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**FROM THE EDITOR . . .**

*Reader, look and find here not only fact but information....In this work are the names of the famous and the obscure....*

These words were penned in a Foreword written in 1982 by Kendall J. Cram, then Director of the Tennessee State Library, for another book, but it is also appropriate for this publication.

In our *Journal* we strive to have "not only fact but information." Take time to *read* the material contained herein. It will be time well spent. Familiarize yourself with the post offices of Tennessee, learn about stampless letters, chuckle over the involved household recipes of 1879, or scan the listing of University of Nashville Medical School graduates for a period of over fifty years. The following article, Williamson County Remembrance, 1859, may not contain your ancestor's name but it gives you an insight on the times in Middle Tennessee. Next learn about the 1838 records of two people of "colour," and the Churches of the Cumberland Baptist Association of Middle Tennessee. Next we can become engrossed in the trials and tribulations with the Indians; or how about the efforts made toward locating and recording land in the Tennessee County, North Carolina, deeds? For a change of pace, we have Tennessee soldiers living in Nebraska in 1890, and for all those who kept on the move, more Middle Tennessee Connections.

Books reviews are always nice, and a family of Davidson County is presented in depth. The Mero District minutes are full of material as are the Supreme Court records. Rounding out this issue is material on a typical soldier in the Civil War, and an article on the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane in 1860.

This *Journal* cannot be done without the help of many volunteers. Your editor is grateful to each and every one of them.

— DWP

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Post Office	County
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Adamsville	McNairy
Afton	Shelby
Alanthus Hill	Hancock
Albany	Henry
Alexandria	DeKalb
Altamont	Grundy
Alto	Franklin
Alton Hill	Macon
Amity Hill	Hardeman
Anderson	Franklin
Anderson's Store	McNairy
Andrew Chapel	Madison
Antioch	Gibson
Appleton	Lawrence
Arcadia	Sullivan
Arrington	Williamson
Arizonia	Shelby
Ashland City	Cheatham
Ashland	Wayne
Ashport	Lauderdale
Ashwood	Maury
Aspen Hill	Giles
Athens	McMinn
Auburn	Cannon
Austin	Wilson
Bagdad	Smith
Baker's Gap	Johnson
Ball Camp	Knox
Ball Play	Monroe
Barnardsville	Roane
Barren	Williamson
Barren Plain	Robertson
Barton's Creek	Dickson
Basin Spring	Williamson
Bean's Station	Grainger
Bear Creek	Putnam
Beardstown	Perry
Beaver Creek	Sullivan
Beaver Ridge	Knox
Beech	Sumner
Beech Grove	Coffee
Bee Creek	Bledsoe
Belleville	Roane
Belfast	Marshall
Bell Buckle	Bedford
Bellsburg	Dickson
Bell's Depot	Haywood
Belltown	Monroe
Bennett's Ferry	Jackson
Benton	Polk
Benton Hill	Benton
Berlin	Marshall

Post Office	County
Bersheba Springs	Grundy
Bethel	Giles
Bethesda	Williamson
Bethlehem	Robertson
Big Barren Forge	Claiborne
Big Bottom	Humphreys
Bigbyville	Maury
Big Creek	Shelby
Big Hill	McNairy
Big Rock	Stewart
Big Spring	Wilson
Birchwood	Hamilton
Black Jack	Robertson
Black Oak	Weakley
Blain's X Roads	Grainger
Blanton's Store	Bedford
Bloomington	Tipton
Blountville	Stewart
Bluff Point	Hickman
Bluff Springs	Gibson
Boatland	Fentress
Bodenham	Giles
Bolivar	Hardeman
Bon Eau	Hardin
Boon's Creek	Washington
Boon's Hill	Lincoln
Booth's Point	Dyer
Boston	Williamson
Bowling Green	Stewart
Boyd's Creek	Sevier
Bodysville	Weakley
Bradshaw	Giles
Bradyville	Cannon
Brentwood	Williamson
Brick Mill	Blount
Britt's Landing	Parry
Brodie's Landing	Decatur
Brook's Tan Yard	Macon
Brownsville	Haywood
Broylesville	Washington
Brush Creek	Polk
Buck Point	Jackson
Buchanan	Henry
Beuna Vista	Carroll
Buffalo	Humphreys
Buffalo Ridge	Washington
Bull Run	Knox
Bull's Gap	Hawkins
Bunker's Hill	Giles
Butler	Carter
Butler's Landing	Jackson
Byrne	Putnam
Cable's Valley	Johnson

