern states for a suitable location. When they reached Franklin County, the area reminded Samuel of Switzerland and they looked no further. On 23 Jan 1868, they bought a 280-acre farm with a four-room house about four miles from Winchester in Civil District No. 5.¹ They made a down payment of \$2,000 in gold, with the \$4,000 balance to be paid in a year or two, and agreed to take possession of the land 1 Oct 1868.

The Kasermans were not the first German-Swiss family from Ohio to migrate to the area. An article in the *Nashville Banner* on 25 Jan 1868² stated that a colony of German immigrants had recently settled on "upwards of 3,000 acres" in Franklin County that had been purchased in advance of their arrival. The newcomers represented a capital of \$100,000, the article said, and it was anticipated that in a few weeks an additional 4,000 acres would be bought for the same purpose.³ The *Banner* reported the immigrants were well satisfied with Tennessee's soil and climate and especially with the hospitable treatment they had received from the people. The Germans hailed from Stark County, O., and without exception were sound Democrats. Although they had imbibed a good deal of Northern prejudice against Southern ideas and institutions, the Nashville paper said their brief residency in Franklin County had induced them to believe "they have fallen amongst the cleverest people on the face of the earth."

In keeping with their agreement, the Kaserman family arrived in Franklin County in the fall of 1868, bringing with them some close relatives. There were **Samuel** (10 Jan 1807-1 Jul 1882) and his wife, **Maria Burkholter** (7 Jan 1810 - 25 Jan 1879), and their son **John** (8 Nov 8 1838 - 13 Jan 1909), and his wife, **Maria Anna Krebs** (22 Feb 1832 - 17 Dec 1905). All were born in Canton Bern, Switzerland, except Maria Burkholter who was born in Canton Solturn. Since 1838, they had lived in Tuscarawas County where Samuel had been successful in several business enterprises. In the late 1850's, Samuel, Maria B., and son John returned to Switzerland for a visit. When they returned to Tuscarawas County, John married Maria Anna there on 28 Aug 1857.⁴ By the time they moved to Tennessee, John and Maria had seven children: **John Edward** (1858-1928), **Charles Alfred** (1860-1937), **Otilla M.** ⁵ (Sep 1862-1934), **Emile Otto** (1865), **Laura** (16 Dec 1866 - 27 Apr 1889), and **Clara L.** (6 June 1868 - 16 May 1883). After settling in Franklin County, John and Maria had two more daughters -- **Emma O.** (1871-1958), and **Hulda R.** (Jan 1873), who married **J. P. Phillips**.⁶

¹ The deed was in Samuel's name.

² Reprinted in the *Pulaski Citizen* on 14 Feb 1868

³ Deed records do not show such large transactions during this time period.

⁴ They are listed on the 1860 Tuscarawas County census as living in Auburn Township.

⁵ She is shown as **Mary D.** on the 1870 census.

⁶ The 1890 Franklin Tax Book lists three Kasermans: **J.** (probably **John Edward**) - 511 acres, **C. A. (Charles Alfred)** - 1 Poll Tax, **J. (John)** - 1,050 acres. Most of the family is buried in Kaserman Cemetery except **Emile O.** and **Hulda Phillips** whose records are not in the *ANSEARCHIN' NEWS*, Fall 1999

When the **Kasermans** came to Franklin County, many local farmers had given up on the land and relocated -- some as far away as Texas. The Kasermans probably would not have called these farmers 'the cleverest people on earth' because the land was worn-out and eroded. In addition, many farms had deteriorated during the war. While Samuel and John had no experience as farmers, they were familiar with the farm practices of Switzerland and Ohio, and it must have been obvious to them that the fault lay more with the practices than the environment. Local farmers were still using crude tools and knew nothing of crop rotation and fertilization. The Kasermans were convinced of the area's agricultural possibilities. Their optimism for the land and the region never diminished, and John set about writing articles and letters encouraging other German-Swiss farmers in Ohio and Switzerland to move to Franklin County. Some Germans moved from North Carolina to Franklin County after the 1800s, but it was said that John Kaserman was responsible for attracting most of the German-Swiss who settled in the Belvidere section of Franklin County. By 1870, there were families in the county who had come from such places as Baden-Wurttemberg, Bavaria, Darmstadt, Guttenburg, Saxony, and Switzerland. Most had settled originally in Ohio, but a few had lived for a while in Illinois, Pennsylvania, and New York. Some making the move were second and third generation German-Swiss. Religion was a large part of their lives and, they founded the German Reformed Church which, after several mergers, is now known as the Belvidere First United Church of Christ. The following are some of the German-Swiss families who relocated to Franklin County: (Incomplete dates of births are approximate, based on an individual's age at the time of the census.)

Civil District No. 1 – Decherd

Martin Doury/Dury (1805) and his wife, **Francis** (1817), were both born in Baden. They were living in Ohio by 1851 when their son, **John**, was born, followed by two daughters, **Francis** (1855), and **Anna** (1861). Martin purchased 186 acres for \$2,500 in Franklin County on 20 Jan 1868. He paid \$200 cash with the remainder to be paid by 1 Apr 1868. In addition to his real estate, the 1870 census shows he had personal estate valued at \$500. Martin, who listed his occupation as a farmer, had two farmhands in the household: **Daniel Graff**, age 15, and **William Graff**, age 11, both born in Wisconsin.

John Emrih (1812), his wife, **Mary** (1814), and their oldest son, **John** (1845) were born in Baden. Sometime between 1845 and 1850 they immigrated to America and lived in Pennsylvania for at least six years where their two oldest daughters, **Lizzie** (1850) and **Collin** (1856) were born. They were living in Ohio when their daughter, **Louiza**, was born in 1858. John purchased land in Franklin County valued at \$2,859.62 ½ cents on 29 Apr 1869. He paid \$1,000 cash, with the remainder to be paid 22 Jan 1870. On the 1870 Franklin County census, John is shown as a farmer with real estate valued at \$6,000 and personal estate at \$800.

Conrad Miller (1824), and his wife, **Elizabeth** (1832) were born in Bavaria. They settled for a time in New York where their two oldest children, **Elsa Bell** (1853) and **Augusta** (1856), were born. A third child, **Louiza** (1863), was born in Ohio. The Millers moved to Franklin County before 1870. The 1870 census shows Conrad as a carpenter with real estate valued at \$2,000 and personal estate at \$600.

Civil District No. 2 - Winchester

Joseph Duram/Durham was born about 1831. The 1870 Franklin County census shows him born in Germany, and the 1880 in Ohio. His father was born in Switzerland. His wife, **Elizabeth** (1833) was born in Ohio as were six of their children: **Mary E.** (6 Oct 1856), **John** (1858), **Albert** (1861), daughters, **Emma** (1863),⁷ **Carolyn** (1865), and **Frankey** (1867). Twins, **Henry** and **William**, were born Jan 1870 in Franklin County. John was a farmer with real estate valued at \$400 and personal estate at \$645 in 1870. Joseph and Elizabeth are buried in Harmony Cemetery, Franklin County. On 29 Nov 1874 in Franklin County **Mary Durham** married **G. L. Baker** (2 Oct 1853 – 5 Oct 1919). They, along with a daughter, **Mary E.** (28 Aug 1885 – 30 Aug 1886) and an unnamed daughter (4 Feb 1888 – 4 Feb 1888), are buried in Winchester City Cemetery.

August Janson (1818) and his wife, **Elizabeth** (1824) were born in Germany. They were living in New York by about the mid-1850s when **Louis** was born, followed by **Josaphen** (1856) and **William** (1860). They had relocated to Ohio by the time their daughter, **Clara An** (1863), was born. On 15 Nov 1867, Elizabeth purchased 222 acres in Franklin County, District No. 4,

cited reference. (See **Burkholter** heading for some close relatives.) In 1880, **Fred Kaserman**, b. 1848 in Switzerland, was living in the household of **Jacob Miescher** as a hired hand. **Alfred Kaserman** was a leader in organizing Belvidere Cumberland Presbyterian Church in 1894.
⁷ Shown as "Emmer" on the 1870 Census

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for \$8,000. In Sept 1868, she purchased a lot in the town of Winchester for \$2,000 from **John M. Gibbs** and **John B. Miller** of Stark Co., Ohio. Possession of the property was not to be taken until 1 Jan 1869. August listed his occupation on the 1870 census as cabinetmaker, with real estate valued at \$2,460 and personal estate at \$715. Lewis and William were both working on the farm, and Clara An was living at home. The 1880 Franklin County census shows Elizabeth as head of household. Louis/Lewis married **Lucy Durigg** (1859) after 1880. (On the 1880 census, Lucy is shown as a cousin living in **Jacob Miesker's** household.) Three different birth dates are indicated for Lewis. The 1870 census gives his age as 21, indicating a birthdate of ca. 1849. The 1880 census shows him as 27, which would point to a birth date of ca. 1853. His tombstone gives his birth date as 1859. Lewis died in 1921 and Lucy in 1930. Both are buried in Belvidere United Church of Christ Cemetery.

A. Rengel (1844) was born in Pennsylvania and his wife, **Emalin** (1844) in Ohio. A daughter, **Ella**, was born about 1868 in Tennessee. He is probably the Rengel mentioned in the land deal with **Hiram Zerbe** (see below), since they lived next to one another.

Henry Solomon (18 Apr 1848 – 18 Mar 1940) and his wife, **Burthene** (13 Aug 1848 – 23 Mar 1922) were born in Ohio. In 1870, Henry's occupation was farming, but he had no real or personal estate. Their children born in Franklin County were: **Henry** (1869), **Mary** (1871), **John** (1873), **Lively**⁸, **Emma** (1877), and **Joseph W.** (27 Nov 1884 – 18 Mar 1940). Henry, his wife, **A. B. (Burthene)**, also shown as **Bertha** on the 1880 Franklin census), and son **Joseph** are buried in the Belvidere United Church of Christ Cemetery.

Hiram Zerbe/Zerbee (1839) was born in Canton, Stark Co., O., to **Jacob** and **Susan Hartman Zerbe**. Jacob (1801) was born in Westmoreland, Pa., and Susan (1806) in Ohio. They married 10 Sept 1826 in Stark County. Hiram married **K/Catherine C. Flesher** in Stark County. **Katherine** or Kate, as she was sometimes referred to, was born in 1841 in Stark County. **Jacob** had three land transactions in Franklin County in Sept 1867, for a total of 470 acres valued at \$3,700. **Hiram** and **Jacob** had land transactions in Franklin County in 1868. On 1 May 1868, **Jacob** sold 170 acres in the 2nd district to **Hiram** for \$1,100. **Hiram** paid \$850 cash, with the balance due by Sept 1869. On 23 Nov 1868, **Hiram** sold **Zerbe** and **Ringle** 190 acres in the 2nd District for \$900 cash. On the 1870 census, the name is spelled **Zerby**. His occupation is listed as a farmer with real estate valued at \$1,500 and personal estate \$330. **Hiram** and **Katherine** had two children listed on the 1870 Franklin census: **Ida** (1862) born in Ohio, and **Lucey** (1870) born in Tennessee.

Samuel Zerbe/Zerbee (1839) and his wife **Salender** (1843) were born in Ohio. They had three children: **Jeney** (1863) born in Indiana, **Ritchard** (1866) born in Ohio, and **Oren** (1869) born in Tennessee. Samuel's occupation was a carpenter in 1870 and he showed no real estate or personal estate. (Possibly brother of **Hiram Zerbe**.)

Civil District No. 5 - Winchester

Mary Burkholter (1788) was born in Switzerland. In 1850, she was living with her husband, **Jacob** (1786) in Tuscarawas Co., York Township, O., next door to her daughter and son-in-law, **Maria** and **Samuel Kaserman**. **Jacob** was not listed on the 1870 Franklin County census, which shows **Mary** as a farmer with no real estate and a personal estate of \$500. Living in her household were **S. P.** (1852) and **John Burkholter** (1856), both born in Ohio; **William Reif** (1846 – Jun 1873) born in Indiana, occupation teacher; **Rosa/Rosine C. Kribs** (4 Feb 1834 – 29 May 1890) born in Canton, Switzerland, occupation house servant; **John Stanfer** (1836) born in Switzerland, occupation laborer. (These are the close relatives who came with the **Kasermans** to Franklin County. **Samuel's** wife's maiden name was **Burkholter**, and **Rosa Kribs** was living in **John Kaserman's** household in 1860 in Tuscarawas County. The 1880 Franklin census shows her living in **John Kaserman's** household as his sister-in-law.

Valentine Dean/Dehn (1815) and wife, **Catherine Pfiefer** (1824), were born in Ohio. They married 22 Oct 1844 in Stark Co., O. The following children were born in Ohio: **Frank** (1846), **John** (1848), **Louisa** (1855), **Phelemina** (1857), **Joseph** (1860), **Henry** (1862), **Elizabeth** (1864), **Joseph** (1868) (two children with the same first name?), and **Francis** (1869). **Valentine** bought 200 acres in Franklin County, which he transferred to his wife for \$3,865 in gold on 30 Aug 1869. On 27 Nov 1869, Catherine sold the 200 acres to **Martin Scharber** for \$257.83 in cash. **Valentine** was a farmer and in 1870 had real estate valued at \$3,999 and personal estate at \$800.

⁸ Name possibly not correct and age not legible on the 1880 census.

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Martin Scharber (5 Mar 1822 – 29 Jan 1910)⁹ and his wife, **Margaret Dehen/Dean** (12 Aug 1824 - 23 Nov 1883) were born in Baden. They married 21 Apr 1845 in Massillon, Ohio. Their children born in Ohio were: **Samuel** (1846), **Mary** (1851), **Caroline** (1854), **Stephen** (1856), **Lucia** (1860), **Anna** (23 May 1863), and twins, **William** and **Joseph Franklin** (1864). In 1868, Martin bought a farm next to **Samuel Kaserman**. In 1870, he listed his occupation as farmer with real estate valued at \$1,000 and personal estate at \$500. He, his wife, and daughter, **Anna**, who married **J. P. Waldman** on 3 May 1885, are buried in the Kaserman Cemetery.

Civil District No. 7 – Tullahoma

Joseph Cholley (1845) and his wife **Catherine Sechin** (1836) were born in Ohio. Joseph and Catherine were married 15 Sep 1867 in Stark County. They had a son, **Louey**, born in Oct 1869 in Tennessee. **Joseph's** occupation was farming and in 1870 he had real estate valued at \$1,500 and personal estate at \$425. (See **Staubs/Stahl** below.)

Victor Eberwin (1844) was born in Baden, and his wife **Margaret Graff** (1851) was born in Switzerland. They were married in Davidson Co., Tenn., on 15 Sep 1869. On the 1870 Franklin County census, he listed his occupation as farmer with no real estate and personal estate valued at \$450. Living in the same household was **Ferdinand Eberwin** born in Baden (possibly a brother) with personal estate valued at \$335. On the 1880 census, **Victor** and **Margaret** listed two children; **Willie** (1876), and **Emile** (1877 female). Also living in the household was **Daniel Eberwin** (1870), a nephew.

Sylvester Rait (1824) and his wife, **Mary** (1825) were born in Germany. The following children were born in Ohio: **Susan** (1851), **Mary** (1853), **John** (1857), and **Maggie** (1862). In 1870 Sylvester listed his occupation as a farmer with real estate valued at \$4,500 and personal estate at \$1,000.

Frederick Staubs/Stahl (1829) was born in Wurtenburg, and his wife, **Margurite** (1834) in Ohio. On the 1870 Franklin County census, Frederick is shown as a farmer with real estate valued at \$1,500 and personal estate at \$450. On 8 June 1868, **Margaret Stahl** and **Catherine Cholly** purchased from **H. D. Ziegler** 180 acres for \$1,500. They paid \$500 in cash, and the balance was due 1st Feb 1869. On 3 Apr 1875, they bought 180 acres for \$1,500 from **Henry Ziegler**. (Was this the same land and, why were Margaret and Catherine purchasing the land instead of their husbands?)

Civil District No. 8 - Decherd

John Janson (1832) was born in Darmstadt. His wife, **Josapehine** (1832), and the following six children were born in Stark Co., O.: **John** (1856), **Augustus** (1858), **Charles** (1862), **Henry** (1864), **Hariett** (1866), and **Jackson** (1869). **John** was a farmer and on the 1870 Franklin County, Tenn., census his real estate was valued at \$1,000 and personal estate at \$500.

Barney Nagle (1816) was born in Baden. In 1870 he was living in Franklin County, and listed his occupation as a farmer with real estate valued at \$2,000 and personal estate at \$200.

Vitus Nagle (1821) and his wife **Rosanna** (1835) were born in Baden. Five children were born in Ohio: **George V.** ((1853), **Eliza** (1855), **Margaret** (1857), **Sophronia** (1859), and **Ida** (1861). On the 1870 Franklin County census, **Vitus** listed his occupation as a farmer with real estate valued at \$4,800 and personal estate at \$800.

George M. Schwartz (1838) was born in Darmstadt, and his wife, **Rosanna** (1843) in Ohio. He was working for the Avery Plow Company in Canton, O., when he visited Franklin County on business and was impressed with the area. He quit his job and he and his wife moved to Franklin County where they purchased a 95-acre farm, and later added another 13 acres. On the 1880 Franklin County census, **George's** occupation is listed as blacksmith. Their children born in Tennessee were **Emma** (1869), **Clara** (1871), **Rosina** (1872), **Mary** (1874), **George** (1876), **Peter** (1877) and a three-month old child (name illegible on the census.) Also living in the household in 1880 were **George's** blind brother, **Mike** (1841), and their father, **George** (1803), both born in Darmstadt. **George** died in 1917 and **Rosanna** in 1923. Both are interred in Payne Church Cemetery.

Christian Spring (1825) and **V. E.** (male 1864) were born in Switzerland. [Christian's wife was apparently deceased before 1870, since no wife was shown on the 1870 Franklin County census.] He listed his occupation as a farmhand with personal estate valued at \$100.

⁹ On 1870 Franklin County Census the name is spelled **Madison Scharer**.

GERMAN-SWISS (continued)

Daniel Stamps (1848), his wife, **Elizabeth** (1822), and their children, **William** (1848), **Mary F.** (1852), and **J. R.** (1855), were all born in Switzerland. Daniel's real estate in Franklin County in 1870 was valued at \$10,000 and personal estate at \$1,000.

Bartholomew Warner (1814), wife, **Magdalene** (1823), and sons **Jacob** (1845) and **Fred** (1852) were all born in Switzerland. By 1870, they were living in Franklin County where Bartholomew was a farmer with real estate valued at \$4,000 and personal estate at \$800.

John Warner (1843), wife, **Margaret** (1838), and children, **Louiza** (1868), and **Bertha** (1870) were all born in Switzerland. This family came to Franklin County direct from Switzerland sometime after January 1870. **John** is possibly the son of **Bartholomew Warner**, since they were living next door. John does not show any real estate or personal value.

John Wenger (1837), **Catherine** (1846), **John** (1865), and **Catherine** (Jan 1870) were all born in Switzerland. Also living in the household in the 1870 Franklin County census was **Susan Sumbrunen** (1812) born in Switzerland. **John's** real estate was valued at \$300 and personal estate at \$250.

Christian Voglezang (1810) was born in Bavaria. **John H. Martin** and his wife, **Fidelia G.**, formerly of Stark Co., O., sold **C. W. Voglezang** 400 acres in Franklin County, District No. 8, for \$2,500. His wife had apparently died before 1870. The children in his Franklin County household, all Ohio-born, were: **Adam** (1844), **Louiza** (1849 - possibly **Adam's** wife), **Fred** (1848), **Mary** (1853), and **Eva** (1854).

From 1870 to 1880, many more German-Swiss families moved into Franklin County. Among them were **Jacob** and **Catherine Bollenbacher**, **Michael** and **Anna Schurch Glaus**, **Jacob** and **Elizabeth Miescher**, the **Ruch** brothers and their families, **Christian** and **Marianne Graber**, **John** and **Anna Graber**, **Rudolph** and **Catherine Stadler**, **Ulrich** and **Verna Stadler**, and **John** and **Anna Warmbrod**. Some -- such as the **Christian Amacher** family, for instance -- came to the Belvidere community from the German-Swiss settlement at Gruetli, Grundy Co., Tenn., which had 100 families by 1872. These families had been misinformed about the land and living conditions, and it is said that those who stayed faced extreme living conditions. Many of the German-Swiss are buried in Belvidere United Church of Christ Cemetery.

No one contributed more to the immigration and success of the German-Swiss in Franklin County than **John Kaserman**. His contributions to the farming community included bringing in the first turning-plow, reaper, grain drill, self-binder, and windmill. Perhaps his greatest contribution was helping to bring the people. ■

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CORRECTION

Narcissa Ann (Stevens) Williams' second husband was a **Godby** not a "Gadby" as stated on Page 8 of the Summer 1999 issue. Our thanks to **Becky Harris**, 7440 Wrenwood, Southaven, MS 38671 for this correction.

IN WILSON COUNTY, 1871: Margaret Reed Prepares To Celebrate 100th Birthday

(From The Nashville Union & American, 21 Jul 1871)

Three miles south of Lebanon in Wilson County resides **Mrs. Margaret Reed** who will be 100 years old on the 24th inst., having been born 24 July 1771. Her son, **Mr. Eli Reed** with whom she lives, proposes to celebrate his mother's centennial anniversary by giving a dinner to which a large circle of relatives will be invited.

Mrs. Reed was born in Guilford Co., N. C., five years before the Declaration of Independence. She remembers hearing "the awful thunder" made at the battle of Guilford Court House by the armies of **Gen. Green** and **Lord Cornwallis** on 15 Mar 1781, she being then nearly 10 years old.

Mrs. Reed has five living children, 30 grandchildren, 49 great-grandchildren, and four great-great grandchildren. Besides these living descendants, she has nearly as many who are now dead. She is now in good health, and visits her relatives and neighbors frequently, always going on foot. ■

Hiwassee College Resumes Operations In Post-Civil War Monroe County

The Nashville Gazette of 8 Jul 1866 reported that Hiwassee College had survived the ravages of war and was back in successful operation. The Spring session closed on 22 June, and the Fall session was to begin on 6th Aug under supervision of **Rev. J. H. Bruner, A.M.**, president.

Assisting him were **Rev. James M. Wagner, A.M.**, and **Rev. E. E. Smyre, A. B.**

The institution was described as being "situated in Monroe County, two miles from Madisonville and seven miles from Sweetwater." ■

6-1/4 Cents Reward

Runaway from the subscriber, 3-1/2 miles west of Rogersville on the 14th inst., **William Baker**, an apprentice to the Hatting business; aged about 16 years, fair complexion, fair hair and blue eyes; he had on when he went away - brown cloth pantaloons, a gray homespun coat, and a black wool hat. I forewarn all persons from harboring said apprentice under penalty of law.

The above reward will be given to any person who will bring said apprentice to me.

DANIEL HOWRY
May 17th, 1832

(From the Rail-Road Advocate, Rogersville, Tenn.) ■

University of Nashville Alumni Convene

(From the Nashville Union & American, 16 June 1871)

University of Nashville alumni gathered in the Hall of Representatives for their annual meeting in June 1871. **A. V. S. Lindsley, Sr.**, called the meeting to order in the absence of **Judge John M. Lea**.

Unanimously elected as officers for 1872 were **John D. Phelan** of Suwanee, Tenn., chairman; **V. P. Bright**, vice president; **J. M. Dickinson**, secretary; and **J. Hill Eakin**, treasurer. The Hon. **William Yerger** of Jackson, Miss., was elected alumni orator for 1872. The next alumni meeting was set for 13 June 1872.

Alumni present from the various class years were:

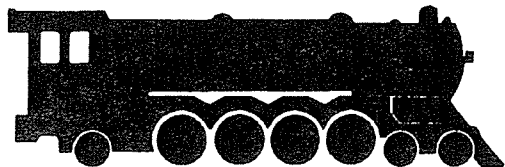
- 1814 - **R. C. Foster, Sr.**
- 1815 - **James H. Foster**
- 1828 - **John D. Phelan, Thomas C. Whitesides**
- 1831 - **A. V. S. Lindsley, Sr.**
- 1833 - **Thomas T. Smiley**
- 1836 - **C. E. Body, R. C. Foster, III, William H. Stephens, W. L. Murfee**
- 1838 - **William J. Sykes, William L. Foster**
- 1839 - **John M. Bright**
- 1841 - **A. J. Porter**
- 1843 - **James B. Craighead, G. W. Currey, William Shelton, R. C. Foster, IV**
- 1845 - **William L. Nichol**
- 1846 - **D. H. C. Spence**
- 1848 - **W. L. B. Lawrence**
- 1849 - **Ira P. Jones**
- 1856 - **F. W. Green**
- 1871 - **J. Hill Eakin, J. M. Dickinson**

William H. Stephens, 1871 alumni orator, in his address traced the history of the school, noting that "the infant settlement [of Nashville] on the Cumberland River was only six years old when in November 1785 its inhabitants procured a charter from the legislature of North Carolina which said in part that Davidson County citizens were desirous of making early and liberal provisions for the instruction of their youth by laying the foundation for a public seminar in the county."

He said the legislature appointed **Thomas Craighead, Hugh Williamson, Daniel Smith, William Polk, Anthony Bledsoe, James Robertson, Lardner Clark, Ephriam McClaine**, and **Robert Hays** trustees of Davidson Academy, and reserved 240 acres most remote from Salt Springs near Nashville for the seminary's use.

"Thus in the earliest dawn of our provincial history was established the first incorporated seminary of learning in what is now Tennessee and the first, I suppose, in the great Valley of the Mississippi," Stephens said. "This is the academy which was raised in 1806 to the rank of Cumberland College and in 1826 to the University of Nashville."

He added, "Nine years after the creation of Davidson County, the Territorial Legislature in 1794 incorporated Blount College at Knoxville (now the University of East Tennessee) and at the same session Greene College in Greene County, and in 1795 Washington College in Washington County." ■



Tracking Down Those Ancestors Who Worked on the Railroad

Contributed by Thurman Hinson Jackson
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What IF you don't know much about a particular ancestor other than the fact that he worked on the railroad? Well, if you can come up with his Social Security number or his full name, date and place of his birth and death, those facts -- sent to the right place -- could be enough to let you make tremendous inroads into some genealogical information you've been seeking for a long, long time.

The U.S. Railroad Retirement Board, located in Chicago, maintains data on individuals who worked on railroads after 1936 and were covered by the Railroad Retirement Act. Those who worked prior to 1936 and continued employment during this time also are included.¹

Here are examples of some records obtained on an individual who retired in 1938 and died in 1938:

- 1 - Application for Annuity - This document had the applicant's full name, place and date of birth, place of employment, wife's maiden name, and date of her birth
- 2 - Marriage License
- 3 - Letter from applicant - In this letter was found the names of his parents and siblings
- 4 - Page from Wife's Family Bible - Included with this page listing his wife's birth date was a statement from the Railroad Retirement Board indicating that the page appeared authentic. [Note: This is the only page left of this Family Bible]
- 5 - Notarized statement from individuals regarding Family Bible - This statement by two individuals indicated they had reviewed the applicant's Family Bible and that there were no traces of alterations. The two also verified the applicant's birth date as indicated in the Bible. They further stated that the Bible was then in possession of another relative and gave that person's address. [An attempt is now being made to find the relative's descendants.]
- 6 - Notarized statement from wife's sister - It gives the date and place of his wife's birth.
- 7 - The applicant's death certificate - The certificate not only gives the date and place of the applicant's death, but also the date and place of his birth and his parents' names, including his mother's maiden name.
- 8 - Application for widow's annuity

The Railroad Retirement Board will do a search of its records for a non-refundable \$16 fee. Records are maintained by Social Security numbers. However, if a Social Security number is not available, a search can be based on the employee's full name, including middle name or initial, and complete dates of birth and death. The search will take from 30 to 60 days. Search requests, accompanied by a \$16 check made payable to the Railroad Retirement Board, should be sent to:

Office of Public Affairs
Railroad Retirement Board
844 North Rush Street
Chicago, IL 60611-2092

You can reach the Board's Web Site on the Internet at <http://www.rrb.gov>, then click on Genealogical Inquiries or just enter <http://www.rrb.gov/geneal.html> which goes directly into inquiries. ■

¹ Street and suburban railways were not covered.

A Glimpse of Knoxville, Tenn., in 1818

What was it like to be living in Knoxville, Tenn., 181 years ago? From this distance, it's hard to imagine. But these ads from the *Knoxville Register* of 3 Feb 1818 offer family historians some clues.

CLOVER SEED

G. & R. Morgan will have for sale on or before 20th February next 15 bushels of clover seed.

ROBERT STONE

has lately erected in Grainger County an excellent Saw-Mill on Richland Creek near the mouth, about 18 miles from Knoxville. He has now and will keep on hand a quantity of plank and scantling. He will furnish, on short notice, BOATS built in the best style or the materials to make them, on the most reasonable terms.

WILLIAM W. GRAY

respectfully informs the subscribers to *The Spirit of Union* that he is making arrangements to recommence its publication on an elegant sheet as speedily as possible.

NOTICE

My wife **Pricilla Tharp** hath absconded from my bed and board and refuses to return. I do forewarn all persons from harbouring, boarding, or trusting her on my account for I am resolved not to pay a cent.

John Tharp

MOSES LINDSAY

continues to keep his shop at the usual place where equal endeavours will be used to please, and equally good bargains may be expected. He wishes all those who are indebted to him to come and pay him as longer indulgence cannot be given.*

* Lindsay was apparently so well known in Knoxville and vicinity that it was not necessary to state the nature of his business.

