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### **Editor's Thoughts**

We received a letter from James L. Hansen, President, Association of Professional Genealogists pointing out some incorrect and potentially misleading information in our last column. We would like to correct this. The following is straight from his letter:

The process by which an individual becomes an accredited genealogist (A.G.) is handled entirely by the Family History Library, 35 North West Temple, Salt Lake City, UT 84150. There is no connection between the accreditation program and the Association of Professional Genealogists. APG is not an accrediting or certifying organization. It is a voluntary, membership organization of a wide range of individuals with some professional involvement in genealogy. This includes not only client-taking professional researchers but also librarians, editors, archivists, booksellers, geneticists, lecturers and teachers. While the association's ranks include many of the most notable and respected genealogists living today, they also include aspiring professionals of many levels of expertise. The necessary qualifications for membership are an interest in the association and its goals and the membership fee. Further information may be obtained by writing the Association of Professional Genealogists, 3421 M Street N.W., Suite 236, Washington, D.C. 20007.

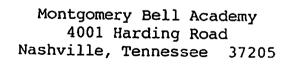
We thank Mr. Hansen for writing.

And speaking of thanks—we appreciate the continued support of members in sending material for the quarterly. One of these days we may do an entire issue using up lots of small articles we keep trying to fit in. This is a great issue, we're very pleased with it. Irene Griffey outdid herself with the Ask Us reply she worked on.

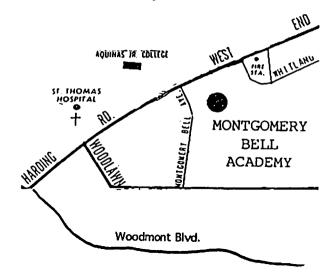
This issue should reach you a little sooner than usual to give those of you who wanted more information about the seminar time to look it over and register. It also has something to do with a major upheaval around here—as I write the washer and dryer are in the living room, the dogs are rolling their eyes about men working in their bedroom [laundry room]. Next it's replacing huge antiquated card file cabinets with a microfilm cabinet and ripping up and replacing carpeting. That means the computers have to be unplugged for awhile. So it's efficiency in self defense. Oh yes, and yesterday the refrigerator died.

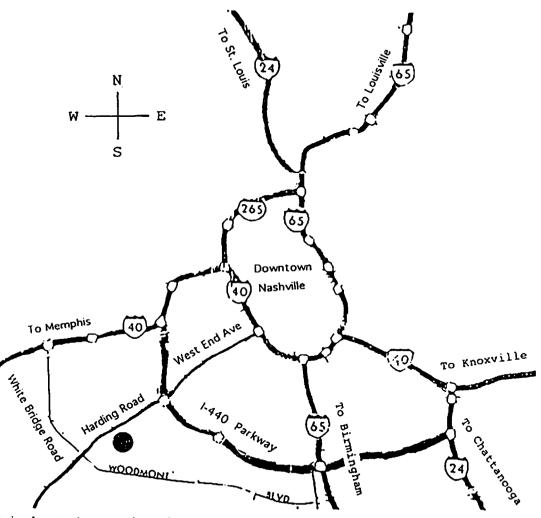
So when I say we have a problem with fitting material in the quarterly, you KNOW it's a problem I'm delighted to have!

I'm usually more than happy to give up this space for the map for the seminar. This time, however, I felt the above correction was needed. So Byron is, under protest, giving up his column for one issue.



### Enlargement of Area





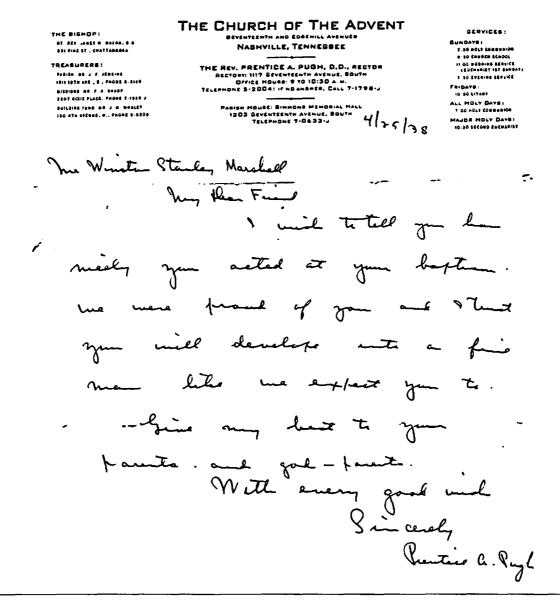
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To enter the campus, turn south on Montgomery Bell Avenue; then left into the school driveway.

"I'm sure that the letter was meant for 'later." Perhaps as a substitute for a baptism certificate." WSM

### AN UNUSUAL BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE

contributed by W. Stanley Marshall



Mr. Winston Stanley Marshall

4/25/38

My Dear Friend

I wish to tell you how nicely you acted at your baptism. We were proud of you and I trust you will develop into a fine man like we expect you to.

Give my best to your parents and god-parents.

With every good wish.

Sincerely,

Prentice A. Pugh

The intent of this article is to familiarize our readers with what is available at the Tennessee State Library and Archives. This survey was done to acquaint staff members with the maps and resources for finding maps in the TSLA. We have left it in its original text. The researcher will need to consult staff to obtain maps.

### GUIDE TO MAPS IN THE TENNESSEE STATE LIBRARY AND ARCHIVES

by Dr. Wayne Moore, Archivist

Maps are invaluable components of historical and genealogical research, and documentary records often cannot be fully understood without reference to them. There is a large and varied collection of historical and contemporary maps available for public use—a collection that, by and large, is under-utilized. Use of this guide will make access to these maps and the information they contain a little easier.

Anyone looking for maps should always start with the Map Catalogue in the Manuscript Section. The entries in that catalogue represent the core of our map collection, as well as the best single source for locating the right map. Many of these maps are originals, some have been photocopied or encapsulated, but others remain untreated and in fragile shape. If you pull a map that is torn or in brittle condition, consult with someone in Manuscripts about having the R & R Section do some conservation work on it. Many individual maps taken from atlases and other published sources have been copied or removed from their binding and put in the collection; they are integrated in the Map Catalogue.

While the county, city, or town name will be your main subject heading in searching the Map Catalogue, you should be aware that relevant material might appear under larger headings such as "Tennessee," "Middle Tennessee," or "Southeastern States." A map that encompasses a more general geographical area may yet contain important features and details about a particular county or locale. The catalogue entries will provide certain information about what one may expect to find on a particular map, and both the catalogue and the Manuscripts staff should be consulted to try to fit patron needs with the right map.

Among the most commonly asked questions regarding maps are the following:

1) HOW CAN I LOCATE A PARTICULAR COM-MUNITY, STREAM, SCHOOL, CHURCH OR CEM-ETERY? Often features like streams, cemeteries, and churches, that are still present, are best located on modern maps such as county highway maps and the U.S.Geologic Survey topographic maps. Both types of maps are quite detailed and go to great lengths to name most features, so they can be useful for identifying creeks named in old deeds, hollows and roads named after a particular family, or historic cemeteries. Volume 4 of the Omni Gazetteer provides a simple, statewide index to all place-names in Tennessee and identifies the quadrangle map on which a particular feature can be found. If a place-name has completely disappeared from the modern landscape, then it may be necessary to use an older map to identify the earlier site, in conjunction with a published finding aid such as Morris and Rhea's Tennessee Gazetteer 1834, the guide to Tennessee Post Offices and Postmasters, or a county history. One group of older maps that is especially thorough and precise in its naming of features is the Division of Geology series, done for various Tennessee counties between 1915 and 1935. The Post Office -Rural Free Delivery county maps in this series are also very useful for locating historic roads, communities, and even residences.

2) WHERE IS A PARTICULAR CIVIL DISTRICT? There is a series of 1836 maps for many counties that shows civil district boundaries with descriptions. The Beers Company demographic maps and the Division of Geology - Post Office series also show the configuration of civil districts at particular times. Census compendia (1870 and 1880) and descriptions of census enumeration districts (1900 and 1910) can provide communities and place-names associated with certain civil districts. All these sources must be used with caution, since civil district boundaries may shift frequently. Boundary line changes may be gleaned from the Acts of Tennessee.

3) WHERE DID MY ANCESTOR LIVE? Between 1871 and 1907, the Beers Co. of Philadelphia did a series of maps of Tennessee counties showing landowners' names and the approximate location of their farms. These maps are available for Bedford, Davidson, Gibson, Giles, Hamilton, Haywood, Knox, Madison, Marshall, Maury, Montgomery, Rutherford, Shelby, Sumner, Williamson, and Wilson Counties. There are two Civil War maps for Middle Tennessee (Maps #139 and #2519) that show farmers' names on the land. We also have a set of 1939 - 1941 TVA land ownership

maps (Record Group 70, mf.) showing the names of property owners and the boundaries of their property over much of the Tennessee Valley. Other than finding their ancestor's name on one of these maps (a rough approximation, at best), the best way for a researcher to learn the precise location of an historic homestead is to do a property title search through careful use of the deeds and related records.

4) WHERE WERE PARTICULAR ROADS, FER-RIES, CAMPS, RAILROADS, AND OTHER HISTORIC FEATURES? Early statewide maps, such as those of Matthew Rhea (1832), the District Surveyors (1806 - 1819), and the Civil War engineers provide good depiction of the road system, ferries, communities, and churches. Specialized maps will show the locations of Civil War camps, railroads, iron furnaces, river landings, etc. The best maps for locating extant cemeteries (other than small family burial plots) are the modern county highway maps.

We do not have maps of early land grants in Tennessee, except for scattered plat books and drawings for certain locales. The plats for the North Carolina military grants are included with the warrants of the Secretary of State's Land Office in Raleigh, N. C. (Mf. 1177).

The Map Catalogue is fairly well up-to-date with respect to the collection; each time a map is added, so is a catalogue card that gives basic information about the map. Every effort should be made to consolidate our map collection by bringing newly discovered or out-of-the-way maps to the attention of an archivist, so that they may be copied and added to the central map file in Manuscripts. This is especially true for fragile, folded maps tucked away in older published sources. There are many atlases, fire insurance plat books, and maps in the Congressional Series whose handling and copying by patrons should be limited. Library staff should exercise caution in pulling such early editions from the stacks, particularly since the maps they contain are often available in microfilm or microfiche.

### **ATLASES**

Researchers looking for geographic information of a general nature—e.g. "What did the U. S. look like in 1815?", "Where is County Down in Ireland?", or "What migration routes might Pennsylvanians and Virginians have taken into frontier Tennessee?"—can consult our large collection of atlases. Some of our best early maps of the state were published in American atlases. In addition to the early imprints themselves, we have most of the good historical atlases issued in recent years. A brief list follows:

Atlas of the Historical Geography of the U.S. (Ref., 1932)

Atlas of Ante-bellum Southern Agriculture (1984)

Carey's General Atlas (1814)

The Times Atlas of the World (Ref., 1992). The best compilation of current world maps.

"We the People": An Atlas of America's Ethnic Diversity (1988)

Official Military Atlas of the Civil War (Ref. 1928 ed.) Should be the starting point in any search for Civil War campaign and battle maps. Designed to accompany the Official Records

Tennessee Atlas and Gazetteer (Ref., 1992) Reduced versions of U.S.G.S. topographic maps of the entire state.

The West Point Atlas of American Wars, vol. 1, 1689 - 1900; vol. 2, 1900 - 1953 (1959)

The Historical Atlas of U. S. Congressional Districts, 1789 - 1983. (Ref., 1982)

Many of our holdings in LC classification "G" (atlases) are to be found in "Oversize" on Stack 6. Some of these are rare old editions and their use by patrons should be highly selective. "Oversize" atlases include the following:

Atlas of North America (1776) A British imprint that has good maps of colonial Carolinas and Virginia, especially roads in transmontane counties.

Atlas of the City of Nashville (1889)

Atlas of the Lewis and Clark Expedition (1983)

Nathan Nirenstein's Real Estate Atlas (1930) Downtown Nashville and Knoxville

Hopkins Plat Book of Nashville (1908)

Tennessee County Highway Maps (1938) The earliest series of D.O.T. county highway maps, in one volume.

Tennessee Legislative District Maps (1981)

Flood Control and Navigation Maps of the Mississippi River: Cairo, IL to the

Gulf of Mexico (1951)

Geologic Atlas of the U. S., series 1894 - 1907. Earliest topographic and subsurface maps for the following, mostly East Tennessee, quadrangles. In folios. (q G1336.C5G4.)

Chattanooga (1894)	Pikeville (1895)	Knoxville (1895)	Standing Stone (1899)
Cleveland (1895)	Ringgold (1894)	Loudon (1896)	Greeneville (1905)
Columbia (1903)	Sewanee (1894)	Morristown (1896)	Roan Mtn (1907)
Kingston (1894)	Stevenson (1895)	Briceville (1896)	
McMinnville (1895)	Maynardville (1901)	Wartburg (1897	

### **GAZETTEERS**

Gazetteers, generally, are guides to place names and transportation routes. We have American editions as far back as 1798. They often contain beautiful, hand-drawn maps in pocket folios. There are, in addition to the very useful Eastin Morris Tennessee Gazetteer (1834), various Tennessee gazetteers ranging in time from 1860 to the present. Community names found in Tennessee gazetteers from 1876 - 1906 are indexed in two catalogue drawers at the back of the Reference Room. A number of more general U. S. Gazetteers and emigrant directories can be found in F353 and E164. Gazetteers were written as guides for prospective emigrants and, thus, are very good sources for frontier turnpikes, stage routes, steamboat landings, and other transportation features.

### **COUNTY SOIL SURVEY MAPS. 1901 - 1940**

These are excellent early 20th century maps which, like the <u>Geologic Atlas</u> maps listed above, show a great deal more than soil types and topography. The better ones in the series show house sites, schools, roads, ferries, and even name each hollow and ridge.

Madison County (1906) Bledsoe County (see Pikeville folio) Cocke County (see Greeneville folio) Meigs County (1919) Coffee County (1908) Montgomery County (1901) Cumberland County (see Pikeville area) Overton County (1908) Davidson county (1903) Pikeville area (1905) Greeneville area (1904) Giles County (1907) Putnam County (1912) Grainger County (1906) Greene County (See Greeneville folio) Rhea County (see Pikeville) Robertson County (1912) Hawkins County (See Greeneville folio) Henderson County (1905) Shelby County (1916) Henry County (1922) Sullivan County (see Greeneville) Jackson County (1913) Sumner County (1909) Lawrence County (1904) Van Buren (see Pikeville folio)

In "G3961" are the Geological Maps and Mineral Resources summary, Tennessee Division of Geology. These packets contain map folios with accompanying text on mineral resources for all Tennessee quadrangles. Use in conjunction with Place Names of Tennessee, Bulletin No. 73, TN Division of Geology (1974). This volume refers all standard placenames (towns, cemeteries, hollows, churches, schools, etc.) in Tennessee to the quadrangle map on which they appear.

### **CATALOGUED MAPS**

Maps published in book form can be found by searching the Public Catalogue under an appropriate subject heading. For instance, if you searched the catalogue under "U. S. History—Civil War - Maps", you would find the following:

Perrine's <u>Topographical War Maps of the Southern States</u> (1864) <u>Chattanooga and its Approaches</u> (1864) Compiled by U. S. Army Topographical Engineers.

Military Map of the States of Kentucky and Tennessee. (1863) Compiled by the chief topographical engineer in Middle Tennessee, Captain Michler.

Map of West Tennessee (1862) U. S. Army Topographical Engineers.

### MISCELLANEOUS MAP SERIES

) <u>Sanborn Fire Insura</u>	nce Maps, 1884 - 1957. Library	Film 95 (in cabinet outside)	Research Services). There
is an inventory showing the dates and	number of map plates for each	town in Tennessee. Most	county seats and towns of
appreciable size, in addition to larger	cities, are represented. In gener	ral, the central commercial	and residential district of
the town is platted in great detail, giv	ing the linear dimensions of each	ch lot, houses, outbuilding	s, etc.

- ) <u>Poor's Manuals of Railroads.</u> 1868 1924. These very useful directories for continental U. S. railroad lines include folded maps of each railway, with freight and passenger stops marked. Other historical maps can be found in the Map Catalogue under the heading "Railroads", showing in particular the configuration of railway lines at the time of the Civil War.
- The Army Corps of Engineers' Maps of the Tennessee River Valley and Tributary Streams. (Mf. 943, 1923 1927). These and other pre-World War II maps of the Tennessee and Cumberland rivers are often in demand, because they show the river valleys <u>prior</u> to the dam-building that inundated so much of their landscape. Fishermen are very interested in them.
- Acrial Photography. The first complete aerial survey of Tennessee occurred in 1938 under the auspices of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. Such aerial photos are invaluable since they show in great detail exactly what was on the ground at a given point in the past. Although we have a <u>few scattered examples</u> of the early aerial photographs (particularly of the Tennessee River Valley), it is probably best to refer researchers to complete collections housed at the National Archives in Washington, D.C. and at TVA's Cartographic Division in Chattanooga, TN. The TVA option is, of course, the most convenient for our patrons, and they can obtain nice photographic copies for a fee. Have them call or write: TVA Maps and Surveys, 200 Haney Building Chattanooga, TN 37402. (615) 751-5404
- ) Property Tax Assessor Maps. These maps, which show acreage and boundary lines for each property tract in a county, generally are not kept longer than 2 3 years. For recent tax maps, contact:

  Property Assessment Division, Comptroller's Office

  James K. Polk Building, Nashville, TN 37243. (615) 741-2837

The "Property Assessment Grids" which are housed on Stack 8 do not show landowners and do not appear to have any discernible use for patrons.

) <u>Department of Highway Maps and Plans.</u> (RG 84, Stack 8 or microfilm). This is a large collection of State Highway Department maps from the mid-20th century. They show county roads, right-of-ways, bridges, dams, accident sites, and topography. See register list in Manuscripts.

- Department of Labor Mine Maps. Over 200 Tennessee shaft mines mostly in Cumberland Plateau and mostly abandoned are mapped in this collection on Stack 8. There does not appear to be an in-house register to these maps. They seem to be early 20th century and are filed by mine name, which usually is the name of the company that operated the shaft. See Manuscript archivist.
- ) <u>U. S. Geological Survey Topographic Maps.</u> Our collection (Stack 8) consists mainly of older series of these detailed maps starting in the 1950's. Historical researchers may find these superceded maps more useful than the up-to-date versions. They are filed by quadrangle, a key map to which resides in Manuscripts. To obtain copies of <u>current U.S.G.S.</u> topo maps (as well as a great many other kinds of Tennessee maps), contact:

Tennessee Division of Geology, 401 Church St., 13th Floor Nashville, TN 37243. (615) 532-1516

Manuscript Map Drawers. Stack 8. There are three types of oversize "Maps and Charts" drawers - Unprocessed, Manuscript, and Tennessee Historical Society --to the right of the regular map collection. The contents of these drawers are extremely varied and are outlined on lists kept with the manuscript registers; these maps do not, as a rule, show in the MSS Map Catalogue.

