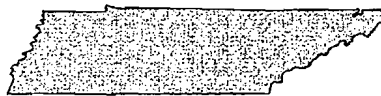

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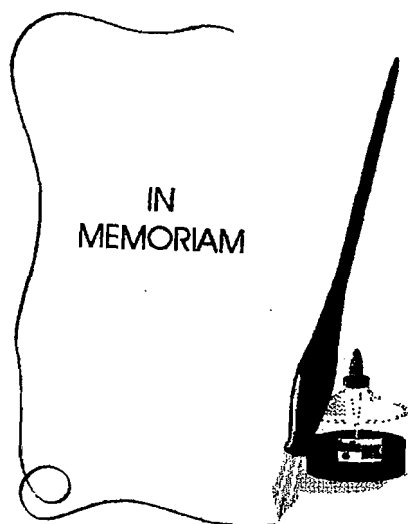
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Elizabeth "Betsy" Foster West, a past president of the Tennessee Genealogical Society and a former editor of *Ansearchin' News*, died in a Memphis hospital January 16. She was 79.

Betsy spent some 30 years in dedicated service to this organization, devoting untold hours and countless efforts to helping preserve genealogy and history for this and future generations. From October 1971 when she was elected recording secretary until June 30, 1995, when she retired as editor, Betsy's contributions were major.

She worked in numerous capacities — assistant librarian, associate editor, president (1990-91), editor pro tem, and editor. All told, she spent some 15 years or so on the editorial staff, heading up the operation most of that time. Whether it was transcribing records from microfilm, ferreting out previously unpublished data, traveling to an out-of-town meeting, or putting mailing labels on the magazine, Betsy cheerfully took part in all of it.

But genealogy was only one facet of her busy life. She was the devoted wife of the late Dan West, who died this past June 30th ... the proud mother of two daughters, Cissy Whitaker of Memphis and Marguerite Casparian of Florence, Italy ... and the doting grandmother of Rachel and Hannah Casparian. Since childhood, Betsy had been a member of Germantown Methodist Church, and was a Sunday School teacher and choir member there for 50 years. She was a founding member of the Germantown Charity Horse Show, a graduate of Rhodes College, and a past member of the Zachariah Davies Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. She also was active in the Descendants of Early Settlers of Shelby County and Adjoining Counties, and the Tennessee Historical Society.

Betsy West will be long and fondly remembered for her many endeavors and accomplishments. ■

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THE EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

by Dorothy Marr Roberson

SOME MONTHS AGO I ran across a reference to a Confederate nurse named **Ella Newsom** who, it was said, was to the South what Florence Nightingale was to the North. Always on the lookout for the makings of a good feature story, I was intrigued ... and started doing a bit of research every now and then whenever time allowed. As luck would have it, Staff Member **Carol Mittag** volunteered about that time to do some research for me on any subject I needed help on. Putting her on the trail of **Ella** proved to be one of my better ideas.

Carol took to the trail like a super sleuth ... and the result is our lead story for this issue. As it turned out, **Ella** not only had Tennessee connections, but roots in Mississippi and Arkansas as well ... and her sacrifices and devotion make for a fascinating story which begins on Page 3. My personal thanks to **Carol** for her outstanding contribution!

I'M ALSO GRATEFUL to one of our California members, **Nona Williams**, for sharing some of the information she unearthed on her **Simpson** and **Williams** ancestors during some 20 years of genealogical research. Like too many of our good old Tennessee stock, her ancestors left their homes in DeKalb County in the 1850's and migrated -- in this case -- to Missouri. (Wonder what Tennessee would have been like today if all those good people had stayed here?) A story based on **Nona's** research and that of **Ruby King Norton** of Winona, Mo., and **Don Simpson** of Salt Lake City begins on Page 11.

The way I lucked on to that story deserves telling. I got an E-mail one day from a **Nona Williams** in Texas, who was having a problem with her renewal. (An isolated incident, of course.) Since TGS President **Jim Bobo** is my Mr. Fix-It in cases like that, I sent him a copy of her e-mail and asked if he would check on it. Well, it turned out that there are two **Nona Williams** who are TGS members. Jim sent an E-mail to the **Nona** in California, not realizing there was a **Nona** in Texas also. In the mixup that followed, *Ansearchin' News* and its readers emerged the winners - **Nona** of California supplied us with the makings of a good story, and **Nona** of Texas got her renewal information corrected.

We're still receptive to the idea of having family information from the **Nona** of Texas. And that's about as subtle a hint as I'm capable of.

Despite the coincidence of unusual names, it appears that the two **Nonas** are not related. Perhaps that shouldn't be surprising to a genealogist.

ANOTHER STORY in this issue with far-reaching implications is one developed from a bulging folder supplied by **Jean Alexander West** about one of her North Carolina ancestors who was an absentee landlord in Tennessee. He died 'seized and possessed of' some 5,000 acres in Dyer County which he left to be divided among his collateral

descendants (his brother and sisters' children) and his illegitimate son. By the time the estate was actually divided -- some 30 years after his death -- the heirs of his brothers and sisters were scattered in some seven or more different states. You'll find the story about the division of **Alexander Worke's** estate beginning on Page 23.



HEARTY THANKS also go to **Helen Rowland**, a new TGS member who lives here in Memphis, for contributing information from a **Webb** family Bible in her possession. It's on Page 45. **Helen** is a dedicated genealogist -- spending much of her free time transcribing news items from old Memphis newspapers for the Internet. (We became acquainted at the Memphis public library while we were both going blind at the microfilm readers.) Her findings can be perused at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~tnnews/>

IT IS ALWAYS unsettling to find changes in publications you have read for a while. And I have to 'fess up to being one of those who grouse about them. BUT I plead guilty to making a couple beginning with this issue.

You will now find page numbers centered at the bottom of the page -- along with the name of the magazine, and the issue. Now if you or someone else makes a photocopy of an article, it will have the printed source at the bottom.

Sounds pretty good, huh? Actually, it's easier for me because now I don't have to figure out whether to put the number on the left side or the right side when composing.

The other change is a new format for queries. They now appear in a 3-column format -- which should be easier to read (10 pt. in a 3-column format looks a lot bigger and reads a lot clearer than 10 pt. stretched across an 8-inch page). Besides that, it allows more queries per page, and therefore more per issue. If your query didn't make this issue, despair not -- it'll make its appearance in the order received.

A REMINDER: Please read the information published under the heading **Queries**. We ask that you submit only queries with a Tennessee connection. We have been fairly lax about that rule in the past, but now -- due to the large number of queries we are receiving -- must abide by it. So please don't send in a query about your ancestors in Podunk or Pocatello. We can't use it. And besides that, you probably won't get any response but will only be taking up space that could have been used by someone who adhered to our policy.

THANKS to all of you who have renewed your membership for the year 2000 -- your vote of confidence is deeply appreciated by every member of your volunteer staff!

We hope that more of you will share with us in the coming year your family histories, Bibles, interesting letters, and other documents that might be in your possession. You and your family are important to us. ■

Ella King Newsom ...

THE FLORENCE NIGHTINGALE OF THE SOUTHERN ARMY

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The Civil War propelled many women into history, among them **Ella King Newsom**. She gave her fortune, her services, and the labor of her five servants to Confederate hospitals for the duration of the war.

Ella's nursing experiences were identified mostly with the Army of Tennessee, in the hospitals of Memphis, Nashville, Chattanooga, Bowling Green, Ky., Corinth, Miss., Marietta, Ga., Atlanta, and other points. She endured hardship, witnessed suffering beyond description and, through her heroic and unselfish devotion to the cause of the sick and suffering soldiers of the Confederacy, came to be known as 'the Florence Nightingale of the Southern Army.' Born 3 May 1835, in Brandon, Rankin Co., Miss., she was one of seven children born to Baptist minister **Thomas Stanhope Nisbet King**,¹ and his wife, **Julia Francis Smith**.² In 1849 the family moved to Phillips Co., Ark., where **Rev. King** continued his ministerial duties and also engaged in farming.

On 6 Feb 1854, at age 19, **Ella** married **Dr. William Francis "Frank" Newsom**,³ a 24-year old former Tennessean and accomplished physician who had relocated in Phillips County.⁴ His ancestors, who had founded **Newsom Station** in Davidson County, established gristmills and sawmills along the Harpeth River and its tributary, Buffalo Creek, and operated quarries which yielded limestone blocks for many of Nashville's historic buildings.⁵ **Frank** was the son of **William E. Newsom** (1799 - 21 Mar 1831)⁶ and **Elizabeth 'Eliza' H. Davis**⁷ who had married 23 Dec 1823 in Nashville.⁸

Frank died 9 Aug 1856, leaving an ample fortune to his childless widow. In his will written 31 July 1856,⁹ he left instructions that if his wife did not survive him, his estate was to be divided equally among his father-in-law, **Rev. King**, and his cousins, **Frank E. DeMoss**¹⁰ and **Joseph M. Newsom**,¹¹ both of Nashville; **John Blount Robertson**,¹² New Orleans; and **Frank Newsom**,¹³ late of Nashville but then living in Phillips County. He left **Ella** his 1,060-acre plantation, another 800 acres he had recently purchased, the proceeds of certain notes in the hands of **T. N. Harris**, Waverly, Tenn., and whatever was due him from the estates of his late maternal grandfather, **John Davis**, and his late uncle, **John Elisha Davis**, who had both lived in Nashville.¹⁴

After her husband's death, **Ella** accompanied her sisters, **Fannie**, **Josie**, and **Lizzie** to the town of Winchester in Franklin Co., Tenn., where she rented a house and made a comfortable home for them while they attended her alma mater, Mary Sharp College.

At the onset of the war, her sisters returned to Arkansas. The secession brought out the patriotic desire to serve, but for women the opportunities were limited. **Ella's** widow status and the wealth left her by her late husband en-

¹ Allen, Desmond Walls & McLane, Bobbie Jones : 1850 Census of Eastern Arkansas

² The other **King** children, all born in Mississippi, were: Porter Boykin (b. 6 Oct 1833, d. 12 Jan 1888), William Boardman (b. 12 Aug 1836, d. 12 May 1918), Stanhope Hall (b. 8 Nov 1838, d. 23 Nov 1901), Elizabeth "Lizzie" Nisbet (b. 14 May 1841, d. 8 Jan 1877), Francis "Fannie" Smith (b. 25 Mar 1843, d. 7 Sep 1867), and Laura Josephine "Josie" (b. 25 Dec 1844, d. 17 Nov 1872)

³ *The Helena Southern Shield*, 11 Feb 1854 issue

⁴ **Newsom** purchased ca. 540 acres in Phillips County from **John Rabb** in 1852. At that time, he was residing in New Orleans, La.

⁵ Stone from the **Newsom** quarries is said to have been used in the Tennessee State Capitol, the Customs House, Hume-Fogg High School, Union Station, and the wall around the old City Cemetery in Nashville

⁶ **William** was the son of **Francis 'Frank' Newsom** (b. 22 May 1764, d. 17 Oct 1844) and **Priscilla Ward** (b. 1 Mar 1765, d. 2 Oct 1848 1799, d. 21 Mar 1831). **Francis** is listed in the 1840 Davidson County census, p. 348

⁷ **Eliza's** will was recorded in August 1833

⁸ Davidson Co., Tenn., First Marriage Record Book. Their first child, **Francis Lemuel Newsom**, b. 1826, died young

⁹ Phillips Co., Ark., Will Book G, p. 38

¹⁰ The son of **Dr. Frank Newsom's** aunt, **Elizabeth 'Betsy' Newsom**, and her husband, **Abraham Louis DeMoss** (1779-1849)

¹¹ His grist-mill, completed in 1862, produced corn meal, flour, and feed for the Union Army throughout the war.

¹² The son of **Dr. Frank Newsom's** aunt, **Ellen Davis** (b. 1791), and her husband, **Dr. Peyton Robertson** (b. 8 Dec 1787, d. 17 Sep 1864). **John**, whose grandparents were **James Robertson** (b. 28 Jun 1742, d. 1 Sep 1814), known as the 'Father of Tennessee' and **Charlotte Reeves** (b. 2 Jan 1750, d. 11 Jun 1843), was b. 11 May 1826, and d. 28 Dec 1878. He married **Adelaide Gordy** in New Orleans on 15 Apr 1857.

¹³ He was listed as age 13 in the 1850 Davidson County census and was living in the household of **Lucinda Morton Newsom**, widow of **Wm. Bryant Newsom** (b. 12 Feb 1776, d. 16 Apr 1837). He may have been **Dr. Frank Newsom's** second cousin.

¹⁴ **John**, Davidson County's surveyor, married **Mary Dorcas Gleaves** in 1798. Their son, **John Elisha Davis**, died unmarried.

abled her to participate actively in the war effort, however. In 1860, her real estate was valued at \$20,000 and her personal estate at \$30,000.¹⁵ She had planned to spend her inheritance building a hospital in her husband's memory, but, with the war, saw a more urgent need.

In 1861 Ella spent some time at a country home she owned on Sand Mountain (also called Raccoon Mountain) in Georgia. One of her neighbors was **John B. Gordon** (later a Confederate general) who raised a regiment called the "Raccoon Roughs" and was trying to secure hard-to-come-by supplies. Ella and neighboring women made blankets by sandwiching together blanket-sized sheets of paper and pasting calico on each side. Shortly afterward, Ella left the area and probably never returned.

On 14 June 1861, the state of Tennessee opened a Confederate Army hospital in Memphis with **Dr. James M. Keller** the surgeon in charge, and sisters of St. Agnes Academy the nurses. That fall, Ella and five of her servants traveled from Arkansas to Memphis where she began work at the hospital. To gain more experience, she transferred to the Southern Mothers' Home managed by **Mrs. Sarah Chapman Gordon Law** and, following the Battle of Belmont, Mo., became matron of the Overton Hospital. By December, Ella realized the ladies of Memphis were bestowing abundant attention on the sick and wounded in that area and, feeling her services would be more useful elsewhere, left for Bowling Green, Ky., with her five servants and a carload of supplies she had purchased with her own funds.

Upon arriving there, she found deplorable conditions: horrible suffering, scarce supplies, inadequate buildings, and extremely cold weather. Undaunted, she took to the task at hand -- often working from 4 a.m. until midnight. When **Gen. John Buchanan Floyd** and his surgeons arrived in Bowling Green, he asked Ella to take sole charge of the hospital, having heard earlier of her noble work. She accepted the added responsibility and did an outstanding job, as described later by **Gen. Joseph B. Palmer** of Murfreesboro, Tenn., in a letter to **J. Fraise Richard** of Washington, D.C., who wrote an article about Ella for *The Confederate Veteran* magazine:

"I saw her readiness to devote her splendid mind, heart, and the labor of her own hands to do all that was possible to aid her struggling land and to provide for the sick, disabled, and suffering members of all grades in the Southern Army. Later during the war, she became Chief Matron of the Hospital Department in that part of the army commanded by **Generals [Braxton] Bragg, [Albert Sidney] Johnston**, and others, and so remained until the close of our memorable and heroic struggle. To this hospital service, she gave order and system, value and efficiency much above and beyond any similar effort in that direction ever before made anywhere or by anyone. This may, indeed, be said with emphasis when the limited means at her command and the general embarrassments of the well-remembered situation are all properly considered."

The dedicated women nurses of the Civil War were sometimes abused and insulted, and often driven to the very verge of desperation. Some received marriage proposals; others were advised to go home. But for the most part, they never wavered in their loyalty nor allowed their belief in 'the glorious cause' to be shaken. Not all thoughts were on the war, as verified by a statement of **Col. George Wythe Baylor** who wrote about Ella after the war:

"I well remember her sweet young face, her love of country and Dixie. My old general said to me one day: 'Why don't you make love to the young widow? She is intelligent, educated, pretty, rich, and her heart is in our cause. Being a shy young 'sub,' I could only glance at her out of the corner of my eye."

Meanwhile, back in Tennessee, with the fall of Fort Henry on 6 Feb 1862 and Fort Donelson 10 days later, medical help was sorely needed in nearby Nashville to take care of the hundreds of wounded soldiers from those battles. Ella quickly went there, and began working in the hospital that had been established in the Howard School by the Ladies' Hospital Association of Nashville with **Mrs. Lizinka Brown** as superintendent.¹⁶ By 17 Feb there were about 4,000 sick and wounded in the hospitals in the state capital and, as word spread that no attempt would be made to defend the city, an exodus began. Assisted by a **Col. Dunn**, Ella helped move her patients from the hospital to railroad cars in which they were transported to Winchester in Franklin County. There she continued to work diligently for her patients, turning churches and schools into hospitals. As Union troops drew closer to Winchester, Ella was forced to make another move with her patients -- this time to Atlanta.

¹⁵ From 1860 Phillips Co., Ark., census which lists Ella in her father's household in Richland Township

¹⁶ **Walter T. Durham**, *Nashville The Occupied City*, published by the Tennessee Historical Society, Nashville, 1985, p. 81

While working at the Empire City Hospital there, she received a request from **Gen. Patrick Cleburn** (of Phillips Co., Ark.) to bring a carload of supplies and come to Corinth, Miss., where many of those wounded in the Battle of Shiloh on 6-7 Apr 1862 had been evacuated. **Ella** arrived in Corinth with her servants, and cared for the wounded first at the Tishomingo Hospital and then at the Corinth House. While there she became acquainted with another nurse, **Ella Palmer** of Cleveland, Tenn., who was matron of a hospital set up in a Baptist Church to take care of the most critically wounded.¹⁷ When the Confederate Army moved out of Corinth, all who could, left. But the two Ellas and other hospital attendants remained with their patients until they were able to leave by train.

In the next few months, **Ella** inspected hospitals in Okolona, Columbus, and Meridian, Miss., and in the summer of 1862 traveled to Abingdon, Va., to help convert Emory & Henry College into a hospital. She made a brief trip to Richmond where she found hospitals overflowing with patients from the battle of Seven Pines which had taken place 1st June. Becoming ill while there, she traveled to a mountain resort near Abington and Newbern to recover. Later she returned to Chattanooga where she became matron at the Crutchfield House, and continued her heroic work. When the Confederates were retreating before **General Sherman**, **Ella** was back in Atlanta working with a **Miss Monroe** of Kentucky. The wounded men they cared for were encamped in tents and, after a brief time, **Ella's** health gave way.

She had not heard from her family for almost two years, and in February 1865 she left to return to Helena. It is believed she was accompanied by her younger sister, **Fannie**, and her servant, **Carrie**, both of whom had been assisting her in the hospitals. They traveled with a **Mrs. Buckley** whose husband was a Confederate soldier. The weather was extremely cold, as they journeyed by foot, wagon, and a few miles by train. Most of the railroads and bridges had been destroyed, and at one point they had to walk across an icy train trestle with the river below. **Mrs. Buckley** was arrested in Memphis because she did not have a pass to enter the city. When she refused to wait outside the city, she was taken to Fortress Monroe and held there until the end of the war. **Ella** remained two days at Buntyn's Station before finally receiving a pass which enabled her to continue on to Helena where she found her family home in a sad, dilapidated condition, and learned her parents were living in the Pine Bluff area.

Her brother, **Porter B. King**, who had been exempted from service due to bad eyesight, was taking care of the small amount of property remaining after her wartime donations. **Ella**, **Fannie**, and **Porter** made the trip to Pine Bluff through swamps and prairies trying to avoid bushwhackers, jayhawkers, and guerrillas. When they finally reached their parents and two sisters, they discovered their father had been cruelly treated and imprisoned for a lengthy period because of his refusal to take the oath of allegiance to the federal government. In 1864, **Rev. King** had been shot by 'outlaws' of **General Fred K. Steele's** army. The ball passed through his shoulder, side, and foot. His daughter, **Josie**, was so infuriated she chased the men 30 miles on horseback and reported them to the general's headquarters. **Rev. King** never completely recovered from his wounds and died in 1869.

After a short stay in Pine Bluff, **Ella** headed back to Atlanta, taking with her an invalid sister and possibly her servant, **Carrie**, who had been with her since the age of nine.¹⁸ **Ella** had intended to return to her nursing duties but, in the meantime, the war had ended.

On 6 Oct 1866, **Ella** married **William H. Trader**. Born 6 Jun 1834 in Murfreesboro [Hertford Co.], N.C., he moved with his family to Tennessee and in 1850 at age 16 was living in Shelby County.¹⁹ By 1860 his father had



ELLA NEWSOM

¹⁷ **Ella Palmer** (b. ca. 1829, d. 7 Nov 1909) had come to Shiloh from Chattanooga where she was matron of a hospital. Her interest had been aroused by the sick and dying soldiers who contracted pneumonia in the wet trenches at Fort Henry and Fort Donelson. She was among the first to undertake systematic nursing and care of the sick and wounded.

¹⁸ **Ella** had taught **Carrie** how to read and write. **Carrie** later married a man named **Baker** and in 1882, **Ella** reportedly received a letter from Venice, Ill., signed **Elizabeth Baker**. Little has been recorded about the servants who were with **Ella** through most of the war or about her sister, **Fannie**.

¹⁹ Confederate Veteran Magazine, Vol. XVIII, No. 2, Feb. 1910, pp. 72-73. The Trader household, as listed in the 1850 Shelby Co. census, included his father, **William**, 40-year old N. C. native; his stepmother (?), **Anne**, 21, born in Va.; **John O. Drew** 28, **Henry** 24, and **A. W.**, 26.

died and **William**, now 25, was living with his stepmother **Ann** in Poinsett Co., Ark. During the war, **Trader** had been a colonel in Co.C, 1st Battalion, Arkansas State Calvary. He was in command of the Arkansas State troops, served on **Gen. E. Kirby Smith's** staff in the Trans-Mississippi Department, and was officially complimented by **Gen. W. L. Cabell** for his conduct in the battle of Poison Spring, Ark., on 18 Apr 1864.

William and **Ella** apparently moved to Memphis shortly after their marriage. On 31 Dec 1867, in signing a bill of sale for some livestock on his plantation about seven miles southwest of Helena, **William** listed his residence as Memphis. The bill of sale indicates that **Thomas B. Stanley**, a Helena lawyer, would apply the proceeds of the livestock sale to a \$2,800 debt owed by **Trader** to **Orgill Brothers and Co.** of Memphis, and retain any balance for attorney's fees due him by **William** and **Ella**. A year later, on 21 Dec 1868, they sold 700 acres in Phillips County to **Frances** and **Levi C. Rice** for \$9,000.²⁰

On 10 Feb 1868 **Ella** gave birth to a daughter whom they named **May**.

Ella was living in Memphis when she filed a petition on 23 Aug 1870 with the Commissioners of Claims to be reimbursed \$2,835 for horses, mules, corn, sheep, and bacon taken by the U.S. Army from her plantation near Helena at various times in 1863 and 1864. On those occasions **Ella** was living either in Winchester, Tenn., or on her plantation near Helena. The 20 witnesses she listed who would attest to her loyalty were **Gen. Powell Clayton**, **Gen. Walker C. Whitaker**, **Gen. Fred K. Steele**, **D. C. Trader**, and **James Lanford**, all of Memphis; **Jane Newsom**, **W. D. Rice**, **Aron Watkins**, **Harry and Jane Gripsley**, **Thomas Barrows**, **J. A. Busch**, and eight members of the **King** family -- **P. B.**, **Elizabeth**, **Mrs. J. F.**, **Aron**, **Betsy**, **Harvey**, **P. R.**, and **Lizzie**, all of Helena. Her claim was denied on 4 Mar 1871.²¹

William died in 1885, and was described in an obituary as a gallant soldier who had been wounded several times, one injury causing the loss of an eye. Another article stated: ²²

"He had long been with the house of **Schoolfield, Hanauer and Company**,²³ and that firm bears willing testimony of his honesty and efficiency. **Col. W. H. Trader** possessed talents of a high order. Indeed they were brilliant. He was not only a reader but a profound thinker, and his conversation was always interesting and instructive. Had he made the most of the royal gifts with which he was endowed, he would have made himself a central figure in the times in which he lived. But this genius was as dazzling and erratic as the meteor that shoots athwart the sky. His life was full of contradictions. He knew his weaknesses and deplored them, but he struggled on, aching with old wounds to body and soul until stricken with dropsy, and after much suffering he turned his face to the wall and passed on **Col. Trader** leaves a wife and daughter to mourn his loss. They are at present at Asheville, N.C., and their Memphis friends waft to them upon every breeze the lulling anodyne of their heartfelt sympathy."

One can only speculate as to why **Ella** and their 17-year old daughter, **May**, were in Asheville and not by **William's** side during his illness and death. Apparently, however, the **Traders** had been living apart for some time. Is it possible that **Ella** left Memphis with her daughter, who was in delicate health, to escape the 1878 yellow fever epidemic in Memphis? They apparently moved to Washington, D.C., about that time because they are listed in the 1879 Washington City Directory. **Ella** got a job in the Pension Department at a salary of \$1.50 per work day.²⁴ Meanwhile, her health and financial situation continued to deteriorate. In 1885, the Asheville newspaper and local chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy (U.D.C) sought unsuccessfully to raise money to build her a home in Washington.

John H. Lenow's Winchester Cemetery Tombstone Inscriptions lists a **William Trader** who died in 1860. By the time of the 1860 census, his widow, **Ann S. Trader**, age 30, **William H.**, 25; an 8-year old male (first name illegible) **Trader**, and an overseer were living in Searcy Township, Poinsett Co., Ark. **Ann's** real estate was valued at \$5,000 and her personal estate at \$1,400.

²⁰ Arkansas land records show that 160 acres of this land belonged to **Ella** in 1860.

²¹ Two documents used as proof to bar her claim were (1) a safeguard issued to her father and her brother, **P. B. King**, dated 20 Sep 1862, signed by **Brig. Gen. Fred K. Steele** and **Asst. Adj. Gen. J. M. Paddock**, and (2) a pay statement from the Archive Office, War Dept., dated 31 Mar 1870, showing she was paid \$112 at Chattanooga on 26 Jul 1863 for her services as matron of Academy Hospital there from 1st Mar 1863 to 25 May 1863. The vouchers were issued by **Capt. R. D. Gribble**, C.S.A. Army, and signed by **Frank Kewthorne**, surgeon in charge.

²² **Huhn, Hugh H.**: *Biographical Notes, A Scrapbook 1872 - 1918*, Obituary; the Late **Col. W. H. Trader**, Memphis Public Library

²³ The wholesale grocery and cotton firm was established by **William Weaver Schoolfield** and **Louis Hanauer** in 1865.

²⁴ **Ella's** salary later was raised to \$900 a year, and **Sen. William Brimage Bate**, Confederate veteran and former Tennessee governor, had **May** appointed to a position in the Pension Office at \$900 a year. **Bate**, who was wounded at Shiloh, served in the U. S. Senate from 1886 to 1905.

In June 1909, **Ella** was a guest at the Veteran's Reunion in Memphis²⁵ where she and the late **Mrs. Sarah Gordon Law**, who had worked together at the war's beginning, were recognized as two from a long list of brave, devoted and loyal women who struggled and labored so valiantly for the Confederate cause that they were known as the "Mothers of the Confederacy." A tribute was paid both women during the reunion, and **Mrs. Law's** grave in Elmwood Cemetery was adorned in magnolias by the U.D.C. chapter named in her honor.

The following summer, **Ella** suffered severe injuries when she was struck by an express wagon in Washington. As a result, she was compelled to take leave without pay as she was too feeble to work through the year even with the month's annual and month's sick leave allowed government employees. She became totally blind in one eye and almost entirely deaf, being compelled to use a trumpet. **May**, who had always been delicate, assisted her in every way she could. Over the years, **Ella** was discharged several times from her position, but on the last occasion the Republicans had her reinstated because of the care she had given during the war to federal prisoners who were sick and wounded. **Ella's** address at the time was 1112 Thirteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

In Jan 1917 at the U.D.C. convention, a resolution was introduced to provide \$100 monthly for **Ella**, but it was not acted upon. Pledges were made and a small amount of money was given from the convention floor, but not enough to insure the barest existence. **Ella** was hospitalized the following month. She was bitterly disappointed to learn that a newspaper article stating she would receive \$100 monthly from the U.D.C. was in error. In March she returned home from the hospital, and her daughter resumed her position at the Pension Office.

On 12 May, **Ella** was among honored guests on the platform when the magnificent new Red Cross building in Washington was dedicated as a memorial to women of the war. One can only surmise the thoughts she must have had that day. She never built the hospital in memory of her husband, **Dr. Newsom**, but had spent the fortune he left her for a great cause. As one who knew her wrote, "She sacrificed her beauty, fortune, talents, and energy on the altar of the Civil War. She championed the cause with an intense desire to alleviate the suffering of the Southern soldiers."

Ella wrote an autobiographical manuscript entitled, "Reminiscence of War Times," which was the basis for a book, *The Florence Nightingale of the Southern Army*, **E. K. Trader**, written and published by **Professor J. Fraise Richard** in 1914. A copy of **Richard's** book, which was written in part to help **Ella** financially, was presented to the Confederate Library²⁶ in Aug 1917.

Ella died 18 Jan 1919 at her daughter's home in Washington. Uniformed members of the Sons of Confederate Veterans' Camp No. 171 were honorary pallbearers at her funeral which was attended largely by the Confederate organization of Washington.

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GOODLETT

The cold and bleak weather of yesterday [17 Jan 1885] could not prevent warm and sympathizing friends from attending the funeral of the late **J. H. Goodlett** who by his honest life and purity of character had won the affection of all who knew him.

Mr. Goodlett was no ordinary man. He was raised in the mercantile business by **Robert Moore** of Nashville, who was a most successful merchant. For several years, **Mr. Goodlett** did a large and profitable business in the town of Franklin, Ky. In 1841 he and his father-in-law, **Mr. Henry Stratton**, moved to Holly Springs, Miss., and there did a large and successful business.

In the fall of 1844 they started the old house of Stratton and Goodlett Co. in Memphis, though **Mr. Goodlett** did not move here until 1845.

The firm did as much to draw and concentrate business in Memphis as any house on the bluff ever did. When the firm was started, Memphis received about 60,000 bales of cotton per year -- of which they themselves received some 45,000 bales. In later life, **Mr. Goodlett** was unfortunate in business affairs but was always a true gentleman. His heavy losses were by war, and he quit the business and began farming with his brothers, **William** and **James E. Goodlett**.

-Memphis Appeal, Sunday, 18 Jan 1885

JAMES

Friends of **Mrs. Matilda James** are respectfully invited to attend her funeral at 2:30 on Sunday evening from her late residence on Horn Lake Road, Fort Pickering. The service will be conducted by **Rev. A. M. Bryant**. Carriages will be waiting at **Mr. May's** stable.

-Memphis Appeal, 1 Jan 1859

POTTER

Died at his residence near Brownsville, Haywood Co., on 28th December 1858, **Mr. Thomas Potter**, aged 60 years and 8 months.

(Murfreesboro, Tenn., and Oxford, N.C., papers, please copy.)

-Memphis Appeal, 1 Jan 1859

TENNESSEE OBITUARIES

GLOSTER

Died at LaGrange, Tenn., on Tuesday morning, 4 Jan [1859], **Thomas B. Gloster**, postmaster. He was about 33 years of age and died of pneumonia after a week's illness. He was a young man of high standing and had troops of friends wherever he was known.

-Memphis Appeal, 5 Jan 1859

CHASE

Died at Manatee, Fla., on 21st Dec last, **Dr. I. M. Chase** of this city. He had been a citizen of Memphis for many years and was universally respected and esteemed by all who knew him. He was a young man of much promise in his profession.

-Memphis Appeal, 6 Jan 1859

HARRISON

William Harrison, Sr., died suddenly Sunday night [24 Sept 1865]. He was an acting magistrate and had served as Williamson County sheriff for six years, which position he handled efficiently. He leaves a large family and many friends to lament his death.

-Franklin Weekly Review, 30 Sept 1865

VERNON

Died Saturday [3 Oct 1865] at his residence eight miles east of Franklin, **Mr. Thomas Vernon**, aged 66 years. He was a good citizen and won the respect and love of all who knew him.

-Franklin Weekly Review, 7 Oct 1865

MILLS

Died 16th Dec 1831 at his residence in Hawkins County after a short indisposition, **Isham Mills** in the 80th year of his age. He was a citizen of this county near 40 years and a member of the Baptist Church for 35 years. **Mr. Mills** was a loving companion, affectionate parent, benevolent to the poor, and loved by all who knew him.

-Rail-Road Advocate, Rogersville, 19 Jan 1832

CAMERON

Col. John Frayser Cameron breathed his last at 2 o'clock this morning. Although his health had been failing for a year or two, he held up bravely and was seen upon the street almost daily until near the end.