\$100 Reward

Ran away from the undersigned on the night of 3 Jan last, a Negro man named **Burril** who is the property of **Col. James McDonald**. He is abt. 30 years of age, 5 ft. 9-10" high, remarkably stout built, large whiskers, is sometimes rather fond of spirits but seldom drinks so as to discover intoxication, and when with people of his own color is generally considered a head man; he reads printing and is a cunning, artful fellow, can do more heavy farm work than almost any other Negro. He took with him a new fur hat, a new fine grey great cloth coat, brown stocking net pantaloons, a pair of half-worn long black boots, also a sufficiency of other coarse clothing amongst which is a red flannel shirt. It is believed he ran away in consequence of an unwillingness to go with his master to Alabama Territory. He has since his elopement been sold to **Matthew Wallace** of Blount Co. upon condition he is delivered to him within a certain time. It is believed if he has left the neighbourhood that he will try to get to Ohio or to Richmond, Va., where his father lives, who is a free man. I will give \$25 if he is taken in Knox or any of the counties adjoining it and delivered to me, or \$50 if taken in any other part of the State and secured so that I can get him, or \$100 if taken out of the State and secured so as to enable me to get him.

-**David Keller**, agent for
James McDonald, Knoxville

SALT

G. and R. Morgan have on hand a large quantity of salt which they are now selling by the barrell at 9 shillings & 6 pence for 50 pounds, and 42 cents for the barrell.

NOTICE

The subscribers take this method of informing the public that they have commenced a

SADDLING BUSINESS

in the town of Knoxville in the red house next door to **Matthew Nelson's** Store and opposite to **Garnier's** Silversmith Shop on Cumberland S., formerly occupied by Messrs. **C. & G. Morgan** for a store, where they will use their best endeavours to give satisfaction to all who may favour them with their custom and are determined to sell low for cash on such articles as they make use of in their line of business. The business will be attended to by **Armstrong**. Two or three boys will be taken to the above business from age 13 to 15 years.

Moses Lindsay
Sam'l M. Armstrong

BANK OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE

Jan. 10, 1818

The directors have this day declared a dividend at the rate of 8 percentum for the 6 months ending Dec. 31st last, payable on demand at the Branch Bank at Nashville to such stockholders as reside in West Tennessee and to all others at the principal bank only.

Luke Lea, Cashier

NOTICE - There is now in possession of the subscriber (and has been for several months past) a small trunk containing ladies' shoes and a few other articles which was left with me by a stage driver. Owner shall have it by giving proper evidence of his claim and paying for this notice.

- **A. Rhea**

ENTERTAINMENT

The subscriber has commenced keeping a house of Public Entertainment at the place late the residence of James Miller, dec'd, on the West side of Fourth Creek 5 miles below Knoxville where he will strive to give accommodation to all those that may favor him with a call.

-John N. Gamble

Oct. 21, 1817 tf

NOTICE

The following gentlemen have consented to act as agents for the Knoxville Register for the purpose of receiving subscriptions due us for our newspaper, ads &c.:

Bean's Station - **Hugh Huston**

Tazewell - **Capt. William Huston**

Sevierville - **Micajah C. Rogers**

Kingston - **John McEwen, Esq.**

Sparta - **T. B. Rice**

SHINGLES WANTED

The subscribers wish to contract for 60,000 pine shingles of the best quality to be delivered at Knoxville by the first of June. They will contract with one person for the whole or in quantities of not less than 5,000 each.

James & William Park, Knoxville

Jan. 27th, 1818 - 3t¹

DAVID KELLER

has just received from Philadelphia and now offers for sale at his Cash Store on Cumberland St. a large assortment of merchandize, well calculated for the present and approaching season which he will sell as low as any goods of equal quality have ever been sold in this or any other place in Western country.

He will purchase Ginsang, Bees Wax, Tallow, Feathers, and country Linen.

-Knoxville, Sept. 30 - tf²

¹ Jan. 27 is the date the ad began running in the paper. The "3t" after the date indicates the ad is to run 3 times.

² "tf" means the ad is to run until further notice

DR. BAILEY

having taken one end of the house lately occupied by **Mr. Thomas Humes**, as a store room, and opposite **Mr. Calvin Morgan's** new store on Gay St., promises his friends and the public generally in Knoxville and its vicinity that all applications made to him (at the above named place) shall be immediately heard and patients placed under his care assiduously attended to.

Dec. 9, 1817 tf

GLOBE INN

James Edington at the sign of the Globe keeps a house of public entertainment where every exertion shall be used to give general satisfaction to those who may favor him with a call. His house, having undergone a very material improvement, will contribute much to the comfort of his guests. The Western Stage office is kept at the Globe Inn where persons wishing to take passage to the West will please apply.

Knoxville, Sept. 11, 1817 tf

CALVIN MORGAN

is now receiving and opening in his new store house on Gay St. an extensive assortment of merchandize purchased by himself at auction in New York and as he expects to keep no accounts, good bargains may be expected by those who purchase for cash. - Knoxville, Oct. 7, 1817

NOTICE

The subscriber has just received a new supply of medicines in large quantities, among which are 200 lbs. of the best Glauber Salts which will be retailed at 25 cents per lb., also shop furniture, spirits of wine, Gum Shell Lac, Copal Varnish, Black Sealing Wax, Oil of Spike, Oil of Worm Seed, Bateman's Drops at 18 -3/4 cents per bottle. Also a few Medical, Latin & Greek Books.

-Joseph C. Strong

Dec. 9, 1817

NOTICE

In conformity to the act of the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee passed 1817 establishing a bank in the town of Maryville and appointing directors to superintend the opening of books for subscription to said bank, the public are hereby notified that the books are now open in Maryville, and will be opened in Knoxville on the first day of January next under superintendence of **Gen. Enoch Parsons**, **Matthew McClung**, and **David Campbell, Esq.**, in Sevierville on the 5th of January next under superintendence of **James P. H. Porter**, **Alexander Preston**, and **Micajah Rogers** and will be kept open in each place under the 1st day of March next.

-Sam'l Love, Chairman

Jan. 6, 1818

LEATHER FOR SALE

At the tannery managed by the subscriber at this place the following description of leather is furnished and ready for sale for cash only:

40 doz. Hog-Skin seating

10 do. Calf skins, best quality

6 do. Kips

A large quantity of harness, deer skins, upper and soal leather of best quality. As the mail stage now passes Jonesboro, it will afford an easy method of transporting leather to most parts of the state. A letter addressed to the subscriber, postage paid, will be carefully attended to and the leather desired will be forwarded as requested.

JAMES SMITH, MGR.

Jonesboro, Oct. 27, 1817

DR. ROBERTSON'S ELIXIR OF HEALTH

John McAlister has just received a large supply from the proprietor.

- Jonesborough, Dec. 21 1817

Names from 1830-1847 Account Ledger of Asa Newport

Contributed by Edna Clack, 302 Antique Lane, Spring City, TN 37381, E-mail: Woodchippy@aol.com

Asa Newport (1802-1876) was an East Tennessee blacksmith in the early 1830s. On 5 July 1833 he received his license to preach, and five years later became an ordained minister of the Primitive Baptist Church. The son of **Richard Newport** (1744-1825) and **Hannah Hinds** (1768-1847), he married **Elizabeth Rogers** (1801-1877) in Rhea County and eventually bought the Rogers farm and lived there the rest of his life. The names recorded in his account ledger are those of people who either worked for him, had work done at his blacksmith shop, or owed him money. They could have been residents of Rhea or Roane County since Asa lived on the Roane side of White's Creek, then moved to the Rhea side of the creek (White's Creek is the dividing line between Rhea and Roane).

Asa wrote his name and the note: "This book was bought September 22, 1830" on the front page of the ledger book, which is now in the possession of **W. B. Clack** of Spring City, Tenn. Asa wrote comments after two of the names. Following **Mary Parkins'** name, for instance, is a detailed listing of the time he spent each day in settling the estate of **Lewis Parkins**, but the year of the settlement is not indicated. After **John Hayes'** name is the comment "Went to Van Buren, Decalb Co."

The names and dates below were taken in the order they appeared, page by page. Dates listed represent a range of time during which these people did business with **Mr. Newport**, and do not necessarily mean they appeared in every year listed. For example, the entry: "**Joseph Hinds**, 1844-45," means the earliest entry on that page for Joseph was 1844 and the latest entry on that page was 1845. Another example: **James Hinds**, 1843-46, indicates an entry as early as 1843 and as late as 1846 on that same page. There may or may not have been entries in between the two stated years.

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¹ EDITOR'S NOTE: Page numbers have been added for clarity.

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White County Sheriff Reports on Some Unpaid 1813 Taxes

Isaac Taylor, Jr., White County sheriff and tax collector, reported at the January 1814 county court session that 1813 taxes were due and unpaid by the following: **Hiram Burly** - 40 acres; **Shadrack Morris** - 643 acres land held by entry; **Levi Saunderlin** - 510 acres; **John G. Blount** - 90 acres and 250 acres, both under Warrant #5166.

Taylor also reported the following tracts of land and town lots were not returned for taxation for the year 1813 and are therefore liable to double tax: **William Trigg**, executor of **William King**, deceased - town lot No. 6 in Sparta; town lot No. 25 in Sparta; an 1800-acre tract and a 100-acre tract, both part of Hickory Valley Mountain, Grant #310, an 8-1/2 acre-tract and a 5-acre tract adjoining Sparta; and **John Ingram** - 177 acres, Warrant #1936, Location No. 4, 61 entered in 3rd District office.

-Nashville Clarion, 28 Jan 1814

For Margaret Underwood and Her Babies...

It Was Indeed A Long Ride Home ...

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The Civil War years tested the strength and courage of virtually every family in the South. But for 23-year old **Margaret Newport Underwood** the test seemed unusually severe. In three years, she lost her husband and father of her two children ... and, one by one, she lost four of her five brothers. It must have taken every fiber of her being ... every ounce of courage she could muster ... and every tenet of her faith simply to survive the years from 1861 to 1864. But Margaret did more than just survive. She conquered her own fears and feelings of helplessness.

Born 12 Dec 1838 in Roane Co., Tenn., Margaret was the 10th of 13 children born to **Asa Newport** and his wife **Elizabeth Rogers**.¹ On 25 July 1858, some five months shy of her 20th birthday, Margaret married 24-year old **William C. Underwood**² of Rhea County. Not long after they married, the young couple migrated to Missouri, joining six of her siblings and a number of their friends who had already relocated there.³ On 21 Aug 1859 their first child, **Mary Elizabeth**,⁴ was born, and two years later -- on 11 Feb 1861 -- they became parents of another daughter, **Clementine Virginia**,⁵ who soon acquired the nickname "Tiney."

When the war broke out, **William** joined his brother-in-law, **Capt. Asa Newport**,⁶ in the Missouri State Guard (MSG) under command of **Major General Sterling Price**. **William** was killed in the first major battle west of the Mississippi River. Known to historians as the Battle of Wilson Creek [and to some as the Battle of Oak Hill], it took place 10 Aug 1861 along Wilson's Creek, about ten miles south of Springfield. **William** was among some 267 Confederates who died in the fierce six-hour battle.

Margaret suddenly found herself a widow at age 22 with one little girl not quite two years old and another only six months old. She had no income, no way of making a living, and war was raging at her doorstep. What to do? Margaret decided to return to the home of her parents on White's Creek in Rhea County, Tenn. The distance on today's smooth and fairly direct highways would be about 650 miles or so. But in that day it was much farther ... and the only way she could get there was by horseback.

¹ Their other children: [1] **Sarah Newport** - b. 10 Mar 1823, m. **A. J. Bolinger**, moved to Ark.; [2] **Mary Ann Newport** - b. 2 (?) Oct 1824, m. **Isaac P. Cline**, moved to Dallas Co., Mo.; [3] **Hannah Newport** - b. 7 Feb 1826, m. **Jack/Joab Hammon**; [4] **John W. Newport** - b. 25 Jan 1828, m. **Frances M. Underwood**; [5] **Ezekial Newport** - b. 9 Feb 1830, m. **Leanna Underwood**, moved to Jasper Co., Mo.; [6] **Elizabeth Newport** - b. 30 Sep 1831, m. **Jesse Stinecifer**; [7] **Asa Newport, Jr.** - b. 20 Mar 1834, never married; [8] **James Francis Marion Newport** (twin) - b. 20 Apr 1836, m. **Rebecca Eleanor Griffith**, was wounded at Shiloh, came home to recuperate, and then returned to the war; [9] **Richard George Washington Newport** (twin) - b. 20 Apr 1836, m. **Mary J. L. Brown**; [11] **Martha C. Newport** - b. 22 Apr 1842, d. 17 July 1842; [12] **Julia Harriet Newport** - b. 18 Nov 1844, m. **Richard L. Garrison**; and [13] **Sabria Caroline Newport** - b. 4 Apr 1849, m. **William R. Clack**. [Sabria and W. R. are the great-grandparents of **Edna Clack**.]

² Born 17 Oct 1834.

³ A number of Rhea County families including some of the **Newports**, **Clines**, **Kerrs**, and **Clacks** moved to the vicinity of Springfield, Mo., in 1852, settling in Lawrence, Jasper, and Dallas counties among others.

⁴ On 16 Jan 1881 in Roddy, Tenn., she married **Elbert Kennedy Stout** (b. 6 Jul 1856 in Bledsoe Co., Tenn., d. 2 Nov 1928 in Altus, Okla.). Their seven children, all born in Rhea County: (1) **William Rolly/Raleigh Stout** - b. 12 Feb 1882, (2) **Arthur Conrad Stout** - b. 17 Sep 1885, (3) **Emmit Brown Stout** - b. 29 Nov 1885, (4) **Thirza Jane Stout** - b. 14 Dec 1888, (5) **Roy Ernest Stout** - b. 25 May 1892, (6) **John Carl Stout** - b. 6 Mar 1895, and (7) **Laura Edith Stout** - b. 12 Mar 1898. [Pauline Moore Washington is one of Edith's three daughters.] **Mary Elizabeth** died 22 Nov 1927 in Altus, Okla.

⁵ She was reared by her grandparents, **Asa** and **Elizabeth Newport**. She married **John W. "Jack" East** on 18 Feb 1877. She died in Roane Co., Tenn., on 26 June 1924.

⁶ Margaret's brother **Asa** was wounded in the leg and taken to a nearby home where he died about 20 days later from typhoid fever. Two other brothers who died in the war were **Ezekiel** who was kicked by a horse and died about five weeks later, and **Washington** who was thrown off a horse and killed instantly. Her brother **John** was killed by bushwackers while cutting wheat in a field. Their deaths were described in a letter written by their father, **Asa Newport, Sr.**, to **G. W. Austin** and family, and now in possession of Austin descendant **Roger Bast**.

MARGARET (continued)

Undaunted, Margaret set out for Tennessee on her horse, carrying two babies and the barest of necessities. On the way, she met up with another family whose name, unfortunately, has been lost. They, too, were heading for Tennessee and Margaret trailed along behind them all the way to Chattanooga. There she was able to exchange her horse for a steamboat ticket to Rhea County -- about 50 or 60 miles up river. She and her two little girls arrived at her parents' home on Christmas Day 1861. It had indeed been a long journey home.

Asa and **Elizabeth** welcomed the trio with open arms. Some years later, **Asa** wrote his sister-in-law, **Anna Rogers Austin** and her husband, **G. W.**, that the two little girls were "as smart and sensible children as you will seldom be able to find." **Tiney**, the youngest child who was to remain with the Newports through her years of schooling, became as close to her grandparents as one of their own.

In the fall of 1863 Margaret's father **Asa** -- despite being 60 years of age -- took his horse and joined **Capt. Darius Waterhouse's** unit,⁷ driving supply wagons for the Confederate Army, serving on picket duty around Chattanooga, and taking part in the battle of Chickamauga. A few months after her father left to join the army, Margaret on 5 December 1863 married **Francis M. Majors**. Born in Rhea County on 20 Dec 1835, he was the son of **Larkin** and **Elizabeth Majors**. Shortly after the war began, Francis had enlisted in **Capt. A. J. Cawood's** Company and served in **Col. James W. Gillespie's** 43rd Regiment which saw action at Vicksburg, Miss., and other places.

The Newport family had suffered great hardships during the war, losing five members of the immediate family, dozens of friends, and much of its worldly goods. But **Asa**, the family patriarch, set an example for his children and grandchildren. He chose not to dwell on the painful happenings of the war, but as he wrote a relative in 1866: *"I thank my Heavenly Father for his abundant mercy to us ... that through his mercy and kindness, we are yet alive."*

Like her father, Margaret didn't dwell on her wartime experiences. She and Francis settled on a farm in Rhea County and set about raising a family.

They had nine children, all born in Rhea County:

- 1 - **James M. Majors** - born 14 Sep 1864; married **Rachel Montgomery** on 25 Oct 1890; died 25 Oct 1895.
- 2 - **William Asa Majors** - b. 16 Apr 1866, d. Sep 1867 in Rhea County
- 3 - **Sarah "Sallie" Jane Majors** - b. 26 Jan 1868, m. **Enoch Rogers** on 20 Dec 1888; d. 2- Dec 1888
- 4 - **Robert L. Majors** - b. 21 Feb 1870, m. **Nora** ____; d. 26 Jan 1941
- 5 - **Eliza Ann Majors** - b. 10 Nov 1872, m. **Elbert C. Etter** on 26 Dec 1889, d. 26 Jun 1958
- 6 - **Laura Katherine Majors** - b. 28 Jul 1874, m. **Benjamin Franklin East** on 9 Nov 1890; d. 6 Oct 1895
- 7 - **Luther Rolly/Raleigh Majors** - b. 31 May 1878, m. 31 Aug 1904 to **Mollie Rollins** (1887-1959), no issue
- 8 - **Henry Majors** - b. 28 Feb 1883, m. (1) **Hattie Tharp** on 25 Dec 1900, (2) **Norah Bean** on 25 Dec 1907; d. by 1941
- 9 - **Bell Majors** - b. Dec 1884

Francis died 27 June 1904, and Margaret died 4 Dec 1910. Both are buried in the Newport family cemetery (also known as the **Garrison** cemetery) in Rhea County.

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- 1850 Rhea County Census ■

⁷ The unit, made up mostly of ex-soldiers, was known as "The Old Man's Company" and was the last organized in Rhea County.

EWING

Died on 28 Dec 1817 in Winchester, Col. **Nathaniel Ewing** in the 73rd year of his age after a lingering illness. He was one among many who stepped forward in the Revolutionary struggle for Independence, entering as a lieutenant in the U. S. Army and continuing till the end of the war in 1783 during which time he obtained the grade of colonel.

-Winchester Patriot, reprinted 10 Feb 1818 in the Knoxville Register

TARVER

Another old citizen of Nashville has seen the last of earth. On Tuesday last [11 Jul 1871] at his residence on Jefferson St., **Bird Tarver** died after an illness of several days. He was a resident of Sumner County for many years. About 60 years of age, he was a saddler by trade and for some time was employed at the establishment of **J. D. March** and son. **Tarver** was a soldier in the Florida, Mexican, and Lost Cause wars. Those with him in the military knew him as a true soldier and by his acquaintances he was ever regarded as a good citizen, genial companion, and clever man.

-Nashville Union & American 13 Jul 1871

PRICE

In Rutherford County last Thursday [5 Jul 1866], **Elizabeth Price** came to her death by falling or being knocked off of the railroad bridge across Stone's River, one mile west of Murfreesboro.

-Nashville Gazette, 8 Jul 1866

ROSS

On last Saturday morning [31 Aug 1895] between 5 and 6 o'clock, **Mrs. Mary Ross**, who lived in the north part of Union City, breathed her last. She was the daughter of **William Douglass** who lived two miles east of the city. Mrs. Ross expressed her willingness to die. She leaves her husband, father, mother, and relatives to mourn her death. Her remains were laid to rest at Salem Cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by **Rev. J. E. Beck**.

-Union City Independent, 6 Sep 1895

DEATHS

Across Tennessee

ELLIOTT

J. M. Elliott, 69, died Wednesday of last week [18 Jan 1893] at his residence in Shelbyville. Born in Kentucky, he was the only son of **Col. William Elliott** who died here some years ago. **Col. Elliott** was an officer under **Commodore Oliver Perry** at the battle of Lake Erie in 1812. The family came to Shelbyville in the early 1840s.

J. M. was esteemed for his many generous and noble qualities. He was a leading businessman at his death, and once was revenue collector. He was a staunch Whig in older times but has been an earnest and leading Democrat since the war. His wife preceded him in death some years ago.

-Abstracted, Shelbyville Gazette, 26 Jan 1893

SINGLETON

Mrs. Elizabeth Singleton died at her home at Fairfield last Wednesday night [8 Aug 1900] in the 83rd year of her age. She was born in Bedford County and spent all of her life in the locality where she died. She was the widow of the late **Dr. Robert L. Singleton** who for years was the leading practitioner of medicine and subsequently one of the county's wealthiest farmers and traders. Her father, the late **Major John Scott**, was one of the heroes under **Gen. Andrew Jackson** in the War of 1812. She was the mother of **Robert L. Singleton**, county court clerk who when but a boy was a gallant Confederate soldier and lost a leg in the bloody battle of Stone's River. There was no better mother, friend, or neighbor.

-Bedford Co. Times, Shelbyville, 17 Aug 1900

DANIEL

Mr. J. M. Daniel, photographer formerly of Shelbyville, died at his home in Nashville on Tuesday last [7 Jan 1900] aged 48 years. He was a worthy and esteemed citizen.

-Bedford Co. Times, Shelbyville, 17 Aug 1900

HAFFORD

Rev. W. D. T. Hafford, pastor of the Methodist Church at Somerville, died there on 23d Dec [1880]. He was born in Williamson County in 1826 and had been a minister for 23 years, the greater portion of which he lived at or in the vicinity of Somerville.

-Memphis Weekly Ledger, 4 Jan 1881

CATES

Departed this life on 15 Sep [1840] **Mrs. Mary Ann Cates**, wife of **Elza Cates** and daughter of **Joseph Harrison** of this county. The strokes of God's chastening rod upon this family have been severe and oft repeated. In the death of **Mrs. Cates** there fell an affectionate wife, a kind and devoted daughter, and a loving and truly loved sister. She is survived by her husband, her aged parents, a brother, and a sister.

-Murfreesborough Times, 19 Sep 1840

BELLAH

Departed this life on 22 Feb at the family residence of her son, **John Bellah** of Rutherford County, **Mrs. Elizabeth Bellah** in her 79th year. She had for many years been an orderly, consistent, and worthy member of the Presbyterian Church of Murfreesboro.

-Rutherford Telegraph, 10 Mar 1849

BURRUS

Died on the evening of the 5th Mar 1849 of typhoid fever, **Miss Martha L. Burrus**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Burrus** of this vicinity. She was 15 years old.

-Rutherford Telegraph, 10 Mar 1849

WILEY

Mr. Hamilton Wiley of Lincoln County, while baiting a fishing place in the Elk River, fell in and was drowned lately.

-Rutherford Telegraph, 10 Mar 1849

FAUCETT

Died on Thursday, 11th Apr 1844 of bilious pleurisy, **Mrs. Mary Ann Faucett**, aged 31 years. She was the consort of **D. A. Faucett**, innkeeper near Memphis. She was a pious member of the Reformed Baptist Church.

-Memphis Appeal, 19 Apr 1844

DONELSON

Died on 4th April 1844 at the residence of **John Donelson** of Shelby County, his wife **Lauren M.**, daughter of **Dr. William P. Lawrence** of Nashville. -*Memphis Appeal*, 26 Apr 1844

BOWEN

Major F. F. Bowen, one of the oldest citizens in Memphis, died last night at the residence of his daughter, **Mrs. H. E. Taylor**, on Mulberry Street in the 81st year of his age. He was a native of Virginia. Up to a few years ago, he was as active and vigorous as most men of 50 or 60. A prominent Mason, he lived here nearly 40 years, and was connected with insurance interests. -*Memphis Public Ledger*, 9 Jan 1886

PARKER

Died in St. Louis on 26 Sep 1865 **Miss Mary H. Parker**, 27, daughter of the late **R. A. Parker** of Memphis. -*West Tennessee Whig*, Jackson, 28 Oct 1865

CROOK

Died at his residence in Henderson County on 22 Oct 1865 **Mr. Jeremiah Crook** in the 74th year of his age. -*West Tennessee Whig*, Jackson, 28 Oct 1865

GLOVER

Major James Glover, 68, died of paralysis at Gallatin last Sunday, 6 Mar 1887. A native of Sumner County, he graduated from Nashville University and was superintendent of mail service between Memphis and San Francisco in 1850. He established the first express company at Nashville. During the last war, he was a major of the Commissary Department in the Confederate Army with headquarters in Virginia. He held many public offices in Tennessee, and was superintendent of the state capitol for four terms and had a high rank in Knights Templar. He was a man of genial manner and indomitable energy with a wide range of acquaintances and friends all over the state and the Southwest.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 8 Mar 1887

CRAIG

Died at her residence at No. 101 Union St. on 22 Feb 1887, **Sallie Louisa Craig**, wife of **R. G. Craig**.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 21 Feb 1887

DEATHS*Across Tennessee***JAMESON**

Died at the residence on Mosby street Tuesday morning, 8 Mar 1887, **Lucy A. Jameson**, mother of **Robert C. Jameson** and widow of the late **Davidson Jameson**.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 9 Mar 1887

MAULDEN

Died at the residence at No. 30 Jones Avenue on Tuesday, 27 Sep 1887 at 1:45 p.m., **Mrs. Mattie Z. Maulden**, aged 28 years. She was the wife of **A. C. Maulden**. The remains will be taken to Holly Springs, Miss., this afternoon per M, B & A railroad.

-*Memphis Daily Appeal*, 28 Sep 1887

WINCHESTER

Died Monday, 24 Sep 1887, **John Cromwell Winchester**, only son of **George Winchester**, Esq., aged 33 years. The funeral will be from Calvary Church at 3 o'clock Tuesday evening

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 28 Sep 1887

WILLIAMS

Died 30 Oct 1873 at Henry Station of typhoid pneumonia, **Mrs. A. C. Williams**, wife of **Rev. J. R. Williams**, aged about 49. She was a very estimable lady and a devout Christian.

-*Paris (Henry Co.) Intelligencer*, 13 Nov 1873

RUSSELL

Died near Elkhorn in Henry County on 9th Nov 1873, **Mrs. Mary Russell**, wife of **A. W. Russell** and daughter of **Lesly Hancock**.

-*Paris (Henry Co.) Intelligencer*, 13 Nov 1873

HIGH

Died at the residence of **Col. Dillard**, No. 54 Marshall Ave., on 21st Feb 1887, **Mrs. Sarah High** in the 67th year of her age.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 21 Feb 1887

FAVER

Mrs. F. L. Faver, wife of **Patrolman W. C. Faver**, died at the family residence, No. 157 Mill St., yesterday of consumption.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 21 Feb 1887

PESCIA

John Pescia, born in Cincinnati 26 years ago last May, died of consumption last Saturday, 5 March 1887. He came to Memphis with his parents while still a child. His parents, worthy Italian people, died, and he went to work at a tender age to support himself and those partially dependent on him. In 1877 he was employed by **John Pollock** of the 'White House' and remained there until his death. A young man of gentle disposition and true heart, he made friends of all the patrons of the house and was a general favorite. Twice he went to Texas -- the first time in a party of eight; now they are all dead but one. The last time he could find neither health nor employment and came home. Last Thursday his little nephew **Joseph Lagorio**, only six years old, died. He took this to heart and went out to Calvary Cemetery last Friday to select a burial lot for the little lad. That night he was stricken down himself and died Saturday evening. On Sunday in the midst of a storm, **Johnnie** and his little nephew were buried side by side in Calvary. **Mr. Pescia** leaves a young brother and two sisters. -*Memphis Public Ledger*, 9 Mar 1887

TITUS

Died 21st Nov 1843 at his residence in Red River Co., Tex., **Col. James Titus**, father of **F. Titus** of this city. The deceased was one of the oldest and most respectable residents of this county previous to his removal to Texas and had a large circle of friends both in Tennessee and Alabama.

-*Memphis Appeal*, 12 Jan 1844

BITTICK

Josiah Bittick, who resided near Nolensville in Williamson County, died last Monday, 28 Aug 1871. He was an old and highly esteemed citizen -- active, energetic, and trustworthy.

-*Nashville Union & American*, 30 Aug 1871

BARKER

Died in Pulaski on Sunday morning, 15 March 1868, of consumption, **Mrs. Sarah E. Barker**, aged about 40 years.

-*Pulaski Citizen*, 13 Mar 1868

BOND

Mrs. Nancy Bond, born near Raleigh, N.C., died in the home of her son, **S. F. Bond**, at Bond's Station, Shelby County, on 13 Dec 1899. She was one of the most widely known and beloved women of West Tennessee. Her father, **James Warren**, moved with his family to Shelby County in pioneer days, and founded and named the town of Raleigh. Her mother was **Miss Mary Moore**, whose mother was **Miss Charity Kimbrough**, thus connecting her with some of the most prominent families of Tennessee. She married **Dr. Washington Bond** in 1837 and they began housekeeping in the home in which she died -- more than 63 years of sorrow, prosperity, and adversity, life and death under the same roof.

-Memphis Commercial Appeal, 21 Jan 1900

KELLEY

Died at her home in Leeville, Wilson County, **Mrs. Mary O. Kelley**, wife of **Dr. D. C. Kelley**, last Friday morning, 14 Nov [1890] after a brief illness. She was the daughter of **Gen. William B. Campbell**, former governor of Tennessee.

-Murfreesboro Free Press, 21 Nov 1890

HARRISON

Died at the residence of her son-in-law, **John McHenry**, in Cincinnati on Monday, 12 June 1871, **Mrs. Rebecca Harrison**, wife of **Henry H. Harrison** of Nashville, in the 63rd year of her age.