### MAP REFERENCE WORKS

Various map index books and guides to map collections in other repositories live in "Z 6000" in the Reference Room. These guides can be useful to researchers who need to find maps on a particular subject, even if they are held in another facility such as the National Archives or Library of Congress. Obviously, there are many maps of Tennessee which we do not have. Other reference works catalogue the maps in publications that we do have, such as the Serial Set. Map guides and indices can be quite helpful to the "in-depth" historical researcher.

### SOME IMPORTANT MAP REFERENCE WORKS AVAILABLE AT TSL&A

<u>Descriptive Catalog of Maps Published by Congress 1817 - 1843</u> (1941). A guide to early maps published in the Congressional Serial Set.

Index to Maps of the American Revolution in Books and Periodicals (1974)

Maps Showing Explorers' Routes, Trails, and Early Roads in the U.S. (1962) Guide to Library of Congress holdings.

Civil War Maps in the National Archives (1964). Tennessee maps, pp. 32 - 37.

<u>Civil War Maps: An Annotated List of Maps and Atlases in Map Collections of the Library of Congress.</u> (1961). Tennessee maps, pp. 65 - 73.

Fire Insurance Maps in the Library of Congress. (1981)

The <u>CIS U.S. Serial Set Index</u> may be used to locate and retrieve documents either within our hardcopy U. S. Serial Set collection on Stack 4 or within the microfiche edition that lives in a cabinet outside Research Services. Use of the latter is strongly recommended, since the original hardcopy volumes—particularly, the folded maps they contain—may be quite fragile. The Serial Set (1789 - present) contains hundreds of fine maps and surveys executed by U. S. Government cartographers, usually of rivers, forts, turnpikes, and other features of particular interest to the Federal government. The best approach to using the <u>CIS Index</u> is to identify subject keywords such as "Tennessee," "Fort Negley," or "Cumberland River" and then look in the index for the appropriate time period. The index gives no direct reference to maps—you will just have to look up the document itself to see if maps are included.

### **MAPS in MANUSCRIPT COLLECTIONS**

Uncatalogued maps can be found in various manuscript collections. Most of the time, such maps are limited to one or two miscellaneous items identified in the register. Occasionally, however, a collection will contain a number of historical maps on a particular locale or subject. Following is a brief descriptive list of such collections. This is by no means all the maps in manuscripts—only examples of collections with especially large or significant map holdings

- engineer and brother to General Don Carlos Buell. The military maps detail the marches of forces under General Sherman, 1863-1865, and the expeditions against the Plains Indians, in Arizona, Colorado, and New Mexico, 1871 1876. Excellent collection of Old West maps, including Arizona Territory, Indian reservation, railroads, settler and wagon trails, etc. See register in Manuscripts.
- ) <u>Jacob McGavock Dickinson Papers.</u> A sizeable group of World War I battle maps 1917 1918. See Scrapbooks #11-15.
- ) McKenzie and Sons Collection. This turn-of-the-century Chattanooga surveying firm executed scores of detailed plat maps of the Cumberland Plateau counties. These maps show property lines and illustrate land disputes, many of which originated with the Mountain District land grants. They are arranged by county and stored in the Map Cases on 8. See MSS archivist.
- ) <u>Nashville Subdivision Plat Book Collection.</u> These original plats, 1906 1970, show the subdivision of farm properties into town lots in Davidson County. They constitute a valuable visual record of land subdivision and suburban development around Nashville during much of the 20th century. Arranged in four folios by name of subdivision. See register.
- ) Rhea Family Papers. (THS) Includes 20-30 hand-drawn maps of Tennessee and Alabama counties, c. 1825 1835, by the state's foremost early cartographer, Matthew Rhea. See register.

### Graffiti has been a problem for a long time!

To the honble. W. W. Pepper

Dear Sir,

There are many idle and mischievous boys & young men who indulge in writing pasquinades and vulgar words upon the walls of the State Capitol, and other wise scarifying the building.

I do not know how this want of decency & sense of propriety can be arrested unless it be by a <u>resolution</u> of the <u>Legislature</u> authorizing the <u>foreman</u> of the building to eject them from its walls.

I will thank you to consider the matter so as to protect the public property from injury.

Very truly & respectfully

Yours.

W. Strickland, Archs.

Nashville Novr. 22nd/47

Marylin Hughes, Senior Archivist, TSLA, ran across this and sent it along. From "Legislative papers, 27th General Assembly Petitions, Memorials, Reports & Miscellaneous," Oct. 4, 1847 - Feb. 9, 1848

Mr. Castleman sends these items of interest. He recently spent two weeks in Middle Tennessee researching his past. We quote liberally his letter:

### ANDERSON FAMILY REUNION

contributed by John Castleman



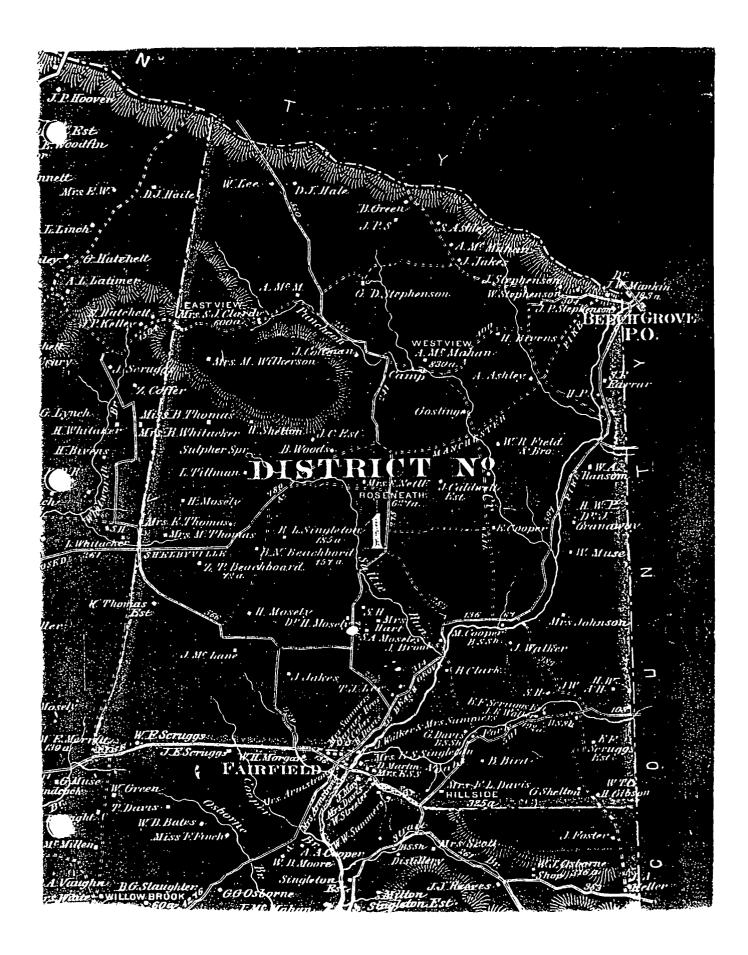
Standing—Back: John A.; Bill A.; Lee A. (twin)\*; Cora \_\_\_\_\_, Lee's wife; Naomi Mattie A.; Jim A.; Walt A.; Tinny Fletcher.
Seated—Middle: Wade A., Dee's son; Dee A. (twin)\*; Lena \_\_\_\_, Dee's wife; Andrew Jackson Anderson; Eliza Ellen (Hamilton),
Merion A., Merion's wife

Children—Front: Mildred, Dee's daughter; Bettie Jane A.; Ode A.; Carl A.; Benton A., Merion's son

"... One very pleasant event during my sojourn in the beautiful, rolling hills of middle Tennessee this summer was attendance at an Anderson family reunion in the small community of Noah's Fork, near Beech Grove, off old US 41. My attendance was by way of my mother's mother being an Anderson. The patriarch of this particular group of Andersons is one Andrew Jackson Anderson, the bearded old gentleman sitting in the middle of the enclosed picture. My maternal grandmother is the young girl standing beside him, Naomi Mattie Anderson.

"Another goal I had established for this trip was to find as many of the graves of my ancestors as I could and to make some tombstone rubbings . . . I had heard comments in passing that Mr. Anderson's grave was located somewhere called "Punching" Camp. A few people asked around Bell Buckle and Wartrace had heard of such a place but really didn't know where it was. During my researching in a nearby genealogical library of a Mormon church, I came across an old map which showed a "Puncheon Camp." Later in reading a very nice book entitled, , "Seedtime on the Cumberland," I learned what "Puncheon" means. [see end of article] Fortunately my Anderson cousins were able to focus me in on the general location.

<sup>\*</sup>Mother was Sara Stephenson, A. J.'s first wife, died delivering twins. Eliza Ellen Hamilton's mother was the midwife.



"Proceeding down country roads and with the help of directions from several farmers, I finally arrived at a farm and found the cemetery I was looking for was at the top of a hill in the pasture behind the house. And oh yes, there is a flock of sheep and two sheep dogs . . . picture me in a very overgrown cemetery in the rain, having cleared away some grass, trying to hold up an umbrella in one hand and, with the same hand, hold a large piece of paper against the tombstone, vigorously rubbing a pencil across the paper with the other hand, keeping one eye on the tombstone and the other on the two sheep dogs edging closer and closer to me from behind, barking their heads off! It was a fun day!"

# PUNCHEON CAMP CEMETERY Puncheon Camp Road Bedford County, Tennessee

The cemetery is located on top of a hill in a pasture. On the map, the location would be about where the "J" is in "J. Coltman." Local residents know the location of the cemetery. The map is from an 1878 Land Ownership Map of Bedford County. The following is a record of about half of the graves.

G. D. Stephenson; b. Ot 23, 1819; d. Nov 15, 1900

Mary

Rebecca, the wife of G. D. Stephenson; b. Jan 1, 1833; d. Oct \_\_\_, 1853

Elvira, wife of G. D. Stephenson; b. Oct 9, 19833, d. June 24, 1891

J. T.; son of C? D. and Mary Stephenson; b. Sep 17, 1846, d. Sep 4, 1871

James Stephenson; \_\_, 23, 1833, age 37

Sedora, wife of G. W. Stephenson; b. July 4, 1886, d. Nov 6, 1927

Andrew J. Anderson; b. Jun 14, 1840, d. Dec 22, 1913

"Professed Religion in his 18th year."

Sarah J. Stephenson (Anderson); b. 1845; d. Dec 31, 1876

"In memory of Sarah J., daughter of G. D. and Mary Stephenson, b. 1845,

Professed faith in Christ, Joined Baptist Church when very young,

member until death, Dec. 31, 1876."

Thomas "Tom" Anderson; b. Jul 6, 1869, d. Mar 15, 1939

S. J. Anderson; b. Oct 12, 1871; d. Jun 1, 1951

Laura E. Anderson (Crosslin); wife of S. J. Anderson; b. Feb 24, 1872, d. Oct 15, 1905

### FAIR HILL CEMETERY at Noah's Fork Baptist Church

The following are from only a few of the tombstones at this cemetery.

William H. Anderson; b. Feb 23, 1882. d. Apr 2, 1961 Oatis C. Anderson; b. Mar 22, 1887, d. May 31, 1960 Wilmer A. Anderson; b. Oct 7, 1921, d. Dec 17 1962 Mildred Ruth Anderson; b. May 24, 1928, d. Sep 2, 1966

... a ten-foot length of log was split, then each side hewed down to some manageable thickness, commonly about two inches; the great plank thus formed not only required a deal of work, but "it was as much as a man could do to lift one." From *The Woodsmen* chapter of <u>Seedtime on the Cumberland</u> by Harriette Arnow.

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### COMPUTER INTEREST GROUP NEWSLETTER

by William D. Jackson

### **Survey Results**

Last year at our November Seminar, a computer interest group questionnaire was distributed to those in attendance. Responses were received from 68 people. Fifty one thought a newsletter would be worthwhile. Fifteen said they were experienced computer users, twenty seven indicated they were somewhat experienced and twenty one considered themselves beginners. Almost half indicated they would like to have sessions on learning how to use software programs. They also wanted future meetings of the computer users group to provide software evaluations, demonstrations, sources and assistance. How to use a BBS or other on-line service was suggested by 26 people. When asked which software was being used, 22 listed PAF, followed by Roots III with 15. Family Tree Maker had 8 users and Brother's Keeper had 6. None of the others mentioned had more than one or two users. Four members used a Macintosh or Apple computer. All others used an IBM PC compatible.

This issue of the Quarterly contains the third Computer Interest Group Newsletter. The Officers and Directors agreed to let us have two pages for a newsletter on a trial basis. If you feel the newsletter is useful and would like to see it continued as part of the quarterly or as a separate mailing, you need to express your support by calling or writing Society Officers or Directors. Input from members regarding future topics or suggestions for the newsletter should be addressed to the editor.

Mary Glenn Hearne worked very hard to find a facility we could use for a series of workshops but the cost was prohibitive. Although attendance at the last two computer interest group meetings has been good, it is difficult to provide demonstrations or hands-on experience with genealogy software without equipment. We will try to provide examples from PAF, Family Tree Maker and ROOTS IV using handouts and the overhead at future meetings. If you are having problems or need help with your computer and software, let me know at our next meeting or drop me a note with your name and phone number. I can then call you and maybe help you find a solution.

### Genealogy software for the Computer—Getting Started.

Whether you are a genealogist learning to use a computer or someone with a computer interested in genealogy, you are

faced with the question of where to start. The answer: With file number one! Most often that is data about yourself. You should be able to input vital information about yourself without difficulty, then add files for a spouse and any children or parents, brothers, sisters, their spouses and children. Leave spaces blank if you don't have all the details about an individual. That can be added later. Once you have entered basic information about your immediate family, decide on a branch or family line to follow as you add more individuals to your expanding data base. Some researchers prepare a surname index and organize their source materials accordingly. Having vital information close at hand makes data input into your computer much easier and speeds up the process.

As you start your electronic journey down the path of prompts and menus, keep this in mind: If you don't where you're going, how will you know when you get there? You could be anywhere, no idea of how you got there and no clues as to how to get back on the right path! So remember, the computer is not a miracle worker. It is easy to get lost or confused trying to use a computer or a new genealogy program for the first time. Take a few minutes, review your genealogy software manual. Get familiar with it. I know it is boring and hard to understand but do it anyway. Find out how to configure your printer and check to see if it will print properly. Compare examples in the manual with what you see on the screen when using the mouse and/or keyboard commands. Look at help menus or templates, screen formats and other features of your program. Learn how to print blank forms, group sheets, charts, numerical indexes, alpha listings and a family tree. Explore the utilities menu and GEDCOM. The calculator is a useful tool to determine someone's age. Try it, see how it works.

Most genealogy programs show a template or form on the screen when creating individual files. The screen will have spaces for the name, events such as birth, death, marriage (divorce), a place and or location with dates and links to other individuals and families. You can add sources, biographical details and other information later. The computer automatically assigns a unique number to each record at the time data is first entered for an individual. The record number is used to compile an index of surnames and establish links to parents, children and families through events such as birth, marriage, divorce, adoption, and death. You only need to create a record once. Sometimes more than one record is created for the same person if a given name, i.e., Wm. instead

of William or initials only are used. Variations in spelling of surnames often causes you to duplicate a record. This is a common problem and may go undetected until you try to print a family tree or compile an alpha index. PAF has a Match/Merge Menu that can be used to search for duplications. You can then print a list of possible matches and merge selected records if desired. Deleting a duplicate surname is not difficult with most genealogy programs. However, you might have to upgrade records for linked family members when data in the duplicate record is not identical to data in the deleted file.

Once you have started to create your data base, it is a good idea to stop after awhile and review your files. Print numerical and alpha indexes. Have your entries been consistent? This applies to surnames, with all the variations of spelling, abbreviations, nicknames and titles. What about dates?.. You might find your source files contain eighteen or more different date formats. So be very careful when you enter dates. Some programs offer a choice of data entry formats and allow you to use a different format for charts or reports. PAF requires that dates be entered in the standard form of day, month and year. Suppose you have a document or notes showing the date as 7 / 4 / 1874. You should verify if it is July 4 or April 7, 1874 and make the entry as either 4 Jul 1874 or 7 Apr 1874. Otherwise the date could be wrong on all records linked to that event in your database. Symbols are often used with dates to indicate an approximate time for an event. Most genealogy programs let you use abbreviations or letters such as "c," for circa, "a" for after, and "b" for before, or "abt" for about, when the exact date for an event is unknown. Spelling and abbreviations for cities, counties, states, and foreign countries can be troublesome. Do you use TN, Tenn., or Tennessee when entering the place of birth, marriage or death? Names and locations of churches, cemeteries, schools, a courthouse, archive or library are often abbreviated or misspelled. Handwritten documents usually contain abbreviations and unfamiliar terms. Be sure to check the spelling of legal and medical terms, citations for sources, references and notes. Any errors made in an entry for an individual in your database will emerge on all records linked to that person. Remember: It is much easier to add information correctly the first time and avoid wasting time correcting a mistake made earlier. Check sources, verify the accuracy of your data and cite sources for the data entered in your database.

And finally, make it a habit to back up your data. Sooner or later you will lose data but regular backups will enable you to recover without having to start over. After awhile, you might want to make a GEDCOM export file. This is a form of backup but it would also allow you to exchange data with

someone else. Later you might decide to use a different genealogy program or want to merge your data with that of another researcher. Regular backups and an up-dated GEDCOM export file on a floppy disk kept in a safe place will greatly reduce the chances of losing valuable data.

### News Bits and Bytes.

Minor defects have been reported in the new version of Personal Ancestral File (PAF 2.3) released in December 1993. If you have the new 2.3 version of PAF or the upgrade from version 2.2 and encountered any problems with it, you are asked to write the Personal Ancestral File Support, 50 East North Temple St., Salt Lake City, UT 84150 or contact them via their help line 1-800-346-6044.

Those members using PAF might find membership in the international PAF User's Group worthwhile. They have a quarterly newsletter which offers advice and answers to many common problems along with other useful information. For more information, write: International User's Group, 2463 Ledgewood Drive, West Jordan, Utah 84084.

Attention ROOTS IV users. COMMSOFT has announced a maintenance release of ROOTS IV (Version 1.1). This will fix known problems with version 1.0 and update users to version 1.1. A new specification has been created to allow ROOTS IV information to be reliably transferred as a basic GEDCOM file. Also included is a ROOTS III option, an extended option for ROOTS III, and InterGED which allows for the most complete transfer of all. Conversion of ROOTS III data files to ROOTS IV is much cleaner with InterGED and it includes features for transferring events, roles, sources and images beyond that possible with the existing GEDCOM draft standard. Several other improvements are included in this update which registered users will get free of charge in the near future.