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Cade's Cove	Blount
Cageville	Haywood
Cainsville	Wilson
Caleb's Valley	Stewart
Calderonia	Henry
Calhoun	McMinn
Camargo	Lincoln
Camden	Benton
Campbell's Rest	Sullivan
Campbell's Station	Knox
Campbellsville	Giles
Camp Creek	Greene
Canasauga	Polk
Cane Bottom	Lauderdale
Cane Creek	Lincoln
Cane Branch	Greene
Cane Spring	Marshall
Cannon's Store	Sevier
Cantrell's X Roads	McMinn
Carlockville	Rutherford
Carolina	Haywood
Carter's Creek	Maury
Carter's Depot	Carter
Cartersville	Maury
Carthage	Smith
Cass	Lawrence
Castalian Springs	Sumner
Cave	White
Cave Spring	Carter
Cedar Creek	Greene
Cedar Ford	Union
Cedar Grove Furnace	Perry
Celina	Jackson
Centre Mound	Haywood
Center Point	Henderson
Centerville	Hickman
Chapel Hill	Marshall
Charity	Lincoln
Charleston	Bradley
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Cheeksville	Marion
Cherry Grove	Washington
Cherry Mount	Robertson
Cherry Valley	Wilson
Chestnut Bluffs	Dyer
Chestnut Grove	Cheatham
Chestnut Hill	Jefferson
Chestnut Mound	Smith
Chestnut Ridge	Lincoln
Chestnut Valley	White
Chicamoga	Hamilton
Chilhowee	Blount
Christiana	Williamson
Christmasville	Carroll

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Church Grove	Knox
Clarksburg	Carroll
Clarkstown	White
Clarksville	Montgomery
Clear Branch	Washington
Clear Creek	Greene
Cleamont	Warren
Clear Spring	Grainger
Cleaveland	Bradley
Clements	Montgomery
Clementsville	Jackson
Clifton	Wayne
Clinton	Anderson
Clover Bottom	Sullivan
Clover Hill	Blount
Cloyd's Creek	Blount
Coal Creek	Campbell
Cobb's Creek	Johnson
Coffee Landing	Hardin
Cog Hill	McMinn
Coker Creek	Monroe
Colliersville	Shelby
College Grove	Williamson
Columbia	Maury
Commerce	Wilson
Combs	Henry
Concord	Knox
Convenient	Smith
Conyersville	Henry
Cookville	Putnam
Cooahulla	Bradley
Coopertown	Robertson
Coopersville	Fentress
Cornersville	Giles
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Cottage Grove	Henry
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Cotton Port	Meigs
County Line	Lincoln
Couchville	Davidson
Covington	Tipton
Cowan	Franklin
Coxburg	Benton
Cox's Store	Washington
Coytee	Monroe
Crab Orchard	Cumberland
Crab Orchard	Bledsoe
Craighead	Lincoln
Crainsville	Hardeman
Craven's Mills	Wayne
Crocket's Station	Obion
Crooked Fork	Morgan
Cross Bridges	Maury
Cross Plains	Roberson
Cross Rock	Wilson
Crossville	Cumberland
Crown Point	Marion
Cuba	Shelby
Culcoka	Maury
Cumberland Gap	Claiborne
Cumberland Institute	White
Cumberland Iron Works	Stewart