-Nashville Union & American, 13 June 1871

WESTBROOK

Dr. R. H. Westbrook died at Double Bridges in Lauderdale County on Saturday, 29 July, aged nearly 34. He graduated in medicine at Nashville Medical College in 1858.

-Nashville Union & American, 6 Aug 1871

BRANSFORD

Died at New Middleton, Smith County, at 11 o'clock Monday night [24 July 1871], **Mrs. Martha Bransford**, wife of **John G. Bransford** and daughter of the late **Nathan Ward**.

-Nashville Union & American, 1 Jul 1871

DEATHS

Across Tennessee

WHARTON

Nashville physicians passed a tribute of respect 5 June 1871 to **William H. Wharton** who was born 6 July 1796 in Albemarle Co., Va. When quite young, he immigrated to Tennessee and, after obtaining an ordinary school education, returned to Virginia at age 15 for his college education. He chose medicine as his profession and studied under his uncle, **Dr. Dabney Wharton**, near Richmond. He graduated with distinguished honors in Philadelphia in 1818 with such classmates as **Horner** and others whose names will ever occupy a prominent place in the history of American medicine. **Dr. Wharton** lived for a time at Huntsville, Ala., and married **Miss Precilla Dickson** of Tuscumbia, Ala. He returned to Nashville in 1841 and engaged in active duties of his profession until compelled a few months ago to desist by the development in his system of a slow malignant form of disease. For several years, he acted as pastor of the Christian Church in Nashville, both preaching and practicing medicine. He was the father of nine children by his first wife, after whose death he married **Mrs. Mary A. Dailey** in 1848.

-Nashville Union & American, 18 June 1871

BILLS

Major John H. Bills of Bolivar died 16 Nov 1871 in the 72nd year of his age after a short illness. He was born in North Carolina and in early boyhood came with his parents to Maury County and settled near Columbia. He later went to West Tennessee and became a surveyor in Hardeman County where he married a **Miss McNeill** and reared a family of six children. He was successful in the mercantile business up to the beginning of the late war. In his early struggles and business efforts, he had for his compeers and fast friends **Col. Peter Miller**, **Maj. E. P. McNeill**, the **Hon. Austin Miller**, and others. A man of fine solid judgment, excellent talent, and one of Tennessee's best citizens.

-Nashville Union & American, 19 Nov 1871

ALFORD

Died at her residence near Brentwood on 2 Jul 1871, **Mrs. Elizabeth Alford**, wife of **Lee Alford**, in her 76th year. She was a native of Virginia and moved to this county at an early age.

-Nashville Union & American, 6 Jul 1871

CALHOUN

William H. Calhoun, Jr., died yesterday morning [14 Dec 1871] at 11 o'clock of congestion of the brain. He was in the 27th year of his age. The funeral will be from Christ Church at 2-1/2 p.m. He was the oldest son of one of the oldest and most highly esteemed of Nashville's antebellum citizens. For more than half a century, **William H. Calhoun** was among the first of our business houses.

-Nashville Union & American, 15 Dec 1871

RICE

Died on the morning of 16 Mar 1832 **Mr. Horace Rice** in the 34th year of his age at the residence of his brother, **Orville Rice, Esq.** of Hawkins County after a lingering illness of more than three years. Died on the morning of 23 Mar 1832 at the home of her son, **Orville Rice**, **Mrs. Kesia Rice** in the 78th year of her age. She was a worthy member of the Methodist Episcopal Church for more than 25 years.

-Rail-Road Advocate, Rogersville, 27 Mar 1832

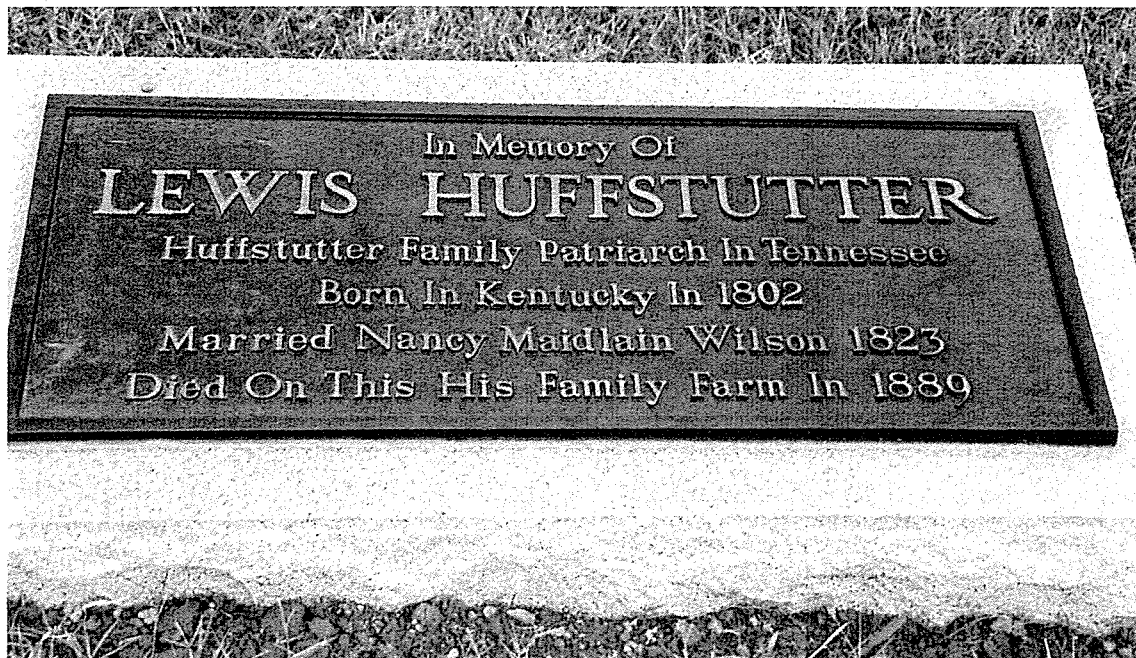
ROBERTSON

Died at the residence of **S. W. Childress, Esq.**, at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 2 Aug 1871, **Abbott Laurence Robertson**, aged 26. The funeral will be conducted at Christ Church on the 3rd inst. by **Rev. Dr. Ellis**. The Nashville bar passed a tribute of respect, recognizing **Robertson** as a soldier, citizen, and lawyer. He attended the military institute at Nashville, and in 1861 went to Union City in West Tennessee to act as drill master of Confederate troops under command of **Gen. Cheatham**. He became a member of Cheatham's staff. After the war, he entered Lebanon Law School and, after completing his studies there, began the practice of law in Nashville, his native city. He was an energetic and rising young lawyer.

-Nashville Union & American, 3 Aug 1871

Huffstutter Brothers Place Plaques at Gravesites of Their Ancestors

(Developed from information contributed by Ray F. Huffstutter, 1900 Leonidas Trail, Marietta, GA 30064)



The handsome commemorative plaque above was recently placed at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Obion County, marking the gravesite of Tennessean **Lewis Huffstutter** who died 110 years ago. It was put there by his great-great grandsons, **Ray F. Huffstutter** of Marietta, Ga., and **Dan E. Huffstutter** of Nashville. The two recently obtained Tennessee Ancestry certificates from the Tennessee Genealogical Society, recognizing **Lewis Huffstutter** as a Tennessee settler of 1848.

The family patriarch, **Ulrich Huffstutter**, was born in Switzerland in 1731 and arrived in Philadelphia in 1749 on board *The Priscilla*. After farming in Maryland and Pennsylvania and serving as a frontier ranger during the Revolutionary War, he bought a farm in Bourbon County, Ky.,¹ in 1796. Last year his great-great-great-great grandsons **Ray** and **Dan** and other family members put up a plaque in his memory on the family farm where he died ca. 1801-02. Ulrich and his wife, **Mary Baxter**, had three sons, **Matthew**, **James**, and **John**. Their son **John Huffstutter** and his wife, **Elizabeth Buskirk**, had five children.² Among them was **Lewis**, born 20 Mar 1802 in Bourbon Co., Kentucky. When he was 21, Lewis married **Mrs. Nancy Wilson** in Nicholas Co., Kentucky. The marriage bond, in the amount of 50 pounds of Kentucky money, was dated 10 Oct 1823 and was co-signed by his brother **George Huffstutter**. Nancy was the widow of **Uriah Wilson, Jr.**, and the mother of three children: **Elizabeth**, **Nathaniel**, and **Polly**. With his new family, Lewis moved to Indiana and took up residence in what is believed to have been Harrison County. Over the next decade, he and Nancy had four sons, all born in Indiana:

1. **John Huffstutter** - b. 23 Jan 1826, m. **Hannah Voyles**, d. 24 Dec 1888 in Obion Co., Tenn. In Confederate service; regiment unknown.
2. **Adam Huffstutter** - b. 24 Jan 1828, m. **Cynthia Ann Stover** on 17 Mar 1859, d. 24 Dec 1888 in Obion Co., Tenn., buried in Oak Ridge Cemetery, Obion Co. In Confederate service; regiment unknown.
3. **William Huffstutter** - b. ca. 1834, m. **Mary E. Keith**, d. 9 June 1884 in Obion Co., Tenn.

¹Now a part of Nicholas Co., Ky.

²John's children, named in his will, included five sons, **George** (who died in 1844 in either Harrison Co., Ind., or Obion Co., Tenn.), **Lewis** (b. 20 Mar 1802, d. 20 Aug 1889), **David**, **James**, and **John**; and three daughters, **Mrs. Drusilla Beerly**, **Mrs. Harrison Crouch**, and **Mrs. Ambrose D. Crouch** [whose first names were not given]. The will, dated 29 Dec 1847, was probated at the January 1848 term of the Nicholas Co., Ky., court. John's wife **Elizabeth** apparently died before the will was written since he refers to his wife as **Mary**. Her full name was **Mary Crouch**.

4. **Perry Huffstutter** - b. ca. 1835, served in 27th Tennessee Regiment from Obion Co., d. 1862 near Perryville, Ky. [never married]

On 27 Dec 1848, Lewis bought 260 acres in Obion County, Tenn., from **Reuben McWherter**. The land, formerly owned by **John Williams** in District 9, is described in the deed as being located "on the Dyers Burge Roade."³ The purchase price of the tract was \$800 and Lewis paid it off in installments, making his last payment by 27 Jan 1851. By this time, **Reuben** had died and his heirs and administrators, **James** and **Elizabeth McWherter**, signed the conveyance 5 Jul 1852. In 1881 **Lewis** deeded 74 acres of his tract to his son **Adam** for "the love and affection I have for my son" and the further consideration of \$30. **Adam** preceded his father in death, dying on Christmas Eve 1888. **Lewis** died eight months later on 20 Aug 1889.

Adam's survivors included an 18-year old son **Milton**, who was born 12 Feb 1871 in Obion County. **Milton** married **Ann Elnora "Nora" Tate** on 23 Feb 1899, and was a businessman and farmer in his home county until his death on 26 June 1937. He also was one of Obion County's earliest funeral directors.

Milton and **Nora's** son **Ernest B. Huffstutter** was born 11 Mar 1913. During World War II, he was in the South Pacific with the 4025th Signal Service Group, and was awarded two Bronze Stars. On 9 Apr 1943 he was married to **Floy Aileen Dean**⁴ in Hernando, DeSoto Co., Miss., then a popular site for wartime weddings. After the war, **Ernest** and **Floy** settled in Jackson, Tenn., where he was a real estate agent. He later became officer in charge of the Veterans Administration's agricultural training program in Madison County. **Ernest** died 20 May 1972 at the Veterans' Administration Hospital in Murfreesboro, Tenn., and was buried at Rose Hill Cemetery in Obion County.

Ernest and **Floy's** eldest son, **Dan Ernest Huffstutter**, was born 3 Mar 1951 in Jackson, Tennessee. On 8 Mar 1973, he married **Harryette L. Harlan**, daughter of **William Harlan** of Maury County. They have two sons and two daughters and reside in Nashville, where **Dan** is a tax lawyer..

His brother, **Ray F. Huffstutter**, born 1 June 1955 in Jackson, now lives in Marietta, Ga., and is marketing director for an international commercial finance company. He married **Melissa Dawn (Holloway) Hembree** in Austell (Cobb Co.), Ga., on 24 June 1989, and they have two children, **Taylor Shae** (b. 11 Mar 1992 on her grandfather **Ernest's** birthday) and **Torrey Dean Huffstutter** (b. 1995).■

Trips Back Home Made the News in the late 1800's

The Clarksville Chronicle reported in its 16 Dec 1871 issue that **Mr. and Mrs. James Herring** visited Montgomery County the previous week. The couple had removed to Obion County a few years earlier after living in Montgomery County more than 50 years. The paper commented:

"**Mr. Herring** is 72 and his wife not many years younger. They celebrated their 50th anniversary some time in November. They have lived useful and happy lives, and have great-grandchildren to 'call them blessed.' The war swept away a large personal estate from **Mr. Herring** but, after comfortably settling all his children, he has yet a handsome legacy to leave to each. The couple is hale and hearty. He is known throughout the county as an upright honest man. It is his delight to sit down and recount his many trips to New Orleans at an early day when keelboats were the rage. He made about 30 trips to New Orleans and back without incident, his first at age 18."

In the 9 Sep 1871 issue, *The Chronicle* noted that its venerable friend, **Dr. Robert Neblett** of Texas, formerly of Montgomery County, had paid a visit to the newspaper's office that week. "He left here about 50 years ago. He is looking quite vigorous for one of his age, being now nearly 80 years of age, one of the oldest of the name now living."

The Nashville Gazette, in its 9 Nov 1865 edition, said **Capt. Jesse Johnson**, an old Nashville citizen and a well known steamboatman who had been sojourning 'in the distant state of Texas' for several years past, was en route to his home in the city. "A cordial welcome waits his coming," *The Gazette* added.■

³ Creative spelling for "Dyersburg"

⁴ Born in March 1915 near Hornbeak, Tenn., the daughter of **John Luther Dean** and **Sarah Leona Goodman**.

THOMAS CONYERS, SR.

Delays in Getting His Veteran's Pension Helped His Descendants' Later Research

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If **Thomas Conyers, Sr.**, hadn't run into so many roadblocks in trying to secure his Revolutionary War pension, probably little would be known about him before he became a Tennessean. While government red tape was unfortunate for Thomas, it proved to be a bonanza for his descendants doing genealogical research.

On 3 Nov 1828, six months after Congress authorized benefits for surviving officers and soldiers of the Army of the Revolution, Thomas filed papers to obtain benefits rightfully due him.

Formerly of Cecil Township in Washington Co., Pa., he was living in Wilson Co., Tenn., when he filed a "declaration" stating that he enlisted in the Continental Line during the war and served as a private in **Capt. John Finley's** Company of the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment until the war's end. Thomas further stated that after the war he received a certificate awarding him \$80 under a resolution passed by Congress on 15 May 1778, but did not receive a pension. He had his "declaration" certified in Robertson Co., Tenn., and signed it with his mark.

After his pension request was rejected, Conyers on 1st July 1829 wrote a letter from Lebanon, Tenn., to **President Andrew Jackson**, asking him to "harken to the entreaties of an old soldier of the Revolution .. one of the few whose claims have been rejected." Conyers said he had been informed by **Col. Dickens** that his declaration was not corroborated by records at Washington and further proof of his service was required.

He then told the president of enlisting under **Capt. James Pickett** for three years, and being attached to the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment under command of **Col. McCoy** and later **Capt. John Finley**. In 1780 he and his fellow soldiers reenlisted with the right of discharge at Pittsburgh, and were put under command of **Cols. Broadhead** and **Baird**. Conyers said he was among those in the company who continued in service until the war was over. In conclusion, Conyers told Jackson of moving to Tennessee in 1798 and settling three miles west of Lebanon where he raised seven sons and three daughters.¹ "Four of my sons were with you in the Creek campaign and three at New Orleans," he added.

It is not known if Jackson responded to Conyers' letter, but apparently no action was taken because on 23 Mar 1831 Conyers sent a second declaration to the government regarding his pension. This time he enclosed an affidavit signed by **Azariah Dunn** and his wife, **Hannah L. Dunn**, of Robertson County.² The affidavit, sworn before Acting Justice of the Peace **James Byrnes**, stated that Azariah was about 74 years of age and Hannah 68. (It is thought that Hannah was a Conyers, and possibly Thomas' sister.) Both swore that Thomas enlisted as a private in the Continental Army for three years and served until the end of the war.

On 13 Aug 1832, Thomas -- by this time 75 years old and still without a pension -- appeared in Robertson County Court of Pleas and Quarter Session in Springfield, Tenn., to make a more detailed declaration of his Revolutionary War service in an attempt to obtain his benefits under a newly enacted provision by Congress.³ On 29 Sept 1832, he made a similar statement in Wilson County, appearing before presiding Justices of Peace **Benjamin H. Billings**, **David C. Hibbetts**, and **James Foster** of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions. From these two statements much is learned of his Revolutionary War service.



¹ To date, only six of the 10 have been identified.

² **Conyers** in his letter to **Jackson** had stated that the only persons who could know that he had served as required by the Congressional act were "**Dunn** and his wife" and that they could only recollect that he served about six years as a regular soldier.

³ Passed 7 June 1832

★He enlisted for three years on 13 Aug 1776⁴ under **Capt. James Pickett** and **1st Lieut. Mire Stoakley**, **2nd Lieut. Richard Richardson**, and **Ensign Gabe Patterson**. He was attached to the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment's Light Infantry Company commanded by **Col. Enos McCoy**, **Lt. Col. George Wilson**, and **Major Richard Butler**.

★He marched with the company from the old Indian town of Catorison{?} on the Allegheny River to Quibbleton{?}, Virginia.

★The company went through a series of leadership changes. **Capt. Pickett** resigned at Camp Valley Forge during the severe winter of 1777 and **John Finley** took command. **Col. McCoy** died at Trenton, and **Lt. Col. Wilson** moved up to his position. Then **Wilson**, in turn, died at Quibbleton. **Butler** took over but shortly resigned. Meanwhile, **Major Frederick Varnum** took command of the regiment for the rest of the war with **Daniel Broadhead**, commanding colonel and **Stephen Baird** lieutenant.

★Conyers was in the Battle of Bonbrook as well as several small engagements and skirmishes with the British and Indians in the states of Pennsylvania, Delaware, and New Jersey. Honorably discharged by **Col. Baird** at Pittsburgh on 1 Oct 1779, he then joined a company of volunteers and went up the Allegheny River in pursuit of the Munsee Indians,⁵ undergoing, he said, "great fatigue, hunger, and danger" for several months. Upon his return, he was stationed at Pittsburgh as a guard over public arms until the end of the war.

In his sworn statements recorded by Court Clerk **Gist W. Seal** in Robertson County and Court Clerk **Josiah S. McClain** in Wilson County, Conyers said he had lost or mislaid his discharge.

Apparently this detailed petition finally convinced the government that Thomas was indeed a veteran of the Revolutionary War and entitled to benefits for his service. On 31 Jul 1833 he was allotted a pension of \$80 a year to begin 4 Mar 1834. His first payment amounted to \$200, including arrears. On 15 June 1846 Conyers applied for a transfer of his pension from the Nashville roll to Jackson, Tenn., having moved to Haywood County after the son with whom he lived in Wilson County suffered business misfortunes and consequently lost the plantation on which they lived. Because of his age [89] and physical condition, Conyers said he moved to the home of his daughters⁶ who were better able to care for him. His sworn statement before **Charles R. Johnson**, acting justice of the peace in Haywood County, was accompanied by an affidavit from his son-in-law, **Alfred Bettis**.

Little is known of Thomas Conyers prior to his joining the 8th Pennsylvania Regiment. It is known that a **John Conyers** of Virginia had received a land grant in Washington Co., Pa., in 1770. So it is possible that Thomas could have been a native Virginian rather than Pennsylvanian. More information on his life in Tennessee has been gleaned from various court records and other sources, although the numerous spellings of his surname have complicated the search. In some instances, the "s" has been dropped from Conyers. In others, the name is spelled Connors/Conners, Conger, Conier, Cowgill, and seemingly endless variations. Upon arriving in Tennessee in 1784, he made his home in what is now Sumner County, and soon was named overseer of the building of a road from Kasper's Creek to a dividing ridge between Drake's Creek and Station Camp Creek.⁷

Tax records of 1787 show he owned 100 acres of land in Sumner County. On 10 Sep that year he married **Jane Wills**, daughter of **George** and **Juda Wills** of nearby Robertson County.⁸ On 5 Jan 1796, Thomas purchased an additional 100 acres of land on Drake's Creek for \$50. Two years later, he and his family moved across the Cumberland River and settled in the Barton's Creek community about three miles northwest of Lebanon in Wilson County, where he built the area's first water mill in 1796. By 1804, the county tax list indicated Thomas owned 350 acres on Barton's Creek. As the years went by, he continued to buy and sell numerous tracts of land in the area. Jane apparently died before 1830 as the census for that year does not indicate a female of her approximate age living in his household. In the early 1830s, Thomas appeared to be dividing up his estate. On 4 Apr 1832 he deeded three acres on a small branch of Barton's Creek as the site for New Hope Cumberland Presbyterian Church.⁹

⁴ He would have been 19 years old at the time.

⁵ A division of the Delaware Indian tribe (the Lenape) who lived in the Pennsylvania Highlands. Also called the Minisinks.

⁶ Two of Thomas' daughters, **Margaret Bettis** and **Polly Romines**, are known to have been living near Maury City in Haywood [now Crockett] County at the time. Also living in the area was his son **Samuel Conyers**.

⁷ Kasper's Creek, now apparently called Mansker's Creek after **Casper Mansker**, is west of Hendersonville, just east of the Davidson County line. Drake's Creek is on Hendersonville's eastern boundary and Station Camp Creek is west of Gallatin.

⁸ The will of **George Wills, Sr.**, proved in October 1798, names the following children: **William**, **George**, **James**, **Mary Lucas**, **Margaret Martin**, **Jane Conners [Conyers]**, and **Nancy Hunter**.

⁹ The original building is no longer standing, but the church was rebuilt a short distance away on Coles Ferry Pike and is still active today.

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Over the next few years he deeded tracts totaling about 400 acres on Barton Creek to various individuals including his son **John Conyers**, his son-in-law **Alford Bettis**, **Lawrence Sybert**, and **William Summerhill**.

On 3 Nov 1835 he had a paper¹⁰ drawn up stating, "Thomas Conyers, being old, appoints his son John his power of attorney. I have divided my property among my children. My grandson, **James Romines**, is to receive his share when he comes of age."

As indicated in his pension records, Thomas moved in 1846 to Maury City in Haywood County (in the area that later became Crockett County). He died there on 6 June 1847 in the 90th year of his age and was buried on his son Samuel's property.¹¹ No one has been able to locate the grave in recent years, but a headstone and DAR marker were placed in the Lebanon Memorial Methodist Church Cemetery by a descendant, **Dr. Sarah Conyers York Murray** who took a handful of dirt from the grave and placed it at the church site.

KNOWN CHILDREN OF THOMAS AND JANE CONYERS

1. **JOHN ANDERSON CONYERS, SR.** - b. Mar 1788 in Sumner Co., Tenn., d. Mar 1874, m. 3 Oct. 1818 in Wilson Co., Tenn., to **Susannah Spradling**, b. 1793 in Kentucky, d. 29 Jan 1852 in Sumner Co., daughter of **Obediah** and **Lucy [Creel] Spradling**. John and Susannah buried in now neglected Maggart Cemetery near Turner's Station. John was with **Gen. Andrew Jackson** in the War of 1812 and the Creek War, serving in **Capt. John Harpool's**, **George W. Still's**, and **Beverly Williams'** companies in the Tennessee Militia. His children: (1) **Obediah Conyers** [b. ca. 1822, never married], (2) **John Anderson Conyers, Jr.** [b. ca. 1827, m. **Martha Bell**], (3) **Octavia B. Conyers** [b. ca. 1827, m. **Wm. B. Wallace**], (4) **Napoleon B. Conyers** [b. ca. 1828, m. **Zilphia Jane Dorris**], (5) **Josephus C. Conyers** [b. ca. 1831, m. **Elizabeth A. Austin** on 30 Oct 1851 in Sumner Co.], and (6) **Mary Elizabeth Conyers** [b. ca. 1834, m. **John Moore Smith** 3 May 1845].

2. **THOMAS CONYERS, JR.** - b. Tenn., d. 1853 in Stoddard Co., Mo., m. **Sarah "Sally" Aust** 5 Jul 1823 in Wilson Co., Tenn. Children: (1) **Elizabeth "Betsy" Ann Conyers** [m. **Jas. M. Graves** 12 June 1845], (2) **Mary Jane Conyers**, (3) **Clinton P. Conyers**, (4) **James H. Conyers**, (5) **Frederick A. Conyers**, and (5) **William F. Conyers**.

3. **WILLIAM CONYERS** - b. ca. 1789, d. 1844, m. **Agnes "Aggie" Arrington** 3 Mar 1814. Children: **Jane Conyers** [m. **Lytle Brown** 20 Aug 1834], **Thomas W. Conyers** [m. **Martha Walker** 16 Dec 1835], **John H. Conyers** [m. **Mary Harrington** 28 May 1839], **Lorina A./Lourancy Conyers** (m. **Green Berry Howard** 18 Nov 1840), **F. Higdon Conyers**, **Charles Conyers** [m. **Harriet Arrington** 23 Feb 1847], **Wm. C. Conyers**, and **Samuel Conyers**.

4. A son - b. ca. 1790 [name unknown]

5. A daughter - b. ca. 1792 [name unknown]

6. A son - b. ca. 1794 [name unknown]

7. **SAMUEL CONYERS** - b. 1796, d. in June 1857 Haywood County, m. **Elizabeth Kennedy** on 25 Apr 1822 in Wilson County. **Elizabeth**, b. in 1802, was the daughter of ___ **Kennedy** and **Ann Cherry** of Wilson County. On 28 Jan 1814 in Lebanon, Samuel enlisted in the 2nd Regiment of Tennessee Mounted Volunteers, serving in **George W. Still's** and **Beverly Williams'** companies. Children: **Alfred** (b. ca. 1833, wife **Armisa A. ___**), **Thomas F.** (b. ca. 1836, wife **Elizabeth ___**), **Sophia**, **Frances**, **Minerva**, and **Harriett Conyers**.

8. A son - b. ca. 1797 [name unknown]

9. **MARGARET "Maggie" CONYERS** - b. in 1798 in Wilson Co., d. 1872 in Hot Spring Co., Ark., m. **Alford/Alfred Bettis** on 5 Mar 1822 in Wilson Co., later resided in Haywood County. Children: (1) **George Washington Bettis**, (2) **Benjamin Lanson Bettis** [m. **Louisa Sims**], (3) **Mary Jane [Bettis] Ham**, (4) **Thomas Bettis**, (5) **John C. Bettis**, (6) **Lucinda [Bettis] Hudson**, (7) **Wm. Harrison Bettis**, (8) **Frances Bettis**, (9) **Ben Bettis**, and (10) **Lenora [Bettis] Kelly**.

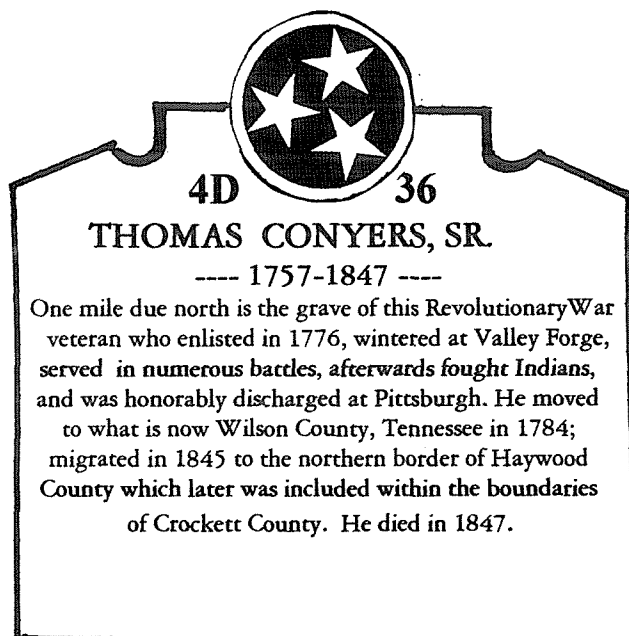
¹⁰ Recorded in Wilson County Trust Deed Book EE

¹¹ **Samuel** was the founder of Lebanon Methodist Church in Crockett County, which was organized in 1844 and initially held its services in his log cabin home.

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10. **POLLY CONYERS** - m. **Aaron Romine** on 8 Oct 1810 in Wilson Co., resided Haywood Co. Son: **James Romine**.

If my great-great-great grandfather **Thomas** had been alive on 17 Apr 1965 he no doubt would have been pleased to see that, in his adopted state, the Tennessee Historical Commission had made sure his valor as a Revolutionary War soldier received the recognition that was so long overdue. A historical marker was erected in his memory alongside Tennessee Highway 88 in Crockett County between Alamo and Hales Point at the junction near Lebanon Methodist Church. It reads:

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LETTERS to TENNESSEE LAWYERS in the 1840s

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For some reason, the work that lawyers do fascinates me. I don't know why. I guess it's because they always get the last word. Many of their words and deeds have survived in the form of old letters. In looking at any old letter from the past, questions concerning its source always surface.

Where did it come from? Where was it all these years? How did it survive the fires, floods, insects, and vandals of the past? As a postal historian, I have seen many thousands of old letters from the stampless period before 1850 and would like to pass along some generalizations about these documents.