Microsoft has announced Windows 4.0 which might be available later this year or early 1995. The new version, code named "Chicago", is still in the test phase but is getting rave reviews in the trade press. An up-grade from Windows 3.0 or 3.1 will retail for less than \$100. It will also combine MS-DOS with Windows and include many other new features.

If you are thinking about buying a new computer, now is a good time to shop around for the best deal. The cost of a 486 computer is now only about \$100 less than the cost for a computer with the new Pentium chip. Intel cut prices on the Pentium and dealers will be trying to unload their 486 models.

As always, when writing for information, as a courtesy send an SASE (self-addressed stamped envelope).—ed

## GENEALOGICAL HISTORY OF THE SLAVES OF PRESIDENT ANDREW JACKSON OF HERMITAGE, TENNESSEE (1840-1877)

by Sandra G. Craighead

Few slaves of ex-presidents have generated the kind of attention genealogists and historians displayed several years ago debating the true relationship between President Thomas Jefferson and his slave, Sally Hemings, and her mulatto children. Alas, my reasons for researching and writing about President Jackson's slaves are strictly to satisfy my own curiosity and do not fall within the category of "tell all" journalism so popular in the print media today. As an African-American who is researching her own heritage, part of it rooted in slavery in Tennessee, I can attest to the difficulties and frustrations which lie ahead for those Jackson slave descendants and relations who struggle to uncover their roots. It is my sincere hope that this article will aid them in their task.

I first became aware of the original manuscripts from the Andrew Jackson Estate when perusing the Index to the Manuscript Collection at Western Reserve Historical Society in Cleveland, Ohio where I hibernate every Saturday. In my preparation of a bibliography of African-American resources at Western Reserve, it required that I review those manuscripts under the following headings: "African," "Afro-American," "Negro," "Colored," "Black," "Mulatto," "slavery," "bills of sale," "manumissions" and "plantations." To my great surprise, the last entry described MSS 1880, entitled Andrew Jackson, II Account Books 1845-1877 and MS-2067, James M. Parker Daybook 1840-1841. I immediately began an investigation of how the papers of a Tennessee native son, a president no less, came to be in the possession of a "Yankee" institution. According to Western Reserve's Library Director, Mr. Kermit Pike, the items were

bought by one of the Society's trustees, Otto H. Miller, at a 1927 auction held by the American Art Galleries in New York City at the request of one of President Jackson's heirs and descendants, Andrew Jackson IV. (Andrew the IV's father was adopted by the President, who did not have any children of his own). In total, the books sold for \$72.50.

These manuscripts document the Jacksons as slaves, and later as freedmen, through various lists which state their names, ages, occupations and marital status (some giving marriage dates). From the largest book, it is revealed that Jackson often sent his Tennessee slaves back and forth to labor on his other plantation in Mississippi. Most importantly, however, are the lists of whole family units: husband and wife's names and the names of their children (some with birth and death dates). Because there exists a dearth of existing plantation records which reveal slave genealogy in Tennessee, and especially Davidson County, these manuscripts are unique.

It was noted in the front of the *Daybook* that Parker was an overseer Andrew Jackson hired to work at his plantation, The Hermitage, in November of 1840. Through mere notes such as a simple inventory of plantation disbursements, we learn in the Daybook that Parker received \$20 for tracking and returning a runaway to the plantation. Here, we realize that regardless of how well President Jackson is said to have treated his slaves, not everybody was happy to be a part of the Jackson family. Below is a transcription from the *James M. Parker Daybook 1840-1841*:

Men	Wo	omen	Boys
Squire, forman Ben, ginner Byron Aaron, blacksmith Ned Davis² Henry, carpenter Smith Moses, cattle foder Alfred, waggoner Jim Old Tom Campbell Moses Daniel William Ruben Dick	Gincey, spinner on machine Creasy, weaver E. Eliza, spinner on machine C. Sally, weaver at times Grace Adaline Maria Eady Dicy Malinda Charlotte Martha	Nan Florida Sarah Sally Jane Anny, milker Mary Old Charlotte Molly Mary, cook Old Priss Gracy's Priss	Washington Juda Canser Orange Ned Harry George Peter Old Marty George John

The following lists were transcribed, with identical remarks, from the Andrew Jackson, Il Account Books (1845-1877):

### Men at Hermitage-September 1846

Byron (went to Miss)3

Polidore (sent to Miss 8th of Dec, 1846 married to Sally in)

Phil - do

John - do

Moses

Dick - in Miss

Harry

Orange

Moses

William

Daniels

Tom

Peter

Smith

Jim

Charles

Ben

Washington

Alfred

Ned

Aron

Cancer - in Miss

Ned

Sauire

Henry - in Miss, married to Adaline - sold

George

Dick

John

Campbell

George

### Women at the Hermitage—September 1846

Penny

Eliza - married

Adaline - married to Henry in Miss

Grace - married to S. Donelson4

Sally - married to Polidore - went to Miss 12/8/1846

Prissy - in Miss

Sarah - married to Sampson

Old Prissy

Nan married to Peter

Maria - married to Moses

Mary

Gincey married to Squire

**Amanthus** 

Pleasant - died in 1847

C. Sally - married to Ben

Sincy - married to Phil - gone to Miss 8/1846

Florida - married

Sally married to Dick

Jane married

Charlotte married to Charles Creasey married to Ben Anny married to John Charlotte married Edy married Dicy in Miss Malinda - died 1849 Molly - married Tom, died 1846 Mary married to Daniels in 8/1846 Old Nancy died 1849 Old Hannah Gracy married to Alfred Louisa married to Smith Rachel married to John F. Nancy married to Byron in September 1846 Betty married to Ned Hannah married to Aron

One of the pages notes, "Mr. Jackson left for Mississippi plantation on December 1846. Took Polidore and Polly also their children Lizzy, Phil, Sincy, John, Richard, Thornton and Peggy."

The following pages are an inventory of slaves in family units. It appears that information was added periodically to update the lists:

Eliza's Children	Adeline's Children	Sally's Children
George Stephen Daniels Creasey James	Margarette Marion Polidore (dead)	Adeline (married) Phil (married) Toney dead in Miss Prissey John (Miss 12/8/48) Lizzy (Miss - dead) Richard (Miss - dead) Thornton (Miss - dead) Peggy (Miss - dead) Baby
Grace's Children	Marie's Children	Sarah's Children
Silvia married in Miss Frankey do Allen in Miss Dick in Miss Harry	John Albert Alsbury Dec 17, 1846 Mary Indianna March 1849	Sampson Coeff Orange Cornelia Julia William Andrew

Little Sally's Children	Gincey's Children	Dick and Sally's Children
Siney married in Miss Jenny Milly Leander Shadrach Simon Kutchina Julius Baby	Morgan in Miss Amanthus Cancer George Smith Jim Hannah Matilda Molly Squire born Oct. 26, 1866 Tom born Oct. 1849	Nan married Florida Jim Kitty Letty
Florida's Children	Charlotte's Children	Jane's Children
Rinda Parry - March 1849	Matilda born Dec. 26, 1845	Beatrice Aggy Jessy
Edy's Children	Creasey's Children	Louisa's Children
Kitty Anaca Jack born Feb. 7, 1847	Sally married Edy married Decey in Miss Julius in Miss Malinda Washington	Joseph Rubin Harriet
Gracy's Children	Hannah's Children	Rachel's Children
Augustus Sarah	Byron Rachel married in Miss Charlotte married Moses married Mary married	Nancy William Nelly John

Big Sally's Prissy	Anny's Children	Hannah Jan. 7, 1855
Johannah born Dec. 2, 1846	Randal Peter Esaw born march 1847 Phily	Maria Lizzy Dick Ben Louisa baby
Creasy & Argyle	Ole' Prissy	Dick and Sally
Eliza Lucinda Louis	Orange (married to Grace with kids: Andrew, Sarah, Medora) Silvia Julia Cornelia (married to Henry with kids: Elquina, Lizzy, Baby) Sarah Sampson	Letty Nan (married to Peter with kids: Maryann, Sammy, Peter) Florida Rindy Matilda
Charles and Charlotte	Polidore and Sally	Squire and Gincy
Jane (married to Davy with kids: Aggy, Jessy, Elzina, Charles, Indiana) Beatrice Maria Albert Moses	Augustine Tennessee Prissy Johannah Catherine Saul Sally Richard Thornton John	Buck Molly Tommy Amanthus Alexander Cancer Smith Hannah Matilda Jim
Ben & Creasey	Aron	Betsy
Sally Julius Kutchina Rose Edy Analy Bucker Washington Isaac Dicy (married to Will, their kids: Creasy, Jack, baby) Leanner Lenny Philip Simon	Rachel Matilda Martha Margaret Ellen Taby	Samantha Amanda Rachel Candis Tom Will Daniel O. Hannah Betty George Penny Minor

It is revealed that Jackson's overseer in Mississippi, Mr. Tanner, sent for additional hands and they arrived safely on April 20, 1849, only to die the next month from a cholera epidemic. The following Tennessee slaves died in Mississippi:

Polly and her baby
Samuel and two children
Essex
Littleton
Nathan
Toney
Sam
King
Peggy (Polidore's child)
Tom Franklin<sup>6</sup>
Nancy and Jack (Argyles children)

Child of Adaline child of Silvia

Without explanation given (but it can be assumed that these were survivors of the epidemic who were being allowed to travel northward) it is written that "Mr. Jackson removed the following named negroes to Kentucky on the 8th of April, 1850":

Cancer Jacob Moses Dody Ned Isaac Allen Orange Dick Argyle Will Rubin Will Jim Jim Aggy Maria Morgan Campbell

Andrew Jackson, Sr.'s Will, recorded in October of 1845, in Davidson County, Tennessee Will Book 13, p. 291, further confirms some of Jackson's slaves' genealogy:

I give and bequeath to my beloved grandson, Andrew Jackson, son of A. Jackson, Jr., and Sarah his wife, a negro boy named Ned, son of blacksmith Aaron and Hannah, his wife, to him and his heirs forever. Fifth, I give and bequeath to my beloved little grandson Samuel Jackson, son of A. Jackson, Jr., and his much beloved wife Sarah, one negro boy named Davy or George, son of Squire and his wife Gincy, to him and his heirs forever. . . . to my beloved and affectionate daughter Sarah Jackson, wife of my adopted well beloved son, A. Jackson, Jr., I hereby recognize by this bequeath the gift I made her on her marriage of the negro girl, Gracy, which I bought her for her and gave her to my daughter

Sarah, as her maid and seamstress with her increase, with my house servant Hannah, and her two daughters, namely Charlotte and Mary, to her and her heirs forever.

The latter portion of the manuscript dated 1865 through 1877 contains voluminuous receipts for various types of transactions, including purchases for household goods and payment of wages for domestic services and farm laborers. A dozen first names of blacks were repeated year after year, but never referenced with a surname. All of these first names appeared on the slave lists, but we cannot assume that the persons they represent are one and the same without further documentation. For substantiation, the 1870 Federal Census for Davidson County and Early Middle Tennessee Marriages were reviewed for African-Americans with the surname "Jackson." Some of the same names noted in the manuscript were found and it is suggested that follow up research from these and other sources available at the Tennessee State Archives and Library be consulted by any descendant wishing to further their knowledge of Jackson slave genealogy.

#### Notes

- Andrew Jackson's plantation in Mississippi was located in Holmes County. See 1840 Federal Census of Holmes County, Mississippi, p. 267. On this census, the Jackson plantation was home to 30 slaves.
- This man is one of only three slaves owned by the Jacksons who is revealed to have a surname. This reference could lead to the discovery of Ned's previous owner or the owner of his parents or grandparents.
- "Miss" refers to the Jackson plantation in Holmes County, Mississippi.
- This slave is the second one in the collection referenced as having a surname and interestingly enough, it is that of Andrew Jackson's wife Rachel's maiden name, Donelson. She or her parents possibly owned this male slave before her marriage to Andrew in 1794. Research of Donelson family papers may reveal more about "S. Donelson."
- Notations to a "Mr. Jackson" after 1845 refer to the deceased former president's heir, adopted son Andrew Jackson, who sometimes was referred to as Andrew Jackson, Jr.
- This man is the third and last slave to be referenced anywhere in the Jackson papers with a surname. He probably is the same Tom referenced as "Old Tom" in the *Parker Daybook* and the Tom noted on the page titled "Women at the Hermitage" which states that "Molly married Tom, died 1846."

### LOGUE BIBLE

Submitted by Virginia Gooch Watson

In possession of Mrs. Alybel Omohundro Johnson (Mrs. William Richard Johnson) of Nashville, TN., granddaughter of Mrs. Nancy (Nannie) Absolum Gleaves (Logue) Omohundro and husband, Moten Patterson Omohundro. The Logue family lived in Wilson County, TN.

TITLE PAGE OF BIBLE: The Holy Bible: Containing the Old and New Testaments, Translated out of the Original Tongues, A Complete Concordance, referring to every passage of scripture. Comprehensive Bible Dictionary in which every important scriptural word is fully explained. A Complete history of each book of the Bible, beautifully illustrated. Cities of the Bible, with descriptive scenes and events in Palestine; Biblical antiquities; Scenes and events in the Life of Christ; Historical illustrations of Bible text; Biographical sketches of the translators and reformers; Gallery of Scripture illustrations; Bible aids for social prayer. Apocrypha and Psalms. Fifteen Hundred Engravings on steel, wood, and in colors. Bradley, Garretson & Co., Philadelphia, 66 N. Fourth St.; Brantford, Ontario; Wm. Garretson & Co., Columbus, Ohio; Chicago, Ill.; Nashville, Tenn.; St. Louis, Mo.; San Francisco, Cal. 1882.

### FIRST PAGE

Presented To Bettie Logue Bell September 1883 By Her Mother, Catharine Logue.

### **CENTER PAGE**

This Is To Certify That Samuel L. Bell and Bettie Logue Were United By Me In Holy Matrimony At the Home of her Parents on the first day of November in the year of our Lord 1877. In Presence of Miss Marg Stroude, Messrs. Richmond Sanders & Frank Bell. Signed Joseph L. Alexander, M. G.

### **BIRTHS PAGE:**

Dr. John Logue was born 25 June 1818, Died 17th of Oct. 1889. Catharine Logue born 22 Jan. 1820, Died 30th Sept. 1906.

Samuel Leuther Bell was born January the 30th 1849.

Bettie Logue Bell was born July the 13th 1851.

Robert Wellington Bell was born October the 25th 1847, and died January the 25th 1884 at Clarksville, Tenn.

### Nannie's Children:

Gleaves Logue Omohundro was born January 30th 1885. John Morton Omohundro was born June 12, 1883, died Aug. 19, 1967. John M. Omohundro married Sadie Poynor Dec. 20, 1906. Sadie Poynor Omohundro died June 30, 1963.

### **MARRIAGES PAGE**

### Children of John & Catharine Logue:

Margaret Tirzah Born 2nd Oct. 1847.

John Fowler Logue Born 31 Oct. 1849.

Sarah Elizabeth Born 13th of July 1851.

Mary Seav Logue Born 2nd August 1853.

Alice Brown Logue Born 21st Feb. 1858.

Nancy Absolum Gleaves Logue Born 18 May 1862.

Alice Brown Logue who married Edward Cawthorn died March 11th 1926.

Bettie Logue Bell died March 20th 1920.

Samuel L. Bell died Oct. 8th 1922.

Mary Seay (Northcutt) died Aug. 1932.

John Fowler Logue married Laura Stroud, died April 12, 1937, 88 yrs. old.

### **DEATHS PAGE**

Nannie Logue Omohundro was born May 18th 1862 and went "Home to Heaven" February the 8th, 10:30 P.M. 1885.

Dr. John Logue Born 25 of June 1818, Died 17th Oct. 1889.

Catharine Logue wife of Dr. Logue, Born 22nd Jan. 1820 & Died Sept. 30, 1906.

Bettie L. Bell Died March 20, 1925.

Samuel Bell Died Dec. 1923.

Alice B. Logue Cawthon died March 11th 1926.

Mr. James Edward Cawthorn died.

Dr. Orville Calhoun Omohundro born Oct. 9, 1844, died July 21st 1921.

Gleaves Logue Omohundro born Jan. 30, 1885, died July 16, 1951.

John Moten Omohundro born June 12, 1883, died Aug. 19, 1927.

### PAGE WITH FUNERAL

The funeral discourse of Nannie L. Omohundro, Preached by Rev. Joseph L. Alexander the 10th of February 1885 was from the following text:

St. John 14 ch., 1-2-3 vr's.

1st Let not your heart be troubled, ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2nd In my father's house are many mansions, if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

3rd And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself;
That where I am there ye may be also.

### **BOOK REVIEWS**

by Shirley Wilson

Rutherford County, Tennessee County Court Minutes 1811-1815 compiled by Carol Wells. Softbound 5½ x 8½, 184 pp. complete name index, copyright 1994. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite 300, Bowie, MD 20716. \$18.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

1293 pages of Rutherford County Court Minutes have been compressed into this book. Court minutes provide many of the facts relating to the day to day business of the county and the lives of its citizens. They list names in the appointment of guardians and administrators, in apprenticeships, the proving of deeds and wills and the licensing of ordinaries. Jurors are also listed as well as those who work on the roads.

This is Wells' sixth book on court minutes and she has the process down to a science. Each page in the book lists the date of the court session at the top, something which often requires some time to determine when using the actual court minutes. The every name index is a joy to use, especially for those of us with Smith, Wilson and Jones ancestry!

The index is excellent. It includes complete names as well as a place index and a slave index.

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The Family of Samuel W. Wallace by Robert E. Wallace. Softbound, 8½ x 11, 236 pp., complete name index to ancestors, copyright 1994. Purchase from Heritage Books (see address above) \$33.00 plus \$3.00 shipping.

Samuel Wallace was born in 1795 near McConnelsville, York District, North Carolina. While visiting his brother in Shelby County, Tennessee, he met and married Frances Hodges, the daughter of William and Elizabeth (Kirby) Hodges. They moved to Dallas County, Alabama and later to Lawrence County where Samuel was a land owner, a teacher, an attorney and a Justice of the Peace. 1673 descendants are traced from this man and the book includes information on the families of Kirby, Hodges and Davis.

A good numbering system allows easy access to the family information. The print is clear and easy to read. The front section of the book contains the genealogy and the back section includes transcripts of various documents relating to the history of the family.

The index is sandwiched between these two sections. It indexes all persons to the ancestor's number, which may be two places in the book. Some omissions and a number of apparently minor indexing errors which caused the numbers to be inaccurate by several digits will require the reader to persevere in finding the entries of interest. The index is still a definite asset to the book.

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1880 Census Washington County, Tennessee by Byron H. and Barbara Sistler. Softbound 5½ x 8½, 96 pp., copyright 1994. Order from Byron Sistler and Associates, 1712 Natchez Trace, PO Box 120934, Nashville, TN 37212 \$18.00 plus \$3.50 postage and handling.

This compact book provides a wealth of information for its modest price. It is arranged alphabetically by the surname of the head of the household. Any individuals whose surname is different than the head of the household is shown as a separate alphabetical unit. An asterisk identifies any entry that does not represent a complete household.