Of pure Scottish descent, he was a man of very decided and commanding traits of character. Born at Buffalo, N.Y., in August 1840, he was in his 42nd year. At age 10, he was sent to Canada to live with his grandfather, **Capt. Frayser**, retired officer of the English Army. His father was a colonel under **Lord Cornwallis** at the surrender of Yorktown. He had early training under his grandfather from age 10 to 12 and later received an education at a military college. When the war broke out, he entered the Southern army from Memphis and was elected captain of the Young Guard which became part of the Third Confederate Regiment early in 1861. Under his command, the company became one of the best drilled in the service. At one time he was aide de camp on **Gen. Hardee's** staff and in that position mustered nearly all the Arkansas troops into Confederate service. He was slightly wounded at Shiloh. Shortly afterward, while leading his company at the battle of Farmington, he and a number of his men were captured and taken to **Gen. Polk's** headquarters where they were detained several days. **Cameron** escaped through the lines and overtook **Beauregard's** army on the night of its retreat from Corinth. He was shortly promoted to major and, in the battle of Murfreesboro, to lieutenant-colonel for gallantry on the field. At one point, he commanded the post at Rome, Ga. Since the war, he served as first lieutenant with the Chickasaw Guards and afterward organized the Bluff City Grays. During the 1878 yellow fever epidemic, he with his company, the Grays, took charge of the camps and of the city. He leaves a wife and six small children. His only other relatives here are a sister and his brother, **W. L. Cameron**, and family. Burial was at Elmwood.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 10 Mar 1882

ARMSTRONG

Died in Rogersville 30 Dec 1850, of consumption, **Mrs. Margaret Armstrong**, wife of **J. R. Armstrong, Esq.**, in the 29th year of her age.

-Rogersville Times, 11 Jan 1851

BARKHORN

B. H. Barkhorn died about 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon at his residence, No. 133 N. College St., in an attack of apoplexy. A few hours earlier, he was up in town and appeared to friends in about usual health. A native of Germany and resident of Nashville for over 20 years, he kept a cigar and tobacco store on Deaderick Street. He was a gentleman of liberal education, especially well versed in ancient and modern history. He was favored with a most remarkable memory and was an earnest votary of music. He was an affectionate husband, steadfast friend, and good citizen.¹

-Nashville Union & American, 11 Jul 1871

SMITH

Dan Hugh Smith, one of Madison County's oldest citizens, died at his home at Malesus five miles south of Jackson on 16 Jan. 1901 after a few days' illness. Born 2 Mar 1824 at Aversborough, N. C., he came with his parents to McNairy County in early childhood. When the gold fever broke out in 1849, in company with his brother, **John G. Smith** (who now resides in Texas), he went to California and engaged in mining until 1851 when he returned to Tennessee. He located at Denmark and Medon where he engaged in mercantile pursuits. On 25 Jul 1861, he married **Martha Van Buren** of Haywood County. During the Civil War, he was a member of Henderson's Scouts under **Gen. Forrest**. In 1867 he moved to Brownsville and worked as a cotton merchant until moving to Malesus in 1887. He and his wife had no children. He left a sister, **Mrs. Mary E. Wilkinson**, Jackson; nephews **Hugh** and **James Robbins**; and nieces, **Mrs. J. W. N. Burkett** and **Mrs. Walter Ramsey**.

-Jackson Dispatch, 18 Jan 1901

TENNESSEE OBITUARIES

MERRILL

Died suddenly at the residence of **Mr. Scott** in Lagrange, Miss., on the 7th June, **Norvel Merrill**, aged 27 years 10 months and 13 days.

-Franklin Review & Journal, 17 June 1875

TREZEVANT

Col. John Timothy Trezevant died quietly and peacefully 19 May 1887 after long and patient suffering. For half a century he has lived and moved a notable figure in the city of Memphis, beginning almost with its foundation. Born in South Hampton Co., Va., on 8 Oct 1814 he was in his 73rd year at the time of his demise. His father, **Dr. John Trezevant**, was a surgeon in the Continental Line in the Revolution.

John Timothy moved to Memphis in 1835 where for a time he taught school while preparing himself for practice as a lawyer. He was soon admitted to the bar where he took rank with the highest and best of his time. He was mayor of South Memphis in 1849. In connection with the late **Robertson Topp** and **Col. Sam Tate**, the sole survivor of this trio, it is conceded that his brain and pen have accomplished great works for Memphis, evidences seen and enjoyed daily in the several lines of trunk railway centered here. His monument is the commercial greatness of the city.

He leaves his wife; three sons, **T. B. Trezevant**, president of Memphis Milling Co.; **M. B. Trezevant**, a practicing lawyer, and **H. S. Trezevant**, a partner in the house of **Gorsuch & Trezevant**; three daughters, **Mrs. G. P. C. Rambaugh** and **Mrs. Susie Watkins**, both of Little Rock, and **Mrs. William Harrison**, Louisville.

His funeral will be from Grace Church, with burial in Elmwood Cemetery.

-Memphis Appeal, 25 May 1887

ASHFORD

Died at the residence, No. 562 Shelby St., on 17 May, **Mrs. Mary B. (Rhodes) Ashford**, aged 24 years 6 months 4 days. She was the wife of **William S. Ashford**.

[Galveston & Austin, Tex., papers, copy.]

-Memphis Appeal, 18 May 1887

CONNER

Gen. William Conner died Tuesday, 18 May 1887, at his home in Lauderdale County. Ill with a kidney and bladder infection for some time, he was about 84. He was one of the oldest and best known citizens of West Tennessee, and probably knew as much about the area as any man. **Conner** was one of the surveyors employed by the state after the 1881 purchase of West Tennessee from the Chickasaw Indians by **Gen. Andrew Jackson** and **Gov. Isaac Shelby** of Kentucky. He began his career in 1820 while yet a lad and was constantly employed by the state, the United States, or private landowners because he was an always accurate and valuable surveyor. He probably knew more about the history of "The Purchase" than any man who ever lived in it. *-Memphis Appeal, 28 May 1887*

FARROW

Died at the residence of her son, **G. F. Farrow**, on 23 May 1887, **Sophia W. Farrow**, aged 84. For 40 years she lived at "Farronia," the old homestead. She was one of the finest Christian ladies in Shelby County. Her heart went out to all who were in affliction and no call for charity ever went unanswered. She leaves three children, **Mrs. Mary H. Cummings**, **Mrs. Emily T. Ball**, and **G. F. Farrow**, all residents of Shelby County. Interment was at Elmwood Cemetery.

-Memphis Appeal, 24 May 1887

GRIZZARD

Died at Huntingdon on 8 Feb 1875, **Mrs. Alice Grizzard**, wife of **James A. Grizzard**. Her father was the late **J. H. Courts**, well and favorably known throughout the county.

-Paris Intelligencer, 19 Feb 1875

¹**Mary E. Barkhorn** was appointed administratrix of his estate

WRIGHT

Died at the family residence at No. 237 Union St. on 17 May in his 39th year, **Richard Wright**. His career as a member and First Sergeant of the Chickasaw Guards is too well known to call for any reference. He was honest and straightforward in every relation of life with a warmth and cordiality of manner that put at ease all who came in contact with him. Messrs. **Johnson & Vance**, his employers, rated him almost invaluable. Lively, genial and even-tempered, with a keen appreciation of humor and a well-filled storehouse of conversational topics, he was much sought by young and old.

-Memphis Appeal, 18 May 1887

BOWDEN

Died near Henry Station on Sunday morning last, **Mrs. Bowden**, wife of **James C. Bowden** and the daughter of **William Patterson**, deceased.

-Paris Intelligencer, 16 Jul 1874

BROWNING

Mrs. Phoebe Browning, mother of **J. S. Browning**, died at his residence last Wednesday evening [17 Jan 1894] of paralysis. She was 79 years of age, and an estimable lady. She leaves several children.

-Huntingdon Republican, 26 Jan 1894

BRENNER

Died at his residence at No. 17 Poplar St. on 5 Mar 1895 in the 63rd year of his age, **John Brenner**. The funeral will be this morning at 10'clock. {St. Louis, Evansville, and Vicksburg papers, please copy.}

-Memphis Commercial Appeal, 6 Mar 1895

BARTOW

Mrs. Tocy Bartow died at the residence of her daughter, **Mrs. Kate Roberson**, in Carroll County last Thursday, [18 Jan 1894]. She was 89 years old, and was loved and respected by all.

-Huntingdon Republican, 26 Jan 1894

HAWS

Dr. W. W. Haws died at his residence in Midway, this county, on 22nd Jan 1881 of consumption. He leaves a wife and several children.

-Greenville Herald, 24 Feb 1881

TENNESSEE OBITUARIES

BARBER

Died at the residence on Chelsea St. between 3rd and 4th Sts., **William C. Barber**, brother of **Mrs. Clara Bridgewater** and **Mrs. Laura Levy**. The funeral will be from the residence Thursday morning, 6 Mar 1895.

-Memphis Commercial Appeal, 6 Mar 1895

HOYLE

Mr. Allen Hoyle, old citizen of many years' residence in Memphis, died suddenly Monday morning [27 Jan 1886] of heart disease at the residence of his son, **Capt. J. C. Hoyle**, 186 Vance St. He was buried yesterday with Masonic honors. He was 62 years old, and leaves four sons and two daughters, some of whom live in St. Louis where he lived for several years. He was a bookkeeper by profession and held an important position of trust in the old *Bulletin* office before the war and also in the house of **Williamson**, **Hill & Co.** and other firms.

-Memphis Appeal, 28 Jan 1886

WILLIAMSON

Capt. R. C. Williamson died at his residence on Vance Street this morning [28 Jan 1886]. He had been in failing health on account of an acute throat trouble for some months. He was about 48 years of age. Born in Tipton County, he was the son of a noted and brainy minister. He spent much of his early life and manhood at Somerville in Fayette County. He received a liberal education, then studied law, and was admitted to the bar a few years before the war. A Confederate officer, he was married to **Miss Talbot** of Memphis.

-Memphis Appeal, 28 Jan 1886

COX

Died on 3 Nov 1874, eight days after the death of her sister **Cora** and within 15 minutes of the same hour of the day, **Mary Dennis "Dennie" Cox**, youngest daughter of **Rev. Asa Cox**. Born 23 Nov 1858, she had nearly reached the age of 16.

-Paris Intelligencer, 12 Nov 1874

SMITH

Mr. Jordan Smith, father of **Dr. E. B. Smith** of Greenville, an old and most estimable citizen of Campbell County, died Friday night [18 Feb 1881] after a lingering illness. He was about 80 years old.

-Greenville Herald, 24 Feb 1881

LOWRY

Capt. W. T. Lowry, who for a number of years has held the position of railway mail agent on the East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia Railroad, died at his home in Loudon on Sunday, 25th Jan 1881, after a brief illness. He leaves a wife and family of small children to mourn his death.

-Greenville Herald, 24 Feb 1881

CANNON

Dr. R. H. Cannon, an old and much respected physician of Somerville, was accidentally killed at that place Tuesday evening [7 Nov 1865] by a shot from a pistol which fell from the pocket of a friend. He leaves a widow who is the daughter of **Judge Devereux** of North Carolina.

-Nashville Gazette, 10 Nov 1865

STALLS

Died in Paris on 20th Feb [1875], **Mrs. Lucinda Jane Stalls**, wife of **W. M. Stalls** and daughter of **Thomas** and **Amy Ray**. She had suffered much during a two-year illness.

-Paris Intelligencer, 26 Feb 1875

GRAY

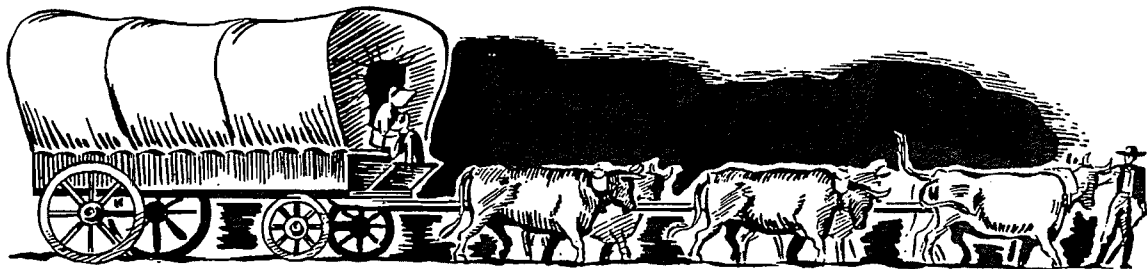
It gives us pain to announce that **Rev. M. W. Gray** died at Versailles in Rutherford County on Wednesday, 28 May [1873]. He was about 63 years old. His license to preach, dated in 1828, was signed by **William McFerrin**, father of **Rev. John B. McFerrin**. **Rev. Gray** filled the Methodist pulpit in this place for two years and made friends of all. He was buried in Columbia by the Masons. He was the father of **Capt. T. J. Gray** of our town.

-Fayetteville Observer, 5 June 1873

PICKERING

Died in Montgomery County on 20th Dec, **Mr. J. H. Pickering**, son of **W. G. Pickering**, about 23 years of age.

-Clarksville Chronicle, 23 Dec 1871



FROM DEKALB COUNTY -

Some Simpson, Williams Families Who Migrated to Missouri in 1850s

Former Tennesseans **Sarah "Sally" Simpson** and her husband, **Gilbert¹ Williams**, are buried in a family cemetery on the farm of one of their descendants, **Tommy Parrott**, near the Greer community in Oregon Co., Missouri. The double tombstone marking their graves reveals that **Sally** was born 11 Apr 1818 and died 15 Aug 1887, and **Gilbert** was born 30 Mar 1809 and died 7 Sept 1891.

They missed celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary by only two years. They had married in DeKalb Co., Tenn., on 20 July 1839. She was the eldest child of **Thomas Simpson** and his wife, **Nancy Moreland**, and he was the son of **Samuel Williams** and **Sarah Braswell**.²

Gilbert and **Sally** are believed to have moved to Missouri in the fall of 1853 after selling their 80 acres to his brother, **Terry Williams**, in DeKalb County.³ At the time, they had seven children, all born in DeKalb County:

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1. **Eliza K. Williams** - born 1839, died before 1935; married **A. G. "Ira" Hall** on 18 Oct 1856 in Oregon Co., Mo. Both are buried in Hall Cemetery.
2. **Samuel Thomas Williams** - b. ca. 1841, d. 1917 in Dent Co., Mo.; m. **Perneta Elizabeth Bolton** 6 Mar 1862, Oregon County
3. **Nancy Emeline Williams** - b. 19 Oct 1842, d. 11 Dec 1928 in Alton, Oregon Co., Mo; m. (1) 3 June 1863 in Alton to **William Amos Moss** [b. 22 Sep 1834, d. 14 Dec 1878], and (2) ca. 1908 in Oregon Co. to **Spencer S. Simmons** [b. 8 June 1837- 27 Sept 1907]⁴
4. **William Logan Williams** - b. 6 Feb 1845, d. 1 Jan 1929 in Greer, Oregon Co., Mo.; m. **Nancy Simmons** [1848-1905] on 26 Dec 1865 in Alton, Mo. Was a minister and justice of the peace. Logan and Nancy are buried in Hall Cemetery.
5. **Sarah Elizabeth Williams** - b. 1847, d. June 1879 [99?] in Greer, Mo.; m. **Spencer S. Simmons** 31 Jan 1865 in Alton, Mo.
6. **Gilbert P. Williams** - b. 1850, d. before 1935; m. **Rutha J. Hall** 8 Feb 1869 in Oregon County.
7. **Peter Carroll Williams** - b. 29 Nov 1852, d. 19 June 1943 in Greer, Mo., m. (1) **Harriet England** 3 Jan 1873 in Oregon Co., (2) **Susan Parrott** 2 Oct 1874 in Oregon Co., (3) **Rebecca Margaret Cates** 13 Jul 1884 in Oregon Co. Peter was postmaster of the Greer, Mo., postoffice for 50 years.

¹ His first name, believed to be in his own handwriting, appears as "Gilbird" on **Sarah Qualls Moss'** application for a War of 1812 widow's pension.

² They married before 1809 in Tennessee. **Samuel**, the son of **William Williams** and **Lucrecy Braswell**, was b. ca. 1787 in Nash Co., N.C., and d. in 1848 in DeKalb Co., Tenn. He m. **Sarah Braswell**, daughter of **Samuel Braswell** and **Sarah Hunt**, before 1809 in Tennessee. Born ca. 1783 in North Carolina, she d. after 1850 in Tenn. Besides **Gilbert** (their second child), their other children - all born in Smith Co., Tenn. - were: (1) **Sampson B. Williams** - b. 1802, m. **Tabitha** (?); (2) **Elizabeth Williams** - b. ca. 1810, m. **Hardy Hunt**; (3) **Samuel Williams** - b. ca. 1813, d. after 1850, m. **Mary** (?) before 1842; (4) **Sarah Williams** - b 10 Apr 1815, m. **Peter Hackett, Jr.**, 21 June 1849 in DeKalb Co., Tenn.; (5) **Terry Williams** - b. ca. 1819, m. **Lucrecia** before 1846; (6) **Simeon Williams** - b. ca. 1823, d. after 1850, m. **Mary Manerva** (?) before 1847.

³ DeKalb Co. Deed Book E, pp. 83-84, Microfilm Roll #82

⁴ Birth and death dates for **Moss** and **Simmons** from *Cemeteries of Oregon Co., Mo.*, published by Oregon County Genealogical Society, Alton, Mo., 1983, p. 214. Both are buried in Hall Cemetery, as are **Nancy** and **Sarah**.

Their four other children, born in Oregon County, were:

8. Simeon Marion Williams, b. 5 Dec 1854; d. 28 Jul 1935 in Oregon Co., m. (1) on 26 Feb 1873 in Oregon Co. to Sarah Martha England, (2) after 1896 in Oregon Co. to Matilda Gazaway
9. Elisabitt 'Polly' Williams, b. 8 Mar 1857; d. 19 Mar 1942 in Oregon Co., m. Jessie Parrott 2 May 1873 in Oregon Co.
10. Josephine Williams, b. 21 Jan 1859; d. 20 Jul 1936 in Oregon Co., m. in 1874 to W. Harve Parrott (b. 23 May 1849, d. Feb 1944). Both are buried in Bailey Cemetery.
11. Ira Moss Williams, b. 9 Jul 1864; d. 15 Sep 1936 in Carter Co., Mo., buried Hickory Grove Cemetery, m. 6 Aug 1886 in Oregon Co. to Catherine Harrod [b. 9 Jul 1864 in Daviess Co., Ind., d. 26 Apr 1919 in Oregon Co.]

The Williams' trek to Missouri appears to have been inspired by Sally's father, Thomas Simpson, who migrated there in 1852 and settled on Little Hurricane Creek in Oregon County on the state's southern border.⁵ Born 7 Oct 1796 in Rockingham Co., N.C.,⁶ Thomas was the son of Peter Ryan Simpson⁷ and Elizabeth Cunningham.⁸ An early settler of Middle Tennessee, he was 21 when he married Nancy Moreland on 4 June 1817 in Warren Co., Tenn.⁹ Over the next two decades, Thomas was involved in numerous land transactions in the county. In June 1836 he was appointed justice of the peace for the 12th District.¹⁰ Two years later, he was among the Warren County magistrates who met at Bernard Richardson's on Fall Creek and organized the newly created DeKalb County.¹¹ Thomas' wife Nancy had been born 12 Nov 1794 in Washington District, N.C., which became Carter Co., Tenn., two years later. Her parents were William and Sarah Moreland.¹²

Sally was Thomas and Nancy's first child. They had nine others:

1. Peter Ryan/Rine Simpson [II] - b. 9 Jan 1821 in Warren Co., Tenn.; d. 5 May 1897 in Oregon Co., Mo.; m. (1) on 5 Sept 1841 in Tenn. to Jane Farrell [b. 7 Nov 1822, d. 30 Mar 1855], (2) on 24 Jul 1855 in Oregon Co., to Elender Falkenberry, (3) on 4 June 1871¹³ in Alton, Mo., to Serena/Surienna Boze; (4) on 15 Aug 1878 in Oregon Co. to Emaline Brown [b. 17 Sept 1820, d. 8 Sept 1900]. Peter, a doctor and a Methodist minister, is buried in the cemetery at Wilderness, a community he and his eldest son T. M., established in the mid-1800s. [Source: Ronald Wihebrink. *History of Whites Creek and the Irish Wilderness*, publ. 1970, U.S. Forest Service, USDA]. Peter's wives and some of his children are buried at Powell Cemetery.
2. William Simpson - b. 1824 in Tenn.; d. 1854 in Oregon Co., Mo.¹⁴
3. Richard L. Simpson - b. 26 Jan 1848 in Tenn.; d. 13 June 1907 in Oregon Co., buried in Wilderness Cemetery¹⁵
4. Logan Simpson - b. in Tenn.; d. before 1894.
5. Elizabeth "Betsy" Simpson - b. 7 Feb 1826 in Tenn.; d. 30 Jul 1904 in Oregon Co., Mo.; m. Lemuel Braswell in

⁵ According to an article in *Ozark Graphic*, June 1974, p. 9, Thomas settled on a 440-acre tract north of Alton, Mo., and hired Samuel W. Greer to come from Tennessee and build a grist mill at the foot of the hill near what is now Greer Springs.

⁶ Birthplace is from his son Wright Simpson's death certificate (#33671, Missouri State Board of Health) and birth date from his grave marker in Bailey Cemetery, Oregon Co., Mo.

⁷ Peter was b. ca. 1770 in Guilford Co., N.C., d. May 1850 in Cannon Co., Tenn., m. Elizabeth Cunningham 22 Sept 1795 in Rockingham Co., N.C. Believed to have been the son of Tomas Simpson, he came to Middle Tennessee from Rockingham Co., N.C., and is listed on the 1806 and 1807 Wilson Co., Tenn., tax lists and the 1810 Rutherford Co., Tenn., census. The surname of Peter's first wife is thought to be Wright, and they had a son, Valentine Wright Simpson, b. ca. 1790 in N.C., d. in Mo. after 1860. Peter's children by his second wife, Elizabeth, were probably (1) Elizabeth - b. ca. 1794, m. John Richie 10 Oct 1815 in Rutherford Co., Tenn., (2) Thomas - see above, (3) John - b. 15 Oct 1800 N.C., d. 23 Aug 1869 in Coffee Co., Tenn., (4) David - b. 1803 N.C., d. before 1870; (5) Joseph - b. 1806 Tenn., d. 1878, Madison Co., Ark., (6) Peter - b. 23 Jan 1809 N.C., d. 29 Mar 1894, Cannon Co., Tenn., and Pharaby Simpson - b. 24 Jul 1811, Cannon Co., Tenn., d. 23 Aug 1884, Calloway Co., Ky.

⁸ Elizabeth, daughter of Joseph and Jane Cunningham, b. 1771 in North Carolina, d. after 1850 in Cannon Co., Tenn. She is mentioned in her father's will [Rockingham Co., N.C., Wills, N.C. Archives] and is listed in 1850 Cannon Co., Tenn., census.

⁹ Marriage date and place from Nancy's tombstone in Bailey Cemetery.

¹⁰ Thomas' experience in this role may have whetted his appetite for government service. Shortly after settling in Missouri, he was elected as Oregon County's representative to the state legislature. ["Early Days in Northeast Oregon County" by Lewis Simpson in *Southern Missourian-Democrat*, Alton, Mo., 15 Mar 1934.]

¹¹ Will T. Hale, *History of DeKalb Co., Tenn.*, published 1915, pp. 10, 93.

¹² A suit filed 19 Oct 1812 in Goochland Co., Va., Court Records, Bk. 28 (LSD microfilm roll #031, 683) lists Nancy as a minor and daughter of William Moreland, deceased. She later inherited land on Roan's Creek from her father's estate. Her father was a soldier in the Continental Line during the Revolutionary War, participating in the battle at Saratoga where Burgoyne surrendered. [Source: North Carolina Archives *Revolutionary Army Accounts*, Vol. 102, Folio 2, State of North Carolina, No. 166.] Her mother's maiden name is unknown.

¹³ Oregon Co., Mo., Marriage Book A, p. 182

¹⁴ Thomas before his death deeded all of his land [450 acres] to son Wright Simpson on the condition that he "take care of my son William, a helpless boy, and bury him decently." Source: Oregon Co., Mo., Deed Book 4, p. 287

¹⁵ *Cemeteries of Oregon Co.*, op. cit., p. 133

- DeKalb Co., Tenn., in 1846.¹⁶ **Lemuel** (b. ca. 1814 in Warren Co., Tenn., d. 6 Mar 1905 in Oregon Co.), was a tailor.
6. **John Simpson** - b. 1830 in Tenn.; married before 1855 to **Martha Jane Harbin** (b. Tenn.)¹⁷
7. **Thomas Carey Simpson** - b. 26 Dec 1832 in Tenn.; d. 1897 in Sevier Co., Ark.; m. (1) **Lucilla K. Rhoads** 21 Feb 1856 in Oregon Co., Mo., (2) **Mary Ann Whitten** on 18 Feb 1860 in Oregon County. [Marriage Records of Oregon County, Vol. 1, p. 17]. **Mary Ann**, b. 15 Jan 1842 in Murray Co., Ga., d. 6 Apr 1928 in Sevier Co., Ark.] Thomas was ordained a Baptist minister in Oregon County in 1858.¹⁸ He and his family moved to Arkansas about 1883.
8. **Wade Hampton Simpson** - b. 28 Nov 1834 in Tenn.; died 11 May 1920 in Oregon Co., Mo; buried in Hall Cemetery; m. (1) **Nancy Ellen Waller**, (2) **Eliza Gum** 23 May 1856 in Oregon County.¹⁹
9. **Wright R. Simpson** - b. 14 Oct 1839 in DeKalb Co., Tenn., d. 17 Oct 1913 in Alton, Mo., m. (1) on 5 Jan 1868 in Oregon Co. to **Samantha Cates** [b. 26 Nov 1848, d. 30 Apr 1890 in Hamilton Co., Ill.], (2) on 14 Mar 1897 to Mrs. **Mary Eveline Sloan** (b. 7 Aug 1867, d. 4 Jan 1945). Taught school from 1880-1890, was county judge for 10 years.²⁰

The two Simpson daughters -- **Sally** and **Betsy** -- remained in Tennessee when other family members migrated to Missouri. **Sally** and her husband **Gilbert** made the move a year later in 1853, and daughter **Betsy** and her husband **Lemuel Braswell** two years later. Perhaps one incentive in **Betsy** and **Lemuel**'s relocation was the unusual gift they received at their wedding in 1846: four Tennessee mules, a covered wagon, and \$1,000 in gold.²¹

Two years after **Betsy** and **Lemuel** arrived in Oregon County, her mother **Nancy** died. Her death on 12 Dec 1856 was exactly a month after her 62nd birthday.²²

When the Civil War began, the **Simpsons** and the **Williams** took sides with the Confederacy, as did most of the residents of Oregon County.

According to family tradition, **Gilbert** was injured during the Civil War and later collected a pension. It is possible he was the "**G. Williams**" who was enrolled in McBride's Division and was slightly wounded in action near Springfield, Mo., on 10 Aug 1861.²³ No proof exists that this was **Gilbird** or **Gilbert Williams** of Oregon County. **Gilbert** and **Sally**'s son, **William Logan Williams**, was in the Missouri Guard, and later served in the 2nd Missouri Cavalry along with her brother **Peter**'s son, **Thomas M. Simpson**.

A cave on **Gilbert** and **Sally**'s farm was used for a hiding place for the family and their food. Once while hiding there, the family is said to have been able to hear soldiers marching and singing.

The home of **Sally**'s father, **Thomas Simpson**, was frequently raided by Union soldiers or their scouts in search of his sons, **Peter**, **Tommy**, **Wade**, and **Wright** who were all in the Confederate Army. **Peter** and **Wade**, along with **Samuel W. Greer**, had been among the first men in Oregon County to enlist, enrolling for six months in the Missouri State Guard in 1861 and taking part in the battle of Wilson Creek. **Peter** became captain of Co. D, 2nd Regiment, in **Gen. McBride**'s 7th Division. **Wright** joined Co. B. of the Missouri Guard on 3 Jul 1861. When their six months' enlistment in the state guard expired, they joined the Confederate Army and served under **Gen. Sterling Price**. **Wade** was in Co. N, 15th Missouri Cavalry, and **Wright** served in Co. C of the 10th Regiment, Missouri Infantry. **Betsy**'s husband, **Lemuel Braswell**, was a major in the Confederate army.

During one raid to **Thomas Simpson**'s home in 1863, Union soldiers seized a flintlock gun that had been used in the Revolutionary War and belonged to **Nancy**'s father, **William Moreland**.²⁴ They thrust the gun between the logs of the house, bending the barrel and breaking the stock in two pieces. Then throwing down the gun, the soldiers took **Thomas**' slaves and left. After going some distance, they gave the slaves the choice of going with them or returning to **Thomas**. The slaves chose to return, and **Thomas**, whose numerous skills included gunsmithing, repaired the gun and later used it for hunting deer and turkey.

Son **John Simpson**, also a Confederate soldier, had his horse shot out from under him by Union soldiers while with a scouting party near Eleven Point in the fall of 1863. **John** escaped by riding on the back of a friend's horse.

¹⁶ They moved to Missouri in 1858 according to *Preserve Yesterday, Enrich Tomorrow: Oregon Co., Mo., History Book*, p. 79

¹⁷ Tennessee is identified as her birthplace and **John**'s in death certificate of their daughter, **Nancy Elizabeth Fletcher**. Informant **Joseph Fletcher**. (Missouri Division of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics).

¹⁸ **Albert Lee Carr**: *The Carr and Whitten Families*, published Venice, Fla., 1980, p. 21

¹⁹ Ibid.

²⁰ *The South Missourian-Democrat*, Alton, Mo., 7 Sept 1911

²¹ *Preserve Yesterday, Enrich Tomorrow: Oregon Co., Mo., History Book*, p. 79

²² In 1859 **Thomas** took a second wife, **Joanna Warren** [1829-1876] of Wilson Co., Tenn. [Birth, death dates from *Cemeteries of Oregon County*]

²³ Confederate men in Missouri didn't always use full names when enrolling because the penalties were severe if discovered by the Union troops.

²⁴ **Lewis Simpson** article, op. cit.

They followed Union troops back to Alton where **John** sneaked into their corral, picked out a good horse, and eased out with it before being caught.

In reporting the incident to his commanding officer, **Union Capt. Robert McElroy** of the Third Missouri State Militia Cavalry commented, "Any man that can creep on his belly into a camp of Federals and steal a horse is entitled to the name and rank of Captain."²⁵ He no doubt was referring to Tennessee-born **John Simpson**.²⁶

In his report, **Capt McElroy** also took note of the behaviour of Oregon County women, saying, "I am of the opinion that women in the region are even more daring and treacherous and, in fact, are worse than the men as we found in their possession a number of newly made rebel uniforms."

While the captain described the women as "treacherous," others might label them "courageous."

It took courage, for instance, for women of the **Simpson** family to compete with Union troops in harvesting the corn on their own farm. According to **Mary Jane (Warren) Bailey**, who was 17 and living on the **Simpson** farm with her parents the year the county courthouse was burned, federal troops moved into the area and proceeded to make camp near the corn field on the **Simpson** farm. When the soldiers started harvesting corn from the **Simpson** field, all the women on the farm gathered up baskets and other containers and started gathering corn, too.

"The faster the soldiers snapped the corn, the harder we worked and heaped what we gathered near the house and guarded it," **Mrs. Bailey** recalled. "That was all we had for our daily bread until harvest time the following year."²⁷

After the war, the Missouri legislature passed a law disqualifying all former Confederate soldiers from holding public office. Sixty-nine year old **Thomas Simpson** was not affected by it, however, having been unable to serve in the army since he was over military age. Consequently, he was one of three men elected to the Oregon County Court after the war. At that time, many of the county's law-abiding citizens were being robbed and otherwise victimized by roaming bands of outlaws that included Union Army deserters, Confederates seeking revenge against Union men, and others never affiliated with a military unit. Thanks to **Thomas'** leadership, a local militia was soon formed and succeeded in putting down the outlaws and restoring order to the county.

Thomas died 19 Mar 1873.

On 12 July 1884, his daughter **Sally** and her husband, **Gilbert Williams** sold 1½ acres of land in District #3 for building or repairing the Bildad Church so that it could be used as a place of worship and as a school.²⁸ The following year they sold additional land to **W.N. Evans** of Howell County and **M.B. Clark** of Oregon County for \$150.²⁹

Two years later, on 15 Aug 1887, **Sally** died.

