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All meetings
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1:00 P.M., General Meeting

2:00 P.M., Computer User's Group

Auditorium
Ben West Library
Eighth Avenue North
at Union Street
Nashville, Tennessee

November 16, 1996

Day-long Seminar

Registration 8:00-9:00 A.M.

George K. Schweitzer, PhD, ScD

Main Auditorium
Montgomery Bell Academy
West End Avenue
Nashville, TN

January 18, 1997

"Show-and-Tell"

Members are invited to bring items of interest. Refreshments served during this informal meeting.

March 15, 1997

"Southern Claims Commission, a new Civil War research tool"

Charles A. Sherrill,
Director of Public Services,
Tennessee State Library
& Archives

MTGS has meetings on the third Saturday of January, March, May, July, September, and November, *unless otherwise indicated in the above listing.*

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

You must have experienced the feeling that after intensive effort there comes a lull. Somehow I have felt this during the summer following our all-out efforts for the National Genealogical Conference which, by the way, brought us a profit of some six thousand dollars. With the fall approaching, things seem now to be in full swing in the library, at MTGS and everywhere.

We had 87 people attend the July MTGS meeting on using the Internet for Genealogical Research. That must be a record for a regular meeting in recent years (not for our fall seminars). Interest in this area is high so we should prepare to meet the need. Your board is taking up such issues as a home page and people are asking me about instructors for using Roots IV, Family Tree Maker, etc. If you have suggestions please contact me.

For those of you with modems and communication software you will soon be able to access not only the Nashville Public Library's book collection and get on the Internet (which you can do now) but you will be able to use the index to obituaries (1978-date in the TENNESSEAN, the index to the Davidson County marriages (1864-1905), and the index to the Photograph File (1950-1987). The obits are input from The Nashville Room and the last two items from the Metro Archives.

The MTGS Board had an exciting meeting on September 7. One topic was how to beneficially use the money earned from the NGS Conference. Many good ideas were suggested ranging from publishing to granting scholarships to outright donations to various libraries. The discussion actually became a focus on the future for MTGS. Your input is always import, and we would love to hear from you. Write me at the Nashville Public Library.

Another item discussed during the September Board was how to celebrate our 10th Anniversary which occurs this spring. Your suggestions are welcome. From 77 members we have grown to over seven hundred. Perhaps we should toot our own horn a bit.

And there is more good news. Financial projections show that we can have a Newsletter six times a year *and* our quarterly. This will allow more communication for MTGS and the membership, especially over the counties we cover. We even have an editor with experience, Irene Griffey. Just how lucky can we get!

Our September 21st meeting was held at the Metro Archives on Elm Hill Pike where we were able to see some of the original records for Davidson County. It was a well-attended meeting.

Our fall seminar will be on November 16 at Montgomery Bell Academy with Dr. George Scheitzer of Knoxville. He holds your attention both with his speech and with his uniforms. He has various academic degrees, has written many books and has mastered the art of showmanship. His topics will be on various wars so come prepared to take notes and to be entertained as well. Elsewhere in this issue you will find information specifics. Mark your calendars, and I will see you there.

Mary Glenn Hearne

FROM THE EDITOR...

Through growth and cooperation, our Society has taken another major step toward the future. Beginning with the next issue (Volume X, Number 3) the *Journal* will drop back to the original 48 pages per issue—relinquishing the more timely articles, such as Queries, Computer Interest column, program announcements, "Of Interest" column, etc., to the new Newsletter which you will receive separately six times a year.

Your editor is sorry to loose our associate *Journal* editor, Irene Griffey, but Mrs. Griffey has accepted this Newsletter challenge, and I know of no one who could do a better job! Thanks, Irene, for all your help with the *Journal*; I look forward to working with you in the new arrangement.

Both the *Journal* editor's and Newsletter editor's name and address are on the inside cover of this issue. Send timely material, except queries and computer interest data, directly to the Newsletter editor. Articles to be considered for inclusion in the *Journal* should be sent directly to the *Journal* editor. We need your contributions, and look forward to this new, exciting time in the life of our Society.

Dorothy Williams Potter

Correction: In Volume X, Number 1, pp. 32-37, change the issue number in the footer to 1 instead of 2. The volume and page numbers are correct.

CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS OF THE 32ND TENNESSEE INFANTRY Captured at Fort Donelson and Held Prisoner at Camp Morton, Indiana.

By Don Allen

"This article is a brief account of the formation of the 32nd Tennessee infantry of Middle Tennessee, their capture at Fort Donelson, and a compilation of the imprisonment and deaths of some of the enlisted men at Camp Morton Indiana. Also included is a listing of those soldiers buried in Crown Hill Cemetery Indianapolis, Indiana.

The account has been put together by the author from the information contained in newspaper accounts, Indiana State Archives records and direct transcription of names from the plaques and headstones in Crown Hill Cemetery. It is limited in scope to the 32nd Tennessee infantry regiment's enlisted men which included my Great grandfather, M.R. Allen, of company "I", Marshall County. Allen was the chief musician of the Regiment and he survived the imprisonment and was exchanged along with many others at Vicksburg in August of 1862. The author has a complete listing of the 1600 confederates known to have died at Camp Morton and the 376 Tennesseans who are buried in Crown Hill Cemetery. He intends to publish the same, and will be pleased to respond to any specific individual request from other researchers as time allows. Address: 225 Orchard Point, Zionsville, IN 46077." DA

IN THE SPRING AND SUMMER OF 1861 MANY volunteer companies were recruited and organized in Middle Tennessee. They reported to the Governor of the State, and by late September were ordered to rendezvous at Camp Trousdale, Sumner County, where they were placed under the command of Col. (afterward Brigadier-General) Bushrod Johnson, with Lieutenant J.P. McGuire acting as Adjutant. After training a few short months and being equipped with smooth bore muskets, ten of these companies were formed together into the 32nd Infantry Regiment and offered their services formally as part of the Army of Tennessee to President Jefferson Davis and the Confederate Government for a twelve months term. These companies were from the Counties of Giles, Lincoln, Lawrence, Marshall, Williamson and Franklin and were officered as follows:

A. Cook's Company, Williamson County.

Ed Cook, Captain; Jake Morton, First Lieutenant; Robert F. McCaul, Second Lieutenant; Thomas Banks, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

B. Moore's Company, Lawrence County.

W. P. Moore, Captain; Thomas D. Davenport, first Lt.; William D. Anderson, Second Lieutenant; R. F. Bosham, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

C. Winstead's Company, Giles County.

John M. Winstead, Captain; Thomas Abernathy, First Lieutenant; James H. Cook, Second Lieutenant; Field Arrowsmith, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

D. Worley's Company, Giles County.

Willis Worley, Captain; Joseph Young, First Lieutenant; W. R. Collins, Second Lieutenant; David S. Harmand, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

E. Hannah's Company, Giles County.

John W. Hannah, Captain; John L. Brownlow, First Lieutenant; G. W. Hammond, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

F. Tucker's Company, Lincoln County.

C. G. Tucker Captain; Joel Pigg, First Lieutenant; Harris Tucker, Second Lieutenant; Carroll Ellis, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

G. Finney's Company, Lincoln County.

J. J. Finney, Captain; W. P. A. Green, First Lieutenant; John M. Wright, Second Lieutenant; J. P. McGuire, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

H. Hunnicutt's Company, Giles County.

W. H. Hunnicutt, Captain; Miller Bass, First Lieutenant; G. B. Reasons, Second Lieutenant; Robert F. Holland, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

I. O'Neals Company, Marshall County.

William P. O'Neal, Captain; Jasper Smiley, First Lieutenant; Calvin Coffey, Second Lieutenant; Frank Hall, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

II. Ikord's Company, Franklin County.

— Ikord [Ikard], Captain; Orville Bell, First Lieutenant; William Marsh, Second Lieutenant; Burt McFinn, Brevet Second Lieutenant.

The field officers were then chosen by ballot, resulting in the election of Captain Ed Cook a Colonel; Captain William P. Moore as Lieutenant Colonel and W. J. Brownlow, Major. The Staff officers were: Captain John Sheppard, Quartermaster; Captain E.S. Wilson, Commissary; Doctors E.M. Waters and J. F. Grant, Surgeons; Calvin Jones, Adjutant and Thomas Moore, Sergeant-Major. Thus organized, the Regiment was accepted and mustered into service and ordered to report to General Albert Sidney Johnson.¹

By February 13, 1862, after a few scant months of training, drilling and patrolling, the 32nd Tennessee prepared for the first taste of battle. They were assigned to General Buckner's Brigade and ordered to Dover where they were entrenched at

Fort Donelson under the command of Colonel Cook as part of General Buckner's division. They fought gallantly but, were forced to surrender on February 16th. There were three killed in action and fifteen wounded. One of those killed was Lieutenant Colonel William P. Moore. The regiment totaled 515 officers and enlisted men upon surrender.²

Camp Morton, Indiana

Via boat and train, the trip to Camp Morton prison for the soldiers of the Tennessee Thirty Second Infantry took about one week. To begin their voyage, they were loaded into steamboats on the Cumberland River near the Dover hotel where the official surrender of Fort Donelson by General Buckner to General U.S. Grant had been held. They were allowed to bring with them their personal possessions which in most cases consisted of very little other than a few articles of clothing or food stuffs such as bacon and coffee. However, as prison officials soon discovered much to their chagrin, these possession also consisted of Bowie and pocket knives as well as some pistols. Some of the prisoners that were transported with the Donelson defenders consisted of Mississippi soldiers who had escaped from Fort Henry and arrived at Fort Donelson just ahead of Grant's attacking Army. They were weary, disheveled, and in a bad state of general health resulting from their ordeal, which included the lack of food and inadequate shelter from the bitter cold weather. They had little or no opportunity to recover their health at Donelson before Grant began his attack.

In all about 4,800 were transported to Camp Morton. A partial list of the various regiments and companies (as best as they could be identified) arriving at Morton was listed in the *Indianapolis Journal*, Feb. 25th, 1862. The officers, including General Buckner, arrived on Saturday night in advance of the privates and non-coms and were housed in Indianapolis in somewhat more luxurious quarters. They were greeted by the ranking Union officers and the hospitality of the Camp Commander. The prisoners drew much attention at each location creating an almost circus-like atmosphere with the curious lining the streets to get a view of the captured "Secesh" rebels. They were first kept for about one month at Lafayette, Indiana, approximately 50 miles west of Indianapolis, until the facility was ready to accommodate them at Camp Morton. The prisoners were transported to Indianapolis by rail in groups of about four or five hundred at a time and moved on to horse drawn wagons from the Union station to Camp Morton—

a distance of about three and a half miles. Many of the Indianapolis residents turned out to see the spectacle and exhibited generally respectful treatment of the prisoners.³

The following list of prisoners is of the enlisted men in the 32nd Tennessee infantry that were captured at Fort Donelson on Feb 16th, 1862. Their arrival at Camp Morton was published March 22, 1862 in the *Indianapolis Sentinel*, page 3, col. 3 and continued on March 24th on page 3, col. 3. According to Colonel Cook's official report of the battle of Donelson, mentioned earlier, 515 men were surrendered from the 32nd. The list from the Indianapolis newspaper totals 462 enlisted men and there were approximately 53 officers who had been sent earlier to Camp Chase, Ohio. Therefore it appears there is fairly good correlation on the total numbers. There were also some soldiers in the hospital in Indianapolis suffering from wounds, exposure and disease at the time of the 32nd's transfer to Camp Morton but they seem to be included. This is thought to be a complete list of all those captured from the 32nd at Fort Donelson.

Names are transcribed and spelled exactly as they appear in the *Sentinel* article and some may be incorrect as there was much confusion owing to misspellings, false names being given, etc. Also some units may have been incorrectly designated and companies rearranged from their actual structures. Therefore, this information, when used, should be correlated with other data such as the soldiers compiled service records.

List of Prisoners recently confined at Lafayette but now quartered at Camp Morton

32ND TENNESSEE INFANTRY

Company A

Briggs, G.W., O.S.

White, Thomas, 3rd Sgt

Hammond, David, 4th Sgt

Bouchs, John D. 2nd Cpl

Doss, Thomas J., 3rd Sgt

Adams, Wm. J.	Huff, Wm. C.	Madeax, Obediah
Barber, John K.	Hardeman, T.	Partin, James L.
Burgess, Wm. W.	Harris, James P.	Parham, L.W.
Colsten, Solomon	Harwell, F.P.	Summers, G.W.
Cliff, Albert J.	Hardeman, A.P.	Summers, Wm M.
Coble, Eli J.	Holley, William S.	Smith, Leonidas
Carter, Robert	Harris, Wm B.	Wortham, E.B.
Coble, Eli L.	Hamell, S.T.	Williford, T.G.
Coble, Obediah	Hamlin, J.H.	Webb, L.S.
Endslea, John P.	Holley, J.W.	Williford, Wm
Erwin, Leonides	Merrill I	Webb, T.J.
English, W.W.	McKinney, D.W.	Young, Wm S.
Franklin, Jesse	Mitchell, John	Young, T.C.

Company B

Harlin, Rillen M., O.S.
Holland, Robert F., 3rd Cpl

Abernathy, A.E.	Garrison, T.P.	O'Neal, H.M.
Adkins, G.W.	Gillman, John E.	O'Neal, J.W.
Bass, John M.	Higgins, Benj. B.	Riddle W.A.
Bridgeforth, J.W.	Higgins, J.B. Jr.	Stockton, V.S.
Bales, J.E.	Hodges, J.C.	Scruggs, J.T.
Beck, J.W.	Higgins, J.B., Sr.	Smith, J.B.
Birdwell, S.C.	Higgins, S.A.	Thornton, T.L.
Butler, W.R.	Knight, T.J.	Thornton, W.A.
Curvin, John	Leatherwood, J.R.	Shane, Alex
Cole, Benj. T.	Marshall, J.W.	VanHoozer, W.C.
Cole, James B.	McNelly, M.B.	White, E.F.
Davidson, F.M.	McDonald, R.J.	Woodfen, W.R.
Davenport, W.W.	Merrill, G.W.	White, T.W.
Erell, Abel V.	Newman, Pryor	

Company C

Gillman, Joseph L., 2nd Sgt
Gunter, Thomas J., 1st Cpl
Phillips, Daniel B., 2nd Cpl
Wells, John C., 4th Cpl

Armstrong, W.M.	Hodge, B.F.	Ruth, Marines L.
Crabtree, F.	Hamin, James	Reese, Hiram
Carthey, Wm B.	Lazenly, Alex	Touchstone, S.
Davis, F.M.	Lazenly, Wm. H.	Thompson, T.
Davis, N.J.	McAfee, John W.	West, Benj F.
Edmundson, A.B.	Noah, T.J.	Wright, J.M.
Eastland, W.C.	Nervin, T.B.	Wells, John J.
Finley, N.M.	Pamplin, B.J.	Williams, S.L.
Garey, Wm H.	Patterson, Wm.	Wilson, J.R.
Gunter, W.H.	Pigg, S.R.	Young, Robert P.
Hopper, A.C.	Patterson J.	Young, W.R.
Hamilton, J.C.	Raney, Benj. F.	Young A.J.
Hedgepath, W.B.	Ruth, Samuel D.	
Berry (negro)	Ned (negro)	

Company D

Green, James L., 2nd Sgt
Pullen, Wm F., 4th Sgt

Anderson, J.M.	Hale, James T.	Roper, T.E.
Alsuss, Henry A.	Hindsley, J.M.	Roper, J.A.
Baphaw, Eli H.	Hamesly, R.A.	Rodgers, J.T.
Brashers, Wm.	Hamilton, G.W.	Richardson, S.S.
Ballou, W.J.	James, Jessee	Rochell, M.R.
Bapham, R.L.	Johnston, S.C.	Sledge, J.T.
Befry, W.W.	Johnson, J.A.	Sandy, A.J.
Crabb, Joseph	Johnson, J.H.	Scott, B.F.
Davis, T.	Johnson J.W.	Sexton, W.R.
Davenport, J.R.	Johnson, W.K.	Smith, A.J.
Dickey, J.H.	Lampkin, L.F.	Scott, J.B.
Durrett, J.R.	McClure, Robert	Shover, J.W.
E(F)ast, Thomas	Norwood, C.S.	Sparkman, W.E.
Fouchin, T.R.	Newton, Aaron	Waldon
Flippis, J.M.	Nutt, J.P.	White, G.W.
Green, Robert B.	Neely, W.J.	Wright, W.N.
Gillmore, N.R.	Patut, T.R.	Watson, C.T.
Garner, G.M.D.	Powell, Richard R.	

Company E

Summers, W.A., O.S.
Franklin, Reuben M., 3rd Sgt
Moore, Reuben T., 5th Sgt
Summers, Abner, 1st Cpl
Hopper, Elisha J., 3rd Cpl
Dorris, John S, 4th Cpl

Allsup, J.R.	Edmonds, N.J.	Manley, H.B.
Bowden, J.	Farrer, L.F.	Milton, James
Brazin, I.N.	George, F.A.	McCracken, J.C.
Benels, G.M.	George, John	Reeves, C.J.
Buckannon, W.J.	Hobbs, Nathan	Stery, S.L.
Bobins, P.J.	Hobbs, W.P.	Smith, J.E.
Brady, Jerome B.	Hollen, S.J.	Lawnner, L
Cunningham, D.	Hobbs, J.W.	Shoris, J.P.
Cross, S.B.	Hollen, John M.	Summers, D.
Cross, F.M.	Irwin, W.P.	Sutton, C.E
Cunningham, J.W.	Keton, Smith	Suttle, W.B.
Davis, J.W.	Lamir, Joseph H.	Wicker, A.

Company F

Wiley, W.D., O.S.
Long, Henry, 3rd Sgt
Funnery, W.R, 1st Cpl
Anstall, Amos P, 4th Cpl
Bennet, Leander G, 3rd Sgt
Howard, John G, 5th Sgt

Bennet, A.G.	Gibson, J.A.	Person, S.
Barnes, G.S.	Evans, J.A.	Powers, G.W.
Boyce, J.B.	Gillum, Maynard	Parker, A.J.
Bennet, B.A.	Hayes, W.	Richardson, W.R.
Bryant, E.C.	Kennedy, J.P.	Rose, Solomon
Eastlebury, T.	Lynch, J.M.	Sanders, Elijah
Dodson, J.P.	Landers, J.H.	Samson, Wm.
Elkins, Allen K.	Little, J.H.	South, G.M.
Elkins, W.P.	McFerson, J.A.	Taylor, G.
Featherstone, C.	Oliver, A.	Tuck, C.P.
Funnery, H.L.	Perryman, J.M.	Winferd, B.F.
Finney, W.T.	Perry, T.	Wilcoxon, G.W.
Finch, H.H.		

Company G

Arrowsmith, Frelet. O.S.
Arrowsmith, William, 4th Sgt
Dismukes, Marshall B, 3rd Sgt
Arrowsmith, John, 1st Cpl
McCanless, Stephen, 2nd Cpl
Erwin, J.A., 3rd Cpl
Young, N.A. 4th Cpl

Ashford, D.	Lewis, John R.	Shands, S.Y.
Bunch, J.D.	May, Wm. G.	Shadden, W.
Conly, Thomas	Nants, Stephen	Ward, Levi
Choat, F.M.	Odineal, L.D.	Wicker, A.
Doggett, W.H.	Pollock, J.	Walls, G.
Edwards, W.M.	Reasonever, W.J.	Wilkinson, M.
Fuller, W.G.	Swan, David	Walls, Zack
Gillum, I.	Smith, L.	Young, N.B.
Holt, A.M.	Spence, W.C.	Young, W.A.
Kinkaid, J.L.R.		

Company H

Waddy, John H., O.S
West, William M., 5th Sgt
Hodge, James R., 1st Cpl
Neeley, George M., 3rd Cpl
Watson, Augustus, 4th Cpl

Atkinson, L.B.	Ford, Henry	Mosely F.B.
Andrews, F.	Hassel, S.	Owen, R.O.
Barnett, W.M.	Irwin, W.D.	Owin, T.B.P.
Burns, R.H.	Jackson, J.	Peach, C.T.
Bryant, David	Jackson, J.A.	Pervett, W.
Byers, R.A.	Johnson, J.M.	Smithson, S.H.
Coleman, S.	Johnson, J.C.	Sweet, J.H.
Cornstalk, C.M.	Jackson, J.	Simmons, T.D.
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Courtney, W.W.	Isbell, W.B.	Tellet, T.
Chapman, T.	Kirkpatrick, J.	Vaughn, John
Clark, T.C.	Karr, J.M.	Waller, T.S.
Deacon, H.	Leath, J.W.	Waller, J.P.
Davis, C.H.	Lofton, B.F.	Williams, S.H.
Dotson, P.	Martin, W.R.	Warren, T.A.
Ezell, N.	Mallagin, T.R.	White, W.A.
Epps, J.L.	McCord, J.A.	York, H.T.

Company I

Leonard, John, O.S.
McLain, Wm, 3rd Sgt
Durham, W.C., 4th Sgt
Alexander, J.N., 4th Sgt
Allen, Armstrong, 3rd Cpl
Leonard, Jesse, 4th Cpl

Allen, M.R.	Ellahan, A.L.	Neil, W.R.
Adams, J.D.	Crawford, A.N.	Patterson
Allison, M.M.	Cagle, J.	Rumbo, B.W.
Bradshaw, A.H.	Coffey, C.L.	Simmons, B.F.
Bonds, S.W.	Chapman, C.	Smiley, N.J.
Bills, W.G.	Clark, () W.	Stephenson, J.T.
Brown, J.H.	Glenn, J.H.	Stephenson, E.J.
Bethume, J.F.	Gamble, T.J.	Smith, Moses T.
Baker, W.J.	Hall, R.F.	Stillwell, W.L.
Baker, J.J.	Harper, S.M.	Sykes, T.A.
Bethume, G.M.D.	Lady, Walter L.	Wood, J.()
Breckeen, T.	McAdams, S.H.	Whitsit, John
Burlingham, E.W.	Montgomery, G.	Wood, Stephen H.
Burns, N.W.	McAdams, J.	Wood Stephen C.
Cradley, J.C.	Neill, Harvey C.	Walker, N.
Brownell, J.M.	Neill, J.R.	Walter, T.M.
Bradley, () L.	O'Neal, W.E.	

Company II (or second company listed as H)

Bodehamer, J.L.	Hammonds, G.W.	Powers, W.W.
Burge, T.	Hardy, J.M.	Powers, J.R.
Hale, J.A.	Hammusley, S.N.	Phillip, J.J.
Braly, Wm. D.	Hogan, P.C.	Phillips, H.W.
Bodenhammer, D.H.	Johnson, W.P.	Prince, E.G.
Booth, D.	Kimbo, T.I.	Pyle, W.C.
Ezell, R.	Kimbo, J.J.	Randall, J.F.

Ezell, T.	Lee, Lumas J.	Rensso, D.B.
Ezell, J.J.	Lauderdale, W.F.	Rutledge, S.W.
Ezell, Allen	Lawrence, R.	Smith, T.W.
Frost, J.J.	Massay, Eli V.	Wilkinson, W.A.
Graves, J.L.D.	Maulsly, J.C.?	Yates S.B.
Graves, N.T.B.	McMasters, J.K.	Yates, J.N.
Griffin, J.C.	Pansley, W.R.D.	

Indianapolis City Hospital

During the term of operation as a prison camp, Camp Morton housed about 4,500 confederate prisoners. It was well run and the prisoners were well treated. As was the case in many Civil War prisons both Union and Confederate, death's from disease carried almost as large a toll as the battles. Even though the Indianapolis City Hospital where prisoners were treated was thought to be one of the best available anywhere, deaths were frequent and numerous.

An article from the *Indianapolis Sentinel* March 15, 1862, page 3, column 1, gives a list of 74 prisoners who have died in the hospital at Indianapolis in approximately one weeks time, and an article on the same page, column 2 is quoted below:

"The Central Hospital"

We yesterday paid a visit to this institution located on Meridian Street, in the old post office building. By the courtesy of the steward, we were shown throughout the wards. We found everything in admirable order, cleanliness obtained generally. Indeed it would be impossible to have such a number of sick as are here confined better cared for. Nurses are detailed from Camp Morton to attend to those requiring their services, and each soldier is carefully and tenderly looked after under the supervision of Dr. Talbot Bullard and Dr Will Bullard, the accomplished Surgeon and Assistant Surgeon. There are some one hundred and seventy five patients now in this hospital and we learn there are but few extreme cases. There is no malignant type of disease prevailing. Measles and fever prostrate most of the men. Everything we found orderly and as comfortable as possible under the circumstances. Great praise is due Dr Bullard and his assistants in connection with this hospital, one of the most crowded in the city.

In spite of fairly good conditions in the prison and an exceptional medical facility for their treatment, the 32nd regiment still experienced at least 27 deaths (nine times as many as in the battle) in the six months they were imprisoned.