The print is large enough for easy reading. The book is similar to other 1880 census publications by the Sistlers. Franklin County is also available at a cost of \$18.00 plus \$3.50 postage and handling (this applies per order, not per book).

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The Thompsons of Turnbull Creek by Joseph Neal Luther. Spiral bound, 8½ x 11, 60 pp., complete name index, copyright 1994. Order from Joseph Neal Luther, 2545 Lafayette Avenue, Lincoln, NE 68502 \$15 postpaid.

This history of the Thompson family includes early pioneers of Davidson, Cheatham, Dickson and Williamson counties in Middle Tennessee. They are the descendants of Neil and Betty Thompson who came to Tennessee from Cumberland County, Virginia around the beginning of the 19th century. They settled in Kingston Springs in Cheatham County. Copies of topographical maps of the area enhance the book.

The numbering system is easy to follow and the book includes a page, listing the source information as well as a splendid every name index!

### Ask Us

Brenda Harper, 503 Lisa Ct., Clarksville, TN 37043 asks: What can be surmised about the family, especially the father, from the following information?

Milton Davis, age 4, and his younger sister Polly Davis are grantees to 130 acres for \$500 in Montgomery County, TN on a deed drawn 15 Nov. 1823 and recorded 24 June 1825. The deed identifies them as children of Martin Davis. Benjamin Koen, their maternal grandfather, is one of the witnesses.

In May of 1841, the same property is sold for \$100.00. The grantors are Milton Davis and Anne Davis, his mother. Neither Martin nor Polly are mentioned.

Irene Griffey answers: Brenda does not state how she knows the ages of Milton and Polly Davis nor how she knows Benjamin Koen is the maternal grandfather. So, an examination of the deeds was made. The children were identified as children of Martin Davis but their ages were not given in this record nor was Benjamin Koen identified in this record as grandfather. Additional clues were noticed: (1) the sales price was not \$100.00 but \$1.00. (2) Anne, the grantor, was called both Anna and Anne and also Anne M. From this record alone, it cannot be ascertained whether this was a clerk's mistake in copying the deed or if the land was being transferred in payment of a debt, or for some other reason the sales price was only \$1.00. Often the consideration given in a deed was "\$1.00 and love and affection" but "love and affection" was not indicated.

This is an unusual situation but not an impossible puzzle. Some facts that might be helpful are:

It was not illegal for persons under the age of 21 to own property; they just could not deed (sell) it until they were 21. If it was to be sold during minority, it would have to be done within the court system.

Many times persons who were not able to pay the entire purchase money "up front" purchased real estate by "title bond." The title bond acted as a contract to purchase between buyer and seller and more often than not was not recorded. When the entire purchase money had been paid, the deed would be made and recorded.

Perhaps the father had purchased the real estate on title bond and died before the deed could be written. The widow, grandfather, or some other person, could have completed the purchase money so the deed could be made. The children as heirs of their father would have inherited the property and would have been the persons to whom the title should transfer. The widow, at that time, would have had a dower right (a life estate) in one third of the real estate her husband died "seized and possessed of," which she would have been legally entitled to regardless of who held the title. At her death, the one third dower would revert to the heirs of her husband, in this case the two children - Milton and Polly. Property sold during the widow's life would have required her signature, transferring her dower right. County court records should be searched for the laying off of her dower right by commissioners appointed by the court for that purpose. These commissioners would have actually measured off 1/3 of the 130 acres and assigned it as her dower.

At the time the sale was made by Anne and Milton Davis, a married woman could not sell property - even if it was hers - without the signature of her husband. If she was unmarried or a widow she could buy and sell but not as long as she was married.

Polly is a nickname for Mary. An examination of Byron & Barbara Sistler's Early Middle Tennessee Marriages Vol 2 (Nashville: Byron Sistler & Associates, Inc., 1988), page 313 records a marriage between Polly Koen and Joshua Davis on 30 September 1818 in Davidson County, TN. If this is the marriage record of the parents of Milton and Polly Davis, we now know that the mother's name was Mary and also Anne/Anna and may have been Mary Anne and that she, too was called Polly. It seems that most people in those days had several Christian names which they used interchangeably. If this is the marriage record of the parents of Milton and Polly Davis, their father's name must have been Joshua Martin or Martin Joshua.

At any rate, it appears quite certain that the father had died before the date of the purchase deed - 15 November 1823. But what happened to the daughter, Polly? Why did she not sign the deed of sale? The 1840 census of Stewart County was examined. The household contained one female, aged 30-40 years—probably the widow; one male, aged 15-20 years probably Milton, the son. There were no other persons enumerated so, Polly was not with the family in 1840.

In the above scenario, she also may have died without issue before the sale of the property and her brother inherited her share. Or, she may have married and if so, it would have been necessary for both she and her husband to deed their interest when the property was sold and that deed would be indexed under the name of the unknown husband. Or, was the Anna/Anne M. Davis who sold the property along with Milton Davis actually the daughter Polly and her name was Mary Anne? Since Anna/Anne M. Davis is named in the deed before Milton, it is not likely she was the sister but that she, indeed, was the mother. In any other situation it would have been highly improbable that the woman would have been named before the man, at that time.

Additional records to be searched to prove the above theory would be:

- 1. Search the grantee index for a second deed to the man who purchased the property to see if he purchased the sister's interest by separate deed. If she was married, the identity of her husband is not known but it is almost certain the purchaser would have purchased her interest also
- 2. If a deed is not found, search cemetery records. If Polly, the sister, died without ever having had children, her brother would have inherited her share without necessity of will or deed. If she had married, her husband would have had a life estate in all the property she died seized and possessed of but only if a child had been born to the couple. The child/children, if living, would have inherited the mother's interest in the property but would have obtained possession only after the father's death. If the child died before the father but left no issue, the mother's brother would have inherited the real estate, subject to the father's life estate. This is not likely to have happened, since no purchaser outside the family would have been interested in acquiring the property and having to wait years for possession.
- 3. Search for estate records for the father in both Stewart and Montgomery Counties. Search for the name Joshua Davis, Martin Davis or J. M. Davis.
- 4. Search county court records for the assignment of the widow's dower. Since the deeds were recorded in Montgomery County, the dower assignment should have been in Montgomery County.
- 5. If none of the above is found, see if the purchaser of the property was family.

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Elsic Scrivner, 6102 Webb Road, #710, Tampa, FL 33615 asks: I ordered the marriage bond & marriage record of Wm. James and Mary Ann [Akin] and found that the bondsman was Alford C. Miller. Is it true that the bondsman is a relative of the <a href="mailto:bride">bride</a>? Alford C. Miller married Minerva Akin later, and became brother-in-law to Wm. James, but can I assume that he is also Mary Ann's kin?

Byron Sistler answers: We have not found documentation on this, but in practice we have found that virtually anyone of age could be bondman. Usually, of course, it was someone close to the family—perhaps a family member—but we have found nothing suggesting that the bondsman be a relative of the bride.

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From Parker Chastaine Sams, 1301 Fox St., Findlay, OH 45840 come the following: I have an ancestor who appears to have signed her name on a Sumner County document in 1816 and 20 years later, a few years before her death, signed another document with her mark. Have you seen this before? The evidence is fairly strong that the two documents are signed by the same person, but should I now question this? It has occurred to me that the infirmities of age may have caused her to sign with her mark late in life. What do you think?

Byron also answers this: Whether a signature on nineteenth century documents, at least in the rural Midwest and South, was signed by mark or handwriting meant little, if anything. Illiteracy, as you know, was rampant at the time, so a clerk might not even bother to offer the document to the subject to sign. Since illiteracy did not bear a stigma as it does today, and in fact was sometimes looked upon with pride, the clerks could do this with impunity.

It should also be remembered that where the document was entered in a book, such as a deed book, the handwriting was entirely that of a clerk, though the original loose record might be in the handwriting of the seller or his agent.

### JENNINGS' CEMETERY

(Statesville, Tennessee)

by Thomas A. Partlow

- 1. Luveney Dunn, born 1865; died 1918.
- 2. M. Dunn, born 1871; died 1948.
- 3. Lou Hutchinson, born 1875; died
- 4. Wyatt Webster.
- 5. Mamie Dunn Webster.
- 6. Ida Chapman.
- 7. R. L. Chapman, born; died 1923.
- 8. Mary Chapman.
- 9. Maggie Vantrease.
- 10. Gary Tarpley.
- 11. Toy M. Patton.
- 12. Glady Patton. Wife of Toy Patton.
- 13. Olean Vantrease, born 1901; died
- 14. Jim Vantrease, born 1890; died
- 15. Eliza G. Truitt, born 1870; died 1936.
- 16. Fannie Truitt, born 1865; died 1941.
- 17. Olney H. Truitt, born 1895; died 1958.
- 18. Lonnie Truitt, born 1909; died
- 19. Joe T. Truitt, born 25 May 1898; died 17 April 1965.
- 20. Jennie Driver Truitt, born 15 November 1909; died
- 21. Ada Tarpley, born 1879; died 1944.
- 22. William Hutchinson, born 1829; died 1913.
- 23. Emerline Hutchinson, born 1841; died 1911.
- J. H. Turney, M. D., born 17 October 1841; died 9 September 1905.
- 25. Issiebell Turney, born 1901; died 1902.
- 26. Ruth Turney, born1905; died 1906.
- 27. Marvine Turney, born 1878; died 1917.
- Harold Wilson Turney, born 11 April 1915; died 13 December 1920.
- 29. Andy Robinson, born 1875; died 1946.
- 30. Parsety Robinson, born 1875; died
- 31. Russell Snider, born 1910; died 1971.
- 32. Lizzie Snider, born 1911; died
- H. Thomas Snider, born 6 June 1888; died 15 January 1954.
- Ella M. Snider, born 24 September 1890; died 4 February 1975.
- 35. Myrtle E. James, born1889; died 1969.
- 36. Hall W. James, born 1919; died 1945.
- 37. Dollie Ricketts James, born 1886; died 1960.
- 38. Stratton S. James, born 1882; died 1947.
- 39. Montie Ray Jennings, born 1900; died 1921.
- 40. Eva Lena Jennings, born 1873; died 1924.
- 41. Ben Gray Jennings, born 1912; died 1941.
- 42. Ara Jennings, born 1897; died 1947.
- 43. Maxie T. Jennings, born 1907; died 1949.
- 44. Ulys French Armstrong, born 1909; died 1961.
- 45. Ulys G. Armstrong, born 1871; died 1948.
- 46. Mary Lou Armstrong, born 1871; died 1934.
- 47. Ila Dean Armstrong, born 1933; died 1942.

- Infant Armstrong, died 1943; Daughter of Dalton Armstrong.
- 49. Dalton Armstrong, born 16 May 1899; died 22 July 1970.
- 50. Irene hardin Armstrong, born 1913; died 1970.
- 51. Minnie Ricketts Hardin Couch, born 1897; died 1958.
- Daniel D. J ames, born 1818; died 1867.
- 53. Malinda Jennings James, born 1825; died 1903.
- 54. Rufus Mavers, ,born 10 June 1866; died 1891.
- 55. Adline Tribble, born 20 August 1830; died 23 April 1900.
- Samuel Edwin James, born 3 June 1925; died 22 January 1953.
- 57. Grave.
- 58. Grave.
- 59. Flonnie James Fletcher, 26 March 1930.
- H. E. quarles, born 19 April 1861; died 25 May 1897.
   Wife of L. R. Ayers.
- 61. Artie B. James, Sr., born 1882; died 1960.
- 62. Artie B. James, Jr., born 1912; died 1960.
- Hettie Decker James, born 1892; died 1974. Wife of Artie B. James, Sr.
- 64. Nola Barger, born 1873; died 1946.
- 65. Infant James, 24 December 1945. Son of George James.
- 66. J. Wesley Armstrong, born 1849; died 1921.
- 67. Virgin S. Armstrong, born 1851; died 1938. Wife of J. Wesley Armstrong.
- G. W. Armstrong, born 27 October 1877; died 15 January 1898.
- 69. J. Webb Armstrong, born 1881; died 1940.
- 70. Jessie Talley Armstrong, born 1884; died 1950.
- 71. Samuel N. Armstrong, born 1885; died 1942.
- 72. Bertha J. Armstrong, born 1882; died 1966.
- 73. Una Walden, born 13 April 1890; died 28 August 1891. Daughter of A. N. Walden and N. J. Walden.
- 74. A. N. Walden, born 23 February 1856; died 1 April 1910.
- Nancy J. Walden, born 15 September 1861; died 22 September 1893.
- Alta Walden Hays, born 16 November 1881; died 9 March 1919.
- Susan Oakley, born 18 June 1864; died 17 September 1892. Wife of Ben Wilkins.
- 78. N. Oakely, born 9 January 1821; died 28 September 1895.
- Ann Oakley, born 16 May 1825; died 10 April 1895. Wife of N. Oakley.
- James Tomas Harvey, born 4 December 1869; died 6 April 1949.
- Alma Ready Harvey, born 24 July 1883; died . Wife of J. T. Harvey.
- 82. Sarah B. Johnson, born 1932; died 1935.
- 83. Willie B. Johnson, born 1902; died 1961.
- 84. Mamie B. Johnson, born 1901; died
- 85. Ollie Chapman, born 1889; died 1959.

- 86. Erdie Chapman Jennings, born 1900; died
- 87. Jack Harvey, born 16 January 1904; died 7 April 1964.
- Montie Ray Harvey, born 21 October 1909; died 9 May 1955.
- 89. L. L. James, born 26 March 1831; died 14 June 1908.
- 90. Alvy James, ,born 2 May 1827; died 11 February 1896.
- 91. Otis Clayton Williamson, born 2 May 1895; died 25 November 1970.
- 92. Beverly R. Williamson, born 1865; died 1942.
- 93. Candelia F. Williamson, born 1869; died 1944.
- 94. Stella Street, born 1908; died 1908.
- Claude Wesley Lawrence, M. D., born 22 February 1895; died 23 April 1960.
- 96. Inez Harvey Lawrence, 21 December 1920.
- Sena M. Lawrence, born 11 June 1877; died 21 January 1947
- 98. John J. Jewell, Sr., born 10 August 1862; died 24 September 1950.
- Zula J. Jewll, born 7 March 1875; died 4 January 1968.
   Wife of John J. Jewell, Sr.
- Addie Bell Jewell, born 13 January 1894; died 6 September 1906.
- Andrew J. Armstrong, born 18 September 1865; died 31 July 1931.
- 102. Maggie M. Armstrong, born 7 October 1877; died
- 103. Infant Payne. Daughter of W. M. Payne.
- 104. Emma Berry Payne, born 1921; died 1923.
- 105. Monroe Armstrong, born 1862; died 1922.
- Rena Armstrong, born 1874; died 1963. Wife of Monroe Armstrong.
- 107. J. B. Armstrong, 17 February 1839.
- 108. A. B. J.
- T. K. Armstrong, born 27 December 1868; died 12 January 1915.
- H. C. Armstrong, born 22 August 1832; died 30 November 1902.
- 111. Mary Armstrong, 6 May 1861.
- 112. Georgia Armstrong, born 1873; died 1877.
- 113. Robert Lee Armstrong, born 1870; died 1944.
- 114. Mary Armstrong, born 1860; died 1949. Sister of Robert Lee Armstrong.
- 115. William T. Armstrong, Jr., born 1933; died 1933.
- Samuel W. Boyd, born 10 June 1869; died 11 September 1886. Son of Daniel S. Boyd and Susan P. Boyd.
- William Boyd, born 9 September 1825; died . Age 2 years, 5 days. Son of John L. Boyd and Martha Boyd.
- 118. Daniel S. Boyd, 10 December 1829.
- Susan P. Boyd, born 6 November 1841; died 22 January 1908
- 120. Zollie Griffin, born 1892; died
- 121. Nola Griffin, born 1892; died 1938.
- 122. Grave.
- 123. Maxie George, born 1915; died 1941.
- 124. Thomas Lee George, born 1877; died 1947.
- 125. Jessie M. Cox, born 1879; died 1953.
- 126. Ulla L. Cox, born 1880; died 1961.
- 127. Elias Thompson, born 1879; died 1955.
- 128. Angie McAffrey Thompson, born 1891; died
- 129. J. Carden Turner, born 1894; died 1941.
- 130. Nellie Turner, born 1900; died

- Nelson G. Patton, born 25 November 1845; died 18 August 1920.
- 132. Lou Patton, born 26 November 1839; died 10 November 1908.
- 133. E. R. Patton, born 1872; died 1941.
- 134. Ready Harvey, born 1877; died 1949.
- 135. Medie harvey, born1879; died 1960.
- 136. Rellie Hughes, born 1883; died 1953.
- Edgar F. Johnson, born 3 January 1873; died 7 March 1914.
- 138. M. W. Jennings, born 3 May 1849; died 16 March 1919.
- Luella Jennings, born 18 September 1864; died 13 June 1882.
- 140. G. W. Jennings, born 1823; died 1867.
- James M. Jennings, born 12 September 1845; died 25 April 1865.
- 142. W. D. Jennings, born 22 July 1820; died 26 June 1897. Age 76 years, 11 months, 8 days.
- 143. Mabyrn Jennings, born 11 July 1822; died 17 July 1898. Age 78 years, 8 months, 6 days. Wife of W. D. Jennings.
- 144. Jonnie Lee Hopkins, born 2 September 1885; died 3 September 1919.
- 145. Margie Jennings, born 28 June 1871; died 1875.
- Maggie A. Jennings, born 15 June 1875; died 16 June 1890.
- 147. J. S. Jennings, born 8 October 1842; died 17 September 1902.
- 148. Arah Lee Jennings, born 2 February 1852; died 3 March 1907. Wife of J. S. Jennings.
- Samuel Jennings, born 20 December 1862; died 2 July 1863.
- George M. Patton, born 25 August 1860; died 15 June 1933.
- 151. Grave.
- 152. William A. Jennings.
- 153. James U. Jennings, born 3 November 1810; died 21 March 1865.
- 154. Daniel Jennings, born 13 January 1815; died 12 January 1859.
- 155. Elizabeth Ann. Age 47 years, 3 months, 3 days. Consort of Dr. G. Knight.
- 156. J. W. Jennings, born 28 September 1 41; died 2 December
- 157. Jennie Jennings, born 25 December 1871; died 30 November 1872.
- 158. R. G. Jennings, born 28 January 1808; died 2 April. Age 86 years, 2 months, 4 days.
- 159. D. C. Jennings, born 16 February 1817; died 8 April 1894. Age 77 years, 1 month, 22 days.
- William M. Jennings, born 8 September 1846; died 1 July.
- Catherine Jennings, born 19 October 1819; died 10 August 1855.
- 162. W. A. Jennings.
- 163. Octa Thompson James, born 2 June 1883; died 25 June
- 164. Willie Buchanan James, born 16 August 1879; died 22 January 1953.
- 165. Grave.
- 166. Grave.