FAMILY CORRESPONDENCE

A collector looking at material for sale or at auction often sees groups of old letters representing correspondence that has been kept by a family for generations. At some point, the material came into possession of a family member who didn't value it and put it on the market for sale. In this group are found letters written home from soldiers during a war. Family correspondence often contains a world of genealogical information and local history. The letters are usually from relatives in distant places to family members in the same household. By reading and studying this material, much can be learned about farmers, storekeepers, clerymen, and others who made up the backbone of America. You can read about patterns of migration, disease, weather, and agriculture. Sometimes slaves will be discussed. Often political commentary is found. Things haven't changed much in 150 years. The material survived because someone safeguarded it and protected it from dampness, light, and insects. Or maybe it was used as insulation between the walls in an old house and wasn't discovered until repairs were made years later or as the house was being razed.

BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS

Another category is business correspondence sent to a particular firm from dealers or others who had transactions with it. There are some excellent examples of huge finds of this type of correspondence from our past. The Hagerstown Bank in Maryland and the Collins Manufacturing Company in Connecticut are two locations where tens of thousands of old letters were found in storage. Letters addressed to these two businesses are still found in dealers' stock today.¹ Just about every old letter collection has examples of material sent to these firms. From such material we learn about commerce, how materials were bought and made into goods for sale, and often how they were shipped by boat or rail in the later years. Prices and sources for raw materials frequently are discussed in these letters which are usually generated by a company officer or sales agent. Generally speaking, the larger the account, the more likely an important officer of the company will be involved. This type of material survived because it was company policy to retain it or because it was stored in some place where it was forgotten over the years.

LAWYERS' LETTERS

One category that is different from all others and often overlooked is correspondence to and from lawyers. Lawyers were prolific writers; everything they did was reduced to written word. That, in part, is why so much of this material remains today. Lawyers kept voluminous files for years, and these were retained by the lawyers who succeeded them in their practice or by their family. A lawyer's status must have been directly proportional to the amount of paper he had in his files. These were a lawyer's bread and butter and he went to great lengths to make sure they were preserved and retained in good order. Unlike physicians who generally stuck where they landed, lawyers traveled far and wide in their work, taking depositions, arguing cases before the various courts, and

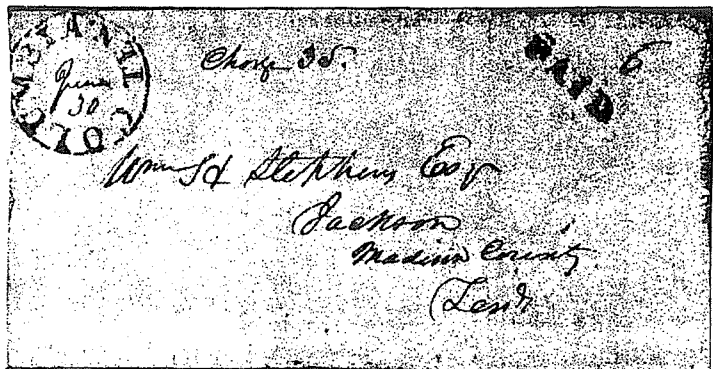
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engaging in a host of other activities. Other than his legal books, the early lawyer's most important possession was a dependable horse. The interesting feature about this group of correspondence is that out of the pool of lawyers came members of Congress, senators, judges, governors, various state officers, and others who rose to either elected or appointed office. The researcher just has to make the effort to track them down and follow them through their careers. Some might call this reverse genealogy. I call it exciting historical research.

STAMPLESS LETTERS OR COVERS

In looking at some of the legal correspondence that made it through the last 150 years or more, it might be well to review a few basics of early postal history.² Before 1847 when the first U.S. postal stamp was issued and even until 1 Jan 1856 when adhesive stamps were mandatory on all letters, mail was sent without stamps.³ These items are called stampless letters or covers. When a letter was posted, the postmaster applied a rate or fee schedule based on either distance or weight. Most rates were "due rates" -- that is, the recipient had to pay the fees at the letter's destination. If the fee was not paid, the letter was not taken from the post office. Senders wanting to be certain their letters were delivered could prepay the fee and the postmaster would then stamp or write "Paid" on the face of the letter. Many letters of the period were sent by other means than the official postal system. Often these are marked "By the favor of ..." "By the politeness of" ... "Per Mr. ____" ... or in some other manner. Frequently letters were carried from point to point by travelers, hunters, trappers, or military personnel. In many cases, there was not a post office anywhere near the recipient of the letter and it sometimes took months for a letter to reach its destination. The further West, the more the delay. Tennessee during the stampless period was considered as "West." Following are some examples of letters to Tennessee lawyers from my collection, along with biographical information on each recipient.

This stampless letter was sent to William H. Stephens, Esq., a prominent Jackson, Tenn., attorney. It bears a black circular date stamp from Columbia, Tenn., and was posted 30 June 1849. The 5-cent postage fee was prepaid at the Columbia post office. The letter is about the sale of lands and the proceeds to be received from the sale. The writer of the letter, William P. Martin of Columbia, had requested a copy of a land grant from Nashville, but says he does not expect to get it because all the citizens have left the city.⁴



WHO WAS STEPHENS?

William H. Stephens was born in Maryland in 1816. He attended the University of Nashville, receiving his law degree in 1836. He married **Barbara (Barberry) Miller**,⁵ the daughter of **Pleasant M. Miller**, a former resident of Knox County who became the first chancellor of the West Tennessee Chancery Court. Stephens was one of the first trustees of the Madison Male Academy (later Southwestern Baptist University) when it was chartered in 1834. From 1840-57 he was clerk of the Tennessee Supreme Court in Jackson. An avid promoter of railroads, he went from place to place speaking on behalf of the Mobile and Ohio Railroad in 1852 and 1853. Three years later, he became president of the Union Bank's branch in Jackson, and in 1857 he ran for Congress. In February 1861, Stephens was among 12 Tennessee delegates to the peace conference in Washington. During the Civil War, he was a colonel in command of the Sixth Tennessee Regiment at Union City. He is credited with infusing his regiment with a spirit of discipline and pride which later was evidenced in its heroic record on the South's major battlefields.⁶

² For further information, see my article, "Postal History Parallels Events in Life of Nation," *Ansearchin' News*, Vol. 43, No. 3, pp.141-142

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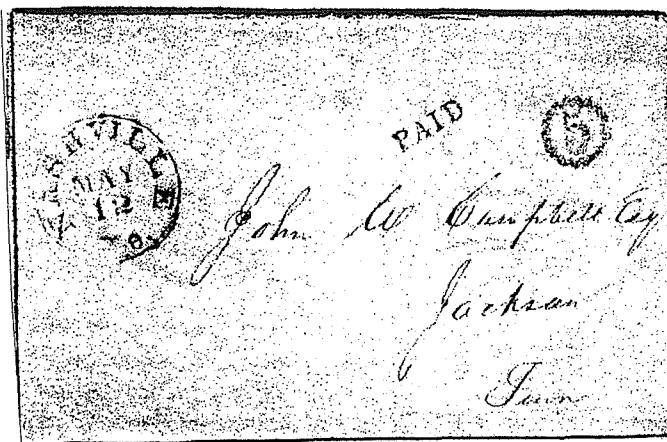
⁴ Possibly due to an outbreak of cholera.

⁵ She was born in 1820. They had seven children. Listed in the 1850 census were: **Mary L.**, 10; **William D.**, 7; **Albert M.**, 4; and **Charles M. Stephens**, 2. Their other children were **Richard B.**, **L. P.**, and **Kate W. Stephens**, according to the *Jackson Dispatch*.

⁶ Emma Inman Williams: *Historic Madison*, published by Madison Co., Tenn., Historical Society, Jackson, 1946.

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When Stephens' term in the Confederate Army expired 15 May 1862, he returned home and presided briefly in the Circuit Court until the Union Army approached Jackson. At that point he went farther South where he remained until the federal occupation ended. He resumed his law practice after the war, and moved to Memphis in 1867 where he was elected Shelby County delegate to the 1870 Constitutional convention. Stephens was honored by being elected 1871 alumni orator for the University of Nashville, and in that capacity delivered an address at the annual gathering of law school alumni.⁷ In 1875 he moved to Los Angeles, and was living on a farm in San Gabriel, Calif., when he died 8 March 1887.



John W. Campbell, Jackson attorney and prominent banker, received the stampless letter at left. Mailed from Nashville on 12 May 1846, it bears a blue circular date stamp, a blue "Paid" hand stamp, and a 5-cent rate marking of the cogged wheel design. Postage was prepaid at the Nashville post office by Jacob McGavick who, in the letter, asks Campbell to collect a due note owed by David Williams of Davidson County. Williams apparently had left Nashville for Jackson without paying it. McGavick enclosed the actual note in the letter, asking Campbell to return it if he could not collect the debt. [The note was not with the letter when it was purchased by the author.]

CAMPBELL'S BACKGROUND

John Williamson Campbell, born 1st May 1799 in Lexington, Ky., was educated at Dickinson College in Pennsylvania. He moved with his family to Nashville and studied law in the office of the noted attorney **Felix Grundy**. Campbell married **Jane E. Porter**, daughter of **Alexander Porter** in 1827, and they had 10 children.⁸ When the Union Bank was chartered, he became cashier of the Jackson branch that was opened in July 1833, thus becoming Madison County's first banker. An influential planter, he also operated a large sawmill and was one of the county's early lumbermen. He owned riverboats that carried products from Jackson to such ports as Obion Point, Memphis, and New Orleans, advertising that his boats could carry as much as 6,000 bales of cotton during the season. Campbell was appointed trustee of Madison Male Academy in 1843 and continued in that capacity when the school became West Tennessee College (later Union University). He joined the Presbyterian Church that same year, and eventually became a ruling elder. In 1844, he opened a branch of the Nashville Insurance and Trust Company in Jackson, insuring the log and brick structures along the public square as well as dwellings, smokehouses, chicken coops, and various bills of goods. He once insured a carriage for \$500. Campbell also operated Brighton Flouring Mill in 1852, and was a commissioner for the Mississippi Central and Tennessee Railroad which was extended from Grand Junction to Jackson in 1853. Ever active in community affairs, he was director of Madison County's first agricultural and mechanical fair, donating nine acres of timber to be used in constructing buildings and fences for the event. After living in Jackson for a few years, Campbell purchased 1,300 acres of land west of the city, and had built there a spacious two-story home which he called "Edgewood." Constructed in the mid-1850s with slave labor, it took two years to complete. The home was among those used as headquarters by the Union Army during the year it occupied Jackson. Much of his property was said to have been destroyed during the war. Campbell was president of the Presbyterian High School's board of trustees in 1872. He died 30 June 1874 in Jackson.⁹

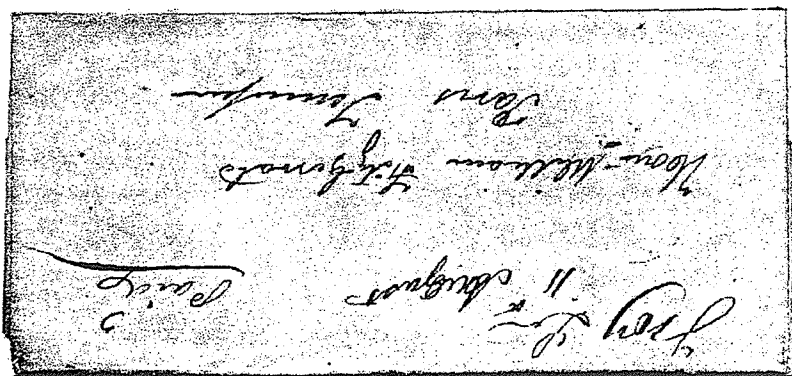
⁷ His speech was printed in full in the *Nashville Union & American*, 16 June 1871

⁸ Goodspeed: *History of Tennessee: Madison County*, Nashville, 1887. Jane died 2 Dec 1849 in Jackson, according to the *West Tennessee Whig*, of 7 Dec 1849. The 1850 census listed their children as: Susan A., 19; Ann M., 17; Penelope Porter, 15; Jane E., 13; Cynthia R., 11; Mary M., 8; John J., 6; Robert P., 4; and Allison W. (m.) Campbell, 1. Their eldest son, Alexander W. Campbell, who became a Confederate general and a prominent attorney, died in Jackson 20 June 1893.

⁹ Jonathan K. T. Smith: *Reported Deaths in 19th Century Jackson, Tenn., Newspapers*, 1996

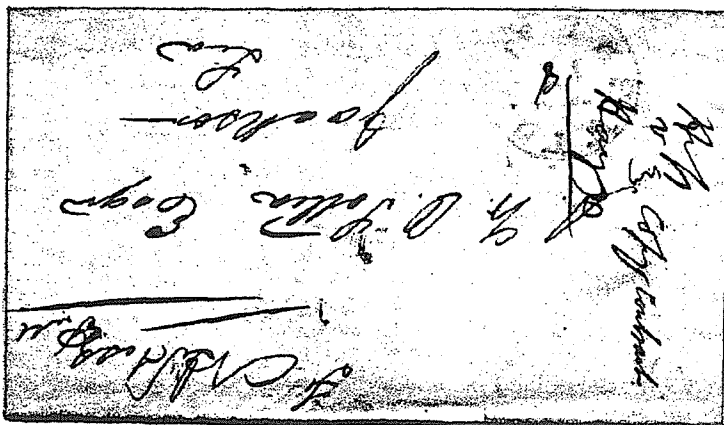
WILLIAM FITZGERALD

Paris, Tenn., attorney William Fitzgerald was the recipient of this stampless folded letter from Troy, Tenn., attorney James Davis. Its manuscript postmark is dated 11 Aug 1846, and the 5-cent postage was prepaid at the Troy post office. Davis, writing about a case in which Fitzgerald was somehow involved, said his client, David Whipple, claims he was never served a summons even though it was returned as having been executed by the process officer.



Born 6 Aug 1799 in Port Tobacco, Md., William was the son of John Fitzgerald. He was educated in England, receiving what is called "a thorough English education." He then studied law and in 1821 was admitted to the bar at Dover in Stewart Co., Tenn.¹⁰ After practicing law in Dover, he moved to Dresden in Weakley County and was admitted to the bar there.¹¹ He was circuit court clerk from 1822-1825, and then was elected state representative for Weakley, Henry, Obion, and Stewart counties, serving in the 16th Tennessee General Assembly from 1825-1827. Fitzgerald also was attorney general of the 16th Judicial Circuit from 1826-1831. In 1830 he defeated Davy Crockett in a race for U.S. Congress and served a single term in the 22nd Congress. Seeking reelection, he again ran against Crockett but this time was defeated. Fitzgerald was judge of the 9th Judicial Circuit from 1841 until the outbreak of the Civil War. He married Elizabeth A. Wells of Clarksville in Montgomery County, and they had nine children: Laura, Adeline, Edward, Arabella, Eugenia, Mary H., Richard, Quitman, and one other whose name is not known. Later the family moved to Paris, Tenn., in Henry County. He died there in 1864 and is buried in the family cemetery.¹²

This stampless letter to A. W. O. Totten of Jackson, Tenn., bears a red circular date stamp from Troy, Tenn., dated 18 June 1842. It was free franked by the postmaster as indicated by the manuscript markings, "F" for free and "P.M." for postmaster. The letter informs Totten of the writer's compliance with a contract he made with a man named Hayes who was to provide him a place of living on the Mississippi River and 80 head of cattle. Hayes apparently died before honoring his part of the contract, and his administrators rebranded some of the stock. The writer feels he is owed the remainder of the debt.



A. W. O. TOTTON

Archibald W. O. Totten was born in Middle Tennessee and moved to the western part of the state with his father at an early age. After studying law, he was admitted to the bar at Trenton in Gibson County before 1831,¹³ and later to the bar at Troy.¹⁴ When the Chancery Court was established at Trenton in 1840, he was among lawyers licensed to

- 10 Biographical Directory of the United States Congress, 1794-1989, U. S. Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C., 1989
- 11 Samuel Cole Williams: *Beginnings of West Tennessee*, The Watauga Press, Johnson City, Tenn., 1930
- 12 Robert M. McBride and Dan B. Robinson: *Biographical Directory of the Tennessee General Assembly*, Vol. 1, 1796-1861, Tennessee Historical Commission, Nashville, 1975
- 13 Frederick M. Culp and Mrs. Robert E. Ross: *Gibson County, Past and Present*, Gibson County Historical Society, Trenton, Tenn., 1961
- 14 Emma Williams, op. cit.

LETTERS (continued)

practice in that court. Totten moved from Trenton to Jackson and shortly afterwards was appointed to the Tennessee Supreme Court. He married **Harriett C. Hurt** in Madison County on 29 Mar 1843.¹⁵ In 1843-44, Totten was a trustee for West Tennessee College (now Union University) and in 1853 was named to the commission to extend the Mississippi Central and Tennessee railroad from Grand Junction to Jackson. He retired from the Supreme Court in August 1855. In 1861 he was elected a delegate for a proposed convention in Nashville to enter into a military league with the Confederate States. After the Civil War, he practiced law with **Alexander W. Campbell, W. H. McCorry, Howell E. Jackson, and John L. Brown**. Totten died 26 Jul 1867 in Madison County, leaving his home in Jackson and a plantation in Coahoma Co., Miss., to his daughters. **Caroline**,¹⁶ his younger daughter, died 18 Sep 1871 in Memphis, and 27-year old **Alice**, his elder daughter and the last surviving member of the family, died 28 Apr 1873 in Madison County. A brick building which Judge Totten had constructed in Trenton was used as a law office for more than a century.

DID THEY KNOW EACH OTHER?

Did the paths of these Tennessee lawyers cross? Indeed they did. They appeared before one another and argued cases against each other, having both judge-attorney and attorney-attorney relationships. They were members of the same boards, commissions, and organizations. Lawyers and judges traveled the court circuit together on horseback, carrying what little they needed to get by. Often they had to wait for their mail to catch up with them. In court they became well known for their ability to debate the issues at hand, using common sense and simple concepts. The cases and the lawyers who fought them often drew large galleries, and this was one method by which an attorney could develop a reputation that could be used to his advantage in a political bid.

Old letters such as these discussed here have both historical and genealogical value. Each places a writer and receiver at a particular place at a particular time. It is almost like having a census report in addition a travel itinerary for the persons involved. These materials are fragile and easily damaged by repeated usage, by sunlight, and even from moisture and oils from human hands. Being of paper, they will not last forever. And that's why it's so important to take precautions when dealing with such materials. Use only archival-quality products to display, store, and preserve these items for future generations. If in doubt, consult a professional!■

Directors Named For Branches of Bank of Tennessee in 1838*(From the Nashville Union Extra of Saturday, 26 May 1838)*

The following directors for the different branches of the Bank of Tennessee have been appointed by the board of the principal bank:

Rogersville - Dr. Hugh Walker, Charles H. Coffin, Clinton Armstrong, Dicks Alexander, George Hale, R. G. Fain, Absalom Kyle, Elijah Embree, Dr. A. Williams, W. R. Caswell, David Shaver, Warham Easley.

Athens - John M'Ghee, C. Metcalf, S. Jarnigan, John Parshall, W. S. M'Ewin, A. P. Fore, John Locke, T. Nixon Van Dyke, Kinsey Smith, John M'Gaughy, Luke Lea, J. S. Bridges.

Shelbyville - John Eakin, C. Cannon, E. J. Frierson, B. Dechard, T. Davis, A. Dibrell, G. Davidson, W. Black, J. Deery, J. Hickerson, D. Barringer, S. E. Gilliland.

Columbia - W. J. Polk, H. Langtree, W. E. Kennedy, A. Wright, J. W. Cheers, J. R. Hill, G. Frierson, B. Gordon, W. P. Martin, Major___ Earl, G. G. Skipwith, W. Davis.

Clarksville - J. H. Posten, T. W. Barksdale, J. E. Ider, B. W. Wilkins, G. A. Henry, T. Williamson, G. Pattison, A. W. Hicks, F. L. Williams, B. A. Collier, A. Johnson, R. Batson.

Sommerville - A. Crenshaw, B. Douglass, J. C. Cooper, E. Booker, Sr., L. P. Williamson, B. H. Hendeson, E. W. Harris, J. Perkins, J. H. Bills, J. Pope, R. Payne, W. W. Wisdom.

Trenton - H. D. Nelson, J. A. Taliaferro, M. Woodfin, G. W. Gibbs, J. M. Moore, J. H. Talbot, N. K. Jones, J. W. Rodgers, B. E. Iders, T. Cooney, N. I. Hess, R. Hurt. ■

¹⁵ Byron & Barbara Sistler, *Madison Co., Tenn., Marriages 1838-1871*. Published Nashville, Tenn., 1983.

¹⁶ Caroline, called "Callie," was the wife of **Baker C. Springfield**. Their son, **Totten Springfield**, born 5 Sep 1871 in Memphis, died nine days later. Mother and son are buried in Jackson.

Betters to the Editor

A GRATEFUL AUTHOR

Thank you for the fine reviews of my last two books in the Spring 1999 issue of *Ansearchin' News*. Seldom do reviewers look at my books in depth as you did for my third book of Mecklenburg Co., N.C., court minutes and the booklet listing the estate files for Mecklenburg and Cabarrus Counties. For one thing, you noticed that I cross-referenced to *Tennessee, State of*, the court actions involving persons or lands in Tennessee. And from your review of the booklet listing estate files, I believe you, too, have looked into such records and know what a goldmine of information they can be.

I am at work on a second book of Mecklenburg deed abstracts beginning with deeds submitted for registration in 1794. As you would expect, occasionally deeds were submitted for lands as far away as what is now western Tennessee whose owners were residents of Mecklenburg. Here are three such deeds from the work now in progress:

Mecklenburg Co., N.C., Deed Book 15, p. 158: 28 Sep 1795. **Henry Rutherford** of Lincoln Co., N.C., to **James Conner** for 250 pounds., 5000 A in the Western Territory on the Forked Deer River [now Dyer Co., TN] beginning at a Hickory & Beech marked HR adj **Will Terrel Lewis & Will Hawkins**, being the tract granted to **Henry Rutherford** 10 Jul 1788, Patent No. 137. Wit: **Henry Conner & John McConnell**. Proved at Jan Sessions 1796, test **Isaac Alexander**, CMC.

Mecklenburg Co., N.C., Deed Book 15, p. 158: 12 Nov 1795. **Henry Rutherford** of Lincoln Co., N.C., to **James Conner** for 900 pounds, 3000 A in the Western Territory on the Rutherford Fork of Obion River [now Gibson Co., TN] beginning at a Elm & Dogwood marked HR adj. **Will Davidson, George Cathey, & James Templeton** being the tract granted to **Henry Rutherford** 20 Dec 1791, Patent No. 368. Wit: **Henry Conner & John McConnell**. Proven at Jan Sessions 1796, test **Isaac Alexander**, CMC. Reg. 14 Apr 1796.

Mecklenburg Co., N.C., Deed Book 16, p. 515: 7 Sep 1792. **Griffith Rutherford** of Rowan County to **Hugh Torrence** for 250 pounds, 1936 A on the south side of the "fork of Deer River [Forked Deer]" a tributary of the Mississippi River in the Western District [of Tennessee] adj a dogwood marked GR. Wit: **James McGown, Jurat, Saml. Graham & Rie Graham**. Proven at Jan Sessions 1801, test **Isaac Alexander**, CMC. Reg 4 Mar 1801.

Again, my thanks for your diligent attention to books submitted for review.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: *We appreciate the contribution of your two books to the Tennessee Genealogical Society's library, and look forward to the completion of your ongoing work. Sounds like another winner.*

TAYLOR FAMILY RESEARCH

The enclosed charts are the end result of 40 years of research (I'm now over 70). I had copies printed for my family, cousins, nephews, etc. It was cheap to print an extra 100 copies, so --

My offer: I'll send a free copy of each chart to anyone interested. Just send a 9x12" envelope -- self-addressed and bearing three first-class stamps.

Richard B. Taylor
Rancho Palomino
820 Trotter Circle
Las Vegas, NV 89107-4501

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Oh, to be a Taylor! The two sample family charts you sent us will go into the vertical files at the TGS library. Taylor researchers will be interested to know that the charts begin with John Taylor, born ca. 1699 in Lincolnshire, England, and trace his descendants all the way down to eight-year old Bradley Robert Taylor of Pittsburg, Pa. By the late 1800s, some Taylors had found their way to Tennessee, settling at Maryville in Blount County. Others went to Georgia and Virginia.*



TENNESSEE GENEALOGY FOUND IN IDAHO

Just wanted to pass this along. The following is taken from an 8-1/2 by 14" piece of paper found under a home at 104 Gold Coin Rd., Sagle, Ida., in 1999, author unknown:

William Chapman born in New York State 16 Dec 1824
His wife: **Esther L. Bewley**, born in Tennessee 17 Jul 1826
Married by **Rev. Wm. Blair** at Oregon City, Ore., 3 Oct 1849
Their 10 children [all born in Sheridan, Ore., except the first]:
J. M. - b. Oregon City 29 Nov 1850
Born in Sheridan:
Catharine, 5 Mar 1852
Eusebia J., 20 Oct 1854
Lenora J., 7 Sep 1856
Mary M., 21 Oct 1858
Isabella, 2 Nov 1860
Frank B., 18 Dec 1862
Nettie G., 12 Aug 1865
Chas. W., 26 Nov 1867
Fred A., 9 Jan 1872

William Chapman's genealogy:

Father: **John Chapman**

Mother: **Sally Pierce**

Esther Bewley's genealogy:

Father: **John W. Bewley**

Mother: **Catherine B. Ellice**

Maternal grandparents: **James Ellice, Esther Croett** [?]

Paternal grandparents: **John Bewley, Catharine Hunt**

Recorded by: **Bob Ballantyne**
1684 Swamp Pike
Gilbertsville, PA 19525
BobNancyB@compuserve.com

EDITOR'S NOTE: *Thanks for sharing your find with us! We will not ask what you were doing under a house in Idaho, but some Chapman-Bewley descendants out there will applaud your dedication. ■*

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**SHORT
TAKES****TGS Board Member Named
Shelby County Genealogist**

Mrs. Betty Hughes, Tennessee Genealogical Society board member, has been named Shelby County genealogist succeeding the late **Lincoln Johnson**.

Mrs. Hughes, a retired legal secretary, has been a resident of Shelby County for 65 years. An experienced genealogist and historical researcher, she is a member of the West Tennessee Historical Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, and Descendants of Early Settlers of Shelby County. As county genealogist, she will serve on the Shelby County Historical and Public Records Commission.

**New Book Covers Robertson
County Obituaries, Death Records**

Gregory G. Poole of Clarksville is author of a new book entitled *Robertson Co., Tenn. Obituaries and Death Records, 1802-1930*.

Poole, an archivist and historian at the Tennessee State Library & Archives in Nashville, consulted more than 50 sources in gathering material for his book. Besides containing more than 2,800 names, the book provides information on sickness and death in the Old South, a glossary of medical terms, and a compilation of place names in early Robertson County. Available from Land Yacht Press, P.O. Box 210262, Nashville, TN 37221-0262, the book sells for \$36 postpaid.

**Chastain Family Plans Reunion
In Chattanooga This Month**

The 24th annual reunion of the **Pierre Chastain** Family Association will be 17-19 Sep at the Hawthorne Suites in Chattanooga. Research. Four sessions on genealogy-related topics are on the agenda, and record books of currently known Chastain family lines will be available for research at the reunion. For further information, contact **Marquetta Chastain** of Broken Arrow, Okla., at (918) 451-1524 or E-mail: Mchast2263@aol.com.

**Bobo Reunion To Divide Time
Between Tennessee, Alabama**

Huntsville, Ala., and Lynchburg, Tenn., will share honors when the Bobo Family Reunion convenes 8-10 October.

Activities open with an informal meeting at 8 p.m. Friday at LaQuinta Inn in Huntsville. On Saturday the reunion shifts north about 45 miles to Lynchburg where Boboes have lived since about 1816 when twins **Elijah** and **Elisha Bobo** migrated there from South Carolina. On tap for the day are a tour of **Jack Daniel's** Distillery and a luncheon at **Miss Mary Bobo's** Boarding House. A reunion meeting will be held at the pavilion in Lynchburg Park in the afternoon. The group will return to Huntsville for research and sightseeing on Sunday. For more information, contact **Charles H. (Chuck) Bobo**, 3101 Thurman Rd., H-22, Huntsville, AL 35805, e-mail Family:BOBO@aol.com.

**Townsend Family To Convene
At Arkansas State Park**

The Townsend Family Reunion is scheduled at DeGray Lake State Park Lodge, Ark., 8-10 Oct. Descendants and cousins of **Joseph Townsend** who was born ca. 1750 in Virginia and died in 1845 in Carroll Co., Tenn., are invited to attend. For reservations, call the lodge at 1-800-737-8355.

Further details can be obtained from **Jan Broxterman**, P.O. Box 1828, Edgewood, N.M. 87015 (505) 271-2282, e-mail jbinsure@nmia.com.

**Grave of Second Union General
Identified at Elmwood Cemetery**

Milton T. Williamson has been identified as the second Civil War Union General interred at Elmwood Cemetery in Memphis. The finding was the result of an Eagle Scout project led by **Jeffery Banham**.

General Williamson, an Ohio native, became a Memphis resident after serving with the Union occupation forces in the city. He later became a state legislator, city registrar, and U.S. marshall. He died in 1902 and is buried with his wife, **Sue B. Williamson**, at Elmwood. The only other known Union general buried in the historic cemetery is **Gen. William J. Smith**.

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**Train Injury Fatal
To George F. Martin
Of Davidson County**

George F. Martin, 51, died Sunday morning, 2 June 1867, at his home in Edgefield near Nashville after a train injury suffered the night before.

The Nashville Daily Gazette of 4 June 1867 reported that Martin attempted to jump on a switch engine at the Louisville Depot to ride home. He missed his footing and fell, and the engine passed over his right foot. The same locomotive was said to have run over his son, **John Martin**, two years earlier, depriving him of his legs.