Below is a listing of those soldiers from the 32nd Tennessee infantry for whom there are brass markers on the Confederate Monument in Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis, Indiana. These soldiers were originally buried in Greenlawn Cemetery and moved to Crown Hill in 1931.⁴ There are also some



*The Confederate Burial Plot at Crown Hill Cemetery, Indianapolis, Indiana.
Each marker has a brass plate inscribed with the name, state, regiment, and date of death of about
160 confederate soldiers who died while in Camp Morton Prison.*

unknowns buried in this same plot. The marker and the list of some 1600 confederates thereon represents a much appreciated, noble and dedicated effort by many people to document and honor these soldiers. However, it is highly unlikely that all of the deaths and burials have been recorded. As recent as 1989, during excavations near the former site of Camp Morton, bones were found which were thought to be remains of Confederates buried at the Camp. Again, it is pointed out that it is also possible that some of the Regiment and Company designations may be incorrect. Soldiers that were in the 32nd infantry may be shown in other Tennessee regiments such as the 26th, 41st, etc. The author has made no attempt to identify these many possibilities, leaving it instead to the interested descendant to investigate.

Tennessee 32nd infantry soldiers who died in prison, Camp Morton, Indianapolis.

<i>Last name, First</i>	<i>Company</i>	<i>Date died</i>
Bringle, Christian	H	4/3/1864*
Dickey, James H.	D	3/8/1862
Dotson, Presley P.	H	4/6/1862
English, Willis M.	A	3/26/1862
Flippo, Joseph M.	D	4/9/1862
Halley, J. B.	E	4/12/1862
Hardy, James M.	K	3/15/1862
Harwell, Samuel Y.	F	4/4/1862
Hayes, William	F	6/15/1862
Holley, John W.	A	4/4/1862
Hopper, A. G.	C	4/4/1862

Johnston, Joseph W	D	3/17/1862
Johnson, W. T.	E	2/10/1864*
King, Thomas J.	K	not listed
Lumpkins, Lewis	D	4/14/1862
Manley, Hartwell B.	E	4/12/1862
May, William G.	B	4/23/1862
McCarty, James	K	3/18/1862
McKinney, Daniel W.	A	3/26/1862
Partin, John L.	A	3/29/1862
Patterson, Jackson	C	3/24/1862
Phillips, David B.	C	4/10/1862
Roden, A. C.	I	3/2/1864*
Ruth, Marines L.	C	3/16/1862
Ruth, Samuel D.	C	3/21/1862
Smith, J. M.	B	3/5/1862
Stilwell, William L.	I	3/15/1862
Wells, J. J.	B	4/28/1862
York, Harrison F.	H	8/26/1862
Young, R. P.	C	3/1/1862
Young, William P.	A	4/1/1862

* not among those at Donelson

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TENNESSEE DUELS IN 1840?

Circuit Judge Oaths, Williamson County, Tennessee

Contributed by Florence Langford

I, Thomas Maney, do solemnly swear on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God that I have not given or accepted a challenge either written or verbal to fight a duel nor have I fought one since the passage of an Act passed in this year eighteen hundred and seventeen (1817) entitled "an Act more effectively to prohibit duelling." Nor have I been the second or bearer of a challenge for such purpose, and that I will not fight henceforth or act as the second of both or either of the parties concerned in a duel during my continuance in office, So help me God.

Sworn and subscribed before me at Franklin this 9th day of March, 1840.
Gilbert Marshall, J.P.

[signed] Thomas Maney

I, Thomas Maney do solemnly swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Tennessee, and that I will administer justice with out respect to persons, doing equal right to the poor and the rich and that I will faithfully and impartially discharge and perform all the duties incumbent on me as a circuit Judge according to the best of my skill and ability, So Help me God.

[signed] Thomas Maney

Sworn and subscribed before me
at Franklin This 9th day of March 1840
Gilbert Marshall J.P.

*I Thomas Maney do solemnly swear on
on the Holy Evangelist of Almighty God, that
I have not given or accepted a challenge either
written or verbal to fight a duel, nor have I
fought one since the passage of an act passed
in the year eighteen hundred and seventeen
entitled "an Act more effectively to prohibit
duelling," Nor have I been the second or bearer
of a challenge for such purpose, and that I
will not fight a duel or be the bearer of a
challenge, either written or verbal, for such
purpose, or act as the second of both or either
of the parties concerned in a duel during my
continuance in office. So help me God.
Sworn and subscribed before me at 3 Th. Maney*

Detail from the original record

DESCRIPTION OF NEGROES PURCHASED FOR THE CORPORATION OF NASHVILLE IN THE WINTER AND SPRING OF 1831¹

Transcribed and contributed by Mary Sue Smith

This record is unusual in that it gives not only a full physical description of the individuals, but also gives the locality from whence they came and the name of the person by whom they were raised. — *Ed.*

"John Gill Jr., Esqr.

"...on the subject of the loan which the Corporation of Nashville wishes to negotiate...to wit, the graduation, paving or McAdamising the 1369 feet on the margin of the river for wharves & landings for steam and Keel Boats and all other kind of crafts & Rafts which will add considerable to the revenue of the Town...but the main object is the *erection of Water Works.*"

Sept. 30th, 1830

F. Porterfield
R. Farquharson
J. Litton

DESCRIPTION OF NEGROES

Purchased by Wm. Ramsey Jr. for the Corporation of Nashville...

† ages given on bills of sale

* ages given by the negroes

"Note — Where there is no cross or star, are the ages given on the bills of sale."

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Ben — otherwise called Boatsman, 5 feet 7 3/4 inches high, dark complexion approaching to Black — a small scar across the upper edge of the right wrist — speaks deliberately when spoken to, purchased of W^m. Ohara, Ann Arundel County, Maryland. †25 — *39 years of age — Cost \$450

Emanuel — 5 feet 3 inches high — Dark yellow complexion, a small scar in his left eye brow — stout and muscular — Purchased of W^m. Finch, Chesterfield County, Va., Raised in Petersburg, Va., by Edward Stokes. †25 — 35* years of age — Cost \$420

Jim — 5 feet 2 inches high — dark brown complexion — a scar on the inside of the right knee joint occasioned by a burn — also two scars on the right arm, one below and one above the elbow — Purchased of Thos. Hill, Stafford Co., Va. — Raised by Robt Ratliff in Fairfax Co., Va. — †26 — 30* years of age. Cost \$390

Frank — 5 feet 7 inches high — black complexion — two of his upper and all of his under teeth out, Purchased of German Jordan, Campbell Co., Va. — Raised by Charles Slaughter of the same County. †34 — 45* years of age.

Lewis — 5 feet 9 3/4 inches high — black complexion — his upper left eye tooth out — a scar across his breast, occasioned by a burn, about three inches long, purchased of German Jordan, Campbell County, Va. — raised by John Strange in same county. †32 *46 years of age.

Moses — 4 feet 7 3/4 inches high — brown complexion — thick prominent under lip, considerable space between his front teeth — a small scar on his right arm below the elbow, occasioned by a burn — purchased of German Jordan, Campbell County, Va. — Raised by Richard Shelton, same county. 16 years old.

Salem — 5 feet 9 inches high — yellow complexion — small scar in his right eyebrow — rather slender made — a scar on his left arm above the elbow occasioned by a burn — purchased of Fras. J. Lawson Co., Isle of Wright County, Va. Raised by Thos. Ap-

These three cost \$1075

1. *Agreements, Loans & Slaves, City of Nashville, Nov. 2, 1830 to Sept. 20, 1851, Metro/Davidson County Archives, pp. 32-34.*

Description of Negroes.

spring of 1831

Purchased by W^m Parsony Jr. for the Corporation of Nashville in the winter

Bew— otherwise called Boatman; 5 feet 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches high dark complexion approaching to Black— a small scar across the upper edge of the right wrist— speaks deliberately when spoken to, purchased of W^m Chava, Ann Arundel County Maryland +25—
*39 years of age— cost \$1150.

Emanuel— 5 feet 3 inches high— Dark yellow complexion— a small scar in his left eye brow— stout and muscular— Purchased of W^m Finch, Chesterfield County Va—
— Raised in Petersburg Va by Edward Stokes +25— 35* years of age. cost \$420

Jim— 5 feet 2 inches high— dark brown complexion— a scar on the inside of the right knee joint occasioned by a burn— also two scars on the right arm, one below, and one above the elbow— Purchased of Thos. Hill Stafford County Va— Raised by Pitt Pettitt in Fairfax County Va. +26— 30* years of age— cost \$370

Frank— 5 feet 7 inches high— black complexion— two of his upper, & all his under front teeth out, Purchased of German Jordan Campbell County Va— Raised by Charles Slaughter of the same County— +34— 45* years of age

Lewis— 5 feet 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches high— black complexion— his upper left eye tooth out— a scar across his breast, occasioned by a burn, about three inches long, purchased of German Jordan Campbell County Va— Raised by John Strange in the same County— +32— 46* years of age.

Moses— 4 feet 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ inches high— brown complexion— thick prominent under lip— considerable space between his front teeth— a small scar on his right arm below the elbow occasioned by a burn— purchased of German Jordan Campbell County Va— Raised by Richard Whitton same County. 16 years old

plewhite, Southampton County, Va. 22 years old — Cost \$425

Anthony — 5 feet 10 inches high — complexion black — a small scar under the left eye — thick lips — apt to smile when spoken to — purchased of Abednigo Goodrich, Isle of Wight County, Va. — Raised by Robt. Honeycut, Surry Co., Va. 21 years old. Cost \$450

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Charles — 5 feet 8 1/2 inches high — complexion black — large scars on his left elbow, caused by a burn — long chin, which projects downwards — All the toes on the right foot has been injured by being frost bitten, particularly the big toe and the two next to it — purchased from Susanna Hickman and W^m. Snodgrass, Washington County, Va. — Raised by W^m. Adams, Botetourt County, Va. 17 years old.

Lucinda — [No description given.]

Lilburn Henderson — [No description given.]

Allen — 5 feet 4 1/2 inches high — complexion black — small scar across the back of the right hand — small scar in the left eyebrow — Purchased from Larkin Dorsey, Anne Arundel County, Maryland — raised by the same in same county. 23 years old — Cost \$445

Jim — 5 feet 8 1/2 inches high — light yellow complexion — his upper front teeth decayed — long bushy hair — purchased from Charles R. Owen, Baltimore County, Maryland, raised by John Goodwin in the same County & State. †24 *30 years old. Cost \$400

Moses — 5 feet 5 3/4 inches high — brown complexion — a small scar on his right arm below the elbow about an inch long — high forehead — slender made — purchased from James Carder, Randolph County, Va. 24 years old. Cost \$400

Allen — 4 feet 10 1/2 inches high — light yellow complexion — slender made — large scar on his left jaw — thick lips — his back much *scared* with the whip — purchased from Stepⁿ. Beasley, Campbell County, Va. Raised by Barton Robertson, Rockbridge Co. Va. 14 years old. Cost \$350

Isaac — 6 feet high — yellow complexion — a small scar near the corner of the right eye — thick under lip — swings himself a good deal when walking — his front teeth irregularly set — purchased from Henry Hance, Montgomery Co., Va. — Raised by Bill Husky, Wythe Co. Va. — 20 years old — Cost \$450.

Vincent — 5 feet 5 inches high — yellow complexion —

heavy built — large scar on his right elbow — large scar on the right shin bone, caused by a cut with a scythe blade — purchased from Jno. B. Williamson, Henrico Co., Va. — raised by Matthew Harvey, Botetourt Co., Va. 22 years old — Cost \$445

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Peter — 5 feet 4 1/4 inches high — brown complexion — thick under lip — small scar on the upper side of the right arm just above the elbow joint — heavy built — the joints of the big toes large — his toes turns out very much — purchased from John Goorum, Sussex Co., Va. — Raised by the same in the same county. 22 years old — Cost \$435

Bob — 4 feet 7 3/4 inches high — complexion black — large front teeth — small scar near the corner of the left eye — purchased from Charles Bruce, Stafford County, Va. — Raised by the same in the same county. 15 years old — Cost \$325

Granville — 5 feet 4 1/2 inches high — light yellow complexion — long bushy hair — has an impediment in his speech — purchased of Robt Gibboney at shff sale, Wythe County, Va., was the property of Theodore Johnston, Whthe County, Va. Raised by said Johnston — slender made — 15 years old. Cost \$390

John — 5 feet 7 inches high — complexion black — a small cut in the edge of the right nostrill — large face — small head & eyes — purchased from Thos Simmons, Prince George County, Va. — raised by Coleman Simmons, same county. †22 — *27 years old. Cost \$450

Isaac — 5 feet 9 1/2 inches high — complexion, dark brown — a scar on the left knee about the size of a half dollar — purchased from Ric^d. J. Jones, City of Annapolis, Maryland — raised by Edw^d. Cosey, Wye neck E shores, Maryland. 26 years old

John — 5 feet 11 1/4 inches high — complexion dark Brown — a small scar in his right eyebrow — rather slender made — has 12 or 13 shot in the calf of his right leg — purchased from Ric^d. J. Jones, Annapolis, Maryland and raised as above. 28 years old.

Jim — 5 feet 10 1/4 inches high — complexion black — a small scar, or cut on the right point of the chin — his toes much crumpled up — and his toes turns out a good deal — purchased from Rich^d. J. Jones, Annapolis, Maryland & raised same as above — 30 years old.

"The three last above named Cost \$1350 — sold for \$1750 8 Nov. 1833."

These three cost \$900

MINUTES OF THE SUPERIOR COURT of NORTH CAROLINA and MERO DISTRICT

Abstracted and annotated by Dorothy Scott Johnson

For a complete introduction to this material please refer to Issue Number 1 of Volume X. All legal definitions are taken from *Black's Law Dictionary, Fifth Edition* and 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.

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

Genealogical Note: Court was held in Nashville at the courthouse in all cases. At the time of these minutes the Cumberland River ran on the north edge of Nashville. There were no bridges, so all crossings were done by ferry. Armed with this knowledge, you can determine how far your ancestor lived from the courthouse if he or she was a witness in a case and claimed mileage and/or ferriage. If he claimed ferriage, of course, he lived across the Cumberland River from Nashville. Four ferriages means two trips from his home over the river and back. For example, in the case of Thomas Smith, given below, we can deduce he lived four miles from the courthouse on the north side of the Cumberland River. *DSJ*.

(Continued from *Middle Tennessee Journal of Genealogy & History*, Volume X, Number 1.)

PAGES 161-162. 14 May 1795.

The Territory vs. William Loggans and Samuel Loggans

Case: Grand Jury indictment for robbery

Particulars: William and Samuel Loggans, laborers of Davidson Co., Mero Dist., on 1 October 1790, with force and arms on a public street in the town of Nashville, feloniously assaulted Abraham Denton in the presence of divers witnesses. The Loggans then pretended to have a claim on a bay mare in possession of Denton which was the proper goods and chattel of Denton and valued at \$40.

By their threats and menaces they put Denton in bodily fear and danger of his life. They then violently, feloniously, and against Denton's express commands, did steal, take and lead away said mare against the peace and dignity of the Territory.

Plea: Not guilty.

Jury:

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. William Dobbins | 7. George Ridley |
| 2. William Douglass | 8. Thomas Shanon |
| 3. Joseph Hooper | 9. Zachariah Stull |
| 4. Witheral Latimore | 10. F. W. Stump |
| 5. Peter Looney | 11. Henry Vinson |
| 6. John Park | 12. Wright Williams |

Verdict: Guilty of robbery as charged.

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The Territory vs. John Boyd, Sen.

Case: "Charged and submits."

Particulars: None given.

Judgment: Fined \$5.00 plus costs.

Clerk's Bond - Andrew McNairy

Andrew McNairy posted a \$2,000 bond with Edward Douglass and Robert Hays as his securities, for collecting and paying taxes as required by law. [Note: County not given.]

Clerk's Bond - Bennet Searcy

Bennet Searcy posted a \$2,000 bond with Edward Douglass and Robert Hays as his security, for collecting and paying taxes as required by law. [Note: County not given.]

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The Territory vs. James Campbell and Charles Campbell

Case: Grand Jury indictment for assault and battery and false imprisonment of River Jordon.

Particulars: Charles Campbell and James Campbell, yeomen, late of Davidson Co., Mero District, did on 5 June 1794, with force and arms in Davidson Co., assault, beat, wound and ill treat River Jordon so that his life was despaired

of. Also, against Jordon's will and against the laws of the territory, the Campbells, without any legal warrant, authority, or justification, did imprison and detain Jordon two hours, plus other wrongs to Jordon's great damage and against the peace and dignity of our Territory.

Plea: Not guilty

Jury:

- | | |
|---------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. John Donalson | 6. Adam Lynn |
| 2. John Duncan | 7. William Miles |
| 3. William Haggart | 8. William Montgomery |
| 4. Thomas Johnston | 9. Moses Oldham |
| 5. Mathew Kyrkendol | 10. Thomas Taylor |

Note: Only ten names given. Thomas Johnston listed twice.

Verdict: The Campbells were found guilty and fined \$6. each.

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The Territory vs. Allen Parker

Case: Grand Jury Indictment for assault and battery

Particulars: None given

Judgment: Parker fined \$5. plus costs of suit.

The Territory vs. Ennis Hooper

Case: Indicted by Grand Jury for assault and battery of Gadi Gibson

Particulars: Ennis Hooper, late of Davidson Co., on 13 Jan. 1795 with force and arms in Davidson Co. did commit an assault and battery on Gadi Gibson. Hooper did beat, wound, and ill treat Gibson so that his life was despaired of, and other wrongs, to Gibson's great damage and against the peace and dignity of our territory.

Plea: Not guilty.

Jury:

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Stephen Byrns | 7. George Ridley |
| 2. William Dobens | 8. Isaac Roberts |
| 3. William Douglass | 9. Thomas Shanon |
| 4. Joseph Hooper | 10. Zaca. Stull |
| 5. Wetheral Latimore | 11. Henry Vinson |
| 6. Peter Looney | 12. Wright Williams |

Verdict: Hooper found guilty as charged and fined \$20.

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The Territory vs. John Hauge

Case: Assault and battery

Particulars: None given

Judgment: Hauge fined \$5. plus cost of suit.

Jurors Released

Thomas Johnston, John Donalson, John Duncan, William Haggart and Peter Turney were excused from serving as jurors any longer this term.

The Territory vs. James Campbell and Charles Campbell

The following witnesses proved their attendance in court, to-wit: River Jordon, 5 days attendance; John White, 5 days attendance; Nancy Williams, 5 days attendance; Sarah White, 5 days attendance; and Isbell Jordon, 4 days attendance.

The Territory vs. Peter B. Stuart

Robert Weakley, a witness, proved 6 days attendance, 8 miles and two ferriages; Samuel Loggans, [blank] Denton and Thomas Smith each proved 8 days attendance, four ferriages and 16 miles travel.

Daniel vs. Frederick Stump

Thomas Smith, witness, proved six days attendance, four ferriages, and 16 miles travel to the trial. Isaac Morgan, witness, proved five days attendance, four ferriages and 25 miles travel.

The Territory vs. Ennis Hooper and The Territory vs. Allen Parker

Robert Smith, witness, proved five days in each of the above Superior Court cases, 20 miles and four ferriages. John Rogers proved five days in each case, 20 miles and four ferriages plus one day in County Court.

F. W. Stump, witness, proved five days in Superior Court, one day in County Court, having totaled 16 miles travel and four ferriages.

Adjourned until tomorrow at 9 o'clock (Sat.)

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Saturday, May 15, 1795.

The following Jurors received their tickets for services as Jurors this Term.

Jury List:

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|--------------------------|------------------------|
| 1. Stephen Byrns | 4. William Dobbins |
| 2. John Caffree | 5. John Donelson |
| 3. Robert Canady | 6. William Douglass |
| 7. John Duncan | 23. William Montgomery |
| 8. Robert Edmondson | 24. Thomas Murray |
| 9. Thomas Edmondson | 25. Moses Oldham |
| 10. William Haggart | 26. John Payton |
| 11. Joseph Hooper | 27. George Ridley |
| 12. David Johnston | 28. Isaac Roberts |
| 13. Thomas Johnson | 29. Thomas Straine |
| 14. William Johnston | 30. Zaca. Stull |
| 15. Mathew Kyrkendol | 31. Edward Swanson |
| 16. Wetheral Latimore | 32. Thomas Talbott |
| 17. Peter Looney | 33. Thomas Taylor |
| 18. Joseph Love | 34. Peter Turney |
| 19. Adam Lynn | 35. Henry Vinson |
| 20. Ephraim McLein, Jun. | 36. Wright Williams |
| 21. George McWertor | 37. William Wyer |
| 22. William Mills | |

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William T. Lewis vs. James Bosley, et al

Moses Oldham, witness, proved four days attendance, 100 miles travel and two ferriages.

Territory vs. Joseph Dunham

Case: Grand Jury indictment for Assault & Battery

Particulars: Joseph Dunham of Davidson Co., Mero Dist., yeoman, on 9 May 1795, with force and arms in Davidson Co., did beat, wound and ill treat James Do'Hertie so that his life was greatly despaired of, plus other wrongs, to the great damage of James Do'Hertie and against the peace and dignity of the said Territory.

Plea: Not guilty.

Jury:

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| 1. Stephen Byrns | 7. Isaac Roberts |
| 2. William Douglass | 8. Zaca. Stull |
| 3. Joseph Hooper | 9. Thomas Talbott |
| 4. Witheral Latimore | 10. Thomas Taylor |
| 5. Peter Looney | 11. Henry Vinson |
| 6. George Ridley | 12. Wright Williams |

Verdict: Guilty as charged and fined \$1.00.

The Territory vs. Samuel Loggans and William Loggans

Stephen Byrns, witness, proved seven days attendance, 30 miles and two ferriages. Stephen R. Hay proved seven days attendance.

Samuel Loggans vs. Abra. Denton

Stephen Byrns, witness, proved two days attendance, 30 miles, and two ferriages.

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Saturday, May 15, 1795

Daniel Young vs. F. W. Stump

William Loggans, witness, proved 9 days attendance, four ferriages and twenty miles. Robert Edmondson proved five days and ten miles.

Samuel Loggans vs. Abra. Denton

Action: Motion for a new trial was made and arguments heard for and against the motion. The court granted a new trial.

Francis Armstrong vs. John Campbell

John Anderson, witness, proved two days attendance; _____ Bartholemeu [no first name given] proved two days as a witness; Joseph Waller proved two days and seven miles travel.

Benjamin Barns vs. William T. Lewis

Action: Motion made for new trial. Arguments being heard from council learned in the law and maturely considered by the court, it is their opinion a new trial should not be granted. Defendant Lewis, by his council, then moved to suspend judgment in the case; the court to consider same.

John Hankins vs. Francis Armstrong.

Action: Hankins, by his attorney, moved for a new trial. Arguments were heard for and against the motion. The court ruled a new trial should not be granted. Case agreed. [Blacks: "Case agreed" means a formal, written enumeration of the facts in the case, agreed to by both parties as correct and complete, and submitted to the court by mutual agreement, in order that the court may render a decision without a trial.] The decision involved was whether a garnishee who has agreed to convey land or deliver specific articles to the defendant can be subjected to the demand of the plaintiff. The court ruled that he cannot. Motion for new trial made.

Moses Armstrong vs. Arch Sloan et al

Action: Motion to show cause why a new trial should be granted. Arguments being heard, it was considered by the court that a new trial be

granted.

Grand Jury discharged.

Adjourned until Monday, May 17, 1795 at 9 o'clock.

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Monday, May 17, 1795.

Hon. John McNairy, esq., judge

The Territory vs. John Hagus

Rachel Lemair, witness, proved three days attendance at the trial.

George Mansker vs. Daniel Young

Robert Edmondson, witness, proved one day attendance at trial and ten miles travel.

John Parks vs. F. W. Stump

Action: The deposition of David Frazier for defendant Stump ordered taken upon giving him 60 days notice. The deposition of John Irwin ordered after giving him 20 days notice.

James McKinsey vs. Thomas Edwards

Action: Depositions for plaintiff ordered taken after giving 40 days notice and for defendant after giving 10 days notice. [Note: No names of deponents given.]

Territory vs. John Elliott

Action: The defendant Elliott being called to the bar and asked if he had anything to say why sentence of the law should not be passed against him saith nothing. The court then ordered Elliott to pay a fine of \$10.00, stand in the pillory one hour and to be imprisoned one month. The Davidson County sheriff ordered to carry out sentence on 18 July 1795. PARDONED.

Benjamin Barnes vs. William T. Lewis

Isaac Roberts, witness, proved three days attendance at trial.

Francis Armstrong vs. John Campbell

William Pillow, witness, proved two days attendance at trial. Andrew Casylman proved two days attendance.

Court adjourned.

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Monday, 10 November 1795

The Territory South of the Ohio [River] – Mero District

At a Superior Court of Law and Equity opened and held for the District of Mero, at the Court House in the town of Nashville on the second Monday in November, 1795 and of the XXth year of American Independence. The Hon. John McNairy & Joseph Anderson, judges.

Proclamation

Proclamation being made that the several sheriffs in the different counties within the District of Mero should make return of the several writs and precepts to them directed, coroners and justices of the peace should make return of the recognizances and inquests by them taken that the Hon'ble Court might proceed thereon.