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Cyrustown . . . . .	Lincoln	Fall River . . . . .	Lawrence	Goshen . . . . .	Lincoln	Holt's Corners . . . . .	Marshall
Dancyville . . . . .	Haywood	Falling Water . . . . .	Putnam	Gott's X Roads . . . . .	Sullivan	Hope . . . . .	Stewart
Danielsville . . . . .	Dickson	Farmington . . . . .	Marshall	Grand Junction . . . . .	Hardeman	Hope's Creek . . . . .	Roane
Danville . . . . .	Benton	Farmville . . . . .	Henderson	Grantsborough . . . . .	Campbell	Hope Hill . . . . .	Gibson
Dandridge . . . . .	Jefferson	Fayette Corners . . . . .	Fayette	Granville . . . . .	Jackson	Hopewell . . . . .	Maury
Dearuct . . . . .	Meigs	Fayetteville . . . . .	Lincoln	Grassy Cove . . . . .	Cumberland	Horner's Store . . . . .	Grainger
Decaturville . . . . .	Decatur	Fillmore . . . . .	Bledsoe	Graysburg . . . . .	Greene	Horse Creek . . . . .	Greene
Dechard . . . . .	Franklin	Fincastle . . . . .	Campbell	Gray's Hill . . . . .	Roane	Howard's Quarter . . . . .	Claiborne
Dedham . . . . .	Weakley	Fisherville . . . . .	Shelby	Gravel Hill . . . . .	McNairy	Howesville . . . . .	Decatur
Delta . . . . .	Shelby	Flag Pond . . . . .	Washington	Green Bottom . . . . .	Shelby	Humbolt . . . . .	Gibson
Denmark . . . . .	Madison	Flat Creek . . . . .	Bedford	Green Hill . . . . .	Wilson	Huntington . . . . .	Carroll
Dixon's Springs . . . . .	Smith	Flintville . . . . .	Lincoln	Green Tree . . . . .	White	Hunt's Station . . . . .	Franklin
Doe River Cove . . . . .	Carter	Flynn's Lick . . . . .	Jackson	Greenville . . . . .	Greene	Huntsville . . . . .	Scot
Donelson . . . . .	Davidson	Fordtown . . . . .	Sullivan	Greenwood . . . . .	Shelby	Hurricane . . . . .	Franklin
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Double Springs . . . . .	Jackson	Forked Deer . . . . .	Haywood	Gum Grove . . . . .	Shelby	Independence . . . . .	Dickson
Douglass Springs . . . . .	Decatur	Fort Blount . . . . .	Jackson	Gustavus . . . . .	Greene	Independent Hill . . . . .	Rutherford
Dover . . . . .	Stewart	Forts Station . . . . .	Robertson	Hackberry . . . . .	Roane	Indian Creek . . . . .	Washington
Dresden . . . . .	Weakley	Fosters X Roads . . . . .	Bledsoe	Haglesville . . . . .	Henry	Indian Mound . . . . .	Stewart
Dry Hill . . . . .	Lauderdale	Fosterville . . . . .	Rutherford	Hale's Mills . . . . .	Fentress	Ingleside . . . . .	Hardin
Dry Valley . . . . .	Putnam	Fountain creek . . . . .	Maury	Hall's Creek . . . . .	Humphreys	Iron Mountain . . . . .	Stewart
Duck River . . . . .	Hickman	Fountain Head . . . . .	Sumner	Hall's Hill . . . . .	Rutherford	Irvine's Store . . . . .	Weakley
Ducktown . . . . .	Polk	Fountain Hill . . . . .	McMinn	Hamburg . . . . .	Hardin	Irving College . . . . .	Warren
Dugger's Ferry . . . . .	Carter	Four Mile Branch . . . . .	Monroe	Hamilton Landing . . . . .	Jackson	Isom's Store . . . . .	Maury
Dukedom . . . . .	Weakley	Fowler's Landing . . . . .	Humphreys	Hammond's Store . . . . .	Giles	Jacksborough . . . . .	Campbell