Martin was conveyed to his home in Edgefield, and doctors were waiting for him to overcome the shock before amputating his foot. However, he died about 10:30 the following morning.

Born 15 Jan 1816 in Bedford Co., Tenn., Martin migrated with his parents to North Alabama when he was quite young. He lived there through his boyhood and young manhood. After hearing the story of the heroic struggle of Texans for their independence, he hastened to the conflict. Following the war, he settled in Davidson County where on 28 Jul 1840 he was united in marriage to **Martha Ann Guy**. In 1845 he joined the Methodist Episcopal Church on White's Creek, and later transferred his membership to Shelby Chapel. Marti, survived by his wife and six children, was buried in the **James Yarbrough** family cemetery.

**Workers Hurt in Clarksville
When Trestle Collapses**

One worker was killed and three injured while rebuilding the railroad trestle on the opposite side of the river from Clarksville. Several spans gave way, precipitating the workmen a distance of about 30 feet to the ground. Killed was **James Lynch** of Memphis. The wounded were **William Robinson**, Danville, Tenn., **Matthew McClure**, Nashville, and **Edward Post**, Patterson N.J., whose brother was killed by rail cars some weeks ago. [Edward later died from his injuries.] Other workmen on the trestle saved themselves by clinging to the timbers.

-Clarksville Chronicle, 20 Oct 1868■

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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 191, #422 - 5 Sep 1849: **William H. Robertson** 200 acres in Range 9, Sec. 5, adjoins **John Overton's** 271 acres and **Mc- Lemore & Bryan's** 140 acres. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#423 - 5 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 25 acres in Range 8, Sec. 2, adjoins **Dennis Condra, Lawrence & Williams, J & R Graham, John Walker**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 192, #424 - 5 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 159 acres in Range 4, Sec. 2, adjoins **James M. Bigham, Samuel Wilson**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#425 - 5 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 381 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, adjoins **Thomas Brooks, John D. Martin, A. Dancy, Geo. Gillispie, John Hotchkiss, Major Thompson**, crosses **Mississippi River**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 193, #426 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 200 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1, adjoins **McLemore & Henderson, James Titus** as assignee of **William Sawyer**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#427 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 200 acres in Range 7, Sec. 3, adjoins **Thomas Polk's** 500 acres, **Taylor & Watson, Thomas Hopkins**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 194, #428 - 10 Sep 1849: **John Wherry** 25 acres Range 4, Sec. 3, adjoins **Reading Buzby**. From original survey 3 Jan 1831 by **John Ralston; John Wherry**.

#429 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 87 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3. Adjoins **William Minton, Thomas Henderson, Pleasant M. Miller**. From original 17 Jul 1836 survey by **John Wherry**.

Page 195, #430 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 200 acres in Range 4, Sec. 3. Adjoins heirs of **John Laws' 1,000 acres, Jesse Benton's 1,650 acres**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#431 - 10 Sep 1849: **H.B.S. Williams** 640 acres in Range 8, Sec. 5. Adjoins **Jesse Benton**, bank of old river, **Green B. Bateman**, heirs of **Jesse Benton**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 196, #432 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 500 acres in Range 8, Sec. 1. Adjoins east boundary of **John Ramsay's** 5,000 acres. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#433 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 60 acres in Range 9, Secs. 2 & 3. Adjoins **Robert I. Chester**, **Mississippi River**, and meanders with river. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 197, #434 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 118 acres in Range 9, Sec. 3. Island in **Mississippi River** known as **Old Hen**; adjoins **R. C. McAlpin**, meanders with east chute, adjoins **M. A. Kerr**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#435 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 96 acres in Range 9, Sec. 3 on **Old Hen Island** in **Mississippi River**, second island above mouth of **Wolf River**, begins at west chute near head of Island's eastern chute. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 198, #436 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 276 acres in Range 9, Sec. 3. Island in **Mississippi** west of south end of #40. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#437 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 1300 acres in Range 7, Sec. 2. Adjoins **John D. White, Dillon & Rhodes' 5,000 acres**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 199, #438 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 190 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Both sides of **Nonconnah**, adjoining **John W. Stout, Major Harelson, Harelson's mill claim, Joel Hall, John Stanley**. Recorded 22 Nov 1838, **John Wherry**.

#439 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 80 acres in Range 7, Sec. 1. Adjoins **Simon Terrell**. Recorded 22 Nov 1838 **John Wherry**.

Page 200, #440 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 234 acres in Ranges 5&6, Sec. 1. Both sides of **Wolf River**. From original 10 May 1835 survey by **William Lawrence**.

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#441 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 158 acres in Range 7, Sec. 2. South side of Wolf River. Adjoins **Charles E. Reindhardt, Stephen Relphs, Wilson Sanderlin, John K. Kent, Wm. A. Bryan, Wm. B. Davis, James Hunt**. Recorded Aug 1837 by **John Wherry**.

Page 201, #442 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 100 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Adjoins **Major Harelson, J. King**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#443 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 200 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Adjoins **McLemore & Blackfan**. From original survey 3 Aug 1835 by **James H. Graves, John Wherry**.

Page 202, #444 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 200 acres in Range 8, Sec. 3. Adjoins **Carr & McLemore**. From original survey 23 Dec 1828 by **John Ralston, John Wherry**.

#445 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 314 acres in Range 9, Sec. 1. Adjoins **Alex Mabain, John Ramsey, James Turner**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 203, #446 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 570 acres in Range 5, Sec. 4 on both sides of Loosa Hatchie River. Adjoins **Gold A. Griffin**, crosses Loosa Hatchie, adjoins heirs of **Alex McDonald**. From original survey 4 Aug 1835 by **H. Bate, John Wherry**.

#447 - 10 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 179 acres in Range 9, Sec. 5. Adjoins **John Jenkins**, east bank of Mississippi River and meanders with river. Recorded 9 Nov 1831, **John Wherry**.

Page 204, #352 - 4 Aug 1849: **John Taurman**, 225 acres in Range 5, Sec. 5, including occupant's claim as assignee of **Moses Crawford**. Adjoins **Frances Gillespie**. From original survey Mar 1830 by **John Ralston, John Wherry**.

#372 - 17 Aug 1849: **Logan E. Davis**, 200 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including occupant's claim as assignee of **George E. Hunter**. Adjoins **Thos. Henderson, Wm. Griffin, John Gunter, L. S. Bolton**. Recorded 28 Dec 1838, **John Wherry**.

Page 205, #373 - 1 Aug 1849: **Moses & Carroll Bolton**, 198 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including occupant's claim as assignees of **William Minton**. Adjoins Cumberland Presbyterian Church's 2-acre lot, **Pleasant M. Miller, Wm. Griffin**. Recorded Apr 1837 by **John Wherry**.

#374 - 25 Aug 1849: **Starkey Fleetwood** 100 acres in Range 5, Secs. 3 & 4, including his occupant's claim. Adjoins **Harvy Hawkins**. From original survey 28 May 1833 by **H. Bate, John Wherry**.

Page 206, #376 - 29 Aug 1847: **David H. Branch** 200 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including occupant's claims 270 and 925 as assignee of **John B. Hale**. Adjoins **Nicholas Hale**, trustee of Cumberland College, **Starkey Fleetwood**. From original survey 27 May 1833 by **H. Bate, John Wherry**.

#377 - 30 Aug 1849: **John J. Boyd** 50 acres in Range 5, Sec. 5 in Shelby and Tipton counties, including occupant's claim. Adjoins president and trustees of Cumberland College's 260 acres, **J. G. & T. Blount's** 1,000 acres. From original certification 16 June 1846 by **M. A. Kerr**, survey by **J. J. Long, John Wherry**.

Page 207, #378 - 30 Aug 1849: **Richard Leake** 50 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3, including occupant's claim as assignee of **James Gillespie**. Adjoins president and trustees of Cumberland College's 640 acres #799, **Henderson & McLemore**. Recorded Nov 1844 **John Wherry**.

#379 = 30 Aug 1849: **Niles A. West** 205 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1 including occupant's claim. Adjoins **Daniel Baxter**, crosses Wolf River, adjoins **Reed & Butler, John D. Graham**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

Page 208, #380 - 31 Aug 1849: **James E. Mason** 179 acres in Range 4, Sec. 3, adjoining **Hopkins & McLemore's** 5,000 acres, **David Turner**. From office copy, **John Wherry**.

#381 - 31 Aug 1849: **Isaac Steelman** 41 acres in Range 4, Sec. 2, including occupant's claim as assignee of **Jaber Smith**. Adjoins **Peyton Fletcher, David Randle, Saml. Wilson**. From original 4 May 1830 survey by **John D. Graham, John Wherry**.

Page 209, #382 - 31 Aug 1849: Heirs of **Thomas S. Allen** 51 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including occupant's claim as assignee of **Joel H. Langham**. Adjoins **Wm. Hamner's** grant #2725, **Langham**, heirs of **William Stone**. Recorded 7 Dec 1841 by **John Wherry**.

#383 - 31 Aug 1849: Heirs of **Thomas Jones** 84 acres in Range 4, Sec. 3, including occupant's claim as assignee of **John England**. Adjoins **Thomas Owens'** 5,000 acres, **Allen Jones**. From original 27 May 1834 survey by **James H. Graves, John Wherry**.

Page 210, #284 - 31 Aug 1849: **Ezekiel Sanderlin** 11 acres in Range 5, Sec. 2, adjoining **Wilson Sanderlin, E. Sanderlin's** 190 acres, **Strauther & Gooch, David Jernigan**. From original 2 Sep 1847 survey by **M. A. Kerr, John Wherry**.

#375 - 25 Aug 1849: **James Roark** 200 acres in Range 4, Sec. 5 including his mill claim on Beaver Dam Creek; adjoining **William Battle**. Recorded 25 Jan 1848 by **M. A. Kerr**.

Page 211, #385 - 3 Sep 1849: **Peter Peterson** 22 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1, including his occupant's claim as assignee of **Peter Peterson** [including occupant assignee of **Robert Sanders**] adjoining **John Logan**. From original Jul 1848 survey by **M. A. Kerr, John Wherry**.

#386 - 3 Sep 1849: **Allen A. Pittman** 200 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1 adjoining **L. H. Coe**. Recorded Nov 1844 by **John Wherry**.

Page 212, #388 - 4 Sep 1849: **Elam Thomas** 62 acres in Range 7 Sec. 2 adjoining **Saml. McKinney, David Resters, James Jamison**. From original 15 Oct 1829 survey by **Wm. Lawrence, John Wherry**.

#415 - 4 Sep 1849: **Robert L. and N. M. Smith** 251 acres in Range 7, Sec. 3 adjoining **John W. Fuller, Eli Scott, B. Greenhaw's** 51 acres, **Richard Grooms**. From original survey 9 Feb 1833 by **H. Bate, John Wherry**.

Page 213, #448 - 10 Sep 1849: **John Wherry** 2 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3 adjoining **Francis Gillespie, James Gallespie**. Recorded 15 Jan 1845 by **John Wherry**.

#449 - 10 Sep 1849: **John Wherry** 155 acres in Range 7, Sec. 3 on both sides of Loosa Hatchie River. Adjoins **Baley Anderson, McLemore & Henderson, Grooms & Sanderlin, B. & S. B. Hawkins, Wilson Sanderlin, David Ross**. Recorded Sep 1849 by **John Wherry**.

Page 214, #416 - 4 Sep 1849: **John Wherry** 780 acres in Range 5, Sec. 4. Adjoins **A. McDonald's** 1,000 acres, **Wm. Battle, Thomas Henderson, H. Bate**, range line between 4 & 5 division, **Saml. Leake, J. W. McMahan, John Reaves, Wm. S. Turner, George M. Williams, Robert I. Chester**. Recorded Sep 1849 by **John Wherry**.

#450 - 10 Sep 1849: **John Wherry** 209 acres in Range 5, Sec. 4 on both sides of Loosa Hatchie River. Adjoins **Abner Pillow, John Ralston, heirs of A. McDonald, H. Bate, Gold A. Griffin, Francis Stewart, B. J. Dowell, Thomas Youngblood**. Recorded Sep 1849 by **John Wherry**.

#451 - 12 Sep 1849 - **John Wherry** 7 acres in Range 4, Sec. 3 adjoining **Charles L. Nelson, P. Gilman, John Gilman**. Recorded June 1841 by **John Wherry**.

Page 216 [Page 215 skipped] #452 - 12 Sep 1849: **George C. Furber** 86 acres in Range 4 Sec. 1 on north side of Wolf River, adjoining **Saml. Leake, Wm. Harrell, Peter Peterson, Kirk**. Recorded 3 Aug 1848 by **John Wherry**.

#387 - 3 Sep 1849: **S/L. H. Cannon** 100 acres in Range 7, Sec. 2 on Wolf River beginning at section line between 2 & 3 division. Adjoins **Wm. Brinkley, M. A. Kerr, Wm. A. Kerr, J. McGavock**. Recorded 10 Jul 1848 [no signature].

Page 217, #390 - 1 Sep 1849: **A. R. Herron** 61 acres in Range 9, Sec. 1 on President's Island in Mississippi River, adjoining **Person's** 1,250 acres, **John Overton, William Lawrence**. 14 Jan 1846.

#452 - 12 Sep 1849: **John Wherry** 202 acres [plat gives 210 acres] in Range 5, Sec. 3. Adjoins **John Ferguson, John M. Thompson, Thomas Wherry**. Recorded 26 Aug 1849 by **John Wherry**.

Page 218, #453 - 12 Sep 1849: **William Bond** 140 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3 including occupant's claim as assignee of heirs of **M. Mahar**. Adjoins trustees of Cumberland College, **M. Kimbrough, James Hurt**. Recorded 15 Mar 1848 **John Wherry**.

#454 - 12 Sep 1849: **William Howard** 139 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3. Adjoins **Ezekiel Sanderlin** [blurred], **Reid & Butler, N. A. West, Robert Fearn, Wilson Sanderlin, crosses West Creek, Benjamin West**. Recorded 25 Oct 1849 by **John Wherry**.

Page 219, #455 - 2 Nov 1847: Heirs of **E. Deason** 151 acres in Range 6, Sec. 2. Adjoins **Benjamin Williamson, A. Powers, George Doherty**, excludes 100 acres #1207 belonging to **Deason**. From original 31 Mar 1831 survey by **John D. Graham**.

#456 - 10 Nov 1849: **John D. Trice** 10 acres in Range 6, Sec. 2 adjoining **E. Deason**. From original 1 Apr 1830 survey by **John D. Graham**.

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Page 220, #457 - 6 Nov 1849: **Doyel Pearson** 176 acres in Range 7, Sec. 1 adjoining **Clingman & Poindexter**; range line. Recorded 10 Nov 1838, **John Wherry**.

#458 - 27 Dec 1849: **Wilks Brooks** 23 acres in Range 6, Sec. 2 adjoining **Eppy White, Tignal Jones, Henry P. Haralason, Thomas B. Haraldson**. Recorded 27 Dec 1849 by **John Wherry**.

Page 221, #459 - 28 Dec 1849: **Peyton Fletcher** 44 acres in Range 5, Sec. 2 adjoining **Henry McKinsey**. Certified 3 Apr 1847 by **S. A. Leake**.

#509 - 18 Aug 1848: **Benjamin C. D. Eason** 101 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3 adjoining **Mary Griffin, William Griffin's** 258 acres. Recorded Jul 1836, **John Wherry**.

Page 222, #215 - 7 Jul 1846: **B. Carter** 100 acres in Range 5, Sec. 2 including occupant's claim as assignee of **B. H. Owens**. Adjoins **Highland Bland, Sarah Owens, Travis Owens, Lewis Stockton, Howard Owens**. From original 13 May 1830 survey by **John D. Graham**.

#305 - 18 Aug [no year entered but is identical to entry #509 above except for Griffin's acreage]: **Benjamin C. D. Eason** 101 acres in Range 5, Sec. 3 adjoining **Mary Griffin, William Griffin**. Recorded Jul 1836 by **John Wherry**.

Page 223, #31 - 4 Apr 1843: Heirs of **Thomas F. Nutt** 100 acres in Range 4, Sec. 1 adjoining **John Kirk, Wolf River**. Recorded 2 Jul 1842 by **John Wherry**.

#460 - 27 Dec 1849: **C. F. B. Eisenschmidt** 52 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Adjoins **L. Henderson, James Titus, Arthur Collins [Callis?], D. & J. McFayden**. Recorded 25 Jul 1845 by **M. A. Kerr**.

Page 224, #461 - 27 Dec 1849: **C. F. B. Eisenschmidt** 38 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Adjoins **Arthur Callis, D. & J. McFayden**. Recorded 25 Jul 1845 by **M. A. Kerr**.

#462 - 27 Dec 1849: **C. F. B. Eisenschmidt** 119 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1. Adjoins his #460 and #461 entries. Recorded 25 Jul 1845 by **M. A. Kerr**.

Page 225, #464 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 108 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1 adjoining **John Thompson, John D. Graham**. From original 1830 survey by **John D. Graham, John Wherry**.

Page 226, #465 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 150 acres in Range 6, Sec. 1 adjoining **James Warren, L. D. Mullins, Fountain McGhee, Martha Roberts, Wylie Roberts, Wilson Sanderlin**. Recorded 27 Dec 1849 by **John Wherry**.

#466 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 100 acres in Range 6, Sec. 2 adjoining **George Deason, A. G. Jones, Wilson Sanderlin**. From original 1830 survey by **John D. Graham, John Wherry**.

Page 227, #467 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 96 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1 adjoining **Joel H. Hall, S. H. Roberts**. From original 1832 survey by **H. Bate, John Wherry**.

#468 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 184 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1 adjoining **S. H. Roberts, E. W. Tipton, Thomas McCann, H. J. Maples, P. M. Tipton**. From original 1830 survey by **John D. Graham, John Wherry**.

Page 228, #469 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 200 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1 adjoining **R. Whitby**. From original May 1830 survey by **John D. Graham, John Wherry**.

#470 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 60 acres in Range 5, Sec. 1 adjoining **George Gillispie, John D. Martin**. From original 1831 survey by **S. B. Choate, John Wherry**.

Page 229, #471 - 27 Dec 1849: **C. F. B. Eisenschmidt** 100 acres in Range 9, Sec. 4 adjoining **John Terrill's** 1,000 acres, Island #40 in the Mississippi River, eastern chute as it meanders, **Sol. M. C. Smith**. From original 20 Nov 1844 survey by **John Ralston, John Wherry**.

#472 - 27 Sep 1844: **H. B. S. Williams** 268 acres in Range 8, Sec. 3 adjoining **John McIver [?], Andrew Armstrong, Wilson Sanderlin, Irb/C. Dunlap, Alex Dowell**. Recorded 27 Dec 1849 by **John Wherry**.

Page 230, #473 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 327 acres in Range 7, Sec. 3 adjoining **Henderson & McLemore's** 640 acres, **B. & S. B. Hawkens'** 127 acres, heirs of **James Wilson's** 83 acres, **Wilson Sanderlin's** 70 acres, **Baley Anderson's** 200 acres, **Joseph H. Talbot**. Recorded 27 Dec 1849 by **John Wherry**.

#474 - 27 Sep 1849: **H. B. S. Williams** 270 acres in Range 6, Sec. 4 adjoining **Jordan Hill #51, Starkey Redditt, Wm. [?] Davis, M. M. Sanderlin #42, Thomas Yblood [Youngblood?]**. Recorded 27 Dec 1849 by **John Wherry**.

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Book Reviews

HAWKINS COUNTY, TENN., DEED ABSTRACTS 1801-1819 abstracted by Joyce Martin Murray. 1998. 8-1/2x10-1/2" soft cover. 154 pp., including full-name, location, and slaves index. \$30 plus \$4.50 postage and handling. Texas residents add 8.25% tax. Order from author at 2921 Daniel, Dallas, TX 75205.

Early settlers came in large numbers from North Carolina, South Carolina, and Virginia to northeastern part of the area that became Tennessee. In 1777 the state of North Carolina created Washington County, covering the entire area of what is now the state of Tennessee. Sullivan County was then set apart from Washington County, and in 1786 Hawkins County was formed from Sullivan. Because Hawkins originally covered parts of Hamblen, Grainger, Hancock, Claiborne, Campbell, Union, Anderson, Jefferson, Knox, Roane, Rhea, and Hamilton counties, its early deeds might well yield important clues for genealogists looking for families who came into the area early. Most properties described in the deeds abstracted in this volume lay within the boundaries of Hawkins County as first formed from Sullivan. Much valuable information lurks between the covers of this important reference source. One deed, written by **Mason Combs** of Hawkins County in 1802, for instance, reads more like a will. From it can be learned that Mason's wife was named **Dorothy**, and their two minor sons were **Simeon** and **Jeremiah**. Powers of attorney, intermingled with the deeds, also can be revealing. One such legal instrument, for example, dated in 1831, shows that **John Kincheloe** of Pope Co., Arkansas Territory, appointed **Thomas C. Kincheloe** of Hawkins Co., Tenn., to act as his attorney and sell off a 105-acre tract he owned in Hawkins.

GENEALOGICAL PERIODICAL ANNUAL INDEX, VOL. 35 by Anna Liisa Fielding and Leslie K. Towle. 1999. 5-1/2x8-1/4" hard cover, 342 pp. \$32 plus \$5 postage and handling. Published by Heritage Books, Inc., 1540E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716, (800) 398-7709

This work is said to be the only comprehensive surname, locality, topical, and book review index to English-language genealogical periodical literature available today. It covers about 350 publications and has some 16,000 index citations. To facilitate use of the index, the authors include a list of topic categories used in the book. These range from Acadian Genealogy to World Wars I and II, and in between are such categories as surnames and states. This is followed by a two-page list of abbreviations used in the book, and a 15-page periodical directory including titles, addresses, and page numbers of the topics cited. The topics are arranged alphabetically. About five pages appear under the heading of Tennessee. Those unable to find the periodicals in their local library or to borrow them under an interlibrary loan can contact the Prince George's County (Maryland) Genealogical Society which maintains an archive of materials indexed in the book. Photocopies of the desired article are available from the society for a nominal fee.

INSTANT INFORMATION ON THE INTERNET! by Christina K. Schaefer. 1999. 5-3/4 x 9" softcover. 86 pp. \$9.95 plus \$3.50 postage and handling. Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202.

The subtitle to this handy little book reads: "A genealogist's no-frills guide to the 50 states and the District of Columbia." It's designed to give the researcher URLs of the best web sites for genealogical research, and tells how and where to locate records, contact other researchers, exchange information, and locate indexes that can be searched free of charge on a home computer. Organized by states, the book provides internet listings for each state's vital records department, its archives, historical society, and library. Also listed are any National Archives Record Center that might be located in the state, along with regional and local archives, libraries, and societies. Included for good measure is a selection of sites providing "how-to" information plus sites containing links to others and a selection of indexes, documents, and publications in digitized form.

MISSOURI BIRTH AND DEATH RECORDS, VOL. II by Sherida K. Eddlemon. 1999. 5-1/4 x 8-1/4" softcover. 223 pp. \$27.50 postage paid. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716, 1-800-398-7709, <http://www.heritagebooks.com>

Registration of births and deaths in the state of Missouri began as early as 1863 in some areas of the state, and from 1883 to 1893 county clerks were required by law to register these events. Unfortunately, the law was not strictly enforced, and some counties recorded very few such records. It was not until 1911 that all counties began to keep birth and death records. The author, in this her second volume of births and deaths in Missouri, continues her efforts to fill the gaps. Her research sources are numerous: church, military, cemetery, and probate records; tax lists; and newspapers in 68 counties. Names with data found are presented in alphabetical order.

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WAYNE CO., NEB., NEWSPAPER ABSTRACTS, 1876-1899 compiled by Maureen M. Lee. 1999. 5-1/4" x 8-1/4" softcover. 539 pp., including surname index. \$45.50 postpaid. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716, 1-800-398-7709, <http://www.heritagebooks.com>

A group of farmers, most of them from Illinois, came to Wayne County in northeast Nebraska in May 1869 and established their homesteads. A year later, a German settlement took root in the southeast part of the county. These two groups were the first white settlers in the area. Abstracts from six newspapers over a 23-year period provide a glimpse into the history of the white man's earliest settlements in the area. A history of the county, which appeared in the 17 Aug 1876 edition of the *Wayne County Review* (apparently the oldest newspaper available on microfilm) reveals that the first settler, **B. F. Whitten**, built the first house there in about April 1869. Numerous genealogical gems concerning early Nebraska settlers can be found in this compilation, including births, marriages, obituaries, and even some court trials.

VILLAGE LIFE IN AMERICA, 1852-1872 by Caroline Cowles Richards. 1999. 5-1/4" x 8-1/4" softcover. 215 pp., including surname index. \$23 postpaid. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716, 1-800-398-7709, <http://www.heritagebooks.com>

This diary of a young schoolgirl in Canandaigua, New York, was first published in 1912. It begins when **Caroline Richards** is 10 years old and living with her grandparents, **Thomas and Abigail (Fields) Beals**, and concludes six years after her marriage to **Edmund C. Clarke**, a Civil War veteran. Carolyn's grandfather was president of the Auburn Theological Seminary for 20 years, and she and her siblings are brought up in the midst of Puritan traditions. On one occasion, for instance, Caroline is chided for laughing as much on Sunday as on a weekday. Little touches of humor crop up here and there in the diary, making for interesting reading and a clearer insight into life as it must have been in that particular era.

CYNDI'S LIST by Cyndi Howells. 1999. 8-1/2x11" paperback, 880 pp. \$49.95 plus \$3.50 postage & handling. Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202-3897, 1-800-296-6687, <http://www.genealogybookshop.com>

The subtitle of this book is "A Comprehensive List of 40,000 Genealogy Sites on the Internet." No book ever needed a subtitle less than this one. All genealogical-minded network surfers know that Cyndi's List tops them all -- both in quantity and quality. [To those not in the swim, Cyndi's list provides a categorized and cross-referenced index to genealogical resources found on the internet.] Having the list in print allows genealogists to plot their research in advance and make more efficient use of their time online. The book is identical to the web site list with a few exceptions: (1) it does not include the Personal Home Pages category nor the miscellaneous category pages or sections, and (2) its USGenWeb section includes only state-level addresses, although individual counties can be reached from these sites. The author in her introduction says all addresses in the book were verified for accuracy before going to print but, because web addresses can change daily, her web site may need to be checked for current lists of links. Even so, it's probably faster and more productive to thumb through this big fat book and get an over-all view of Cyndi's mind-boggling resource lists than it is to scroll down them online. In fact, the book is so fascinating this reviewer found it difficult to return it to the TGS library shelf!

VITAL STATISTICS OF EPSOM, NEW HAMPSHIRE 1727-1927 by William Haslet Jones. 1999 5-1/4"x 8-1/4" paperback, 246 pp. \$28 postpaid. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Place, Bowie, MD 20716, 1-800-398-7709, <http://www.heritagebooks.com>

In the 272 years since the town of Epsom was founded, all of its vital records have never been compiled into a single book. Now they have been, thanks to this author who is descended from many of the pioneer settlers of this New England town. The volume contains some 7,500 names as the result of his reading all old town record books, church registers, cemetery books, and the Dolbeer diaries. Names are listed alphabetically under births, deaths, and marriages. Birth and death records give parents' names where available. An appendix includes the 1727 town charter, a list of town officers, first land owners, 1776 Association test names, Revolutionary War service records, and War of 1812 servicemen with the dates of their enlistments. ■



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THE CLINGMAN FAMILY is featured in an article in *The Melting Pot*, Hot Springs, Ark., Vol. 22, No. 1. The family patriarch, **Dr. Alexander Brandon Clingman**, and his wife, **Ann Martha**, moved from Silver Springs, Tenn., to Clark Co., Ark., in 1834 with their two children, **Michael Alexander** and **Elizabeth Ann**. Seven other children were born in Arkansas. Five of their sons died for the Southern cause in the Civil War.



RECORDS COPIED from the Chance Family Bible in Liberty Hill, Tex., show a Tennessee connection. Published in *The Treeshaker*, Odessa, Tex., Vol. 37, No. 1, the records indicate that **Joseph Bell Chance**, the son of **Alexander** and **Nancy Chance**, was born in Wilson Co., Tenn., on 4 Jul 1800. He married **Nancy Braden** in Wilson County on 14 Nov 1820. Their children were: **William Alexander** (b. 30 June 1822), **Charles Coleman** (b. 7 Dec 1823), **Elijah James** (b. 7 Jul 1826), and **Martha Ann** (b. 2 Apr 1828).

Joseph died in the Republic of Texas, County of Washington. His will, dated 23 May 1839, does not list his children.

The Treeshaker in the same issue reproduces the marriage license issued 9 Sep 1868 in Hardeman Co., Tenn., to **L. A. Clark** and **Sarah Macon**.



THE BOSSIER, LA., PARISH voters' rolls for 1898, published in *The Genie*, Shreveport, La., Vol. 33, No. 2, contain several Tennessee-born electors. Among them:

-**John Heifner**, 63, Carterville farmer and son of **P. Heifner** of Alabama;

-**J. R. Hobbs**, 30, and **P. G. Hobbs**, 39, both clerks of Alden's Bridge and sons of **W. W. Hobbs** of Tennessee;

-**W. R. Lowe**, 63, Rocky Mount farmer and son of **Jessee Lowe**, Tenn.;

-**W. P. Mason**, 60, Mott farmer, father not listed.



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WILLIAM MILLER migrated from Davidson Co., Tenn., to Ray Co., Mo., in 1820, according to an article in *Ray County Reflections*, Vol. VIII, No. 1. Other family members settling there were his two sons, **William S. Miller** and **Sebron J. Miller**, and three sons-in-law, **Robert McGaugh**, **John W. Thornton**, and **Charles Scott**, and their families.