Davidson Co. Venire Facias [Jury List]

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1. William Anderson | 11. Edmond Gambill |
| 2. John Bell | 12. James Hamilton |
| 3. James Bosley | 13. Joseph Hooper |
| 4. John Buckhanon | 14. Isaac Johnston |
| 5. John Childers, Sen. | 15. Robert Kanady |
| 6. Thomas Cox | 16. John Kyrkpatrick |
| 7. Richard Cross | 17. Philip Phillips |
| 8. Geo. M. Deaderick | 18. Robert Thompson |
| 9. Jacob Dickinson | 19. William Walton |
| 10. Anthony Foster | 20. Nan'l. Williams |

Sumner Co. Venire Fa [Jury List]

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Henry Bradford | 7. Joseph Hopkins |
| 2. Joseph Crabtree | 8. Israel Moore |
| 3. James Douglass | 9. Joseph Wallace |
| 4. Thomas Edwards | 10. James White |
| 5. William Edwards | 11. John Williams |
| 6. James Frazier | 12. James Wilson |

Tennessee Co. Venire Facias [Jury List]

- | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|
| 1. Gresham Coffield | 7. James McCarral |
| 2. William Crunk | 8. James Norfleet |
| 3. Josiah Fort | 9. George Oldham |
| 4. William Fort | 10. Lemuel Suggs |
| 5. Elijah Hamilton | 11. James Taylor |
| 6. Robert Lankaster | 12. Haydon Wills |

(To be Continued.)



DeKALB COUNTY, TENNESSEE CEMETERY INSCRIPTIONS

From *Records of deKalb County [Tennessee] - Bible and Tombstone Records*, WPA, DK-1,
[Typescript], Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

POLLY GRIFFITH CEMETERY

Ibid, pp. 53-54

The cemetery is located south of Smithville leaving Smithville on Highway 56, go 3-1/2 miles leaving Highway, turn to right on gravel road and go about 3-1/2 miles to the W. L. Davis home. Cemetery is found up in the field west of the Davis home [1937]. The land where this cemetery is located was given by Joseph Griffith. There were eleven graves without markers and two could not be read when Mrs. Clara Bing of Smithville, Tennessee, copied the cemetery stones on October 5, 1937.

Turner L. Wood

Died June 26, 1874; Aged about 30 yrs.

Eadah G. Wood

Born June 19, 1845; Died December 18, 1870

Payton Griffith

Born January 16, 1819; Died May 1, 1870

Age 51 years, 8 months, 15 days

Mary L., wife of Payton Griffith

Born October 8, 1821; Died October 8, 1890

"Here Rests our Blessed Mother"

In Memory of William D. Cantrell

Born September 14, 1866;

Died December 5, 1866; age 3 months, 11 days

Mary Cantrell

Born June 20, 1843; Died January 28, 1867

Age 23 yrs., 7 months, 8 days

Infant of W. P. & M. D. Haley

Born and Died March 30, 1909

Glyn Auston, son of W. L. & Lola Davis

Born December 14, 1911; died October 11, 1915

Osie Griffith

Born February 17, 1888; Died August 14, 1889

Mattie Effie Mai Griffith,

daughter of W. J. & A. B. Griffith

Born June 11, 1881; Died August 30, 1891

Joseph Griffith

Born March 30, 1854; Died August 17, 1921

Martin Griffith, husband of Nancy Griffith

Born May 16, 1832; Died November 9, 1870

"His toil His work is done And he is fully Blest

He fought the fight of Calvary & Entered into Rest"

Lloyd Griffith

Son of P. M. & Josie Griffith

Born August 5, 1909; Died September 2, 1911

"Our Darling has gone before to Greet us on the Golden Shore"

Laura A. Griffith

Daughter of I. H. & L. A. Griffith

Born May 14, 1884; died September 1884

"Sleep on sweet Babe and take they Rest God called thee Home he thought it Best"

John H. Griffith

Son of I. H. & L. A. Griffith

Born September 10, 1877; Died August 15, 1882

"Weep not Papa and Mam for me For I am waiting in Heaven for Thee"

SALEM CHURCH GRAVEYARD

Ibid, pp. 57-59

This cemetery is by Salem Church near the edge of town of Liberty on right of road entering from Alexandria. Typed by Willie Chaffin, September 2, 1936.

M. A. Hollinworth, Born Jan. 26, 1839;
Died_

Elder W. M. Dale, Born May 4, 1783. Died
September 25, 1844. Joined the Baptist
Church 1809, entered the Ministry, 1811.

Isabell Frazer
Born May 13, 1858; Died December 7, 1860

Sarah Evans
Born 24 of Jue. 1791; Died 13 of April 1857

Joseph Evans
Born Dec. the 25, 1790; Died Dec. 1, 1851

Julie B. A. Moore
Born June 6, 1813; Died March 28, 1860

Mills Wills
Died Feb. 15, 1853; Age 27 years

James Turner
Born 5th of Janr. 1841; Died 25 of Oct. 1841

Joseph Youngblood
C.O.A. 5th, Tennessee Cavalry

Mary Alice Givans, Daughter of W. J. &
Harritt
Decd. February 27, 1860

N. H. Cradock. 1844

Rachel Bass, wife of A. M. Bass
Born January 30, 1799; died November 2,
1853

Elijah Trutt
Born April 16, 1808; Died October 16, 1849

Lettie Pistole
Born May 18, 1782; Deed. July 10, 1850

Elizabeth Ann, wife of W. M. G. Evans
Born June 27, 1829; Died January 20, 1860

Lewinna B., wife of John Reed
Died September 22nd 1846, age 31 yrs., 11

mos., & 7 days.

L. D. Fite
Born December 25, 1818; Died Sept. 2, 1858

W. A. & M. M. Hays
Born January 7, 1847; Died January 7, 1848

Elizabeth R. Bratton
Died 28 of September 1857, "age 30th years".

Jas. E. Bratton
Died 15th of Nov. 2, 1854, age 28 years.

Mary A., wife of Joseph West,
Born November 18, 1840; departed this life
on Sept. 30, 1860; age 19 years, 10 mos., 12
days

Rev. A. M. Bass
Born Dec. 29, 1800; Died Sept. 19, 1845

James Beckwith
Born in Bristol, Connecticut, Nov. 9th 1797
Died at Beckwith Place, January 5, 1858

Leonard Lamberson
Born Jan. 15, 1784; Died Nov. 27th 1851

Christina Lamberson
Born Dec. 1, 1756; Died Jan. 3rd 1855

Margaret J. Whaley
Died 15th of July 1852; aged 19 years, 9 mos.
& 5 days.

Joseph Hays
Died 24th of Jany. 1854, aged 65 years

Sarah R., wife of Mathew Brasel
Died August 30th 1856

Mathew Braswell
Born Nov. 1, 1831; died January 9, 1860

Mary E., Dau. of J. W. & R. C. Bass
Born March 10, 1853; Died April 19, 1859

Infant son of M. S. & Jesse Renick

Born May 2, 1835; Died May 2, 1835

Caroline Clark

Born Jan. 26, 1831; Died ____

Tommie, son of J. C. & E. J. Measile

Born Sept. 5, 1855; died Sept. 5, 1855

William A. Turner, son of Wm. A. & Mary

Born August 30, 1855; died February 1, 1860

Jane V. West, daughter of C. R. & E. L.

Died October 10, 1858, 12 years & 6 days.

Elizabeth Casky

Died January 27, 1829

Francis Turner

Born September 22, 1803; Died ____

Wm. B. Moore

Died 21st of Dec. 1854, age 32 years

Lemuel Moore

Born April 2, 1793; died October 15, 1859

W. J., wife of Ely Vick

Born June 2, 1818; Died July 14, 1860

Sopha J. West "November 16, 1842"

Infant son of T. & M. P. Jones

Born September 3, 1853; died the 14 day of September 1854.

Henry C. Fite son of Moses & Mary Fite

Died the 10th of June 1857, age 18 years, 4 months & 1 day

Emaline wife of Issac Turney

Died May 28, 1860, age 38 years, 9 mos & 13 days

Augustine Vick

Born 21st of Dec. 1820; Died 8th of Dec. 1856

Lewis Vick

Born March 8, 1826; Died July 23, 1855

Cantrell Bethel

Born Dec. 17, 1779; Died October 22, 1848

Founder and first Pastor of the Salem Baptist Church, serving 28 years.

Son of J. C. & E. J. Measle

Born Jan. 28, 1849; died May 17, 1849

J. J. Dodd, son of Hiram N. & Geneey Dodd

Born 8 of Aug. 1836; Died 30 of Oct. 1858

Sarah H. Givan "July 22, 1850"

Daughter of J. C. & E. J. Measle

Born Jan. 28, 1849; died May 17, 1849



VAN BUREN COUNTY, TENNESSEE CEMETERY INSCRIPTIONS

From *Van Buren County, Tennessee, Tombstone Inscriptions*, WPA, V-3, [typescript]
Tennessee State Archives and Library, Nashville, Tennessee.

NEW LAUREL CREEK CEMETERY

Ibid, p. 59

Located at the Laurel Creek Missionary Baptist Church, 1st district of Van Buren County. There were approximately 133 graves. The following were the only ones readable in the late 1930s.

Nannie Harris
December 31, 1869; December 13, 1916
Daughter of J. L. & Teria McCoy

Delia Miller
_____; February 3, 1933

Leaton McCoy
December 21, 1911; January 11, 1932

Orville Measles
October 8, 1904; March 7, 1927

Levador Simons
March 28, 1872; October 16, 1908

Eva Simons
March 9, 1839; January 4, 1921

George W. Simons
November 11, 1836; January 8, 1909

W. E. Simons
April 2, 1875; January 6, 1921

Lucille Simons
September 20, 1912; December 29, 1912
Daughter of W. E. and Irene Simons

G. W. Johnson
November 2, 1852; July 4, 1915

Parlee Johnson
January 5, 1855; May 30, 1936

G. S. Johnson
February 3, 1861; April 8, 1893

OLD LAUREL CREEK CEMETERY

Ibid, p. 60

Located on the farm of G. C. Simons at the place where the old Laurel Creek Baptist Church formerly stood. In the late 1930s, when the cemetery was copied, there were counted over 56 graves, but only six had inscriptions that could be read. The oldest grave was marked 1854.

DEATON
Catherine Deaton
1815; July 25, 1870

HILL
Sarah Jane Hill
1831; May 8, 1870
Wife of Rowen Johnson
Two sons by her side

Elijah Hill

April 22, 1784; October 25, 1854

McCOY
John McCoy
1801; August 5, 1874

Nancy McCoy
August 22, 1810; December 15, 1891

Emma McCoy
January 11, 1871; November 12, 1874

NEAL CEMETERY

Ibid, p. 58

This cemetery, read in the late 1930s, is fourteen miles southwest of Spencer on the Rocky River road in the 8th district of the county. At that time there were a dozen or more graves without inscriptions.

W. R. Neal
December 3, 1819; December 17, 1858

Elizabeth Neal
November 11, 1821; November 4, 1863

Partizade Neal

December 2, 1849; August 6, 1870
(Dau. of Isaac & Jane Hillis, and
wife of G. J. P. Neal)

Son of W. A. & Vina Boyd
April 28, 1886; May 10, 1886



BOOK REVIEWS

by Shirley Wilson, CG

Abstracts of Deed Books 11-14 of Rowan County, North Carolina 1786-1797 by James W. Kluttz. Hardback 8 1/2 x 11, 220 pp., complete name and place index, c1996. Purchase from James W. Kluttz, 106 Chancellors Ridge Court, Cary, NC 27513. \$35 plus \$4 postage and handling. NC Residents add 6% tax (\$2.10) The title of this carefully prepared book accurately describes its contents. The author consulted experts and devised a format for his first publication of deed abstracts that is very easy to use. Enhancing the value of the book is a Rowan County map circa 1790 that names the watercourses. The map was drawn by the author, a professional engineer and registered surveyor, who is apparently well qualified to prepare it.

In addition to grantees and grantors, the complete name index includes witnesses to the deeds, neighbors and adjacent land owners as well as creeks and rivers. Often this is where the genealogist finds the person "who can't be found." An excellent genealogical resource tool, those with roots in Rowan County will find this book well worth its purchase price.

Fighting Charles Reese by Parker C. Sams. Softback 8 1/2 x 11, 92 pp. complete name index, c1996. Order from Parker C. Sams, 1301 Fox St., Findlay, OH 45840. \$12.50 postpaid.

Presented with a background of history, this is the story of Charles T. Reese (1756-1830) who fought in the Revolutionary War in the Carolinas and later married a Cherokee Indian named Nancy. He is the white grandfather of Elias Boudinot, the Cherokee editor, and Gen. Stand Watie of Civil War fame. He lived for a time in the Cherokee Nation and later moved to Sumner County, Tennessee where he married Mary Desha and had another family.

The book is thoroughly researched and written with a flavoring of history that makes it fascinating to read. It contains a complete name index, a bibliography an appendix and ample footnotes.

One comment from the preface of his book deserves repeating, "...good historical research of any kind requires a positive skepticism about the printed word..." This book is well worth its

modest price tag.

Caldwell County, Kentucky Marriages 1809-1832 by Brenda Joyce Jerome. Softback 8 1/2 x 11, 149 pp., complete name index, c1996. Order from Brenda Joyce Jerome, PO Box 325, Newburgh, IN 47629-0325. 25.00 softback and \$30 hard cover, postpaid. Indiana residents add 5% sales tax.

All names and dates found in the marriage register, the loose bonds and licenses and the consent notes from parents and guardians are included in this book. The consent notes, which are used primarily when the bride or groom is under age, are especially useful since they often provide a wealth of genealogical information about the family which may not be available in any other record collection.

The print is sizeable, black and easy to read. Those with roots in Caldwell County, its parent county of Livingston as well as Trigg and Lyon counties which were formed partially from Caldwell County, will find this book extremely helpful.

Rhea County Tennessee Circuit Court Minutes by Carol Wells. Softback 5 1/4 x 8 1/4, 172 pp., complete name index, c1996. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540-E Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite 300, Bowie, MD 20716. \$18.50 plus \$4 shipping and handling.

Covering the time period of September 1815 to March 1836, these minutes relate to unpaid leases, deeds, divorces, powers of attorney and criminal offenses. Names of plaintiffs, defendants, witnesses, jurors and county officials are included. Rhea County in East Tennessee was created from Roane County in 1807. It served as a stopping point for settlers and for families headed into areas of what is today Middle Tennessee and points westward.

Using small but quite legible print, this book is typical of Wells other publications of court minutes. Because of the lack of early records in Rhea County and the difficulty of reading such minutes, this offering will be a welcome addition to the libraries of those with an interest in Rhea County.

LEWIS COUNTY, TENNESSEE

An Informal Historical Record of the Early Days.¹

This unsigned and undated manuscript was apparently written by a knowledgeable local historian prior to 1906. A copy was owned by Katie Cooper who, in 1938, lived fifteen miles east of Hohenwald near Mt. Joy, at which time this document was copied by the Works Progress Administration. - Ed.

THE HISTORIC OLD Natchez Trace which passes through the center of Lewis County is the same path or Trace originally used by the soldiers and Indians. This famous trail runs from Natchez on the Mississippi River to the present site of Nashville on the Cumberland. . . . There are many traditions handed down concerning this historic old trace. The purpose of these narrations, however, is only to deal with such matters as are authenticated by the annals of state history.

While many soldiers, hunters and early explorers passed along this Indian trail on expeditions...it was not opened up by the Government until as late as 1801. In this year the Natchez Trace was cut out and opened by Capt. Robert Butler and Lieutenant Edward P. Gains. From this date on, the Natchez Trace was regularly used by many noted persons traveling along this road through what is now Lewis County.

The Natchez Trace enters Lewis County on the north from Hickman County, between the head of Blue

Buck and Cathey's Creek, crossing Swan Creek at what is now known as the "Barnes" place, crossing Little Swan near its head and by the Meriwether Lewis Monument and then crossing Buffalo River at the site of Old Napier Furnace. It was on this old trace about one mile North of the Meriwether Lewis Monument where General William Carroll, afterwards Governor of the State, dismissed his troops on his way home from the battle of New Orleans in 1815....So it is easy to see the important historic events connected with this noted old trace and the stories which will ever relate to it especially when associated with the sad and mysterious death of Meriwether Lewis from whom our County was named; make hallowed these traditions, fixing them as sacred in the memory of all Lewis Countians.

History also records that in 1805 the noted Aaron Burr traveled over the Natchez Trace, passing through the present limits of this County. At the time Burr was at Natchez on the Mississippi River he was laying the plans, or at work, on the project of his Western Expedition or rather endeavoring to further his scheme to colonize Mexico. Desiring to see General Andrew Jackson on important business, he made the trip from Natchez by horse to the Hermitage near Nashville....

The First Settlements

The land now embracing the present limits of Lewis County is situated on what is termed the "Highland Rim" near the center and

perhaps for a ten mile square, is found a sort of plateau called the "Barren." These table lands are practically level with an altitude of 1000 feet, being much higher than the surrounding Country. There are several pretty, clear streams which drain the County. Surrounding these Creeks, the surface land becomes undulating and broken but the Valleys are alluvial and extremely fertile and like most bottom lands, are adapted to growing of such crops as corn, wheat, peanuts, fruits, small grain and grasses.

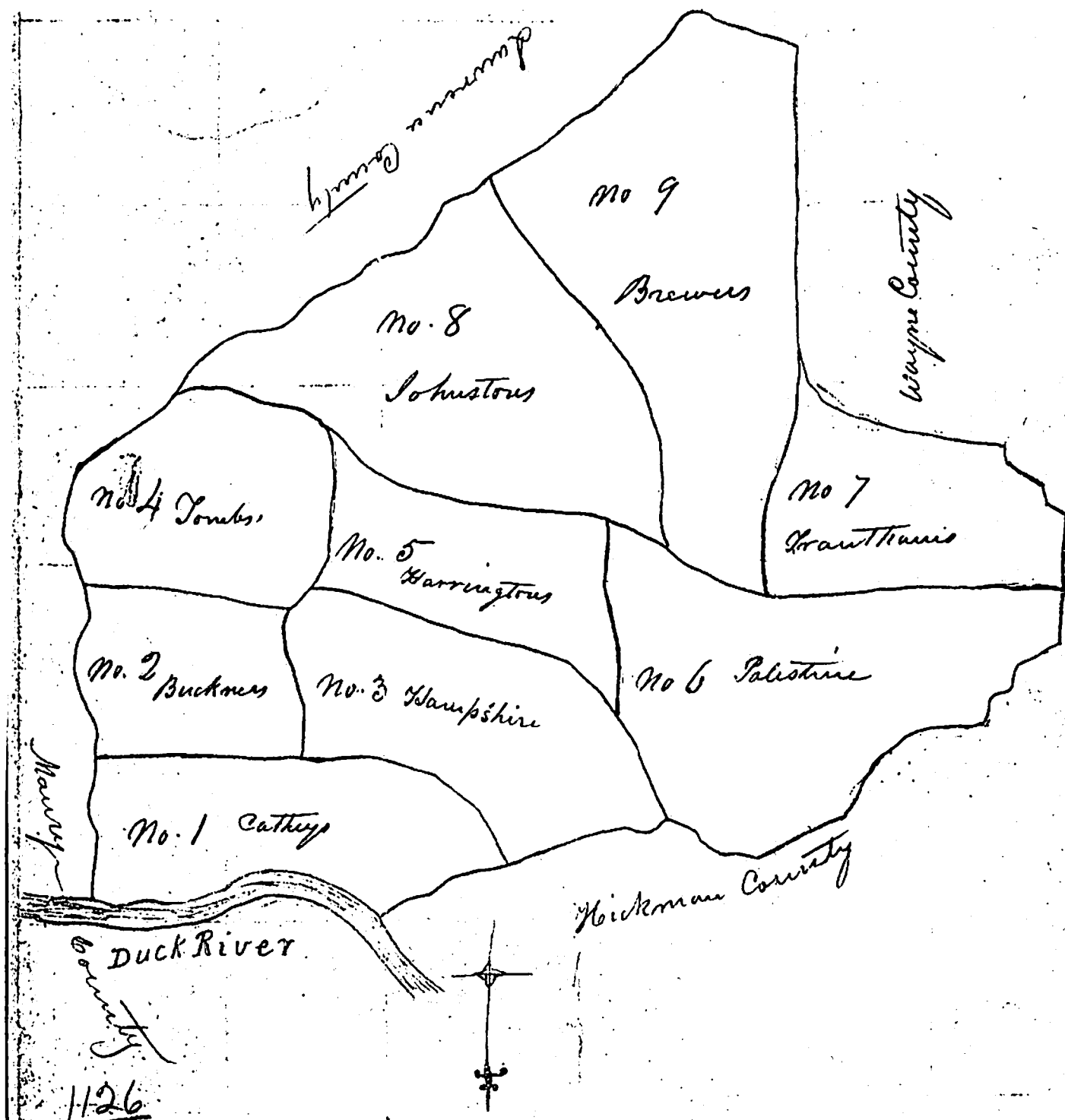
In the northern part of the county is Swan Creek, one of the clearest and prettiest creeks in the state, while in the eastern part of the county is Big Bigy, another pretty stream. Buffalo River flows through the southern half of the county forming one of the most fertile and productive valleys to be found in the county. The western portion of the county is drained by the waters of Cane Creek. The plateau or table lands while naturally thin of soil are nevertheless specially adapted to the growth of fruits, vegetables, small grain and grasses.

When...the first settlements were made in what is now Lewis County, none of the lands had been cleared but stood covered with heavy virgin forest. These thick woodlands were still infested with wild animals such as bear, panther, wolves and deer....

At this time the Old Natchez Trace was the only public road through the county and with the exception of the hunters, soldiers and a few others who happened to travel along this road, the territory comprising the present borders were practically unexplored....

The counties of Hickman [1807] and Maury [1807] had just been organized and settled and lying in the wastes of what is now Lewis County

¹From *Lewis County, Tennessee - Early Days in Lewis County*, WPA, LE-3, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.



*Ideal Plat of Civil Districts in Lewis County Tennessee
as laid off by the Commissioners Feby. 15th 1844*

Map #1126, Tennessee State Library and Archives Manuscript Section.

were cheap lands practically free. The price to be paid for them was trifling, the main thing required being to come and settle upon them and undergo the consequent hardships and dangers common to frontier life. By a treaty made in 1805, the Chickasaw Indians released their claim to this territory and for that reason white people from the older counties, looking for cheaper lands where game would be more plentiful, soon ventured into this section and planted their first settlements.

First Settlers

The first settlement made in the county was in 1806 by John Sharp and family on Swan Creek. He, with his wife and five sons William, Edward, Nehemiah, Samuel and Joshua, came here from Kentucky and settled at what is now known as the Jones Vincent place on upper Swan Creek. Mr. Sharp, the pioneer settler of Lewis County, was the grandfather of Willis Sharp who resides at present on Swan Creek near the first settlement.

During the same year, Elijah, Samuel and James Mayfield, three brothers and their families, settled on Swan at the place recently owned by Felix Walker. These families also came from Kentucky and still have many descendants residing in the county.

About this same time, James Rhodes and Bryson B. Venable came from South Carolina and settled on the Creek, the latter locating at the Flanigan place at the mouth of the Johnson Hollow.

In the same year, Ambrose Blackburn from Georgia settled at the Kittrell place where the road leaves Swan for Hampshire. He was the father of John Blackburn at whose home the first court was held after the organization of the county, and this was the place where "Gordon,"

the first county seat was located.

In 1808 Daniel Garrett, Larkin Hensley and his three brothers, William, Samuel and James Hensley, Edward Dycus, John Johnson, Jobs Clayton, Benjamin Lankford, the Kirkseys, the Condors and others moved to this neighborhood from North Carolina. Larkin Hensley and family settled near the mouth of Grinders Creek. He was the grandfather of Dr. Enoch Hensley who lived at this same place for many years and who still has many relatives in the country.

Edward Dycus settled nearer the head of Swan. John Johnson, who has a grandson Uncle Johnny Johnson residing here at present, settled at the Q. C. Weatherly place now the scene of the Charleston Mining and Mfg. Company's immense phosphate works.

It was several years after the first settlement before either schools or churches were established. The first church to be erected was by the Methodists at Old Palestine, known as "Ebenezer," in 1823 with Rev. James Tarrant as Pastor. The first school was also erected here.

At the time these first settlements were made, the greater portion of what is now Lewis County belonged to Hickman County which was organized in 1807. Another portion belonged to Maury County which was organized the same year. Lawrence and Wayne Counties which were organized in 1817 also acquired small portions of what was afterwards Lewis County along the south side.

Original portions of what finally formed Lewis County at this time, being attached to the four aforementioned counties, makes it impossible to treat the early happenings with any degree of system and therefore these early events will only be noticed here in a general way.