Dumplin . . . . .	Jefferson	Fox Spring . . . . .	Overton	Hampshire . . . . .	Maury	Jack's Creek . . . . .	Henderson
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Eaton . . . . .	Gibson	Friendsville . . . . .	Blount	Hatchie . . . . .	McNairy	Jessamine . . . . .	Shelby
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Eclipse . . . . .	Macon	Fulton . . . . .	Lauderdale	Hay's Store . . . . .	Wilson	Johnson's Depot . . . . .	Washington
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Egypt . . . . .	Fayette	Galleher's . . . . .	Knox	Head of Barren . . . . .	Claiborne	Jordan's Store . . . . .	Williamson
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Elkmont Spring . . . . .	Giles	Gamble's Store . . . . .	Blount	Henderson's Spring . . . . .	Sevier	Juno . . . . .	Henderson
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Equality . . . . .	Jackson	Gibson's Wells . . . . .	Gibson	Hickory Hill . . . . .	Bedford	Knoxville . . . . .	Knox
Erie . . . . .	Roane	Gibsonville . . . . .	Giles	Hickory Creek . . . . .	Coffee	Lafayette . . . . .	Macon
Estill's Springs . . . . .	Franklin	Gillis' Mills . . . . .	Hardin	Hickory Valley . . . . .	Hardeman	Laguardo . . . . .	Wilson
Eureka . . . . .	McMinn	Glades . . . . .	Morgan	Hickory Withe . . . . .	Fayette	Lagrange . . . . .	Fayette
Eulia . . . . .	Macon	Gladeville . . . . .	Wilson	Hico . . . . .	Carroll	Lake . . . . .	Rhea
Eve Mills . . . . .	Monroe	Glen Rock . . . . .	Lawrence	Higdon's Store . . . . .	Polk	Lancaster . . . . .	Smith
Facility . . . . .	McMinn	Globe Creek . . . . .	Marshall	Highland . . . . .	Jackson	Lanefield . . . . .	Haywood
Factor's Fork . . . . .	Wayne	Goodfield . . . . .	Meigs	Hilham . . . . .	Overton	Laurel Gap . . . . .	Greene
Fairfield . . . . .	Bedford	Godlettsville . . . . .	Davidson	Hillsboro . . . . .	Coffee	Laurel Hill . . . . .	DeKalb
Fair Garden . . . . .	Sevier	Goose Creek . . . . .	Macon	Hilton's . . . . .	Sullivan	Lawrenceburg . . . . .	Lawrence
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Lavinia . . . . .	Carroll	Mechanicsville . . .	Cannon	Mulberry . . . . .	Lincoln	Parottsville . . . . .	Cocke
Lead Vale . . . . .	Jefferson	Mecklenburg . . . . .	Knox	Mulberry Gap . . .	Hancock	Patriot . . . . .	Wayne
Lebanon . . . . .	Wilson	Medium . . . . .	Marshall	Murfreesborough	Rutherford	Paw Paw Ford . . . .	Roane
Leesburg . . . . .	Washington	Medon . . . . .	Madison	Nashville . . . . .	Davidson	Peacher's Mills	Montgomery
Lenoir's . . . . .	Roane	Meesville . . . . .	Bradley	Nebraska . . . . .	Jefferson	Pea Ridge . . . . .	Montgomery
Lenora Springs . . .	Hamilton	Meigsville . . . . .	Jackson	Nelson Hill . . . . .	Wilson	Pekin . . . . .	Jackson
Lewisburg . . . . .	Marshall	Memphis . . . . .	Shelby	Netherland . . . . .	Overton	Pelham . . . . .	Grundy
Lexington . . . . .	Henderson	Midbridge . . . . .	Giles	Nettle Carrier . . .	Overton	Perryville . . . . .	Decatur
Liberty . . . . .	DeKalb	Middleburg . . . . .	Hardeman	Newark . . . . .	White	Peyton's Creek . . . .	Lincoln