In 1836 Miller's application for a Revolutionary War pension as a soldier with five years' service was rejected for lack of documentation. Miller said he was paid about \$700-800 in Continental Paper after two or three years' service. When his neighbor refused to accept this amount for half a pint of apple brandy, Miller said he threw the money and his captain's commission in the fire "in a violent passion."



MRS. MALINDA MATLOCK, East Tennessee native, died at Elk Prairie, Mo., 27 Dec 1898, according to a story in the *Rolla Weekly Herald* which was republished in the *MoSGA Journal*, Vol. XIX, No. 1.

Born near Jonesboro in Washington Co., Tenn., in 1810, she was aged 88 years, 9 months, and 10 days when she died. She was survived by her husband, **John Matlock**, whom she married in 1826. They lived happily together for 72 years, *The Herald* said.



TENNESSEE DEATHS reported in *The Christian Neighbor* and reprinted in *The South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research*, Vol. 27, No. 2 included:

- **Rev. William Nail**, who died in Sequatchie Valley, East Tenn., 3 Aug 1870, aged 83;

- **James Scaife**, formerly of Union S.C., who died 28 Jul 1871, in Memphis.

NAMES OF TENNESSEANS continue to crop up in an ongoing series in *The Prairie Gleaner*, published by the West Central Missouri Genealogical Society, Warrensburg. Listed in the 1884 Bates County directory printed in Vol. 30, No. 2 are the following in Rockville Township:

- **J. W. Rubel**, b. Tenn. 1855 (single);
- **L. P. Stevens**, b. Tenn. 1836, wife **Elizabeth Macklin**, b. 1839 in Mich.
- **J. N. Snapp**, b. Tenn. 1832, wife **Eliza J. Clark**, b. Ind. 1842.
- **J. D. Strain**, b. Tenn. 1836, wife **R. A. Poage**, b. Va. 1835.

Tennessee-born wives in the directory were (1) **E. F. Davidson**, b. in 1836, husband **W. A. McGee**, b. in Indiana in 1832; and (2) **Susan Jones**, b. in 1848, husband **G. W. McFarland**, b. in Ohio in 1836.

The same issue gives birth records for St. Clair County from 1883-93. Tennessee-born **Daniel Hacker**, a 40-year old farmer, and his wife **Willmouth Harrison**, had a baby daughter, b. 14 March 1884 in Roscoe Township. She was their 10th child.

Daniel Webster Hedrick, 32-year old farmer and native of Hawkins Co., Tenn., and his wife, **Martha Ann Monroe**, 35, originally from Benton Co., Mo., had their second child, a boy, on 29 May 1884 in Butler Township.



MAJOR Henry R. Cartmell, Nashville, Tenn., married **Mary Ann Crosby** in Washington Co., Tex., on 10 Apr 1839, according to the *Louisiana Genealogical Journal*, Vol. XLVI, No. 2. **Cartmell**, born in Virginia in 1800, became a justice of the peace and owner of eight lots in the town of Washington. He operated a saddle and buggy house, and was the first deacon in the first Baptist Church organized in the state of Texas in 1837. **Mary Ann**, the widow of **William Crosby**, was born in South Carolina in 1810. Her maiden name was **Frazer**.

Henry and **Mary Ann**'s three children, all born in Texas, were: **James**, b. 1841; **W. R.**, b. 1846; and **Kate Cartmell**, b. 1848.



THE 1910 CENSUS for Somervell Co., Tex., lists several former Tennesseans. As reported in the *Somervell (Tex.) Settlers*, Vol. IV, No. 1, residents of Glen Rose included:

-**James W. Goodloe**, 67, and wife, **Margaret P.**, 66, both b. Tenn.;

-**Mary A. Glenn**, 65, a widow, b. Tenn., her son **Charles M.** 36, b. Tex.; and **Mary A. Barrow**, 44, housekeeper, b. Tenn.;

-**Aaron Mantooth**, 57, b. Tenn.; his wife **Harriet E.**, 48, b. Ill.; sons **Ernest R.** 22, **Russel T.** 12, **Avery M.** 10, and **Boyce**, 5, all b. Tex.; and daughter, **India E.**, 17, b. Okla.;

-**George F. English**, 50, both b. Tenn.; his wife **Sallie L.**, 49, b. Tex.; and children **Olivia B.**, 22; **Edgar F.**, 18; **James H.**, 16, **Lula E.**, 13; **Roy R.**, 12; **Cora L.**, 9; and **Thomas N.**, 7, all b. Tex.

JONES B. CORLEY, former Tennessean, died 8 Mar 1911 in Garland, Tex., according to a family chart in *The Garland Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol. 10, No. 1.

Corley, born 2 Feb 1838 in Wilson Co., Tenn., married **Nancy Ellen Gilmore** in Saline Co., Ill., on 11 Dec 1856. **Nancy**, born 27 Nov 1834, was the daughter of **Samuel Gilmore** and wife **Dolly E. Dwyer**. She died 4 Mar 1921 in Garland.

Their seven children, all born in Lebanon or Wilson Co., Tenn., were:

- **William Daniel Corley**, b. 25 Dec 1857, m. **Sarah E. Boon** in Lebanon;
- **Richard B. Corley**, b. 22 Jan 1860, m. (1) **Emma R. Robertson** in Lebanon, (2) **Mary Josephine Granstaff**;
- **Joseph B. Corley**, b. 3 Apr 1863, m. **Malvina Ellen Duncan** in Wilson County;
- **Ellyhugh Corley**, b. 5 Feb 1866, married **Ruth J. Kirk** in Lebanon;
- **Caldonia Tamarooo Corley**, b. 24 Feb 1870, m. **Robert M. Pierce** in Dallas Co., Tex.
- **Lela Adelaide Corley**, b. 23 Nov 1871, m. **Jack Rudolph**
- **Arazony E. Corley**, b. 17 Aug 1875, d. in Tennessee in 1875.

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FORMER NASHVILLE resident **George W. McCrosky** died in San Bernardino, Calif., 8 Apr 1883, according to records published in the Sam Bernardino Valley Genealogical Society's *Valley Quarterly*, Vol. 36, No. 2. **McCrosky**, a native of Alabama, had lived in the area for one year. He was married, and was employed as a machinist.

DORIS GLADYS WARD, who was born 2 June 1901 in Paris [Henry Co.], Tenn., died 4 Jan 1933 in St. Francis Co., Ark., it was reported in *Tri-County Genealogy*, Marvell, Ark., Vol. 14, No. 2. Buried in the Posey Cemetery at Wheatley, Ark., she was the wife of **W. H. Ward**, and the daughter of **John** and **Ellen Gill**.

HUGH B. McCALLUM, born in Knox Co., Tenn., 9 Jan 1837, is among early Baptist ministers sketched in *The Southern Genealogists Exchange Quarterly*, Vol. 40, No. 170. **McCallum** was the son of **Daniel** and **Mary Ayers McCallum**. At age 13, he moved with his parents to Knoxville. He attended schools in East Tennessee, and in 1859 settled in Camden, S.C.

During the Civil War, **McCallum** served in the Army under **Capt. Warren**, then in Co. D in the 15th Regt. of S. C. Volunteers. After the war, he settled in Sumter. In 1867, he moved to Florida where he was living in Lake City in 1869. At the time of the sketch (July 1880), he was reported in feeble health.

In the same issue, an article on the Associated Reform Presbyterian Cemetery in Starkville, Miss., lists **Dr. Albert Newton Nash** who died in Nashville on 30 Jan 1862. He was aged 23 years, 8 months, and 27 days, and appears to be the only **Nash** buried in that cemetery.

MRS. OLLEVIA C. CHURCH, who died 10 Sep 1879 in Tedrow, Ohio, was born in Tennessee in March 1858, according to a newspaper abstract published in *Ohio, the Cross Road of Our Nation*, Vol. XL, No. 2.

Mrs. Church moved to Fulton Co., Ohio, in 1872. Survivors included her husband and a daughter.

SEVERAL TENNESSEANS were married in Washington Co., Va., in the years 1881-1890, according to a list published in *Holston Pastfinder*, Vol. 17, No. 4. The magazine is published by the Holston Territory Genealogical Society of Bristol, Va.-Tenn.

Among Tennesseans married in the Virginia county were:

(1) **Jane Boohr**, 47, a widow born in Sullivan County [parents not named], was married 3 Apr 1889 to **James L. Boohr**, 56, a widower and farmer who was the son of **Frederick** and **Mary Boohr**;

(2) **David Boohr**, 74, a widower and farmer who was a native and resident of Tennessee [parents not named], was married 26 Nov 1889 to **Jane Crawford**, 51 [parents not named];

(3) **Robert Blevins**, 21, a native and resident of Johnson Co., Tenn., and the son of **James** and **Sarah Blevins**, was married 18 Dec 1889 to **Belle Mink**, 21, daughter of **Pope** and **Dorcus Mink**;

(4) **James O. Barbary**, 19, Johnson County resident and son of **P. C.** and **Sarah A. Barbary**, was married 22 Apr 1890 to **Lillie Blevins**, 16, native of Johnson County and daughter of **Salomon** and **Margret Blevins**;

(5) **Frank B. Barns**, 22, a native and resident of Sullivan Co., Tenn., and son of **Edward** and **Rosala Bains**, was married 29 Oct 1890 to **Mollie A. Price**, 21 [parents not named];

(6) **James T. Brown**, 23 (divorced in Tenn.), native of Washington Co., Tenn., and son of **William C.** and **Elizabeth Brown**, was married 31 Oct 1890 to **Ella Rosenbalm**, 19, daughter of **James H.** and **Susan Rosenbalm**.

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Jefferson County Court Minutes, 1838

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MONDAY, 7 MAY 1838

The Jefferson County Court met at the courthouse in Dandridge on the first Monday of May (it being May 7), 1838. Present: **William Hill, William Manson, and John Roper, Esq.**, being the quorum court elected.

The court appointed **Richard D. Rankin** overseer of a second-class road from the north end of his line to the 3-mile post. Assigned as hands to work on the road were **John P. Bradshaw, James Vance, Summers [marked out] Patterson, William D. Franklin, Benjamin Zirkle, William Chandler, Charles Goforth, Addison L. Lyle, and William Fannon.**

Jefferson Moore was appointed overseer of a second-class road from **William Austell's** to **Kitner's Old Field**. Assigned as hands were **John Swann, Jacob Baker, Austin Hale, Samuel Swann, James Swann, George Taff, John Case, and James Smith.**

The court appointed a jury to view and lay off a second-class road from Mount Sterling to the Dandridge Road, a distance of about 200 yards. The jury was instructed to make such alternatives in turning the road as may seem right, giving due regard to the interests of the public and the individuals concerned, and report to the July county court. Named to the jury were **Thomas I. Lane, Thomas D. Johnson, John Lane, Samuel Lane, Peter Burkett, Joseph Long, and Tidence Lane, Jr.**

Daniel Neff, administrator of the estate of **William Hinkle**, deceased, returned a list of sales of the estate which was received and admitted to record.

Thomas I. Routh was appointed overseer of a first-class road from **Thomas Jacobs'** to **John Routh's** with the following assigned hands: **Benjamin F. Franklin**, hand on **William N. Haskins** farm, from **Widow Gass'** farm, **Thomas Kimbrough**, **John Routh's** farm, **John Gass'** upper farm, **James I. Gass'** farm, and that part of **Joseph Thornhill's** farm on the south side of **Dumplin Creek**.

Gideon B. Rodgers was appointed overseer of a first-class road from the forks of the road near the mouth of **Chucky**, passing said **Rodgers'** house to the crossroads. Assigned to work on the road were hands on **Gideon B. Rodgers'** farm, **Dr. Isaac W. R. Moore**, **Lawson D. Franklin's** farm, and **Jacob Anglis**.

Appointed as a jury to view and lay off a second-class road beginning at **Indian Creek** road at **James Rainwater's**, thence in a direct course to **Robert Swann's** mill were **John Swann, James Rainwater, John Case, Samuel Swann, Miles Rainwater, Jefferson Moore, and Wilkerson Baker.** They were to report back in July.

Willis Taylor, administrator of **Permanes Taylor's** estate, returned a list of sales amounting to \$3,336 which was received by the court and admitted to record.

The court received and confirmed a report by **James Cox, Martin Bailey, David Bettis, Conaway Jones, and Thomas Jones**, who had earlier been appointed a jury to view and lay off a second-class road by leaving the present road near the branch below the Gap, thence the best way, passing the stable of **Robert Moore** and thence intersecting **Dumplin Road** near the corner of **Nicholas H. Davis'** fence.

John C. Turnley, administrator of **Alexander P. Patterson's** estate, reported sales of \$18.68 $\frac{1}{4}$.

William T. Mount was appointed overseer of a first-class road from **Hamblen branch** to **Patton's Shop** with hands **Isaac Van Hooser, Hugh Van Hooser, John Farmer, Abraham Scarlett, Calloway Hudson, William T. Hudson's** black boy, **Thomas Gilliland, William Lewis, Henry Callen, John Callen Hampson, William Hudson, and Wallace McClure.**

The court ordered **Noah Gillet**, aged 15 years, bound by indenture until he is 21 to **Robert Curreton**.

An instrument of writing purported to be a codicil to the will of **George Rodgers**, deceased, was presented in open court for probate. **W. R. Moore**, one of the subscribing witnesses, testified that he and **Isaac W. Rodgers** witnessed its signing. The court admitted the codicil to record for further probate. Also admitted to record was a deed from **Gideon B. Rodgers** to **George Rodgers**.

Clerk **Joseph Hamilton** presented a settlement by **John Fain**, administrator of **James Chilton's** estate.

Monday, June 4, 1838

The will of **George Irwine**, deceased, was proved by **Samuel Lane** and **Nancy Monroe** (now **Nancy Fare**), two of the subscribing witnesses. **Penelope Eliza Iryne**, executrix named in the will, made bond.

William F. Mills took the oath of office as constable in Jefferson County.

An accounting returned by **William Rankin** and **Michael McGuier**, guardians of **John Rankin's** heirs, was admitted to record.

Hannah Sasseen, named administratrix of **Randolph Sasseen's** estate, posted bond. The court appointed **Alexander Bradford, Andrew Gass, and John Dunkin** to lay off one year's support for her from the estate.

Benjamin Wright was bound by indenture until he is 21 years of age to **James Hickman**. The court cancelled **Benjamin's** earlier indenture to **Richard Thornburgh**.

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William Huff, administrator of **Benjamin Coleman's** estate, returned an additional list of sales.

The court appointed **Josiah Fain** overseer of a first-class road from Dandridge to **Thomas Jacob's**. Assigned to work on the road were **Charles C. Haskins**, **James D. Franklin**, hands on the poor farm, **James McCampbell**, **Isaac Kimbrough's** farm hands, **M. Farrell**, **Richard Heath**, **John G. Jones**, **Samuel Lyle**, and **Calhoun Lyle**.

Samuel C. Odle was appointed overseer of a second-class road from Mossy Creek to Barnes Crossroads with hands **Thomas Douglass**, **Isaac M. Newman**, **Bird Farmer**, and **William Howard**.

George Gregory, Jr., and **Dudley C. Cox**, commissioned justices of the peace by Gov. **Newton Cannon**, were sworn in.

The court appointed **Jacob Carwill** overseer of a first-class road from **Hays Terry's** to **Joseph McAndrews'** old place and assigned as hands those from **Joseph Hendrick's** farm, **George Gregory**, **Benjamin Doughty**, and **Zacheus Copeland**.

Constable **John Eudaly** was ordered to bring to the next term of court **Arty Lewis**, **Susannah**, **John Berry**, and **Abram Scarlett** to be bound out until sufficient cause is shown to the contrary.

The following hands were assigned to **William T. Mount**, overseer of a first-class road from Hamblen Branch to Patton's Shop: **Isaac Van Hoozer**, **Hugh Van Hoozer**, **John Farmer**, **Calvin Hutson**, **Houston Anderson**, **Humphrey Mount, Jr.**, **Jacob Thomas**, **Wyly Duke**, **Henry Duke**, **William T. Hudson**, **William Hogan**, **William Jones**, **Patton Washington**, **Moore Charles**, **Carr Bailey**, **Calloway Bales**, **Reuben Thomas**, **Wm. Duke**, **John Adcock**, and **Alexander W. McClure**.

2 July 1838

Present: **William Hill**, **William Mathes**, **Thomas Rankin**, **Richard Thornburgh**, **Nicholas H. Davis**, **James Chitton**, **Nathan Davis**, and **John Roper**.

The court appointed: (1) **John Whalen** overseer of a first-class road from **Coon's Creek** to **Sehorn's Ferry** with hands from **Hugh Martin's** farm, **Russell's**, **Alexander Hays**, **Charles Gentry**, **David R. Graham**, **William Steel**, and **John Whalen's**; (2) **Leofford French** overseer of a first-class road from **James Haskins'** branch to the lower end of **McCormack's** field and assigned to work on the road **Robert Miller's** hands, **Conway Miller**, **Joseph Bailey**, **David Bettis**, **John Pullman** and hands, **Widow [Hannah] Sasseen's** hands on her farm, **John Carman**, **James Carman**, and hands on **James McCormack's** farm; (3) **Joah Blake** overseer of a first-class road from a black oak below **Edward Daniel's** to the line between **Col. Talbott** and **Major Watkins** that crosses the road with hands from **James D. Sherrod's** farm, **John Talbott**, **John Lawrence's**, **John B. Wilkerson**, **Edward Daniel**, **Isaac Hull**, **Joel Dunkin**, **James Biggs**, and **Samuel B. Landon**.

Admitted to record were: (1) an additional inventory filed by **William Haun** and **James Haun**, administrators of **Cavalier Harner, Jr.'s** estate, (2) a settlement by the **Hauns** in the **Harner** estate which was returned by Clerk **Joseph Hamilton**, (3) a report by **John Dunkin**, **Alexander K. Bradford**, and **Andrew Gass** who had been appointed to lay off one year's support for **Widow Hannah Sasseen** and family from **Rudolph Sasseen's** estate, and (4) a list of sales of the estate by **Hannah Sasseen** as administratrix.

The last will of **Elizabeth Hill**, deceased, was presented for probate and proved by **Talbott McFarland** and **Benjamin McFarland**, subscribing witnesses. The will was admitted to record and **John W. Hill**, named executor in the will, made bond. Also presented for probate was the last will of **Reuben Wyatt**, deceased. It was proved by subscribing witnesses **Mary M. Lyle** and **Robert McFarland**. **Rachel Wyatt**, named executrix in the will, was duly qualified.

Richard White, administrator of **Hannah White's** estate, returned an inventory and lists of sales.

The court appointed **John W. Hill** guardian to **Priscilla** and **Jane Hill**, and he entered a \$6,000 bond.

Robert King was appointed overseer of a first-class road from the county line to Dover School House with assigned hands **Wyly Ryon**, **James Ryon**, **Henry Ryon**, **Bartly McGee**, **John W. Hill**, **Elijah Stanesbury**, **Hiram Sloner**, **John L. King**, **Ambrose King**, **Russell King**, and **William King**.

Daniel Haun was named overseer of a first-class road from Dover School House to **Moore's** bridge. Assigned to him as hands were **Cox's**, **Jerry Slone**, **Dixon Butch**, **William Butch**, **Berry Hanack**, **Benjamin McFarland**, **Robert McFarland**, and five hands from **William Moore's**.

Edmond Bell was appointed overseer of a first-class road from the fork at **Benoni (?) Kimbrough's** to the fork at **William Bettis** and assigned the following hands: **Daniel Kimbrough**, **Simeon Bettis**, **Eli Bettis**, **James Cluck**, **Thomas Walker**, **Robert Ritchey**, **Joseph Ritchie**, **John Jacobs**, **Jacah Jacobs**, **Wm. Bettis**, **John Bettis**, **Robert McFarland**, **Edward Jett**, **William Jett**, and **Thomas Kimbrough**.

The court ordered commissioners of the poor house and farm to let out the maintenance of poor persons now residing at the poor house to the lowest bid and also to rent the farm to the highest bidder for 12 months. The letting out and renting are to take place on Tuesday of the August circuit court term, with bond and security to be given for faithful discharge of said contract with a notice of the time and place to be given by the commissioners.

The court appointed a jury to view two roads -- one from the mouth of the lane at **Elisha Bull's** to **Nolachucky Bend**, and the other from the mouth of the lane above **Reed's** meeting house, thence to intersect **Moore's** new road at the nearest and best point and where said road passes the farm of **William Baker's** if the same can be got around his fence. The jury, in viewing said

roads, was instructed to have due regard to the interest of the public and the individual concerned and report in favor of one or the other. Named to the jury were Moser Skeen, John Webster, William Donaldson, John W. Hhill, Benjamin McFarland, Betty McGee, and William Hanes.

The following were appointed jurors to the next circuit court to be held in Dandridge on the first Monday in August next:

- DISTRICT 1 - Nathan Davis, Joseph Gant, Hugh Van Hoozer
- DISTRICT 2 - Benjamin F. Franklin, Thompson Hall, Stephen A. Hall
- DISTRICT 3 - William Hill, Henry Parrott, John Hill
- DISTRICT 4 - John P. Mathes, David S. Coward, Thomas Rankin
- DISTRICT 5 - Richard Gregory, Thomas McGuier
- DISTRICT 6 - Dudley Cox, David Eudaley
- DISTRICT 7 - Jacob Dick, Sterlin Bates, Ezekiel Inman
- DISTRICT 8 - Pleasant N. Bales, George Pierce
- DISTRICT 9 - John Newin (?), son of Aaron, Richard Hayworth
- DISTRICT 10 - John M. Patton, John Mathes
- DISTRICT 11 - Andrew McFarland, Andrew B. Edgar
- DISTRICT 12 - Russell Snodgrass, Jacob Anglis
- DISTRICT 13 - Alexander S. Landrum, Robert McFarland, William L. Owens
- DISTRICT 14 - Robert Conaster, John D. Hill
- DISTRICT 15 - Jacob Haun, James Haun

The court instructed Nathaniel Line and Edward B. Snoddy, constable, to wait on the court and jury.

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Cumberland University's Law Department Graduates 23 in 1871

(From the *Nashville Union & American*, 11 Jul 1871)

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. 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. ■

Our Andy Ordered His Own

A handwritten order from **Andrew Jackson** for supplies was found among some papers in the garrett of a store on Nashville's Public Square in 1867.

The Nashville Daily Gazette in its 13 Apr 1867 issue said the order, found a few days earlier, was dated 6th Oct 1825 and bore Jackson's genuine signature. It read as follows:

"**Mr. Josah Nichol**, Merchant, Nashville, will please send me per **Charles** [an old Negro who will be remembered by many of our citizens] a demijohn full of good Madeira; if not, then of best Sherry or dry Lisben with two bottles brandy of good quality and charge same to the account of your humble servant. - **Andrew Jackson**

P.S. Please send me a half 'rheem' of good letter paper. **A. J.**"

Winchesters Stunned by the Loss of Their Young Daughter

(Fourth and Final Installment of Excerpts from *My Mother, A Biography* by Susan Winchester Powel Scales, 1950)

The **George Winchester** family was stunned by the cruel attack on their youngest member -- 15½-year old "**Birdie**" [Virginia Lee] who had been hit in the head by 'a missile of death' hurled by the young girl they had taken into their home.¹ More than 70 years later, **Susie** would write:

"The shock was so terrible that even now I shrink from recital of scenes in our erstwhile quiet home. The effect on Mother was almost total collapse. She was at first incapable of action, and was at the dear child's bedside night and day."

For 31 days, the **Drs. Erskine** were in constant attendance. A famous eye surgeon was called in for consultation. Surgery was resorted to. And throughout each day and night, **Susie** kept vigil at her youngest sister's bedside.

"Every one of those January days was filled with anguish because I saw that all the skill and affectionate service of physicians was achieving no encouraging results. My sister was with Mother the entire time, as Father must have been. Brothers were both in attendance night and day. After some days Sister came to the sick room to tell me that Mother was bravely standing at her post watching over everything, keeping absolute quiet and always on the alert in case there [might] be some small need in the sickroom which she might supply. There were no phones so constantly there were friends, not visitors, who came to the door to ask if the patient were better."

One especially painful incident stuck in **Susie's** memory.

"We had brought her [**Birdie**] to my room, hoping to make her more comfortable. A hen had made a habit of roosting in a magnolia tree just near the window. Once in the night that hen crowed, and she said, 'Oh, don't let her crow, don't let her crow again,' possibly remembering the old Negro superstition '*a crowin' hen never come to no good end and am bad luck.*' I wish I could forget forever that incident and every other of the thousand and more instances of anguish crowded into that one month but, alas, the memory which has served me so well for nearly 100 years still holds every painful incident of those days indelibly stamped upon it."

On 1st February 1877, **Birdie** died.² Private services were held the following afternoon at the Winchester home with only relatives and closest friends attending, and interment was in the family plot at Elmwood Cemetery. Some time later, **George** noticed in the paper that **William Cooper**, widely known portrait painter of Nashville, was in Memphis and secretly hired him to paint a portrait of **Birdie**, hoping it would help ease the tension in the home. Working from pictures and following descriptions of the color of her eyes and hair, her complexion, and usual style of dress, the artist produced a lovely portrait that was accepted with tearful thanks from every member of the family except **Susie** who refused to look at it. Finally, giving in to her mother's urging, **Susie** stole into the parlor one evening and looked at the picture.

"I saw the portrait of a fair young girl in a dress of white, her light brown hair braided as she always wore it, eyes as blue flax and cheeks like a fresh wild rose, 'standing with reluctant feet' on the very perimeter of life. The eyes smiled down into mine, weary with watching and misty with tears. Yes, I was comforted and I thanked God for the father whose brave warm heart throbbed it into existence for Mother's sake and mine."

¹ The girl, whom **Susie** never names in her manuscript nor tells what became of her, had hidden behind a door and waited for her victim. The 'missile of death' she threw at **Birdie** was a snow ball which had been held under a dripping spout until it was a ball of ice.

² Her obituary in the *Memphis Public Ledger* of 1 Feb 1877 identified her as the youngest daughter of **George W.** and **Malvina H. Winchester** and stated that she died at 10 o'clock that morning at the residence of her parents at 317 New Madison St. after a protracted illness.

Other family members, meanwhile, had been concerned about **Susie** and after conferring apparently decided she needed a suitor to lift her out of her depression. One day her sister came into the room and asked if she would like to see **Mr. Powel**,³ saying he had been very kind in inquiring about her. In a little while, **Susie** went downstairs and received her guest.

"The sweetheart of my earliest dream stood before me. What a strange fate. Yes, we'd been in love with each other from the first day we met one Sunday under the brush arbor at Springdale. He kept a blue ribbon that tied my braided hair one time, and I had a little tintype picture of him. If I had even had a thought of him those dark days, I would have known he was thinking of me. He was with us on New Year's Day. We were young and happy those years gone by, never planning marriage. But now he was planning it if I would consent. Had he talked with Mother and Father? What did they think? I was so tired I couldn't think nor plan nor talk. 'Your Father and Mother want you to be well and happy again and have given their consent. You will not send me away, will you?'"

After hasty preparation and a quiet ceremony at church on April 12, the young couple left by train for a 10-day wedding trip, returning to her parents' home where they were warmly welcomed. Soon it was decided that they would have a home built on a lot her husband had acquired on McLemore Avenue some time earlier at a chancery sale. By happy coincidence, it turned out that her father owned adjoining lots.

"Many afternoons we drove out to where our house was in process by a dear old man who had done work for Father at Cragfont and made a pet of little **Susie**. Father often went to his lots with Mother to have trees and shrubs planted and had actually had the stakes set indicating the location of their house. Building was not done by the clock then nor with processed material. Our contractor was an intelligent gentleman who would have scorned any shoddy work, and on my home it was a labor of love."

In the Spring following their marriage, a baby girl was born whom they named for the dear sister **Susie** had lost. **Susie's** brother-in-law, **Major Richard Person**, persuaded one of his old Negro servants, **Mammy Sally**, to teach her how to take care of her new offspring.

"Time and again she said, 'You's the awkidist mother I ever seen. You jest can't do nothing right fo' de po' little thing.' She was with me for six months, and the day after she left I bathed my baby for the first time without any help. Mother didn't even know that I was making the first attempt after six months' instructions or she would have undoubtedly come to my rescue. I did not go into hysterics nor let the baby fall but, as I bathed her, the sweat dropped like an April shower on her little head.

"Neither of my baby's grandmothers ever had to be troubled with her. She grew and thrived as I fed her from my own breast and finally I learned to be adroit in handling and attending to all her needs. How we loved her! Before our house was ready for occupation, I sat in the buggy with the baby in my arms while her father looked over and approved the finishing touches. By July 1st we were moved and, hot as the sunshine was, 'that mother o' mine' had taken up her flowers and transplanted and cared for them so carefully that they never wilted. All the moving was done by Mother and her new son-in-law. I was busy with the baby, and Father with his office.