Gilbert continued to live in their family home near Greer. Their son, **Ira** and his wife, **Kitty**, moved in to look after him. In 1891, **Gilbert** died in his sleep. ■

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²⁶ After the war, when **John** became a circuit-riding Methodist preacher, he was often reminded of the incident. His stock reply was, "I didn't steal that horse. I merely appropriated it to take the place of the one they shot from under me." [Source: Lewis Simpson: *Oregon County's Three Flags, Six County Seats Via the Horse & Buggy*. 2nd Edition, 1980, published by Thayer News, Thayer, Mo.]

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Nashville Board Selects Teachers For 1871-72 Term

Teachers selected by the Nashville board of education for the public school session to open 28 August 1871 were announced in the *Nashville Union & American* on 3 July.

Professor S. Y. Caldwell was superintendent of Nashville city schools. Teachers named were:

Messrs: James S. Fall, Z. H. Brown, John Baldwin, S. S. Woolwine, E. Perkins, and G. W. Hubbard.

Misses: M. A. Watson, Mary D. McClelland, Aurelia Wharton, Lou. Ewing, Lillie Ford, Sallie Carothers, Julia T. Blackman, Annie Crandall, Emma Clemons, Alice Clemons, Rusba E. Cook, Bettie Harriford, Alexina Fletcher, Jesse Latimer, Lizzie Spivery, Fannie Battle, Marilla Edis, Gussie Larcombe, Helen M. Haslock, Ella R. Irwine, Mattie L. Nance, Mary J. Harding, Laura A. Moseley, Alice Huff, Carrie Anderson, Fannie B. Willis, Alice B. Clemons, Emma Thompson, Mag. W. Siefert, Sallie Austin, Mag. R. Smith, Kate Lyon, Sue Eddy, Lizzie Morrison, C. W. Halbert, Carrie Patton, Mary A. Rodan, J. A. Fisher, Lucy A. Lea, Mary A. Cooper, Lucy P. Geyer, and S. A. Funston.

Mrs. Mary C. Bruce.

The board announced that teachers would be assigned to their respective schools at a meeting 25 August at Hume School. It also adopted a resolution stating that the school month for teachers would consist of 21 days with the first Saturday in each scholastic month being devoted to exercises of a Normal Class for their mental improvement as provided for in school regulations. ■

McIntyre Death in Nashville

George S. McIntyre died at his residence on Washington Street in South Nashville on the morning of 5 Jul 1871 in the 44th year of his age.

-*Nashville Union & American*, 6 Jul 1871 ■

An Elopement Makes The News in 1885

The Memphis Appeal carried the following story in its 5 Feb 1885 issue:

"It was a very nervous theatre party that started out from the residence of A. E. Kennedy, 292 Vance st., at a little before 8 o'clock last evening, but fortunately for themselves the excitable manner of at least two of the quintet escaped notice.

"Thomas B. Walker, clever and popular young gentleman well known in the city, walked off with Miss Eva, charming brunette daughter of Mr. Kennedy, clinging with the desperation of a forbidden affection to his left arm and joining a friend of his who had succeeded in obtaining the consent of Miss Mamie Fizer to accompany him in the wedding of the eloping pair, they drove in company to the residence of Rev. Father Kline of St. Mary's Church on Poplar st.

"A friend had already procured the necessary papers from the County Court clerk and made the reverend father understand the nature of the duty he was expected to perform. The church was lighted up for the occasion and in the shortest possible space of time the two loving hearts were welded into one.

"Apartments had already been secured at the Clarendon Hotel whither the bride and groom were driven without delay.

"Determined to face the music at once, Walker dispatched a messenger to the residence of the bride's father who arrived on the scene with the young lady's mother and sister in so short a time that the suddenness of their appearance caused the young man to catch his breath very short and to throw the bride into a fainting fit.

"A great many tears were shed and there was quite a commotion in the quarter of the hotel until nearly midnight when the dove of peace descended, mama and papa departed, the garish gas was turned very low, and quiet reigned." ■

Dead Before His Time

(From the *Franklin Gazette* of 1 Dec 1821)

Henry Rutherford, Esq., is announced to be dead in the *Nashville Clarion* of the 20th inst. Mr. Rutherford passed through this place on the 24th inst. and is not only alive and in good health but declares that the report of his death was all a fudge. This was literally killing a man before his time came. ■

Union City Resident Learns He Is Heir To New York Estate

A. M. Barker, one of Union City's highly respected citizens, received information from a New York attorney that he was one of the heirs to an estate valued at \$2 million. The *Memphis Commercial Appeal* reported 1st Oct 1900 that the estate was left by Barker's great-grandfather, Martin Key of Virginia.

It seems that Key had a 99-year lease on land which was later occupied by the greater part of the city of Brooklyn, N.Y., and the term of the lease had expired. In addition to the New York property, the Key estate included 7,000 acres of land at and near Owensboro, Ky., and vast tracts in Virginia. In what today appears to be a gross underestimation, the paper reported that Mr. Barker's share of the estate would be about \$1 million. ■

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

Q. From a population standpoint, what was the largest county in Tennessee in 1820?

A. Maury County. In 1820 it encompassed parts of what are now Marshall and Lewis counties, and had a population of 15,622, including 6,420 slaves and 45 free colored.

Q. What is the only county in Tennessee named for a woman?

A. Grainger. It was named for Mary Grainger, wife of Tennessee Governor William Blount, and daughter of Col. Cabel Grainger of Wilmington, N.C. She and Blount were married 12 Feb 1778. ■

Post Office Blamed For Halt of Emancipation Monthly

An emancipation movement was afoot in Tennessee as early as 1814. A partial history of the movement can be gleaned from the pages of a relatively short-lived publication entitled *Genius of Universal Emancipation*.¹

Benjamin Lundy was editor of the monthly which sold for \$1 per year and was published at Greeneville in East Tennessee. The paper apparently was the voice of the Manumission Society of Tennessee. *The Genius*, in its issue of September 1822, announced that the society would hold its 8th annual convention at Lost Creek Meeting House in Jefferson County 12-13 August 1823.

Representatives from the society's various branches were identified as:

GREENE - **John Marshall, Samuel M'Neas, David Stanfield**

MARYVILLE - **David Delzil, Aaron Hackney, Andrew Cowan**

BETHESDA - **Isaiah Harrison**

HICKORY VALLEY - **John Coulson, William Lee**

NOLICHUCKY - **Lawrence Earnest**

TURKEY CREEK - **William Milliken**

WASHINGTON - **Joseph Tucker**

FRENCH BROAD - **William Snoddy, John M'Crosky**

HOLSTON - **Jesse Lockhart, James M. Campbell**

JEFFERSON - **John Caldwell, James Caldwell, Elisha Hammer**

MIDDLE CREEK - **John Kerr**

John Coulson and **Jesse Lockhart** were nominated to superintend the election of officers.

When the Society convened, **James Jones** was re-elected president. Other officers named for 1823 were **Thomas Doan**, clerk, and **Asa Gray**, treasurer. The convention passed a resolution requesting each member of the Society to contribute 12½ cents or as much more as he pleased to defray the organization's expenses. **President Jones** was requested to prepare a memorial to Congress on the subject of slavery and read it at the next convention in August 1823. **Jones** also was authorized to employ an agent to travel as far as the Society's funds would permit to promote the institution's objectives.

In the monthly's third year of publication, Editor **Lundy** announced that he was moving the publication to Baltimore, Maryland.

Was it because of Southerners' attitude toward slavery?

Apparently not.

Lundy blamed the move on the post office department, claiming he was losing between 200-300 subscriptions due to mismanagement of the mail.

His letter, published in the June 1824 issue, reads as follows:

"It has ever been my steady aim to inculcate the opinion that Slavery is a *national evil* in the most emphatical sense of the word, and that the exertion of people in all parts of the United States will be requisite to affect its abolition....Circulation [of this paper] has extended to nearly every state in the Union. When I began publication, I realized that one of the Atlantic cities would be the most suitable place for its publication but, finding that the Manumission Society of Tennessee had procured a printing press, I decided to locate in Tennessee. When I did so, I was not aware of the extent of mismanagement in the mail department and the sacrifice of between 200-300 subscriptions to my paper has been the consequence. Packets so frequently get wet and damaged -- in many cases before they are taken into Stage Coaches that the Papers are often mutilated and many never reach the place of their destination. The Post Master-General has, it appears, used every exertion to correct these abuses but without success."

Lundy then assured local readers he would make arrangements to circulate the publication in Tennessee and parts adjacent following his relocation.

"I shall ever take as deep an interest in the affairs of this benevolent association as I have ever done," he said. "The favorable impressons of the virtuous sentiments of its members, my view of the noble stand they have taken and the unshaken perseverance with which they have pursued their object amidst the greatest discouragements cannot soon be effaced from my memory."■

¹ Microfilm of the publication, on the same roll as other Greeneville, Tenn., newspapers, is available at the Memphis-Shelby Co., Tenn., Public Library.

Sheriff Seeks to Collect Three Years of Unpaid Taxes

James W. Judkins, sheriff and collector of public taxes, reported to the Hardin County Court session of Jan 1824 that taxes were due and unpaid on certain tracts of land for the years 1821, 1822, and 1833. Lists of the property owners involved were printed in the 13 Feb and 20 Feb 1824 issues of the *Knoxville Gazette*. Hardin County had been created in 1819 from the Western District (Indian lands), and its county seat at that time was Hardinsville. David Robinson was county court clerk.

In the first legal notice, Judkins said the following tracts, all in District 9, "having omitted to be given in for taxes for the year 1821" were liable to double tax which was due and unpaid and that the owners or claimants had no goods or chattels in the county which he could "distrain" for double taxes:

<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
Anderson, William	87	Shute, Thomas	153, 300, 320, 320,
Baird, John L.	640		320, 240, 192 $\frac{3}{4}$, 240
Brown, Hamilton	640	Shute, Thos. & Botty, B.	436
Carson, John H.	640	Shapherd, William	640
Chaimbers, John	400, 100	Simington, John	640
Choat, John	100	Smith, Richard	1,000
Campbell, W. & Cathy, George	115	Spraggins, Samuel	25 $\frac{3}{4}$
Falls, William	100	Scott, John	320
Hughlett, William	100, 300	Washington, Thomas	247
Jones, Henderson & Calvin	223	Whitehead, William	100
Kirkpatrick, John	250	Wilson, David	549
Mc'Jaes, John	100	Williams, Claiburn	100
Mc'Nairy, John	47	Hardin, James	480, 160, 160
Napier, Richard C.	261		125, 160, 100, 133 $\frac{1}{2}$
Polk, Thomas	257 $\frac{1}{2}$, 320	Hardin, Joseph	2,000
Polk, Samuel	400	Higgins, Powel	274
Roberts, J. & H.	340	Williams, Samuel	100, 69

The Hardin County Court ordered the sale of the tracts or "so much of them as shall be sufficient to satisfy the double taxes, costs, and charges." Sheriff Judkin announced he would sell the tracts at a public auction at the courthouse in Hardinsville on 20 May 1824. The sheriff said he would sell on the same date, the land on which taxes for the year 1822 were due and unpaid. This list of 28 property owners or claimants also appeared in the 13 Feb 1824 issue of the Knoxville paper.

<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
Armstrong, John	500	Napier, Richard C.	261
Anderson, William	87 $\frac{1}{2}$	Owens, John	840
Baird, John L.	640	Polk, Thomas	257, 320
Chisolm, John	100	Polk, Samuel	400
Cathy, Geo. & Wm. Campbell	115	Petty, Hubbard	33
Falls, William	100	Reed, John	532
Garland, John for president		Robinson, Felix	59
& trustees, Univ. of N. C.	274	Shute, Thomas	153, 301, 320, 320,
Gardner, Thomas	160		240, 320, 192 $\frac{3}{4}$, 240
Hibbets, Robt. H.	340	Shute, Thomas	100, 240, 50
Jones, Henderson & Calvin	228	Shute, Thos. & Bosly, Beal	430
Howell, William	150	Simington, John	640
Harris, Thomas	500	Smith, Richard	1,000
Mc'Call, Alexander	65 $\frac{1}{4}$	Spraggins, Samuel	25 $\frac{3}{4}$
Mc'Nairy, John	47 $\frac{1}{2}$	Wilson, David	549

On 20 Feb 1824, **Sheriff Judkin** ran a new notice in which he reported double taxes due and unpaid for the year 1822 on eight tracts of land not included in the previous week's announcement. This land, he stated, would be added to the 20 May sale.

<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
Neely, Powell H.	10	Buram, Peter	38
Grove, Henson	50	McClintock, Alexander	18
Scott, Rosomond P.	23, 37	Garland, Jno. & Jas. Robinson	228
		Lester, Fountain	640

Another notice on 20 Feb 1824 announced tracts of land in Hardin County whose owners or claimants would be subject to double taxes for the year 1823:

<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>	<u>Owner or Claimant</u>	<u>Acreage</u>
Burom, Peter	38, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$, 110	Miller, Andrew	640
Barrs, Silas - heirs of	320	Napier, Richard C.	261
Harris, Richard C.	50	Owens, John	340, 187
Kellon, William	1,000	Polk, Samuel	340
Lester, Fountain	7, 59	Petty, Hubbard	33, 300
Anderson, William	7	Polk, S. & Swanson, P.	160
Bradfield, Wyt & Dickson, Saml	640	Reed, John	588
Cathy, Geo. & Wm. Campbell	115	Robertson, Felix	59
Pinckney, D. & Cannagh, P.	100	Shute, Thomas	153, 301, 320, 320, 35
Dooly, Nathaniel	288		240, 320, 132 $\frac{3}{4}$, 240,
Dinkins, Samuel	154		100, 240, 50, 115, 39
Goodman, Samuel	357	Thompson, Robt.	100
Herborts, Robt. H.	340	Washington, Thomas	247
Jones, Henderson & Calvin	220	Wilson, David	547
Harris, Thomas	500	Williams, Sampson	86, 88
Mc'Call, Alexander	65 $\frac{1}{2}$	Wilson, William	7 $\frac{3}{4}$
Mc'Nairy, John	47	Williams, Thomas	160 ■

The Name's Gillespie -- Or Is It Galespy? Gellespee? Glaspie?

TGS Member **Thurman Jackson**, Ellendale, Tenn., was researching his **Gillespie** line recently when he noticed that it seemed to be spelled differently every time he came across it in a census, deed, will, or some other record. Just for the fun of it, he decided to start keeping a list of the various spellings. How many do you think he ended up with? Here they are -- count 'em:¹

Gillespie	Gillespee	Gillespe	Gillespi	Gillespei	Gillispie	Gillispe
Gillispy	Gillispee	Gillispei	Gillaspie	Gillapy	Gellespie	Gellespe
Gellespee	Gellespy	Gellespy	Gellispie	Gellispe	Gelllaspy	Gellaspie
Gellaspie	Gellaspie	Gilespe	Gilespe	Gilespee	Gilespey	Gilespi
Gilespy	Gelespie	Gelespe	Gelespee	Gelespey	Gelespy	Gelispi
Gelispe	Gelispey	Gelispy	Galaspie	Galaspy	Galespy	Galespee
Galespie	Glaspy	Glaspey	Glaspie			

¹ At our last count, it was 46

Stewart-Collier

Capt. and Mrs. C. Miles Collier have issued cards inviting friends to be present at the marriage of their daughter, **Miss Euphan Marshall Collier**, to **Dr. William Weaver Stewart** on Wednesday afternoon, the 23rd November [1892] at the Church of the Heavenly Rest in New York City. The young lady went from Memphis to New York a year or two ago to study art and has since been joined by her parents who will probably reside there permanently.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 10 Nov 1892

McCorry-Henderson

Married on Wednesday last [12 Dec 1838] by **Rev. A. Stephens, Col. Henry W. McCorry** to **Miss Corinna A. Henderson**, daughter of the late **Col. Thomas Henderson**, all of Madison County.

-*District Telegraph & State Sentinel*,
Jackson, Tenn., 14 Dec 1838

Clouston-Sowell

Married at the residence of the bride's father in Maury County by **Rev. F. H. Davis, Mr. William G. Clouston** of this place to **Miss Dora Sowell**.

-*Franklin Review*, 30 Sept 1865

Balthrop-Cooper

Married on 5th Sep 1871 at the National Hotel, **Major William Balthrop** and **Miss Mary R. Cooper**, both of Clarksville.

-*Clarksville Chronicle*, 9 Sept 1871

Freeman-Matthews

Thomas J. Freeman, Jr., a son of **Judge Freeman** of the Supreme Court bench and one of the most promising young lawyers of the state, will be married Tuesday evening [28 Feb 1882] in Trenton [Gibson County] to **Miss Sallie Matthews**.

-*Nashville Banner*, 27 Feb 1882

Patterson-Powell

At the residence of **Mr. C. T. Patterson** on Vance St. last night, **Miss Willie S. Patterson** and **Mr. Henry R. Powell** were united in matrimony.

-*Memphis Public Ledger*, 11 Dec 1879

Tennessee Marriages

Wedding Bells Ring Out-- Appropriately, In Bells

Three marriages in three days set the town of Bells, Tenn., aflutter during the week of 13 Jan 1885.

A dispatch from Crockett County, published in the *Memphis Appeal* of 24 Jan, described the events this way:

"The first couple taking vows for life were **Mr. Seph Fletcher** of McKenzie and **Miss Mollie Gregory** of Johnston Grove of this county, a remarkably fine-looking bride and groom.

"Next to assume marriage vows were the distinguished, divine **M. M. Taylor, D.D.**, pastor of the Methodist Church here, and **Miss Mary Ross**, sister of our popular depot agent. The ceremony was performed by the **Rev. Mr. King** of McKenzie in an impressive manner at the Methodist Church. By the way they were congratulated and the smiles which wreathed their happy faces, we can well augur for them joy, peace, and a happy married life.

"Yesterday (12 Jan) **Dr. Wilson** of Oxford, Miss., and **Miss Donna Winburn** of this place were married by the **Rev. Mr. Brown** at the bride's home. They left on the 11 o'clock train for **Dr. Wilson's** home. We tend to **Miss Donna** and her husband best wishes and assure the doctor he has captured one of the best and sweetest of women."

McEwen-Shute

Married on Thursday morning, 28 Sept [1865], by **Rev. A. N. Cunningham**, **Mr. James P. McEwen** to **Miss Nannie Shute**, all of Williamson County.

-*Franklin Review*, 30 Sept 1865

Brownlow-Cliffe

Married on Tuesday evening last, [3 Oct 1865], **Gen. James F. Brownlow** and **Miss Belle Cliffe**, daughter of **Dr. D. B. Cliffe** of this place.

-*Franklin Review*, 7 Oct 1865

Knight-Sevier

Married at Calvary Church last night [27 Apr 1865], **Mr. William B. Knight** to **Miss Mary C. Sevier**, daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Sevier**, all of Memphis.

-*Memphis Argus*, 28 Apr 1865

Garrett-Tucker

Married at the residence of the bride's father on 29th Oct 1875, **Mr. William Garrett** and **Miss Elizabeth Tucker**. Attendants were **Mr. James Garrett** with **Miss Sallie J. Cotton**, **Mr. William Sweeney** with **Miss Sallie Garrett**.

-*Franklin Review & Journal*, 4 Nov 1875

Mehegan-Ogburn

At Mount Pleasant Church in Montgomery County, **Mr. Cornelius Mehegan** of New Providence to **Miss E. Irene Ogburn** of this county.

-*Clarksville Chronicle*, 9 Sept 1871

Page-Williams

On 7th Sept in Clarksville, **Mr. Robert B. Page** and **Mrs. Angeline Williams**, all of this city.

-*Clarksville Chronicle*, 9 Sept 1871

Cochran-Taylor

Married at the residence of **H. L. Taylor, Esq.**, in Haywood County on Thursday, 24 Jul 1879, **Mr. R. L. Cochran** of Memphis and **Miss Mamie P. Taylor**.

-*Memphis Daily Appeal*, 30 Jul 1879

Holmes-Brooks

Married 20 Jul 1879 by **Rev. J. E. Berk** at the residence of **Mr. J. A. M'Connell** near Jordan Station, Ky., **Rev. Thomas C. Holmes**, pastor of Saffarans Street Methodist Church in Memphis, and **Mrs. Clara P. Brooks**, also of this city.

-*Memphis Daily Appeal*, 30 Jul 1879

Breazeale-Margraves

Married at Kingston on Thursday evening, 28th Jan 1824, by **Rev. William Eagleton, J. W. M. Breazeale, Esq.**, attorney at law, to **Miss Betsey Margraves**, both of that place.

-*Knoxville Register*, 13 Feb 1824

Warner-Miller

Mr. Fred J. Warner and Miss Sallie D. Miller, both of Bartlett, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. N. Miller, at 7:30 p.m. on 6 Jan 1886, the Rev. J. P. Walker officiating.

Present were F. L. Warner, B. J. Kimbrough and wife, F. L. Welter, Mrs. H. J. Heister, and C. H. Whitmore, Memphis; J. T. Ellis and wife, Dr. N. Blackwell, Miss Willie Blackwell, Thomas B. Crenshaw and wife, W. H. O'Neil and wife, Esquire W. R. Cross and wife, Dr. Cochran and wife, Miss Lizzie Pope, Miss Eda Cannon, Miss Redditt, R. L. Wright, William Redditt and wife, G. E. Newhartie, John Newhartie, Felix Truss and wife, George Blackwell, J. S. Williamson, Lilly Warner, and Avery Warner, all of Bartlett; C. H. Caldwell and wife, Raleigh.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 12 Jan 1886

Campbell-Smith

Married 4th Dec 1823 by Rev. R. H. King, Mr. David Campbell to Miss Jane Smith, daughter of William Smith, all of Grassy Valley.

-Knoxville Register, 9 Jan 1824

Love-Wheeler

Married 11th Jan [1824], Mr. John Love, Esq., of Kentucky to Miss Mary Emily H. Wheeler, second daughter of Benjamin Wheeler of Walnut Cove in Campbell County.

-Knoxville Register, 13 Jan 1824

McMillian-Kennedy

Married Tuesday, 30 Dec 1823, Mr. James McMillian of Blount County to Miss Nancy H. Kennedy of Knox County.

-Knoxville Register, 9 Jan 1824

Mann Sisters Plan Double Wedding

Cards are out announcing the approaching marriages at Pine Bluff, Ark., on 17 Jan 1900 of Miss Eva Mann to Mr. William Brasher of Pine Bluff and Miss Emma Mann to Mr. Abraham Konx of Paducah, Ky. These charming young ladies were reared and attended college in Brownsville, Tenn.

-Memphis Commercial Appeal, 4 Jan 1900

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Grills-Smith

Married on Thursday last [22 Jan 1824] by Rev. John Haynie, Mr. Thomas J. Grills to Miss Martha Smith, daughter of Henry Smith of Knox County.

-Knoxville Register, 30 Jan 1824

Center-Gallagher

Married 23 Dec 1823 by Rev. William Eagleton, Capt. Francis K. Center to Miss Nancy A. Gallaher, daughter of Maj. James Gallaher, all of Roane County.

-Knoxville Register, 20 Feb 1824

Scott-Odel

Married on Thursday evening, 12th Feb 1824, by Rev. Thomas H. Nelson, Mr. William Scott to Miss Ann Odel, both of Knox County.

-Knoxville Register, 20 Feb 1824

McKee-Anderson

Married on 17th Mar 1870 at the residence of the bride's mother on Nola Chucky River by Rev. John Taylor, Mr. Gilbert McKee and Miss Sally Anderson.

-Jonesboro Union Flag, 8 Apr 1870

Payne-Bennett

Married on the 29th Mar 1870 at the residence of Mr. W. G. Payne by Rev. William Reed, Mr. A. B. Payne and Margaret A. Bennett, all of Washington County.

-Jonesboro Union Flag, 8 Apr 1870

Crouch-Lady

Married at the Baptist Church, Fall Branch, Tenn., on the 31st Mar 1870 at 7 p.m. by Rev. W. A. Keen, Mr. A. L. J. Crouch and Miss S. Amanda Lady.

-Jonesboro Union Flag, 8 Apr 1870

Price-Taylor

Married in Buffalo Church, Carter County, on 27 Mar 1870 by Rev. Daniel McIlstarff, Dr. John E. Price of Washington County and Miss Sarah E. Taylor, daughter of Dr. Casewell Taylor.

-Jonesboro Union Flag, 8 Apr 1870.

McFall-Hoffman

Married on 28th Nov 1865 at the residence of Andrew Futrell in Franklin, Tenn., by Rev. W. L. Rosser, Capt. Francis M. McFall, late of the 8th Tennessee Cavalry, to Elizabeth F. Hoffman of Franklin.

-Jonesboro Union Flag, 8 Dec 1865

Hale-Vance

Married on 29 Nov 1865 at the residence of the bride's mother in Asheville, N.C., by Rev. G. Taylor, Mr. Hugh D. Hale, Jr., of Jonesboro, Tenn., to Miss Sallie P. Vance of Asheville.

-Jonesboro Union Flag, 8 Dec 1865

Howard-Polk

Married on the evening of 30th Dec 1834 by Rev. Dr. Stephens, Mr. Wardlow Howard, merchant, to Miss Mary Polk, daughter of Willie Polk, Esq., all of this county.

-Bolivar Free Press & Farmers' Herald, 14 Jan 1835

Lokey-Farris

Married on 27th Sep 1854 by Rev. P. A. Walker, Mr. J. P. Lokey of Fayette County to Miss Mary Ann Farris of Hardeman County.

-West Tenn. Democrat, Bolivar, 4 Oct 1854

Crowe-Denton

A quiet and pretty home wedding occurred yesterday afternoon [31 Dec 1899] at 5:30 when Mr. James T. Crowe and Miss Lydia Barrington Denton were married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. B. Denton, 58 Union Ave., Rev. A. R. Wilson officiating. The bridal couple will be with her family until Thursday when they will leave for their future home in Little Rock.

-Memphis Commercial Appeal, 1 Jan 1900

Cannon-Reid

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Cannon of Memphis have issued cards announcing the forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Katherin Anna Cannon, to Mr. John Stonewall Reid on 24 Jan 1900 at their home at 107 Washington Street.

-Memphis Commercial Appeal, 4 Jan 1900

Kennedy-Heard

Married on Thursday, 15th Jan 1824 by Rev. David Wear, Mr. James Kennedy, Sr., of this place to Mrs. Nancy Heard of McMinn County. - Knoxville Register, 23 Jan 1824

Rodgers-Minson

Mr. G. B. Rodgers of Memphis and Miss Annie May Minson were married last Wednesday [27 Dec 1899] in Richmond, Va. They are now at home at 401 Shelby St.

-Memphis Commercial Appeal, 6 Jan 1900

Franklin-McCleary

Married on 16 Dec 1823 by Rev. Elijah Rogers, Mr. John Franklin to Miss Sally McCleary, all of Sevier County. -Knoxville Register, 9 Jan 1824

Moseley-Ransom

Married at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. M. King, in Rutherford County on 27th Apr 1880 by Rev. J. M. Jordan, the Hon. Thomas G. Moseley of Bedford county. They will make their home at Bellbuckle, Tenn.

-Murfreesboro Free Press, 30 Apr 1880

Hill-Clemmons

Married at Kuttawa, Ky., on 26th Apr 1880, Mr. Eldredge Hill of Murfreesboro and Miss Ida Clemmons of Sumner County.

-Murfreesboro Free Press, 30 Apr 1880

Spellings-Boyd

Mr. L. L. Spellings and Miss Emma Boyd, popular young people in Buena Vista [Carroll County], were united in marriage Sunday at the bride's home, Rev. Fleetwood Ball officiating.

-Memphis Morning News Sunday, 4 May 1902

Collins-Cox

Mr. J J. Collins, Esq., of Milan and Miss Annie V. Cox of Trenton were united in marriage at the latter's home on 30 Apr 1902. Rev. W. J. Nailer officiated. They will reside in Trenton.

-Memphis Morning News, 4 May 1902

Tennessee Marriages

Some Rutherford County Marriages

(From the Murfreesboro, Tenn., News,
3 Jan 1873)

20 Dec 1872 - Harvey Kimbro and Miss Anna Heath

21 Dec 1872 - J. T. Herrod and Martha J. Fleming

23 Dec 1872 - Benjamin Pool and Mary Thompson

24 Dec 1872 - Ben Duffel and Francis Williams; Logan Aubury and Mary C. Kelton; J. N. Harman and [Miss] B. C. Harrison

26 Dec 1872 - J. K. P. Arbuckle and Mrs. M. J. Crouch

27 Dec 1872 - Andrew J. Guy and Mrs. Sarah C. Kirby

1 Jan 1873 - Richard Tallifero and Mrs. Mary Bennett



Hale-Vickers

Mr. John Hale, Jr., of Big Sandy Junction, Tenn., and Miss Nola Vickers of Houston County were married Saturday, 26 Apr 1902, by Rev. W. A. Watts at the residence of Daniel Couch.

-Memphis Morning News, Sunday, 4 May 1902

Shannon-Garner

Married at the residence of the bride's mother in Murfreesboro by Rev. F. R. Hill on 19 Dec [1872], Mr. W. A. Shannon and Miss N. A. Garner.

-Murfreesboro News, 3 Jan 1873

Jordan-Ready

Married on 1st Jan [1873], Mr. Leland Jordan and Miss Ella L. Ready, both of Rutherford County. She is the youngest daughter of the Hon. Charles Ready, who for a number of years was a member of Congress, and he is the son of E. L. Jordan, Esq., highly respected citizen of Murfreesboro. The couple left by train for a bridal trip to New Orleans.

-Murfreesboro News, 3 Jan 1873

Hastings-Crunk

Married on Thursday evening, 22 Nov 1872, Mr. J. W. Hastings of Bedford County to Miss Mollie L. Crunk of Marshall County.

-Shelbyville Rescue, 29 Nov 1872

Curtiss-Smith

Married yesterday [7 Mar 1872] at the residence of Samuel Neeley by Elder W. R. Dixon, Mr. John W. Curtiss and Miss Maggie Smith.

-Shelbyville Commercial, 8 Mar 1872

Boamer-Freeman

Married at the residence of her father on 29 Feb 1872 by Dr. S. Bowling, Mr. W. R. Boamer and Miss Bettie Freeman.

-Shelbyville Commercial, 8 Mar 1872

Bridges-Smith

Mr. Thomas J. Bridges and Miss Florence M. Smith of Murfreesboro were married at the residence of the bride's father.

-Murfreesboro Monitor, 6 Feb 1873

Pritchett-Meconnekin

Married at the residence of the bride's mother in Murfreesboro on the evening of 4 Feb 1873 by Rev. G. T. Henderson, Mr. Thomas J. Pritchett of The Murfreesboro News to Miss Margie Meconnekin.

-Murfreesboro Monitor, 6 Feb 1873

Weaver-Bolles

Married by Rev. J. P. Weaver at the residence of the bride's mother here on 26th Dec [1872], Mr. Frank Weaver and Miss Mattie Bolles.

-Murfreesboro Monitor, 3 Jan 1873

Watts-Brown

Married on 22 Dec [1872] at the Central Hotel by Rev. Hill, Mr. L. C. Watts and Miss Mollie Brown.

-Murfreesboro Monitor, 3 Jan 1873

Smith-Lillard

Married on 26 Dec [1872] at the residence of the bride's father, Mr. Will Smith and Miss Tennie Lillard.

-Murfreesboro Monitor, 3 Jan 1873

Knoxville Aldermen Elect 1824 Officials

The board of aldermen for the corporation of Knoxville met on Saturday evening, 10 Jan 1824, and chose **James Park, Esq.**, mayor, according to the *Knoxville Register*.

Mr. James H. Cowan was elected one of the board to supply the vacancy occasioned by the non-acceptance of the appointment by **Dr. Joseph C. Strong**. *The Register* reported that the board then proceeded to ballot for town constable, and elected **Mr. Thomas Aikin**.

The Clock That Kept On Ticking and Ticking

Rev. and Mrs. James C. Stevenson, living near Bryson in Giles County, were reported in 1882 to have a clock that was nearly 75 years old, in good running order, and still keeping good time.

A story about the couple and their clock was reprinted from the *Pulaski Herald* in the 27 Feb 1882 issue of the *Memphis Public Ledger*. The clock was described as standing on the floor with its top reaching nearly to the ceiling. Its pendulum had a "slow and steady" swing, and its striking, though clear, had a "peculiar doleful sound."