- 167. Hancelum L., born 13 November 1866; died 20 March 1886. Son of J. B. Jennings and M. J. Jennings.
- 168. Grave.
- Jacob B. Jennings, born 13 October 1820; died 6 February 1890.
- 170. Rufus M. Ayers, born 10 June 1866; died 2 January 1891.
- 171. Grave.
- 172. Grave.
- 173. Grave.
- 174. John S. Jennings, born 9 January 1836; died 3 November 1897. Age 61 years, 10 months, 21 days.
- 175. Eugene Jennings, born 11 August 1803; died 12 November 1804.
- 176. Aubrey Jennings, born 1877; died 1932.
- Georgia Alsup, born 21 December 1861; died 16 December 1951.
- 178. Jane E. Hollis, 6 August 1873.
- 179. Martha J., born 7 July 1828; died 17 December 1907. Wife of J. L. Jennings.
- 180. Joshua Lester Jennings, born 20 October 1827; died 20 October 1908.
- Geneva Jennings Stewart, born 4 March 1854; died 2 October 1939.
- 182. Ella Jennings Hale, born 29 November 1851; died 28 January 1932.
- 183. Christopher Hale, born 8 May 1850; died 1 December 1931.
- Minning Jennings, born 4 October 1868; died 25 February 1953. Wife of Albert Henderson.
- Evelyn G. Weatherly, born 30 January 1873; died 13 April 1954
- B. G. Jennings, born 21 November 1897; died 28 October 1902.
- 187. Grave.
- 188. Willie Everett Jennings.
- 189. C. R. Jennings.
- 190. G. L. Jennings
- 191. Beulah Jennings.
- 192. A. L. Jennings, born 10 April 1853; died 11 January 1940.
- 193. M. E. Jennings, born 28 December 1858; died 9 May 1911.
- 194. Willie E. Jennings.
- 195. C. J. Jennings.
- 196. B. C. Jennings.
- 197. G. Lee Jennings, born 1886; died 1939.
- 198. Jessie Armstrong, born 1889; died 1969. Wife of G. Lee Jennings.
- 199. Earl C. Jennings, born 16 June 1907; died 7 February 1911.
- Nora Richmond Jennings, born 17 September 1887; died 23 November 1918.
- Robert L. Jennings, born 24 February 1867; died 1 February 1913.
- Willie Lee Jennings, born 3 January 1870; died 3 April 1949.
- 203. Marian Grey, born 1895; died 1897.
- 204. E. S. Jennings, born 25 May 1846; died 17 November 1885.
- 205. Grave
- Sanford Elisha Turner, born 4 August 1888; died 18 August 1911.
- 207. E. D. Jennings, born 29 August 1856; died 2 May 1941.
- A. B. Armstrong, born 28 April 1859; died 20 July 1891.
   Wife of E. D.

- John H. Jennings, born 10 February 1863; died 16 February 1938.
- James S. Jennings, born 22 October 1865; died 30 May 1938.
- 211. A. W. Jennings, born 1839; died 1915.
- 212. E. T. Jennings, born 1845; died 1918.
- 213. Grave.
- 214. Grave.
- L. B. Grandstaff, born 31 January 1835; died 17 April 1898.
- 216. Infant Saddler. Daughter of Wendell Saddler.
- 217. Sarah Harvey, born 6 March 1856; died 22 October 1918.
- 218. Lecana Harvey, born 18 October 1886; died 8 April 1912.
- Gertrude harvey, born 4 November 1878; died 13
   December 1913.
- Frank Daniel Harvey, born 26 November 1919; died 17 June 1955.
- 221. Howell G. Reeves, born 11 August 1889; died 18 September 1916.
- Erma Corrine McMillin, born 16 October 1916; died 12 May 1959.
- Frank C. McMillin, born 6 October 1907; died 23 December 1976.
- 224. Jim Hutchinson, born 1859; died 1915.
- 225. Lester Hutchinson, born 1880; died 1961.
- 226. Grave
- 227. Josie F. Jennings, born 1874; died 1948.
- 228. J. R. Jennings, born 1879; died 1955.
- 229. James G. Robertson, born 1869; died 1943.
- 230. Sallie Ann Robertson, born 1875; died
- 231. Fred Patterson, born 1898; died 1947.
- 232. Euda Harlin, born 1899; died
- 233. Robert B. harlin, born 5 June 1907l; died 16 August 1965.
- 234. Rettie Phillips Davis, born 1872; died 1953.
- 235. William hatton Davis, born 1861; died 1941.
- M. C. Delay, born 14 November 1860; died 18 July 1890.
   Wife of W. H. Davis.
- Lou Myrtle Dvis, born 15 July 1884; died 2 april 1885.
   Daughter of W. H. Davis and M. C. Delay.
- Infant Davis, born 17 November 1909; died 17 November 1909.
- 239. F. Olden Jennings, born 1882; died 1969.
- 240. Montie S. Jennings, born 1890; died 1972.
- Marshall Jennings, born 26 February 1884; died 16 March 1971.
- 242. Etna Turney Jennings, born 11 February 1880; died 31 July 1948.
- 243. Robert G. Stroud, born 12 March 1913; died
- 244. Medie Bell Lanier.
- Nina Ruth Ward Stroud, born 30 July 1924; died 27 October 1973.
- M. F. Hays, born 5 February 1856; died 15 September 1947.
- 247. Elizabeth F. Jennings Hays, born 5 October 1855; died 18 June 1911. Wife of M. F. Hays.
- Clara L. Johnson, born 17 September 1897; died 15 September 1918.
- Robert M. Johnson, born 27 September 1891; died 17 January 1873.

- 250. Infant Johnson, born 25 January 1917; died 25 January 1917
- 251. Sam Lanier, died 5 August 1859. Age 86 years.
- Lillie Mai McMillin, born 15 July 1917; died 15 October 1918.
- 253. Mollie McMillen, born 1856; died 1936.
- W. A. McMillen, born 14 December 1852; died 21 August 1925.
- Charley R. Edge, born 7 August 1878; died 2 February 1942.
- Louisa McMillen Edge, born 23 December 1880; died 4 August 1965.
- 257. William Rufe Stroud, born 1875; died 1950.
- 258. America Jennings Stroud, born 1878; died 1936.
- 259. Nettie Hughes Rittenberry, born 1928; died 1948.
- 260. Edward W. Hughes, born 1951; died 1951.
- 261. J. Ready Patterson, born 1861; died 1936.
- 262. Roena T. Patterson, born 1868; died 1931.
- 263. Sallie D. Jennings, born 1873; died 1954.
- S. M. Jennings, born 18 November 1848; died 10 August 1932.
- Martha J. Whitlock Jennings, born 9 April 1853; died 17 June 1927. Wife of S. M. Jennings.
- 266. Clarence A. Lawrence, born 1933; died 1965.
- 267. Gail Lawrence Hill, born 19 February 1938; died
- 268. Johnnie A. Lawrence, born 9 Jully 1897; died
- 269. Effie L. Lawrence, born 29 October 1903; died
- 270. Sarah Frances Lawrence, born 1928; died 1947.
- Robert Wilson Davis, born 26 September 1903; died 8 March 1954.
- 272. J. H. Davis, born 25 January 1870; died 25 June 1945.
- 273. Janie Cox Davis, born 26 May 1877; died 18 May 1947.
- 274. Grave.
- 275. James Albert hardin, born 1914; died 1969.
- 276. Lounette Jennings Hardin, born 1918; died
- 277. Willie Baines, born 1893; died 1967.
- 278. Cora Lasater Baines, born 1890; died 1975.
- Darse Harvey, born 18 January 1888; died 29 September 1924.
- Era Mullinax Harvey, born 7 February 1888; died 24 February 1977.
- 281. Monroe Doss Johnson, born 1859; died 1923.
- 282. Hattie Jennings Johnson, born 1870; died 1933.
- 283. Monroe D. Johnson, born 22 June 1915; died 25 July 1968.
- 284. Ara Beller Johnson, born 7 June 1870; died 28 January 1891.
- 285. Willie D. Johnson, born 1889; died 1891.
- Clarence W. Ayers, born 19 December 1893; died 15 December 1895.
- Annie Malinda Thomas, born 14 August 1912; died 24 June 1927.
- 288. William T. Alsup, born 5 February 1815; died 11 November 1899.
- Fannie Bym Alsup, born 1 August 1819; died 23
   November 1904. Wife of W. T. Alsup.
- 290. W. A. Barger, born 1851; died 1925.
- 291. Eliza Barger, born 1854; died 1929.
- 292. Oscar Cleveland Craddock, born 1893; died 1968.
- 293. Dessie A. Johnson Craddock, born 1894; died

- 294. J. M. Jones, born 2 October 1853; died 20 January 1924.
- 295. Rodia Parthena Jones, born ; died 9 November 1956.
- 296. Howell Payne, born 8 July 1877; died 30 November 1918.
- 297. Columbia Donnell, born 1883; died 1964.
- 298. J. W. McMillen, born1915; died 1960.
- James A. Moore, born 25 September 1874; died 4 January 1965.
- Margie Young Moore, born 1 February 1878; died 19 June 1924.
- 301. W. Clayton Moore, born 9 August 1898; died
- Pearl Patterson Moore, born 15 September 1900; died 20 November 1959.
- Doris Patterson, born 13 February 1897; died 16 April 1973.
- Willie Hutchinson, born 21 November 1891; died 4 May 1960.
- Altie Hutchinson, born 20 September 1898; died 29 December 1972.
- 306. Jesse Hardin, born 1897; died 1975.
- 307. Zella Porterfield hardin, born 1897; died 1972.
- 308. Albert Hardin, born 1 February 1893; died 29 April 1974.
- 309. Mamie James Hardin, born 6 December 1896; died
- Toy D. Jennings, born 11 December 1899; died 10 January 1967.
- Ruby Word Jennings, born 16 July 1902; died 22 March 1958.
- Willie H. Word, born 25 June 1878; died 11 October 1948.
- Georgia Ann Tarpley Word, born 8 May 1881; died 8 August 1963.
- 314. Paul Jennings, born 1906; died 1974.
- 315. Verda Bryant Jennings, born 1904; died
- 316. Grave.
- Coe Jennings, born 22 September 1874; died 12 May 1962.
- Era Davis Jennings, born 29 September 1878; died 4 March 1950.
- 319. John Wiseman Davis, born 28 August 1833; died 9 November 1900. Age 62 years, 2 months, 11 days.
- 320. Grave.
- 321. Elizabeth Alsup Dvis, born 9 January 1843; died 31 July 1912. Wife of John W. Davis.
- 322. Rosker James, born 1886; died 1961.
- 323. Clary McMillin James, born 1893; died
- 324. EastesJames, born 1918; died 1962.
- 325. Della B. James, born 1914; died
- Willie W. Jennings, born 6 May 1903; died 18 March 1960.
- 327. Mallie Bryant Jennings, born 20 February 1899; died
- Harold Clinton Johnson, born 22 October 1895; died 9
   September 1896. Son of J. F. Johnson.
- 329. Grave.
- E. S. Jennings, born 25 May 1846; died 17 November 1885.
- 331. S. N. Grandstaff, born 28 July 1860; died 5 August 1886.
- 332. Jason Jennings, born 20 December 1885; died 12 August 1887. Son of A. W. Jennings and E. T. Jennings.
- 333. Grave.
- 334. Carrie Brown Hays Silverstorf, born 23 August 1898.
- 335. Frank D. Johnson, born 1896; died

- 336. Margaret Patton Johnson, born 1899; died 1967.
- James Thomas Tarpley, born 12 March 1885; died 13 November 1975.
- Norah Rucker Tarpley, born 16 July 1887; died 1 January 1951.
- 339. Wayne R. Tarpley, born 24 May 1909; died 30 May 1967.
- GusClayton Tarpley, born 22 July 1893; died 3 November 1957.
- Alta Harvey Tarpley, born 21 June 1893; died 10 February 1974.
- Zear Bain, born 26 February 1882; died 31 December 1958.
- 343. Mary Hendrixson Bain, born 27 May 1891; died
- 344. James McMillen, born 1851; died 1932.
- 345. Bettie F. McMillen, born 1856; died 1925.
- 346. James T. McMillin, born 1882; died 1945.
- 347. Lillie B. McMillin, born 1881; died 1933.
- 348. Ollie J. McMillin, born 1906; died 1971.
- 349. Malcolm R. McMillin, born 1909; died 1966.
- 350. Callie Ward McMillin, born 1916; died
- Kelsey Armstrong, born 8 December 1896; died 23 October 1960.
- 352. Clara Bryant Armstrong, born 22 March 1902; died
- 353. Paul D. Ford, born 4 August 1902; died 6 July 1904.
- 354. Ethel N. Ford, died 11 April 1910. Wife of T. J. Ford.
- 355. Lillian Moore McMillen, born 1895; died 1928.
- 356. Ceborn McMillen, born 1893; died 1918.
- 357. R. A. McMillen, born 1861; died 1897.
- 358. Jacob McMillen, born 18 August 1858; died 14 August 1912.
- 359. B. E. Chambliss, born 1 March 1847; died 5 September 1891. Age 44 years, 6 months, 5 days.
- Thomas Ray Jewell, born 13 January 1908; died 28 March 1977.
- Hester Cox Jewell, born 6 December 1901; died 15 December 1964.
- 362. Robin W. Beadle, born 23 December 1878; died 26 January 1972.
- Bettie Beadle Jewell, born 8 September 1875; died 15 July 1946.
- 364. James Newbern Jewell, born 6 February 1858; died 30 January 1922.
- 365. Jennie James Jewell, born 5 January 1862; died 19 February 1896.
- Thomas Tony Patterson, born 14 February 1875; died 24 December 1934.
- 367. Nora Talley Patterson, born 4 January 1876; died 28 February 1958.
- 368. Margaret L. Patterson, born 28 August 1845; died Wife of Jame T. Patterson.
- James T. Patterson, born 7 December 1841; died 25 November 1906.
- 370. John W. McMillen, born 12 May 1856; died 23 July 1886.
- 371. Grave.
- Mary J. McMillen, born 25 October 1858; died 11 January 1915.
- Sherman Benton McMillen, born 8 July 1885; died 28 October 1912.
- 374. Lella Moody, born 1887; died 1927.
- 375. Ira T. Adamson, born 1899; died 1918.

- 376. Allie Word, born 10 February 1894; died 30 January 1921.
- 377. Harold R. Johnson, born 1914; died 1971.
- 378. Christine Armstrong Johnson, born 1919; died
- 379. Johnnie Adamson, born 1861; died 1924.
- 380. Helen Adamson, born 1867; died 1927.
- Gertie Adamson, born 19 February 1896; died 27 September 1922.
- 382. R. M. Barbee, born 22 February 1843; died 3 March 1924.
- 383. S. E. Barbee, born 25 July 1852; died 2 April 1926.
- 384. Ollie Barbee, born 20 July 1891; died 2 December 1907.
- 385. C. B. Barbee, born 25 May 1893; died 9 June 1927.
- 386. Bettye McMillen, born 1874; died 1961.
- 387. Grave.
- 388. Elizabeth McMillen, born 25 December 1833; died 10 August 1930.
- 389. Z. M. McMillen, born 24 January 1822; died 3 December 1893. Age 71 years, 5 months, 9 days.
- 390. Infant Jennings, 21 February 1905. Son of Alpha Jennings.
- 391. Grave.
- R. H. Ayers, born 30 January 1854; died 17 February 1928.
- M. J. Ayers, born 4 October 1860; died 16 January 1904.
   Wife of R. H. Ayers.
- 394. Roy Morton Jewell, born 1881; died 1927.
- 395. Ora Jones Jewell, born 1887 died 1918.
- 396. Grave.
- 397. Winfrey Jewell, born 1877; died 1935.
- 398. N. T. Jewell, born 10 January 1847; died 6 January 1913.
- A. J. Jewell, born 31 May 1849; died 29 March 1904.
   Wife of N. T. Jewell.
- 400. Grave.
- 401. Morgan Mitchell Jewell, born 1918; died 1919.
- 402. Willie H. Jewell, born 17 April 1874; died 4 July 1952.
- Ona Oakley Jewell, born 29 December 1880; died 24
   December 1967. Wife of Willie H. Jewell.
- 404. Joe Fugit Oakley, born 5 May 1898; died 6 April 1951.
- 405. James T. Jewell, born 1872; died 1956.
- Arizona U. Jewell, born 5 August 1878; died 19 February 1952.
- 407. Grave.
- J. H. Jennings, born 7 February 1880; died 22 January 1953.
- Nora Dunn Jennings, born 27 October 1888; died 7 July 1909. Wife of J. Hannibal Jennings.
- 410. A. J. Dunn, born 1 May 1845; died 19 October 1931.
- 411. A. T. Moody Dunn, born 1 August 1849; died 29 June 1925. Wife of A. J. Dunn.
- 412. Ernest Adamson, born 3 April 1904; died 8 September 1929.
- 413. Pearl Rousseau, born 26 December 1903; died
- 414. Floyd Armstrong, died 3 April 1974. Age 83 years.
- 415. Nettie J. Johnson, born 19 September 1897; died 6 May 1919.
- 416. William Harry Jennings, born 1906; died 1921.
- 417. Carrie L. Jennings, born 1904; died 1924.
- 418. Geneva J. Bogle, born 1903; died 1925.
- 419. Malcolm R. Jennings, born 1909; died 1949.
- 420. Chester E. Jennings, born 23 October 1899; died 20 May 1950.
- 421. Eutie Lee Jennings Aubrey, born 1879; died 1965.