Early Politics

When the first settlements were made, our state capital was at Knoxville. It was later moved to Nashville in 1812, to Murfreesboro in 1821, and back to Nashville in 1827 where it has since remained. In these days, there was only one or two voting places to the county. Hickman at this time only had one which was at Vernon. Evidently the Swan Creek fellows who voted were necessarily compelled to make the trip to Vernon, a distance of more than twenty miles, while the settlers on Big Bigby doubtless voted in Columbia. They more than likely made the trips and perhaps took as keen an interest in affairs political as we would, had we a chance to vote for such men as David Crockett, the famous bear hunter. These people elected Crockett to the Legislature in 1821 from Lawrence, Wayne, Hickman and Hardin Counties.

While the Swan Creek settlers were voting for Crockett, the Maury County voters or those residing within that part of our county which was then attached to Maury were enjoying privileges equally as honorable, so far as being personally in touch with great characters. Among them were such men as James K. Polk, afterwards President. President Polk who was principally reared on Duck River in Maury County represented this part of the county in the Fifteen General Assembly (1823), and in the fall of 1825, after a vigorous campaign, was elected to Congress. There are even now several old men in the eastern portion of the county who remember having seen Polk personally, and can tell of his brilliant career and how he was elected Governor and later to the Presidency, defeating the able and eloquent Henry Clay, all because he stuck close to Jackson.

Another of Tennessee's great men

who represented these people in the legislature for three consecutive terms was A.O.P. Nicholson. Although a native of Williamson County, he came to Columbia as early as 1831 where he practices law and edited a newspaper. After serving three times in the Lower House of the Legislature, he was elected to the State Senate. He was later appointed U.S. Senator to which office he was subsequently elected. Resigning as U.S. Senator upon the Secession of the Southern States, he retired to private life but was later appointed as one of the Judges of the Supreme Court. He not only represented this part of the county in the General Assembly but was otherwise identified with the county's early history, once owning considerable lands here in this territory.

Organization and Early Incidents of the County

Lewis County was created by an act of the General Assembly of the State that was passed December 23rd 1843, providing a new county be formed out of fractions from Maury, Hickman, Lawrence, and Wayne. It was named in honor of Meriwether Lewis who met his tragic death on October 11, 1809 near the center of the county on the line of the old Natchez Trace while on a journey from the Territory of Louisiana of which he was Governor at that time.

The Act creating the county appointed John Aikin and Albert G. Cooper of Maury, Shadrick Morris and James Voss of Lawrence, James Gullick and David Voochies of Wayne, Hugh B. Venable and John Clayton of Hickman as a commission authorized to employ a competent surveyor to make the necessary surveys, to hold the elections in the respective fractions, and to select and purchase a suitable location for the county

seat. They were further authorized to lay off the county town and sell the lots in order to derive funds with which to erect the court house. Elections were accordingly held in pursuance of the said act and a majority of the voters residing within the fractions voted favorably to the creation of the new county. Therefore the county of Lewis was duly and legally organized.

The Act establishing the new county, in addition to providing for its name and stating that it would be composed of fragments of Maury, Wayne, Lawrence and Hickman counties, also provided that the county line was not to be run closer



than 12 miles of each of the other respective county seats. It further provided that the line would begin on the south bank of the Duck River at a point 12 miles on a straight line from Columbia and to run in a southern direction leaving Columbia twelve miles to the east. It continued to the turnpike leading from Mt. Pleasant thence with said turnpike to the Wayne County line running thence in a northerly direction leaving Waynesboro west 12 miles, thence in a northeast direction through Hickman County, leaving Centerville 12 miles to the west, to the Duck River, thence up said River to the beginning. This act further instructed the commissioners to lay off and designate civil precincts in even the county should be established that the new county be within the

8th judicial circuit and that court should be held upon the 4th Mondays in March, July and November of each year. It also provided that the militia of the county was to form one regiment [known as the 158th Regiment] and that was to be attached to the 24th Brigade of Tennessee.

So it will be seen that the county when originally established was much larger than at present. The first line to be surveyed and marked by meets and bounds was run by A. G. Cooper, Robert O. Smith, W. H. Flanigan, John J. Hunter, and George Nixon.

In accordance with the provision of the law creating the county, the commissioners divided the county into eight civil districts and the first election ever held in the County was in the year 1844. The following officers were duly elected: David C. Mitchell, chairman of the county court; Josiah K. Strayhorn, clerk of the county court; Hugh B. Venable, trustee; and Alexander King, sheriff. The first magistrates to be elected were: John Clayton, Redding Reeves, Drury D. Goodman, William Hines, James F. Henslee, David C. Mitchel, John Akin, Gideon G. Carter, Kincheon Carter, John S. Layton, George Nixon, John W. Kilpatrick, C. Y. Hudson, Griffeth Cathey, John D. Sharp, and James G. Shaw. Hon. Edmund Dillahunt presided as circuit judge and Hon. Nathaniel Baxter officiated as state attorney. Robert M. Cooper was the first circuit court clerk.

First County Seat called Gordon

The Act creating the county provided that the first Court be held at the residence of John Blackburn on Swan Creek which was done and here on the land of Mr. Blackburn the first county seat was laid out. In honor of Powhattan Gordon of Columbia, through whose efforts in the

Legislature the county was established, the town was called Gordon. There is at this day little trace of the old town, and the land on which old Gordon stood now belongs to Willis Sharp. The town was never a large one. It had a log court house, and by a special act of the Legislature, a school was chartered for the village and was known as Swan Creek Academy. This school was located on the top of the Hill near the present site of the new school erected here a few years ago. Swan Creek Academy was regarded as an important institution of learning in its day and time.

The first county seat had no jail at all. The court house was a simple rough log structure not even affording the luxury of a floor excepting the stand or place occupied by the Judge. Colonel Nat Jones of Maury County, who is still living, attended the first session of court ever held at Gordon and remembers many interesting facts in connection with the early days in the history of the county. Colonel Jones tells that the grand jury at this first court occupied the shuck pen of Mr. Blackburn.

Newburg

In 1848 the county seat was changed from Gordon to Newburg, a small town at that time located in the woods on the dividing ridge between Big and Little Swan Creek. The town of Newburg was laid off on a fifty acre tract donated to the county by Hugh B. Venable and Robert C. Smith. The town derived its name from the fact that it was then the last to be named "burg" in the state and hence a "Newburg." It was situated about four miles from old Gordon and about two miles from the Lewis Monument on the highlands near a very fine spring. The first courthouse to be erected in Newburg was the log house building previously erected at Gordon which

had been torn down and moved.

In 1857 the old log structure was again torn down and a frame building put up in its place at a cost of \$1500.00. The frame building was



two story. The court room was on the first floor with upper story cut up into county offices. A log jail was built at this place but from all accounts served little purpose as very few prisoners were ever incarcerated within its walls, perhaps not ever a dozen in all.

The first term of Chancery Court was held in the county according to the records not until April 20th 1871. This was at Newburg with Hon. H. Nixon as chancellor and W. H. Flanigan as clerk and master. Prior to this date, by special act of the Legislature, chancery litigation was conducted at Columbia and at Lawrenceburg, and also for a short while parties were allowed to file suits in the chancery court at Centerville.

William H. Flanigan, the clerk and master, was one of the most influential citizens of the county. It was he who built the first dwelling house in Newburg. He kept the first hotel there and was also the town's first postmaster. James Patton opened the first store at Newburg in 1849, and the first school ever taught in this town was by Prof. John H. Cooper in the same year. The first doctor to locate in Newburg was Dr. John Bowman in 1852.

The first lawyer in the county was Major John L. Miller of Colum-

bia. He moved to Newburg in 1850, having recently represented his home county in the General Assembly and having also held office of county register in Maury. He was still quite a young man and, being ambitious, was not contented to patiently wait for the town to grow. He therefore pulled up and left for the state of Texas where he went in quest of both honor and fortune. Miller located at Corsicana where he spent the remainder of his life. He always took an active interest in political matters and held many important positions of trust. It was said that he held public office in Texas for thirty six consecutive years. The writer knew Major Miller personally and delighted to hear him talk of the old days in Tennessee. . . . He lived to be more than ninety years old.

Newburg was incorporated in 1852 and doubtless about this time enjoyed its greatest period of prosperity. It is claimed that the village about this time contained four stores, two saloons, two hotels, and several mechanic shops. But during the four long years of the Civil War the town declined and never afterwards regained its old prosperity. During this time the town was deserted and as a result of confusion brought about by the War, the county organization was practically abandoned. It did not resume the powers of a county proper until 1869 when an act of the legislature was passed re-establishing the county.

Hohenwald

The county seat was removed to Hohenwald in 1896. At this time the county only had two or three lawyers, none of them depending wholly upon the law for a living. They had their regular occupations and only practiced law as a sort of supplement to their farming or other work they might follow. ■

WILLIAMSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, LAND SALE NOTICES¹

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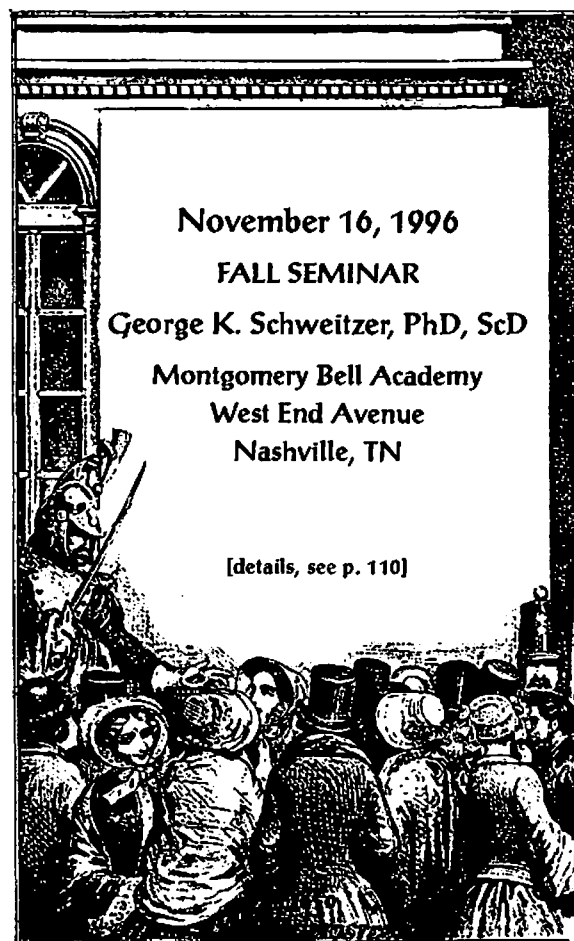
Name	vs.	Name	Year	District	Name	vs.	Name	Year	District
Adams, R. F.		Magness, R. M.	1882	14	Cliffe, D. B.		Greene, E. J.	1882	17
Akin, J. H.		House, M. B.	1893	5	Cochrane, Jas.		Tucker, Mary	1897	11
Allen, C. W.		Allen, Adelia	1879	5	Collin, Jno.		Collins, Myrtle	1898	
Anderson Green & Co.					Collins, Jno.		Collins, Myrtle	1896	
		Owen, O. C.	1890	Franklin	Cook, H. H.		Cook, Elias	1877	15
Andrews, J. L.		Terrill, J. B.	1886	10	Cook, H. H. et al		Grisham, Robert	1887	8
Andrews, J. L.		Terrill, J. B.	1886	10	Core, J. D.		Bennett, E. B.	1890	12
Andrews, Mack M.		Andrews, Geo.	1865	11	Core, Jesse G.		Logan, Geo.	1882	11
Atwood, Jno.		Boyd, C. W.	1896	5	Cotton, H. W.		Cotton, Fanny, Mrs.	1898	6
Barnes, Thomas B.		Williams, S. L.	1871	16	Cotton, Fanny, Mrs., dec'd			1898	6
Barrett, R. A.		Barrett, Urban	1897	20	Cox, P. E.		Ragsdale, Emma	1891	
Bateman, James, Colored					Cox, P. E.		Anderson, J. W.	1891	21
vs. Bateman, Wm. Colored			1884	8	Crafton, J. E.		Lenc, Nancy Ann	1877	21
Beach, Sarah J.		Beach, J. J.	1896		Crafton, D. S.		Girdner, Mary T.	1885	14
Beasley, Z. W.		Pope, Adam	1896	4	Cridle, M. S.		Akin, A. G.	1883	10
Beasley, Berry T.		Ex Parte	1882	2	Crockett, Jas. B.		Campbell, H. C.	1885	8
Bennett, B. W.		Redmond, Mary	1888	18	Crockett, Jas. B.		Campbell, H. C.	1885	8
Bittick, John G.		Bittick, C. S.	1880	17	Cunningham, T. M.		Cunningham, Frank	1898	14
Bond, Burke		Perrill, R. B.	1886		Daniel, M. W.		DeGraffenreid, W. F.	1886	10
Bond, Burke		Perrill, R. B.	1886		Drake, Mary E.		Drake, Jas. L.	1883	4
Bond, John B.		Bond, Thos. L.	1882	12	Drake, Mary E.		Drake, Jas. L.	1884	
Bostick, Lou E., Mrs.		King, James V.	1884	11					Perry Co., TN
Boyd, John E.		Morton, Wm. D			Eastwood, Z. T.		Wilson, H. M.	1887	17
		& Samuel	1885	5	Eelbeck, Henry		Green, J. O., et al	1882	17
Bradley, Margaret		Bradley, L.	1871	8	Eggleston, W. C.		Eggleston, Brady Blythe	1944?	
Brandon, Charles H.					Eggleston, J. C.		Richardson, F. G.	1896	
		Brandon, James E.	1884	13	Elliott, J. N.		Johnson, Margaret	1880	19
Brooks, John		Akin, N. J.	1872	4	Farrish, J. E.		Crockett, J. B.	1890	Franklin
Buchanan, Wm. M., dec'd.		—	1881	8	Fowlkes, H.P., Guardian				
Buford, W. W.		Fleming, Jno. T.	1879				Allen, Maggie E.	1872	5
Buford, W. W.		Fleming, Jno. T.	1885	11	Garrett, J. H.		Garrett, Wash	1889	2
Buford, W.W. & Pettus, T.W.					Gatlin, Neal & Givens				
		Fleming, L. E.	—	11			Boone, Anna	1896	
Byrn, C. H.		Hunt, Carrie	1887	2	Gault, Jno. M. & others				
Campbell, D.		Duff, C. M.	1881				Steele, John W.	1882	4
Campbell, Wm. P.		Ewing, Randall M.	1882		Giles, C. C.		Giles, Thomas	1877	12
Carr, Fannie E.		Richardson, J. C.	1896	15	Giles, C. C.		Giles, Thomas	1873	12
Caskey, W. H.		McCord, Alvin D.	1887	11	Glenn, John		Glenn, W. P. J.	1873	12
Clark, W. J.		Waller, William	1888	15	Glenn, James H.		Morton, James	1880	18
Cliffe, D. B.		Merrill, John, Colored	1883		Gosey, E. S. B.		Johnson, Eli M.	1882	13
Cliffe, D. B.		Boulware, Mary B.	1884		Gray, G. W.		Gray, M. A.	1887	
Cliffe, D. B.		Greene, E. J.	1882	17	Gray, G. W.		Gray, M. A.	1886	
					Gray, R. D.		Harp, Mary	1877	13
					Halaway, Thomas S.				
							Halfacre, David	1873	19
					Harpeth Nat'l. Bank				
							Mathis, J. D.	1923	13

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Name	vs.	Name	Year	District	Name	vs.	Name	Year	District
Harrison, R. R.		Vaughn, Geo. O.	1895	19	McKee, C. J.		McKee, Julia B.	1884	4
Hatcher, A. W.		Hatcher, Mary	1897	13	McKennon, John B.		Fleming, John T.	1883	10
Haynes, Thos. E.		Waddey, E. R.	1882	12	McKennon, John B.		Fleming, John T.	1883	
Haynes, R.E.		Harpeth R. Mills			McPherson, Jno. & Wife		McPherson, Jno. & others		
		Rizer, Y. N.	1885					1876	1
Hicks, M. X.		Southall, P. H.	1885	4	Meacham, M. S.		Potts, S. J.	1885	2
Hinson, James H. <i>et al</i>			1876	Franklin	Mitchell, H. P.		Vaughan Brothers	1884	Franklin
Holt, L. H.		Moore, H. C.	1879	Brentwood	Morton, John W.		Leneave, H. D.	1900	
House, William		Sayers, J. K.	1897		Morton, James		Gooch, Queen	1896	
House, William		Wall, E. P.	1897		Moss, P. W.		Reems, Sarah J.	1885	5
House, P. A.		House, Dec., Colored	1896	9	Nolen, Jno. L.		Hamlett, W. T.	1885	Nolensville
House, P. A.		House, Dec., Colored	1896	9	Nolen, B. P.		Nolen, Susan M.	1887	14
House, William		Sayers, J. K.	1897	19	North, Jas. A.		Be_____	1897	10
House, S. S.		Childress, Gregory	1898	14	Owen, L. R.		Owen, Allen	1889	17
Hudson, Sallie B.		Hudson, T. E.,			Owen, P. A.		Owen, M. S.	1873	16
		Nov. 27 & Dec. 23	1897	12	Padgett, D. C.		Freeman, Bettie M.	1886	12
Hunter, Doc Riley, Colored					Page, Jason W.		Holt, L. H.	1876	19
		Hunter, Geo., Colored	1890	3	Page, Isaac S.		Michael Levin, heirs	1870	
Hunter, Isaac		Harper, J. H.	1885	20	Parham, J. W.		Allen, Geo. B.	1889	3
Irvin, J. I.		McCall, New J.	1897	9	Parker, D. C.		Parker, Jefferson	1882	1
Irvin, J. I.		McCall, Lou J.	1897	22	Parman, D. N.		Raider, John	1885	8
Ivy, Isaac		Knall, J. C.	1883	1	Parrish, J. H.		Parrish, Hannah	1880	Franklin
Johnson, W. H.		Snell, Elizabeth	1887	4	Patton, W. D.		Covington, W. F.	1885	21
Johnson, Anderson, dec'd.			1892	17	Patton, Emoline, Colored				
Johnson, L. L.		Johnson, Liney	1885	4			Jamison, Sam, Colored	1897	
Johnson, Thomas B.		Hunt, Wm. G.	1883	16	Pennington, Nancy		Gray, William	1888	13
Jones, Joseph S.		Hardison, Lee A.	1893	3	Perkins, L. H., Mrs.		Hughes, Nannie	1897	9
Jones, T. M.		Morton, N. M.	1897		Perkins, L. H.		Jordan, Latitia	1896	4
Jones, William		Nevills, Orgie	1897	13	Phillips, M. J.		Caldwell, Robert	1893	16
Jordan, R. A.		Hyde, Mary	1891	18	Pope, W. C., Guardian		Johnson, Thos.	1886	4
Jordan, R. A.		Walker, Annie Z.	1896	8	Potts, W.C. & P.N.		Ex Parte	1900	15
Jordan, William A.		House, Jno.	1889	18	Purtee, J. W.		Purtee, Lizzie	1897	5
Jordan, J. T.		Sparkman, Rebecca	1897		Puryear, M. C. H.		Bowden, John	1882	4
King, John		King, Thomas	1879	1	Redman, T. D.		Coles, Oscar	1897	9
Kirby, W. J.		Johnston, A. M.	1884	1	Redman, T. J. & Young, Execs.				
Lampley, Ellen F.		Lampley, Charles D.	1887	1			Dodson, A. H.	1887	9
Lee, John W.		Padgett, Mary	1881	12	Reese, Sallie P.		Ewing, Isaiah	1887	Franklin
Lester, B. W.		Lester, Wm. P.	1887	21	Richardson, R. N.		Smithson, J.P. & E.P.	1888	22
Lester, B. W.		Lester, Wm. P.	1887	21	Rivers, W. H.		Vincent, Thos. P.	1889	19
Lillie, J. B.		Owen, The L.	1880	8	Robinson, W. D.		Redman, Sam	1897	
Lillie, Byron		Jones, Sophonia	1891	3	Robinson, D. M.		Vaughn, Atwood	1895	19
Loventhall, B.S. & Son		Johnson, S. W.	1895	13	Rodgers, W. J.		Butler, Robert R.	1885	4
Low, R. L.		Nevils, R. H.	1893	13	Sawyer, E. D.		Sawyer, Eliza	1883	14
Marshall, Wm. A.		Marshall, James R.	1882	3	Sayers, Nancy J.		Sayers, W. T.	1878	14
Mayberry, H. G. W.		Mayberry, Elizabeth	1885	5	Scales, F. A.		McMahon, W. H.	1897	19
McConnico, Sallie W.		McConnico, Joseph	1888	11	Scales, P. D.		Brown, J. B.	1886	12
McConnico, Sallie W.		McConnico, Joseph	1888	11	Scales, P. D.		Brown, J. B.	1885	12
McConnico, Sallie W.		McConnico, Joseph	1889		Scales, P. D.		Steele, Cora	1885	12
McCord, A. C.		McCord, W. C.	1891	11	Scales, James A.		Scales, Frank B.	1888	
McCord, A. C.		Stephens, J. H.	1884	11	Scales, T. D.		Padgett, G. R.	1894	12
McEwen, Jno. B., Trustee		Green, Jo. J.	1881	17	Scales, P. D.		Wilson, J. B.	1888	21
McEwen, J. B.		Handy, Lucy C.	1881	9	Scruggs, Ned		Dodson, B. E.	1896	4
McEwen, John B.		Ballow, R. W.	1881	7	Shannon, Green A.		Jenkins, Geo. R.	1879	17

Name	vs.	Name	Year	District
Shaw, W. A.		Helm, Henderson . . .	1891	2 & 4
Shaw, W. A.		Thompson, Clinton . .	1898	. 11
Shaw, W. A.		Thompson, Clinton . .	1898	. 12
Shumate, J. S. . . .		Shumate, W. A. . . .	1896	. 10
Sledge, Mary Ann . .		Beard, Sallie	1872	. 13
Sledge, Jno. W. . . .		Russell, Mary Sue . . .	1892	. 21
Sledge, Mary Ann . .		Beard, Sallie	1871	
Smith, Samuel		Laughlin, J.W. &		
.		Eliza E.	1883	. 1
Smith, Thomas A. . .		Smith, M. C. D. . . .	1897	
Sneed, J. H.		Manley, Joel	1896	. 7
Sneed, J. R.		Warren, M. A., Mrs. . .	1897	
Sneed, J. H.		Manley, Joel	1897	. 7
Sparkman, C. N. . . .		Page, Albert	1898	. 2
Sprott, W. H.		Sprott, Ellis	1887	. 12
Stanfield, J. H. . . .		Stanfield, Minnie . . .	1884	. 16
State of Tennessee . .		Morton, J. C. C. . . .	1884	. 11
State of Tennessee . .		Allen, W. C.	1881	. 14
State of Tennessee . .		Andrews, Jno. T. . . .	1882	
State of Tennessee . .		Andrews, Jno. T. 1882		Franklin
State of Tennessee . .		Brown, B. F.	1881	. 1
State of Tennessee . .		Harrison, N. L. . . .	1881	. 13
Steele, W. A.		Stevens, T. W. . . .	1880	. 22
Steele, W. A.		Stephens, Thos. W. . .	1877	. 22
Stevens, Lucy A. . . .		Stevens, W. M. . . .	1879	. 14
Still, S. J.		Burkett, W. H. . . .	1897	. 16
Sutton, Uriah		Rudder, Alton F. . . .	1865	. 24
Tanner, J. P.		Tanner, Walter	1897	. 13
Taylor, T. B.		Morton, Lou, Mrs. . . .	1880	
Thomas, Atha		Watson, Mary Etta . . .	1885	. 4
Thomas, Atha		Mayberry, H. G. W. . .	1885	. 10
Thomas, Atha & Holt, L. H.				
.		Irvin, Andrew G. . . .	1874	. 19
Thomas, Atha		Puryear, Florence A. . .	1884	
Trimble, J. A.		Jacobs, Nannie	1888	. 2
Vaden, N. B.		Vaden, Martha	1887	. 13
Vaughan, I. N., Admr.				
.		Marshall, Elizabeth . .	1885	. 8
Vaughan, I. N., Admr.				
.		Marshall, Elizabeth . .	1882	. 8
Vaughn, I. N.		Marshall, Elizabeth . .	1882	. 8
Vowell, Quincy Ann . .		Vowell, John	1888	. 1
Waddy, J. T.		Crutcher, W. A. . . .	1890	
Wadkins, John		Wadkins, Paralee . . .	1871	. 1
Wagner, Catherine E. .		Davis, R. P.	1889	
Wakefield, Margaret .				
.		Younger, Polk	1871	. 2
Wall, W. W.		Wilkins, John A. . . .	1881	. 3
Wallace, W. J.		Wallace, Alice	1887	. 11
Walpool, W. J.		Mullins, S. G.	1903	
Watson, S.C., Mrs., et al				
.		Watson, A.P.H., et al .	1892	. 4
Watson, S.C., Mrs., et al				

Name	vs.	Name	Year	District
.		Watson, A.P.H., et al .	1892	Lots
Weaver, Thomas . . .		Smith, Baxter	1896	
Wells, James		Wells, Louis H.	1893	. 9
Williams, M. C. . . .		Johnson, Eli M.	1882	. 13
Williams, C. W. . . .		Patton, R. B.	1888	. 19
Williams, Chesley, Adrm.				
.		Winn, Narcissa J. . . .	1874	. 18
Williams, M. C. . . .		Williams, Elizabeth V. .	1883	. 2
Williamson Co. Bank . .				
.		Morton, Julia A. . . .	1896	. 5
Wilson, I. B.		Boyd, J. B.	1886	. 22
Winstead, Elvin . . .		Mayberry, Emeline . . .	1894	. 5
Winter, Carroll, Colored				
.		Foreclosure sale	1889	. 5
Woldridge, Thomas E. .		Ivy, Isaac	1888	. 1



DISCUSSION OF THE GENEALOGY OF JAMES RONEY, SR., AND FAMILY OF SUMNER CO., TENNESSEE

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THERE ARE TWO BOOKS PUBLISHED ON the Roney Family^{1,2} that give a descent for James Roney Sr. of Sumner Co., Tennessee, from a James Roney of Richmond County, Virginia. There are some aspects of this genealogy that appear contrary to the available evidence. It is my intent in this treatise to reveal these discrepancies and to present some new conclusions. Let me first outline the published descent.