The valuable old relic was reported to have been bought and ordered by **Mr. Duncan Brown**, father of **Mrs. Stevenson** and ex-governors **Neill S.** and **John C. Brown**.

Allowing for the time the clock had been out for repairs, it was calculated that during the clock's 75 years, its hammer had made 4,270,000 strokes, telling the hour of the day 250,000 times. Concluded the report, "There are probably few or no clocks that have been as serviceable as this one, and indications are that it will be a good time piece many years longer."

Check It Out!

Your mailing label, that is. It may be time for you to renew. Don't miss out on all the Tennessee genealogical gems we're lining up for you in upcoming issues for the year 2000!

1874 Moore County Directory

(From the *Fayetteville Observer*, 5 Mar 1874)

John A. Norman, Sheriff
James P. Spencer, Deputy Sheriff
W. P. Hickerson, Circuit Court Judge
W. R. Waggoner, Circuit Court Clerk
James H. Holman, Attorney General
A. S. Marks, Chancellor
E. Y. Salmon, Clerk & Master
A. J. Simpson, Claims County Court
James W. Bryan, County Court Clerk
John A. Silvertooth, Trustee
E. F. Brown, Register
John W. Martin, Ranger
W. J. Taylor, Tax Collector
H. B. Morgan, Coroner
R. A. Parks, Surveyor & Entry Taker

MAGISTRATES

1st District: **Abe Frizzell**
B. P. Womack
J. W. Martin
Lod[erick] Robertson
2nd District: **A. J. Simpson**
G. W. Byrom
3rd District: **C. H. Bean**
A. C. Cobble
4th District: **R. L. Gillespie**
J. F. Spencer
5th District: **William Copeland**
John Swiney
6th District: **J. L. Ashby**
T. F. Miller
7th District: **A. M. Prosser**
D. J. Noblett
8th District: **J. A. Prosser**
L. Leftwich
9th District: **Samuel Bobo**
J. T. Baxter
10th District: **J. L. Holt**
J. M. Byrom
11th District: **J. W. Eggleston**
W. B. Smith

New Post Offices Announced

The following new post offices and the gentlemen appointed to head them as postmasters were announced in the *Memphis Appeal* of 27 Mar 1857: Glen Rock, Lawrence Co., Tenn. - **M. M. Cunningham**, postmaster; Mt. Harmony, McMinn Co., Tenn. - **William L. Rice**, postmaster; and Morrison, Warren Co., Tenn. - **William W. Gunter**, postmaster.

Roane County Land To Be Sold for Taxes

The Roane County Court in its Jan 1824 session ordered four tracts of land sold at public auction after Sheriff **John Brown** reported that 1823 taxes had not been paid on them.

Owners of property with delinquent taxes were reported as:

- **Elizabeth Bond**, 100 acres on Fork Creek;
- **Nathan Stancel**, 500 acres on Blue Springs Creek adjoining lines of **Hembre and Eblin**;
- **Polly Flatt**, 300 acres on Mansfield's Creek;
- **Solomon Stow, Sr.**, 200 acres on Mansfield's Creek.

Notice of the sale to be held at the courthouse in Kingston on 24 Jul 1823 was published in the *Knoxville Register* on 20 Feb 1823 by Deputy Court Clerk **J. W. M. Brazeale**, acting on behalf of Court Clerk **Henry Brazeale**.

Famed Memphis Landmark Is Shut Down in 1887

The Green Tree House, a noted hostelry for flatboat men and other visitors to Memphis during its 42 years of existence, was sold 14 Feb 1887 to make way for a lime and building material business to be located there by **Mr. John A. Denie**.

The site, purchased by **Denie** for \$16,000, is on the west side of Shelby street and south of Howard's row. The lot has a frontage of 44 feet and a depth of 127 feet and the price, not counting the house, is a little over \$100 per front foot. The old landmark was built in 1842 by the late **Frederick Ringwald** who moved here with his family from Baltimore. His son, **J. Ringwald**, came here as a child and grew up in Green Tree House. He has been proprietor of the house since his father's death, but has been in rather poor health for a year or two and decided to sell it. Reporting the sale in its issue of 16 Feb 1887, the *Memphis Public Ledger* said both the **Ringwalds**, father and son, always looked after the comforts of their guests, attended strictly to business, were good citizens, and made money. ■

Dyer Co., Tenn.
Court Records
1836-1843

Thirty Years After His Death --

Alexander Worke's Land In Dyer County Is Divided

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A 161-year old petition found in the circuit court records of Dyer Co., Tenn.,¹ contains enough information to keep a team of genealogists working for years to unravel the complex family connections of one **Alexander Worke**.²

The petition, presented by **Col. Isaac Sampson**, attorney, on 25 Feb 1839 before **Judge William R. Harris** of the 9th Judicial Circuit³ at the courthouse in Dyersburg, sought division of land left by **Worke** three decades earlier to his collateral heirs -- in this case, the children of his brothers and sisters.

A resident of Iredell Co., N.C., **Worke** never lived in Tennessee but had considerable property in the state as well as in his native North Carolina and in South Carolina when he died in 1809.⁴ Among his Tennessee holdings were 5,000 acres lying partly in Dyer County and partly in Lauderdale County. The tract, described in Grant #27 issued 29 Oct 1783 by the state of North Carolina to **Martin Armstrong, Jr.**, of Stokes Co., N.C., was surveyed 2 Sept 1785. The property began on the east bank of Forked Deer River at the foot of the first bluff on the south side above the mouth of the river and was called "Key Corner."⁵

In his will,⁶ registered in Dyer County on 10 May 1829, **Worke** -- who never married -- acknowledges that he is the natural father of **Esther Lewis'** boy under 12 named **Jefferson Worke**.⁷ He leaves his son one-third of his "movable property" (money, goods, and chattels) and one-third of all lands that he may own "in whatever part of the world" at his death. **Alexander** stipulates that **Jefferson** cannot sell or dispose of any part of the land until he is 25 years old and then cannot sell more than one-half of it. When he reaches 30 years of age, **Jefferson** may dispose of the remaining land.

A similar proviso relates to the slaves **Jefferson** inherits, being barred from selling his share of the slaves or their increase until he is 23, and then not more than half. When he is 25, he can sell the remainder. **Alexander** instructs that his son be given the best care possible and that the boy's mother may keep him until he is able to go to school. **Esther** is to have sufficient recompense for keeping the boy at the discretion of **Worke's** executors, and he leaves her \$25 for her own use for five years and \$20 for five years to board **Jefferson**.⁸ The slaves his son inherits are to be hired out, with only one or two being used to wait on him until he is 12 years old. At 21, he is to have full use of their labors to cultivate his lands or to hire out. **Alexander** stresses that **Jefferson** be given the fullest and best education and that his morals be cherished and improved.

The other two-thirds of **Worke's** estate is to be split into full shares, half shares, and quarter shares and divided among his collateral heirs, with some to have more and some less according to their family and circumstances. In his

¹ Dyer Co., Tenn., Court Records 1836-1843, Book D, pp. 570-586, Microfilm Roll 116, available at Tennessee Genealogical Society Library, Memphis

² His parents were **Alexander Worke, Sr.**, and wife **Isabella Beard**, both b. ca. 1720. They lived in Lancaster Co., Pa., until ca. 1767, then removed to Rowan Co., N.C. **Alexander, Jr.**, was born in Pennsylvania ca. 1747.

³ Other officers of the court mentioned in the record were **Marke Mitchell**, circuit court clerk, and **Henderson Clark**, county sheriff.

⁴ Tax records of 1800 show he owned 2,919 acres of land, three houses, and a still house in Iredell Co., N.C., according to *The Heritage of Iredell County*, published in 1980 by the Genealogical Society of Iredell County at Statesville, N.C.

⁵ **Armstrong** sold the land to **Jesse Lester** of Surry Co., N.C., on 22 May 1798 for 1,000 pounds [Dyer Co. Deed Book B, p. 190.] On 26 Mar 1799, **Lester** conveyed the property to **Alexander Worke** of Iredell Co., N.C., for 1,000 pounds. [op. cit., p. 192]

⁶ Recorded in Iredell Co., N.C., Book 1, p. 83

⁷ His full name was **Alexander Jefferson Worke**. Later deeds indicate he went by the name **A. J. Worke**.

⁸ **Worke** also states that if **Esther Lewis** "behaves herself decently" -- commits no crimes, does not marry, does not indulge in fornication or worse -- she shall have a further sum of \$10 per year if their son lives 10 or 12 years and another \$20 if she behaves well for 20 years. If she misbehaves, she is to be deprived of all pay and the child is to be taken from her.

will, **Worke** professes ignorance as to the number of nieces and nephews he has, how many are female and how many are male, and where they all live.

"They are a distance from me and are a distance apart from each other," he states. [As it turned out, Alexander's collateral heirs did indeed cover a wide area. Some lived in various counties in Tennessee, including Giles, Sumner, Fayette, Dyer, Bedford, Lauderdale, Wilson, and Williamson. Some lived in areas of North Carolina, including Iredell, Mecklenburg, Rowan, Cabarrus, Johnston, Surry, Sampson, Stokes, Rutherford, Lincoln, and Anson counties. And still others lived in Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Virginia, and Missouri.]

Worke lists his only brother and five sisters according to their ages: (1) **John Worke**,⁹ (2) **Rebecca**, wife of **James Scott**,¹⁰ (3) **Jane**, wife of **William Guy**,¹¹ (4) **Sarah**, wife of **Francis M. McCorkle**,¹² (5) **Esther**, wife of **John Brandon**,¹³ and (6) **Ann**, wife of **George Locke**.¹⁴ Each of **Worke's** siblings had a child named Alexander.

He specifies that:

(1) his brother **John's** children are to receive three-quarters of a share each except for **Robert** who is to have one-half share;

(2) his sister **Rebecca Scott's** children are to have one-half share each except for her son, **Alexander Scott**, and her youngest son who are each to have three-quarters of a share;

(3) his sister **Jane Guy's** children are to have one share each except for her son, **William Guy**, who is to have one-half share;

(4) his sister **Sarah McCorkle's** children are to have one share each except for her son, **Alexander McCorkle**, who is to have one-half share and her daughter **Isabella**, wife of **William Baty/Beaty**, who is to have only five pounds and her children one share;

(5) his sister **Esther Brandon's** children are to have three-quarters of a share, except for her son, **Richard Brandon**, who is to have one full share; and

(6) his sister **Ann Locke's** only child, **Alexander Locke**,¹⁵ who is to receive one and one-half shares.

The petition filed in Dyer County states that 124.5 acres on the east boundary line of the 5,000-acre tract has already been laid off and allotted to **Beverly Watson** and wife,¹⁶ and that 265 acres also have been laid off to the heirs of **John Kenely**.

Other heirs and portions of the tract they had received were as follows:

William B. McCorkle - 649 acres; **Alexander W. Brandon** - 745 acres; **Abner York's** heirs (namely, **Catherine**, **Rebeca C.**, **Sarah E.**, **Margrett**, and **Marth. H. York**), jointly - 649 acres; **Ann Williams**, **James Williams**, **William B. Williams**, **Rebeca B. Williams**, and **Marth. Williams**, jointly - 168 acres; **Ann Work** - 168 acres; **John S. Brandon** - 99 acres; heirs of **Martha Perselle** (namely, **James P. Pursell** and his wife **Esther Ann**, **Martha Brandon**, **John Pullus** and wife **Eliza Ann**, **William P. Pursell**, and **James C. Pursell**), jointly - 99 acres; **Joseph McKesley** and wife **Sarah** - 99 acres; **William Joey [Guy]** - 102 acres; **George Lock** - 96 acres; **Sarah Dickson** and **Thomas** and **James Cowan**, jointly - 168 acres; heirs of **Richard Brandon** (namely, **Nicholas Brandon** and wife **Elizabeth**, **Esther Brandon**, **James Alexander, Jr.**, **John Brandon**, and **Lucretia Brandon**), jointly - 132 acres; heirs of **Joseph Lorance** (namely, **James W.**, **Margrett**, **Ann J.W.**, and **Mary Lorance**), jointly - 168 acres; **Mathew McCorkle**, **Alexander McCorkle**, **Gilbert Miligan** and wife **Rebeca**, **Charles Baty**, **George Little** and wife **Elizabeth**, **Isabela Batas**, heirs of **Joel Houston** and wife **Elizabeth L.**, heirs of **James Alexander**, **Thomas Loftin** and wife **Sarah Levina**, jointly - 595 acres. This made a total of 4,276 acres in trust.

⁹ Born before 1745; married **Hannah Criswell/Creswell** ca. 1766 probably in Lancaster Co., Pa.

¹⁰ They are believed to have married after 1767 in North Carolina. Her will was recorded in Guilford Co., N.C., in 1806.

¹¹ **Jane** died before 1816. Some of her children were in Bedford Co., Tenn.

¹² **Sarah** and **Francis** married in Rowan Co., N.C., in 1768. He was a major in the Revolutionary War. **Sarah** died in N.C. in 1779 E

¹³ **Esther** and **Col. John Brandon** are believed to have married in N. C. ca. 1767. She died in 1822. **John** died later in Giles Co., Tenn., where he is buried in Mount Moriah Cemetery.

¹⁴ **George**, the oldest son of **Gen. Matthew Locke**, was a lieutenant in the North Carolina militia during the Revolutionary War. He was killed in the war. His wife **Ann** later married (2) **James Locke**, (3) **Frederick Dinkens**.

¹⁵ **Alexander Locke** is buried in Mount Moriah Cemetery in Giles County. His son, **George W. Locke**, was **Jean Alexander West's** great-great grandfather. **George's** brother, **John B. Locke**, also died in Giles County. His share of **Alexander Worke's** estate went to **George W.** and **Sarah Watson**.

¹⁶ **Beverly Watson's** wife was **Sarah Locke**, daughter of **Alexander Locke**.

The remainder of the grant was owned by the following as tenants in common: **John A. Davison, John G. Work, William C. Work**, heirs of **Alexander Work, Jr., James Houston, Betsy Grey [Guy], Jane Grey [Guy], James Grey [Guy], John Thompson, Samuel Thompson, James Thompson, Isabela Means, John Means, William C. Means, Robert Means, John Scott, James Scott, Rebeca Scott, Alexander Scott, Thomas Scott, Sarah Trotter, George Trotter, Robert Bery, July Ann Scott, Isabella Scott, James Scott, and William Scott.**

Through their attorney, the petitioners as tenants in common asked the court to appoint commissioners to subdivide the 4,276 acres so as to allot portions of average quality and quantity to each person or family of heirs.

Judge Harris on 25 February appointed **Henry Rutherford** [surveyor], **John Seward, Labon Jones, Stith Richardson, and Robert Jourden** to set apart the petitioners' interest in the property and report at the next term of court.

On 14 Mar 1839, the commissioners reported that upon examining and surveying the tract of land, they found it contained 5,850 acres by actual measurement and could total 6,712.5 acres when the grant's northeast corner was identified. The commissioners divided 4,162.5 acres into 16 lots or parcels which were then allotted to the petitioners.

The petitioners were ordered to pay the costs of the proceedings in proportion to their interest in the land. Court costs totaled \$47.98.■

Betters to the Editor

JONES DESCENDANT COMMENTS ON ARTICLE

I wanted to say how much I enjoyed your article, "The Names Is Jones," [Winter 1999 issue]. It means a great deal to my family. Years ago my grandmother had planted the seed when she said with pride that her grandfather **Charles Jones** was a builder. I suspect that she didn't fully understand that and was repeating what her grandmother had told her. I had hoped some day to explore her comment and **Charles Jones'** life more fully. I'm not sure I would ever have gotten around to it. Your work has opened a wealth of details to a new understanding for me. Thank you.

Robert Taylor, 343 N. Montgomery, Memphis, TN 38104



REBECCA'S GREAT-GRANDDAUGHTER WRITES

Thank you so much for the copy of the Winter issue. You did a beautiful job of printing the journal of Rebecca. I enjoyed reading it again (I love the type) and am looking forward to the Spring issue.

The magazine is very interesting -- couldn't put it down. Am still very interested in genealogy at 86 but have to leave the searching to **Fairy Bell Edwards**, my cousin, and to my younger brother, **Clarence T. Welborn**. We are all very happy that the journal is being published -- the time it was written should make it interesting to many readers.

Frankie Welborn Lindsey, Renaissance Retirement Home
11279 Taylor Draper Ln., #330, Austin, TX 78759



COMMENT FROM VIRGINIA

Enclosed is my renewal for 2000. Thank you for a sustained excellence in your journal.

Dr. Richard Fenton Wicker, Jr., 5136 Violet Bank Drive
Virginia Beach, VA 23464-5643



CAN'T GET BY THOSE TEXAS FOLKS

I am sure it was an oversight, but feel compelled to bring to your attention the fact that your renewal form appears on the back of the end of the index (Winter 1999 issue). Your journal is much too valuable to rip out any part of an index! As I continue to turn up Tennessee ancestors, your fine journal is one of the first places I check.

Henrietta H. Cragon, 3416 Shinoak Drive
Austin, TX 78731-5739

Editor's Note: When painters do something like that, they say they painted themselves into a corner. When we goof, it's a senior moment. Thanks for calling it to our attention in such a nice way!

(More Letters to the Editor on Page 52)

WILLINGTON B. WINCHESTER's farm straddled the state line between Calloway Co., Ky., and Henry Co., Tenn., in the mid-1800s, according to a story in *The Guilford, N.C., Genealogist*, Vol. 26, No. 3. Most of his farm was in Kentucky, but his house apparently was in Tennessee because he and his family appear in Henry County census records. **Winchester** married twice -- his first wife being **Nancy Ann Jackson** who died 4 Dec 1875 and his second, **Martha A. Forrest** who died 18 Feb 1913.

His 12 children, recorded in the family Bible, were all apparently born in Henry County. They were: **Wm. Alexander D., Margaret Ann E., Willington Josephus, Thomas Luther, Isaac G., Mary J., Robert Cummins, Albert Newton, John G., Nancy A., Wilson Witty, and Herbert Roscoe Winchester.**

SOME DESCENDANTS of **David LeSueur** of Manakin Town, Va., who made their way to Tennessee are among those listed in *The Virginia Genealogist*, Vol. 43, No. 3. **David's** grandson, **Littlebury LeSueur**, born ca. 1786 in Virginia, migrated to Madison Co., Ala., where he married **Penelope King**, daughter of **Charles King** and **Penelope Whitfield**. **Littlebury** and **Penelope** lived for a time in Lincoln Co., Tenn., before moving on to Marshall Co., Miss. Of their 10 children, one daughter, **Ann A. LeSueur**, married **N. C. Burford** of Giles Co., Tenn., in July 1832, and another daughter, **Virginia Caroline**, born ca. April 1820, died in Lincoln County at age 13. At least two of their children were born in Lincoln County: **David H. LeSueur**, b. ca. 1830/31, and **Martha J. LeSueur**, b. ca. 1832/33.

TENNESSEE-BORN J. B. Stothart was among registered voters in Louisiana's Red River Parish in 1898, according to a chart in *The Genie*, Vol. 33, No. 4, published by the Ark-La-Tex Genealogical Association of Shreveport. **Stothart**, born in 1835, was a farmer in Red River Parish, Ward 6, and had lived in the state for 39 years.

Gleanings

FROM HERE 'N THERE

Mentions of Tennesseans
-In Our Exchanges-

FORMER TENNESSEAN Martha James is buried in a Thibodaux, La., cemetery, according to a story in *Terrebonne Life Lines*, Vol. 18, No. 3. The inscription reads, "Asleep in Jesus, Our Mother **Martha**. Beloved wife of **B. James**. Born in Tenn. 1835, died 13 July 1892." The cemetery is divided into three sections, the Moses Baptist Church (where **Martha James** apparently was buried), Calvary Methodist Church, and Allen Benevolent Association. Moses Baptist Church was founded in 1869.

A BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH of **Joseph Greer**, early settler of the Petersburg area in Lincoln Co., Tenn., appears in *Limestone (Ala.) Legacy*, Vol. 22, No. 1. The son of Indian trader **Andrew Greer**, he was born in 1754. **Joseph** was said to have carried the message of the victory at King's Mountain to the Continental Congress in Philadelphia. The delegates reportedly were more astonished at his size -- about 7 feet tall -- than his message.

After the war, **Joseph** established a trading post at what is now Knoxville. In 1794 he received a military land grant of 2,566 acres which was registered in Rutherford Co., Tenn., in 1804. **Joseph** and his second wife, **Mary Ann Harmon**, had 11 children. [He and his first wife -- name unknown -- had no children.]. **Joseph** died of pneumonia at age 77 in Petersburg, Tenn., and is buried in a hand-cut stone crypt near his home.

FIVE FORMER Tennesseans are in the list of 1905 St. Louis mail carriers published in the *St. Louis Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol. 32, No. 3.

The Tennessee-born mail carriers were **Thomas F. Austin, John F. Jordan, Joseph Molo, William P. Purcell, and Bert G. Senter.**

THE OBITUARY of **A. M. Millard**, born 29 Mar 1830 in Sullivan Co., Tenn., is reprinted in the *MoSGA Journal*, Vol. 19, No. 3. It originally appeared in the *Rolla (Mo.) Weekly Herald* of 27 Aug 1899.

Millard worked as a traveling salesman out of Louisville, Ky., after the war, and later moved to Missouri. He eventually settled in Rolla where he established one of the largest stores in southern Missouri with branches in St. Louis and elsewhere. **Millard** married twice, and fathered five children. His surviving sons, **Thomas F., Homer, and Herbert Millard** were at his bedside when he died.

The same issue of the *Journal* carries an obituary of U.S. Congressman **James P. Walker**, reprinted from *The Vindicator* of 25 Jul 1890.

Walker born 14 Mar 1851 in **Lan-**
derdale [Layderdale?], Tenn., moved to Southeast Missouri in 1867. He was elected to three terms in the U.S. Congress.

L. R. LASSON, born in Tennessee in 1861, was listed in the 1884 Bates Co., Mo., directory, *The Prairie Gleaner* reports in its Vol. 30, No. 4.

Lasson's wife, **R. L. Harrison**, was born in Missouri in 1865. They lived in West Boon Township.

Also living in the same township was **S. Champ**, born in Tennessee in 1811. She was the wife of **W. C. Roberts**, who was born in Illinois in 1839.

COL. WILLIAM LYONS, one of the earliest settlers of what is now Clarksville, Tenn., is the subject of an article in the *Louisiana Genealogical Register*, Vol. XLVI, No. 3.

A native of South Carolina, **Lyons** fought in the Revolutionary War and, after living in Clarksville for a time, removed to St. Landry, La., about 1810 where he is said to have amassed a fortune. He died 8 Jan 1818.

Lyons' obituary from the *Carolina Gazette* and a letter about him to **Lyman Draper**, written by his nephew, **William H. Sparks** of Memphis, are reproduced in the article.

RECORD BOOKS of the Federal Soldiers' Home in St. James, Mo., list a number of native Tennesseans. The list, produced in the *MoSGA Journal*, XIX, No. 3, includes former Tennesseans: **Meridah Johnson**, born 16 Jul 1846, resident Franklin Co., Mo., discharged 14 Feb 1911; **Jesse Lay**, b. 26 Feb 1836, resident Dent Co., Mo., , dropped 4 Mar 1912; **Edwin H. Spurgin**, b. 28 Mar 1839, resident Phelps Co., Mo., died 5 Jan 1912; **John J. McDonald**, b. 13 Aug 1842, resident Franklin Co., Mo., died 11 Apr 1911; **James Mitchell**, b. 1835, resident Jackson Co., Mo., discharged 3 Apr 1911; **Daniel Morris**, b. 14 Nov 1842, resident Pulaski Co., Mo., discharged 10 Aug 1916; **John R. McMasters**, b. 9 May 1838, resident Phelps Co., Mo., died 1 Feb 1911; **Franklin Moore**, b. 1 Jun 1839, resident Greene Co., Mo., dropped 24 Jul 1911; **John Pilkerton**, b. 26 May 1831, resident Jasper Co., Mo., discharged 30 June 1911; **Thos. J. Scott**, b. 3 Feb 1834, resident Dent Co., Mo., dropped 4 Mar 1912; **Thos. G. Stubblefield**, b. 5 Mar 1841, resident Greene Co., Mo., discharged 26 Dec 1913; **William T/F. Thornberry**, b. 26 Dec 1840, resident Miller Co., Mo., dropped 7 Feb 1911; **Martin Wycoff**, b. 1 Jul 1837, resident Phelps Co., Mo., discharged 25 Nov 1913.

JOSEPH HARDIN is among Tennesseans mentioned in a family history published in *The Melting Pot*, Hot Springs, Ark Vol. XXII, No. 2. Born 18 Apr 1734 in Henrico Co., Va., he fought at King's Mountain and other places during the Revolutionary War and later was instrumental in forming the "State of Franklin" in East Tennessee. He died 4 Jul 1801 at his home in Hardin Valley, Knox Co., Tenn., where an impressive monument marks his grave in Hickory Creek Cemetery. **John G. Hardin** of Greenville, Tenn., migrated with his family to North Texas after the Civil War. He became financially successful and, having no children, made large contributions to various institutions. Simmons College was renamed Hardin Simmons University after he paid off its indebtedness of almost \$1 million.

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LEWIS M. FORCE, former Tipton Co., Tenn., resident, filed a Civil War claim in Cherokee, Ala., in 1871. His claim (#10,367) for \$2,525 was disallowed by the Southern Claims Commission. **Force** was a resident of Gaylesville, Ala., when he filed the claim. His wife **Mary**, 41, lived on Lookout Mountain in Cherokee County. Tennesseans testifying in the matter at the Tipton Co. Circuit Court 13 Feb 1878 were **John Henry Miller**, 36-year old Tipton Co. farmer, who said he had known **Force** personally for three years and by reputation for 20. **Elijah Hill**, 45, of Tipton said he had known the petitioner for 15-16 years. Both **Miller** and **Hill** were in Co. B of the 10th Tenn. U. S. Cavalry. **Force's** name appeared on a 7 Jul 1861 muster roll of a volunteer Confederate troop called "Cherokee Mountaineers."

In another claim (#5515), testimony is given by **Elizabeth A. [Standifer] Campbell**, who was born in Marion Co., Tenn., and was the widow of **Eli Campbell**, whom she married 6 June 1850. **Eli** filed the claim 15 June 1871 in Cherokee County and died 16 Oct 1873. In testimony given 18 Feb 1878 at Gadsden, **Elizabeth** identified their children as: **Sarah A. C.**, age 26; **Amanda J.**, 23; **Wm. H.**, 20; **Robert A.**, 18; **Julia E.**, 16; **Jepe/Jese A.**, 12; and **George (?) F. Campbell**, 12. She testified that her father, husband, and brothers were all Union men. One brother, **Lemuel J. Standifer**, age 60, was an attorney in Gadsden in 1878. Among **Eli's** list of witnesses to be called was **Rudolphus Norton** of Beech Grove, Coffee Co., Tenn. The claim was disallowed.

Elizabeth's brother **Franklin H. Standifer**, born in Bledsoe Co., Tenn., also filed a claim (#5522). He was 64 and a resident of DeKalb Co., Ala., when he testified 23 Dec 1878. His claim also was disallowed.

JOHN ROYAL TATUM EUBANKS who lived in Lenoir City, Tenn., in the 1890s, is mentioned in *Family Tree Quarterly*, Vol. 9, No. 3, published by the Cobb Co., Ga., Genealogical Society. **John**, a descendant of **Joseph Eubanks** of the Carolinas, was born ca. 1870 in Cobb Co., and married **Eliza Jane "Janie" Gresham** on 28 Sep 1890. He became a railroad conductor, and then formed his own construction company and built railroads in Kentucky and Tennessee. He settled his family in Lenoir City, and later traveled to California and Japan, leaving his family in Tennessee. He died ca. 1932 in Birmingham, Ala. **John** and **Janie's** children were:

[1] **Ruth Aleva Eubanks**, b. 4 Apr 1893, m. **Charles Riggie** in Tenn., d. in 1967;

[2] **John Ashley Eubanks**, b. 11 Oct 1903 in Loudon Co., Tenn., m. **Mary Irene Littlefield**, d. in 1970;

[3] **Mary Allen Eubanks**, b. 18 Dec 1906 in Loudon Co., m. **Noel Fine**, d. Nov 1983.

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THE WILSON FAMILIES who moved from Wayne Co., Tenn., to Tishomingo Co., Miss., in 1910 are featured in *Chronicles & Epitaphs*, Vol. 4, No. 3, published in Iuka. **Henry Issac Wilson**, born 26 Sept 1872, and his wife, **Sophia Cobb**, born 10 Dec 1874, both natives of Wayne County, moved to Iuka where they raised a family of seven children. Also moving to Tishomingo County in 1910 were **Arthur Jep Wilson**, born 21 Aug 1892 in Wayne County, and his wife, **Ella Pearl Crotts**, born 10 Dec 1890 in Savannah, Hardin Co., Tenn. They had nine children.

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SOME TENNESSEEANS who migrated to Missouri are mentioned in *Ray County Reflections*, Vol. VIII, No. 3. **Jenne Holloway Layment**, Ray County Genealogical Society secretary, writes that she is a descendant of such early pioneers as **John McGaugh** and his son-in-law, **Robert Pritchard**, who moved to Ray County from Tennessee in 1819, and **Edward Sanderson** who moved there from Sumner Co., Tenn., in 1829/30.

Rebecca's Journal

Written in 1864

by

Rebecca McLemore Welborn

Madison Co., Tennessee

2nd Installment

July 15: Oh, what a tumult my poor weary heart is in. I am suffering intolerable anguish. Oh, the busy tongues of gossip, how detestable.. but yet I must suffer and bear all -- will no one ever learn to understand me, no it never can be. My cheerful face and grateful and sympathetic heart will still give the busy tounge of gossip an imaginary clue to spout my name in connection with things that w[r]ing my heart to the core. Will the time ever come when I can be woman enough to soar above all the meddlesome chat of the vulgar herd of mankind. No, I feel that there are some thing[s] that will anoy and trouble me no matter the source. Oh, if the world could but know how I do despise them - they are a sacriligious set of beings -- they meddle with the most sacred things of the pure and sensitive heart. If the world did but know how soar it wounds my heart for them to talk about the sacred feelings of my poor overburdened [word omitted]. Can I not be permitted to even treat my husband's friends with the kind attentions and the cordial feelings that I did when he was with [me]. No I must throw away all the generous feelings of my heart and clothe myself with an armor of hateful frigidness and mock dignity or be talked about...but why should I care for the gossip of such... do I not feel myself infinitely above such beings and know that I am superior to them in refinement of feelings .. but why try to write my feelings .. language fails to portray them.

16th. Oh how sad I have felt all day. My poor heart has been so oppressed and so weary and although I have had pleasant company, I have been lonesome and felt such a yearning to be

alone. I received a letter from Polk¹ today which brought me some trouble - my poor boy is out of a horse and money, and I have nothing to supply his necessities with. Oh, if I could just see him for one hour. I have been told frequently that I did not love Polk as well as I did my own children although I treated him kinder, but poor selfish beings. they know nothing about the generous impulses of the heart. I know that I do love him just as well if not better than I do my own. I do not love my children because they are mine, but because they are my dear noble husband's - and Polk was just as near to him as mine are, and then he is such an obedient child and so careful of my feelings - two noble qualities that but few stepchildren possess but he is truly one of Nature's noble sons. Nearly everyone seems to think that I ought not to do for him like I do for Jeff² but there shall never be any difference. Oh

Like mothers in virtually every generation through the ages, Rebecca agonizes over the departure of her son on a dangerous war mission.

God, shield my child from all harm and send him in safety to me - fill his heart with true filial love for me and enable me to do my duty by him, and shield my other three Rebel boys³ and spare them to return to their homes in safety.

22. This is the last night of my dear boy's stay with me. Oh when shall we all meet again - we have had a very pleasant day but my joy has been overshadowed by the sad thought of the departure of my noble boy - but imperative Duty calls and he must obey. I would not, if I could, detain him - his mission is fraught with much danger and I will suffer intensely until he returns.

¹ Her stepson, James K. Polk Welborn

² Her son, Jeff Davis Welborn

³ She apparently is referring to her sons Jeff, Wisp (W.J.N., Jr.), and Trousdale

23. I feel as though I was all alone though I have very pleasant company, but my darling child is gone on his dangerous [mission] and my mind is with him - how I do miss him - he is allways so cheerful that one cannot be sad when he is with them. Oh how I long for his return - his return that is so uncertain. Oh God, shield him from all harm and send him in safety to me.