- Anna Bell Young, born 1875; died 1917. Wife of W. F. Young, M. D.
- 423. Infant Jennings, 2 February 1912. Son of W. A. Jennings.
- 424. Zella Williams, born 1887; died 1914.
- 425. Joe Williams, born 1854; died 1890.
- Sarah Williams, born 1856; died 1935. Wife of Joe Williams.
- 427. Bill Crook, born 1922; died 1966.
- 428. Beulah M. Crook, 5 May 1927.
- 429. Bud Williams, born 1877; died 1895.
- 430. Willie A. Jennings, born 20 May 1886; died 7 August 1973
- Addie T. Jennings, born 18 March 1888; died 24 January 1972.
- 432. Roscoe Patterson, born ; died 3 April 1967.
- 433. Bertie Patterson, died 24 September 1967. Age 91 years.
- 434. Edith Iole Hudson, died 19 October 1974. Age 60 years.
- 435. A. P. Witty, born 1858; died 1890.
- 436. Fannie James Witty, born 1859; died 1884.
- 437. Grave.
- 438. Grave, born 1882; died 1911.
- 439. R. C. Jennings, born 8 July 1851; died 4 October 1930.
- 440. Grave
- C. B. Armstrong Jennings, born 13 October 1857; died 9 October 1914. Wife of R. C. Jennings.
- 442. Hugh Barbee, born 1919; died 1919.
- Oscar Jennings, born 14 January 1885; died 9 October 1921.
- 444. Rial C.Jennings, born 1877; died 1934.
- 445. Gertie W. Jennings, born 1879; died 1949.
- William Ivey Jaco, born 4 September 1894; died 8 December 1960.
- Grady Bullard, born 20 May 1897; died 11 Febbruary 1961.
- 448. Ardle Bane, born 28 May 1896; died 1 February 1961.
- 449. Melvin Armstrong, born 1906; died 1964.
- 450. H. Bryant Armstrong, born 1897; died
- 451. Vesta James Armstrong, born 1901; died 1948.
- 452. Truitt Armstrong, born 1901; died 1922.
- 453. William P. Armstrong, born 1875; died 1931.
- 454. Mary F. Armstrong, born 1875; died 1931.
- 455. Ruby Smith, born 10 April 1893; died 17 July 1965.
- 456. Enuma A. Powell Witty, born 23 August 1867; died 12 August 1894. Age 26 years, 11 months, 20 days. Wife of Neubern Smith.
- 457. Neubern Smith, born 14 August 1858; died 6 February 1924.
- 458. Sarah C. Smith, born 1 October 1868; died 30 June 1957.
- 459. W. A. Witty, born 1 March 1823; died 7 May 1900.
- 460. Infant Jennings. Son of S. B. Jennings.
- S. B. Jennings, born 10 December 1867; died 3 August 1934.
- Edna Witty Jennings, born 25 November 1871; died 16 March 1928.
- Albert Ayers Witty, born 14 February 1893; died 15 September 1908.
- 464. J. P. Witty, died 21 July 1935.
- 465. Sally Witty, died 29 September 1936.
- 466. Ernest Hardin, born 3 April 1895; died 23 February 1960.
- Montie Armstrong Hardin, born 25 January 1896; died 5 March 1955.

- 468. Jannie Inez Hardin, born 1918; died 1919.
- 469. Ray T. Hardin, born 1920; died 1958.
- 470. Harry Smith, born 1899; died
- 471. Carlie Smith, born 1899; died 1956.
- 472. Lostin Robinson, born 1904; died 1974.
- 473. Carrie B. Robinson, born 1902; died 1974.
- 474. E. G. Tribble, born 1916; died 1928.
- 475. W. H. George.
- William Frank Jennings, born 19 October 1891; died 26 June 1977.
- Dessie Hutchinson Jennings, born 28 February 1891; died
   February 1962.
- 478. Manson Lee Lester, born 1932; died 1952.
- 479. Mary Marie Lester, born 1938; died 1938.
- 480. Minnie E. Orrand, born 1886; died 1957.
- 481. Daniel Ernest Orrand, born 1878; died 1956.
- 482. Berlie W. Orrand, born 1910; died 1969.
- 483. Montie B. Orrand, born 1908; died 1927.
- 484. Nina G. Orrand, born 1914; died 1915.
- Infant Orrand, born 1907. Son of Daniel Orrand and Minnie Orrand.
- 486. Shirley Faye Lester, born 1946; died 1961.
- 487. Thelma Almead James Lester, born 1903; died 1928.
- 488. Grave.
- 489. C. Robert James, born 1911; died 1926.
- 490. Mary E. Armsstrong, born 1850; died 1935.
- T. W. Armstrong, born 18 March 1851; died 1 September 1913.
- 492. Narcissa E. Herron, born 1864; died 1935.
- 493. Elijah D. James, born 1856; died 1937.
- Ruthy E. Penuel James, born 21 May 1892; died 9 December 1886.
- 495. Grave.
- 496. Grave.
- 497. Grave.
- 498. Grave.
- 499. Grave.
- 500. Grave.
- 501. L. Monroe Harvey, born 1888; died 1965.
- 502. Minnie G. Harvey, born 1889; died
- 503. George Lee Harvey, born 1915; died 1961.
- 504. Burnis Patterson, born 1919; died 1969.
- 505. Mildred Patterson, born 29 January 1917; died
- 506. William Jeffrey Melton, born 1962; died 1962.
- Harry O. Mullinax, born 1900; died 1970.
- 508. Thelma D. Mullinax, born 1902; died 1969.
- W. Russell Ingram, born 1898; died 1968.
- 510. M. Alice Ingram Tarpley, born 1899; died 1974.
- 511. William Frank Murphy, born 11 October 1898; died 1 July
- 512. Lily C. Murphy, born 4 November 1900; died
- 513. Douglas Wayne Estes, born 1966; died 1966.
- Rebecca Lee Dodd, born 1966; died 1968.
- James Williams, born 18 August 1855; died 30 January 1910.
- Mary Olivia Estes, died 17 January 1975. Age 72 years, 2 months, 12 days.
- 517. Homer Penuel, born 30 May 1888; died 23 July 1971.
- 518. Nannie Warren Penuel, born 15 April 1904; died
- 519. Frances Vaught Hutchinson, born 920; died

- 520. Virgil Hutchinson, born 1909; died 1970.
- 521. James Lawrence, born 1964; died 1964.
- 522. J. E. Griffin, born 8 May 1890; died 22 September 1963.
- Lula R. Griffin, born 17 May 1888; died 4 November 1974.
- Burley Hutchinson, born 21 August 1900; died 11 November 1974.
- 525. Annie Mae Hutchinson.
- 526. Alberta Hutchinson, born 1936; died 1936.
- 527. J. W. Hutchinson, born 1939; died 1941.
- 528. Dock Parker, born 1908; died 1975.

- 529. Rosie Lee Little Murphy, born 1922; died 1976.
- 530. Clyde Murphy.
- Vernon Boyd Tarpley, born 22 February 1912; died 16 May 1976.
- 532. Magdalene Chumley Cozart, born 9 March 1928; died 20 May 1976.
- 533. James Cozart.
- 534. Willie E. Cozart, born 6 August 1952; died 8 August 1952.
- 535. Julius Armstrong, born 1911; died 1977.
- 536. Kenneth C. Hardin, born 1932; died 1937.

# The Inaccuracy of the 1790 North Carolina Census or George Washington's Comment on the 1790 Census of North Carolina

This account comes from Archibald Henderson's <u>Washington's Southern Tour - 1791</u> (Boston and New York: Houghton Mifflin Co., 1923). It was printed in <u>The North Carolinian</u>, William Perry Johnson, editor, December 1955, p. 109.

Washington's Diary, Sunday, 24th of April, 1791:

"Wilmington is situated on the Cape Fear River.... The number of Souls in it amount to about 1000, but it is agreed on all hands that the Census in this State has been very inaccurately, & Shamefully taken by the Marshall's deputies: who, instead of going to Peoples houses, & there, on the spot, ascertaining the Nos.: have advertised a meeting of them at certain places, by which means those who did not attend (and it seems many purposely avoided doing it, some from an apprehension of its being introductory of a tax, & others from religious scruples) have gone with their families, unnumbered - In other instances, it is said these deputies have taken their information from the Captains of Militia Companies; not only as to the men on their Muster Rolls, but of the Souls, in their respective families; which at best, must in a variety of cases, be mere conjecture whilst all those who are not on their lists - Widows and their families &c. pass unnoticed."

Contributed by Dorothy W. Potter

# MINUTES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT of NORTH CAROLINA AND MERO DISTRICT

### Abstracted by Dorothy Scott Johnson

For a complete introduction to this material please refer to the last issue of *Middle Tennessee Genealogy*.

All legal definitions or explanations are taken from *Black's Law Dictionary*, *Fifth Edition* which will hereafter be referred to as "Black's." Many abbreviations in this work are not in Black's and appear to be the original clerk's own brand of legal shorthand. Since no log exists explaining the meaning of these abbreviations it is necessary to use them as they are written.

The page numbers given here are the pages of the WPA typed material, not the original page numbers unless so stated.

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PAGE 118. November term, 1793.

David Hay vs. Thomas Hickman

Case: Plea non assumpsit [Black's: A promise by which one person assumes or undertakes to do some act or pay something to another.]

Action: "This cause referred to John Gordon, Jona Phillips and Moses Shelby and their award to be the Judgment of the Court."

Award of referees: "We, John Gordon and Jonathon Phillips, being mutually Chozen by David Hay & Tho's Hickman, and Moses Shelby by the Court, to arbitrate, decide and determine a matter of Controversy now pending in the Superior Court of Law for the district of Mero, wherein Said Hay is Plaintiff and Said Hickman defendant, we the arbetrators [sic] aforesaid do hereby award that the Plaintiff David Hay has not supported his Contract, that he hath declared against Said defendant Hickman respecting a half lot in the town of Nashville therefore we award in favor of the defendant."

Given under our hands and Seals this 6th day of November, 1793. Confirmed by the Court.

Signed by John Gordon, Jona. Phillips and Moses Shelby.

### William T. Lewis vs. William Worley

Case: "Fraud in the manner of winning the race." [Ed: No details given.]

Jury:1. Daniel James5. John White9. Thomas Hudson2. John Gilbert6. Lemuel Sugg10. James Bosley3. Isaac Roberts7. Thomas Davie11. Thomas Smith4. Frederick Davis8. John Scoby12. Thomas Murry

Verdict: Found for plaintiff Lewis and assess his damage to £21:6:8.

### The Territory vs. Ezecal Abel

Action: "Indictment A, B, Charged and Submits Ordered, therefore, that he be fined three pounds." [Ed: No other information.]

### PAGE 119. November term, 1793

Hon. John McNairy, Esquire, Judge.

# Frederick Stump vs. William Moore

Case: Appeal

Action: "Tender & refusal, & Tender at the day of the Specific articles & the Pl'f'f failed to attend & revive it." [Ed: No other information given. Black's: Tender: To offer monev.l

Jury: 1. Joel Lewis

5. James Mears 2. Thomas Hardeman 6. Thomas Smith

9. Charles Carter 10. William Gillaspie

3. Isaac Wilcox

7. Dan'l Young

11. Thomas Waller

4. Sam'l Deason

8. Pleasant Lockett

12. Thomas Hudson

Verdict: The jury finds for the defendant.

Appeal: "Council for the Plaintiff made a motion to shew cause why a new Trial Should not be Granted."

## Finis Ewing

Action: Finis Ewing was fined for not attending as a juror. Fine recinded.

# Thomas Tolbott vs. James C. Montflorence and Thomas Hickman

Case: Debt

Declaration: Thomas Talbott demands £80 from James C. Montflorence and Thomas Hickman which they owe and unjustly detain. Thomas Talbott, by Andrew Jackson, his attorney, says that on 8 July 1795 [1785?], in Davidson County, Montflorence and Hickman gave a note binding themselves to Andrew Greer in the sum of £80 to be paid to Greer upon request. Greer assigned the note to Tolbott on 27 May 1792. Tolbott made demand but Montflorence and Hickman refused payment to Tolbott's damage in the amount of £20. "A Judgment by Default being taken there came a good and Lawful Jury."

- Jury: 1. David Smith
- 5. John McFarlin
- 9. Zachariah Betts

- 2. John Gilbert
- 6. Andrew Carnihan
- 10. William Nash

- 3. Joseph Shaw
- 7. Natha Iohnston
- 11. Frederick Stump

- 4. Joseph Hart
- 8. Wm. Blackamore
- 12. William Lankester

Verdict: Found for plaintiff and assess his damage to £89.

# William T. Lewis vs. William Worley

Action: William Blackamore, a witness, proved his attendance.

### James Bosley vs. William Wicoff

An attachment was levied upon the property of defendant Wicoff, How, Tatum Action: now comes into court and posts bail in order to release the property.

### George Sugg vs. Aquilla Sugg's Ex'tr.

Case: Appeal

Declaration: The appelant failed to bring up his appeal 15 days before the commencement of the Superior Court term as required by law. It was moved that the appelland should pay 121/2% interest and double cost for failure to bring it up in time. William Overton was attorney for the appellee.

"In the appeals brought up from the County Court when judgments are confirmed here, it is decreed that the appellant pay double cost and 121/2% on the judgments as they stood in the County Court, from the date of appeal, and that execution issue against the appellants and their securities."

"Paper money and costs."

PAGE 121. November term, 1793.

William Betts vs. Frederick Stump

Action: "Special verdict being argued, laid over."

# Frederick Stump vs. William Moore

Case: Motion to show cause why a new trial should not be granted.

Declaration: The motion for a new trial was solemnly argued by council for plaintiff and council for defendant.

Outcome: "An adversary taken till next term." [Black's: Adversary proceeding: One of which the party seeking relief has given legal notice to the other party, and afforded the latter an opportunity to contest it.]

### James Bosley vs. William Wicoff

Case: Plea in abatement. [Black's: Without disputing the jurisdiction of plaintiff's claim, this plea objects to the place, mode or time of asserting it, and it allows plaintiff to renew his suit in another place or form, or at another time.]

Declaration: No details given.

Jury: 1. Joel Lewis

- 2. Joseph Hart
- 3. Isaac Wilcox
- 4. James Mears
- 5. Thomas Hardiman
- 6. Thomas Hudson
- 7. Charles Carter
- 8. William Gillaspie
- 9. Sam'l Deason
- 10. John Gilbert
- 11. John McFarlin
- 12. Thomas Waller.

Outcome: Mistrial.

### **Iuries**

"Grand and Petit Juries discharged except Joel Lewis."

### Tennessee Sheriff.

"Sheriff of Tennessee fined three pounds for failure of paying money rec'd."

### William Betts vs. Frederick Stump

Zachariah Betts, a witness, proves his attendance and awarded £6:8.

### William T. Lewis vs. William Worley

John White, a witness, proves his attendance and awarded £1.

Robert Edmondson proves his attendance and awarded £2:7

William Betts proves his attendance and awarded £1:4:8.

### Territory South of the Ohio, Mero District.

"At a Superior Court of Law and Equity opened and held for the district aforesaid at the Court House in the town of Nashville on the first Monday in May, 1794 and the seventh year of American Independence." Present: Hon. John McNairy, Esq., Judge.

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Proclamation: "Proclamation being made that the several Sheriffs, coroners, Justices of the Peace of the different Counties within the district aforesaid, should make return of the several writs and precepts to them directed, recognizances and inquests by them taken; that the Hon'ble Court might proceed thereon Upon which the Sheriff of Davidson made return of the venire facias to him directed."

# Davidson venire facias

1. Ephraim McLain, Jun.	7. James Byrns	13. Thomas Harney
2. William Anderson	8. Alexander Ewing	14. James Scott
3. John Childers	9. James Dean	15. William Donalson
4. John Bell	10. Adam Lynn	16. David Beaty
5. Bradley Gambrel	11. Michael Gleaves	17. Frederick Davis
6. William Walton	12. George Payne	18. Nimrod Williams

# Tennessee venire facias

1. Barkley W. Pollock	<ol><li>Thomas Johnston</li></ol>	<ol><li>Gristham Coffield</li></ol>
2. John Gilbert	6. Bazil Boren	10. William Connell
3. William Brown, Sen.	7. James Ford	11. John Knight
4. Samuel Wilcox	8. Josiah Fort	12. William Prince

### Sumner venire facias

1. Henry Bradford	5. William Gillaspie	9. Moore Stephens
2. Robert Bell	6. Elisha Oglesby	10. Robert Shaw
3. William Bowen	7. William Montgomery	11. Archebald Marlin
4. Jasper Mansker	8. John Shitsit	12. James Wills

# William Walton

Ordered that William Walton be excused from serving as a Juror this term upon reasons shown to the court.

# Jesse Reeds

Ordered that Jesse Reed be released from the forfeiture incurred for not attending as a Juror at last term upon reasons shown on oath.

# Grand Jury

The following persons were impanelled and sworn to as a Grand Jury:

1. Henry Bradford, foreman	7. Ephriam McLean, Jr.	13. Alexander Ewing
2. William Brown	8. James Scott	14. Sam'l. Wilcox
3. William Anderson	9. William Prince	15. James Wills
4. William Gillaspie	10. Frederick Davis	16. William Bowen
5. Elisha Oglesby	11. Gristham Coffield	17. John Knight
6. John Bell	12. Bazil Boren	18. Adam Lynn

### Constables appointed:

Ordered that John Hamilton be appointed Constable to attend this Term. Charles Campbell also appointed. Patrick Lyons sworn to attend the Grand Jury this Term as a Constable.

### Andrew Boyd

Ordered that Andrew Boyd be released from the forfeiture incurred for not attending as a Juror last term upon reasons shown.

# [Timothy?] Demumbrum vs. David Hay.

Fred'd. Stump, James Shaw, Patrick Campbell and Thomas McFarling says Hays bail delivered "him up in discharge of themselves." Ordered in custody of the Sheriff.

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# TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT RECORDS

(Contributed by Betsy Ragsdale and Gale Bamman, CG)

# Supreme Court Records, Box 243, Middle Tennessee, 1872

B. S. Cagle vs Dr. John Franklin, Executor of John Armfield, dec'd.

(Original Bill Heard in Grundy County Chancery Court)

The bill of complaint of B. S. Cagle, a citizen of Grundy County, complainant, against Dr. John Franklin, executor of the last will and testament of John Armfield, dec'd., a citizen of Sumner County and Martha Armfield, widow of the late John Armfield, a citizen of Grundy County, Dr. Edward H.[K.?] Franklin, a citizen of Davidson County and Adele Vanbiber, formerly Adele Franklin and her husband George Vanbiber and Blanch Archer and her husband Stevenson archer, all citizens of the State of Maryland, defendants....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 241, Middle Tennessee, 187\_

S. W. McClellan, Oval Pirkey and wife Sallie J. Pirkey vs Thomas Fisher, Administrator of Sampson McClellan, dec'd.

(Original Bill Heard in Smith County Chancery Court)

In this cause we the undersigned parties do make the following compromise and settlement...it is agreed by Charity McClellan, D. L. McClellan and Elanora McClellan, distributees of Sampson McClellan, dec'd. to give to S. W. McClellan and Sallie J. Pirkey and her husband Oval Pirkey, distributees of Andrew McClellan and Margaret Y. McClellan the sum of ten thousand dollars which they agree to accept as distributees in full of all their claim as distributees of both estates from the estate of S. McClellan, dec'd. and Thomas Fisher, Admr. of said S. McClellan, dec'd. agrees to withdraw the appeal taken by him to the Supreme Court at Nashville...and the cause shall be remanded to the Chancery Court at Carthage....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 249, Middle Tennessee, 1873

Thos. B. Rust et al vs Joseph M. Bragg et al (Original Bill Heard in Warren County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Complaint of Thos. B. Rust, L. B. Hambrick and Mary E. his wife of Warren County, and Taylor and Lycurgus Rust and James Simmond and wife Mary E. and Benedict Clarrissa A. Sarah Jane Nancy A. and Jno. M. Rust, the last five mentioned minors sue by their guardian Taylor Rust of

the State of Missouri and J. T. Morford of Warren County against Joseph M., Nancy, Paulina, Mary and Samuel Bragg and Charles Ramsey and his wife Clarrissa, all citizens of Warren County.