Lick Creek . . . . .	Hickman	Middle Creek . . . .	McMinn	Newbern . . . . .	Dyer	Petersburg . . . . .	Smith
Limestone . . . . .	Hamilton	Middle Cypress . . .	Wayne	New Boston . . . . .	Henry	Peytonsville . . . . .	Williamson
Limestone Cove . . .	Carter	Middle Fork . . . . .	Henderson	Newburg . . . . .	Lewis	Philadelphia . . . . .	Monroe
Limestone Springs .	Greene	Middleton . . . . .	Rutherford	New Canton . . . . .	Hawkins	Pigeon Forge . . . . .	Sevier
Linden . . . . .	Perry	Midway . . . . .	Greene	New Castle . . . . .	Hardeman	Pikeville . . . . .	Bledsoe
Lineport . . . . .	Stewart	Mifflin . . . . .	Henderson	New Hope . . . . .	Marshall	Pillowville . . . . .	Weakley
Linwood . . . . .	Wilson	Milan Depot . . . . .	Gibson	Newmanville . . . . .	Greene	Pilot Knob . . . . .	Greene
Little Chucky . . . .	Greene	Mill Bend . . . . .	Hawkins	New Market . . . . .	Jefferson	Pine Bluff . . . . .	Warren
Little Doe . . . . .	Johnson	Mill's Branch . . . .	Van Buren	New Middleton . . . .	Smith	Pine Land . . . . .	Meigs
Live Well . . . . .	Anderson	Miller's Chapel . . . .	Dyer	Newport . . . . .	Cocke	Pine Ridge . . . . .	McMinn
Livingston . . . . .	Overton	Millersville . . . . .	Robertson	New Providence	Montgomery	Pine Springs . . . . .	Fentress
Lobelville . . . . .	Perry	Mill Point . . . . .	Sullivan	New York . . . . .	Montgomery	Pine Top . . . . .	Morgan
Lockport . . . . .	Wilson	Millville . . . . .	Lincoln	Nicojack . . . . .	Marion	Pine Wood . . . . .	Hickman
Locust Grove . . . . .	Weakley	Mill Wood . . . . .	Washington	Nine Mile . . . . .	Bledsoe	Piney Flats . . . . .	Sullivan
Locust Mount . . . .	Washington	Milton . . . . .	Rutherford	Nolesville . . . . .	Williamson	Pisgah . . . . .	Giles
Leust Shade . . . . .	Overton	Mint Springs . . . . .	Stewart	Normandy . . . . .	Bedford	Pitts X Roads . . . . .	Bledsoe
Loddy . . . . .	Hamilton	Mitchellsville Station	Sumner	Norris Creek . . . . .	Lincoln	Pleasant . . . . .	Claiborne
Lodi . . . . .	Jackson	Molino . . . . .	Lincoln	North Fork . . . . .	Henry	Pleasant Exchange	
London . . . . .	Roane	Monroe . . . . .	Overton	North Springs . . . .	Jackson	. . . . .	Henderson
Longmire . . . . .	Washington	Monterey . . . . .	McNairy	Oak Flat . . . . .	Giles	Pleasant Hill . . . . .	Cumberland
Long Savannah . . .	Hamilton	Montezuma . . . . .	McNairy	Oak Forest . . . . .	Henderson	Pleasant Mount	Montgomery
Looney's Creek . . . .	Marion	Monticello . . . . .	Hardin	Oak Grove . . . . .	Jefferson	Pleasant Plains . . . .	Lincoln
Lost Creek . . . . .	Union	Montrose . . . . .	Smith	Oak Hill . . . . .	Overton	Pleasant Shade . . . .	Smith
Louisville . . . . .	Blount	Montvale Spring . . .	Blount	Oak Hill Seminary . .	Coffee	Pleasantville . . . . .	Hickman
Lowryville . . . . .	Hardin	Moore's X Roads . . .	Meigs	Oakland . . . . .	Fayette	Pocahontas . . . . .	Hardeman
Loy's X Roads . . . .	Anderson	Moore's Rest . . . . .	Anderson	Oakley . . . . .	Overton	Point Mason . . . . .	Benton
Lynchburg . . . . .	Lincoln	Mooreville . . . . .	Marshall	Oak Retreat . . . . .	Wilson	Poland Springs . . . .	Weakley