25. Today has been one of my restless days although it is the holy Sabbath which is generally a great feast to me when it is so that I can devote my time to my books -- but today I have had nothing to keep me from studying yet I could not get my mind composed enough to read or understand anything. Nannie and Lizzie are with me yet. I could not even converse with them on several interesting subjects which they introduced... and yet I can't for my life tell what it is that has ocupied my mind or that has caused my restlessness but it is a vague uneasiness. Oh how I hate to be thus. I am very uneasy about Polk, but there is still something else. Oh God send my child back to me soon and in safety.

27. Today has been a very sad day with me - my anxiety is intense and yet I have several more days to suffer before I can hope for the return of Polk. My niece Mrs. Blades⁴ came to see me today. I have not seen her for 13 years before. She was my husband's favorite, and she loved him and now she is doubly dear to me. Bat [Malone] is here on his way to his command. I fear that he will not stand it.

28. My darling baby boy Polk came home this evening and brought three Kentucky Rebs with him - they are Coleman Ringo, Henry Ringo, and Bat - then later Lizzie Crossland and John Hill came - and Nannie Cole and my mama⁵ are with me still. Oh, what a feast. I am so overjoyed I can hardly

⁴ Mary Nicholson, daughter of Young Atkins and Elizabeth Ann (Jelks) McLemore, she married Samuel Blaydes 25 Nov 1852.

⁵ Most likely Rebecca's mother-in-law, Narcissa Erwin

behave myself. Oh how thankful I am to have all my babies home with me once more - this is the first time in two years - my joy is inexpressible. Oh God I do thank thee for the kind preservation of my darling child. Continue thy protection. When shall I ever have my little ones all with me again? Oh God, enable me to do my duty by my little darlings - bless them with wisdom, knowledge, and virtue, and gather them all back to me when the war is ended - shield them from all harm. I do wish my little soldier brother⁶ was here with us tonight. God bless him and spare him for his mama's sake.

31st. This is the holy day of rest, and I hope I have spent a part of it usefully. I spent last night at brother Young's with Mary Blades - got home this morning about ten. I was attacked this morning with one of my miserable presentiments. I think it was partially caused by a horrid dream I had last night. I dreamed that a man came and told me that Polk was shot right through his body by bushwhackers the other side of Trenton - and although I don't believe in dreams yet I can't drive it from its very unwelcome place in my mind. I am suffering intense uneasiness about him. I do hope and trust he will get here tomorrow. I do hope that his lucky star is still in the ascendancy. I have been reading my Bible all day. I think I have gained some information but not as much as I might have done if I could have divested my mind of the weight of care and uneasiness. Oh God spare my child and send him in safety back to me.

August 5: Dear old journal, I have neglected you sadly of late - but it was all for the want of ink - but I now have plenty of good ink and will try and make all lost time. My dear boy has not returned from Ky. yet but I am not so uneasy as I have been about him. I think if anything was going to befall him that it would [have] done it ere now. My little brother Bood has been

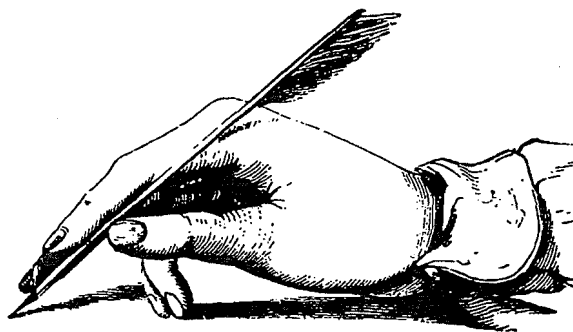
⁶ Sterling Brewer Erwin, whom she later refers to as "Bood"

with me for several days past - he is a dear noble boy. I received a good long and affectionate letter from my stepkin John [McLemore] Hannah.⁷ He is in Atlanta, Georgia - his letter was wrote the day before the fight and oh I am so anxious to hear from him and Ham.⁸ John is the only one of my boys that is in the infantry. I consider his being in that department an honor. I have had no company today only Lizzie Crossland and although she is so young she [is] more interesting than the generality of older ladies - indeed she is one of the most intelligent girls of her age I ever saw. She will make a star woman. Her and my babies are now amusing themselves with a game of cards.

15th. This evening my heart was made glad by the return of Polk and the arrival of two friends, Emma Buchanan and Dr. Earl. I feel so thankful that my boy was permitted to return to me - and Dr. Earl is my old family physician and everyone knows the relation between a physician who is not only a doctor but a friend - he is one of my husband's true friends. I always say is when speaking of my dear husband because I can't say was for it means the past and I never can speak of him as the past - it must be an always now with me in regard to my dear darling. When I meet any of my husband's friends, it always opens the floodgates of my heart and I feel like I could dissolve my heart in tears, but there is an undefinable something that causes me to repress my feeling.

⁷ Son of John D. and Sally "Dolly" McLemore Hannah, born Sep 1839. Sally was Rebecca's sister.

⁸ Dr. Abraham M. McLemore, son of Y. A. and Elizabeth Ann (Jelks) McLemore. Married Margaret L. McMillin 20 Jan 1866



17. I have been fixing my little boy's clothes and have just finished the melancholy task of packing his clothes and putting in all the little articles that fond mothers think they will need. All my little ones are with me tonight. I have them all around me yet I am sad, oh very sad, this may be the last time I will ever have them all with me. My little boy Jeff starts for the South in the morning. Oh God, spare his life and return him in safety to me - shield him from all evil, keep him in the ways of honor and virtue. Give me fortitude to bear his departure. Oh, what a sad trial it is to part with our children when they are going out on such a perilous business. And it hurts him to go but noble boy he feels that duty calls and he must go. Oh, if this war would just end and let me live in peace with my children.

19. This has been a real rainy day and rather a dull day. Emma, Polk, and Dr. Earl are with me yet. Jeff and Bood started South yesterday but I think they are at Denmark⁹ yet as it has been raining ever since they left. I have felt really sad ever since my little boy left. I do miss him so much. I have tried to be lively and cheerful all day but I have made an entire failure - laughed when I felt more like crying. All things are hollow.

20. Another rainy day. This is the fourth day it has rained not only a shower but one continual rain. What a dreary world this would be if the glorious sun was never to show his face. My heart is oppressed and the gloomy weather only adds a deeper gloom. My heart is sick this morning. I can't write. Night: this has been one of

⁹ In Madison County about 8 miles southwest of Jackson

my miserable days. I have tried so hard to entertain my guests but could not rally enough to keep up five minutes' conversation on any one subject but would have to take refuge in the many general topics of common conversation. I feel tonight that life is utterly worthless. I would liked so much to have been alone to have communed with myself. I know not why it is but after I have had company for several days I allways feel so sad and discontented. I have no rays of hope for the future - all seems dark. Yet I must make efforts to be cheerful and introduce lively conversation and amusements and laugh when I had rather cry. Oh God, give me grace to overcome all such weak feeling and forgive my murmurings - take care of my little darling that is far away. Shield him and mine from all evil.

21. Emma, Polk, Dr. Earl and I and **Wisp** went to church to Bascom's Chapel - had two sermons, one by Brother **Haze** (?) in the morning - did not get there [in] time enough to hear the text. **Parson Collins** (?) preached in the evening - he first laid his foundation by proving that there was a God - his proof was nature. Then he went on to faith but rather proved works to be the thing which he illustrated in various ways which I did not think was necessary. In fact I thought his sermon more of a lecture than anything else and not overly interesting. Although I was hardly capable of judging for I was quite sick and had a severe headache which I am sure to have when I go into a crowd in warm weather. I do not feel that I have gained a single point of knowledge today. I feel that although I attended church that I am not the least benefited - do not feel satisfied with myself. My heart is sick and needs a physician in the form of much humble and devout pray[er]. Oh what a happy feeling it is when one succeeds in bringing their mind to hear one heavenly thing - when we feel that humble and meek feeling though not altogether resigned but feel that we have done our duty - but I never feel thus when I am surrounded

by company. Solitude, thou great restorer of a sick mind and dispoiler of evil - few indeed are the evil (?) things or acts or thoughts we fancy when alone. Then our thoughts take their natural course, then we can and do examine ourselves, take a retrospect of the past and make resolves for the future which are often broken but sometimes kept -- out goes my lamp. I have just been put in the shadowy moonlight meditating on the calm and peaceful scene -- everything about the house is rapt in profound slumber, not the sound of beast or bird is to be heard. Oh if my heart could divest itself of its stormy restless aching and be in harmony with this delightful scene - it soothes yet it has not the power to still the restless yearning in my inmost soul. I know not what it is that my heart craves but I feel that [it] is something that I am to go on looking for yet will never realize. It has not allways been

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thus with me, my heart was once quiet only when one of my idolized ones were in danger or suffering. Oh my soul, for what dost thou thirst, is it earthly or divine? I cannot sleep but I will pray. I have found temporary relief in agonizing pray[er] but I fear that I will not find it tonight for my heart [is] hard and oppressed. Oh God, aid me - take care of all my loved ones.

22. I have spent this day very pleasantly though I have had to do all my cooking and milking, but I've got along with it very well. **Polk's** gone to Trenton to carry **Em** home and to bring **Sammie Seay** - so it will be sometime I guess before I will have a chance to write much. I have not heard from **Jeff** since he started [South].

23. **Sammie Seay** and **Polk** got here today. **Sammie** seemed cheerful but to one who has suffered in silence, her sad and suffering although covered with

the guise of cheerfulness is very plain - she is one of those beings whose delicacy of feeling will not permit her to expose her sacred sorrow to the gaze of the unconcerned and curious. I feel so sorry for her. I love her so much. I anticipate a very pleasant time with her, my boy, and **Dr. Earl**, but my servant is sick and I have to do my kitchen work which will detract from my pleasure.

Sunday 28. This day has been a blank in my life. I have not read any at all, have had company all day - those who one is compeled to entertain with the frivolous chat of everyday affairs which is irksome even on a week day when one can be engaged at work but how dreadful it is on the holy **Sabath** when we could be employed in reading and studying God's holy word. I have not spent a pleasant **Sabath** in many [days]. I feel so dissatisfied with myself when I spend the **Sabath** idly.

30. This is a gloomy morning and the rumbling of distant thunder warns that we will have rain. **Sammie** still with me - her and I had a very pleasant day all to ourselves yesterday and will be alone the most of today. **Dr. Earl** has gone to the shop to get his buggy mended.

Sept. 1st. This has been an exceptionally warm day and I have had to keep dressed all day. **Polk** got home from Brownsville today and I received a letter from **Jeff** and **Bood** - they were at Pontotoc, Miss. Oh how I do wish I could have my dear darling with me tonight. My heart is sick tonight, weary and sore, sick with sorrow, weary of its idleness. I have had no time to meditate on anything interesting or useful for three weeks. Yet I have had pleasant and sensible company who were both entertaining and instructive. Yet my heart longs for repose and is sore with care, but I can never hope to find repose from ceas[e]less toil. Oh what a dark future. Every day brings stern reality more fully to my view. I frequently think that the dream of my life is over. Yet I am allways awakening from some halucination or dream. Ah me, what is life? Some poet says a dream. Yet it is not all a dream for

unwished-for Reality forces herself upon us with her unwelcome duties which drive out all the romance of young nature. I am yet a novice in the realities of life - or rather was two years ago.

3. This has been one of the hot days. Sam and I could not persuade the Dr. and Polk from the house so we have had to keep on our clothes all day. I believe I have suffered more today than I have any day this summer. I think that September is trying to show us that she has all the power of July. For my part I think the old lady is dressing herself in the borrowed plumes of burning summer and I would not be surprised before she was out if she didn't adorn herself in the habiliments of December. I believe that all things are growing capricious. I would be very much obliged if Mrs. Sept. would assume her autumnal garb and leave off her medling.

4th. This is the day of rest. I have spent it alone. Dr. Earl and Sammie left for Trenton this morning. This is the first day I have had all to myself for a long while. I have spent it reading in the Bible and commentaries of Dr. Clarke and this evening I have been reading Dr. Young's (?) poems and some of Gray's letters which I think rather interesting with but little imagination. Today like the last three has been excessively hot. Old Summer and new Autumn seem to be contending for mastery. Summer asserts her power in her suffocating heat while Autumn make[s] herself visible in the gorgeous variegated robes of red and yellow, tinted and shaded in many hues. After supper - my little ones and I have dined alone tonight and I would have really enjoyed it but one of my dear little babies is wanting - Jeff my darling is far away with the brave boys of the South who are nobly battling for their rights but I have been blessed with a letter of good tidings from him today. But I know that one of the five I have with [me] must soon leave for his respective place in the army of the South. Oh how can I give them both up at the same time? They are so much

comfort to me. Oh how long before I can have them both home to stay?.

8th. I have been writing letters for the last three nights and have not even had time to devote a line to my journal but tonight I flee to you for refuge - my heart sad and weary. I have been visiting today, went over to see Mr. and Mrs. Haines. They have been quite sick but are convalescent now. I tried to spend the day but I got so restless that I had to make an excuse and come home - here I found momentary relief in the quiet of my cottage home and the poems of Byron but, with twilight, care and trouble made their unwelcome appearance again and now I can't get interested in anything. Oh if I could fly away from myself for only one hour and live over the past - but that can't be for the Present with Mrs. Reality and care will follow and drive all the pleasures away and then come Dark and restless Future - worse than Present, with her train of uncertainties which makes the heart sick to contemplate. Oh, thou dark tormenters, leave me for awhile and let me live over the years of my youth -- my day-dream which was so bright - brighter

Rebecca learns of the deaths of Confederate soldiers Pony and John Morris

when contrasted with my awakening to Reality of life, the present and the gloomy future. There Silver-tongued Hope - oh where art thou that you do not whisper words of comfort to a weary heart? Ah, thou too like [a] Summer friend have fled, but I will cease my murmuring and try to find quiet and forgetfulness or Stoicism in something else.

9th. Dr. and Mrs. Earl came this morning - they have bad news from Ky. The Yanks are cutting up a good deal - quite a number of citizens leaving, thanks be to good praise [?]. They are going to conscript in Ky. I do hope they will run every one out. Dr. brings the sad news of the death of the two

Mr. Morris - Pony and his brother. They were killed by bushwhackers. Pony stoped here on his way up - he was so lively and cheerful. I tried to persuade him not to go but could not - he was one of nature's true noblemen - he was a generous, high-minded brave boy and a devoted son. Oh how I pity his mother. This is three sons she has lost since February. Two of them were acquaintances of mine, and both noble and devoted sons. The other one I did not know but am sure he was a noble and kind son for Mrs. Morris is a mother whom any son might be proud of. She is a firm quiet lady and I think possessed of a great deal of fortitude which she will need in this great trial.

Poor dear woman, how I do sympathize with her - if sympathy could soothe one pang I feel that I [could] be of some comfort to her sorrowing - one of them leaves a sorrowing wife to mourn his loss - one more loving heart blighted in its noon of life, poor sorrowing creature, how my heart aches for her in this the hardest of all trials. Pony, poor fellow, deserved a better fate - he a noble soldier who had fought bravely and by his comrades called the bravest of the brave to be shot without a moment's warning and by a coward - if he had only fallen in battle. The last one he was in he led his company into the thickest of the fight and escaped unhurt to be shot like a common coward. How mysterious are the ways of Providence! I have just learned that it was not Pony's brother that was killed when he was, but it was his uncle John Morris - he, poor fellow, leaves four little orphan children without father or mother. Oh God shield, take care of these poor little darlings, how I do pity them.

13th. It is midnight. All is quiet and still. I have tried to sleep but he has played truant and I have to resort to my pen for company. I can't sleep - I know not why for my mind is more at rest than usual. I feel that calm quiet that soothes the soul and spirit. I feel tonight that my spirit has overpowered the soul. I know no reason for this quiet that pervades my bosom tonight.

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GENEALOGY OF THE WEBSTER, MARTIN, DOZIER, STAPLES & STARKE FAMILIES OF WILKES CO., GA.

by *Michal Martin Farmer*. 6x9" hardcover, 848 pp. including name and locality index. \$45 including postage & handling Henington Publishing Co., Wolfe City, Tex. Order from author at P.O. Box 140880, Dallas, TX 75214-0880, phone (214) 324-4508. (Texas residents add \$3.71 sales tax per book.)

A subtitle to an already unusually long title imparts the additional information that the book deals with "Their Ancestors, Descendants & Kin - **Braswell, Wyatt, and Martin**." Published five years ago, the book is well done and still timely for descendants of the seven surnames listed. The author gives a brief history of Georgia and tells of **Orson** and **Susanna Martin** who in their early 60s came from Orange Co., N.C., to Wilkes Co., Ga., which had been created in 1773 from land ceded by the Indians. The **Webster** surname came into the picture in 1783 when 21-year old **Abner Webster** married **Orson's** 17-year old granddaughter **Elizabeth Martin**. In 1842 some of their descendants removed to Alabama, where they lived in Macon, Pike [later Bullock], Lee, Montgomery, and Crenshaw counties. By 1871 some of the family had settled in DeSoto Parish, La. The book's 74 page index -- containing 15,775 entries of surnames and localities -- should give an idea of its vast scope. Also included in the book are 65 photographs, nine maps, and 12 family charts. **Rebecca Van Meeveren** of Dayton, Tenn., is among those recognized by the author for having made a valuable contribution to this family history.

MANAGING A GENEALOGICAL PROJECT by *William Dollarhide*. Updated edition, 1999. 8½x11" paperback, 82 pp. including forms. \$14.95 plus \$3.50 p&h. Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202. Phone (800) 296-6687. Maryland residents add 5% sales tax; Michigan residents 6%.

At the outset, the author explains that this is not a how-to book on starting a family tree but rather an aid on how to organize genealogical materials collected so as to avoid serious problems later. To make his suggestions and ideas come together, he provides a set of master forms to be copied and used to organize genealogical material systematically. The book also explains commonly used genealogical terms like pedigree, lineage, descendancy, and how to determine relationships. Numbering systems also are taken up, including (1) the ahnentafel [German for 'ancestor table'] in which each ancestor in the pedigree has a discrete identification number, and (2) the three descendancy numbering systems - including the Register System, the Henry System, and Dollarhide's own which is a combination of the other two. The author devotes one section of the book to the use of a computer in managing research findings. He warns, however, that most software packages for genealogists seem to be aimed at the family group sheet as the primary recording device. If the computer is to be used primarily for this purpose, then he says a copying machine might be a better investment. Genealogists are advised to think in terms of notes and documents - not pedigree charts - and to use the computer as a finding machine rather than a Xerox that simply copies pages of information. "The most useful task accomplished by a computer is to sort and correlate data, exactly what genealogists do *before* they fill in family group sheets," Dollarhide says. He then goes on to explain how to create a database, document files, and a template file, and briefly reviews five full-service genealogy software programs.

THE NEW ENGLAND HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL REGISTER. VOL. LXII. 1908 by the *New England Historic Genealogical Society*. Boston. 5¼"x8½" paperback, 394 pp. \$43.50 including shipping & handling. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540 -E Pointer Ridge Pl., Bowie, MD 20716

This book contains a complete volume of 'The Register,' the oldest genealogical periodical published in the United States and an essential source for researchers seeking material on New England families. In this particular volume can be found histories of the **Smith, Wiard, Williams, Sanford, and Jackson** families; genealogies of **John and Thomas Jordan, James Brown, Jonathan Stokes, Thomas Cooke, Richard Hughes, John Gage, John Farnham, Hugh Jones, Christopher Todd, Robert Eames, George Bunker, John Woodward, John Williams, Robert Lay, and Richard Bourne**; memoirs of **David Henry Brown, Albert Alonzo Folsom, Daniel Angell Gleason, John Marshall Brown, Alfred Poore, and Robert Thaxter Swan**, plus numerous articles ranging from colonial records of Marlborough, Mass., to a list of loyalists from Georgia who settled in Jamaica in the 1780s. The volume contains indexes of persons, places, and subjects. Perusing the index of places reveals that **Fisk and Vanderbilt** universities of Nashville and **Hattie Russell Stratton** of Chattanooga were among donors to the Society's library in 1907. It also indicates that **Daniel Eames**, born 2 Jan 1817 in Massachusetts, died in Memphis, Tenn., on 6 Feb 1895. Proceedings of the Society's annual meeting are included, along with a copy of its charter. The Society was incorporated in 1845 but it was not until 1897 that women were admitted to membership.

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ADAM MARTIN & THOMAS ROY MUSICK, ST. LOUIS CO., MO., PIONEERS by Michal Martin Farmer. 6x9" hardcover, 658 pp. including full-name index. \$45 including p&h. Henington Publishing Co., Wolfe City, Tex. Order from author at P.O. Box 140880, Dallas, TX 75214-0880, phone (214) 324-4508. (Texas residents add \$3.71 sales tax per book.)

In addition to **Martin** and **Musick** surnames, this family history includes information on the related **Hildebrand**, **Peira**, **Roy**, and **Neville** lines. Inspiration for the book, published in 1989, came from conversations the author had with her paternal grandfather, **David Springer Martin** of Cooke Co., Tex., when she was 12 years old. That experience sparked her interest in genealogy and has resulted in numerous books designed to share her research findings with others. **Adam Martin**, the progenitor of her **Martin** family, was born 28 Sept 1755 in Pennsylvania and was a Presbyterian. During the Revolutionary War, he lived in Augusta Co., Va. When **Adam** was 22, he married **Mary McMillin** on her 16th birthday, 16 Mar 1778, in Augusta County. **Mary** also was a native Pennsylvanian. The book opens with a 32-page overview of **Martin** family history, and then gives data on five generations starting with **Adam Martin**. The next section deals with his brother, **Lewis Martin, Sr.**, followed by data on related family lines. Included in the book are 136 photographs, 15 maps, bibliography, and a 60-page index. Most of **Adam** and **Mary**'s current-day descendants live in Missouri, Oklahoma, and Texas.

GENEALOGY ON CD-ROM by Marthe Arends. 8½ x 11" paperback, 258 pages including index. \$29.95, plus \$3.50 p&h.. Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202. Phone (800) 296-6687. Maryland residents add 5% sales tax; Michigan residents 6%.

In her prefatory remarks, the author says she believes books are still the most efficient way to disseminate genealogical information. However, she goes on to point out that a single compact disk can contain the equivalent of roughly 160,000 pages of text, making it possible for researchers to purchase resources that previously were too expensive or out of print. Because of the rapid growth of genealogy on CD-ROMs, the author provides this guide listing all major categories of genealogical CDs now on the market. Among them are marriage indexes, census indexes and images, biographies, genealogical references, journals, newspapers, periodicals, immigration and naturalization records, military records, compiled family histories and genealogies, Bible records, etc. A category entitled "U.S. Locality Resources" lists genealogical CDs dealing with specific states. Those shown for Tennessee are essentially census and marriage indexes. The author explains the difference between the census index and the census image for those who may not be familiar with the terms. The book also enables the researcher to determine which census indexes are for the entire state and which are for "selected counties" only. Each CD listing - except for census records - includes the title, publisher, price, system requirements, and a description of contents. A separate section at the back of the book gives CD publishers and vendors. A gift that should thrill any genealogist is *The Harper's Weekly of the Civil War Era (1857-1865)*, which includes the newspaper's complete text with illustrations and ads. The cost? A mere \$14,900.

SECOND STAGES IN RESEARCHING WELSH ANCESTRY edited by John & Sheila Rowlands. 1999. 5-3/4 x 8" paperback, 362 pp., indexed. \$21.95 plus \$3.50 p&h. Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202. Phone (800) 296-6687. Maryland residents add 5% sales tax; Michigan residents 6%.

American genealogists with an interest in Welsh ancestry will find a wealth of material in this book, which includes contributions from experts in various fields of Welsh history. It follows the format of the editors' earlier published *Welsh Family History, A Guide to Research*, based on family history courses taught at the University of Wales. Designed to provide some understanding of the social, cultural, religious, and economic background of the communities in which their ancestors lived before 1800, the book points out some little-known sources and the special uses that can be made of them. Other chapters relate to various occupations, surnames, old documents, maps, and estate records. Brief sketches of family histories include those of the **Vaughans**, **Pughs**, **Lloyds**, **Reginalds**, **Joneses**, and **Owens**. One chapter, entitled "Homes of Surnames," is particularly enlightening. While **Jones** is the most common surname in Wales, there is considerable variation in its occurrence. In the area around Bala in Merionethshire, more than 30% of the population has the **Jones** surname. By contrast, in the area around St. David's in Pembrokeshire barely 1% bear the name. Similar variations exist for other commonly appearing surnames. Also interesting is a chart comparing common surnames in Wales with those in England in 1858. **Jones**, **Williams**, and **Davies** appeared most often in Wales, while **Smith**, **Taylor**, and **Brown** were the most common in England. The book clearly falls in the category of "must read" books for the Welsh researcher, and "a highly interesting read" for the non-Welsh.

MECKLENBURG CO., N. C.: A 1792 PETITION & TAX LISTS 1797-99, 1806-08, 1810-11, 1815, 1823-24 by *Herman W. Ferguson*. 1999. 8½"x11" soft cover, perfect binding, 180 pp., including full-name index, map with index. \$25. Order from author, 600 Chad Drive, Rocky Mount, NC 27803-1512, phone (252) 443-2258, e-mail FERGGE0GEN@AOL.com

If one of your ancestors was an early taxpayer of Mecklenburg County, N.C., here's a book that could make it easy to trace him through time. The book leads off with a 1792 petition from county residents opposing the formation of Cabarrus County, and follows up with 11 years of tax lists. The petition, structured like the tax lists, is arranged by militia companies and contains about 1,000 names. As noted by the author, one of its uses is to discover the proper spelling of many surnames in the 1790 census. The 11 tax lists are all that remain from the formation of the county through 1824. Eight of the lists have been published previously either in Ferguson's book of will abstracts or in the *Journal of the North Carolina Genealogical Society*, but this book brings them all together in one convenient resource along with three lists never published before. While tax lists may not have the appeal of estate files or court records, they are an excellent source for locating taxable persons on a year-in, year-out basis. It is especially interesting to observe how many residents in the 1790 census can be picked up in every tax list from 1797 through 1824. As a "for instance" the author names three - **Michael Oats, Frederick Starnes, and Groves Vinson**. Tax lists frequently provide good evidence of a person's death as well. The name of **James Roan**, for example, appears on tax lists for 1806, 1808, 1810, 1811, and 1823, but in 1824 his property is listed, "**James Roan, Exr. of.**" The book is another valuable contribution by **Herman Ferguson** to North Carolina genealogy.

FRENCH & INDIAN WAR NOTICES ABSTRACTED FROM COLONIAL NEWSPAPERS, 1758-59 by *Armand Francis Lucier*. 1999. 5¼"x8½" paperback, 359 pp. including full-name index. \$35 including shipping & handling. Heritage Books, Inc., 1540 -E Pointer Ridge Pl., Bowie, MD 20716

The third volume in a series, this book covers the period when the British -- after three years of futile attempts to remove the French from their settlements and forts -- adopt a new strategy, replacing their politically appointed commanders with reputable generals and combining their regular army with provincial forces and militias to launch three simultaneous expeditions against the French on three fronts. Articles extracted largely from weekly newspapers in Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, Pennsylvania, Maryland, North Carolina, and Virginia reflect the atmosphere of the times. Many are unconfirmed reports, and some are private letters describing atrocities committed by the French, the Canadians, and the Indians allied with them. An account from Boston tells of the arrival of **Major General Jeffery Amherst**, chief commander of his Majesty's land forces in a successful expedition against Cape Breton. "The Guns at Castle William, and those of the Battries in the Town and at Charleston, were discharged on this Occasion, and the Bells of the Town were rung; in the Evening there was a Bonfire, and a great variety of Fire Works played off." A story from Philadelphia reports the death "after a tedious illness" of **John Forbes**, aged 49, whose father of the shire of Fife in Scotland was commander of His Majesty's troops in the Southern Provinces of North America. The book also includes reproductions of battle maps of Ticonderoga, Louisbourg, and Quebec.

DESCENDANTS OF SAMUEL, JAMES, & MARTHA PERKINS by *Dorothy Neblett Perkins*. 1999. 8½"x11" hardcover, 515 pp. including full-name index. \$69 including postage from Neblett Press, P.O. Box 675696, Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067-5606

When you read the author's dedication -- "... to the young Perkins brothers, **Alex and Andrew**, who, like their great-great-grandfather **William Usery Perkins** and two of his brothers, are now in business together running a successful lemonade stand ..." -- you know you're in for a down-to-earth, non-pretentious family history that makes for interesting reading. **Mrs. Perkins** provides all that and more in tracing nine generations of her husband's family beginning with the **Perkins** siblings **Samuel, James, and Martha** who are first found in Anson Co., N.C., in the early 1800s. By 1815, all three had moved with their families to Tennessee. **Samuel** was the only one to stay in the Volunteer State, settling first in Giles County and locating in Hardin County by 1836. (**James** and **Martha** moved on to Mississippi.) **Samuel's** wife, **Elizabeth Marsh**, died in Giles County in 1819 and about three years later he married **Mrs. Anna Ussery Dill**. Some of **Samuel's** children moved to Mississippi and some to Texas. In addition to the Perkins family, the book provides some genealogy on the collateral family lines of **Barham, Kemper, Marsh, Pearce/ Pierce, and Ussery**. Family photos are generously sprinkled throughout the book. For bonus reading, the book includes appendices on: (1) the slaying of the Archbishop of Canterbury, (2) the lineage of **Andrew Jackson**, (3) a discussion of whether this Perkins branch has a connection with the **Hardeman** family, and (4) an interesting collection of letters written by **Henry Clay Perkins** during World War I. ■

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McFall, J. W.	24	188
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¹ Other family members: Maria, 38, Andrew 13, John 8, all b. in Ind., and Marten 3, b. in Mo.

² In household with Rufus Butterfield, 31, b. N.Y.; Malinda, 22, b. N.J., and E. (f), 4, b. N.J.

³ In same family, Mr. Hanri, 35, b. N.Y.; Catharine 9, John 7, E. (m.) 4, all b. Ill., and J. (male), 9 mo., b. in Calif.

⁴ In same household, Jno. Lightner, 35, b. Va.

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⁵ In same household, Jno. Rougherfield, 19, b. in Ark.

⁶ In same household, D. Tollman, 47, b. in S.C., Levi Tollman, 19, b. Ark.

⁷ In same household with A.S. and Polly Gunn are Calvin Gunn, 18, b. Mo., and Samuel A. Gunn, 7 mo., b. Calif.
⁸ In same household, Elizabeth Stansbury, 38, b. in Ky.; B. F. Stansbury, 6, b. in Ark., and J. Stansbury, 3, b. in Ore.

Jefferson County Court Minutes, 1838 (FOURTH & FINAL INSTALLMENT)

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MONDAY, 5 MAR 1838

Present at the Jefferson County Court session on 5 March, being the first Monday of March, 1838, were **William Hill, William S. Manson, and John Roper, Esq.**

John Smith, administrator of **Nelson Yoe**, deceased, filed an additional list of sales of said estate which was received in open court and admitted to record.

Anna Webb, aged 18, appeared in court and chose **Nancy Eslinger** as her guardian. The court then appointed her and she entered bond with security for the faithful discharge of her duties.

By order of the court, **Isabella Clifton**, aged 12, was bound by indenture to **John Fain** of Muddy Creek until she arrives at age 18.

Eliza M. Gillispie was given the court's permission to administer all goods, chattels, rights, and credits of **Col. George Gillispie**, deceased, and she entered bond and filed an inventory which was admitted to record.

The last will and testament of **Silas Henry**, deceased was presented for probate. **John Dunkin** and **Joseph Gaunt**, subscribing witnesses, testified they saw **Henry** sign the will, and that he was of sound and disposing mind. The court admitted the will to record, and **Hugh Henry**, who was named in the will as executor, made bond.

Henry Counts and **William Barton**, executors of the estate of **Nicholas Counts**, deceased, returned a list of sales of the estate and the list was admitted to record.

Returned and admitted to record was a report by **William Cox, William Maskell, and Adam Haun**, who were appointed commissioners to lay off and allot to **Mary Coffman**, widow and relict of **Samuel Coffman**, one year's support of provisions and grain on hand belonging to said estate.

John W. Hill, executor of the will of **Elizabeth Hill**, deceased, returned an inventory of the estate which was received and admitted to record. Also admitted to record was an additional list of \$153.04 in sales of the **William Hinkle** estate filed by **David Neff**, estate administrator.