1st Generation: - James Roney (1678-1738), married Ann Comengs. He immigrated to America about 1700 and settled on the eastern side of the Rappahannock River in Richmond Co., Virginia. His widow, Ann Roney, acted as administrator of his estate, appearing in court November 6, 1738. Their children were:

- 1- James Roney (1711-1765)
m. Elizabeth (1715-1763)
- 2- Ann Roney (1713)
- 3- Elizabeth Roney (1716)
- 4- Patrick Roney (1719) m. Sarah (1722)
- 5- Mary Roney (1721)

The source of the names of the children and the source of the dates of birth was not given. It is stated that only an inventory was found relative to settlement of his estate.

2nd Generation: - James Roney (1711-1765), married Elizabeth ? (1715-1763). Again, no source is given as to the dates of births of James, his wife or children, nor of his wife's death or family name. James left a will in Orange Co., N.C. 1765 in which he named his four (4) children. It was dated August 2, 1765 and probated November 1765. No evidence is given linking this James Roney with Richmond Co., Virginia. In his will he ordered his estate to be divided in four equal parts. Apparently his wife was dead. It was witnessed by James McCarley, Mary Sample and John Bul. The children were:

- 1- Elizabeth Roney (1738), m. John Hodge (1738)
- 2- Benjamin Roney (1740-1827,) m. 1774 Catherine Andrew (1756-1829)
- 3- James Roney (1741-1805), m. 1761 Susannah Hugh (1742-1780); m. (2) 1781 Anne ? (1754-1821)

¹ William B. Rowland and Mary Searle Rowland, *The Roney Families*, 1979.

² Doris Roney Bowers, *Roney Family History and Genealogy 1690-1972* (Astoria, Illinois: Stevens Publishing Company, 1978).

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4- Ann Roney (1743) - no information

It is said that James Roney moved into Orange Co., N.C. about 1740. The area would have then been in Edgecombe Co., later in 1746, a part of Granville and then in Orange in 1750. No records in Granville County or Edgecombe County have been offered. James Roney was in the 1755 tax list of Orange County. This is the only entry for a Roney in any of the two volumes of North Carolina Taxpayers by Ratcliff before 1779.

3rd Generation: - Benjamin Roney (1740-1827), married Catherine Andrews (1756-1829). This man and many of his descendants resided in Orange Co., N.C. His children are named in his will, probated August 1827. One of his granddaughters, Artelia Roney, married Washington Duke, a founder of the American Tobacco Co., and after whom Duke University is named. Their children were:

- 1- Margaret Roney (1776) m. 1796 John Bryan (1775-1799)
m. 1800 John Eason (1777)
- 2- Nancy Roney (1778-1846),
m. 1796 David Bryan (1775)
- 3- Benjamin Roney, Jr. (1781) m. 1804 Margaret Pickett (1784-1809)
- 4- Sarah "Sally" Roney (1782)
m. James McAdams (1780)
- 5- Catherine Roney (1785)
m. 1808 John Pickett (1785-1843)
- 6- James Roney (1786-1841)
m. 1812 Mary "Polly" Collins (1793-1843)
- 7- Andrew Roney (1787-1832)
m. 1814 Sarah "Sally" Freeman (1795-1879)
- 8- Elizabeth Roney (1789-1871)
m. 1810 John Trollinger (1790-1869)
- 9- Mary "Polly" Roney (1791)
m. 1814 William Clendenin (1790)
- 10- John Roney (1792-1866)
m. 1815 Mary Trollinger (1800-1879)

The above marriages with dates are in the Orange Co. marriage books.

3rd Generation: - James Roney (1741-1805) m. Susannah Hugh (1742-1780), m. Anne ? (1754-1821). His children were:

- 1- James Roney (1762-1833)
m. 1782 Elizabeth (1763-1828)
m. 1829 Catherine Perry (1793)
- 2- John Roney (1764)
m. 1790 Mary "Polly" Deaker (1772)
- 3- Helen Roney (1768) no information
- 4- Hugh Roney (1770)
m. 1793 Elizabeth Newton (1774)

- 5- Mary "Polly" Roney (1772)
m. 1796 Israel Standiford (1772)
- 6- Benjamin Roney (1784-1810) - never married
- 7- Anne Roney (1786) no information
- 8- Nancy Roney (1788)
m. 1809 William Hughes (1787)
- 9- Thomas Roney (1791-1860)
m. 1815 Mary "Polly" Chrosby (1795-1832)
m. 1832 Jane Martin (1814)

Only the Nancy Roney - William Hughes marriage is in the Orange Co. marriage books. The only record of John Roney is the marriage in Lincoln Co., N.C. in 1790. The only record of Hugh Roney is the 1793 marriage in Duplin Co., N.C. and the 1790 census of Duplin Co., N.C. The only record of Thomas Roney is records of his life in Georgia, dying in Warren Co., Georgia in 1862 (information furnished by Mr. Sam Roney; P.O. Box 3323; Savannah, Georgia). The proof of connection to Orange Co. was not given. No record is given for the other marriages. According to the Roney publications, the last 4 children were by the 2nd wife, Ann. They say James, the oldest son, and his half brother Benjamin went to Sumner Co., Tennessee, where Benjamin left a will in 1803 giving his entire estate "to his half brother, James, son of James and Susannah Roney". His executors were Isaac Stalcup and Richard Cope. The will was witnessed by James Roney, Sr., and James Hasten. Apparently, their interpretation is that the recipient and half brother, James, was also the witness, James Roney, Sr. .

4th Generation: Roney, Sr.(1762-1833), married Elizabeth 2 1763-1827) and Catherine Perry (1793) in 1829 in Sumner Co., Tennessee. He moved to Sumner Co., Tennessee, about 1800 along with his half brother, Benjamin. Children: (taken from the will of James Roney Sr., dated 1833).

- 1- Samuel Roney (1784), m. 1808 Patsy House (1791)
- 2- William Roney (1785)
m. 1808 Leah Groves (1790)
- 3- Elizabeth Roney (1787)
m. 1805 William Dinning (1784)
- 4- Margaret Roney (1788)
m. Richard Cape (Cope)
- 5- James Roney, Jr. (1789-1844)
m. Catherine Young (1788-1841)
- 6- Susannah Roney (1791)
m. 1808 David Groves (1787)
- 7- Lydia Roney (1793)
m. 1810 Christopher Woodall (1788)
- 8- John Roney (1795), m. 1828 Armanda Crafton

The dated marriages are recorded in Sumner Co., Tennessee, marriage books. This list contains 8 children - 4 boys and 4 girls. This is where the discrepancies begin to show up.

The 1800 census of Orange Co., N.C. for James Roney is as follows:

James Roney:

Males: 0-10 (1), 10-16 (2), 16- 26 (2), 45 & up (1)
Females: 0-10 (2), 10-16 (1), 16-26(2), 45 & up (1)

This is the only James Roney in the county. This record does not fit either families of James Roney. This James Roney had 5 sons and 5 daughters. The James Roney (1741-1805) had 5 sons and 4 daughters, but 3 of his sons and 1 of his daughters were married before 1800. Both he and his wife Anne are listed as 45 & up - born before 1755, but the 1810 census of Orange Co., N.C. lists Ann's census record as follows:

Ann Roney - Males - none

Females 0-10 (2), 10-16 (0), 16-26(2), 26-45 (1)

Ann Roney in that census was born 1765-1784. Moreover there should be two James Roney families in Orange Co. records according to the genealogy just given; James Roney (1741-1805) and James Roney (1762-1833). However, I find the following:

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Roney, James - Orange Co. - 1755

Roney, James - Orange Co. - 1779

Roney, Benjamin - Orange Co. - 1779

Roney, John - Halifax Co. - 1783

Roney, William - Halifax Co. - 1783

U.S. 1790 Census of North Carolina

Benjamin Roney - Orange Co.

James Roney - Orange Co.

Hugh Roney - Duplin Co.

The James Roney in Orange Co. in 1755 died in 1765. After his death, there is never more than one James Roney family in the tax lists and census records of Orange Co. at one time. Which one existed between 1765 and 1800? Let us look at the James Roney who went to Sumner Co., Tennessee, to see if he is the James Roney in Orange Co. in 1790 and 1800. Incidentally, a number of other Orange Co., N.C. families lived all around him, intermarried with each other and the Roney's. They included the Brackin, Denning (Dinning), Stalcup, and Boyle families. Benjamin Roney went with him. First let us re-interpret the Will of Benjamin Roney. He gave his property to his half brother, James, son of James and Susannah Roney. It was witnessed by James Roney, Sr. It is very unusual for the recipient to witness a will. It may not stand up to a challenge in court. I believe that the witness, James Roney, Sr. was the husband of Susannah and the father of the half brothers, James and Benjamin.

To support this, on Aug. 25, 1814, James Roney Jr. sold to John Stewart for \$24.00 a lot in Gallatin that had been conveyed to Benjamin Roney on Feb. 21, 1803. Thus it apparent that it is James Roney Jr. that is the half brother and recipient of the will and James Roney Sr. must be the husband of Susannah.

In 1833, James Roney, Sr. made a will which was probated in May 1835. He gave a life estate to his wife, Catherine (whom he had married on September 25,

	1800	1830	1850	Birth	Death	Name	Spouse
Husband	Before 1755	1750-60		1751-2	1835	James Roney Sr.	? Susannah Stalcup Catherine Perry
Wife	Before 1755			1754	Before 1829	Susannah	
Son	1774-84			ca 1775	1810	Benjamin	-----
Daughter	1774-84			1778	1864	Elizabeth	William Dinning
Daughter	1774-84			ca 1780	1815-19	Margaret	Richard Cope
Son	1774-84	1780-90		ca 1782	1844	James Jr.	Catherine Young
Son	1784-90	1780-90	1783	1783	After 1850	Samuel	Martha House
Son	1784-90	1780-90	1784	1784	After 1850	William	Leah Groves
Daughter	1784-90	1780-90	1789	1789	After 1860	Susannah	David Groves
Son	1790-1800	1780-90	1789	1790	After 1850	John	Armanda Crafton
Daughter	1790-1800			ca 1791	Before 1833	?	?
Daughter	1790-1800			1793		Lydia	Christopher Woodall

Table 1

1829), and then it was to be "divided equally among James Roney, Jr., Sam Roney, William Roney, John Roney, Elizabeth Dinning, Susannah Groves, Liddy Woodall, and heirs of my deceased daughter, Margaret Cope and granddaughter Susannah House". Obviously James Roney Sr. must have a been the husband of Susannah Roney (mother of the half brother James Jr). He names 4 sons, 4 daughters. He either had a fifth daughter who married a House and had a daughter named Susannah House, or Susannah is the Susan, daughter of Margaret Cope who married John House on Oct. 9, 1824. In the latter case, the fifth daughter in the 1800 census probably died before 1833 without issue. This list, along with his son, Benjamin, by a former marriage, makes the 5 sons and 5 daughters, the number in the 1800 census of

Orange Co., N.C. Moreover, in the 1830 census, James Roney, Sr. is 70 to 80 years old, born 1750-1760. This also fits with the 1800 census and, of course, differs from the published record in the Roney Family books which give his birth as 1762.

Let us look at the other census records for the children and see if their ages fit the 1800 census. There were too many William Dennings to distinguish which one. However a book entitled *The Denning and Allied Families* by Michael Denning has Elizabeth Roney Denning b. 1/23/1778 - d. 12/23/1864. Also Margaret Cope died between 1815 (when her last child was born) and 1819 (when Richard Cope remarried Keziah Best). Thus she is not in any Sumner Co., Tennessee, census records.

1830 Census of Sumner Co. Tennessee

conjunction with James Roney. In those pioneer days, people married their neighbors who were frequently distant relatives. I have not found any business contacts between a Roney and a Hugh, nor any record of their intermarriage.

Study of deeds in Orange Co., N.C., in fact, does not reveal the name Hugh. There are some records with the name Hughs, Huges and Hughes, the different spellings in some instances being interchangeable. The only Hugh I have found is William Hugh in the 1790 census (a tax list of 1787) of Orange Co. There was a John Hugh in Pasquotank tax list of 1769 and a John Hugh in Brunswick Co. tax list of 1784.

On the other hand, the contact between James Roney and the Stalcup family is extensive. First, let me give you the family of Peter Stalcup (1712-1768). He lived in New Castle Co., Delaware where my Brackin family lived. Both families moved to Orange Co., N.C. in the 1760's. The following comes from his Bible record.

- 1- John , b. 4/22/1739 - [wife Elizabeth]
- 2- William, b. 5/27/1741 - [had son Isaac] [in Orange Co. tax list 1779]
- 3- Tobias, b. 8/1/1743- [in Orange Co. tax list 1779]
- 4- Swithin, b. 1745- [in Orange Co. tax list 1779]
- 5- Rachel b. 8/1/1749 -[married Isaac Brackin in old Swedes Church in Wilmington, Delaware 8/31/1769 - my g.g.g.grandparents]
- 6- Lydia, b. 6/11/1750
- 7- Susannah , b. 8/10/1754
- 8- Peter, Jr., b. 1/21/1757 [in Orange Co. tax list 1779]

Repeated names among the grandchildren of Peter Stalcup are Rachel (2), Susannah (3), Lydia (3), William (5), John (5). Susannah, Lydia, and William are not prominent Roney names, but all three are among the names of the children of James Roney, Sr. Also James Roney Sr. had a grandson named Peter. The Stalcup family crops up over and over in the records relating to James Roney as is shown in the following:

- 1- James Roney and Isaac Stalcup (son of William) lived next door in the 1790 census of Orange Co., N.C.
- 2- James Roney, Blacksmith, on 8/16/1791, sold 167 acres to Tobias Stalcup on both sides of Quaker Ck. in Orange Co., part of 640 acres, granted from North Carolina to Roney on 11/9/1784.
- 3- Benjamin Roney's will of 1803 in Sumner Co., Tennessee, names executors, Isaac Stalcup and Richard Cope.
- 4- James Roney sold land in Sumner Co., Tennessee, in 1812 to Elizabeth, widow of John Stalcup. This land bordered on the road up to Roney's house.
- 5- James Roney sold land to Isaac Stalcup in Sumner Co., Tennessee, in 1813.
- 6- In a lawsuit in 1819 in Smith Co., Tennessee, over the estate of William Stalcup, the court ordered the taking depositions from Rachel Brackin and James Roney.

Now for the family connections:

- 1- John Brackin (son of Rachel Stalcup Brackin) married

Rhoda Groves, daughter of Thomas Groves.

- 2- Thomas Groves (father of the above Rhoda) had two other children, Leah, to marry William Roney, and David, to marry Susannah Roney, both Roneys were children of James Roney, Sr.
- 3- Lydia Brackin, daughter of Rachel Stalcup Brackin, married James Boyle in Orange Co., N.C. In Tennessee, she had three daughters; Rachel, Mary, and Sinai, to marry three sons of Micajah House; William, Henry, Sr., and James.
- 4- Another of Micajah House's children, Martha (Patsy), married Samuel Roney, son of James Roney Sr. Susan Cope, daughter of Margaret Cope and granddaughter of James Roney Sr., married John House, son of Micajah House.
- 5- Orvil Houston Freedle, son of Susan Boyle Freedle, who was the daughter of Lydia Brackin Boyle and granddaughter of Rachel Stalcup Brackin, married Mary Ann Roney, daughter of Samuel Roney and granddaughter of James Roney, Sr.
- 6- Dovie A.M. Roney, daughter of Samuel Roney and granddaughter of James Roney Sr., married Pleasant Stalcup, grandson of Tobias Stalcup.
- 7- Isaac Boyle, son of Lydia Brackin Boyle and grand son of Isaac Brackin and Rachel Stalcup, married Rachel Shy, daughter of Robert Shy and Sarah Stalcup Shy, who was the daughter of Tobias Stalcup.

From the above list it is quite apparent that there was extensive intermarriage of the Stalcup, Brackin, House, Groves, Boyle and Roney families. I am trying to find the deposition of James in the lawsuit over William Stalcup's estate. I have not yet located it, but all avenues have not yet been explored. Clearly James Roney was very close to the Stalcup family. It seems to me that the name Lydia as a child in the Roney family is a key. It is not a Roney name. It is a repeated name among the descendants of Peter Stalcup. Also there was a Roney grandson named Peter.

At the present time I cannot say with firm belief that James Roney of Orange Co. N.C. was a son of the James Roney of Richmond Co., Va. since there is no one named Patrick in the Orange Co. Roney's and since there was such a large migration of people from Cecil Co., Md. (where there was both a James Roney Sr. and Jr. in 1748) to Orange Co., N.C. Incidentally Cecil Co., Md. adjoins New Castle, Del. where the Stalcups lived before 1769 and it is quite possible that the Roneys and the Stalcups knew each other before the move to North Carolina. Presently, I shall start my first generation with James Roney who died in 1765.

In closing I see the line as follows:

- 1- James Roney (171?—1765), wife Elizabeth (?); children: Elizabeth, Benjamin, James, and Ann.
- 2- James Roney (1751-2—1835), m. 1st _____, 2nd Susannah Stalcup, 3rd Catherine Perry in 1829; children: Benjamin by 1st wife, by 2nd wife: Elizabeth, Margaret, James Jr., Samuel, William, daughter (deceased before the writing of the will), John, Susannah and Lydia. ■

IS IT REALLY NECESSARY TO LOOK AT THE ORIGINAL?

By Gale Williams Bamman, CG, CGL*

YOU'VE SEARCHED PUBLISHED transcripts and you have located the information you were seeking. There's no need to look at the original record, right?

If this is the approach you use in your genealogical research, you will frequently miss important clues. Transcribers, abstractors, and compilers all have the best of intentions; and we are grateful for the tedious work they perform for us. But it behooves all of us to remember that their finished compilations often differ from the actual records in a number of ways:

- in frequent misinterpretation of given names and surnames;
- in omission of pertinent dates and phrases;
- in failure to list all names;
- in misunderstanding the record being transcribed.

Any of these flaws have the potential to wreak havoc on our research efforts. The following is an example of problems that can arise from over-reliance on published transcriptions.

Warren County, Tennessee, is a particularly frustrating area for researchers, with its loss of early county records—other than deeds and an 1812 list of taxable inhabitants. This 1812 list is of recognized importance and has been transcribed and published in several books and journals.¹

Some of the transcriptions of this list appear to be relatively accurate, but one is incomplete to the point of uselessness, while another mistakenly separates a portion of the names and labels it as an 1805 tax list.

The incomplete transcription appears in *The Warren County Story*, by Eugene M. Wiseman, a book with considerable merit, otherwise.² This version of the 1812 list omits some three hundred names that can be found in the original,³ even though the published list is described therein as having been "copied in [its] entirety."

In answer to my inquiry to Mr. Wiseman as to

the source for his transcription, he advised that the list could be found in a manuscript collection at the Tennessee State Library and Archives, titled the Thomas Barnes Papers.⁴ The list does appear in that collection, but the one found there is Mr. Barnes' transcription, not the original record. In other words, Mr. Wiseman made his transcription from someone else's transcription. More unfortunately, he evidently had a glitch in his computer system sometime between the transcription and publication, since his own version is short the three hundred names that do appear in the Barnes transcription.

Additionally, Wiseman's Warren County History provides a list of some 90 persons identified as appearing in an 1811 tax list. However, the list is a name-for-name repetition of Christian Shell's militia company, as found in the 1812 listing (minus 17 names). This so-called 1811 list is not to be found in either the above mentioned Barnes' papers or in the microfilmed originals of Warren County tax records.

Further comparison of the original record, the Barnes list, and the Wiseman list reveal other differences.

- Wiseman placed his 709 transcribed names in *five* groupings, while both Barnes and the original divide the 1,030 names into *eleven* groupings (militia companies, actually). Researchers with early Warren County roots hoping to identify near neighbors by using Wiseman's transcription will be hampered by this alteration.
- The published label, "tax list," also differs from the label borne by the original. The distinction is one that genealogists often confuse. Rather than a tax list (the Wiseman label), the document is a list of taxable inhabitants. It contains only the names of men of taxable age. It does not include data on polls or land ownership and personal property, as would be expected in an actual tax list.
- An inaccurate date assigned to a portion of the men in this 1812 listing can

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be found both in Wiseman's book and in another popular reference work.⁵ Both describe as an 1805 tax list what are actually pages 1-3 of the 1812 list of taxable inhabitants (the page numbers are marked in the upper left-hand corner). The misinterpretation probably arises from the arrangement of the original records at the time they were microfilmed. Pages 1-3 are grouped after the tag, "Warren County, 1805," followed by a tag for Warren County, 1812. Yet the handwriting and arrangement of names in this so-called 1805 list match those of the 1812 listing. The Thomas Barnes manuscript collection, mentioned above, does not make this error; instead, it places the transcription of these pages within the 1812 list. It mentions no 1805 tax list.

- Further scrutiny of the published transcripts and the original record revealed yet another discrepancy. On the microfilm of Tennessee Tax lists, referred to above, and following the 1812 list of taxable inhabitants, is a page of what appears to be an 1812 *tax list*, although the page is so tattered and darkened as to be almost illegible. The 40 names contained therein represent obviously only a small portion of the county's population in that year. A transcription of this tax list was published in *Warren County, Tennessee, Tax Lists - 1805, 1812, 1836*, by The Scribes (Buffalo, Tex.: P.p., 1988). Not detailed in this book is the list of the 1,030 taxable inhabitants of that same year, which do appear in Wiseman's book. To the un-

wary who look no further, research may become stalled at this point, with the assumption that the 40 names are all that now exist.

Researchers who examine any of the above mentioned books to the exclusion of the others may mistakenly conclude they have covered all that is available. Those who study *all* of the books will likely be perplexed by the disparity in the transcriptions and the actual records. This is an extreme example of the confusion that can result when we do not analyze the records we search.

There is danger in assuming that transcriptions are entirely accurate or even that microfilmmers were always scrupulously careful in arranging original records prior to filming. Genealogical research in Tennessee is difficult, at best. We compound that difficulty when we fail to slow down our research efforts long enough to evaluate what we are finding—in original records as well as in published transcripts or abstracts.

End Notes

1. In addition to appearing in the books and manuscript collection discussed in this article, another transcription of the Warren County, Tennessee, 1812 list of taxable inhabitants can be found in "Ansearchin' News," (July-Sept. 1972) 19:107-112.
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THE FATAL COLLAPSE OF RAILROAD BRIDGE #7, WESTERN DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE, 1871¹

By Betsy Ragsdale

On July 3, 1871, train #3 of the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad left the depot in Nashville at 8:20 P.M. There were about 55 passengers, most of whom expected to leave before the train arrived in Kingston Springs.

The train moved along at speed of 6 to 9 miles an hour, making various stops. About 9:30 P.M., the train was slowing to stop to allow a Mrs. Catherine Burns of Smith's Mill to depart. The train began to cross Bridge #7 over the Harpeth River, at a point some 14 miles from Nashville and about one mile east of Newsom Station, when with a thunderous roar of breaking timbers and clanging metal, the bridge collapsed. The engine and its tender crossed the bridge, but the four other cars did not. They fell twenty-eight feet into the warm dark waters of the Harpeth.

The Ladies Car came to rest, standing upright with the front end submerged in the five feet of water. All of the dead were found in this car in the jumble of seats, glass, bodies, and water.

The bell in the Nashville City Hall tolled all the morning of July 4, 1871—a sad holiday in Middle Tennessee.