"The house was so comfortable. A hall went the length of it with rooms on each side; a porch was across the front with French windows in our room and hall. The parlor was opposite Mother's room, and next to the parlor French windows opened on a side porch where she soon had honeysuckle climbing. What we called the nursery was next to Mother's room and a dining room was next to mine. A back porch met the hall and extended beyond by a bedroom, storeroom, and kitchen. There you have it - a pretty seven-room cottage with

³ **William Davis Powel**. Born 16 Jul 1851, he died 7 Oct 1882 at the home of his father, **George R. Powel**, on New Raleigh Road. The *Memphis Avalanche* of 8 Oct 1882 reported that William had been in bad health for several years. He was cashier and bookkeeper for the B & B Coal Co. on Main Street. "Few men were better known and none more popular, his cheery manners endearing him to all," the *Avalanche* said. William and **Susie** had two children: [1] **Birdie Powel** - b. 17 Jan 1879, d. late 1960s (?), m. **Frank Mason Avery** on 2 Nov 1900 in Memphis, and [2] **Susan Powel** - b. 13 Dec 1880, d. 21 Dec 1915, never married. Four years after William Powel's death, **Susie** on 10 Jan 1885 married **Dabney Minor Scales**, a Memphis lawyer who had been a hero in the Confederate Navy during the Civil War. He was b. 1 June 1841 in Orange Co., Va., and was the son of **Peter** and **Ann (Minor) Scales**. He was a Tennessee state senator from 1895-97. **Dabney** died in Sheridan, Wyo., 26 May 1920 at age 78. He and **Susie** had three children: [1] **Ann Scales** - b. 4 Nov 1886, d. 28 June 1985, m. 11 Nov 1919 to **Robert Yates Wellford** who was b. 27 Mar 1886, d. 24 Jan 1932; [2] **Dabney M. Scales, Jr.** - b. 18 Oct 1888, d. 5 Jan 1915, never married; and [3] **George Winchester Scales** - b. 25 Nov 1890, lived in Sheridan, Wyo., d. 10 Apr 1979 in Memphis, m. in September 1958 to **Florence Webster** who was b. 1910 in New York, d. 22 Nov 1974 in automobile accident in Utah.

WINCHESTERS (continued)

three porches and that fine hall all the way, and windows in two rooms that opened on porches. So breezy was it that Father suggested a name he had seen in **Kane's Arctic Explorations**: "Anokatok, the wind-loved spot."

Three days later, her husband told her they would have to leave because yellow fever was in the city.

"Father said they would stay unless conditions grew worse, and several young men of our friends pitched a tent on our lot and felt safe. We left on the next evening, my heart in my mouth as was his for his family who were already en route to a country home lately left to come to the city. Friends who had preceded us said come to McMinnville in East Tennessee. We found so many Memphians there, it being quite a favorite resort. Of course I spent all of my time with the baby, never having had the entire care of her before. We were in the same house of a fine old lady whom I had known intimately since I was one of her daughter's wedding attendants. **Mrs. Parker** had come along with **Lamira** to help her with her second baby, just about the same age as mine. As folks always do when on vacation, so did these, even though yellow fever was growing worse each day in Memphis. Some were playing cards, some at croquet, some at concerts. On one of these occasions it was suggested by a friend that **Miss Susie Winchester** be asked to read some evening. Then a stranger said, 'Isn't she the little woman with the baby in the same house with us? I would have thought she might sing a lullaby. She does little else.' I wonder what Mother would have said about that."

The next summer the yellow fever alarm was sounded early in June, but **Susie** and **William** pushed away the thought of another flight, hoping the alarm would be false.

"Mother was not so optimistic and had busied herself in such preparations as she thought necessary. She had written our **Aunt Almira**⁴ in her lovely old home in Castalian Springs asking if I with my husband and baby might find refuge with her, should we feel that we must fly Memphis. Mother knew that my aunt's door was always open to any or all of us, and before the week had passed we were on our way, baby and all. Father, still feeling it would be safe at Anokatok, invited his friend **Major Trezevant** to join his family of three. The major came out for a while, but after a time returned to the city, only to become a victim to that remorseless enemy. Later Sister [Alice] and **Major Person** came and urged our three to join them and our **Cousin Lizzie** and her son and two daughters who, in one of the epidemics of the fever, had lost husband and son. We had letters, of course -- none too frequent, but thorough. Nashville papers kept in touch with Memphis and the scourge which was reaping its daily harvest of souls. Father was one of the correspondents whose letters to *The Commercial Appeal* kept us informed.

"While at the Springs I had the privilege and the joy of meeting again friends and schoolmates and introducing my husband to them. After the months of July and August, he grew restless and eagerly watched the papers and the clouds in hope of rain and a frost that he might venture return to Memphis, leaving baby and me until there was no doubt of safety. Business men seem never so happy as when busy in their respective offices, and we really were left with my good beloved aunt, my Father's sister, until several frosts had glistened in the sunlight of September."

This is the last entry in Susie's manuscript. Perhaps the stirring up of old memories was too much for her to continue.⁵ Or perhaps it was as her grandson, **Dabney Scales Wellford**, speculates. Maybe she was just tired.

After all, she was almost 98 when she began writing the tribute to her mother. Her hope was to get it published so the proceeds could help support her two maiden nieces⁶ who lived in Washington, D.C. But this was not to be. Susie died 2 Jan 1954 at the age of 101.■

⁴ **Almira Winchester Wynne**, wife of **A.R. Wynne**. Their home, constructed as a stagecoach inn in 1828, is the largest surviving log stagecoach building in Tennessee today and is thought to be the largest log structure ever built in the state. The Wynnes began using it as a family residence in 1834. [Robert Brandt, *Touring the Middle Tennessee Backroads*, John F. Blair, Publisher, Winston-Salem, N.C., 1995.] Like Cragfont, it is located on old Highway 25. The family donated it to the state in 1971 and it is open to the public.

⁵ Other deaths in the family would soon follow. **Susie**, writing many years later, may have confused some sequences of events. Her father, **George Washington Winchester** died 30 Dec 1878 at 57 years 7 months and 16 days. (Source: *Memphis Avalanche*, 30 Dec 1878; also funeral home records, and Elmwood Cemetery records.). Her mother, **Malvina**, died 17 Jul 1887, in Pulaski, Giles Co., Tenn. (Source: *Memphis Appeal*, 18 Jul 1887), and was buried at Elmwood Cemetery. Susie's brother-in-law, **Richard J. Person** died 28 Oct 1909 and her sister, **Alice W. Person**, d. 13 Nov 1925. Both are buried at Elmwood.

⁶ Her brother **George's** daughters. **George** died at age 40 and was buried 6 June 1886 at Elmwood.

FLAUTT-CATHEY

Married in Lincoln County at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 15 Jul 1868, by **Rev. J. B. Tigert, Mr. R. D. Flautt** of Giles County to **Miss Eliza Cathey** of Lincoln County. -*Pulaski Citizen*, 17 Jul 1868

SNIPES-POPE

Dr. G. W. Snipes and **Miss Annie Pope** of Mercer, Tenn., were married in the Peabody Hotel parlors at 12:30 today, **Rev. Dr. Norment** of Whiteville, Tenn., officiating. The bridal party was accompanied to Memphis by friends and relatives. After the ceremony, the young couple viewed the sights of the city and will leave this afternoon for New Orleans.

-*Memphis Evening Scimitar*, 21 Feb 1895

CONNELL-EASON

Married in Giles County on Thursday afternoon, 16 Jan 1868, by **Rev. R. R. Hill, Mr. Matt. Connell** to **Miss Sue E. Eason**. -*Pulaski Citizen*, 17 Jan 1868

LUMPKIN-FINNIE

Married 4 Jan 1887 at 8:30 a.m., **Rev. Joseph H. Lumpkin** of South Carolina to **Miss Amelia Finnie**. The ceremony was performed by **Rev. William H. Boddga** at the residence of the bride's father, **Mr. James P. Finnie**. -*Memphis Public Ledger*, 4 Jan 1887

CASH-WALT

Miss Fannie P. Walt, daughter of the late **R. P. Walt**, former prominent citizen of Memphis, will be married at the Methodist Church, DeValls Bluff, Ar., Wednesday afternoon, 19 Jan 1887, to **Mr. C. G. Cash**, son of the late **Frank Cash** and a young gentleman reared in this city and now connected with the telegraphic service at DeValls Bluff.¹

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 4 Jan 1887

BROWN-FRAIM

Married 1 Jan 1844 by **Rev. Wm. Hyer, Mr. William W. Brown** to **Miss Serelda Fraim**, all of this vicinity. -*Memphis Appeal*, 12 Jan 1844

¹ A story in the *Memphis Appeal* of 28 Oct 1887 reported that **Charles G. Cash** died 4 Oct 1887 at Devall's Bluff, aged 27 years 10 months 12 days. Funeral services were to be in Memphis from the residence of **T. A. Hamilton** at No. 462 Poplar Street.

Marriages

from across Tennessee

GALBRAITH-LONG

Married Thursday evening, 5 April 1832, **Mr. John S. Galbraith** to **Miss Harriet Long**.

-*Rail-Road Advocate*, Rogersville, 19 Apr 1832

FAQUIN-KEITH

Married 27 Sep 1887 at St. Peter's Church, **Felix Faquin** and **Miss Louisa May Keith**, both of this city.

-*Memphis Daily Appeal*, 28 Sep 1887

GUFFIN-LILLARD

Married on the morning of 1 Jul 1869 by **Rev. Mr. Neil** at the residence of the bride's mother, **Mr. James Guffin** and **Miss Virginia E. Lillard**.

-*Murfreesboro Free Press*, 3 Jul 1869

MOORE-BILLINGS

In this city on 6 Sep at the residence of the bride's father, **Dr. E. S. Billings**, by **Rev. Mr. Steadman, Mr. R. C. Moore** of Vicksburg, Miss., and **Miss Pearle M. Billings**.

-*Memphis Weekly Appeal*, 11 Sep 1860

FRANKLIN-KYLE

Married 31st July 1855 by **Rev. Mr. Bates, Mr. I. R. W. Franklin** of Jefferson County to **Miss Annis P. Kyle**, daughter of **Col. A. Kyle** of Hawkins County.

-*Rogersville Times*, 14 Aug 1855

BROWN-RICE

Married Thursday evening, 5 April 1832 by **Rev. Mr. Montgomery, Mr. Hugh Brown, Esq.**, of Knoxville to **Miss Mary Ann Rice**, daughter of **M. and S. Rice** of this place.

-*Rail-Road Advocate*, Rogersville, 19 Apr 1832

WHITE-JOURDAN

Married Thursday, 30 Jan 1868, in Williamson County, **Mr. Cole White**, formerly of Giles County, to **Miss Mollie L. Jourdan**. Thus our old bachelor friend has found favor in the sight of one who will give lustre to his new home and make lovely all that comes under the influence of her radiance.

-*Pulaski Citizen*, 7 Feb 1868

THORNTON-DOBBS

Mr. B. L. Thornton of Memphis and **Miss Dobbs** of Marietta, Ga., were married in Marietta at 8 o'clock this morning by **Rev. G. S. Tumlin**. They left at once for Memphis where they will remain until 26 Jan when they will return to Marietta to visit the groom's father, **M. A. Thornton**. The groom is connected with the Front Street house of **Fulmer, Thornton & Company**. The couple's future home will be at the handsome residence of the groom at No. 22 Cynthia Place.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 5 Jan 1887

MARKS-DUNNAVANT

Married Sunday, 6 Jan 1868, at the residence of the bride's father near Elkton by **Rev. John Birdsong, Mr. James T. (Babe) Marks** to **Miss Mary Dunnivant**. -*Pulaski Citizen*, 17 Jan 1868

WILKERSON-SCRUGGS

Married in Giles County on Wednesday evening, 15th Jan 1868, **Mr. Tyree Wilkerson** to **Miss Eliza Scruggs**. -*Pulaski Citizen*, 17 Jan 1868

CARTER-GAVIN

Mr. Matt H. Carter and **Miss Mary Gavin**, daughter of **M. Gavin**, Memphis, were united in wedlock at St. Peter's Catholic Church this morning. **Rev. Father M. D. Lilly** officiated and several hundred people witnessed the ceremony. After the wedding, the couple was driven to the Chesapeake, Ohio and Southwest railroad, leaving by the 10 a.m. car for the East and designing to visit Florida during their bridal trip which will last about three weeks. -*Memphis Public Ledger*, 22 Feb 1887

NAILLING-CARY

Mr. Will A. Nailling and **Miss Ima Cary** surprised their many friends by their very romantic marriage which was solemnized by **Rev. George Fitzhugh** of Hickman, Ky., at Combs' Springs on Thursday 5 Sep 1895. **Mr. Nailling** is a prosperous young business man and now stands at the head of the drug business in the city... and **Miss Ima** is universally admired as one of Union City's fairest daughters.

-*Union City Independent*, 13 Sep 1895

RICHARDSON-SIMS

One of the events of the season in the town of Franklin² was the wedding that occurred at the Presbyterian Church there on Wednesday night [13 Dec 1871]. Parties to this festive matrimonial affair were **Robert N. Richardson** and **Miss Marienne Sims**. Attendants were **P. G. Winstead** and **Miss Annie Sims**, **H. P. Figures** and **Miss Ada Mosely**, **R. A. Bailey** and **Miss Martin**, **J. F. Green** and **Miss Martin**, **J. L. House** and **Miss Alice McEwen**, **William House** and **Miss Jennie McEwen**, **H. H. Cook** and **Miss Mary Black**, **J. D. Park** and **Miss Mayberry**, the **Hon. W. B. Gordon** and **Miss Hightower**, **J. H. Fussell** and **Miss McEwen**. The **Rev. Dr. Rice** officiated.

-*Nashville Union & American*, 15 Dec 1871

CAMPBELL-SLEDGE

Dr. Mitchell Campbell, superintendent of the asylum for the insane at Knoxville, was married at 6:30 this morning in the Episcopal Church at Como, Miss., to **Miss Inez de Gracia Sledge**, oldest daughter of **Col. N. R. Sledge**, well known and prominent merchant. The ceremony was performed by **Rev. U. B. Bowden** in the presence of an elegant assemblage of the elite of Como. **Dr. Campbell** and his charming bride arrived here this morning and took a suite at the Gayoso. They will go onto Nashville tonight and then to Knoxville, their future home. **Dr. Campbell** is a native of Davidson County. The bride graduated with first honors out of a class of over 50 at Woods Seminary in Nashville less than two years ago.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 22 Feb 1887

**SMITHER-BOOKER,
EVANS-WHITE**

Married near Randolph on 17 Oct 1837, **Mr. Gabriel Smither** to **Miss Martha Booker**. At the same time and place, **Mr. George H. Evans** to **Miss Edith White**, all of Tipton County.

-*Memphis Enquirer*, 28 Oct 1837

Marriages

from across Tennessee

**Edgefield's Wedding Season
Opens Briskly in Dec. 1867**

The wedding season in Edgefield³ opened briskly, the *Nashville Gazette* reported in its 11 Dec 1867 issue.

On the 9th inst., **Col. W. H. Halliburton** of Arkansas was married to **Mrs. Mary S. Patrick** at the home of **Richard White, Esq.**, in Edgefield. **Rev. E. C. Trimble** officiated.

On the evening of the 10th, **E. McIver**, general freight agent of the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad, married **Miss Mamie Ramsey**, accomplished daughter of **Col. W. B. A. Ramsey**. Following the ceremony, the couple left by train for New Orleans.

Married by **Rev. J. H. Bowles** on the 10th inst. at the residence of **Mrs. Dr. Shelby** in Edgefield were **Mr. J. Harvey Kendrick** of Nashville and **Mrs. Ann M. Barrow**.

GOODLOE-JAMES

Married 12 Oct 1837 by **Rev. Andrew Herron**, **Mr. John Goodloe** of Tennessee to **Miss Amelia M. James** of Chulahoma, Miss., recently of North Carolina. -*Memphis Enquirer*, 21 Oct 1837

SHAW-MALONE

Married in Tippah Co., Miss., on Tuesday, 16 Jan 1838, by **Rev. Mr. McAlister**, **Mr. Willie C. Shaw** of Somerville, Tenn., to **Miss Eliza Malone**, daughter of **Booth Malone, Esq.**, formerly of Lagrange, Tenn.

-*Memphis Enquirer*, 29 Jan 1838

STEPHENS-MILLER

Married Wednesday, 25 December 1839, by **R. F. G. Flemings, Esq.**, **Mr. P. J. Stephens** to **Miss Amanda Miller**, daughter of **Mr. Thomas H. Miller**, all of Knox County.

-*Knoxville Argus & Commercial*, 31 Dec 1839

FULLER-HORTON

Squire Matthews yesterday [10 May 1867] gracefully performed a marriage ceremony uniting in the iron bonds of wedlock **Mr. Ira Fuller** to **Miss America E. Horton**, both of whom seemed as happy as possible under the circumstances.

-*Nashville Daily Gazette*, 11 May 1867

CROCKETT-VAULX

Married by **Rev. J. W. Hoyte** on 29 Aug 1871, **George B. Crockett, Esq.**, to **Miss Maggie Vaulx**, daughter of **Joseph Vaulx, Esq.**

-*Nashville Union & American*, 30 Aug 1871

ARMSTRONG-HENDERSON

Married Thursday evening, 12 Apr 1832, **Mr. Seth Armstrong** to **Miss Elizabeth Henderson**.

-*Rail-Road Advocate*, Rogersville, 19 Apr 1832

CALDWELL-STORTS

Married Saturday last, 31 Jan, by **Rev. Mr. Ruter**, **Mr. Jonathan Caldwell**, printer of this city, to **Miss Rebecca Storts** of Delaware.

*"To mar the joy of this true loving pair
May neither monks nor friars nor
picks appear;*

*But may they be correct, revise
with care,*

And have a new edition every year."

-*Knoxville Gazette*, 3 Feb 1818

FORMWALT-COUNSEL

Married Tuesday evening last, Jan. 27, **Mr. John Formwalt** of Knoxville to **Miss Nancy Counsel** of Knox County.

-*Knoxville Gazette*, 3 Feb 1818

GREEN-McGHILTON

Married Tuesday evening last, Jan. 27, by **Rev. Thomas H. Nelson**, **Mr. William Green** to **Miss Eliza C. McGhilton**, all of Knoxville.

-*Knoxville Gazette*, 3 Feb 1818

McALISTER-CARTER

Married in this city at the residence of **Mr. W. L. Carter, Jr.**, by **Dr. R. M. Dickenson**, **Mr. James Alexander McAlister** of Memphis and **Miss Sallie H. Carter** of Henry Station. Their future home will be at Double Bridges, Lauderdale County.

-*Paris Intelligencer*, 29 Jan 1874

² Williamson County

³ Near Nashville in Davidson County
ANSEARCHIN' NEWS, Fall 1999

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QUERIES (continued)

MOREFIELD, NETHERLY, COREM/CORUM: Seeking info on (1) Vinson/Vincent Morefield who m. Peggy Netherly 2 Sep 1819 Carter Co., (2) Elizabeth Morefield, mother of Jane and Henry, in Johnson Co. 1850, (3) Fielding Corem/Corum and Caroline, parents of Martha, in Johnson Co. 1850. Earl Tipton, 6 Carlyle Ct. NE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547-1704

GRAHAM, YOUNG: Who were parents of John H. Graham (b. Tenn. ca. 1825)? His wife was Nancy Young, daughter of David and Frances Young. Any info helpful. Barbara Parker, 3565 Englishill, Bartlett, TN 38135-2311, Park0906@aol.com

WEBB: Searching for families of Jane P. Webb's parents -- Joseph Webb (b. 1796 S.C.) and first wife Elizabeth Carothers (b. 1802 Ga.). Diane P. Easley, P. O. Box 933, Kailua-Kona, HI 96745-0933

LEWIS, MOORE, CAMPBELL, MASON: Need help on Thomas Lewis of Stewart Co. who m. Mary "Polly" Moore b. 1820. Children: David L. (1835-1918 Tex.), James, Robert T., Wm. A. (1842-1915 Stewart Co.), Thurn E. (b. 1851), Nancy, Catherine. Also seek parents of Ezekiel G. Campbell, b. 1797, d. Perry Co., Ark., m. 1820 Ala. to Sarah C. Mason (b. 1797 Va., d. 1859 Tipton Co., Tenn.). Linda C. Campbell, 250 Butler School Ln., Bruceton, TN 38317-7454

GOFORTH: Seek info on Thomas Jefferson Goforth (b. 1846 Ky.) and sister Mahulda (Hula/Huldy) who m. (1) Gambrell ca. 1860, (2) Geo. W. Hopper ca. 1871. Family came from Ballard Co., Ky., ca. 1878 to Lauderdale Co., Tenn., where on 1880, 1900 censuses. Thomas m. (1) Elizara Wicks ca. 1866 Ky., (2) Rhoda Nice Caroline Staggs 1868 Ky., (3) Amanda Smith, 1879 Dyer Co., Tenn., and (4) Josephine Clementine Cannon Allen 1881 Dyer Co. Moved to Greene & Craighead Co., Ark., ca. 1902. No further record. Barbara Fitzwater, 2703 Largo Pl., Bowie, MD 20715, e-mail: fitzwatr@erols.com

MOTHERSHEAD, DAVIS, BOGER: Searching for Mothershead line anywhere but especially in Smith Co. Also need info on any Davis family from Granville Co., N.C., to Tenn. and all Boger/Bogar families in U.S.A. Trudie Davis-Long, 8213 Mapleville Rd., Mount Airy, MD 21771-9713

SMITH, CARROUTHERS: Need proof or info on marriage of Richard Smith to Jane Carrouthers. Their son, John R. "Dickie" Smith, b. 1798 in Knox Co., Tenn., m. 1824 to Nancy Ann Elliott, b. 1804 in Claiborne Co. Myrtle Harwood, 9007 Fanita Rancho Rd., Santee, CA 92071-3949

CRAF(F)ORD: Desire to locate descendants of Robert Crafford/Craford who lived in Surry Co., Va., in mid-1600's. Wish to know if he is descended from the Kent-England Craffords. Loda M. Herring, P. O. Box 381193, Germantown, TN 38183-1193

SEAY: Need parents of Andrew J. Seay, b. 1830 maybe in McMinn or Rhea Co., m. Mary A. Howell in Oregon Co., Mo., in 1852. Her family left Sumner/Smith Co., Tenn., ca. 1835 for Missouri. Will share info. Frances Dodd Intravia, 2704 Carroll St., North Las Vegas, NV 89030-5419

SEARCHING FOR these lines: Sutton, Wilkerson, Gifford, Vaughn, Mooney, Lamb, McGuire, McFadden, Legan, Workman, Dye, and Gant. All letters answered. Darlene Gifford, 1101 Illinois Ave., Fairfield, IL 62837

BROWNE: My grandfather, James Browne, b. 1840 in U.S., published *The Daily Herald* in Nashville until it burned in 1881. Am trying to locate a copy or photo of an issue. Can anyone help me? Stanley W. Browne, 1360 - 19th Ave., Kingsburg, CA 93631-2001, phone (559) 897-7510

ROSSER: Who were parents of William Rosser, b. S.C., d. 1843 in Fayette Co., Tenn., and his wife Mary (?), b. 1810 S. C., d. 1896 Fayette Co. William and Mary's children: Ann, John H., William Bridges, Sarah, Redrick, Alexander, Margaret, Ruth, and Mary. Rita Wilburn Ackerman, 4055 E. Hartford Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85032-2220

BOUTEN, ROGERS: Elizabeth Bouten/Booten m. Wm. Wesley Rogers/Rodgers 19 May 1831 in Davidson Co. When and where was she born? Who were her parents? She d. in Saline Co., Ill., in 1847. Helen F. Bentley, 365 Verdugo Way, Upland, CA 91786-7141

DICKERSON JENNINGS: Born 1797 possibly in Claiborne Co., d. Lauderdale Co. 1867. Anyone know his parents? Please answer. Odile Jennings, 8005 Beech Tree Rd., Bethesda, MD 20817, e-mail Jimodile@Bellatlantic.net

KISER/KIZER: Researching this family of McNairy Co. Census reports show my g-g-grandfather as Hardin Kiser, son of John. Unable to find further info on this line or related families. Marilyn J. Kiser, 2748 Whisper Lakes Club Circle, Orlando, FL 32837-7734

MORRIS: 1850 Madison Co. census lists James Morris, 66, b. N.C., head of household. In same house: Martha A. Morris, 32; Sarah J., 28; Nicholas C., 28; Amelia A., 21; Elizabeth, 21; and Mira, 11, all b. N.C. Mira [Nancy Almirah] was my g-grandmother. In 1850 James no longer in household, Mira shown as Tenn.-born; and Wm. T. Morris, 18, and James Morris, 6, both b. Tenn., in household. Sarah J. m. T. M. Henry of Hardeman Co. Surely there are other descendants of this Morris line in Tenn. today! Reese J. Moses, 2428 Upper Zion Rd., Brownsville, TN 38012-8065, e-mail: reese@pchnet.com, phone (901) 772-4292

PATTERSON: Who were parents of John Tapley Patterson, b. 1784 in Ga., d. Davidson Co., Tenn.? Marcelle (Bobbe) Stigall, 66 South Fernway Rd., Memphis, TN 38117-3312

WHERE IS CHERRY CEMETERY? Believe it was somewhere west of Bells in Crockett Co. At one time owned by Barry Stephenson, g-g-grandson of Daniel Cherry (1782-1843). Has it been surveyed and is survey available? Bells was formerly Cherryville in Haywood Co. Catherine Porteous Sutton, P. O. Box 412, Pittsboro, NC 27312-0412

VOORHIES: Seeking info on Aaron Voorhies (b. 1760) who lived in Maury Co. His daughter Sarah "Sally" Voorhies m. Benjamin Allen. Madalyn Teal, 17078 Vinland Dr., Addison, TX 75001-5052, e-mail: MTeal@aol.com

ALLEN, BOYER: Susan F. Allen and Sireneus W. Boyer m. 28 Oct 1851 in Shelby Co., d. ca. 1857-58. Who were their parents? One known son, Galian M. Boyer, b. ca. 1854, lived with his uncle, Wm. H. Allen, after 1857-58. Was living in DeSoto Co., Miss. abt. 1874. James M. Allen, Jr., 3324 Sunset Ave., Apt. A6, Rocky Mount, NC 27804

WEAVER, McCONNELL, LEWIS: Seeking parents of Robert McManus Weaver of Fayetteville, later Murfreesboro. Married Martha McConnell ca. 1830. Also need parents of John McConnell who m. Anna Lewis, daughter of Wm. Terrell Lewis, Sr., of Va., N.C., into Tenn. Mrs. Joe C. Waters, 410 S. 5th St., Gadsden, AL 35901-5102

MISSISSIPPI RIVER LAND: Alexander McClaran, in his 1916 Williamson Co. will, left his sons land on Mississippi River purchased from Robert Martin of N. C. It was part of 5000-acre "Iron Banks Tract" granted to Alexander Martin. Will greatly appreciate help in finding out in what county the sale of this land would be recorded. Carolyn Smotherman, P.O. Box 130, College Grove, TN 37046-0130

STEPHENS/STEVENS, MEDEARIS: Seeking info on John Stephens/Stevens, b.ca. 1776 Wake Co., N.C., d. 12 May 1831 Bedford Co., Tenn. Married twice: (1) unknown, 9 children from this union, (2) Martha A. Gulley, b. 21 Feb 1796. Need birthplace, marriage date and place. Did John serve in Revolution? His son Josiah Stephens, b. Nov 1801 Wake Co., N.C., m. Abigail Yancey Medearis on 11 Nov 1823 in Bedford Co. Grace L. Maglione, 776 Seven Hills Lane, St. Charles, MO 63304

CHURCH, YOUNGER: Charles C. Church, b. Jan 1808 Williamson Co., son of Thos. Church and Elizabeth Collett, m. Nancy Younger, daughter of Thos. Younger and Mary Nall, 30 Mar 1826 in Williamson Co. Known children: John W. (b. ca. 1828), Abram A. (b. ca. 1830), Mary Elizabeth (b. 25 Oct 1833), Rachel M. (b. 5 Jan 1837), Henry (b. ca. 1847). Early censuses indicate 2 others. Were they Thomas A. (b. ca. 1829, m. 11 Nov 1849 Nancy Beasley) and Martha Jane (b. ca. 1832, m. Wm. J. Walker)? Will exchange info. Jan Richardson, 4929 Holt Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89115, e-mail: richarms@earthline.net

DAVIS, BATTEN: Looking for info on my grandmother, C. Hommer Davis Batten, b. 25 Sep 1867 near Malden, Mo., possibly Dunklin Co., m. James Riley Batten in Decatur Co., Tenn., 27 Dec 1887, d. 1914, and is buried in Yellow Springs Methodist Church cemetery there. Who were her parents and did she have any siblings? Glenn Batten, 8315 Calle de Alegria, Scottsdale, AZ 85255, phone (602) 473-3828, e-mail: Batten1120@aol.com

MEDLEY: Seeking info on early Medleys in Tennessee. Family of John Medley (1744-1838) lived in White Co. Landon Medley, RR 1, Box 344, Doyle, TN 38559

WILLIAMS, JOHNS(T)ON: Seeking parents and siblings of James McHenry Williams, b. 1827 in Tenn. or Va., m. Mary Elizabeth Johns(t)on in Shelby Co., Tenn., in 1849. He lived in Fayette Co. but his will filed in Tipton Co. in 1881. Was there a connection with a McHenry family? If so, who were they? Anne W. Batten, 8315 Calle de Alegria, Scottsdale, AZ 85255, phone (602) 473-3828, e-mail: Batten1120@aol.com

WEBB: Seek info, origins, and parents of Edgar Newton Webb, b. 18 Sep 1860 perhaps in Clifton, Tenn. Paul Raczynski, 37 Woodside Dr., Lewiston, ME 04240-1620

QUERIES (continued)

DIX, DEWAR: Need info, origins, and parents of Sarah L. Dix, d. 12 Jul 1849 in Tenn. Death certificate shows father as James Dix. Mother's maiden name was Fynch. Sarah b. in Va., m. Alexander Edward Dewar. Paul Raczynski, 37 Woodside Dr., Lewiston, ME 04240-1620

GRIMMETT, NICHOLS, DAVIS: Seek info on Alexander Presley/Preston Grimmitt and wives (1) Martha Nichols, (2) Delilah Davis. Known children (b. ca. 1833-1848): Norris Clark, Martha, Samuel, Mary, Orlena, and Mariah. Family on 1840 Bradley Co. and 1850 Wilson Co. censuses. Where did they live after 1850? Is son Samuel the S. H. Grimmitt who m. Lucy Elizabeth Singleton and is on 1860 Dyer Co. census? Verla Killian Bailey, 7207 Deerpointe Cove, Fort Wayne, IN 46835-2780, e-mail: vfbailey@aol.com