The court appointed **Pleasant Jarnagin** overseer of a first-class road from **Widow Long's** to **Vinsant McKinney's** and assigned the following farms for his hands to work on road: **Lewis Riggs' farm** to **Russell Riggs**, **Pleasant M. Riggs**, **John Y. Staples**, **John B. Staples**, **John McKinney**, **Vincen McKinney**, and **Thomas Poindexter**.

James Alexander, administrator of the **Samuel Coffman** estate, returned a list of estate sales and it was received by the court and admitted to record.

Also admitted to record were an inventory and list of estate sales by **Lawson D. Franklin**, administrator of the goods and chattels of **Robert I. Franklin**, deceased.

The court appointed **Edward B. Snoddy** guardian of **John Dunkins** [alias **Gunter**] and he entered bond.

Harney Riggs was appointed overseer of a first-class road from **Bull's branch** to **Barton's field**. Assigned to work on road were hands from **Harney Riggs' plantation**, **Samuel Riggs** to **Clisby Riggs** to **William Baker** to **John Nurell** to **William Thompson** to **Hughes W. Taylor** to **James Taylor** to **Thomas Doggett** to **Widow Doggett** and **Abraham Spoon's** hands.

The court appointed **Col. William Moore**, **Capt. James Scruggs**, **Chucky Bend**, and **Pergrine G. Yoe, Esq.**, commissioners to lay off one year's support to **Eliza M. Gillispie** and family out of the estate of **Col. George T. Gillispie**, deceased, and report to the court.

MONDAY, 5 NOV 1838

The court appointed **James Maddox** overseer of a first-class road from **Mossy Creek** to the forks of the road below **Reuben Churchman's** and assigned hands on **George Branner's** plantation, **John Newman** and his hands, **Joel Johnson**, **George Newman**, **Jonathan Newman, Jr.**, **B. F. Newman**, **Aaron Newman**, **Johnathan Newman, Sr.**, and his sons - **Simon, Patterson, and Maddison Newman**.

The court appointed **Jacob Denton** overseer of a second-class road from **Elliott's** ferry up river to **Denton's** ford then to fork near **George Gregory's** and assigned hands: **Joel W. Cowan's** farm, **William Lowe's** to **Andrew Mason** to **Thomas Denton** to **Jacob Denton** to **Michall Branner** to **George Gregory, Sr.**, and to **George Gregory, Jr.**

The court ordered that the road leading from **Denton's** ford to the **Hays Terry** road immediately under the hill be a third-class road.

The court appointed **Benjamin Branner** commissioner of the Poor House and farm in room of [in place of] **John Martin** who this day resigned.

The court appointed **James Laurence**, **John Gant**, and **Ebenezer Leeth** commissioners to lay off a year's support to **Silas Henry's** widow and family.

James N. Hamble recorded his brand on **Fleur** hands, to-wit: I.H.H.

The court allowed **Joseph Hamilton** as clerk for making settlements with executors or administrators one-fourth of 1% on the aggregate amount.

The court having finished its business adjourned on Tuesday morning, 6 Nov 1838.

MONDAY, 3 DEC 1838

Present: **William Hill**, **William S. Manson**, **John Roper**.

The court appointed the following justices of the peace for the year 1839: District 1 - **Joseph Gant**, District 2 - **Nicholas Davis**, District 3 - **William Hill**, District 4 - **William Mathes**, District 5 - **Hamilton Copeland**, District 6 - **Dudley C. Cox**, District 7 - **Jacob P. Chase**, **John Daily**, District 8 - **Robert F. Campbell**, District 9 - **Henry H. Pick**, District 10 - **David Grant**, District 11 - **William S. Manson**, District 12- **James Chilton**, District 13 - **Hugh W. Taylor**, District 14- **William Donaldson**, District 15 - **William R. Connell**.

On a petition of **James Scruggs** and by an order of the court, an order was directed to the sheriff of Jefferson County commanding him to summons **Miss Sarah Hogains** to appear before the court on the first Monday of January next and deliver up the last will and testament of **William C. Hogains** if in her possession and if not, to give the court such information as she has in relation to said will.

Joseph Hamilton, court clerk, produced a settlement with **Massey Hill**, executor of **William Conway**, deceased, who was administrator of **Miss Sarah Porter**, deceased, and it was admitted to record. Other settlements admitted to record were those with **Eli King**, guardian of **Martha A. Ritchey**, and **William Vinyard**, administrator of **John Reed's** estate.

The court received and confirmed a report by **William Moore** and **Peregrin G. Yoe**, commissioners who allotted a year's support to **Eliza M. Gillispie**.

Hugh Henry, executor of **Silas Henry's** estate, returned an inventory and list of sales.

A. H. McBee was appointed overseer of a first-class road from the slash near **Adam H. McBee's** to the ford of the creek at **Calloway Hodges**. Assigned to work on the road were **Hodges** and the hands on his farm, hand on the farm where **John Maggott** lives, hands on **Henry Dick's** farm, **Daniel January's** farm, **Benjamin January's** farm, and those on the farm where **Daniel Spear** lives.

The court appointed **John Gant** overseer of a second-class road from **Walnut Hollow** to the place designated to the farm's overseer to work to and assigned the following hands: **James Grant**, **Richard Thornhill**, **James Grant**, **John Grant**, **Awn Reans**, **Abraham Miller**, **George W. Massengil**, **Henry E. Massengil**, **John McLaughlin**, **Wilson L. McLaughlin**, and **Jacob McLaughlin**.

The court appointed **Richard H. Bradshaw** overseer of a second-class road from **Kins Cross Roads** to **Richard Bradshaw's**. Assigned to work on the road were the hands on **John N. Lockart's** farm, **John Rankin's** farm, **Awn Newman**, **Richard Bradshaw**, **Moses Barnes**, **Abraham D. Barnes**, **Rains Heath**, **Harden Bradshaw**, and **James Rankin**.

Having finished its business for the term, the court adjourned on Tuesday morning, 4 Dec 1838. ■

Robertson County's Early History From 1871 Nashville Paper

(Reproduced from the Nashville Gazette, 6 Sep 1871)



IN 1796 the Tennessee legislature, then sitting at Knoxville, divided the county of Tennessee (originally a part of Davidson) into Robertson and Montgomery counties. The act establishing Robertson County county nominated **William Johnson, Sr., James Norflet, John Young, John Donelson, and Samuel Crockett** commissioners to select a site for the courthouse, prison, and stocks.

The first court ever held in and for the county met at the house of **Jacob McCarty** on 18 Jul 1796. **William Fort, Charles Miles, William Miles, Benjamin Manees, Isaac Phillips, Bazel Boren, Martin Duncan, John Phillips, Hugh Henry, Zebulon Hobart, and James Crabtree** were justices of the peace composing the Court of Common Pleas and Quarter Sessions. The County Court, which at that time was held by the justices of the peace, had jurisdiction over all misdemeanor cases and original jurisdiction of all matters in law and equity involving amounts over \$20. The first business of the court was to elect county officers. The following were named:

Chairman of the Court - **William Fort**

Clerk - **Thomas Johnson**

Sheriff - **Hugh Henry**

Coroner - **Isaac Brown**

Ranger - **John Phillips**

Registrar - **Bazel Boren**

Trustee - **Josiah Fort**

Solicitor - **Samuel Donelson**

On the second day, the court fixed the rates of fare to be charged by tavernkeepers as follows:

Each half pint of whiskey - -- 16½ cents

Each half pint of brandy - -- 21 cents

Each half pint of rum or wine - 25 cents

Breakfast & supper - ----- 25 cents

Dinner - ----- 33½ cents

The October term of Robertson County Court for the year 1796 was held at the house of **Benjamin McIntosh**. The first litigated case ever tried by the court was at this term. Styled **John Sutton vs. Thomas Woodard**, it came up on an appeal of a judgment rendered by **John Phillips**, justice of the peace, for \$4.59 in favor of the plaintiff. **Seth Lewis** appeared as attorney for the plaintiff, and **James Doherty** for the defendant. The jury trying the case returned a verdict finding for the plaintiff and assessing damages at \$4.59.

The first indictment found by the county grand jury was against **James Stuart** for assault and battery on **Isaac Brown**. The indictment - a true bill - was endorsed by **Samuel Donelson**, solicitor, and **Johnathan Price**, foreman of the grand jury. The defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$2 and costs of the suit.

In 1796 Springfield was established on the south bank of Sulphur Rock, a stream that flowed through the center of the county and emptied into the Red River at Port Royal. The town was incorporated in 1819, and at present [1871] has a population of 1,500-2,000. It has two churches -- Methodist and Presbyterian -- and a congregation of Baptists who worship in the Presbyterian Church. The colored brethren also have two houses of worship. The town has both a good male school and a good female school, two flouring mills, two wagon and carriage shops, two blacksmith shops, two carpenter shops, one tin shop, one boot and shoemaker shop, two saddle shops, five dry goods houses, one hotel, a tobacco factory, livery stable, three groceries, three drug stores, one furniture and undertaking establishment, four wholesale whiskey houses and four retail dealers, 10 lawyers, four doctors, one dentist, one photo gallery, one merchant tailor, and a three-story Masonic temple.

The next largest town in Robertson is Cross Plains in the eastern part of the county with a population of about 400. Other towns are Barren Plains, eight miles northwest of Springfield, and Coopertown, eight miles southwest of Springfield which was established in 1849 and named from a number of coopers who plied their trade there. The Glover Male & Female Institute was established in honor of **Dr. R. G. Glover**.

Other settlements in the county include Turnersville, a postoffice and small village about 10 miles west of Springfield, and Adams Station, a thriving village 12 miles west of Springfield on the Edgefield & Kentucky rail-

road. Greenbriar, eight miles southeast of Springfield, is an important point for freight shipments on the same railroad and has a saw mill and distillery.

Whiskey traffic absorbs the principal part of the available capital of the county, which is the home of 12 wholesale whiskey houses, nine rectifying establishments, four whiskey distilleries, and three brandy distilleries.

Thomas Woodard and his brother, **Col. Willie Woodard**, are the oldest whiskey men in the county. They were pioneers in the manufacture of county whiskey and "Old Robertson" is indebted to them for its name and fame as a fine brand all over the United States. **Judge John Woodard**, son of **Thomas** and member of the well-known wholesale house of **Woodard & Moore** of Springfield, is now erecting a fine distillery soon to be in operation. **J. H. and G. R. Woodard**, sons of **Willie**, own and operate one of the state's finest distilleries. **G. R. Woodard** invented the patent process used there. The distillery is at the mouth of a cave where the temperature is about 60 degrees winter and summer.

G. H. Garrett & Company also own a fine distillery near Springfield with a capacity of 10 barrels per day, using the process patented by **H. H. Kirk**. **Charles Nelson**, and **Dr. G. C. Draughon** own the two remaining distilleries now in operation.

Hunt's Rangum Root Liniment is getting to be an important trade item in Springfield. **Dr. F. B. Hunt** began experimenting in its preparation about three years ago, and it has been a success from the beginning. It is designed for many ailments for both man and beast.

The Robertson County Agricultural and Mechanical Association is among the most successful in the state, paying a handsome annual dividend to its stockholders. It was organized in 1868 near Springfield. Wheat, corn, oats, and tobacco are the county's principal crops.■

Knoxville ... A Thriving Metropolis in 1823-24

Dancing School

Mr. Collinsworth presents his respects to the Ladies & Gentlemen of Knoxville and its vicinity, and respectfully informs them that he will open a dancing school at **Mr. Boyd's Tavern** on Monday the 12th inst. He will use every exertion to instruct his pupils in the most fashionable and genteel mode of dancing and other graceful and polite qualification. He is grateful for the favors he has heretofore received from the citizens of Knoxville, and he flatters himself with an equal degree of patronage from them on the present occasion.

Jan 9, 1823

WANTED

200 or 300 lbs. of clean country-made SUGAR for which cash will be given. Inquire at **S. Bell's** silversmith shop, Knoxville.

Feb 20, 1824

Partnership Dissolved

Drs. Butler and Harrison dissolved their partnership on 16 Nov last by mutual consent. My student, **Dr. Ayre**, will assist me in business in the future and will pay particular attention to my shop. I shall keep constantly on hand a good supply of family medicines which will be sold upon reasonable terms.

- **P. H. BUTLER**

NOTICE

Joseph Bartholomew wishes to buy 300 bushels of corn for which he will give good saddles if immediate application is made.

Campbell's Station

The old stand at this place is again opened under direction of **Mr. Samuel Ervin** who so long attended to **Mr. Anthony's** house in Knoxville. There is also at this place a good assortment of goods which will be sold as low as is to be purchased in Knoxville. I will receive in a few days two bales of POINT BLANKETS and one bale of 10 pieces of BLUE CLOTHS to sell on commission. I want to purchase 20,000 gallons of Good Whiskey in new barrels, none to hold more than 34 gallons. I want also to purchase 5 tones of hemp - if clean, \$100 per ton will be given in current bank notes. I will give cash for good Beef Hides, good furs and lambswool, will buy Tow Linnen, Lindsey shoe thread and feathers. Am now having made Stills of different sizes & Tin Ware. I want Wagons to haul salt from King's works. Also wanted is a good, sober Tinner to whom constant employ will be given.

- **SAMUEL MARTIN**, Campbell's Sta., 21 Nov 1823

NOTICE

The partnership of **E. Wiatt** and **William H. Montgomery** was dissolved 24 Dec 1823 by mutual consent. All indebted to the firm are requested to make payment to **Dr. Montgomery** who has purchased all of the debts of the concern. Those with claims should present them to him for settlement.■

Fayette County, Tenn., Marriages

Transcribed from Microfilm Roll #15 of Fayette Co., Tenn., Marriage Record Book, Vol. 2, Nov 1881-Aug 1889

Abbreviations: M. G. = Minister of God; J. P. = Justice of the Peace; lic. = license

(Note: Marriages are listed in the order in which they appeared in the record book. Dates are not always chronological.)

JANUARY, 1882

<u>Marriage Date</u>	<u>Name of Couple</u>	<u>By Whom Married</u>	<u>Bondsman</u>
Jan 1	William Henson, Melvina Roberson	W. H. Martin, J.P.	Andrew Robertson
Jan 2	Louis Hamlin, Margaret Douglass	J. H. Garnett, J.P.	Ed Bolan
Jan 4	Ed Walker, Lewanna Bryant	J. C. Harrell, J.P.	Shederick Kirkman
Jan 2	Sam'l Reid, Ella Gales	H. M. Green, J.P.	Henry M. Green
Jan 8	John Wrightsda, Louisa Watkins	Dr. Fed Moorman	R. Whitehead
Jan 5	L. W. Ashworth, Emma Fortune	J. T. Dadney	L. J. Cook
Jan 3	D. J. Douglas, Mary McCarley	F. C. Manley	C. J. Boyd
Jan 4	John R. Pearson, Samella Settle	Jas. A. Heard, M.G.	R. T. Pickens
Jan 3	J. W. Cunningham, Mary Fainney	P. B. Beck	A. Weber
Jan 4	D. F. Cowan, Mattie E. Fraser	J. C. Wilson, M. G.	W. C. Old
Jan 4	Henry Johnson, Lula Jackson	E. R. Reynolds	E. R. Tatum
Jan 4	Andy Shelton, Meally Ann Bailey	Edmond Armstrong	Peter Price
Jan 5	Henry Boals, Hattie Steward	Vitus Bowers	Ben Jones
Jan 4 (lic. issued)	Albert Jarmon, Nancy Luney	[no return]	J. H. Johnson
Jan 4	Nat McNeil, Lucy Steel	Rev. Brown Lee	Sebun McNeil
Jan 5	Mose Williamson, Luanna Wood	Peter Douglass, M. G.	Peter Johnson
Jan 7	Jacob Smith, Phoeby Williams	Vitus Bowers	Geo. W. Doyle
Jan 5	J. H. Edwards, W. E. Cloyd	F. C. Manley	Stephen Lacy
Jan 5	Daniel Shaw, Allie Motley	H. M. Green	Jacob Peebles
Jan 5	Jas. B. Gilliam, Lillie L. Reeves	E. K. Bransford	J. G. Knox
Jan 5 (lic. issued)	Church Jones, Lou Bell	[not executed]	Fed Moorman
Jan 10	H. J. Green, H. T. Williams	Hugh Coffee	H. A. Hailey
Jan 11	John Randolph, Emma Jackson	J. L. Moore, J.P.	E. R. Tatum
Jan 10	J. R. Marks, Mrs. Sallie Leach	W. M. Normant, M.G.	C. F. Tripp
Jan 11	Mack Morris, Ellen Washington	Anaias Johnson	O. Wiolliamson
Jan 12	W. S. Taylor, Caldonia Middlebrooks	A. J. Greer	C. F. Tripp
Jan 9 (lic. issued)	Charlie Winfrey, Mary Jane Holmes	[no return]	Ben Murphy
Jan 10	Bob Branch, Callie Webb	J. T. Brown, J.P.	June Moorman
Jan 12	Isaac Mebane, Mrs. Elizabeth Bragg	J. C. Harrell, J.P.	L. L. Warr
Jan 10	George Washington, Louella Clark	Geo. F. A. Spiller, minister	T. H. Wood
Jan 11	Houston Seymour, Annie Henderson	J. T. Brown, J.P.	Simon Seymour
Jan 18	T. M. Myrick, Clara Dyer	J. W. Knott, minister	Thos. Williamson
May 19 ¹	Pleas Bounds, Rose Franklin	Wm. Roberts, M. G.	Stephen Atkinson
Jan 12	Henry Smith, Mary Jackson	J. H. Garnett, J. P.	Bug Webb
Jan 12	Brundy Bias, Mattie Broomley	Charley Hunter	Luke Moorman
Jan 18	Chas. W. Bryant, Alice G. Farrar	A. F. Hendrix	Stephen J. Cocke
Jan 13 (lic. issued)	Albert Stuart, Lizzie McDowell	[no return]	B. G. Covington
Jan 26	Zack Olds, Elishie Tims	Jas. H. Cocke, J. P.	Joseph H. Cocke
Jan 15	T. H. Morris, Elizabeth Tatum	J. C. Wilson, M. G.	J. B. Wall
Jan 16 (lic. issued)	J. W. Davis, Bettie E. Zachery	[no return]	A. G. Richey
Jan 17	Jno. H. Graham, Mollie E. Green	W. L. Cocham	Julius Knox
Jan 17	Wiley Wiggins, Ridder Clark	J. H. Hamner, J.P.	Buck Fields
Jan 19 (lic. issued)	Mitchell Hunter, Kate Smith	[not executed]	Pomfrey Parish
Jan 19	Adolphus Broomley, Katie Mosby	A. Coburn, M.G.	Wesley Granberry
Jan 19 (lic. issued)	Nick Moss, Neely Cole	[no return]	Wm. Boswell
Jan 19	Bob Parrish, Mary Dortch	R. E. Mitchell	A. B. Peebles
Jan 24	Joe Carlton, Viney Shelton	Henry Knight	F. A. Mayo

¹ The marriage license for Pleas Bounds and Rose Franklin was issued 11 Jan 1882, the ceremony was conducted 19 May 1882, and the minister's return was dated 21 June 1882

FAYETTEVILLE MARRIAGES (continued)

<u>Marriage Date</u>	<u>Name of Couple</u>	<u>By Whom Married</u>	<u>Bondsman</u>
Jan 26	L. A. Cooper, F. L. M. Warren	W. D. Clare	J. O. Stafford
Jan 21 (lic. issued)	Joe Mewborn, Alice Thomas	[no return]	Henry Nelson
Jan 24	Wm. Brown, Lucy Bradford	Anaias Johnson	T. Williamson
Jan 24	Fed Bowles, Ann McGowan	Titus Bowers	Jno. Lewis Jones
Jan 27	Joe Catherine, Lucy Melton	C. Smith	Perry Farrell
Jan 24 (lic. issued)	Geo. McKensey, Sue Anderson	[no return]	Reese Waddle
Jan 26	T. A. Vincent, G. A. Lodgent	R. V. Taylor, M. G.	J. M. Spencer
Jan 31	William Marin, Millie Woods	James Armstrong	A. W. Lanier
Jan 31	W. D. Ivey, Bettie Kennan	Jas. E. Treadwell, pastor	E. R. Tatum
Jan 25	Richard Warr, Ceney Pool	N. E. Clemmons	Archer Brooks
Jan 24 (lic. issued)	Jerry Bracken, Fannie Hawkins	[no return]	Geo. Williamson
Jan 24	George Burrel, Sarah Wells	[not executed]	Alfred Wilkins
Jan 29	George Lenard, Sarah Carr	Wm. McMichael	Jessie Carpenter
Feb 3	Geo. W. Askew, Mary Willis Batts	Silas Phillips	Robt. E. Steger
Feb 2	R. A. Roberts, L. P. Parrish	D. G. Chambers, J.P.	R. M. Roberts
Feb 2	Jim Mason, Polly Maclin	J. Tucker, J.P.	Jack Whitmore
Feb 2 (lic. issued)	Richard Martin, Hagas Neal	[no return]	Bob Neal
Feb 2 (lic. issued)	Kim Rogers, Alabama Shield	[no return]	Alfred Williams
Feb 4 (lic. issued)	A. P. McClandless, Mary Anderson	[no return]	A. A. Anderson
Feb 9	John Maclin, Nancy Williams	J. H. Hamner, J.P.	Lucius Bland
Feb 15	W. T. Price, J. A. Ousler	Thos. Joyner	J. H. Hooks
Feb 8	John N. German, C. P. Key	E. K. Bransford	A. B. Pulliam
Feb 9	Ed Dandridge, Mary Macon	Willam McMichael	Mat Daniels
Feb 11	Oston Jones, Tennie Rodgers	J. H. Hooks	R. E. Steger
Feb 10	Albin Orr, Harriet Johnson	Peter Douglass	Peter Johnson
Feb 12	Ike Futrell, Mary Francis Springfield	J. B. Wall, J.P.	W. D. Spain
Feb 14 (lic. issued)	Peter Henderson, Addeline Clark	[no return]	A. R. Murrell
Feb 14	Daniel Davis, Martha McDonald	R. E. Mitchell	Jerry Lawhorn
Feb 16	Tansy Warr, Bettie Walker	Ananias Johnson	Charles Cockes
Feb 15 (lic. issued)	Henry Burnett, Jr., Priscilla Yancey	[no return]	T. H. Word
Feb 17 (lic. issued)	Armstead Hunt, Mary Elizabeth Ault	[no return]	Phillip Smith
Feb 18 (lic. appl.) ²	Will Jackson, Fannie Russell	[lic. not issued]	Daniel Webster
Feb 19 (lic. issued)	Jesse Richardson, Lavinia Purtle	[no return]	R. E. Steger
Feb 23	Frank Mosby, Clara Braxton	Wm. E. Mitchell	E. D. Steger
Feb 23	Finas Smith, Haley Worne	W. D. Clore, M.G.	C. D. Moss
Feb 23 (lic. issued)	Charles Woodson, America Parks	[no return]	Scott Parrish
Mar 2	Phillip Mosby, Annie Persy	J. H. Hooks, J.P.	Alfred Wilkins
Mar 1	John Vester, Patti Lee	Simon Fletcher	Shep White
Mar 2	Thomas W. Lowrey, Lucy J. German	D. G. Chambers	J. F. Richey
Mar 5	Anderson Ricketts, Margaret Yandall	W. Jones, M. G.	Jas. H. Cocke
Oct 10 ³	Jeff Green, Julia Carney	Rev. F. Sanders	Robt. Anderson
Mar 10 (lic. issued)	Tom Smith, Ella Bowan	[no return]	David Hanarford
Mar 10 (lic. issued)	Samuel Minnor, Willie Alexander (?)	[no return]	Alfred Wilkins
Mar 16	Lewis Johnson, Rose Moorman	Rev. James Armstrong	B. F. Amberson
Mar 18	James Jones, Mary Fields	Isaac Cotton	William Lambert
Mar 24	A. J. Fields, Patie Flemings	G. J. Field	David Haniford
Mar 23	Lewis Malone, Bettie Malone	W. Jones, M.G.	Monroe W. Gooden
Mar 28	W. A. Warr, Nannie F. Flemmings	J. I. Crossett, J. P.	Ed D. Steger
Mar 28	Arthur Perry, Alice Walls	J. B. Wall	Feyt Brown
Mar 31	Sam Houston, Jennie Qualls	J. C. McNeil, J. P.	Alfred Wilkins
Mar 30	John Green Bobbitt, Mollie N. Cocke	B. W. Lauderdale	D. B. Jack

² Note in margin of marriage record book states: "License was not issued on the ground that the woman did not have a divorce from her former husband."

³ License was issued 7 Mar 1882. Marriage ceremony took place 10 Nov 1882. Papers returned 31 Jan 1883.

Stymied By Problems In Your Research?

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Has your genealogical research sputtered and slowed, and just about come to a complete halt?

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Bockstruck, a scholar with three degrees, heads up the genealogy section of the Dallas Public Library. He also pens a weekly column, "Family Tree," for the *Dallas Morning News*, and for 25 years has been on the faculty of Samford University's Institute of Genealogy and Historical Research which is held annually in Birmingham. He is the author of three books: *Virginia's Colonial Soldiers*, *Genealogical Research in Texas*, and *Revolutionary War Bounty Land Grants Awarded by State Governments*. He received the National Genealogical Society's Award of Merit in 1982 and was named a Fellow of the NGS in 1993.

Among topics **Bockstruck** will discuss at the intermediate/advanced TGS workshop are legal terminology, geographic migrations, church records, colonial naturalization, ethnic groups, land grants, and colonial soldiers.

Why legal terminology? Most records available for genealogical research are the result of government demands, and the technical or legal words used in them could have radically different meanings from their usual definitions. **Bockstruck** will explain a number of these terms to help you understand the vocabulary of the literature, and ensure that you not only draw the correct genealogical conclusions but also follow up on some extremely valuable clues you may be overlooking.

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The workshop and miniature bookshop will be at **Hillwood** (formerly known as **Hill's Barn**) located at 3570 **Davieshire Drive** on the historic **Davies Plantation**, just a short distance northeast of the TGS library at 9114 **Davies Plantation Road**. Pre-registration will be available until 1st April at a discount price of \$20, and which can be paid at TGS headquarters or mailed to the Society at P.O. Box 247, Brunswick, TN 38014-0247. Workshop registration will begin at 8:30 a.m., and tickets may be purchased at the door for \$25.

Workshop attendees may bring their own lunches or order a box lunch through TGS no later than 11 April. The box lunch, prepared by **Draper Catering of Cordova** and priced at \$6, includes a sandwich with your choice of ham, turkey, or beef, chips, fruit, and cookies. Drinks will be available.

For additional information, phone TGS headquarters at (901) 381-1447 between the hours of 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, or Saturday or call TGS President **Jim Bobo** at (901) 754-2409, e-mail: jbobo1230@aol.com. The phone at Hillwood, which may be used only on the day of the workshop, is (901) 386-0715.

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Turkey on Wheat

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Webb Family Bible

In possession of Helen Rowland, 4209 Willow Park, Memphis, TN 38141, (901) 795-0548

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Page showing name of publisher, date and place of printing, is missing. The Bible was given to **Helen Rowland** ca. 1984 by her aunt, **Ethel B. Barcroft**, daughter of **Leb B. Barcroft** and **Minnie B. Webb**. The family lived in Shelby County at one time. Surnames found in the family in addition to **Webb** are **Barcroft**, **George**, and **Keel**.

Marriages

- ♦ **H. H. and Luritta Webb** were married April 9, 1840
- ♦ **Henry C. and Cornelia F. Webb** were married March 29, 1874
- ♦ **Minnie Bell Webb** married to **L. B. Barcroft** September 18, 1901
- ♦ **Alice P. Cornelia Webb** married to **James H. Barcroft** December 17, 1902

Births

- ♦ **Leander Perry Webb** was born May 13, 1843
- ♦ **Benjamin Henry Webb** was born September 19, 1845
- ♦ **Winfield Scott Webb** was born February 5, 1848
- ♦ **Henry Clay Webb** was born January 8, 1850
- ♦ **Gustaveious Anopelous Webb** was born December 20, 1852
- ♦ **Lizie Leola Webb** daughter of **Winfield Webb** was born May 29, 1871
- ♦ **Fannie Bell Webb** was born August 15, 1876
- ♦ **Arthur Franklin Webb** was born September 28, 1879
- ♦ **Maggie Elnora Webb** was born June 7, 1882
- ♦ **Henry Kiersey Webb** was born July 25, 1872
- ♦ **Mary Luritta Webb** was born January 7, 1875
- ♦ **John Calhoun George** was born June 20, 1850
- ♦ **Martha Katherine George** was born September 11, 1855
- ♦ **Susan Ann Keel** was born February 26, 1863
- ♦ **William Elisha Keel** was born August 10, 1865
- ♦ **Leander Perry Webb** was born January 23, 1875
- ♦ **Minnie Bell Webb** born September 8, 1876
- ♦ **Alice Pearl Webb** was born February 19, 1878
- ♦ **Mary Cornelia Barcroft** born August 11, 1902
- ♦ **Henry James Barcroft** born March 14, 1905
- ♦ **Lloyd Webb Barcroft** born September 28, 1908
- ♦ **Bessie James Barcroft** born September 13, 1908
- ♦ **Ethel Bernice Barcroft** born in Manila, Ark November 8, 1912

Deaths

- ♦ **Leander Perry and Benjamin Henry** Departed this life November 8, 1848
- ♦ **Gustavus Anopelous Henry Webb** Departed this Life October 14, 1871

- ♦ **Mary Cornelia Barcroft** Daughter of **L. B. and Minnie Webb Barcroft** departed for Heaven November 16, 1907
- ♦ **Bessie James Barcroft** Daughter of **J. H. and Alice Barcroft** went to Heaven March 4, 1909
- ♦ **Leander Perry Webb** departed this life January 29, 1937
- ♦ **Henry Clay Webb** departed this life April 22, 1940
- ♦ **Henry Webb** departed this Life July 9, 1855
- ♦ **Sarah Webb** departed this life December 20, 1845
- ♦ **Lizie Leola Webb** died March 22, 1874
- ♦ **Henry Kiersey Webb** died August 25, 1875
- ♦ **Mary Luritta Webb** died September 23, 1875
- ♦ **Henry Harison Webb** Died February 21, 1893
- ♦ **Lurita Webb** wife of **H. H. Webb** died February 15, 1893
- ♦ **Lebb B. Barcroft** Died September 13, 1948
- ♦ **James Harvey Barcroft** Died May 21, 1946
- ♦ **Perry Webb** died January, 1937
- ♦ **Minnie Bell Webb** Departed August 5, 1950
- ♦ **Alice Barcroft** Departed November, 1952■

An Enterprising Lady

The Nashville Gazette of 14 Sept 1867 reported this interesting bit of information during the Reconstruction:

"Yesterday a bale of new cotton made its appearance in this market under peculiar and unprecedented circumstances. It was brought in from Triune in a cariole by a lady, without escort -- Mrs. Jones who raised it on her plantation near that town. At Thursday noon a portion of the bale was still on the plant unpicked, yet the energetic lady brought it in yesterday and appeared at M'Crea & Co.'s as a seller. Several factors were present and the gallant Carsey of the firm Bailey, Ordway & Co. offered 21 cents with a keg of crushed sugar to boot.

This offer was accepted and after disposing of a lot of linsey and other truck that she had brought in, the enterprising lady turned her cariole homeward, rejoicing in a heavy load of groceries and things."■

McNairy County Wills

(Transcribed from microfilm of McNairy County Court Clerk Records, Vol. 1, Wills Feb 1872-Oct 1936. Produced by the Tennessee State Library & Archives, Nashville, and available at Memphis-Shelby Co. Public Library, Roll 826)

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JOHN P. FULLWOOD: Dated 19 Feb 1872. Witnessed by **Thomas R. Beck, J. K. Andrews**. Proved 5 Aug 1872 in McNairy County Court, **J. G. Gooch**, chairman. Family member named in will:

Wife - **Margaret**

Testator specifies he does not want a funeral sermon preached at his interment or afterwards, stating, "I find no warrant for the custom in the Scriptures. Sorrowing for the dead is enjoined. Friends can tell where [sic] without the preacher's eulogies." Leaves his wife the land on which they reside at Stantonville provided she pays the remainder of the \$110 due on the land to **J. S. Winningham**. He also bequeaths her the improvements made to the property -- specifically, the laying out of a water branch to the home -- giving her the right to hold, rent, lease, or sell according to her preference and stating that the improvements are "the labor of our hands jointly." His wife also is to receive all of his personal property.