Complainants show unto your honor that they are the distributees and heirs at law of Jno. C. Rust, who departed this life intestate in the County of Warren leaving as his only heirs at alw and distributees his widow Elizabeth Rust, complt. Mary and Robert N. Rust the father of the other complts; Thos. B. Rust Sarah Duncan wife of P. L. duncan, A. P. Rust wife of Wm. Duncan and John M. Rust. They further state that he was the owner of several slaves amongst others one named Cy and by decree of this court in the cause of P. L. Duncan et als against Elizabeth Rust et als said slave was sold for the purpose of division among said distributeees...

# Supreme Court Records, Box 246, Middle Tennessee, 1875

David S. Graves, Executor, and others vs Mary M.

Whitehurst and others

(Original Bill Heard in Davidson County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Complaint of David Sullen[?] Graves, Executor of the last will and testament of Thomas Wills, dec'd., a citizen of Davidson County, vs Whitehurst [sic] and his wife Mary M. Whitehurst, citizens of Jefferson County, Tennessee, Elizabeth Graves of Davidson County, Robert S. White and Rosalie his wife citizens of the State of Kentucky and non-residents of this State Fanny Roderick Maclobey[?] Peter and Letitia persons of color who have assumed and are known by the surname of Wills of Davidson County and the children whose names and residences are unknown of Jacob and Chloe persons of color now dead defendants.

And thereupon your Orator complains and says that on the 21st day of June 1860 Thomas Wills then and for many years before, a resident citizen of Davidson County, made and published his last will and testament...proved and admitted to record by the County Court of Davidson .... The construction of this will under the circumstances which have since happened presents difficulties which your Orator is advised require him to come into this court for instructions as to his duties....

Your Orator would now show your Honor that the said Thomas Wills who was at the date of the execution of said will of sound and disposing mind and memory continued to reside in Nashville carrying on the business of a druggist in his sotrehouse on Market Street opposite the eastern end of Union Street until the \_\_[blank] day of \_\_\_[blank] of 186\_[blank] when he was induced by the increasing infirmities of age to remove to Louisville in the State of Kentucky and to take up his residence with the defendants, Robert S. White and Rosalie his wife the latter being the daughter of a sister of the testator....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 246, Middle Tennessee, 1871

Milly L. Morris and others vs Joel A. Morris, Administra-

(Original Bill Heard in Marshall County Chancery Court)

Complainants Milly L. Morris William G. J. Yowell and wife Mary Elizabeth formerly Mary Elizabeth Morris who has for her guardian Thomas A. Murray and Frances G. A. Morris a minor who sues by her guardian Stephen Tally, all of whom reside in Marshall County, would respectfully represent to your Honor that Joseph Morris departed this life intestate in Marshall County, the place of his domicile in the month of February or March 1861, leaving a large real and personal estate including a number of slaves. That at the April Term 1861 of the county court of said county, his son Joel A. Morris was appointed his administrator by said court....

NOTE: This lawsuit covers 850+ pages.

# Supreme Court Records, Box 243, Middle Tennessee, 1872

Anthony S. Abbey vs Isaac Paul et als (Original Bill Heard in Davidson County Chancery Court)

Anthony S. Abbey a citizen of Davidson County complainant against Isaac Paul, Margaret Blakemore and Thomas F. Blakemore citizens of Davidson County, Tennessee and Elizabeth Goss, John D. Goss, Jr., Alexander C. Goss, Thomas J. Goss, Francis M. Goss, Elenora Goss, and Lida Goss, citizens of Sumner County, and Winfield S. Goss a citizen of the City of Baltimore in the State of Maryland defendants....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 205, Middle Tennessee,

Charles Ready, Executor vs Martha Trigg and others (Original Bill Heard in Rutherford County Chancery Court)

The Bill of complaint of Charles Ready, a citizen of Rutherford County and Executor and legatee of Charles Ready, Senr., dec'd., late of said county, against Martha Trigg, William Bowles, Administrator of his late wife Caroline

Bowles, dec'd., Robert Searcy and his wife Jane, Joseph Clark and his wife Ellen residing in Shelby County, Tennessee, William C. Claiborne and wife Ellen N. and P. W. Claiborne residing in the State of Alabama, Enoch H. Jones and wife Caroline, Erasmus D. Hancock, Eliza Burrus, Mary Holmes, Peter C. Talley and wife Jane residing in Rutherford County, P. G. Valentine and wife Catharine residing in the State of Kentucky, Thomas Skelton Jones and wife Mary residing in the State of Georgia, John B. Armstrong and wife Maria, residing in Warren County, Tennessee, Edward \_\_[blank] Butts and Ready, Sarah Ready, Ellen Ready, [blank] Nap/Nass[?] and wife Mary P. and wife Jarusha. the children of Amelia, late wife of D. M. Graham before her marriage being Amelia Ready and said children being minors and whose names are as follows, Edward Graham. Mary Palmer Graham and Malcomb A. Graham, all of said last mentioned defendants (commencing with Edward Ready) reside in the State of Alabama, defendants.

Complainant respectfully states to the court that his father, the late Charles Ready, departed this life in Rutherford County, wherein he resided....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 204, Middle Tennessee, 1873

Louisa Russell vs William J. Russell and others and Waman M. Russell vs William J. Russell and others (Bill and Cross Bill)

(Original Bill Heard in White County Chancery Court)

Louisa Russell vs William J. Russell and others and Waman M. Russell vs William J. Russell Louisa Gentry, formerly Russell and the heirs of Wm. M. Russell viz: Eudora A., John G., Dorthula and Roberta Russell

Be it remembered that these causes came on this day upon the motion of the defendants to the original bill to abate said suit on the ground that it is a suit for divorce and alimony and that the complt. Louisa M. Gentry is dead....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 241, Middle Tennessee, 1873

A. J. Fanning, Administrator, and others vs John Black and others

(Original Bill Heard in Montgomery County Chancery Court)

The bill of complaint of A. J. Fanning, Administrator of his wife Minerva Fanning and of the said A. J. Fanning in his own right and of Cassius Fanning, Horace Fanning and Robert Fanning the last three under the age of twenty one years and bringing this suit by their next friend the said A.J. Fanning, all the complainants residing in Davidson County

against John Black, Augusta C. Black, Alfred H. Black, Joseph Y. Black, Junius B. W. Black Benjamin F. Black and H. H. Lurton, Admr. upon the estate of Robert Black, dec'd., all said defendants residing in Montgomery County except [blank] who live in the State of Kentucky the said Benjamin F. Black, being a minor under the age of 21 years. Complainants state that about the year 1835 one William Black who was brother to Robert Black, dec'd. and who resided in the County of Williamson, State of Tennessee, died, having first made and published a last will and testament...which will was at the October Term 1835 of the county court for said County of Williamson admitted to probate...The testator by said will devised and bequeathed "unto the children of Robert Black viz: Minerva Ann Black, Junius William Black and Cassius Y. Black, all and in fee simple my (his) estate real and personal" and appointed his brother Robert Black, Executor of said will...

# Supreme Court Records, Box 205, Middle Tennessee, 1873

Mary C. Holland vs Ellender B. Huffman and others (Original Bill Heard in Bedford County Chancery Court)

The bill of Complaint of Mary C. Holland against Ellender B. Huffman and her husband Mitchell Hoffman, Martha C. Holland, John T. Holland, Benjamin S. Holland, Armstead C. Holland, Michell D.Holland, Mary N. Holland, James Crenshaw, John Phillips, William Holland, residing in Arkansas and Thomas Holland in Coffee County, Tennessee, William Phillips, Mary Webster and her husband John G. Webster, Elizabeth Pepper, Henry C. Pepper and James Davanport, all of whom reside in Bedford County except James Crenshaw who resides in Williamson County and William Phillips who lives in Illinois and except Thomas and William Holland. Complainant shows to your Honorthat she is a daughter of the late John Campbell of Coffee County and that she intermarried with her late husband Middleton Holland about the year 1845. Not long after her marriage her said husband and his brother Franklin Holland negotiated with one Isaac Burnett for the purchase of a tract of land in Bedford county situated in the 25th Civil District....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 206, Middle Tennessee, ca 1873

John Rankin and others vs John H. Forgasson and others (Original Bill Heard in Smith County Chancery Court)

The Bill of complaint of John Rankin, John C. Dalton and his wife Lassaphine C. Dalton, Mildred J. Hutchins by her Trustee, R. C. Sanders, all citizens of Sumner County, except R. C. Sanders who is a citizen of Wilson County against John H. Forgasson, Jeremiah H. Allen citizen of Wilson County, Jacob Towson and A. C. Towson citizens of Sumner County.

Complainants would respectfully show the court that their father John Rankin died on the \_\_[blank] day of \_\_\_[blank] 1847, possessed of a large estate both personal and real which was disposed of by will, the whole of his estate bequeathed to his widow and to his four children which were quite small at the time viz complainants, John W. Mildred J. Lassaphine C. and Mary the last not a complainant to this bill...One Dixon Forgasson, father-in-law of John Rankin, dec'd., was appointed by said will Executor...and said Dixon Forgasson appeared before the County Court of Smith County on the fourth day of November 1850 and on motion was appointed Guardian....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 205, Middle Tennessee, 1874

Chesley Williams, Administrator vs J. B. Palmer et al (Original Bill Heard in Rutherford County Chancery Court)

Chesley Williams Administrator de bonis non of the estate of Williamson Jordan, dec'd. of the County of Rutherford in the State of Tennessee, brings this bill of complaint against J. B. Palmer of Rutherford County, Narcissa J. Patterson, Administratrix of Alexander Winn, dec'd., and her husband Everett Patterson of the County of Davidson, John M. Jordan, administrator of John C. Bostick, dec'd., and in his own right, Eliza Jane Bostick, and Abner H. Moss, assignee in bankruptcy of said John C. Bostick, dec'd., all of the County of Williamson.

And thereupon your orator shows unto your Honor that John M. Jordan, Eliza C. Bostick and Thomas M. Jordan became by descent from their father Blount Jordan and their deceased brother James B. Jordan the owners of the tract of land in the County of Rutherford, described in the proceedings and decrees had and made in the case in this Honorable Court of Thomas M. Jordan et al, subject however, to the right of Laura C. Jordan, afterwards Hamilton, to dower therein. Thomas M. Jordan sold and conveyed his interest in said tract of land to Alexander Winn...

Blount Jordan died intestate, the owner of a valuable tract of land lying in Rutherford County, containing 297 acres. He left a widow, Laura C., who afterwards married Jas. Hamilton, and four children, namely: Thomas M. Jordan, John M. Jordan, James B. Jordan, and Eliza J. Jordan his heirs at law. James B. died in infancy unmarried and without issue, and Eliza J. Married John C. Bostick. Thomas M. Jordan sold his undivided interest in the land to Alexander Winn, and Williamson Jordan was appointed guardian for Eliza J. and John M. Jordan....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 205, Middle Tennessee, 1874

H. L. C. Moore and Pembroke Short by Next Friend vs E. V. Pollard and others

(Original Bill Heard in White County Chancery Court)

H. L. C. Moore and Pembroke Short by next friend vs E. V. Pollard, America Mason the heirs of Edward G. Moore made defendants at this term, Mary Ann Helton, Lousinda Perlina Boyd, Adrian Fisk and Peter Turney.

...This cause came onto be heard upon the transcript of the record from the Chancery Court of White county, where the court was of the opinion and decrees that the sale of the land sought to be amended and set aside is and was void because Pembroke Short and others, minors, were not properly made parties....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 209, Middle Tennessee, 1871

A. D. Massey et als vs Jos. D. Alexander et als (Original Bill Heard in Wilson County Chancery Court)

The bill of complaint of A. D. Massey as the next friend of Etheldred P. Massey, and Albert H. H. Massey minor heirs of A. A. Massey, dec'd., and as Executor of the last will of Eli Massey, dec'd. citizens of Wilson County against Joseph D. Alexander, Jesse Alexander, Geo. W. Massey and Wm. Hancock, citizens of aforesaid county....

# Supreme Court Records, Box 208, Middle Tennessee, 1872

Ambros Sullivan vs Nancy Sullivan et als and John F.

Kyle and wife vs Ambrose Sullivan et als

(Original Bill Heard in Overton County Chancery Court)

The bill of complaint of Ambrose Sullivan of Overton county against Nancy Sullivan, Thomas Sullivan, and Daniel Sullivan of Overton county, and James Sullivan of the State of Kentucky defendants, respectfully complaining sheweth unto your Honor that about the year 1837 the complainants and the defendants and one Edward Sullivan bought of Middleton F. Hickey a tract of land in Overton County on Mitchell's Creek containing about 350 acres, being the tract on which all the parties to this suit except James Sullivan now lives...Nancy is the mother of the complainants and the other defendants and all lived together as one family....

Nancy Ann Bivins et al vs B. R. Bivins et al (Original Bill Heard in Rutherford Co. Chancery Court)

Bill of Complaint of Nancy Ann Bivins, John R. Dunn, and wife J. C. Dunn, all citizens of Rutherford County, Tennessee and of R. W. Bivins a citizen of \_\_\_\_\_[blank] County, State of Illinois, complainants vs B. R. Bivins, S. M. S. Bivins and Needham Jarnigan and wife Cary Jarnigan, all of Rutherford County.

Complaining your orators and oratrixes respectfully show your Honor that Nancy Ann is the widow and that your oratrix J. C. Dunn, R. W. Bivins and the defendants B. R. Bivins and S. M. S. Bivins are the only children and heirs at law of Lewis Bivins who died intestate in Rutherford County in the month of February 1864. Your complainants John R. and J. C. Dunn intermarried many years ago. They further show that your complainant Nancy is the only wife ever married to the said Lewis Bivins deceased. They show however that the said Lewis Bivins many years ago formed an adulterous connection with the defendant Clary Jarnigan. She however was unmarried during all this time and has intermarried with the defendant Needham since the death of the said Lewis....

Supreme Court Records, Box 208, Middle Tenn, 1872
Adam Thrasher and wife vs Hector M. Kyle et als
(Original Bill Heard in Overton County Chancery Court)

Adam Thrasher and his wife Catharine Thrasher against Hector M. Kyle, John F. Kyle, Joseph Johnson and his wife Harriet Johnson of Overton County, Tennessee, and Daniel Kyle of the State of Kentucky, Job Carter, Hugh Carter, John Thomas and his wife Jennet Thomas, Andrew J. Carter, George W. Carter, Wm. Carter and Catharine Carter, children of Nancy Carter, deceased, of the State of Arkansas, Susan A. Chapin, Martha Chapin and Eli Chapin, children of Elizabeth Chapin, deceased. The later three are minors under the age of twenty-one years and have no regular guardian known to complainants. John A. Chapin, Hugh K. Chapin, Paul S. Chapin, John O. Chapin, Wm. Chapin, Harrison H. Chapin, Arminta C. Chapin and Sarah M. Chapin, the latter named seven are the children of the said John A. Chapin and his wife Sarah Chapin; the said Sarah Chapin being dead; and the said seven children being all minors under the age of twenty one years; and have no regular guardian known to complainants, of the State of Missouri, defendants.

Humbly complaining, your orator and oratrix would respectfully represent to your Honor that Hugh Kyle departed this life in Overton County, Tennessee on the 16th day of September 1860 leaving the complainants and defendants his only heirs at law and distributees, having made no last will and testament....

# QUERIES

NOTICE: WHEN SUBMITTING QUERIES PLEASE CHECK FOR CORRECT SPELLING AND LEGIBILITY OF NAMES, PARTICULARLY SURNAMES WHEN HANDWRITTEN. NAMES WILL BE SHOWN IN QUERIES AS BEST CAN BE DETERMINED WHICH MAY NOT BE WHAT YOU INTENDED. WHERE THE CORRECT SPELLING CAN'T BE CONFIRMED USE THE ONE YOU PREFER FIRST WITH OPTIONAL SPELLING IN PARENTHESES.

GREEN: Researching the following GREEN family who lived in Union Co NC in 1850. Leonard GREEN & wife Nelly/Milly GARRINGTON, both b 1829. Children: Adam W., Allen, Mary C., William H., John, & Levi. In 1880 Leonard & wife are living in Lauderdale Co AL with two children, Jas & Ester E. & a grandson William. Living nearby is son Levi GREEN & wife Rebecca S. (TUCKER) both age 28 & children: Emma E., John L., Margaret J., & Enock R. Also another son, John GREEN & wife Myrain with daughters Mary, Julia M., & Sarah D. Will correspond with anyone researching these families. Doris I. Greeson/7101 Malta St, San Diego CA 92111-4234/(619)279-2677.

DORTCH: Researching surname of DORTCH a prominent Tennessee family that had its roots from Isaac DORTCH & Martha NORFLEET. Need documentation of earliest record of DORTCH in Tennessee. DORTCH farm in Robertson County. Lillian Fleming Decker/897 Oleander Ave/El Centro CA 92243/(619)352-0672.

BAUCUM/HILL: Seeking info on John William K. BAUCUM who m Marm Elzona HILL (b 29 Jun 1880), or John's dad, William (Willie) BAUCUM who m Elizabeth (Lizzie); also Marm's parents Jeff HILL who m Delpha? They were supposed to have come from Tennessee. Sharon White/501 South College/Tahlequah OK 74464/(918)456-6246 for voice or mail.

DILLON: James Varner DILLON (bca 1889 TN). Who was his father? His mother M. Catherine m (2nd) Joel SHILLINGS. They lived in Ozone, Cumberland Co in 1910 & 1920. I can't find James V. DILLON in 1900 census for Morgan, Cumberland, Fentress, Pickett or Overton Co's. James V. DILLON was killed at Buffalo Valley, Overton Co, TN Dec 1925. He left his wife Bertie Mae SCOTT DILLON & 7 children in Ozone TN. Son Fred DILLON of Stafford VA annualy hosts a family reunion at Cumberland Mtn State Park, Crossville. Fred would love to know where his father came from before he dies. Henry DILLON served in Am Rev & rec land grants. Is this the family? Thomas was in White Co & other DILLONS in area. Eddie Jean Scott Simmons/8113 Wier Dr/Houston TX 77017/(713)643-6967.

CARMACK/CARR/DAMRON: Seeking info on following CARMACK's: Cornelius (1681?-1749) Prince Georges Co MD m ca 1715 Gwin or Guein; William (ca 1716-1776) Frederick Co MD m Jane McDANIEL or EVANS (ca 1733); Cornelius (1736-1848) Frederick Co MD m 26 Oct 1756 Margery (EVANS?); Cornelius (1759-1848) Frederick Co MD m 10 Dec 1781? Lettice; John Wesley (1803-1885) Overton Co TN m 22 May 1822 Susan CARR (1804-1893) VA?; John Wilson (1833-1910) McDonough Co IL m 14 Sep 1856 Nancy Jane DAMRON (1841-1910). Would like to share info. Doreen Tipple/34 Adler Circle/Galveston TX 77551/(409)744-4370.