A list of those killed follows:

- Alexander White of White Bluff
- J. G. Hornburger of Clarksville
- John Marshall of Nashville
- Charles Campbell, his wife Celia, and their ten month old child, residents of Edgefield
- John E. Crockett of Chapel Hill
- William Crockett of Chapel Hill
- Wylie Howard of Chapel Hill
- Miss Ettie Jones from Urbana, Ohio, who taught school in Huntsville, Alabama
- Mrs. Emma Moon Yeatman of Memphis
- Mrs. Margaret Dunn of Kingston Springs
- Mrs. Catherine Burns of Smith's Mill
- Mrs. Anna Lynch of Newsom Station

At the January 1872 term of the Common Law Court of Davidson County, Thomas M. Dunn brought suit against the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad and the Nashville and Northwestern Railroad for causing the death of his wife

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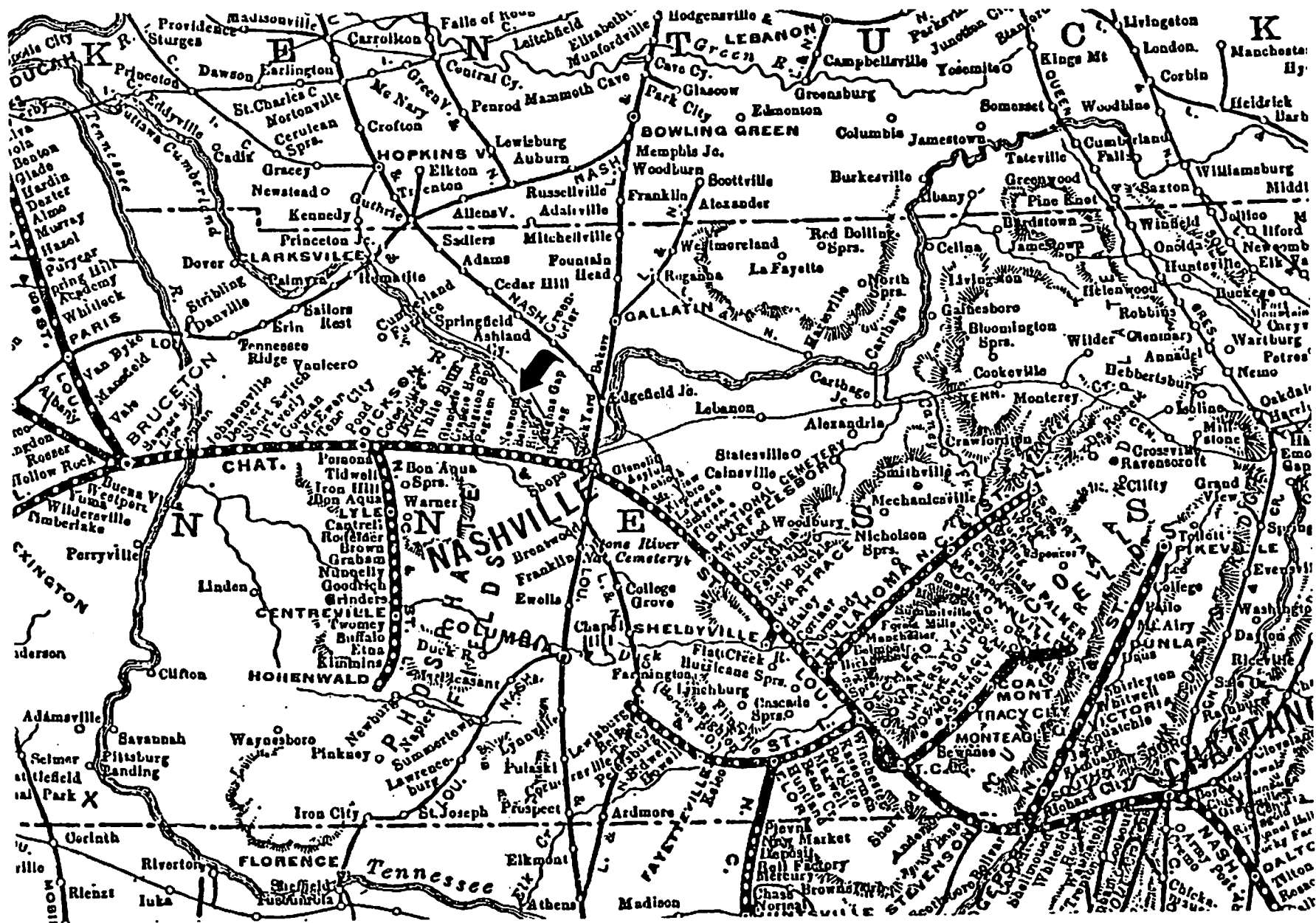
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and serious injuries he suffered. A jury was empaneled on October 17, 1872, and on October 26 found for the plaintiff. The verdict was appealed to the Supreme Court and the court found in favor of Mr. Dunn.

Found in the above case was this testimony by John Trenabath, a bridge builder:

"A bridge is safe after it is rotten, taking other things into consideration. If it is too rotten to hold a train up it is unsafe."



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Internet Access

Getting access to the Internet was never easier. In addition to the three main commercial providers, America Online, CompuServ, and Prodigy, AT&T, MCI, Sprint, and BellSouth offer Internet service. The new BellSouth.net Internet service will be available for \$19.95 a month with unlimited hours of usage. Other providers in the Nashville area such as Edge, ISDN, US Internet, Vip Online, and Voyager Online offer a wide range of choices. Look in the Yellow Pages of your phone book under "Computers-Software and Services" or "Internet Services" for a listing of providers in your area. Some providers offer limited hours of usage at a reduced rate, others charge more for prime time usage and some have a one time setup fee. Most providers offer some type of technical support.

Before you sign up with an Internet provider, determine how much usage you will be making of the service. Do you want Internet access for E-mail only or do you plan to search genealogy Web sites and download files. Will you be on-line a few minutes at a time, whenever you have some time or for extended periods of time every day, weekly, weekends only? Do you have children or will other family members have Internet access? The commercial providers have a wide range of interest areas other than genealogy that might be of interest. They also require you to arrange payment with a credit card. The basic rate is for a

limited number of hours per month, and they charge a higher rate for each minute of time you exceed the limit. This can be expensive, so beware! If you decide to get unlimited access with your service, you might need a second line. If you have call waiting, caller ID, answer machine hooked up, more than one phone, and other family members using the phone or have a FAX machine, then a second line would be recommended. Any one of these factors could cause problems when trying to access the Internet with only one telephone line into your home.

Browsers and Bots

A browser is needed to find Web sites on the Internet and to display almost any content found on the page. They allow you to download files, print pages, send and receive e-mail while browsing other pages. The choice of a Web browser may depend on the Internet provider you plan to use. Netscape's Navigator and Microsoft's Internet Explorer are the most popular. Either will do an excellent job. They have similar features, work much the same way and are easy to install. Internet Explorer is free and comes with Windows 95; Navigator costs about \$50 and can be downloaded from the Internet, or purchased from a computer store.

"Bot" is jargon for robot, a computer entity on the Internet that automatically searches for Web sites. The "knowbot" for example is a semireliable source of missing persons information which can be contacted by sending a message via e-mail. "Bots" are widely used to update and maintain search engines for Web browsers such as Lycos, WebCrawler or Yahoo.

It's All In The Address

A home page address or World Wide Web site can be found on the Internet by typing in the address and asking the browser to find it. Don't let all those letters and symbols confuse you. Just remember to use lower case and not leave out anything. Instead of using name, street address, city, state and zip code for surface mail through the U.S. Postal Service, users of the Internet need to have an E-mail address, access a host computer for Internet access and use a URL (Uniform Resource Locator) or Web address to link up with other computers on the Internet. My current E-mail address is wdjackson@aol.com. The host computer is located at America On-Line, a commercial organization. You also need a user ID to "sign on" or "log on" with your Internet provider. Almost all Web sites begin with the letters "http" which stands for Hypertext Transfer Protocol, and means the resource can be found with a Web server. The http is then followed with ://www to identify the World Wide Web of the Internet. Then you will find a site, subdomain and domain. These terms refer to organizations, government, education, library, commercial and other combinations. Many URL's end with htm or html, which means that site is linked to other sites using hypertext markup language. This feature allows you to move from one site to another by moving the cursor to a highlighted word and clicking. The browser will then connect you to a home page or Web site linked to the page you were viewing. Many times you will be following links from one page or site to another and then reach a dead end or decide to go back to something you saw earlier. Unless you keep track of the sites visited or use the "bookmark" feature of your browser, finding a specific site at a later time could be difficult.

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provider and connect on-line with your browser, you can search for genealogy sites by going to a specific address such as <http://www.state.tn.us/sos/statelib/tslahome.htm> which is the home page for the Tennessee State Library and Archives. You could also ask your browser to search for genealogy Web sites. Don't be surprised to find thousands listed including other State Libraries and Archives along with the National Genealogical Society home page, government agencies, local, state, regional organizations, individual researchers, vendors, publishers, and many other sources. Before you waste an afternoon or evening trying to sort through this tangled web of home pages, explore some of the more common sources. Log onto the State Library home page. Get familiar with the way it is organized. You could use the E-mail link or try linking to another Web page. This is easy to do. If you want to find out about other Web sites in Tennessee, try <http://www.tenn.net/inet/www.html>. You could explore Web sites in other states to locate similar sources of genealogical information rather than doing a global search. This will save time and allow you to focus on a specific place and find out what is available at that location. You can also access the NGS home page at <http://www.genealogy.org/~ngs> or Digital Digest at <http://jb.com/~carla> for on line articles related to genealogy, computers and the Internet.

E-mail

Although interest in accessing Web sites on the Internet has been growing, E-mail is the lifeblood of the Internet. Millions of written messages flow through connections to computers worldwide, enabling people all over the world to communicate in seconds. Unlike the telephone, e-mail allows you to write your message and edit it first before sending it. The genealogist can use this to great advantage because a huge amount of information can be

covered in one message. This allows you to include files and other data regarding surname searches, sources or inquiries about various ancestors. The same message can be sent to several people at the same time, i.e., a mailing list, or you can receive information from others on a mailing list. It also allows you to reply at your convenience rather than having to drop what you are doing to answer the phone.

As you begin your exploration of the Internet, visiting chat rooms, forums, or bulletin boards and find interesting sources to contact, don't make the mistake of asking for everything available from that source. This is frowned upon and could cause unforeseen consequences for you. Suppose you request all the files related to a surname you are interested in. Unless you know the number of files available and their size, you might not have enough disk space to hold them. Depending on your modem, it might take hours to download. When sending E-mail to someone, refrain from sending a quick two-line message requesting help and not providing the recipient with sufficient information to know if they can help or not. It is best to always identify yourself, explain what it is you want, why it is important and include pertinent information to clarify your request. More than likely you will get a quick response and willingness to help you.

Word of warning

Don't overlook the need to safeguard your privacy. Assume your E-mail and postings on bulletin boards, in chat rooms or forums, are not private. Don't reveal phone numbers, passwords, credit-card numbers or other sensitive information over chat lines, forum postings, bulletin boards or E-mail. Anyone can employ search engines to pull up your E-mail address, service provider, and phone number along with postings you might have made in the past. Posting can be copied

and forwarded to others which could be useful in some instances for genealogy researchers but more often is used by telemarketers to target you with a barrage of junk E-mail. It is almost impossible to escape this onslaught of electronic junk mail. America On Line lost a court battle to stop one company from using their services. So take precautions now and maybe you can avoid being hassled with a lot of unwanted E-mail messages.

Banner Blue/Broderbund World Family Tree CD's

Users of Family Tree Maker and other genealogy software have been submitting family history data files to Broderbund for inclusion in a series of CD's produced during the past year. Reaction has been mixed and prompted many genealogists to voice their complaints over the Internet. Candace L. Doriott, writing in the April/May/June 1996 issue of *Genealogical Computing*, summarized comments found on AOL and Prodigy. She was concerned few, if any, comments mentioned source documentation. Her summary provided examples of users reactions to the World Family Tree CD's. Her concerns about source documentation and evaluation of data are valid. The delight at discovering family links on computer generated data bases provided by other researchers on a floppy or downloaded from the Internet, should not overshadow the need to verify sources. Hopefully Broderbund will decide to make submitter names available on future versions of World Family Tree CD's. Without this information, users have no way of knowing what sources, if any, were used in compiling the family data sheets. Whether you find information on CD at a family history center, from a World Family Tree CD, or files downloaded from the Internet, *the fact that it was generated by a computer doesn't mean it is correct*. These are wonderful research tools, not to be ignored but used with caution. ■

THE TENNESSEE STATE LIBRARY & ARCHIVES ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB

By Charles A. Sherrill, TSLA Director of Public Services

THE TENNESSEE STATE LIBRARY AND Archives, which houses the largest collection of Tennessee genealogical research materials in the state, is using the Internet as one way to make genealogists around the world aware of its unique sources and useful services. Whether you live in Nashville or in Nome, you can gain access to this information within seconds if you have a computer, a modem and an Internet connection.

Among the most useful materials for genealogists to be found at this site are genealogical "fact sheets" about each Tennessee county. The Davidson County fact sheet is reprinted here to provide an example. These fact sheets, while they do not list every resource pertinent to a county, provide an overview of the books and microfilm which genealogists will find useful in tracing their ancestors who lived in that place.

For those who do not live near the Library and Archives, the fact sheets indicate which books and manuscript collections are available on inter-library loan. Likewise, a list of early county records microfilm available for interlibrary loan is featured on a separate page. This list was published in the Sept. 1995 issue of this Journal, but is frequently revised and updated. The Internet is a good place to check for the most current version of such lists.

Another useful source accessible through the Library and Archives Web site is an index to personal names which appear in the multi-volume set Acts of Tennessee from 1796 to 1830. From the time Tennessee was a territory of the United States (1790 - 1796), its legislature has passed laws affecting the lives of its citizens. The subjects of the acts range from legitimizing children to granting divorces, from authorizing turnpikes and ferries to compensating a citizen for services rendered the government. This name index to the Acts passed by the Tennessee legislature is intended to help provide access to this vast source of early Tennessee history & genealogy.

This index covers names in the first 33 volumes of the published Acts. The names of members of the legislature were not indexed. A sample page is reproduced in this Journal issue.

A bibliography of Tennessee local history sources, providing citations to books and articles about the history, folklore, flora and fauna and other topics relating to Tennessee counties and communities is also available. When printed out, this bibliography covers more than 300 pages. The genealogist will find a wealth of material reference here, which can provide insight into the homes and times of our ancestors.

Military records are of vital interest to genealogists, and a list of military records on microfilm at the Library and Archives can also be found on the Web pages. This list is arranged by war, and provides information about service records, muster rolls, pension files and other military records containing genealogical clues.

Another service offered by the Library and Archives through this Internet site is a reference service by e-mail. Simple questions which require only a brief answer can be forwarded to the staff at their e-mail address, and answers will be provided in like manner. If you have questions about source materials, if you need a quick check of a published index, or if you want to know how to obtain other research services by mail, you can find out easily by sending an e-mail message to referenc@mail.state.tn.us

The following pages will give you an idea of the breadth of the Library and Archives pages on the Internet. They are as follows:

- Home Page and table of contents for Historical and Genealogical Information
- Sample genealogical fact sheet, for Davidson County
- Sample Acts of Tennessee index page, for Aaron - Adams
- Sample Local History Sources bibliography, for Wilson County

TENNESSEE SECRETARY OF STATE

Riley C. Darnell, Secretary of State



**WELCOME
TO THE
HOME PAGE
OF THE
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Historical and Genealogical Information

Vital Records

- ◆ [Finding Birth and Death Records in Tennessee](#)

Military Records

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County Records

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- ◆ [Pre-1860 County Records on Microfilm](#)
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- ◆ [Local Government Archives in Tennessee, 1995](#)

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- ◆ [Genealogical "Fact Sheets" on Each Tennessee County](#)
- ◆ [Bibliography of Tennessee Genealogy Sources : A Core Collection](#)
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Census Records

- ◆ [Statewide Census Records on Microfilm](#)
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- ◆ [Making the Best Use of Tennessee Census Index Books, 1850 - 1870](#)

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Tennessee Reading Lists

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- ◆ [Tennessee Authors of Adult Fiction, Poetry and Drama 1970s - 1990s](#)

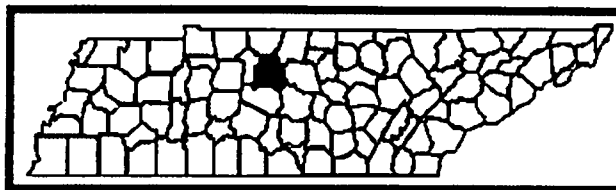
Miscellaneous

- ◆ [Guide to Maps in the Tennessee State Library and Archives](#)
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Sample Tennessee State Library & Archives Internet page

DAVIDSON COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOURCES

at the Tennessee State Library & Archives

*Updated: February 29, 1996*

Davidson County was formed in 1783 by an act of the state of North Carolina.

The county seat is Nashville.

Census Records: Microfilm records for 1820-1920 include Davidson County. They are indexed in statewide census indexes for 1820-1870 and microfilm indexes for 1880 and 1900-1920. Records for 1820 and 1850 are also in book form.

Selected County Histories: History of Davidson County (Woods, 1946); *Davidson County (Burns, 1989); *Davidson County centenary history 1780-1880 (Clayton, 1971); *Pioneers of Davidson County (Whitley, 1979).

Published Local Records: *Death records and tombstones (Fulcher); Tombstone inscriptions (Fulcher); *Court minutes 1792-1799 (Wells); *Marriages 1789-1837 (Whitley); *Land deed genealogy 1783-1792 (Marsh); *Pioneers of Davidson County (Whitley); Marriages 1838-1863 (Sistler); Wills and inventories 1783-1830 (Marsh); *Revolutionary and War of 1812 soldiers (Whitley); *Deed book 1829-1835 (Smith). *WPA typescripts on microfilm include: County court minutes 1783-1797; Deed index 1784-1871; Superior court minutes 1788-1809; Wills 1784-1836.

Local Records Microfilm: An inventory of microfilmed county records is available for purchase. Individual reels may also be purchased. Earliest records include: marriages from 1789; deeds from 1784; wills books from 1784; and county court minutes from 1783. The following are available on interlibrary loan: marriages 1789-1863 (2 reels); will books 1784-1865 (7 reels); and deed index 1784-1871 (4 reels) .

Newspapers: Newspapers were published in Donelson, Goodlettsville, Madison, Nashville and Old Hickory. Scattered early issues are available from 1808, and a complete run begins in 1880. Microfilms are provided to Tennessee libraries on interlibrary loan. Individual rolls may also be purchased.

Manuscript Materials: *Cumberland Lodge Masonic records (#433, 7 reels); *Dorris Funeral Home records 1902-1914 (#522, 1 reel); *Nashville City cemetery records (#139, 632 and 659, 6 reels); *Mt. Olivet Cemetery records (#576, #1489, #1490); Christ Church records, Nashville (#47, 2 reels); *West End Methodist Church records, Nashville (#65, 1 reel); *First Baptist Church records, Nashville (#74, 2 reels); *St. Ann's Episcopal Church records, Nashville (#120, 1 reel); *Downtown Presbyterian Church records, Nashville (#186, 1 reel); *Nashville Church of the Advent records (#289, 1 reel); *Moore Memorial Presbyterian Church records, Nashville (#487, 1 reel); *Christ Episcopal Church records, Nashville (#575, 2 reels); *Cumberland District (Davidson & Washington counties), 1779-1806 (#224, 1 reel).

**Indicates this title may be borrowed on interlibrary loan.*

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ACTS OF TENNESSEE 1796 - 1830 : A (Part 1) : Aaron - Andersen

Last Name	First Name	Date	Serial No.	Chapter & Section	Description
Aaron	John	1825	30	103.2	Stewart County - husband of Rachel Aaron
Aaron	Rachel	1825	30	103.2	Stewart County - property rights of feme sole
Abel	Philip	1826	31 Private	180.1	Commissioner to establish a turnpike road
Abernatha	Charles C.	1823	28	235.2	Wertenburg Academy trustee
Abernathy	Burwell	1825	30	142.2	Elk River fish trap authorized
Abernathy	Charles C.	1824	29	81.8	Giles/Lawrence County trustee
Acklin	Christopher	1825	30	232	Franklin County - Elk River bridge authorized
Acklin	William	1809	16	123	Madison County (Miss.) - to prove deed of conveyance
Acree	John	1819	23	79.1	Brunsonville established on his Stewart County land
Acree	John	1819	23	79.2	Stewart County - Brunsonville commissioner
Acuff	Spener Adams	1817	21	140	Permitted to peddle in state without a license
Adams	Nathan	1829	33 Private	16.1	Williamson County - Harpeth Female Academy trustee
Adams	Peter	1829	33 Private	27	Killed in Creek nation
Adams	Quincy	1819	23	3	Warren County academy named for him
Adams	Robert	1827	32 Private	212.1	McNairy County - Purdy Female Academy trustee
Adams	Robert H.	1817	21	110	East Tenn. commissioner
Adams	William	1809	15	42.1	Home site of Bedford County elections
Adams	William	1811	17	29	Robertson County - Liberty Academy trustee
Adams	William	1811	17	71	Robertson County - Springfield commissioner
Adams	William	1827	32 Private	99.4	Carroll County - Carroll Academy trustee

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Subjects:

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- ☐ [Green Hill](#)
- ☐ [Lebanon](#)
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- ☐ [Statesville](#)
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TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT RECORDS¹

Contributed by Betsy Ragsdale and Gale Williams Bamman, CG, CGL

Supreme Court Records, Box 261,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Laura M. Betty vs.

W. F. M. Betty et als

(Original Bill Heard in Rutherford
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Laura M. Betty of Rutherford County, Tenn. against W. F. M. Betty, W. A. Dejarnett, J. T. Dejarnett, Todd & Barkley (Jackson Todd & H. B. Barkley), W. B. Lillard, J. W. Peyton, John Jones, Mathew Pitts, William Sharp and E. D. Hancock, administrator de bonis non of Alfred Miller, deceased, all citizens of Rutherford County, Tenn. except the said W. A. Dejarnett, who is a non-resident...

Your oratrix represents to your Honor that she intermarried with the defendant W. F. M. Betty in Rutherford County, Tenn. on the 6th day of November last. She represents that several years ago she had intermarried with defendant and by a decree in her favor she had been divorced from him. She has one child, age three years, the only fruit of their first marriage....

Supreme Court Records, Box 233,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Jno. C. Ferris, Admr. vs.
Nashville and Chattanooga
R. R. Co. and the Mayor and
City Council of Nashville,
State of Tennessee

(Original Bill Heard in Davidson
County Court)

To the Sheriff of Davidson County:
Greeting: You are hereby commanded
to summon the Nashville and Chat-

tanooga Rail Road company and the Mayor and City Council of the City of Nashville...to appear before the Judge of Law, Court of Nashville, at the next court,...to answer John C. Ferris, admr. etc. of Wiley D. Snyder, who sues for the use of Elizabeth Snyder, the widow of Wiley D. Snyder and John W. Snyder, Lillian D. Snyder, Guilford J. Snyder, Thomas W. Snyder, Hugh M. Snyder, and George M. Snyder, infant children of Wiley D. Snyder in a plea of trespass on the case to their damage ten thousand dollars....

Supreme Court Records, Box 247,
Middle Tennessee, 1874

Benjamin J. Farrar, Admr., vs.
Thomas Shepherd and others

(Original Bill Heard in Davidson
County Chancery Court)

The bill of complaint of Benjamin J. Farrar administrator with the will annexed of David G. Shepherd deceased of Davidson County, Tenn. against Thomas Shepherd, Nancy Perkins, and her husband Joseph Perkins, Martin B. Shepherd, Mary L. Farrar and Garland Farrar of Virginia David S. Batner, Mildred M. Batner, wife of Robert M. Batner, Mary E. Mansfield, and her husband, Edward S. Mansfield, Sally Ann Lowing and Richard E. Lowing of Virginia and Joseph H. Batner of Missouri, all children of Sarah M. Batner deceased, except the husbands mentioned, and Sarah M. Batner was a sister of David G. Shepherd, deceased, B. A. Shepherd of Texas, the children of Augustin Shepherd likewise a brother to wit: Frederick A. Shepherd of Nashville, Tenn. Kate J. Bennet and R. T. Bennet her husband, of North Carolina, children of Joseph H. Shepherd a brother of David G. Shepherd, to wit: B. A. Shepherd Joseph H. Shepherd, Anna

A. Simmons and her husband Julian A. Simmons, Samuella S. Moore and her husband Virgil V. Moore, Charles F. Shepherd, and Stonewall Jackson Shepherd, children of Jesse George Shepherd a nephew to wit: Henry Shepherd of Baltimore, Maryland, Margaret D. Shepherd, Kate L. Shepherd, Mary Shepherd, George Battle Shepherd, Anness Hushi(?) Shepherd, all of North Carolina, children of James M. Shepherd a brother of David G. Shepherd, to wit: David T. Shepherd, Elizabeth R. Oldham, and her husband J. L. Oldham, Ellen M. Lowing and her husband George B. Lowing, Luara E. Langford and her husband S. P. Langford and Kate Shepherd of Texas.

Humbly complaining, showeth unto your Honor your orator that prior to the year 1839 David G. and John Shepherd had been in partnership in the retail dry goods trade at Greenville, Jackson County, Tenn. by which they accumulated some money. About the year 1838, John Shepherd died leaving a single child, which shortly thereafter died and the money and property both real and personal of said John Shepherd was subsequently divided between his brothers and sisters and the descendants of such, which are and were David G. Shepherd and the defendants. He charges that the lands of John Shepherd were sold and at the sale David G. Shepherd, complainants testator and James M. Shepherd purchased them...