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SUSAN LONG: Dated 16 Dec 1872. Witnessed by **William McCaskill, R. C. Ball**. Proved by witnesses 6 Jan 1873 in McNairy County Court. Appoints daughter **Martha Long** executrix of estate. Family members named in will:

Daughter - **Martha Long**

Other children referred to but not named

Grandson - **John Cherry**

Leaves all household and kitchen property, all monies due her, and all corn, fodder, meat, and cotton she may die possessed of to her daughter **Martha**. Leaves a colt to her grandson, **John Cherry**. Balance of her property is to be sold and the proceeds after payment of debts are to be divided equally among her other children.

ELIAS J. HICKS: Dated 23 Mar 1872. Witnessed by **Thomas Clayton, Sample Lofton, W. H. Estes**. Proved 3 Feb 1873. Appoints stepson **J. W. Hicks** executor. Family members named in will:

Stepsons - **J. W. Hicks, H. L. Hicks**

Stepdaughter - **Lucinda Davidson**

Leaves stepdaughter **Lucinda Davidson** \$100 due him by **J. W. Hicks** at his death. Gives stepson **H. L. Hicks** \$100, and leaves balance of estate to executor **J. W. Hicks**.

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FELIX G. TODD: Dated 16 Aug 1871. Witnessed by **L. F. Anderson, J. J. Riley, David Horn**. Proved 3 Feb 1873. Names **David Horn** executor. Family members named in will:

Wife - **Sary Todd**

Leaves personal property and real estate to his wife, **Sary**. At her death, property is to be divided between **Rebecca Blasingame, William Shelton, and Felix Tennessee Crowder**, son of **Green Crowder**. [Relationship, if any, not specified.] States that if **Rebecca** and **William** remain with him and his wife and help support them, they are to have two-fifths each of all his property. If not, they are to be excluded from any share whatever. If **Rebecca** leaves them during their lifetime or refuses to help support them, she is to be excluded and if either he or his wife selects any person to fill her place, that person is to have **Rebecca's** share. **Felix** is to have one-fifth of the property which, testator emphasize, is not to go into hands of **Felix's** father. He asks that a guardian be appointed for **Felix** to guard against this happening.

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ELZA HURST: Dated 13 Jan 1873. Witnessed by **James H. Mitchell, James H. Maness**. Proved 3 Mar 1873. Appoints sons **Elijah** and **Sinet Hurst** executors. Family members named in will:

Sons - **Elijah Hurst** (oldest son), **Jacob Hurst** (second oldest son), **Sinet Y. Hurst, Elza Hurst**

Daughters - **Orleana Holmes** (oldest daughter), **Mary Ann Hurst**

Daughter-in-law - **Sarah Lucretia Hurst**

Illegitimate sons - **James M. Hurst, Monroe Hurst**

Illegitimate daughter - **Harriet Hurst**

Testator directs that oldest daughter, **Orleana**, is to have tract of land where she is now living, known as part of the old **Deaton** land; son **Sinet** is to have 80 acres off the southwest corner of his homeplace known as the old **John Vaughn** tract; daughter **Mary Ann** is to have 80 acres off the East end of his homeplace also known as the **Vaughn** tract; and son **Elza** the balance of the homeplace. Testator instructs that son **Elza's** wife **Sarah Lucretia** is to have a home on said land during her lifetime, and he also leaves her horses and a wagon, sheep, stock, hogs, a red cow, her side saddle, and all household and kitchen furniture. To his illegitimate children, he leaves son **James M.** 60 acres off the south end of his Spring tract of land and to daughter **Harriet** and son **Monroe** the tract of land known as the **Obed Coats** land. He leaves all three of them his yellow cow and heifer and directs that their mother, **Lucy L. Goodman**, have the home on the **Coats** land until her youngest son, **Monroe**, is 21 or as long as she remains single.

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JOHN ROBERTSON: Dated 16 Mar 1872. Witnessed by **G. L. Ross, Stephen L. Ross**. Proved 3 Mar 1873. Appoints son **Beverly Robertson** his executor. Family members named in will:

Sons - **Halcomb, Winston, and Beverly Robertson**

Daughters - **Charlotte and Clarissa Robertson**

Leaves sons **Halcomb** and **Winston** each a young horse, cow, bed, furniture and trunk, all of which they have heretofore received. Leaves 210-acre tract of land on which he now resides to son **Beverly** along with all of his stock of every description, his rifle gun, wagon and oxen, and all farming tools. Daughters **Charlotte** and **Clarissa** are each to receive one-half of whatever money he dies possessed of, one-half of his household and kitchen furniture, and one-third of his beds, bed furniture, and books. He adds a condition to **Beverly's** legacy providing that he is to pay each of his two sisters \$500 in cash within 12 months of his death. Testator also provides that **Beverly** is to receive one-third of beds and bed furniture equally with his sisters. He states that everything belonging to him is to remain on the farm to inure to the benefits of his son and the helpless condition of his daughters.

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G. W. WILSON: Dated 28 Jan 1873. Witnessed by **S. L. Sanders, W. C. Haily**. Proved 7 Apr 1873. Family members named:

Wife - **Susannah**

Sons - **Finley G., Hezekiah, and L. A. Wilson**

Leaves wife his home farm in 15th Civil District except for six acres his son **Finley** bought and paid for and has built a house on. He leaves **Finley** a farm on Snake Creek. His remaining land and personal effects are to be sold after his wife's death and proceeds to be paid sons **Hezekiah** and **L. A.**

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JAMES McCRAW: Dated 9 May 1872. Witnessed by **David Horn, E. J. Horn, Moses Wyatt**. Proved Aug 1873 county court term. **Robert H. Grant**, named executor in will, renounced executorship and **David Horn** was appointed administrator. Family members named in will:

Wife - **Catherine**

Deceased daughter - **Elizabeth Young**

Grandchildren - **George W., Mahala A., John S., and James Young**

Leaves wife all real estate and personal property during her natural lifetime. At her death, all her beds and bed clothing that she brought to his house after they were married, she is to do with what she pleases. At her death, he bequests to **George W.** and **Mahala A. Young** their mother, **Elizabeth Young's** part as if she had been living. **John S.** and **James Young**, the two grandsons that he has raised, are to have an equal part in the estate with his other lawful heirs, and the remainder of his lawful heirs are to have equal shares of his real estate and personal effects.

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GEORGE MANESS: Dated 29 Aug 1873. Witnessed by **C. B. Garner, Sr., R. Maness, J. D. Maness**. Proved 7 Oct 1873.

Wife - **Sarah Jane**

Children - not clear if they are his children or stepchildren; number and names not given

Leaves wife **Sarah Jane** all of his real estate and personal property during her life. He expresses desire that his wife keep her children with her until the youngest comes of age, if she lives that long, before there is any division of his property.

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WILLIAM GILMER: Dated 29 May 1861. Witnessed by **A. C. Riggs, J. M. Harris**. Proved 5 Jan 1874.

Wife - **Susannah**

Daughters - **Margaret**, wife of **Redding Singleton**; **Sarah Elizabeth**, wife of **John Ramer**

Son - **John F. Gilmore**

Leaves \$5 "and nothing more" to his daughter **Margaret**, saying "I consider I have heretofore done for her as much as I intend to do." To daughter **Sarah Elizabeth**, he leaves lifetime use and enjoyment but without the power to sell or otherwise dispose of 166 acres in Range 2, Section 2 which he purchased from **Patrick Glisson** on 4 Nov 1850, registered in Book D, p. 285. At her death, the land is to be divided equally among her children. To son **John F.** and his heirs, he leaves all of the rest of his estate, both real and personal, on the condition that **John** is to live with and decently support his mother **Susannah** during her natural life. If **John** should at any time fail or refuse to furnish her a home and support, then the property is to go to **Susannah** during her lifetime or widowhood and at her death or marriage to **John** and his heirs.

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HENRY WEATHERLY, SR.: Dated 19 Dec 1871. Witnessed by **Aaron Leaford, J. B. Leaford**. Proved 3 May 1874.

Wife **Delitha** and son **John A. Weatherly** appointed executors. Family members named in will:

Wife - **Delitha**

Sons - **William V.** (apparently deceased), **Henry K.**, and **John A. Weatherly**

Daughters - **Mary** and **Louisa**

Grandson - **William Henry Weatherly**

Leaves \$5 to the heirs of his son, **William V.**, and \$5 to his son **Henry K.** His son, **John A.**, is to have a tract of land east of the branch including the buildings erected by **Burt Leaford** and also one bed. His daughters **Mary** and **Louisa** are to have 148 acres lying south of his house, and he also gives **Louisa** one sorrel colt, bed, and furniture. His wife is to have his house and all the balance of lands not willed and also all the balance of his estate after payment of his debts. She can give this at her death to whomever she pleased. He leaves his grandson \$400 and specifies that if his grandson should die before he is 21, the money is to come back to the estate. He also leaves his grandson's mother [not named] \$5.

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E. THOMPSON: Dated 8 Dec 1869. Witnessed by **W. W. Jeanes, R. W. Houston**. Proved July 1874 court term.

Wife - **Louisa Jane**

Leaves his wife all of his land with appurtenances and all of his money after payments of debts, all of his cash notes and accounts of all kinds, and all of his stock, household, and kitchen furniture.

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JOHN RAMER: Dated 19 Apr 1868. Witnessed by **R. N. Bell, T. A. Pittman, W. S. Neill, R. W. Houston, William Reynolds, R. W. Baker**. Proved Oct 1874 court term. **W. R. Ramer, Thomas J. Ramer** appointed executors. Family members mentioned in will:

Wife - **Mary Jane**

His children [apparently from earlier marriage] - **James P. Ramer, Malinda Brown, Lavina Richards, Lucinda Walker, William Ramer, John W. Ramer, Avarell B. Ramer, Elijah A. Ramer, Mary Forsyth**, and **Elizabeth D. Taylor**

His and **Mary Jane's** children - **W. R. Ramer, Thomas J. Ramer, James Samuel Ramer, Felix Johnson Ramer**, and **Cintha Jane Phillips**

Leaves children from his first marriage \$5 each out of any money owed him or raised from the sale of perishables. Gives his daughter **Cintha Jane Phillips** 100 acres lying west of a tract he gave his son **Felix**. Gives **Felix** and **Cintha**, his two youngest children, each a horse and saddle, cow and calf, and household furniture to an amount equal to what he gave their three older brothers, **W. R., Thomas, and Samuel**. The remainder of his estate is to go to his wife **Mary Jane** during her natural life and, after her death, is to be equally divided among their five children - **W. R., Thomas J., James Samuel, Felix, and Cintha Jane**.

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WILLIAM MORTON: Dated 1 Aug 1873. Witnessed by **A. W. Stovall, James P. Grantham**. Proved Nov 1875 county court term. Appointed **W. D. Jopling**, farmer who is now sheriff, executor. Family members mentioned in will:

Daughters - **Casander**, wife of **Thomas Millstead**; **Franky**, wife of **Jasper Tull**; **Olive**, wife of **Joe Millstead**; and **Martha**, wife of **Needum Brint**

Sons - **Benjamin** [apparently deceased] and **William Morton**

Grandchildren - **Martha S. O.**, **James W. S.**, and **Mary S. Morton**, children of **William**; unnamed heir of **Benjamin**; and **Susannah Brint**, daughter of **Martha Brint**

Leaves daughter **Casander** and her heirs 150 acres to be taken off his land beginning at the southeast corner of the Filgow Tract and running north. A 50-acre tract is to be divided equally between daughters **Franky** and **Olive**. His granddaughter, **Susannah**, is to receive the \$140 "Thompson debt" owed by her father **Needum Brint** to the testator. **Benjamin's** only heir is to be paid \$100 out of the testator's personal property. Son **William's** children [**Martha**, **James**, and **Mary**] are to receive all of the remainder of his land and the balance of his property is to be divided equally between them except that **James** is to have one extra mule bridle and saddle.

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J. W. KERBY: Dated 5 Sept 1873. Witnesses by **Isaac W. Nash, G. H. Crowder**. Proved at Nov 1875 court term.

Leaves all of his property and all interest he may have in anything of value to **J. P. Prince**, and instructs that he is to take immediate possession at testator's death.

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JAMES MORROW: Dated 25 Feb 1871. Witnessed by **H. B. Wade, H. L. Yancy**. On 22 Jul 1873, **James Morrow** appeared at the courthouse in the town of Purdy and acknowledged his will. At his request, witnesses **W. H. Carothers** and **George M. Moore** attested that he was of sound mind and disposing memory. Will was proved 1st Nov 1875. His wife **Cynthia** relinquished her right as executrix and the court at her request appointed **Thomas Morrow** administrator. Family members named in will:

Wife - **Cynthia**

Sons - **Matthew, Harrison, and Thomas Morrow** (youngest son)

Daughters - **Berton Morton** (oldest daughter), **Mary White** (second oldest), **Kizia Frazer** (third oldest), **Eliza Roach** (fifth oldest)

Leaves his daughters \$500 each to make them equal with his two older sons, **Matthew** and **Harrison** to whom he has already paid \$500 apiece. After the death of his wife **Cynthia**, all of his estate is to be sold and divided equally among all his children. His wife is to have control of all of his estate as long as she may remain a widow or may live. Names her executrix.

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JOHN COBB: Will dated 18 June 1875. Witnessed by **J. A. McKinzie, David McKinzie**. Proved Nov 1875 county court term. Appoints wife executrix. Family members named in will:

Wife - **Lucinda**

Four youngest children - **Catherine Courtland, Martha Alice, Samuel, and Col Lester Caladonia Cobb** [older children not named]

Leaves his wife all of his personal property with the proviso that it is to be used for the benefit of the family. He also leaves her the farm on which they now live together with all cleared and uncleared land on the 238-acre tract to have the use and profits of during her lifetime or widowhood. If she died or marries before the youngest child becomes of age, the proceeds are to go to the children. The four youngest children are each to be given a good bed, bedstead and bed clothes, and a cow or the value of a cow. Three morgan saddles, tools, and all the material for making saddles are to be sold privately and the proceeds kept for the use of the family.

[To be continued in next issue]

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Comings & Goings

Dr. E. P. Hall, having removed to Pikeville, Bledsoe County, respectfully tenders his services to citizens thereof in the practice of medicine and surgery.

-Sparta Review, 3 Mar 1824

Miss Maud Jeffries of Memphis leaves for New York Sunday night to start on rehearsals with the Effie Ellsler Company with which she has signed for the coming season.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 3 Jul 1889

Dr. C. H. (young "Hick") Weakley and his brother **Sam** returned to Murfreesboro on Wednesday night after an extended and pleasant trip through the North, West, and South. **Dr. Hick** gained 17 pounds since he left here. This will be gratifying news to his many friends as he went away for the purpose of recuperation. Last week they were at Dallas, Tex., and one night no less than seven Murfreesboro boys were gathered together at that place talking of home and a thousand and one other matters. The seven were **Joe Butler**, **Hugh Elliott**, **Sam Ransom**, **Curg Nelson**, **Jim Lytle**, **Sam** and **Hick Weakley**.

-Murfreesboro Monitor, 21 Nov 1890

William Wightman has just arrived [in Shelbyville] from the cities of Philadelphia and Baltimore with a large, elegant, and fashionable assortment of merchandise which he offers for sale on unusually low terms for cash.

-Tennessee Herald, Shelbyville, 20 June 1818

Dr. T. H. Tayloe and family moved to McKenzie last week. We regret very much to have them leave Big Sandy but wish them all the luck imaginable in their new home.

-Camden Chronicle, 16 May 1890

A letter from Houston, Tex., dated 8 Aug 1890 and printed in the *Camden Chronicle* of 22 Aug 1890 from a former resident who identifies himself simply as "G. H." lists several men from Benton County who had relocated in Texas. "All are pleased with this country and the majority are doing well. **John Bartlett** is at Columbia, **Travis Davidson** is a successful attorney at Atlanta, while energetic and irrepressible **J. J. Wyly** is attending Hill's Business College at Dallas. In Burnett, I met **John R. Bullock**. **John Rushing** is a prosperous farmer of Lee County, and in Houston reside **W. J. Shelton** and **T. N. Graham**. The latter is a prominent attorney here and has only recently located at Houston, having previously resided at Franklin in Robertson Co., Tex., where he has a reputation second to none."

Mr. Charles Dickens, for five years past the first clerk at the Clarendon Hotel, left last night for Nashville to take a position at the Nicholson House under **A. Y. Stevens**.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 21 Apr 1884

Mrs. E. Oppenheimer, lately returned from Europe, plans to make Memphis her future home and has been fitting up in fine style the three-story residence on the southeast corner of Washington and Third streets. She will be ready by the first of May to receive a limited number of boarders.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 21 Apr 1884

Col. B. R. G. Warner, so long a well known citizen of Memphis, having disposed of his business here, has decided to locate in the thriving city of Jackson, next to Memphis the largest place in West Tennessee. He has hundreds of friends here who will regret to lose sight of his genial, honest face on our streets.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 21 Apr 1884

Mr. T. S. Fitzpatrick, well known stenographer of this city, has been called to St. Louis to accept a position as stenographer in the Missouri Pacific freight office there.

-Memphis Public Ledger, 30 Aug 1889

E. D. Grove, formerly of Nashville but for the past six years a resident of New York, is at present sojourning in the city looking as gay and festive as he was 30 years ago. He expects to remain here for a month or more.

-Nashville Gazette, 12 Sept 1867

Last evening we had the pleasure of meeting **Gen. J. G. O'Neal** of the 10th Tennessee, C.S.A. This is his first visit since the "late unpleasantness."

-Nashville Gazette, 18 Sept 1867

Dr. W. H. Morgan, dental surgeon, has returned to Nashville and will give his attention to the practice of his profession at an office on Church street.

-Nashville Gazette, 4 Sept 1867

Robert C. Foster, oldest licensed lawyer in Tennessee, is now in Nashville on a visit to his son, **Major Tom Foster** of Fargason's & Clay. He is the next brother of **Ephraim H. Foster**, and now in his 77th year. He obtained his law license in 1815 and practiced in Franklin, Tenn., for 38 years. Among his contemporaries when he came to the bar were: **James K. Polk**, **O. B. Hayes**, **Alfred Balch**, **Henry Craft**, **C. H. Foster**, **John Beck**, **Jenkins Whitesides**, **Felix Grundy**, **W. H. Cook**, **John Bell**, **Cave Johnson**, **A. V. Brown**, **David Craighead**, **Daniel Graham**, **John Dickinson**, **Robert L. Cobb**, **Peter R. Booker**, **Tom Benton**, **John H. Eaton**, **Thomas Washington**, **John J. White**, **M. L. Brown**, **Samuel Laughton**, **Samuel Anderson**, **Samuel Rucker**, **John Overton**, **John Haywood**, and **James Trimble**. A well preserved and hale old gentleman, **Foster** is the only one living of those mentioned and has the pleasure of the company of his wife whom he married 55 years ago. He served in the state legislature from 1829 to 1841.

-Memphis Appeal, 4 Jan 1873

Mrs. F. R. Burrus of Murfreesboro, formerly **Miss Hattie Pointer**, is at present the guest of **Mrs. Marion Childress**. Her visits to Pulaski, her former home, are counted as so many periodical installments of pleasure by her many affectionate friends.

-Pulaski Citizen, 21 Aug 1868

Some 1850 Office Seekers In Madison County Election

Ten candidates were vying for positions as trustees of Madison County in an election slated to take place in March 1850.

According to *The Memphis Eagle*, the candidates were **Maj. Benjamin Boon, John Irvin, Esq., Alonzo L. Whyte, Robert B. Williams, Willie Langford, James B. Wood, Stephen B. Barnett, Seth Q. Waddill, Joseph C. Shelley, and Lemuel Day.**

John R. Jelks, seeking re-election as sheriff, was opposed by **Robert W. Wilson** and **William Groom**.

Running for constable of the town district were **William R. Hight, William A. Meacham, Sr., and W. P. Ripley.**

Ida Bradford Vaccaro Dies at Memphis Home

Mrs. Ida Bradford Vaccaro died 15 Aug 1925 at her residence at 1970 Central. Born 75 years ago in the old **Bradford** home on S. Front (then Shelby St.), she was educated at **Miss Young's** and **Miss Pope's** school for young women. She was the widow of the late **Abraham H. Vaccaro** who served in the Civil War under **Gen. Forrest**. She was a charter member of the Ladies' Confederate Memorial Association of Memphis and a member of the **Simon Bradford Chapter, U.S. Daughters of 1812**, which was named for her father. Surviving are two daughters, **Mrs. Francis J. Byrne** and **Mrs. L. B. Ellis**, Memphis, and two brothers, **H. P. Bradford**, New York City, and **C. L. Bradford**, Memphis.

Murfreesboro Aldermen Elected For 1828

On Monday last, Messrs. **Samuel H. Laughlin, John Smith, Lewis Sperry, Charles Ready, Lunsford P. Yandell, Jonathan Huggins, and James Irwin** were elected aldermen of Murfreesboro for the ensuing year.

- *National Vidette, Murfreesboro,*
10 Jan 1828

An Unusual Happening In 1890 Camden

The editor of the *Camden Chronicle* apparently was a little puzzled over how to report an unusual event that took place in his town in the fall of 1890. But here's how he decided to word it in his issue of 22 Aug.:

"It is seldom that we chronicle a case of divorce then marriage, it usually being the opposite -- marriage, then divorce. Nevertheless an instance of this kind occurred in Camden Wednesday. **Mary Ann Rowe** was granted a divorce from her husband, **William Rowe**, a few minutes after 12 o'clock Wednesday and about 1 o'clock she was united in marriage to **Thomas H. Burkett.**"

A Shocking Affair

Mr. W. P. Anderson, a young man of about 24 years of age, has been paying attentions to a daughter of **W. A. Moore**, *The Memphis Eagle* reported in its 18 Jan 1850 issue.

On last Wednesday, he proceeded to the residence of her father in Van Bureau, 10 miles from Bolivar [Hardeman County] with the intention of carrying her off to marry her.

When he approached the house, the father appeared in the door armed with a gun and warned him off. The would-be bridegroom continued to approach, and the father shot him dead. The occurrence was said to have created much excitement in the neighborhood.

A Remedy for Rheumatism

Boil a small pot full of potatoes and bathe the part affected with water in which potatoes were boiled, as hot as can be applied immediately before going to bed. Pains will be removed or at least alleviated by the next morning. Some of the most obstinate rheumatic pains have lately been cured by one application of this novel and simple treatment.

(From *East Tenn. Union Flag*, 16 Jul 1869)

Irishman William Oldham Dies From Memphis Heat

Mr. William Oldham, native of Dublin, Ireland, fell senseless to the ground at the corner of Main and Union Streets in downtown Memphis 26 Jul 1854 and expired while being conveyed to the hospital.

The Memphis Appeal reported the next day that his death was attributed to "the extreme heat of the weather in connection with some rather intemperate habits which he no doubt contracted while in the army from which he was but recently discharged." He had been in Memphis only a short time, and was buried in Winchester Cemetery.

Found on his person was a large pocketbook containing numerous papers, including his army discharge, letters from friends, and several from an affectionate sister who lived at Presentation Convent, Dublin.

From these papers, it was learned that **Oldham** was a clerk when he enlisted as a private in Co. D., **Capt. McRie**, Third Infantry on 26 Feb 1849 for five years. He was 32 years old when discharged at the expiration of his enlistment term. He served in the expedition against the Navajo Indians under **Col. Washington** in 1849 and under **Col. Sumner** in 1854. He was honorably discharged at Albuquerque, N.M., on 2 Feb 1854, and **Brevet Brigadier Gen. John Garland** said **Oldham** had fulfilled his assigned duties as a clerk for commanding officers of the 9th Military Department "honestly, faithfully, and regularly." *The Appeal* said **Oldham** evidently was a man of fine education and good family. ■

An 1834 Invitation

The Gentleman who so unceremoniously took **E. A. Keeble's**¹ *Umbrella* from **Col. Smith's Tavern** on the 5th inst. is particularly requested to call and get his *Cloak* also. The principle is the same altho the values of the articles are different.

-*The Central Monitor, Murfreesborough,*
25 Jan 1834

¹ Keeble was editor of *The Monitor*.

Enigmatic Entry in 1795 Sumner County Court Records Explained


...Letters to the Editor

(continued)

This is just a short note to let you know how much I appreciated the depth and professionalism of your review of my book, *Robert Harris of Isle of Wight Co., Va.*, etc.

Few people, in so few words, have ever managed to summarize a book in such an appropriate and (I might add) flattering way -- you clearly have the gift of synopsis!


John A. Brayton
Genealogical Services
1503 Union Ave., Ste. 220
Memphis, TN 38104

 Please enroll me "in the crowd" of subscribers for your magazine. I belong to other publications but have not found the help I need badly.

I have been checking records for Yancey and Buncombe Co. [N.C.] people for 25 years. In my files I have several generations of the families of **Ray, Wilson, McMahon, Hensley, Burleson, and Blankenship**, including books published on most of them. Will gladly share for a small fee. I am 79 so don't do trips like I once did.

Soon I will be "computer literate," I hope. So far just E-mail -- my writing on it is slow but I am getting better. Soon I can just do E-mail.

Kirby Ray Whitaker
44 Sunnybrook Drive
Asheville, NC 28805-9754
E-mail:
kirbyray@Juno.com.

 Your reminder¹ is so clever I want to keep it a while just to appreciate original thinking.

Mary Smith Fay
3435 Westheimer Rd., No. 1708
Houston, TX 77027-5360

A mysterious entry appears on the court records of Sumner County for the year 1795. It reads: "The court thanks **Andrew Jackson** for his brave conduct."

That's all it says -- leaving the reader to wonder just what young Andrew did to deserve the court's appreciation. **Jackson** was a 28-year old lawyer at the time and this was about 18 years before he earned his famous nickname for being "tough as hickory."

The story behind the Sumner court's resolution of thanks was told by a prominent old attorney by name of **Joe Guild** to the *Nashville American* in the late 1880's and reprinted in the *Memphis Public Ledger* of 31 Jul 1889. **Guild**, who had removed to Nashville from Sumner where he grew up, had learned the story from some old magistrates from that period.

It seems that a Sumner County grand jury had indicted a gang of bullies on a series of misdemeanor charges for defying the sheriff and terrifying the surrounding countryside. They came into court and refused to be tried on the grounds that such undignified prosecution was against the laws of nature which governed the conduct of gentlemen.

By the next term of court, **Jackson** had been chosen district attorney. On arriving at the courthouse, he hitched his horses, carried his saddlebags into court, and placed them beside him while perusing the docket.

To the amazement of all present, the first thing he did was to call the cases of the bullies. The entire gang came into court and again declined to be tried, repeating their accustomed argument. **Jackson** remonstrated and assured them there was no way they could avoid a trial, that the law must be obeyed regardless of whom it hurt, and that it was no respecter of persons.

Upon hearing this, the bullies became boisterous and threatening. **Jackson** is said to have instantly pulled his pistols from his saddlebags, and a free for all broke out in the courtroom.

All who favored enforcement of the law joined the fray with **Jackson**. The entire crowd of bullies was brought under control, tried by the court, convicted, and sentenced to the full penalty prescribed by law.

Tennessee Vital Records Can Now Be Ordered Through the Internet

Certificates of births, deaths, marriages and divorces that occurred in Tennessee can now be ordered online from the Tennessee Department of Health at www.state.tn.us/health.

"We are offering this service as a convenience for anyone who has an immediate or emergency need for a certified copy of a vital record," said Paula Taylor, state registrar. "This allows us to serve the public more quickly."

Certified copies are sent out within one working day of the request as compared with the two weeks usually required for mail requests. A \$10 fee is charged for the expedited service in addition to the standard charge for the record. Overnight delivery is available for an additional fee. Credit card payment is required for certificates ordered online.

Records available through the Office of Vital Records and their standard charges (not including the fee for expedited service) are: births that occurred after January 1914 and some that occurred in the major cities from 1881-1913 - fee \$10; deaths beginning with 1 Jan 1950 - \$5; marriages and divorces beginning with 1 Jan 1950 - \$10. The fees include a search of records for the year before and the year after the date of the event provided. For those not having an immediate need or not wishing to pay an additional fee, records can still be requested by mail or in person at the Office of Vital Records, Central Services Bldg., 1st Floor, 421-5th Ave N., Nashville, TN 37427-0460, and at many county health departments. ■

¹ The notice we mailed to members whose dues were payable the first of the year.

STARKEY: Need help on family of William Starkey, son of Joshua and Nancy Strong Starkey, husband of Mary Qunnley. Children: Tegerrell, C. E. [may have m. W. H. Dennehower/Doneyhower], Joshua, Mary T., and James S. Starkey. Family in 1850, '60 Shelby Co. censuses, but only Mary and children in 1870.

Jodie Cole, 2600 N.W. 66th St., Oklahoma City, OK 73116-4908

GARNER: Researching grandfather, Robert Jasper Garner, who lived in Forest Hill, Tenn., and siblings, Lillah Garner (Mrs. Claud Crawford) and Sam Garner. Were they were born in Arkansas?

Sammie Singleton Gilmer, 1568 Dimwood St., Memphis, TN 38134, e-mail: psgilmer@aol.com

TIDWELL: Seeking death and burial location of Eli Wilson Tidwell, son of Eli and Mary Jane (Glass) Tidwell. Born Mar 1842 in Dickson Co., he m. Martha "Patsey" Lampley. 1900 Humphrey Co. census shows him as boarder of Walter Hendrix. Eli d. after 1900 in either Mo. or Tenn.

Larry D. Tidwell, 113 Wood Hollow, League City, TX 77573-4327

CHATHAM, MACKKEY, DICKSON Seeking info on parents of Celestia Josephine Chatham, b. 6 Oct 1843. I believe they were Thomas Chatham and Mary Mackey, but have no verification or know where they lived. Family records also show her name as Celestial. Have lot of info about Dickson family to share.

Al Showalter, PMB 169, 6947 Coal Creek Pkwy. SE, Newcastle, WA 98059-3159

McFALL, STRATTON: Seeking info on Wm. W. McFall, Civil War veteran, and James Stratton, 19th century.

Norma S. Delehanty, 124 Stonehedge Rd., Hillsborough, GA 94010

BRANCH, HUTTON: Looking for Branch and Hutton families in Franklin Co. during period of 1820-1890.

Dana M. Smyth, 708 Shadowlawn Ct., Franklin, TN 37069-4312

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QUERIES

(Please type or print query submitted. All queries should be Tennessee-related, will be edited for length and clarity, and will be used in the order received. Counties and towns referred to in queries are in Tennessee unless otherwise indicated. Please acknowledge any and all responses to your query. TGS members are allowed one free query each year and additional queries for \$3 each. Non-members can submit queries at \$5 each.)

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MAY: Seeking info on George May, b. ca. 1798 E. Tenn., and wife, Mary Conway, b. ca. 1810 Ky. Later lived in Indiana, Missouri, and Iowa where they are buried.

Janet A. Owens, 403 W. Lincolnway, Jefferson, IA 50129-1828

MURLEY: Ad by Wm. Noble 8 Jul 1742 *Pennsylvania Gazette* seeks Cornelius Murley, runaway Irish servant aged ca. 35. Where did Murley live earlier? He and son Daniel appear in Augusta Co., Va., court records and Capt. James Gill's tax list of early 1700's. Was Daniel only child? Cornelius and wife, Austis, along with Daniel and wife, Judith, are said to have been killed by Indians. Who were Daniel's surviving children? Is Daniel Murley who d. 1781 in Greenbrier Co., Va., son of Cornelius or Daniel I?

Iona Marbry, 126 Wayne Massie Rd., Como, MS 38619-9714

HOWELL, WEST: Wish to communicate with anyone researching family of George Franklin Howell, b. Jun 1859 Tenn., d. 25 Apr 1911 in Dyer Co. Married in Gibson Co. 9 Mar 1884 to Emma Clay West (b. 16 Dec 1869). Children: Lonnie Dee (b. 11 Apr 1887); Roy Edmon (b. 12 Feb 1890); Evie Elizabeth (b. 13 Jun 1893), Ora Bell (b. 6 Jun 1895), and Elbert Franklin (b. 29 Aug 1901). Emma m. Jas. Washington Scott 17 Dec 1918, d. 4 Jan 1950.

Janet Monnin, 2349 Chancery Rd., Toledo, OH 43617-1336

FITCH, MURPHEY: Who were Abraham Fitch's parents? Need proof he was father of Mary who m. John Murphey 4 Sep 1784. John, b. 26 Feb 1760, was Rev. soldier, d. in 1800s at New Market, Tenn. John and Mary migrated from Caswell {Orange} Co., N.C., to Claiborne Co., Tenn., ca. 1790-1800 where they settled Gabriel Murphey estate.