WILSON, CALDWELL: Need info on Joseph Wilson, b. ca. 1766 Va., d. 1835 near Clover Hill southwest of Maryville, Tenn. Annas Caldwell possibly his second wife. Sons: John b. 1796 Tenn. and Joseph Wilson, Blount Co. Families moved to southwest Ill. ca. 1853 using land warrants from 1812 and Creek Wars for sons' service in Capt. Tedford and Capt. McKamy companies (of kinsmen) in East Tenn. Volunteers. Newton A. Wilson, 2579 Madrid Way S., St. Petersburg, FL 33712-3933

BLAND: Would like to contact descendants of Theophilus Bland, Sr., and grown children who moved to Shelby Co. in late 1820's and early 1830's. Marion Graves, 91 Colegrove St., Memphis, TN 38120-2062

RO(D)GERS, EDWARDS: Need parents, siblings of Malcolm Coleman "Tobe" Rodgers/Rogers, b. 1848 Ala., d. 1925, Tenn., buried Tippah Co., Miss., and wife Julia Edwards who d. before 1908 near Corinth. Children: Geo. Thos. Rogers (b. 1878), Maggie (b. 1876), John, and Jim (birthdates unknown). Ione R. Neal, 10161 Pleasant Ridge Rd., Arlington, TN 38002, e-mail: Ionatory@aol.com

HILL, MCGOWAN: Searching for ancestors of W. E. Hill of Tipton Co. His daughter Tennessee Bell m. Thomas McGowan. Diane Green, 1300 Douglas, Des Moines, IA 50313-3142

WILLIAMS, BRASWELL: Need surname and death date for Rachel b. 1789 Va., m. William M. Williams ca. 1805, possibly in Smith Co., Tenn. William b. 1784 Tenn., son of William Williams and Lucreta Braswell. Mary Bryant Park, 2204 West 5th, Stillwater, OK 74074-2817, e-mail: crosstich@webtv.net

HOLT, CARLISLE: Seeking parents Vina Holt, b. ca. 1880, m. Marion Oliver Carlisle in Ala. ca. 1895. Her name might have actually been Sarah. Her siblings: Martin (?), Ann, Holdie, Elvie, Lawson, and Wheeler Holt, b. 1887. Janis Micalizzi, 55 Elmtree Lane, Levittown, NY 11756-1513

BULLMAN, KISER: Who were parents of George Newton Bullman, b. 16 May 1828 S.C., d. 27 Apr 1907 Tenn., m. Elizabeth Kiser in Ga.? Lois L. Moore, 261 River Commons Circle W., Memphis, TN 38120-1676

ISOM: Need info on John Isom, living 1810 Miss. Territory, Elk River, Sims' Settlement. was one of signers of petition to Pres. Madison re Intruders. Mrs. Rebecca W. Harris, 7440 Wrenwood Dr., Southaven, MS 38671-5914

GOSSETT, POGUE: Would like to correspond with anyone having info about Gossett or Pogue families. Jean Garren, 2204 W. Moss, West Peoria, IL 61604-5444

SEARS, RHODES, PEACH, FOX: Need info on these families of Tenn., N.C., and Va. Will be happy to pay for direct line copies. Nancy L. Brock, 3100 N. Oak Ave., Mineral Wells, TX 76069-2226

MORRIS, TAYLOR, CASEBEER: Seeking parents, birthplace, marriage date of Ambrose Morris and wife Lucinda. Both b. 1809 N.C. In Fayette Co., Tenn., 1850; removed to Poinsett (now Cross) Co., Ark., ca. 1852 Also need parents Wm. Mitchell Taylor, b. 1804 Franklin Co., N.C., moved to Tenn. (county unknown) when young and at 21 removed to St. Francis Co., Ark., where m. Nancy Casebeer, b. 1807 Maury Co., Tenn. Wanda Bouchee, 272 Emerald Oak Dr., Galt, CA 95632-2359

MOODY: Seek info on Charlotta "Lottie" Moody, b. 1805 Tenn., orphaned as infant. Foster parents (whose surname may have been Moody) started for Mo. Territory (Ark.) in Fall 1811, but turned back by earthquake. Later went on to southwest area of state. Connected families: Roberts, Trammell, Pearson. Betty Mullins, 9828 Old Warson Rd., St. Louis, MO 63124-1066

TYUS: What was maiden name of Mary Ann Tyus, wife of Frederick W. Tyus, Sr., of Haywood Co.? She was b. ca. 1814 S.C. Was her father Britain H. Sanders? Margaret H. Pearre, 7011 Sharpview Dr., Houston, TX 77074-4821

QUERIES *(continued)*

LESTER: Researching William and Sarah (?) Lester who settled in Caldwell Co., Ky., after 1801. Sons Samuel (1796) and William (1801) both b. Tenn. All other children probably b. Kentucky. According to census, father b. Tenn., mother b. Va. Probably m. Tenn. ca. 1795. Peggy Trimble, Box 53, Oak Island, MN 56741

HICKMAN, BARRETT: Seeking birth dates and places for James Nathan Hickman (d. 7 Feb 1904) and wife Polly (d. 26 Nov 1913). Sullivan Co. census shows 8 of their 10 children living. Need info on son Nathan James Hickman, b 28 Oct 1868, d. 28 Oct 1923. His wife Elizabeth Barrett b. ca. 1870, d. 2 Aug/Apr 1932. Had 9 children. Tricia Smith, 1725 Cosner Rd., Forest Hill, MD 21050

CORBETT: Tyner W. Corbett was pvt. during "Cherokee War" and for "protection of the Sabine Frontier," both in 1836. Does anyone know this man's ancestry or descendancy? Jeri L. Corbitt, 4912 Sussex Rd., Birmingham, AL 35242-3006

MENZIES/MENCY/MINCZY: Need help finding my great-great grandmother Elizabeth Mincey, b. 1795, m. Solomon Trogdon 1815 in Grainger Co. where all 9 of their known children born. Both Elizabeth & Solomon d. ca. 1882-83 in Ohio Co., Ky. According to 1880 census, she was b. Ky. and both her parents b. Va. Who were her parents, siblings? Kenneth L. Rogers, 105 Mountain View Lane, Madison, AL 35758-8399

WILSON, KIRBY ET AL: Need earlier info on William Wilson and wife, Emaline Kirby, in Warren Co. early 1800s. Also researching Warren Co. surnames: Bratcher, Newby, Grissom, Paris, Jones, Rhodes, Hicks, Blanton, Scott, Hobbs. Bonita Bratcher Mangrum, 1727 Pigeon Hill Rd., McMinnville, TN 37110, phone (931) 939-2154

GEE, RASH, STILL: Researching Geo. L. Gee (b. 1817 Va.) m. 1836 Williamson Co., Tenn., to Sarah Jane Rash (b. 1820, parents G. Robert Rash and Rebecca Still of Lunenburg, Va. Need names of George's father and siblings, and Sarah Jane's paternal and maternal grandfathers. Marjorie Rigsby Ghee, 5582 Thick Rd., Chapel Hill, TN 37034

WILKERSON: Would like to hear from any descendants of Claiborne Wilkerson who lived near Roane Co., d. during Civil War and had at least 6 sons. Thomas/Jo Ann Wilkerson, 10230 Hauser, Lenexa, KS 66215, E-mail: wilkersn@kansascity.com

WARD: Seeking info on Dr. Wm. Ward, d. 1835 in Rutherford Co., m. Mary Roberson on 25 Oct 1812. Was she his 2nd wife? Any known children? Siblings included half-brother Daniel; full brothers James, Joshua, Benjamin, Michael, and sister Mary who m. ____ Cannody. Barbara Blankenship, 9125 D Woodpark Lane, Knoxville, TN 37923-2948

CASEY: Seeking ancestors/siblings/descendants of Elizabeth Casey (1817-1875) who m. Spirous Rogers/Rodgers in Hardeman Co. in 1837. Moved to Ark. before 1850. Believe her father was John Case. Anna Mary (Johnson) Rudy, 2111 West 32nd Ave., Pine Bluff, AR 71603, phone (870) - 536-5935

JONES: Seeking parents of James Matthew (Matt) b. ca. 1840 Tenn., and Jacob M. Jones, b. ca. 1844 Tenn. What county or town? Lived in Lawrence and Independence Co., Ark., 1860s-'80s. H. Martin Soward, III, 5215 Dove Nest St., San Antonio, TX 78250-4708

WRIGHT: Can anybody provide info on Moses Wright who was in 1830 Fentress Co. census? Marie Goslow, 6123 Sedgwick Rd., Columbus, OH 43235-3318

MITCHELL, STEWART, ONIEL: Need info on Samuel P. Mitchell and wife Martha Stewart of Jasper and Nashville. Daughter, Sarah E. Mitchell, b. 1839, m. 28 June 1855 to James L. Oniel (b. 19 Jul 1834.) Lois Lumpkin, 202 County Rd. 273, Hope, AR 71801

HELP WANTED: Researching Baker, Britt, Harris, Hogg, Massengill, Tedder, and Smiths. Time frame: 1765-1840. Betty Lou Stehlik, 6090 Birdsong Rd., Camden, TN 38320-9651

FARRINGTON: Need help locating info on Tennessee cousin named Precilla who visited her Farrington relatives in Texas. Andrew Farrington left Tenn. ca. 1848; was in Wood and Van Zandt Co., Tex., until ca. 1865; in Lavaca Co. 1870. Andrew d. 1875. His wife Ariadne "Arie" returned to Wood Co. ca. 1890. Josephine F. Hodge, 18218 Barbuda Lane, Nassau Bay, TX 77058-3402

QUERIES (continued)

CREEK, LANE, REDMAN: Seeking info on Creek family who lived in Maury Co. 1840-1900. Mr. Creek raised cotton and had cotton mill on Duck River. First wife's name unknown. Had several children including Elizabeth, b. ca. 1850-53, m. ____ Lane. Creek's second wife ____ Redman. F. D. Meyer, 11425 S.W. Agee Lane, Sheridan, OR 97378-9756

BRANCH, O'DANIEL, JAMES: What was maiden name of Esther who m. Archelas Branch probably before 1819, possibly in N.C.? Daughter "Clarkie" Branch m. Stephen O'Daniel 24 Jan 1838 and d. ca. 1859/1864. Lived in or near Rutherford in Gibson Co., had 9 children. One of their 5 daughters, Hepsey Ann (O'Daniel) James, was my great-grandmother. Will exchange info and pay copying costs. Velma D. Evans, P. O. Box 926, Joelton, TN 37080-0926

GRANTHAM, GOAD: Seeking parents, siblings of Richard D. Grantham (b. ca. 1824 N.C.) and wife Emily Eliza Goad (b. ca. 1826 TN) who m. 12 Dec 1844 in Hardeman Co. Children: John, Wm. L., Ganzada Caledonia (Callie), Anabella, Lucinda H., Emilia (Emily), and Mary Victoria. Janice Trimmer, 9808 Redwood Rd., Millington, TN 38053-4926

EAST TENNESSEE CONNECTIONS: Researching Holdiway-Smith; Christian-Ewings-Doughty; Massingill-Hill; Crosby-Conway. Would like to exchange info. Mrs. W. L. Bressler, 3374 Forest Hills, Livingston, TX 77351-9614

SOUTH, CAMP: Tracing Nancy A. South, b. 16 Jan 1833, Tenn. Death records in Warrick Co., Ind., give mother's surname as Camp. Census record shows her father b. Tenn. Obit states she went to Indiana with parents at age 9; m. Francis Carr Huber in 1851. Jack Maidlow, 4103 Sevilla Dr., Georgetown, TX 78628, phone (512) 863-8444

CHAMBERS, DYER: Seeking parents of Willis C. Chambers, b. 15 Jan 1812 Tenn., and maiden name of his wife Lettie who d. 1893 in Erath Co., Tex. Also need parents of Rhoda Susannah Dyer, b. 9 Apr 1830 Tenn., m. (1) ____ Reynolds, (2) Isaac N. Reeves, and d. Eastland Co., Tex., 1885. Helen M. Ussery, HC 7, Box 40-A, Llano, TX 78643

BOGART, COOPER, RANGE: Looking for evidence to support conclusion that Elizabeth Bogart, wife of James Cooper of Carter Co., is daughter of Hendrick Bogart and Elizabeth Range of Washington Co. Was she b. 1779 and m. ca. 1796? Arthur H. Ruback, 101 Wellesley Dr., Irving, TX 75062-4574

MANESS, SEWELL: Seeking parents of Shadrack/Sedric Maness (b. ca. 1820 N.C., d. after 1870) and wife Penelope/Pennie Sewell, b. ca. 1820 Tenn., death place unknown. Lived in Hardeman, McNairy, and Chester counties. Dr. Betty Drake, 1106 N. 31st Ave., Hattiesburg, MS 39401-4631

FLACK, WEBB: Andrew Saunders Flack d. 28 Jan 1866 in Carroll Co., and said to be buried at Hagler Cemetery near McKenzie with grave marker. Can anyone verify this? His wife, Susan (Webb) Flack, d. 11 Mar 1884 in Weakley Co. Are there published cemetery records for this county? Dr. Betty Drake, 1106 N. 31st Ave., Hattiesburg, MS 39401-4631

BRADLEY: My family has worked on our Bradley line for over 40 years. Perhaps someone can help me with great-great-grandfather Benjamin Bradley m. Frances Lancaster, daughter of William Allen and Judah Lancaster in Smith Co. in 1823. He d. there in 1839 at age 33. Had 9 children. Seeking his siblings, parents, birthplace, cause of death. Mrs. Ethylene Collins, Box 217, Bells, TX 75414

RESEARCHING connected families of Angus, Applebury, Beaver, Dawson, and Shaw in Memphis/Shelby Co. and Tipton Co. Will exchange info. Mrs. Bob Kral, P.O. Box 58, Corsicana, TX 75151-0058

BARLOW: Seek info on descendants of Joseph Jerome Barlow, b. 20 Oct 1802 N.C., m. 12 Dec 1838 to Lucinda Crossett, b. 11 Nov 1819 in Caswell Co., N.C. Joseph came to Hardin Co., Tenn., in 1859 with mother, Lucretia Hargis/Hargus, and children Thomas, Henry, Charlotte Ann, Lucinda J., Samuel Paisley, Joseph Jerome, Jr., Wm. P., Susan, Emma, and Alice. Other family names: Van Hook, Johnston. Elizabeth Mills, 6373 Becky Cove, Memphis, TN 38119, (901) 685-7533, e-mail AmericaMfs@aol.com

ALFORD, HOLLINGSWORTH: Seeking parents, birthplaces of William Alford (b. prob. Va. after 1780, d. 1835) and 2nd wife, Sarah "Sally" Hollingsworth (b. Va. 1780/90, d. before 1880). Married 8 May 1823 Davidson Co., Tenn.; in Trenton, Gibson Co., by Sep 1829. Two sons, both b. Tenn., were James W. (1824) and Thomas Jefferson Alford (6 Dec 1825). Wm.'s only child, Elizabeth (by first wife Lucinda Alford, Amherst Co., Va.) m. Jesse Turner in Gibson Co. 16 June 1835. Kathryn S. Schultz, 2182 Gorham Place, Germantown, TN 38139-4256

RESEARCHING Larkin, Rock, Zanone, Signiago, Koch, Thole, Holtman, Busker, Robbers, Ball, Tull, Hamilton, Turnage, Shumaker, Whitten. Mary Kay Koch Ball, 4218 Crestedge Ln., Carrollton, TX 75010-4103

KING, ROTAN: Trying to prove Peter Johnston King (b. 1815/1818) was son of Nicholas and Nancy King of Lawrence Co., Ala. He m. Mary Ann Rotan, possibly daughter of John and Sarah Robinson, ca. 1838 in Ala. or Miss. She d. 22 Jan 1895, and P. J. d. 22 Dec 1897 in Mclean Co., Tex. Both buried Bold Springs Cemetery, West, Tex. Family tradition says he fought for Texans in Mexican War, and also was in Civil War. Mrs. Ray Freeman, 901 N. Edith, Cortez, CO 81321

McCLURE, McCracken: Seeking birth date and place, parents, and siblings of Nancy McClure who m. Robert McCracken ca. 1810, prob. Washington Co. Believe she was b. Va. but 1850 census says Tenn. and 1860 Pa. Also seek info on their children, John, Ewing, Mollie, Robert, Wm. Melvin, Margaret, James, Samuel G., and Nancy Jane. Dan Durham, 14573 Mustang Path, Glenwood, MD 21738

SEEKING INFO on Compton, Travillian, and Carr families of Wilson Co.; Chaffin and Gregory families of Smith and Jackson counties. Will correspond with any who reply. James S. Ray, 1116 E. Fifth St., Metropolis, IL 62960-2314, phone (618) 524-4828, e-mail: jray1116@HCIS. Net

IRBY: My great-grandmother, Frances Jane Burch, an orphan, came from Ky. ca. 1850, m. Henry B. Irby in Holmes Co., Miss. Need info on her Ky. roots. W. H. Buck, 8214 Meadow Glen Dr., Germantown, TN 38138, (901) 752-3986, e-mail whbuck@aol.com

HOOKER: Seek info on Rev. Thomas Hooker and wife, Sarah Walker Hooker, of N.C. and Smith Co., Tenn., especially Sarah's death and burial after 1860. Mrs. Derrell Hooker, 109 E. Texas St., Denison, TX 75021-6626

GIBSON, WOODS, HENDERSON, PATTERSON, BELLAH, JARMAN: James Gibson, believed to have m. Mary Woods 1778 N.C., was in Smith Co., Tenn., by 1800 and Rutherford Co. by 1806. Died in Rutherford 1835. Children: Mary (m. Wm. Henderson), Elizabeth (m. Wm. Patterson), Wm. (m. Nancy Bellah), Mathew (m. Mary Jarman), Samuel, and James. Anyone working on this group? Carole Gibson, 13409 N.W. Indian Spring Dr., Vancouver, WA 98685-1633, e-mail: cgibson@district.vannet-K12.wa.us

KNOX, HOBSON: Is James Knox who m. Mary Hobson in Davidson Co. in 1824 the same James Knox named legatee in administration of Benjamin Knox estate in 1806? [Davidson Co. WB 3, p. 103.] Can you help me document? Alvin E. Harper, 1202 Ferndale Ave., Dallas, TX 75224-1245

LONG, OWEN, MILLER: Seeking parents and siblings of Minos M. Long, b. 9 Aug 1842 in Tenn., d. 16 Mar 1901 in Austin, Tex., m. in Bastrop Co., Tex. to (1) Sarah A. Owen on 23 Nov 1852, (2) Amanda Miller on 7 Jan 1856. Children: Fannie, Belle Adelle, Josephine, Howard, John Minos, and Frank. Gladys Long, 1510 Betty Jo Dr., Austin, TX 78704, phone (512) 442-7054

DOUGLAS, ROUTH: Seeking any info on Alexander Douglas who m. Rhoda Routh in Knox Co. in 1820. Judith D. Mayfield, 2402 Longwood, Pearland, TX 77581-5818

ELKINS, CANTRILL, DILLARD: Need parents of Wm. M. Elkins, Jr., (b. 1817 Tenn., d. 1892 Tex.) m. ca. 1835 Tenn. to Martha/Sarah Cantrill (b. 1820 Tenn., d. 1881 Tex.). Did Murphey Gabriel Elkins m. Stacey Dillard? Need parents of both and proof or its location. Were they from S.C.? Patsy Stephenson, 15800 Highland Dr., San Jose, CA 95127

WHAT'S YOUR LINE? Would like to correspond with anyone working on genealogy of Butler, Lea, Sinclair, Jarnigan, Gaines, or Booth families in Lauderdale, Gibson Co., Tenn. Dorothy A. Butler, 320 River Oaks Dr., Luling, LA 70070

RICE, SMITH, STUBBLEFIELD, BRADEY: Seeking info on Claiborne Rice (1800-1860), his wife Elmira Smith (1806-1888), and their children. His parents Robert Rice and Annie Stubblefield of Franklin Co., and hers John Smith and Lydia Bradey of Giles Co. Betty P. Martin, 101 Stone Creek Circle, Hot Springs, AR 71913-7154, phone (501) 525-0807

RAYBURN, RUTLEDGE: Seeking verifiable proof of parents, siblings of Samuel Shanklin Rayburn, b. 27 Dec 1799, Warren Co., and Mahala Williamson Rutledge, b. 1807 (where?). They m. 25 Apr 1826 in Fayette Co., later resided in Lafayette Co., Miss. Ella Reynolds Emery, 1219 Hester Rd., Memphis, TN 38116-8318, phone (901) 398-7908

KLINCK: Need info on John Klinck who was in Memphis 1840's and '50s. Resided at one time in South Carolina. Mary Clayton M. Saunders, 67 Goodway Lane, Memphis, TN 38117-2403

QUERIES (continued)

COLE, BASS: Need info on William Cole and Martha Bass who moved from Tenn. (co. unknown) to Cumberland Co., Ky., in late 1790s/early 1800s. Believed to be parents of George Washington Cole, b. 1808 in Cumberland Co., Ky. Barbara Cole, P.O. Box 1603, Colorado Springs, CO 80901-1603

MITCHELL: What was Tenn. county where Wm. Elsebury Mitchell b. 1822/24? What was maiden name and birthplace of wife Louisa (b. Feb 1826)? Had 3 children b. Tenn.: Elkannah T. Mitchell (b. June 1845), Elizabeth J. (b. 1846/47), and Elsey Calhoun Mitchell (b. 20 Jan 1849). Family in Christian Co., Ky., and Washington Co., Ill., for 1850 census. William's brothers may have been Maxwell, Ely, and Young Allen. Margery Ellis, 15616 E. Chicory Dr., Fountain Hills, AZ 85268-4305, e-mail: EllisB-M@ix.netcom.com

REESE, MAINE, McDANIEL, COPELAND, LEWIS: Need info on Margaret A. "Maggie" McDaniel who apparently was living with grandfather Lewis McDaniel in 1860 Jefferson Co. census. Courthouse records show her surname as "Maine" when she m. Wm. Reese in 1873. He d. 1879 and she m. R. B. Godwin in 1880. They divorced in 1895. Her 1939 death certificate lists her parents as Loney McDaniel and Orlena Copeland. Loney's parents were Lewis McDaniel and possibly Nancy Lewis. Jean Ann Caywood, 105 Deerwood Ct., Sterling, VA 20164

HICKS, KIRK, AKERS: Looking for info on Lizzie Inez Hicks, native of Big Sandy in Benton Co., b. 9 Nov 1886, daughter of James Richard Hicks and Mollie Kirk, m. John Hillary Akers in Big Sandy in 1905. Jerre Akers, 3372 W. 109th Circle, Westminster, CO 80030

STAGNER, AKERS: Who were parents of Ann Stagner who m. Issac Newton Akers? Their son, John Hillary Akers, migrated from Benton Co. to Texas. When and where was Ann born? When did she die? Jerre Akers, 3372 W. 109th Circle, Westminster, CO 80030

HURLEY, BRYAN: Researching Hurley of Chatham Co., N.C. Need name of wife, birth, marriage, and death dates. Will exchange data and pay copying and postage. His son Amos Hurley moved to Lincoln Co., Tenn., and lived and died there. Son Elijah Hurley m. Mary Bryan, daughter of Obediah Bryan of Chatham Co. Amos Hurley, Sr., lived in Northampton Co., N.C., ca. 1760. Mrs. John R. Barnett, 106 McTighe Dr., Bellaire, TX 77401-4203

CROSSWELL, CARTER: Who was wife of William Crosswell (b. ca. 1780 N.C., d. 1841 Stewart Co., Tenn.)? Daughter Jane Crosswell (b. 1820 Tenn.) and husband James Carter (b. 1821) both d. after 1880 census. Who were James' parents? Dianne B. Fullam, 18 Shadowbrook Dr., Clifton Park, NY 12065-2916, e-mail: dfullam@albany.net

HANKINS, BRYANT: Need info on Hankins families of Monroe Co. James B., b. 1815, m. Elizabeth Bryant ca. 1836, lived in Monroe in 1840, in DeKalb Co., Ala., 1850, and Winston Co., Ala., 1860. E. C. Hankins m. Alice Bryant in Monroe Co. in 1842. Cannot locate this family on census. Marynell Bryant, Rt. 4, Box 56, Sulphur Springs, TX 75482-9751

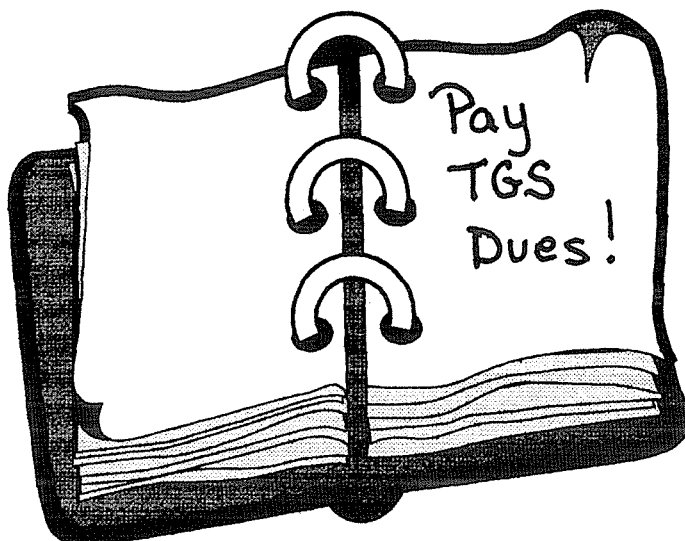
FULLER, CUMMINGS: Looking for family of Thomas H. Fuller (1867-1930) and wife Maggie B. (1879-1967). Both buried at Short Cemetery, Marshall Co. Thomas' parents Joseph G. Fuller and Mary L. Cummings. Leslie C. Lindsey, 3800 Russell Hurst Dr. W., Bartlett, TN 38135-1967

WARD, HUNTER, HIGGINS: Would like to correspond with anyone researching (1) Luke Ward in Smith and Wilson cos. ca. 1804-18, (2) Hardy Hunter in Wilson Co. about same time, (3) Wm. Higgins who d. Gibson Co. 1840. Alceon Jones, 221 Buena Vista, Altus, OK 73521

JONES, HARRISON: Who was wife of Harrison Jones, who reportedly lived in Chester Co. ca. 1890? His son, Ben M. Jones, m. Nettie Allen on 27 Mar 1887 in McNairy Co. Also seeking names of other children, his parents, and place of origin. Anita Lay, 1101 Lexington Ave., Schenectady, NY 12309-5623

HARDIN, SMITH, MATHIS, CRAWFORD, ATKINS, HEDGES-SUMPTER: Need info on Aaron Hardin, b. N.C., m. Nancy Smith ca. 1831 Tenn. Son Edmund Hardin, b. ca. 1832 Tenn., m. (1) ca. 1854 to Mary Ann Crawford in Ill., 3 children - Aaron Solomon, Martha Hogle, and Josephine, (2) ca. 1864 in Ill. to Martha Jane Mathis, daughter of Wm. Mathis (b. Tenn.) and Isabel Crawford (b. Ill.). Family moved to Yell Co., Ark., where my grandmother, Laura Hardin, b. 1878, m. Joseph S. Atkins, believed b. Ala., m. Anne Hedges Sumpter. Seeking parents, siblings of all. A. Oakes, Box 541, Mukilteo, WA 98275

HOLLAND, McCARTY: Seeking parents, birthplaces of Mordica Rufus Holland (b. 7 June 1862) and Sarah Ellen McCarty (b. 19 Nov 1867). Both born Tenn., possibly central part of state. Bill Holland, 6314 Teakwood Ct., Burke, VA 22015-3419



'Nuff said. Mail 'em in this very day!

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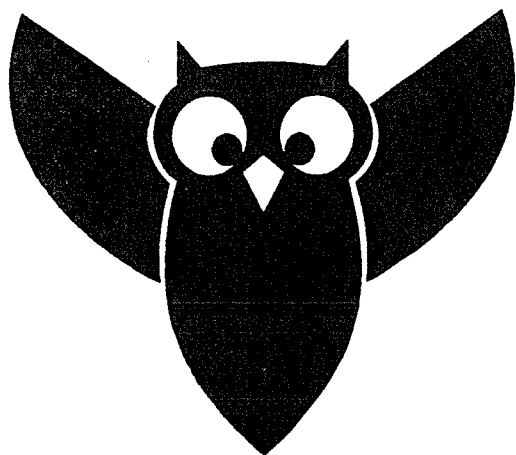
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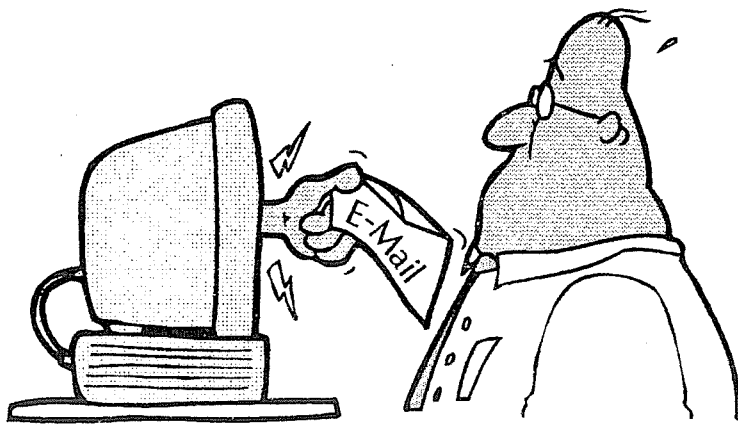
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