Supreme Court Records, Box 285,
Middle Tennessee, 1874

B. J. Farrar et als. vs.
S. W. Davis et als

(Original Bill Heard in Davidson
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Complaint of Benjamin J. Farrar, Administrator with the will annexed of David G. Shepherd, deceased of Davidson County, Tenn., Thomas Shepherd of Virginia, M. B. Shepherd, Garland Farrar, Mary L. Farrar his wife, Joseph Perkins, Nancy Perkins his wife, David S.

¹ Cases selected for genealogical content. This series does not represent all filed records. -Ed.

Baker, Robert M. Baker, Mildred M. Baker his wife, Edward S. Mansfield, Mary E. Mansfield his wife, Richard E. Loving, Sally Ann Loving his wife, all of the State of Virginia, Joseph N. Baker of Missouri - Henry Elliott Shepherd of Baltimore, Maryland, Margret D. Shepherd, Cate L. Shepherd, Mary Shepherd, Anness H. Shepherd, George Battle Shepherd, B. T. Bennett and Cate P. Bennett his wife, all of North Carolina; A. Shepherd, David J. Shepherd, J. L. Oldham, and E. R. Oldham his wife, George B. Loving, B. A. Shepherd John and Joseph H. Shepherd of Memphis, Tenn., H. M. Loving his wife, S. P. Langford and L. E. Langford his wife, Cate Shepherd, all of Texas, F. A. Shepherd of Nashville, Julian A. Simmons and Anna S. Simmons his wife of Memphis, Tenn., Virgil V. Moore, and Samuella S. Moore his wife of Memphis, Charles F. Shepherd, Stonewall Jackson Shepherd of Memphis against Samuel W. Davis of Wilson County and John K. Davis of Nashville, Tenn. Humbly complaining showeth unto your honor, your orators, that on the 4th day of May 1866, defendants Samuel W. Davis and John K. Davis together with complainant Benjamin J. Farrar borrowed of David G. Shepherd three thousand one hundred and eighty dollars....

Supreme Court Records, Box 239,
Middle Tennessee, 1874

**James Dickerson vs.
Rebecca Dickerson**
(Original Bill Heard in Smith
County Court)

The petition of James D. Dickerson Jesse Beasley and wife Nancy M. Beasley M. C. Smith and wife Elizabeth M. Smith citizens of Smith County and Jno. S. McMurry a citizen of Trousdale Co., Tenn. against Rebecca Dickerson, a citizen of Smith Co., Tenn. and Charles Taylor and wife Sarah Taylor, citizens of the State of Illinois.

Your petitioners would most respectfully represent and show unto the Court that A. L. Dickerson died intestate in 1864 and one Thomas

Sanderson took out letters of administration on his estate. He has proceeded to settle up the estate and is not made a party. ...that said Dickerson died leaving a widow, the defendant Rebecca and the following children, to wit: James D. Dickerson, Nancy M. Dickerson who intermarried with Jesse Beasley, Elizabeth M. Dickerson who intermarried with M. C. Smith, Sarah Dickerson, who intermarried with Charles Taylor, and William D. Dickerson, who is not made a party, for reasons which will hereafter appear....

Supreme Court Records, Box 226,
Middle Tennessee, 1874

**Hugh L. Scott, Trustee, vs.
Felix Cheatham and others**
(Original Bill Heard in Davidson
County Chancery Court)

Hugh L. Scott, Trustee for Ruth H. Scott and her children a citizen of Davidson County complainant against Felix Cheatham, James Cheatham, Moses W. Wetmore, John D. James, David D. James, John Porterfield Caroline Battenschlog and Fred Battenschlog citizens of Davidson County, Emmet Cockrill and Sterling Cockrill citizens of the State of Arkansas, Dallas Bache, Alberle Bache, Caroline Whiteside, S. M. Whiteside and Ella McGavock, citizens of the State of Texas, E. W. Sehon a citizen of the State of Kentucky, and Alexander Wheless a citizen of the State of Louisiana, defendants....

Supreme Court Records, Box 242,
Middle Tennessee, 1874

Yeargin vs. Parks
(Original Bill Heard in Davidson
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Complaint of James A. Yeargin, a citizen of Davidson County, Tenn. against P. H. Parks, W. D. Parks Emily C. Beard, Serena S. Taylor, Jackson Moore Clay Bosworth and Nancy his wife, the heirs at law of P. L. Parks and W. D. Parks and P. H. Parks, the administrators of said P. L. Parks....

Supreme Court Records, Box 290,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

**Armitage Taylor and others vs.
Catherine Taylor and others**
(Original Bill Heard in Overton
County Circuit Court)

The petition of Armitage Taylor, and Martin J. Taylor, and L. D. Taylor, of Overton County against Catherine Taylor, Jeremiah Taylor, Washington Taylor, Polly Rutledge and her husband William Rutledge, Armitage Reeder and Thomas Reeder, her husband, J. K. P. Taylor, and Fereby Taylor, all of Overton County.

Respectfully complaining sheweth unto your honor that Joseph Taylor departed this life intestate in Overton County some years ago leaving your petitioner Armitage, his widow and complainant Martin J. Taylor and the defendants except William Rutledge and Thomas Reeder his only children and heirs at law....

Supreme Court Records, Box 289,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

**Spencer Philips and wife
Louisa Philips vs.
Polly Hammocks and others**
(Original Bill Heard in Overton
County Court)

Spencer Philips and wife Louisa Philips vs. Polly Hammocks, William Hammocks, Eda Hammocks, William Austin and wife Polly Austin, Lard Hammocks, Hanse Hammocks and Laura Hammocks, John Hammocks, Laban Philips, Lurana Philips.

This was a bill filed to sell a small tract of land in Overton County, the property of complainants and defendants. It was filed the 20th January 1873.

About seven years before the filing of the bill, Laird Hammocks Sen. died. He was the owner of the land. He left complainants and defendants, nine heirs. The bill seeks to sell the land for division and distribution....

Supreme Court Records, Box 284,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

H. C. Butler vs.

Asa Faulkner et al.

(Original Bill Heard in Warren
County Court)

The Bill of Complaint of Ada Butler and Flora Butler, minors who sue by their next friend, Hannah C. Butler, all citizens of Davidson County, Tennessee, complts. against Asa Faulkner, Jones Faulkner, Clay Faulkner, Arthur Towles, S. D. Rowan, W. E. B. Jones, and W. J. Clift, John H. Savage, J. P. Thompson and J. L. Thompson all of the County of Warren, Tenn. Samuel Black, of Wilson County, Tenn., and S. C. Norwood of Bledsoe County.

Complts. would show unto your Honor that they are the only heirs at law of Adam Butler, dec'd. who departed this life on the ____[blank] day of 18____[blank] and that prior to his death he was the owner of a valuable tract of land in the County of Warren situated on both sides of Charles' Creek, which he purchased of one Alpha Young....

Complts. further state that prior to the death of Adam Butler he filed his bill for a divorce in the chancery court at McMinnville against Hannah C. Butler, to which bill she filed a crossbill for the like purpose, and on the 28th day of March, 1866, this Hon. court decreed a divorce to complt. Hannah C. Butler and alimony....

Supreme Court Records, Box 240,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Frazier vs. Allen

(Original Bill Heard in DeKalb
County Chancery Court)

Henry Frazier, William Johnson, B. F. Winfree, Wm. H. Magness and R. C. Hays, exr. of W. J. Isbell, deceased, against James M. Allen, Admr. of A. M. Savage, dec'd. Helen Schurer, admr. of Charles Schurer dec'd., George Savage and William Blackburn. Petition to sell slaves, Rose and Harry....

Supreme Court Records, Box 253,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Snodgrass vs. Little

(Original Bill Heard in White
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Complaint of Lafayette D. Snodgrass Daniel Wilhite and Lucinda J. Wilhite his wife all of White County, Tenn. against David Little Edward Meredith Elisha Meredith William J. Snodgrass, W. S. Burgess, James C. Burgess, all of White County, Tenn. Joseph Snodgrass of Putnam County, Tenn. David C. Snodgrass residence not known, Samuel Snodgrass of Johnson County, Texas O. W. R. Sims and John F[?] Vass of White County, Tenn....

Supreme Court Records, Box 258,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Martin Young vs.

E. T. Bond and others

(Original Bill Heard in Fentress
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Complaint of Martin Young, a citizen of Fentress county, Tenn. against E. T. Bond and Nancy Bond his wife, Mary Thompson, John F. Pults, Wm. A. Gilreath and Thomas Gibson of Fentress County, Tenn., George Young and the widow and heirs of John Young, deceased, whose names and ages are unknown, of the State of Illinois, James Young, Jerry Young, Anna Young, Elizabeth Young, Clementine Young, Eliza Young, Martha Young, and Amanda Young, Anna, Elizabeth, Clementine, Eliza, Martha, and Amanda are minors and have no guardian in this state - of the State of Kentucky, Chesly Prier and wife and Stephen Garrett and Artema his wife formerly Artema Young of Fentress County Tenn. and Redman Fowler and Lear his wife formerly Lear Young of the Sate of Kentucky, and John Rich, Calvin Rich, Martin Rich, Wiley Hatfield and Serena his wife formerly Harriet Rich [sic] and Martha Rich, heirs and distributees of Ann Rich, deceased of the state of Kentucky and Marthew [sic] Young of parts unknown if living and if dead against all the foregoing defendants as his only heirs and distributees at law except defendants Pults Gilreath

and Gibson.

Humbly complaining your orator shows unto your honor that complainant's father Parker Young died intestate in Fentress County, Tenn. on the ____[blank] day of August 1850 leaving complainant and defendants as set out in the caption except defts. Pults, Gilreath and Gibson his only heirs and distributees at law....

Supreme Court Records, Box 227,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Thomas Harding vs.

W. W. Beirce and others

(Original Bill Heard in Davidson
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of complaint of Thomas Harding a citizen of Davidson County, Tenn. against William W. Beirce Mrs. Mary Beirce Hugh Wain, Lucy C. Beirce and Mary C. Beirce daughter of Wm. W. Beirce William Y. Elliott Alfred Ely Jr. and the American Fence Co. of Cleveland, Ohio a corporation chartered by the Legislature of said State and Harvey Taylor - all non residents except Wm. Y. Elliott who is a non-resident of Rutherford County, Tennessee....

Supreme Court Records, Box 305,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Morford vs.

Hamner, Admr. of Long

(Original Bill Heard in Warren
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of Complaint of J. F. Morford, C. Coffee and wife Mary E. Coffee, Jas. C. Biles & wife Jane M. Biles, C. R. Morford and Rebecca R. Morford, citizens of Warren Co. and Henry C. Morford a citizen of Bedford a citizen of Bedford Co. filed in the Chancery Court at McMinnville, Tenn. against E. B. Hammer, Admr. of Saml Long and Mary F. Long wife of Saml Long dec'd. citizens of Warren Co. Tenn., Richard M. Long, Fowler Long, David Bacon and wife Sarah Ann Bacon robt Dodd and wife Cynthia Dodd Jesse Bean and wife Amelia Bean and Saml Long all citizens of Ohio, Jno. Long a

citizen of Nebraska, all defendants....

Supreme Court Records, Box 305,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Woody vs. Woody

(Original Bill Heard in Hickman
County Chancery Court)

Your petitioners Louisa Woody, Joseph N. Puckett and wife Sarah R. Puckett formerly Sarah R. Woody Samuel T. Woody M. P. Puckett and wife Mary Puckett formerly Mary Woody Martha M. Woody John M. Woody all citizens of Hickman County, Tenn. and Rufus Woody a citizen of Obion Co. in said state bring this their petition against Alexander Woody Louisa Woody and William J. Woody minor heirs and children of Jasper Woody, dec'd., citizens of Obion County in said state, Mary Alabama Reaves a minor heir and child of Lucius J. Reaves and Nancy J. Reaves formerly Nancy J. Woody both deceased, a citizen of Hickman Co., in said State, Caledonia Chamberlain a minor heir and child of J. L. Chamberlain and wife Emeline Chamberlain formerly Emeline Woody, dec'd. a citizen of Maury Co. in said state and Presly Wright and wife Juan(?) Wright formerly Juan Woody who is under 21 years of age and are citizens of Obion County in said state. And therefore petitioners would most respectfully represent and show unto your worships Robert Woody late a citizen of Hickman County in the State of Tenn. died leaving a written will and testament which is now on file in your worshipful court... The said Robert Woody at the time of Decease left surviving him Mary Wood his widow a legatee under said will who has since died intestate. He also left your petitioners who are all children of the said deceased except Joseph N. Puckett and M. P. Puckett who are sons-in-law....

Supreme Court Records, Box 285,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

**George W. Mayberry et al.
vs. Wm. J. Floyd et al.**

(Original Bill Heard in Williamson

County Chancery Court)

George W. Mayberry and John Willie Mayberry, minors by their mother and next friend Eveline H. Mayberry and Eveline H. Mayberry in her own right, complainants vs. W. J. Floyd and S. S. Hughes, admrs. of G. W. Mayberry, deceased, and W. J. Floyd and wife Fannie Floyd, J. H. Morton and his wife, Susan P. Morton, S. C. Sparkman and his wife Lucy M. Sparkman, George W. Cummins and Rachel Cummins, defendants.

Complainants respectfully represent that George W. Mayberry, late of the County of Williamson, State of Tenn. died in said county in the year 1871, wholly intestate, leaving the following children and grandchildren as his heirs at law, viz: Fannie Floyd, wife of W. J. Floyd of this county and Susan P. Morton, wife of J. H. Morton of Obion County, both of whom are daughters of the said decedent, G. W. Mayberry - Lucy M. Sparkman, wife of S. C. Sparkman and Rachel Cummins, both of this county, and George W. Cummins of the State of Louisiana - children of Elizabeth Jane Cummins deceased, who was a daughter of the said George W. Mayberry - complainant George W. Mayberry and John Willie Mayberry, infants under age, children of said decedent, and of the said Eveline H. Mayberry widow of decedent...

Supreme Court Records, Box 289,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

Robert Chadwell

vs. J. J. Ford et al.

(Original Bill Heard in Davidson
County Chancery Court)

Your orator shows your honor that sometime in the year 185[blank] one John Wilmoth a then resident of said county departed this life intestate in said county leaving but little personal estate. That said deceased left as his only heirs at law, Burgess Wilmoth Sarah now Sarah Adcock whose husband has since died, Jackson, James, William and L. Wilmoth and [blank] Jones a daughter who has since died and also her husband leav-

ing the said E. J. Jones their only child and heir at law, also the said B. Wilmoth a child of [blank] Wilmoth who has since died and left the said B. Wilmoth the only heir etc. and the said W. V. Jones is the guardian of said two minors the last two named defendants.

Said deceased John died seized and possessed of a valuable tract of land in DeKalb County at or near the mouth of and on both sides of Fall Creek on Caney Fork River containing somewhere about 300 acres....

Supreme Court Records, Box 259,
Middle Tennessee, 1875

S.E. Jones and wife vs.

Georgia Hawkins and others

(Original Bill Heard in Franklin
County Chancery Court)

The Bill of complaint of S. E. Jones and Wife Catherine citizens of the State of Kentucky complainants against Mrs. Georgia Hawkins and her two minor children Bertan or Bertie and William Hawkins, minors without regular guardian in Tennessee so far as compts. know and citizens of western Virginia.

Complainant Catherine was the widow of Robert Hawkins, afterwards married S. E. and the mother of William Hawkins, both dead, William was the husband of defendant Georgia, and the father of Bertie or Bertha and William, both daughters, the latter posthumous and named for her father. Robert Hawkins died in 1838 leaving a will in which is the following provision to wit, "An I also give and bequeath to my said wife Catherine during her natural life the equitable title which I have to 300 acres of land in Franklin County, Tenn. for which I hold the title bond of Willie J. Hines, and at her death I bequeath the said land to my son William Hawkins (if living) in fee simple, if he dies without issue in fee simple to my three daughters Mary, Musadora and Eliza or the survivor or survivors of them share and share alike"....

To be Continued.



MIDDLE TENNESSEE CONNECTIONS

Last Will & Testament of George Mansker

Be it remembered that I, George Mansker, of Lawrence County in the Territory of Arkansas, now in the County of Wayne of the State of Missouri, and under an affliction of body but sound in mind. . . I make this my Last Will and Testament in the name of God Amen. I will that my wife, **Elizabeth**, shall have the entire possession and control of the whole of my lawful estate, good and chattels for the use of her and my eight youngest children, namely, **John Casper, George, Coleman, Jackson, William, Catharine, and Rebecca**, during the natural life of my said, Elizabeth, or during her widowhood. In case she should marry, then, and at that time, I will that an equal division of all my estate be made between my said eight youngest children, above name, and my three eldest children, namely, **Sarah, Margaret and Nancy**, with a deduction of one hundred dollars from the portion of the said Sarah, Margaret and Nancy, which sum they have each heretofore received from me. In case my said wife, Elizabeth, should not marry, I will at her death that a division of all my said estate be made between my said eleven children.... In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 21st day of December in the year of our Lord 1822.

[signed] George X Mansker
[his mark]

Wit:

James S. Connway

James Danley

Eleanor Danley

Proved 3 January 1823 in Wayne County, Missouri, by the oaths of James & Eleanor Danley....

On 9 August 1824, the clerk of Wayne County, Missouri, provided a transcript which was presented to the Circuit Court of Lawrence County, Arkansas Territory during its March 1825 term by Elizabeth Mansker, widow of said George Mansker, dec'd. It was filed for record in Lawrence County, 8 March 1825.

On 9 March 1825, Elizabeth Mansker was appointed "administratrix-with-the-will-annexed" of George Mansker, dec'd. It was recorded the same day in Lawrence County, Territory of Arkansas. *Lawrence County, AR, Will Book 1817-1834*, pp. 84-88.

King (X) Fisher and Nancy (X) Fisher, his wife, formerly **Nancy Mansker to Elizabeth Mansker**, for \$50.00, all their undivided interest in all the real and personal estate of George Mansker, dec'd., late of

Lawrence County, Arkansas Territory, who was one of the heirs of **George Mansker**, dec'd. of *Sumner County, Tennessee*, reference being made to the Last Will & Testament of George Mansker, dec'd., of *Sumner County, Tennessee*. Written 24 May 1823. Attested 28 June 1823 by Frederick Taylor & Sanford Bramblett. Recorded 28 June 1823.

Lawrence County, Arkansas, Deed Book B, 1817-1825, pp. 400-304.

John (X) Fisher and Sally (X) Fisher, his wife, formerly **Sally Mansker to Elizabeth Mansker**, for \$50.00, all their interest in the real & personal estate of George Mansker, dec'd, late of Lawrence County, Arkansas Territory, who was an heir of George Mansker, dec'd., of *Sumner County, Tennessee*.

Written 16 May 1823. Attested 28 June 1823 by Frederick Taylor and Sanford Bramblett. Recorded 28 June 1823.

Lawrence County, Arkansas, Deed Book B, 1817-1825, pp. 403- 406.

Last Will & Testament of Casper Mansker

In the name of God Amen. I, Casper Mansker, of the County of Lawrence and Territory of Arkansas, being very sick and weak in body and of perfect mind and memory...do make and ordain this my Last Will and Testament....I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form. First, I give and bequeath unto my dear and beloved wife, **Elizabeth**, all of my personal estate during her natural life, to have and dispose of the same at her pleasure. In witness whereof, I have set my hand and seal in the presence of the subscribing witnesses on the tenth day of November in the year of Our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty.

[signed] Casper N Mansker
[his mark]

Witnesses:

Matthias Mock

John X Mansker

[his mark]

Proved 3 Jan. 1831 and recorded 5 January 1831.

Lawrence County, Arkansas Will Book 1817-1834, pp. 162-164.

[**Casper Mansker** was appointed overseer of the road from Columbia Township on the lower road to the Rodney & Pitman ferry on Current River in Lawrence County, Territory of Arkansas at the November term 1825 Court. *Lawrence County, Arkansas, Circuit Court Book, 1818-1830*, no page shown. -Ed.]

ROBERT ORTON'S HEIRS, 1794¹

This Indenture made the eighth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninty four Between Mary Orton, widow of Robert Orton[,] Deceased, Edward Orton, Isaac Minor and Elizabeth his wife, George Tevault and Mary his wife, Richard Orton, Ann Orton and William Orton, children and heirs of the said Robert of the one part, and David Ogden, of the other part.

Witnesseth, that for and in consideration of the sum of thirty pounds current money of Virginia...hereby acknowledge and thereof doth release[,] acquit and discharge the said David Ogden his Executors and administrations by these presents, they the said Mary, Edward, Isaac, George, Richard, Ann and William have granted[,] bargained and sold unto the said David Ogden and his heirs a certain tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Hardy and in the Lost River, [description of land], containing two hundred and twenty nine acres[,] being the same that was g_____ of the same Robert Orton decd. who departed this life intestate, the same descended to his widow and children...in witness whereof the said Mary, Edward, Isaac Minor and Elizabeth his wife, George Trevault and Mary his wife, Richard, Ann and William Orton have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Signed:

Mary Orton (L. S.)
Edward Orton (L. S.)
Isaac Minor (L. S.)
George Tevault (L. S.)
Richard Orton (L. S.)
Ann Orton (L. S.)
William Orton (L. S.)

At a court held for the County of Hardy this 8 day of September 1794, This Deed acknowledged and is ordered to be Recorded.

Teste: Ed Williams

¹*Hardy County, West Virginia, Deed Book 3*, pp. 133-135. *Ed.'s note:* Contributed by Mary Louise Gossum. Sons Richard and William married in Davidson County, Tennessee, and died in Williamson County, Tennessee.

Queries will be included in order of receipt as space permits. Address: Middle Tennessee Genealogical Society Queries, P. O. Box 190625, Nashville, TN 37219-0625. It is very important that your name and address be placed on the same sheet as the query. Please capitilize, underline or highlight all surnames and maiden names only. Check for correct spelling and legibility of names, particularly surnames when handwritten. Where the correct surname spelling cannot be confirmed, use the one you prefer first with optional spelling in parentheses.

Bobby Ezell - Queries Editor.

CORRECTION: For Burns query in Volume X, Number, p. 54, the correct address is 14019 East Cypress Forest. The corrected query is printed below.

BURNES: The 1830 Census Hardeman Co TN shows three named John BURNES (possibly 3 generations of same family). In 1831 deed (not a will) John BURNES gave his property (450 acres, 40 head cattle, 4 slaves, etc) to his children: Bayless, Thomas, Wilie, Samuel, James, John, William, Polly, Nancy, Harriet BURNS & Jane BUTCHER. Need any information on these people. Boice Burns / 14019 East Cypress Forest / Houston TX 77070 / (713)894-4064.

LANCASTER / CATTERAL (COTTRELL)/POWELL: Robert LANCASTER (b 1784 VA, d 1860 AR) m Mary Ann POWELL(?), possibly the day of Allen POWELL. Son John M. LANCASTER m Mary CATTERAL / COTTRELL (b 1809 TN) in 1827 Lawrence Co AL. They immediately moved to Independence Co AR. Children: Harriet 1830, James 1832, Minerva 1834, Perrin Wayne 1836, Allen Powell 1838, Charles Blunt 1840, John M. 1843, Sara Elizabeth 1847, Laura Derinda 1849, Adeline, Hannah 1852, Sophronia 1856. Need help verifying last names of POWELL & CATTERAL / COTTRELL. Also there were several Robert LANCASTERS. Need help identifying mine. Barbara Lancaster / 3008 Vasser Drive / Irving TX 75062.

MALONE / PHILLIPS / ELLIS / HUDSON / MURRELL: Mary MALONE (b abt 1762 NC) m Elijah PHILLIPS (b 1758 NC). Children: Ezekiel T., Margaret ELLIS, Mary HUDSON, Phebe, Malon, James, Elizabeth MURRELL. Family moved to Franklin Co TN. Would like to exchange info on this family. Barbara Lancaster / 3008 Vasser Drive / Irving TX 75062.

HUTCHESON(-INSON, -ERSON) / SEARCY / MALONE: John HUTCHESON (b VA, d bef 1856 Montgomery Co TN) m Sarah BAUGH (b 1 Feb 1779 Mecklenburg Co VA) 2 Jan 1794 Mecklenburg Co VA. They moved to Montgomery Co TN ca 1818. Son Charles HUTCHESON adm of his will. NEED TO VERIFY: Son,

David C. HUTCHESON (b 1 Jan 1799 Mecklenburg Co VA). He m 1st: Elizabeth OGBURN, dau of Rev Charles OGBURN. Need info on issue of David / Elizabeth: Need death date / place for Elizabeth. David C. m 2nd: Martha Ann McGOWAN, dau of Rev Ebenezer McGOWAN (MACGOWAN), 13 Oct 1830 in Rutherford Co TN. Issue: Thomas Ebenezer HUTCHESON (b 21 Aug 1834 Rutherford Co TN) m 29 Aug 1857 in Nashville TN Frances Malone SEARCY, dau of Dr W. M SEARCY (b / d / m dates unk) m Frances MALONE. Need all dates, locations, marriages, deaths, siblings. Will exchange all info I have, pay postage & all copy cost. Ruth Anne (Hutchinson) Hutto / PO Box 421505 / Del Rio TX 78842-5105 / (210)395-2294.