Julia Freels Chwalik, 7231 S.W. 132 St., Miami, FL 33156

BRUMLEY/BROMLEY: Does anyone with Brumley/Bromley surname in their tree have ties to Brumleys of Miller Co., Mo.? If so, please contact me.

Sharon K. Carlson, 1411 Jeffery Ln, Bainbridge, GA 31717-8306, scarlson@surfsouth.com

BEATY/BATEY: Where are William "Buck" Batey and wife America Smith Crockett buried? Her mother was Evalina Augusta Smith of Springfield. His parents were William Beaty (later Batey), b. 1 May 1760, and Ann Bass who are buried on old Batey farm near Murfreesboro. His father, James Beaty, Sr., and wife, Margaret Montgomery, in Pa. in 1750, later moved to Fentress Co., Tenn.

Ann Batey Green, P. O. Box 35, Archer, FL 32618, ggreen@gator.net

HART: Seeking burial place of James A. Hart, b. 1819, d. 1864. Believe it is somewhere between Collierville and Fisherville in Shelby County.

Billy Hart, 701 W. White Rd., Collierville, TN 38017, PH77599@aol.com

COLLIER, HOWELL: Where in Tenn. were John Isom Collier and Margaret Susan Howell m. in ca. 1845? Who were her parents?

Dr. R. F. Wicker, Jr., 5136 Violet Bank Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23464-5643

SCARBROUGH, MILLER: Need info on Gilbert Scarbrough, b. 1894, had daughter Agnes. His sister Anna, b. 1895, m. a Miller, probably in E. Ky.

J. Fred Scarbrough, 701 Fairview Ave., Murfreesboro, TN 37130-2736

FARMER: Seek parents, siblings of John H. Farmer, b. ca. 1810 in area that later became Henry Co., m. Susan (?) and was in Calloway Co., Ky., by mid-1820s. Only known issue was Jonathon Scaniel Farmer.

Martha Dever Pulliam, 4030 Graces Lane, Decatur, IL 62521-8656

INFO NEEDED: What were names and locations of Freedman Camps in Shelby County during Civil War?

Curtis L. Dillihunt, 9156 Anderton Springs Cv., Memphis, TN 38133

DUNCAN: Seeking info on Joseph Duncan (b. 1798 Tenn.) and his children. Lived in Hardin Co. and part of Battle of Shiloh was fought on his land.

Evelyn D. Sigler, 5903 Island 40 Rd., Memphis, TN 38127-1650, e-mail ES5733@aol.com

HOGAN: Desire contact with anyone researching Hogan family in pre-Civil War Jefferson County.

John G. Peck Jr., P.O. Box 164, Kingston, NJ 08528-0164

SYLER, COUNTS, RICH: According to notice in *Democratic Clarion & Tennessee Gazette*, 17 Jan 1810, Bedford Co. Court at Sep 1809 session issued letters of administration to John Syler and Rosannah Counts for estate of John Counts, Jr. They had 3 sons: John (b. 15 Nov 1803), Isaac (b. 24 Nov 1805), and David (b. 24 Mar 1810). On 15 Jun 1810 at Gum Springs, Lincoln Co., Rosannah m. Jacob Rich. They lived near Salem in Franklin Co. Who were her parents?

Jerry T. Limbaugh, 4623 Lynchburg Rd., Winchester, TN 37398-3648

WADDELL: Searching for descendants of James A. Waddell, b. ca. 1801, Moore Co., N.C., son of Wm. and Winifred Alston Waddell who moved to Madison Co., Tenn., ca. 1826. James in Haywood Co. 1840, '50, and '60 censuses.

Henrietta H. Cragon, 3416 Shinoak Dr., Austin, TX 78731-5739

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RAGAN, FOREN, RICE: Moses Foren m. Lucretia Rice in 1821 in Morgan Co., Ala., then moved to Hardeman Co., Tenn. where she died. On 27 Apr 1824 Moses m. Ceeley (Celia) Ragan in Hardeman. Who were her parents?

Judy Gyllenskog, 1016 La Loma Drive, Medford, OR 97504-8605

NUMEROUS: Would like to contact others working on Dyer Co. families of Blanton, Chambers, Connell, Dunevant, Earle, Ferguson, Finley, Hardy, Harrell, Hart, Peek, Reasons, Taylor, Tucker, Turner, Wheeler.

Barbara Finley Burkhardt, 2305 Lancaster Dr., Austin, TX 78748-6032, bburk2000@aol.com

HATCHER, LANDRUM: Will exchange info with descendants of John Hatcher, b. 1792, located in Humphrey Co. ca. 1814, d. there 1860, m. Henrietta "Ritta" Ann Landrum ca. 1810. Son John Landrum Hatcher, b. 1819, d. 1878, m. (1) Louisa Craft, (2) Mary Ann Sizemore.

Dolores Stone Hall, 10714 Charlene Dr., Fairdale, KY 40118-9316, e-mail DHall1225@aol.com

ANDERSON: Looking for info on Larkin Anderson, b. 1813 S.C., moved to Blount Co., Tenn., where he m. Keziah Hix in 1836. Had three sons in Blount Co., and six more children after moving to Crawford Co., Mo.

Bill Anderson, 924 Water St., St. Charles, MO 63301, (636) 947-6419, e-mail: woodwrk@swbell.net

TITTSWORTH, PACK: Where did Nancy (Pack) Tittsworth, wife of Elihue L. Tittsworth, die? Both on 1900 DeKalb Co. census. Where did they move before 1910? Which Pack was her father?

Bonita Bratcher Mangrum, 1727 Pigeon Hill Rd., McMinnville, TN 37110-6232, phone (931) 939-2154

COATS, BARR: Researching family of Christopher Coats, b. 1789, m. Elizabeth Barr in Sullivan Co. in 1812, d. there ca. 1873.

Sherry Cruise, 13902 Perthshire Rd., Houston TX 77079

TIPTON: Seeking parents of Robert Manuel Tipton, b. 6 Jan 1839 in Ga., lived in Dickson Co., Tenn., d. 1923.

Jean Edwards Hickman, 206 West Hills Terrace, Dickson, TN 37055-2149, e-mail: HHickmanJ@aol.com

LEWIS: Who was wife of John Lewis, b. 1811 Tenn.? His son (my grandfather), Leslie Thomas Lewis, b. 1900 in Lewisburg. Siblings: C. H., Shirley M., Isabell, and Lillie S. Lewis (b. 1886, d. 1973, buried Huntington, W. Va.). They were Presbyterians.

Hal Lewis, 538 Scranton Rd., Hamburg, NY 14075

GRINDSTAFF, MORELAND: Seeking info on Mary "Polly" Grindstaff, b. ca. 1800, m. Wright Moreland in Johnson Co. in 1819.

Carol Basile, 852 N. Harrison St., Arlington, VA 22205-1229

BAKER: Seeking children of Zachariah Baker, b. 1773 Ashe Co., N.C., moved to Tenn. between Mar 1833 and 21 Apr 1835, lived in Morgan Co. Wife, Sarah "Sally" Cox, b. 1780, Scottsville, N.C., d. 1840 Morgan Co. Is some of family still in Tenn.?

Patty Greer, 63121 W. 202 Rd., Wyandotte, OK 74370

HASTON/HASTINGS: Seeking info on this family, especially those who moved between 1860 and 1880 to Ark. from Van Buren and White co., Tenn.

John M. Shepherd, 2902 W. Twelfth St., Dallas, TX 75211-2709

MARTIN: Need anything on ancestors and descendants of John Calhoun Martin and wife Sarah Ann Scott. John, son of Joseph Martin, in Tenn. by 1805.

Mary Ann Hollifield, Box 4, The Pines, Robbinsville, NC 18771

CUNNINGHAM, SIMPSON: Need info on Joseph Cunningham, b. 1801, Rockingham, N.C., son of Joseph Cunningham and Elizabeth Simpson. They all came to Tenn. and lived in Coffee Co. where Joseph d. in 1871.

Joyce Wilkinson, 314 Layne St., Tullahoma, TN 37388-2438, (931) 455-9500 FAX or phone, jwilkinson@ficom.net

VINCENT: Searching for ancestors and other info on Thomas Vincent, b. May 1774, living in Carroll Co. 1845. Wife Elizabeth (?), b. 1789. They had 11 children.

Archie C. Thompson, Rt. 2, Box 767E, Whitney, TX 76692-9613

STEPHENSON: Seeking ancestors, descendants of Robert Stephenson, b. ca. 1740, d. 1793, Jefferson Co. His father, Edward Stephenson, b. ca. 1714, d. 1766 Amherst Co., Va. Robert's son, Edward Stephenson, b. 1774, d. 1868, Bedford Co., Tenn.

Robin M. Stevenson, M.D., 4280 Tuckahoe Rd., Memphis, TN 38117

HANCOCK, NEW: Need proof that Louisa Francis New (b. 30 May 1827, d. 7 Aug 1909), wife of Peter Thompson, was daughter of Sara (Sally) Hancock and William Spencer or "Jack" New of Wilson Co.

Linda Moody Neal, 6608 Maybole Pl., Temple Terrace, FL 33617-3830

GOODSON, BRUMLEY: Would appreciate info on Lucinda (Lucy) A. Goodson, b. 1828 (?) Tenn., d. ca. 1870-80 Tenn., m. Wm. James Brumley by 1852, possibly Marion Co. One of his 9 children was Lucy Brumley, b. 29 Dec 1869 Whiteside, Marion Co.

Verna Mae Cottengim Newman, 1 Tarascan, Cherokee Village, AR 72529 - 7431, Cottengim@CenturyTel.Net

KAIL, NORVILLE, EASON: Anyone with info on these families of Crockett and Haywood counties, please contact me.

Danny Nolen, 87 Poplar Plains Dr., Jackson, TN 38305, dnolen@geneas.net

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BURNETT, GORDON: Searching for two multi-great grandmothers, b. Tenn. ca. 1800 (plus or minus 5 years): Cynthia Burnett, daughter of Lewis Burnett, and Elizabeth Gordon, prob. daughter of John Gordon, Rev. War pensioner. All later in Adams Co., O.

Robert A. Fetters, 215 Dun Rd., Chillicothe, OH 45601-1173

BLOUNT, JONES, GOOCH: Seeking info on Isaac and Lovie Jones Blount of Carroll Co., and their son, W. E. and his wife, Mary Ann Gooch.

Sunny Daily, 3013 FM 21 Pittsburg, TX 75686-7659

BRYANT: Seeking info on Gamaliel R. Bryant of Sevier, McMinn, and Monroe counties. Unusual first names include Saletha, Pennington, Johnson, Franklin, Winifred.

Jo Anne Allenbaugh, 1660 Tanbark Court, Chula Vista, CA 91911-6013

BAKER, MILLER, WYLY, HARRIS: Need definite connection for Margaret Miller, b. ca. 1788 possibly Roane Co., d. ca. 1855 Jefferson Co., m. George Baker 1 Aug 1809 Jefferson Co. Was her father Henry Y. Miller, son of Patrick Miller, b. ca. 1728 in Cumberland Co., Pa.? Was her mother Martha (Wyly) Miller, b. ca. 1758 Mecklenburg, N.C., d. 22 Dec 1848 Roane Co., Tenn.? Martha's parents possibly James Wyly b. ca. 1724-31 Mecklenburg, and Martha Harris, b. Mecklenburg, d. 1811 Blount Co., Tenn.

James E. Baker, 17819 Hwy. UU, Louisiana, MO 63353, e-mail: jmbaker@nemonet.com

CROSSWELL: Who was wife of William Crosswell? He d. 1841 Stewart Co. His father, Nimrod Crosswell, d. 1853 Humphreys Co. Who was his mother?

Dianne Boggess Fullam, 18 Shad-owbrook Dr., Clifton Park, NY 12065-2916, dfullam@albany.net

KIMBRELL: Need help with William Kimbrell, b. ca. 1794 Tenn., d. 3 Oct 1869 Wabash, Ill. Wife #1 Permelia/Amelia Webster, b. Tenn., d. ca. 1813/1817, possibly d/o Peter Webster. Children: John Preston, b. near Nashville; Jane and Wm. Rollin, both b. Tenn.; Carolin and Mary Ann Kimbrell, both b. Wayne Co., Ill. Wife #2, Elizabeth b. ca. 1807/08 Va. Children: George, James A., and Edwin, all b. Ill.

Clara M. Drysdale, 1235 Claycrest Dr., St. Charles, MO 63304-3499, (636) 477-7807

MARTIN, WILSON: Desire ancestry of Mary Martin who m. Montillion W. Wilson, son of Joseph Wilson 19 Dec 1811 in Sumner Co. Bondsman was Moses Wilson. Montillion had brother named Moses. Im 1810 a Moses Wilson m. Elizabeth Martin. Were these the same Moses?

Elizabeth Y. Dillon, 327 North St., Lexington, MS 39095-3297

BAKER, SWANN: Will share info with anyone connected with family of William H. Baker (b. 1806) and wives, Diana (unknown) and Fereby Howard Swann. He d. 1880 Franklin Co., Tenn. Had 18 children.

Verna Baker Banes, 120 Elmwood, Huntsville, TX 77320-3057, phone (936) 294-9431, vbanes@tca.net

BROWN: Will exchange info on Thomas Brown who lived in Tenn. in 1830's, and allied surnames of Cribbs, Brewer, Green, Flynn, and Mattingly.

Marilyn Markow, 1701 S. Mays, J201, Round Rock, TX 78664-6734

RAINES, HUIE: Seeking parents of John Wesley Raines (b. 1839 Tenn.) and Mary Jane Huie (b. 1846 Tenn.). 1850 Henry Co. census shows John at age 9 in Lewis Davis household. John m. Mary in Paris, Henry Co., 11 Feb 1864. Both d. in county before 1900.

Jacqueline H. Claxton, P.O. Box 636, Paris, TN 38242-0636, e-mail claxtonm@k12tn.net

RESEARCHING Southall, Grimes, Roberds, Scott, Stroud, White, Allen, Carr, Derryberry, Ross, Voorhies, Kuykendall. Please help.

Hazel J. (Southall) Hayes, P.O. Box 77, Blair, OK 73526-0077, e-mail: hhayes@intellisys.net

PARKS, PARKES, PARK: Seeking info on parents of Moses Parkes (b. 1793 Nash Co., N.C., d. 1868 Fayette Co., Tenn.) who arrived in Fayette Co. 1829. Possibly descended from John Park, Halifax Co., N.C. My Parks contacted with Humphrey and Cox/Cocks families.

Kay Hudson, 275 Fawn Lake Dr., Millington, TN 38053-6803, e-mail: TENNISKAY@aol.com

McADA, SANSOM, EDMISTON: Seeking ancestors of John C. McAda, b. 1769 S.C./Tenn., d. 1831 Tenn. Married (where?) in 1799 to Nancy Sansom, b. 1772 S.C., d/o John Sansom [b. 1752 Va., d. 1781 in old Ninety-Six District, S.C.] and Jane (Miller) Edmiston [b. Va., d. ca. 1835 - where?]. Jane and sons, Sam'l D. and Wm. P., left S.C. ca. 1799. Sons in Lincoln Co., Tenn., by 1830 and John McAda by 1820. All in Shelby Co. before Nancy and most of children migrated to Texas.

Josephine F. Hodge, 18218 Barbuda Ln., Nassau Bay, TX 77058-3402

JENKINS: Looking for any info on Jenkins who came from Granville Co., N.C., to Smith Co., Tenn. Trudie Davis-Long, 8213 Mapleville Rd., Mount Airy, MD 21771-9713, e-mail: brinlong@erols.com

LITTLEPAGE, DEARMORE: My g-g-grandparents, Powhatan Bolling Littlepage and Mary Jane Dearmore m. 20 Apr 1841 in Madison Co. and are there in 1860 census. She and children (without Powhatan) in 1870 Madison Co. census and in Texas by 1880. Can anyone tell me anything about his death? I'm told he may be buried on Jackson Estate. Where is that?

Joy Munden, R.R. 3, Box C-111, Hico, TX 76457, (254)-796-2314, jumunden@htcomp.net

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BROWN: Seeking ancestors/descendants of John M. Brown, d. 1884 Henry Co., m. (1) Nancy Campbell, (2) Nancy Pentecost, and (3) Parolee Love who d. 1887, buried Weakley Co. Would appreciate info on any of his marriages.

Ann M. Bashaw, 120 Lindsey, Bay City, TX 77414-3149

NUNLEY: Will exchange info on g-g-grandfather Anderson (Andrew) Nunley, b. 1814 Tenn., living in Texas bef. 1830, d. there 1886. Texas Rev. War. veteran. Married in Texas to (1) Caroline Buttrill 1852, (2) Ann Elizabeth Wheeler 1860, whose parents, William and Huldah McElwee Wheeler, both of Tennessee.

Bette Pairett Grigsby, P.O. Box 776, Hewitt, TX 76643-0776

ADAMS, LEWIS: Will exchange info on Miles Adams (b. 1801 Va., d. 1885 Jacksonville, Ark.) and wife Hepsy Lewis (b. 1809 S.C., d. 1862). In 1840 Giles Co., Tenn., census and 1850 Pulaski Co., Ark., census. Children: Jefferson R., Martha, Cay G., Miles W., Mary W., John W., David C., James J., Thomas McC., and Annie.

Robert E. Robertson, 3276 S. Hiwan Dr., Evergreen, CO 80439-8926

FORTUNE, BROOKS: Nancy Clara Fortune (1891-1965) of Hardeman or McNairy cos., m. Alonzo Brooks. Was her father Albert G. Fortune or Albert Gallation Fortune? (They were uncle and nephew).

Joan Vickers, 110 Pine Meadows Loop, Hot Springs, AR 71901-8228

OLIVER, PATTERSON: Seek parents, siblings of Edward Oliver, b. ca. 1802-04 S.C., m. Esther Patterson, b. ca. 1815-16 Tenn. or Alabama. Children: John F., Robt. Alexander, Wm. A., and Perry Oliver. Also need info on Esther.

Linda S. Myers, 404 Sango Rd., Clarksville, TN 37043-5406

BAKER, HAVIN: Need info on Henry Baker, b. 1804 Va., m. Rhoda Havin in Knox Co. in 1823. Children: William, John, Margaret, Nancy J., and Barton Baker, all b. Tenn. By 1850, all in Pulaski Co., Mo.

Frances Dodd Intravia, 2704 Carroll St., North Las Vegas, NV 89030-5419

YOUNG: Would like to correspond with someone who has family info on Rev. Acton Young, son of Joshua Young of N. C.

Mrs. Tom Stallworth, 102 Sunset Drive, P.O. Box 766, Chester, SC 29706-0766

BARRY: Seeking info on Martha Jane Barry, b. ca. 1855 Tenn., d. 1895 Jefferson City, Mo. Husband was John Jared Holt.

Elsie M. Cole, 24318 Raleigh Rd., Waynesville, MO 65583-2873, e-mail: elsie_may@webtv.net

HUDSON, CROCKETT, MORGAN: John Crockett Hudson (1838-1918), said to be nephew of Alford/Allen Moore Hudson with whom he lived in Rutherford Co. His sisters: Louisa Catherine "Kate" and Sarah Anne Hudson. Who was their father? Their mother Nancy (1812/20-1874) m. (2) Wm. Morgan in Williamson Co. in 1842 and had sons Wm. "Shiloh" and Richard Thomas Morgan. What was her maiden name?

Carolyn Smotherman, P.O. Box 130, College Grove, TN 37046-0130

WYNNE: Need info on Henry Wynne, b. ca. 1799 Va., m. Harriet (?), came to Dyer Co., Tenn., 1832 where he is on 1836 tax list and 1840 census. Where in Va. was he born? Who were his parents?

Kathryn T. Dickenson, 2335 Lovitt Dr., Memphis, TN 38119-7228

EVANS: Need info on parents, siblings of Catherine Evans, b. 25 Mar 1824 N.C., moved to Henderson Co., Tenn., where she m. John Azbill. She had brother named Joshua, and sister named Sally. Catherine d. 1 Mar 1889.

Carol Gudvangen, 2675 Overlook Dr., Germantown, TN 38138-6113

HARRIS-SINCLAIR: Rev. John Sinclair, Methodist preacher from York Co., S.C., m. Martha (?) Harris. Was he in Upson Co., Ga., in 1830? Where in 1840? According to info given by Fletcher Sinclair in 1890s, he had moved to Mississippi. Wish to exchange info with descendants.

Margaret Norvell Sinclair, 4984 Welchshire, Memphis, TN 38117-5647

STRICKLIN, BAKER: Seeking descendants of William Wesley Stricklin, b. 1836 Tenn., d. 1870s, m. Elizabeth Baker (2nd wife) in Wayne Co. 1859-60. Known children: Thomas b. 1859, Mary E. b. 1861, Wm. Wesley b. 1855, Elizabeth J. b. 1858. Last trace of family is in Wayne Co. 1880 census.

Jim Foley, 6730 Messick Rd., Memphis, TN 38119-7844, e-mail: Gutetag@aol.com

BROOKS, HUDDLESTON, WINSTON: Searching for _____ Winston, wife of Wm. Brooks. They were parents of Isaac Winston Brooks, Shelby Co., who m. Martha Huddleston.

Teresa Brooks, 9643 White Spruce, Lakeland, TN 38002-3985, e-mail: brodun@bellsouth.net

ROBERTS: Seeking family of Columbus Clay Roberts, b. ca. 1850 Hardin Co., d. Arkansas. Had brother John; sister Tennie.

Delores Hartman, 1080 Julie Ln. #223, South Lake Tahoe, CA 96150-6224

WALKER: Seeking descendants of Thomas Walker, b. bef. 1765, d. ca. 1823 in Maury Co. Children named in will: Andrew, John, Nixon, Thomas, Joseph, and daughter Jane Walker in Chester Co., S.C.

Jerri Kennedy, 716 Washington St., St. Charles, MO 63301-1869, e-mail: OJKENNEDY@msn.com

SEEKING INFO on Rice, Hines, and Acklin families in Va. and Franklin Co., Tenn., 1820-1860.

Connie Butterfield, 3044 Bush Pky., Carmel, IN 46033-3645

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HARRIS, SPENCER, KIMBALL: Will exchange info on Newton Harris who d. 14 Aug 1888 in Crockett Co. Born 14 Aug 1801 N.C., son of Roland Harris and Elizabeth Kimball. He m. ca. 1820, possibly in Montgomery Co., N.C., to Nancy Spencer, b. 14 Feb 1801 N.C., d. 29 May 1893 Crockett.

Mrs. C. C. James, 236 State Rt. 125W, Humboldt, TN 38343

RHODES, PEWITT: Seeking info on family of Elisha and Sally (Pewitt) Rhodes who migrated from N.C. to Williamson Co. ca. 1804. Also researching children of Frederick and Winna (Pewitt) Wright, Williamson Co.

Hal Pewitt, 909 Cottonwood, Woodland, CA 95695-4314

ROBINSON: Need info on Joseph Robinson, b. 8 Mar 1827 Hardin Co., m. Louisa Atkins/Akins 1848. Migrated from Tippah Co., Miss., to Parker Co., Tex., ca. 1852/53. Their children: John, Molly, Joseph, Graves, Theadocia, Hazeltine, Isaih. Joseph's brother may have been Hubbard Robinson, whose wife was Olivia.

Hilton Robinson, 8205 Willow Glen Ct., Ft. Worth, TX 76134-4810

OLDHAM: Harrod Anderson (Slim) Oldham, b. 22 Oct 1901 Crockett Mills, Crockett Co., d. 29 Oct 1963 St. Louis, Mo. Last appeared in Crockett Co. records at age 8 when on Apr 1910 census, Enumeration District 6, unincorporated place (assume it was outside Alamo). Next record is St. Louis 1933 marriage license. Does anyone have info as to his whereabouts between 1910 and 1933?

Susan A. Oldham, 367 Trailorama Dr., North Port, FL 34287, h.oldham@worldnet.att.net

MICKLE, LITTLE: Seeking parents of William Mickle and Dorcas Little (daughter of Margret) who m. in Prince Edward Co., Va., 21 Dec 1795.

Mrs. Jack Hudson, 310 Lattawoods, Dyersburg, TN 38024

LANKFORD, RANDOLPH: Who were parents, siblings of Robert Lankford/Langford, b. ca. 1797 S.C.? Married Lucinda Randolph ca. 1827 Tenn. Lived McMinn Co. until moving to Monroe Co., Ky., 1836. Was in Jackson Co., Tenn., 1860. Children: Lewis, Elizabeth, Eliza, Hiram, Minerva, Alexander, Luda, Mary, and Robert W.

Doris Pace Resner, 3124 - 17th St., Sacramento, CA 95818-3817

LIVESAY, ANDERSON, LESTER: Researching all variations and spellings of Livesay, any time. Also seek info on Peter Anderson in early 1800s; and Wm. and Sarah (?) Lester before 1800.

Peggy Livesay Trimble, Box 53, Oak Island, MN 56741-0053

WADDELL: Seeking dates of John Wilkins and Clarissa Ann Waddell living in Memphis in 1880 and 1881. John listed in city directory as ginwright at Avery Gin Co.

Joseph K. Waddell, Jr., 6407 Bridge Rd. #203, Madison, WI 53717-1804

HARRISON: Who was father of Thomas Harrison, b. S.C., lived Davidson Co., Tenn., 1820-30; Houston, Tex., by 1837? Who were parents of his wife Elizabeth Daugherty, b. Va.? Also need parents of Loving R. Henderson, b. S.C., res. Hamilton Co., Tenn., 1840; Rusk Co., Tex., 1840-45.

Evelyn M. Smith, 302 N.W. Ridgeview Way, Lawton, OK 73505-6132

McCORMICK: Searching for parents of John McCormick, b. ca. 1824, m. Harriet (?), d. Loudon area 1862 of Civil War wounds. Children, all b. Tenn., were: Elizabeth (b. 1849; Elsey (b. 1851); William (b. 1854); Sarah (b. 1857); John Albert (b. 1859); Peter Franklin (b. 16 June 1862, d. 20 Mar 1942 Okla.). Also seeking info on them and their descendants.

Norma Keller, 13527 S.E. Market St., Portland, OR 97233-1752

DURLEY: Seeking info on any and all persons with surname of Durley.

Sharleen J. Rhinock, 8609 Horse-shoe Bend Lane, Ooltewah, TN 37363-8636

GOODLOE: Calvin Hall Goodloe [b. 14 June 1847 Rutherford Co., d. 16 Jul 1898] and first wife Victoria Turner [?] (b. 7 Mar 1857, d. 12 Mar 1882) are both buried in Alamo [Crockett Co.] Cemetery. They m. Dec 1872 but I cannot find their marriage bond. Where was she b.? Who were her parents? According to family, after Victoria d., Calvin m. her half-sister Kate Weatherly. However, his second marriage bond gives name Mrs. Kate Garrett. Any help appreciated.

Loretta Forrester, 1205 Mulberry Dr., Trumann, AR 72472-3404, E-mail: jimloret@bscn.com

EDWARDS: Seeking info on Sam Edwards, b. Ark., son of Jessy Morris Edwards. Jessy, b. in Maryland, was son of Matthew, b. Kentucky.

Iona Pair, 3578 Country Lane Cove, Bartlett, TN 38133

PERRY, MOAKE: Seeking info on William Perry and wife, Sarah Moake. Both came to Robertson Conty in early 1900s and later migrated to Williamson Co., Ill. Who were their parents? Where did they come from?

Jama Richardson, 2777 Hunters Forest, Germantown, TN 38138

BOYD: Can anyone help me find parents of Bruce Boyd? He was b. ca. 1814 either in Tenn. or N.C. In 1832 he m. Sallie Hart in Granville Co., N.C. Family moved to Tippah Co., Miss.

Jean Olson Tatum, 4083 Wildwood Dr., Memphis, TN 38111-7439

CARTER, HELLEN, ANDERSON, WRIGHT, HALE: Seek (1) parents, siblings of Mary E. Carter, b. 17 Apr 1841 Gibson Co., m. Edward S. Hellen, lived in Crockett Co.; (2) descendants of Caleb Wm. Anderson (b. 1810) and Jane Wright (b. 1807), both b. Caroline Co., Va., d. Lauderdale Co., Tenn., daughter Rebecca Jane (b. 1843) m. Wm. E. Campbell 4 June 1863 Lauderdale; (3) John Clem Hale, in Lauderdale 1847, parents Sparrell Hale (b. 1797) and Sarah Embra Jamison (b. 1798) lived in Franklin Co., Va.

Dr. Joe & Gail Wood Campbell, 225 Westover Dr., Clarksdale, MS 38614-9770

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WILL EXCHANGE INFO ON Jacocks, Estes, Herring, Morris, Clayton, Rees, Miller, Smedley, Ivey, Smith, Hutchinson.

Reese J. Moses, 2428 Upper Zion Rd., Brownsville, TN 38012-8065, e-mail: reese@p.chnet.com

NAILING, RUST, BELL: Would like info on parents of Nelson Nailing, b. 1765 N.C., d. 1852 Weakley Co., Tenn., m. Mary "Polly" Rust 1796. Their daughter Sarah m. Pulaski B. Bell 1827 in Weakley Co. Who were Pulaski's parents?

Nina S. Bell, 15220 Meadow Wood Dr., Willington, FL 33414, e-mail: NSBELL@bellsouth.net

SCOTT, POGUE, HOWARD: Need info on Rev. Allen M. Scott, b. ca. 1813 Williamson Co., d. 22 Nov 1863 in Memphis. Was clergyman, author, educator, newspaper editor. Lived in Tenn., Ark., La. Married in Ark. (1) Hannah Pogue, (2) Margaret E. Howard.

R. P. Baker, 6525 Magnolia Dr., Mabelvale, AR 72103

WRIGHT, HOLSTON: Seeking father of George Wright, b. 15 Dec 1809 in Ireland, d. 1871 Hawkins Co., m. Mahala Holston (1814-1877) on 10 Nov 1842 in Hawkins or Grainger Co. Only name I have for father is Hans (1781-1856) who m. an Agneys, both from Ireland.

Brenda Boston, 6344 Baird Lane, Bartlett, TN 38135

RESEARCHING Gants of Wayne Co., James L. Armstrongs and Hugh Davidsons, Bedford Co.; Robert Marshall and Dobbins of Sumner and Wilson co. Would appreciate info on Mason Potter Temple, second wife of J. L. Armstrong, and Mary Coleman Moseley, first wife of Samuel Leander Davidson.

Betty S. Carr, 3212 - 56th St., Lubbock, TX 79413-4811, e-mail: bobcarr@onramp.net

HELLARD, KELLER: Need info on parents of Catherine/Katherine Hellard who d. Hardeman Co. 6 Dec 1882. She was b. Rowan Co., N.C., and m. John Keller, Jr., there in 1837.

Ruth Clutts, 5624 Montpelier Dr., Bartlett, TN 38134-3328

CURLIN, McCLISH, BUCKNER: Seeking info on kin of James Amos Curlin of Tipton Co. and wife, Sophia (?) McClish. Where did they come from? Where is he buried? Also seeking burial place of Sherwood Anderson White who m. Josephine Buckner and lived near where Chickasaw State Park is now [Hardeman and Chester cos.].

Delbert L. Curlin, Sr., 3340 Bruton Parish Dr., Memphis, TN 38133-4135, e-mail: dlvcscr@aol.com

WALLING, HAMLET, CHISUN/CHISHOLN: Where did James Walling m. Martha Hamlet before 1820? Where did John Walling m. Anne Chisun/Chisholn before 1893?

Obera Cypert, 1620 First Ave. SW, Ardmore, OK 73401-2826

ATWOOD, PYBUS: Who were parents of Sarah Atwood who was b. ca. 1798-99 N.C., d. 19 May 1864 in Tippah [now Benton] Co., Miss.? She m. John Pybus 24 Feb 1822, prob. Lincoln Co., Tenn. Moved from Henderson Co. to Miss. between 1850-60.

Rebecca W. Harris, 7440 Wrenwood Dr., Southaven, MS 38671-5914

HENDERSON: Seeking military history of Pleasant Henderson who served under Gen. Green in Rev. War and d. 10 Dec 1842 in Huntington, Carroll Co. Also need info on wife, children.

Pat Jones, 5015 B Sunvalley Rd., Oakwood, GA 30566-3115

SEEK SHELBY CO. FAMILIES: Interested in Jones, Herring, Griffin, Wherry, Lynn, Scott, Dandridge, and Redditt families and descendants of Shelby Co. I research these families and am happy to share info.

Marion L. Laster, 709 Holt Lane, Tullahoma, TN 37388, phone (931) 455-2210

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