BRADLEY/CAYWOOD/LANDERS/MEADORS/REDMAN/STEPHENS/TIPPLE: Would like to share info with anyone researching these names. Mary Elizabeth Clinton BRADLEY (1862-1946) Sharp Co AK; William Israel CAYWOOD (1815?) NJ? m Matilta Jane REPLER (1833-1884) LA?; David Franklin LANDERS (1856-1932) TN m Margaret Precilla MEADORS (1860-1937) TN; Calvin STEPHENS (1859-1896) m Mary E. Clinton BRADLEY (1881); Harry Huntley L. TIPPLE (1850-1921) England m Alice Jane REDMAN (1857-1925) England. Other names but no info: Martin STEPHENS; Sarah L. HOWARD; Susan Lou DAWSON; J. Clinton BRADLEY; Delilah FISHER; Mary (TN) COOPER; William MEADORS; & Mary Jane RICE. Doreen Tipple/34 Adler Circle/Galveston TX 77551/(409)744-4370.

SWISS "Society": Does anyone know what happened to membership lists & other records of a SWISS "Society" that was in Nashville for at least 50 years of this century? Mrs Dola S. Tylor/105 Wineberry Dr/Winchester VA 22603.

BRIANT/BRYANT in IL & TN. James T. BRIANT (b 5 Jun 1790 VA or TN) m Rachel (b ca 1800 TN). In 1850 at James' death, widow Rachel & children living in Wayne Co IL. Children: William Gleason (b 9 Oct 1817 VA, d 8 Sep 1885 Liberty, DeKalb Co TN). He was living in DeKalb Co TN in 1850. Other children: Augustain, St. Clair, James, John, Barzil, Margaret, Mary (d in childbirth 1849), Riley, Paralec (unsure) & Harriet Ann. Wish to determine parents of James T. BRIANT & Rachel. William Gleason BRYANT's son, William Riley BRYANT (b 1852 Middleton, Hardeman Co TN, d 27 Dec 1924 Henryetta, Okmulgee Co OK) m Martha Ann WILLIAMS (b 1858 Davidson Co TN) on 5 Sep 1875 in DeKalb Co TN. Eager to exchange info and /or correspond with other BRYANT researchers. Mary Bryant Park/2204 West Fifth/Stillwater OK 74074.

TIMMONS/CALDWELL: Need parents of Ambrose TIMMONS who died 1847 in Fayetteville, Lincoln Co TN. I need his wife Nancy's maiden name. She died in the same place in 1863. Their children: William, Thomas T., Mary, John H., Elizabeth Ann, Abigail H., Charles W., Amanda & Martha Ann. I am also researching Samuel CALDWELL who m Mary Harding in 1810 in Davidson Co TN. Samuel died in Lincoln Co TN in 1822. Lorraine Wingard/117 N. Haven Dr/Kalispell Mt 59901.

WHITE: Need info on parents, siblings etc for the following: Mary E(lizabeth) WHITE (b 3 Jan 1838 Liberty? TN, d 1 Feb 1928 Sequoyah CoOK) m Joseph Buckner CASKEY, son of John & Sarah (CANTRELL) CASKEY, 25 Jul 1855 DeKalb Co TN; Francis M. WHITE (b ca 1832 TN, d 16 Apr 1906 Calhoun KY) m/l Dalana McINTER/McINTYER 1 Jul 1855 DeKalb Co TN.; Thomas WHITE (b ca 1846). Found above 3 families on pg 6, Centerville District of 1870 census for Ohio Co KY. What is the connection? Thanks. Lavona Shoemaker/817 West Chickasaw Ave/Sallisaw OK 74955-4225/(918)775-2026.

Need parents of Jonathan KUYKENDALL/KIRKENDALL/KERKENDALL (b ca 1775 supposedly TN or KY). By 1797 he was in Baton Rouge Parish, LA, where he m Elizabeth SIDES ca 1810. Elizabeth was daughter of Peter SIDES/SEITZ, who moved from Davidson Co TN to LA ca 1799. Jonathan died in 1823 in Baton Rouge Parish. Marleta Childs/Box 6825/Lubbock TX 79493-6825.

Need parents of Peter SIDES/SEITZ (b ca 1752 prob NC, d 1813 TX). He m Barbara CARPENTER/ZIMMERMAN ca 1774 in Tyron Co NC. About 1783 they moved to Davidson Co TN. By 1799 they lived in Baton Rouge Parish, LA. Marleta Childs/Box 6825/Lubbock TX 79493-6825.

POND: What happened to Chris POND? Chris m Ida Bell RUSHING 9 Sep 1887 Stribling, Stewart Co TN. Ida was daughter of Oliver Nathon PEARL & Susan Rebecca DIXON. Ida was b 31 Oct 1870, d 30 Sep 1904, bur Leatherwood Methodist Cemetery in Stewart Co. After Ida's death the family never heard from Chris again. Would like of contact anyone researching BRYANT, DUNAWAY, or MOSELEY surnames. Clarence Spike Bryant/418 Wadsworth/Collinsville IL 62234.

PERRY/MADDEN/JARRITT(GARRETT)/BAKER(DICKENS); Seeking info on John Green PERRY (b6 Apr 1824 TN, d8 Apr 1887 Johnson Co AK) m Mary Louise MADDEN on 9 Oct 1849. His parents Josiah PERRY (b Sumner Co TN) m Sarah (Salley) JARRITT GARRETT) on 25 Jan 1820 in Sumner Co TN. Josiah's parents - John PERRY (b Sumner Co TN) m Charity BAKER or DICKENS. John & Charity had 7 children. Pat E. Perry/1225 Rice Rd #58/Ojai CA 93023/(805)646-1944.

WISE: I need info on Henry WISE & wife Margaret (?) (b ca 1800 VA, d aft 1850) who settled in Bedford Co TN. Their dau Synthia Dixon WISE (b 21 Oct 1829 TN, d 7 Jul 1888 Christian Co MO) m Joseph Mack WILLIAMS on 1 May 1843 in Shelbyville, Bedford Co TN. Scott Williams/2530 Lindsay Ln/Florissant MO 63031-5632.

CROWDER/JOHNSON: Who were parents of Thomas CROWDER & wife Lucy JOHNSON who settled in Perry Co (now Decatur Co)? Thomas, according to family tradition had a brother, Green CROWDER who was a doctor. Thomas died after his son James Alsup CROWDER, was born (b 1829, d 1908 Decatur Co TN). Lucy remarried to a Mr CARLILE & had a son, Bill CARLILE. Lucy had 3 sisters: Judy who m William "Bill" BUSSELL; Lathy who m a Mr BURTON; & Chate who m a Mr CONDER. Scott Williams/2530 Lindsay Ln/Florissant MO 63031-5632.

MORELAND/SAVAGE: James A. MORELAND (b 1824) m Elizabeth SAVAGE (b 1826 Jackson Co TN). Who were their ancestors? Venson MORELAND (b 1795 SC) & Nancy (?) (b 1795 VA) lived near James & Elizabeth MORELAND in Jackson Co TN. John MORELAND (b 1777 VA, d 1853 Smith Co TN) & Eva (b 1776 NC) also lived near James & Elizabeth. Could they be related? Their dau Nancy Savage MORELAND (b 1856 Jackson Co TN) m Isaac RICHARDSON (b 1857 Jackson Co TN). James McCoin/312 Seven Oaks Trail/Knoxville Tn 37922.

SAVAGE/MORELAND: Was Levin SAVAGE (age 26-35, 1830 census Jackson Co TN) the grandson of Levin SAVAGE (b 1750 Accomack VA)? Levin was in the American Rev War & filed for pension in Jackson Co TN. The 1830 census shows a 80-90 yr old male living with Levin SAVAGE. Could this be Levin (b 1750)? Also 1830 census shows 0-5 yr old girl, could this be Elizabeth (b 1826) who m James A. MORELAND in 1849? Who were parents of James MORELAND? James McCoin/312 Seven Oaks Trail/Knoxville Tn 37922

LAMB: I am collecting info on LAMB Cemeteries. The USGS Mapping Program shows a LAMB Cemetery located in Bedford Co off Alt. 41 at Rover a half mile & north from Vernon Corner School a half mile. I hope to find a census of this cemetery & perhaps a description & history of the location & its founders. Also seeking info about the Lamb-Stephens House in Franklin in Williamson Co. And in another line, any info on the Walts historical Post Office in Tipton Co (near Pecan Point)? Glen W. Lamb/3747 Quando Circle/Orlando FL 32812-2836.

HARDING: Need children of Edward HARDING who m Margaret PATERSON & died 4 Oct 1856 in Lincoln Co TN. Margaret was daughter of Robert PATERSON who died ca 1800 in Davidson Co TN. Would also like any info on Robert. Lorraine Wingard/117 N. Haven Dr/Kalispell MT 59901.

MASON/LAND: Need info on the ancestors of Solomon MASON (b 13 Apr 1814 TN) who m Elizabeth LAND (b 1 Apr 1821 SC) on 30 Jan 1840 & lived in Lincoln Co TN. His father could be the Solomon MASON listed in the 1800 Guilford Co NC census or the one who married Polly JONES on 25 Sep 1797 in Bertie Co NC. Will share Bible & Civil War records on MASON family for info on Solomon. Robert E. Overall/8315 Valley View Dr/Huntsville AL 35802.

BRYANT: Does anyone have info on Joseph BRYANT, Grainger Co TN? He purchased land from Robert PATTERSON in 1799 & sold land there to John BRYANT in 1819. My Gr-Gr-Grandfather Thomas BRYANT (b 1813) was in 1850 Jackson Co TN census with wife Nancy. Their first son Joseph (b 1838) was my Gr-Grandfather. They lived in Jackson Co. Would like to know if Joseph of Grainger Co is Thomas' father. Will pay expenses. Nina M. Martin/34953 Mathews RD/Eugene OR 97405.

COCK/JUSON: I need info on John COCK (b 12 Feb 1756) who m Rachel JUSON. Only known child is Mary COCK who m Joshua RICHARDSON. After the Rev War he lived in Cumberland Co KY, Overton Co TN. In 1811 he came to Warren Co TN. He died there 30 Jul 1834. I need his children. La Vera Jones/218 W 33rd St/Shawnee OK 74801.

HARPOLE/RAILEY: I need info on the HARPOLE family. I need info on Daniel HARPOLE (b 1768, d 1865) who m Rachel RAILEY 28 Apr 1800 Sumner Co TN. I would like to know if John RAILEY is Rachel's father or who her father is. Children: Martha HARPOLE (d 1842) m William BRADSHAW; Hiram H. HARPOLE (b 1807, d 6 Nov 1867) m Phebe BICKLE; John HARPOLE (b 1812) m Malinda GUEST; Elizabeth HARPOLE (b 26 Jun 1809, d 9 Apr 1881 Frankston TX) m Joshua RICHARDSON in 1832; Sarah HARPOLE (b 1772, d 1847) m Johnson PHILLIPS. This is all I have on family, I would like to know more. LaVera Jones/218 W 33rd St/Shawnee OK 74801.

LANGLEY/HAAS: Seeking info on George Robert LANGLEY (b 20 Jul 1897 Memphis TN, d 22 Jul 1943) who m Audrey Elise HAAS (d 8 May 1972) & had 3 sons: George Robert (b 4 Nov 1924), William Fredrick (b 9 Aug 1927) & Thomas Charles (b 7 Jan 1930). George's parents were George Robert LANGLEY (b 15 Apr 1861 Vicksburg MS) & Louise (?) LANGLEY (b 20 Jun 1862). George's sister was Bertha ROTTENBEARY, who had a dau Bobbie whom m Thomas Charles LANGLEY, had one child, Thomas Charles Jr (b 13 Jun 1951). All that is known is that George R. LANGLEY had been married before & that there were children. We met a half brother in 1943. There are a lot of LANGLEYs in Memphis, Shelby Co, TN & Ripley, Lauderdale Co, TN, but I haven't made contact. William F. Langley/501 Strawberry PL #96/Oxnard CA 93030/(805)988-9370.

CONWAY(CONAWAY): Seeking info on William CONWAY or CONAWAY believed to have been b ca 1804 VA who m Elizabeth Jane DIAL, dau of James DIAL of Wayne Co TN ca 1834. William, father of James Patrick CONWAY, is believed to have died ca 1836-7 in MS. Elizabeth Jane DIAL CONWAY then m Willis GREEN of West Point TN. William has been shown as being son of Catlett CONWAY of VA but diligent research has not borne that out. I believe William may have been born in MS. I'm only guessing. Any help would be welcome. Patrick Craig Conway/5729 N. Dixie #7/Elizabethtown KY 42701/(502)737-9229.

COTTRELL (COTERELL/COTTRILL): Seeking info on relations of Mary Lee COTTRELL (b 27 Mar 1870, d 1945 Lawrence Co TN) who m Silas Ambros Wright CONWAY, son of James Patrick CONWAY. Mary was the dau of George W. COTTRELL & Lydia Margaret BARNETT. George W. was first m to Katherine TATE & had son Henry COTTRELL with Katherine. Also trying to link Cherokee relations through Mary Lee. Patrick Craig Conway/5729 N. Dixie #7/Elizabethtown KY 42701/(502)737-9229.

DRAPER/EVANS/LYLES/COLEMAN/PHILLIPS: Salley DRAPER (b 1792 SC) m Obadiah EVANS Nov 1820 Putman Co TN. Who were parents of Obadiah EVANS? Salley's parents were Thomas DRAPER Jr (b 1768 SC, d 1840 Jackson Co TN) & Salley LYLES (b 1766 SC) who m in 1787. Thomas DRAPER's mother was Lucy COLEMAN (b ca 1725). Were Lucy's parents Robert COLEMAN & Susanne PHILLIPS? James McCoin/312 Seven Oaks Trail/Knoxville TN 37922/(615)539-0426.

DICKENS: Seeking private cemetery of Jane Vaughn DICKENS & Samuel DICKENS on Hazelwood Farm in Madison Co TN 1825-1840. Also the place of marriage of Joel BUGG & Martha L. DICKENS in 1822. Barbara Bugg Faber/157 S. Raynolds/Canon City CO 81212.

BYNUM: Looking for parents/siblings of David Williamson BYNUM (b ca 1812 NC) who m Blanche ROGERS in Sparta TN 1848. Their children were Thomas, Mary, Samuel & Loucinda. Will pay postage/copy costs. Arliss Soto/1301 Taft Hwy, #153/Bakersfield CA 93307.

BYNUM/WILLIAMSON: Seeking info regarding Benjamin BYNUM & Lucy WILLIAMSON m in VA ca 1760 & their children-Drury, Britton, Henry, Nancy, Francis & John. Will pay postage/copy costs. Arliss Soto/1301 Taft Hwy, #153/Bakersfield CA 93307.

SANDERS/WHITE: Seek info on parents of Alexander SANDERS (b 1810 Robertson Co TN, d Mar 1899 Bedford Co TN) who m (1) Jane ROBINSON (2) Eliza J. WHITE (3) Mintora (?). Resided in Bedford Co TN from 1830-1899. Any info on Eliza J. WHITE (b Oct 1814 prob Bedford or Marshall Co TN, d Dec 1862 Bedford Co TN). Who were her parents & what was her mother's maiden name, place of birth? William R. Sanders/4303 So. Cole St/Morrison CO 80465/(303)697-1512.

ANDERSON/TEMPLE: Need parents of William Henry ANDERSON (b 1826 TN). Married Martha Helen TEMPLE, Bedford Co TN. Moved to Kaufman Co TX after 1880. William R. Sanders/4303 So. Cole St/Morrison CO 80465/(303)697-1512.

ROBERTS: Need info on Cornelius ROBERTS (b 1807 TN) & wife Rhoda (?) (b 1809 GA). Who were their parents, wife's maiden name & parents place of birth? William R. Sanders/4303 So. Cole St/Morrison CO 80465/(303)697-1512.

WILBER/POWELL: Seeking info on the death & burial location of Henriettie E. POWELL WILBER (b Jul 1844 Maury Co TN), dau of Isaac POWELL. She m John WILBER 6 Jul 1865 Maury Co TN. Henriettie had 5 children. Lived with John WILBER in Lexington KY from 1877-1880. Whereabouts from 1880-1899 unknown. 1900 census indicates that Henriettie was living with son-in-law, George MITY & dau Adda WILBER MITY at 807 Boscobel St Nashville, Davidson Co, TN. I will correspond with anyone with info about these ancestors. Bill Wilber/2508 Foxcroft Way/Reston VA/(703)476-0147.

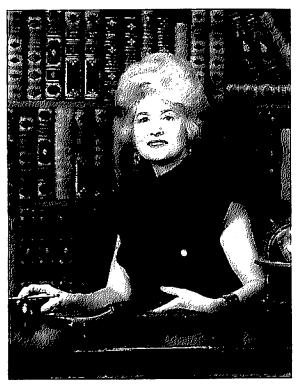
LEWIS/THOMAS: Need info on parents of William L. LEWIS (b 22 May 1810, d 20 Feb 1873 Decatur Co TN) & Mary W. THOMAS (b 14 Feb 1815, d 20 Oct 1896 Decatur Co TN). They m 23 Oct 1834 in Rockingham Co NC & according to family tradition they were cousins to each other. Mary's parents may have been Jesse THOMAS (b abt 1781 NC, d bef Jun 1874 Decatur Co TN) & Mary ROBERTSON who m 14 Aug 1812 in Rockingham Co NC. Scott Williams/2530 Lindsay Ln/Florissant MO 63031-5632.

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DENTON: I am researching the DENTON family of Perry Co TN. I need the parents of the following DENTONs: Robert (b 1794, d 1796); Issac; Samuel (b 1801) m Argent COLEMAN; Absolum (b 1810) m Matilda BARNES; Christopher (b 1812) m Elizabeth HOLMES; James (b 1812, d 1836 in TN State Pen); Margaret; John (b 1820 d 7 Apr 1894) m (1) Lucinda ARNOLD (2) Lucinda WOOD; Peggy; Shipman (b 1804) m Sarah?; Sally; Mary (b 1810, d 1877) m James HOLMES; Elizabeth; Jefferson (b 1813, d 1880) m Rachel. I would like to exchange info on this family. LaVera Jones/218 W 33rd St/Shawnee OK 74801.

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"My neighbor, Stowers A. Carter was b. KY 1928, d. Lakeland, Polk Co., FL 1988, m. Esther, they had no children, she died on June 7th. While helping her sister sort through photos, papers, etc. we found a hand written note of Carter lineage which led us to make an effort to locate a member of the Carter family. Alva L. Carter, father of Stowers, was the grandson of John Pierce Carter. . . Alva, on his death, had lived in Tenn. for many years. . . One record shows Alva L. b. Smith Co., TN. Following lineage is as written: John Stowers Carter came from VA. His first wife was a Lovell. Her children were: Ed, Charles, Lovell. His second wife was Ann Pierce, Her children were: John Pierce, George, Richard, Ann, Margaret, James, Frances, Elizabeth, Amanda, and Lettie. 2nd wife came with JSC and 1st wife from VA. Think the wives were related. . . .

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