DAMESWORTH: Seeking info on family of George DAMESWORTH (DAMEWORTH, DAMEWOOD), born 1776 NC & wife Frances (?) born 1786 NC. Living in Humphreys Co TN from 1830 census; had at least 6 children, including my gr-grandfather John Henry DAMESWORTH who m Nancy E. TURNER. Original name may have been German. Who were their parents? Diane P. Easley / 74-977 Manawale'a St, #8 / Kailua-Kona Hawaii 96740.

BELL / STILES: Seeking info on ancestors of James Thomas BELL (b 29 Sep 1820 Rutherford Co NC, d abt 1878 Osage, Carroll Co, AR) Also would like info on his wife Nancy Paralee STILES (b 8 Mar 1825 Possibly Warren Co TN, d 30 May 1908 Stigler, Haskell Co, OK. They are in the 1850 census in Warren Co TN w / children: Elizabeth, Thomas, Catherine, John, Mary A. & Caldonia. In 1860 census they are living in Osage, Carroll Co, AR. Jean E. Brown / 592 Seclusion Shores Dr / Mineral VA 23117 / (540)872-9748.

MORELAND / SAVAGE / RICHARDSON: Need parents of James A. MORELAND (b 1824) & wife Elizabeth SAVAGE (b 1827), both of Jackson Co TN. Daughter was Nancy Savage MORELAND (b 1856) who m Issac W. RICHARDSON (b 27 Apr 1857. James McCain / 312 Seven Oaks Trail / Knoxville TN 37922 / (423)539-0426.

ADAMS: Will exchange data & pay copying & postage re the following: Need parents of George ADAMS (b @1790 VA, d Robertson Co TN by 1884) m (dau of John P.) Fannie CHAMBERS (b @ 1785 Halifax? Co VA, d by 1843). Issue: Emily S. 1817 / 1888 m Willie HEFLIN 1842, Rebecca 1823, Nancy, G. W. (Geo), Sarah C., Mary, W. C. (Wm), Kate, Harriet & John. Some children must be of wife #2 Elizabeth FARMER (b 1804). Audrey Heflin Gordon / 5521 80th St N #105 / St Petersburg FL 33709 / (813)547-8599.

SMITH / HEFLIN: Need parents Elizabeth SMITH (b 1798 NC) m Simon HEFLIN Clarksville TN by James SMITH. Was she related to the James, Drury, Drew SMITH family of Scotland Neck, Halifax, NC or Samuel SMITH associated with James HEFLIN Granville Co NC? Matthew LUTER Sr (b 1745, d 1832 Robertson Co TN) m Elizabeth DARDEN (d 1837). Were Carr DARDEN & Ann her parents? His unk; Mary WILKERSON wife of Mat-

thew LUTER Jr (@1778), her father Benjamin WILKERSON; Jane Bonner EDMONSON (1807 VA) m Heartwell REEKES (1810) 1834 Meck Co VA. Heartwell d Cheatham Co TN 1865. Jane B. lived with relatives (COLLIER / BURTON?) @ Clarksville TN after husband's death. Will exchange data & pay for copying & postage re the above. Audrey Heflin Gordon / 5521 80th St N #105 / St Petersburg FL 33709 / (813)547-8599.

SMITH / ARNOLD: Searching for info on a Sarah SMITH (b ca 1793-1796 Surry Co NC). Parents were Samuel SMITH & Sarah POWELL. Sarah SMITH m Elijah ARNOLD ca 1819-1820. They moved to Bedford Co TN soon after the marriage. Sarah & her parents were thought to be Native American however this has not been proven. Would appreciate any information or suggestions on research concerning Sarah & her parents. Will pay for all postage & copies. Eileen Arnold McElfresh / 12637 North 113th Ave, #7 / Youngstown AZ 85363 / (602)815-9033.

GARNER / HINES / CURRY / REIGER: Would like to exchange info with descendants of Obediah GARNER & Helen NANCE who m 1797, Henry Co VA. They came to Rutherford Co TN by 1820 census. Believe they are ancestors of John Nance GARNER who ran for U. S. Vice-President. Is Obediah related to William & Lewis GARNER, who came to Maury Co TN from Pittsylvania Co VA with HINES, CURRY, & REIGER families? Could these GARNERS be connected to Brice GARNER who lived in Maury & Lincoln Counties TN? Dora G. Whisenant / 18 Whispering Hills Lane / Fayetteville TN 37334 / whis@cora.net.

COX / BEAN: Searching for parents of my gr-grandparents Benjamin COX (b ca 1790-94, d 10 Dec 1841 Gallatin Co IL) m Nancy BEAN (b 1800 NC, d ca 1855 Gallatin Co IL) 14 Mar 1816 in Lebanon, Wilson Co, TN. They came to Gallatin Co IL 1832-1833 about the time that Jonathan BEAN came to Gallatin Co IL. Benjamin had a brother William COX (was in War of 1812) who also came to Gallatin Co, not sure when, believe he had another brother John COX that came a few months after Benjamin did. Will correspond with any descendants. Judith Cox Batteiger / 709 Kingston Road / Lexington KY 40505-1810.

GIBSON / JARMAN: James GIBSON, immigrant, in Rutherford Co TN. Son Matthew Locke GIBSON (b 8 Nov 1798 NC or SC, d Sep 1877 CA) m Mary "Polly" B. JARMAN (b 3 Nov 1803 Wilson Co TN, d 1880 CA) Jan 1821 in Wilson Co TN. Matthew & Mary migrated to MO ca 1837. Her parents were Robert Hall JARMAN (1781-1848) & Susannah SMALL (1786-1852), both born in NC & died in Wilson Co TN. Thanks for any information re. parents & siblings of Matthew & Mary. C. Gibson / 7813 NE 14th St / Vancouver WA 98664.

New member hoping to meet & exchange info with others researching these ancestors (all Maury Co TN unless noted): William H. HUCKABY (b 1822, d 1904) m Martha

A. KINZER (b 1830, d 1900) in 1849. Isaac & Ann **CURREY** had dau Nannie Ruth **CURREY** (b 1832 Lawrence Co TN, d 1924) who m Overton **SANDERS**. W. F. **MOORE** (b NC) & Annie **BOYD** had dau Julia **MOORE** (b 1866, d 1914) who m Argyle **PARKS** (b 1864, d 1932). Also researching **ALLMOND**, **LOCKRIDGE**, & **NEELY** connections to the **PARKS** family. Clint Parks / 6547 Cedar Ridge Dr / Loveland OH 45140- 8576.

TIDWELL: Seeking info re Levy (Levi) **TIDWELL** (b SC, what date? - In 1800 SC census). Who were his parents? He was in Dickson Co TN in 1820; in Holmes Co MS in 1840, & in Bowie Co TX in 1860. Is he buried there? What relation has he to "Pioneer" Ely **TIDWELL**? Was Levy's wife's name Ann? Was Levy's only child the Ely (Eli), b 1806 (8) in SC, married to Jane **GLASS** who died 1883 & buried in Dickson Co TN? Will return postage. Larry D. Tidwell / 9797 Meadowglen Lane, Apt 412 / Houston TX 77042.

PIERCE / MASSEY: Seeking parents of John L. **PIERCE** (b ca 1811 TN) & Hulda **MASSEY** (b ca 1815 TN). She may have been Indian. They m 1832-35? & by 1840 were in Lincoln Co TN & later Bedford Co TN, probably around 1850. Have been unable to find their family on 1850 & 1860 census, but all their children born in TN as far as we know. Any additional details on them or their parents would be appreciated. I descend from their son, Henry Dean **PIERCE** (b 21 Dec 1853). Linda Barnickel / 555 Moorland Rd #302 / Madison WI 53713.

BURNS / MANN / WEAR: Laird **BURNS** (b ca 1792 SC) son of John **BURNS** & Ann **MANN** m ca 1824 Mary **WEAR** (b 1796 SC, d 6 Sep 1840). Can anyone verify this & provide more information? Boice Burns / 14019 East Cypress Forest / Houston TX 77070 / (713)894-4064.

HARDING / GILES: Susannah **HARDING** d / o Mary **GILES** & Thomas **HARDING** m Charles **ELLIS** 1739. Is there a connection of these with William **Giles HARDING** (s / o John **HARDING** & Susanna **SHUTE**) m Mary Selena **McNARY** 19 Nov 1826? Eugene Tims / 4840 Newcomb Dr / Baton Rouge LA 70808 (GeneTims@AOL.COM) 504-766-6248.

ELLIS: David **ELLIS** (b Wales early 1600's) m Margaret (???) had son John **ELLIS** (b ca 1661 Wales) lived Tuckahoe / Henrico Co VA. Need Margaret's family name & parents. Eugene Tims / 4840 Newcomb Dr / Baton Rouge LA 70808 (GeneTims@AOL.COM) 504-766-6248.

CROMEANS / CUMMINGS: Exchange info on **CROMEANS / CUMMINGS** fam. of Maury, Giles, Wayne, Lawrence, Hardin, Henderson & Madison Cos in TN & of Walker, Hancock, Winston & Marion Cos in AL. **CROMEANS** fam. related to **CAGLE**, **WRIGHT** & **JOHNSON** fams. of AL & TN. Were Jacob, b 1799; John, b 1805; Absolem, b 1809; & Spencer **CROMEANS**, b 1812 (found in 1850 Hancock Co AL census) brothers? Were they sons of Josiah **CROMEANS**? In 1860's, most

CROMEANS family members changed their surnames from **CROMEANS** (**CROMANSE**, **CROMINS**) to **CUMMINGS** (**CUMMINS**). Why? Jeff Reece / 1550 North Parkway #610 / Memphis TN 38112.

KENNEDY: Seeking ancestors of Reuben **KENNEDY / KENEDY**. According to Pike Co AR 1850 census he was born ca 1804 in NC & wife Catherine ??? (b ca 1804 SC). They had 9 children: Robert Marion (b 30 Jan 1826 TN, d 30 Jun 1901 AR) m America Ann **HENRY** 9 Aug 1849; William (b ca 1827 TN); Mary (b ca 1832 TN); Charity Curren (b ca 1834 TN) m ??? **ARNOLD**; Joshua (b ca 1836 TN); Martha (b ca 1842 TN); Joseph (b ca 1845 TN); Sarah (b ca 1847 AR); & Reuben (b ca 1849 AR). Billy B. Kennedy / 116 Miller / Haynesville LA 71038.

EDMONSTON: Seeking any info on John **EDMONSTON** & his wife Mary **TAYLOR**. John was a government surveyor in Tennessee & his son William (b 15 Dec 1818) came to Louisiana around 1830 upon the death of his father. Willing to exchange info on William's descendants. Lloyd Daigle / 17421 Tiger Rd / Prairieville LA 70769.

DILLARD / JACOBS: Would like any info connecting Willis **DILLARD** (b ca 1765, living in Chatham Co NC by 1790, Wilson Co TN by 1820, Hardeman Co TN 1830) with John **DILLARD** (b ca 1800 NC). Believe him to be son of Willis & wife Sarah **PATTERSON**. Is this correct? John **DILLARD** m Sallie **JACOBS** (b ca 1796 TN) 18 Jul 1820. Sallie is supposed to be dau of Neddie (Edmond?) **JACOBS** & a Native American woman named Lachua (also seen as Layula & Sechula). Also info linking Allen **DILLARD** (b 20 Aug 1821 Wilson Co TN) to John & Sallie. Neddie **JACOBS** had at least 3 other children: Cilly (also called Sealy & Lela) **JACOBS** (b 1805 TN); Mary (Polly) **JACOBS** (b 1811 TN) m James **McNEAL** 25 Dec 1845 (Wilson Co TN); & Lillie **JACOBS** (b 1814 TN) m Richard **PRICE** 9 Sep 1845 (Wilson Co TN). Need info on other **JACOBS** children & children of Willis & John **DILLARD**. Anne T. Sloan / 296 Amherst Dr / Murfreesboro TN 37129 / (615)896-9329.

GRAVES: Looking for father of Benjamin **GRAVES** (b ca 1774 VA) who m Mildred "Millie" **HANDCOCK** (b ca 1794) 17 May 1816 in Chesterfield Co VA. Were in Not-toway Co VA census 1820-30. Removed to TN 1830-34. Children: Willian Stokes **GRAVES** (by 1st m) (b ca 1810) m Winfred **LUNDSFORD**, WI-TN; James M. (b 1817) m Elizabeth **COYNER**, WI-TN; Benjamin J. (b ca 1822) no m; John E., (b 1823) m (1) Mary **BLOODWORTH** WI-TN (2) A. Ella Bass **ANDERSON** WI-TN; Jane (b ca 1827) m James **BLOODWORTH** WI-TN; Richard D. (b ca 1828) no m; Mildred C. (b ca 1829) m Hiram **HESTER** WI-TN; Elizabeth M. (b ca 1834) m Francis L. **LIGON** WI-TN; Matilda E. (b 1835) m James P. **WRIGHT** WI-TN; Ann (b ???) m ??? **JONES**?. Would like to correspond & share info with descendants of any of the above. Donna Graves Ferrell / 7851 Central Pike / Mt. Juliet TN 37122 / (615)754- 2418 / DGFerrell@aol.com

WILKINS: Need parents of William WILKINS whose will was probated 31 Jan 1806 in Williamson Co TN. Wife Joanna MULLIN, dau of Wm Scott MULLIN & Mary BRITT who were m 1774 Hanover Co VA. William's son Charles William (b 1804 / 05 NC, d ca 1870 Henderson Co TN). Wife Charlotte ???. 1880 census Henderson Co TN. C. W. b after death of father William, mentioned in will as unborn son. Siblings: Betsey, Joanna, James, John. Who was Rebecca WILKINS at sale for settlement? Charles & Charlotte's youngest dau named Rebecca. Helen J. Sykes Hamilton / 8147 S. Kolmar / Chicago IL 60652.

CHESHIRE: Seeking info abt Zachias CHESHIRE family which moved to Bedford Co TN from VA 1826 / 29. I believe Zachias (b ca 1791 Halifax Co VA) m before 1814 in VA. His wife Catherine (or Ketura) HUELIN(?) (b 1793 VA). Family lived in Bedford Co TN until aft 1840. Family moved to Red River Co TX between 1840-1850. Zacheus CHESHIRE fam listed in 1840 Bedford Co TN census & the 1850 census lists the Zacus CHESHIRE fam living in Red River Co TX. One child Nathaniel (b 2 Apr 1824 VA) identified as being the same person as Daniel CHESHIRE. A Daniel CHESHIRE was my mother's grandfather. Nathaniel (Daniel) moved with his father's fam from VA to TN. He m Sallie RAULSTON (or ROLSTON) 27 Jul 1844, prob TN. Daniel's fam lived in Bedford Co TN until aft Jul 1846 when son James Riley was born. The fam moved to Red River Co TX before next child Margarette Frances was born 20 Dec 1848. I need records identifying Zachias' wife, children, parents, where parents lived, & a record of marriage of Nathaniel to Sallie. Paul W. Wood Jr / 1508 Glen Valley Dr / Irving TX 75061-2310.

NOWLIN: Seeking a Bible Record for James NOWLIN (b ca 1795 SC?), son of Bryan Ward NOWLIN II & his wife Elizabeth TOWNSEND, married Elizabeth TILMAN 15 Oct 1815 Williamson Co TN. Deed of Gift to children: Martha, Bryant W., Lucy, Fanny, Polley, Huldy E. Ann, Malvina S. & Thomas dated 7 Oct 1837, at which time children were in Bedford Co TN. A Bible record of Bryan Ward & Elizabeth TOWNSEND NOWLIN may contain the birth date of James NOWLIN. Mary K. Nowlin / P.O. Box 96194 / Oklahoma City OK 73143-6194.

McGUIRE / PARKER: Need documented parents of Josiah McGUIRE (b 1809 VA) resided in Coffee Co TN by 1840 with wife Nancy ?? & children; also need parents of Samuel PARKER (b 1827 Coffee Co TN). Happy to correspond with researchers on these surnames in Coffee Co. Betty Youngblood / 4840 Thunderbird Drive # 84 / Boulder CO 80303-3829.

SANDERS: Clay Co TN court records reveal the following SANDERS marriages: Anna SANDERS to I. W. MILLS 11 Aug 1904; Rachel SANDERS to William WILLIAMS 5 Nov 1876; M. B. SANDERS to John F. NORRIS 12 Dec 1887; E. W. SANDERS to M. K. BOYKIN 25 Mar 1877. Who are the parents of these SANDERS people or what are their names instead of initials? Will send copy of

marriage certificate to anyone interested. Jane Hembree Crowley / 933 Woodsmoke Circle / Knoxville TN 37922-1634 / JaneCr@AOL.com.

WESTMORELAND / SANDERS: Desire to correspond with descendants of David WESTMORELAND & Mary SANDERS who were married in Clay Co TN 9 Dec 1886. Also those of M. H. (Morgan Hulet?) SANDERS & Lizzie Bith E. POE who were married in Clay Co TN 7 Sep 1884. Jane Hembree Crowley / 933 Woodsmoke Circle / Knoxville TN 37922-1634 / JaneCr@AOL.com.

MOORE / GILLASPIE / HUDSON / CARTWRIGHT / CAMPBELL / BOWLING / JONES / CASH / WRIGHT: Mary MOORE (b abt 1750 VA) m George GILLASPIE Sr. Children: George, Lewis, William, Alexander, Lucy HUDSON, Fanny CARTWRIGHT, Sherrod, Nancy CAMPBELL, Lilly BOWLING, Elizabeth JONES, Sally CASH, Dicey WRIGHT. Family moved to Franklin Co TN. Would like to exchange info on this family. Barbara Lancaster / 3008 Vasser Drive / Irving TX 75062.

BOSTICK / COLLIER: Doshia "Polly" BOSTICK (d 28 Aug 1858) m Albert W. COLLIER 24 Sep 1839 Maury Co TN. Who were parents & siblings? Also Mary A. B. BOSTICK m A. W. COLLIER 14 Sep 1859 Maury Co TN. Were Polly & Mary sisters, related? Eugene Tims / 4840 Newcomb Dr / Baton Rouge LA 70808 (GeneTims@AOL.COM) 504-766-6248.

JACKSON / SEELE / HENDERSON / JOHNS: A SANDERS family Bible contains the following White Co TN marriage records: Lucinda JACKSON to Jesse SEELE 16 Aug 1876 & Annie HENDERSON to Henry JOHNS 18 Jul 1874. What is the connection of these people to the SANDERS family? Who are their parents? Is Lucinda JACKSON related to the JACKSONS of Jackson Co? Jane Hembree Crowley / 933 Woodsmoke Circle / Knoxville TN 37922-1634 / JaneCr@AOL.com.

BROWN / PHILLIPS: Elizabeth Thompson BROWN (b 1786 NC) m Ezekiel T. PHILLIPS in 1808 Surry Co NC. Elizabeth is the dau of John BROWN. Family moved to Franklin Co TN. Need info on John BROWN & Elizabeth's mother & siblings. Barbara Lancaster / 3008 Vasser Drive / Irving TX 75062.

JOYCE: Compton I.? JOYCE was involved in land transactions in TN in early 1800's. Who was he, parents, siblings? Was he related to William Compton JOYCE who lived in Maury Co? Eugene Tims / 4840 Newcomb Dr / Baton Rouge LA 70808 (GeneTims@AOL.COM) 504-766-6248.

FARRIS / GILLASPIE: Elizabeth FARRIS (b 1775 VA) m Lewis GILLASPIE in 1800 Amherst Co VA. Children: William N / H., Nathan. Family moved to Franklin Co TN. Need info on Elizabeth's family. Barbara Lancaster / 3008 Vasser Drive / Irving TX 75062. ■

DR. GEORGE K. SCHWEITZER

As an undergraduate chemistry major, George K. Schweitzer was strongly attracted to intellectual history in his history, philosophy, and religion courses. After his BS degree, he took MS and PhD degrees in Chemistry (University of Illinois). Unable to suppress his other interests, after 15 years of university teaching and research in chemistry, Schweitzer was awarded a National Science Foundation Faculty Fellowship, took a leave of absence, and returned to graduate school. He did his MA in the History of Religion (Columbia University) and his PhD in History of Science (New York University).

During his historical studies, Schweitzer came across an ancestor in the development of early American religion, and another ancestor in the development of science. And the virus of the incurable malady of genealogy began its consumptive effects. After returning to his post as Alumni Distinguished Professor at the University of Tennessee, Schweitzer has concurrently pursued his hobby of historical-genealogical reenactments, tracing the families of his grandchildren, and writing genealogical guide-



books. In the field of chemistry, Professor Schweitzer teaches and does research on the environmental chemistry of radioactivity. He has also taught university courses on the Civil War, and History of Religion, the History of Technology, Local and Family History, the History of Science, the Evolutionary History of the Universe, Colonial America, and has team-taught seminars in Historiography and Epistemology.

In the field of genealogy, Dr. Schweitzer has authored 16 guide books, has documented several of his genealogical lines back to the early 1500s, and has made presentations to over 170 genealogical and historical organizations. Dr. Schweitzer is listed in *Who's Who in America*, is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, and has held 23 endowed lectureships at colleges and universities. His undergraduate school (Central College in Missouri) has awarded him an honorary Doctor of Science degree in recognition of his contributions to the history of the interactions of science and religion. The East Tennessee Historical Society also has honored him with its Award for Excellence in History Education.

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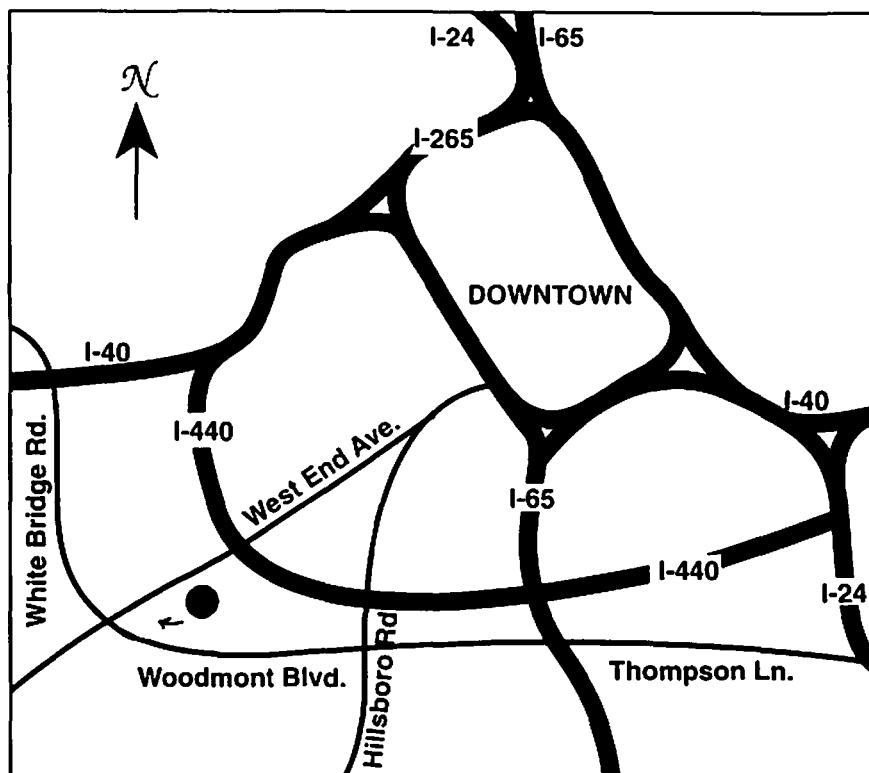
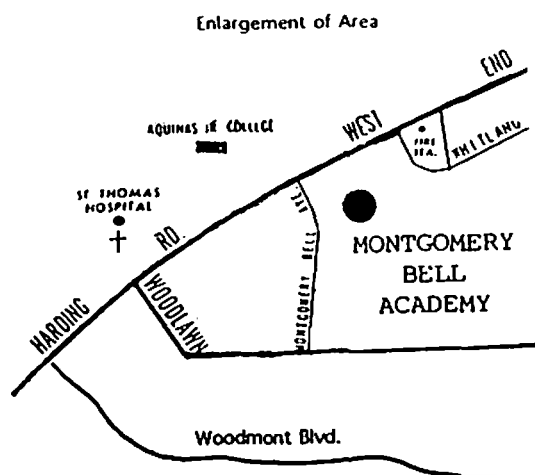
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Seminar Map

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See particulars on preceding pages.

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"Show-and-Tell"

1:00 p.m., Ben West Library, Nashville

Once again we invite you to our popular informal meeting where members are encouraged to bring items to "stump" the experts.

March 15, 1997

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— Chuck Sherrill, Program Chairman

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A new quarterly newsletter for descendants of the Coutts (pronounced "K-outz") Family, called *California's Coutts Cousins*, contains the Coutts and allied families of Montgomery, Robertson, and Sumner Counties, Tennessee. For more information, write Barbara Coutts Evans, 4171 Glidden Lane, Yuba City, CA 95993.

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