Lynnville . . . . .	Giles	Morrell's Mill . . . .	Sullivan	Oakwood . . . . .	Montgomery	Pomona . . . . .	Cumberland
Lyons' Store . . . . .	Hawkins	Morgan . . . . .	Morgan	Ocoela . . . . .	Cheatham	Ponville . . . . .	Wilson
McAllister's X Roads		Morgan's Creek . . . .	Benton	Ocoa . . . . .	Polk	Poor Hill . . . . .	Sullivan
. . . . .	Montgomery	Morgantown . . . . .	Blount	Okolono . . . . .	Carter	Poplar Spring . . . . .	Henderson
McDonald . . . . .	Bradley	Morning Sun . . . . .	Shelby	Old Hickory . . . . .	Weakley	Portersville . . . . .	Tipton
McLemoresville . . .	Carroll	Morrison . . . . .	Warren	Old Town . . . . .	Claiborne	Port Royal . . . . .	Montgomery
McMillan . . . . .	Knox	Morristown . . . . .	Jefferson	Olivers' . . . . .	Anderson	Post Oak Springs . . .	Roane
McMinnville . . . . .	Warren	Moscow . . . . .	Fayette	Olympus . . . . .	Overton	Potter's Branch . . . .	Bradley
Macedonia . . . . .	Carroll	Mossy Creek . . . . .	Jefferson	Onecho . . . . .	Cheatham	Pouch Creek . . . . .	Scott
Macon . . . . .	Fayette	Mountain . . . . .	Tipton	Ones . . . . .	Greene	Powder Spring Gap . .	Grainger
Madison . . . . .	Davidson	Mountin Creek . . . .	Warren	Oregon . . . . .	Lincoln	Prestonville . . . . .	Rhea
Madisonville . . . . .	Monroe	Mount Airy . . . . .	Bledsoe	Orme's Store . . . . .	Bledsoe	Prospect Depot . . . .	Giles
Magnolia . . . . .	Stewart	Mount Carmel . . . . .	Wilson	Ottawah . . . . .	Hamilton	Pulaski . . . . .	Giles
Manchester . . . . .	Coffee	Mount Comfort . . . .	Fayette	Owl Hill . . . . .	Morgan	Puncheon Camp . . . .	Macon
Manlyville . . . . .	Henry	Mount Harmony . . . .	McMinn	Oxford . . . . .	McMinn	Pury . . . . .	McNairy
Mansfield . . . . .	Henry	Mount Holyoke . . . .	Henry	Palestine . . . . .	Lewis	Quarrysville . . . . .	Hawkins
Maple Spring . . . . .	Cumberland	Mount Pelia . . . . .	Weakley	Pall Mall . . . . .	Fentress	Quincy . . . . .	Gibson
Marble Hall . . . . .	Hawkins	Mount Pinson . . . . .	Madison	Palmetto . . . . .	Bedford	Raccoon Valley . . . . .	Knox
Marble Hill . . . . .	Franklin	Mount Pisgah . . . . .	Overton	Palmyra . . . . .	Montgomery	Raleigh . . . . .	Shelby
Marlborough . . . . .	Carroll	Mount Pleasant . . . .	Maury	Palo Alto . . . . .	Lawrence	Randolph . . . . .	Tipton
Marrowbone . . . . .	Davidson	Mount Vernon . . . .	Monroe	Pandora . . . . .	Johnson	Readyville . . . . .	Rutherford
Marshall's Ferry . . .	Grainger	Mount Vista . . . . .	Henry	Panther Springs . . . .	Jefferson	Red Boiling Springs . .	Macon
Marysville . . . . .	Blount	Mount Zion . . . . .	Tipton	Paperville . . . . .	Sullivan	Red Bridge . . . . .	Hawkins
Mason's Grove . . . .	Madison	Mouth of Hiwassee . .	Meigs	Paradise . . . . .	Humphreys	Red Hill . . . . .	Grainger
Mason Hall . . . . .	Obion	Mouth of Sandy . . . .	Henry	Paris . . . . .	Henry	Red Mound . . . . .	Henderson
Mayfield . . . . .	Jackson	Mouth of Wolf . . . .	Overton	Parker's X Roads	Henderson	Red River . . . . .	Robertson
Maynardsville . . . .	Union	Mud Creek . . . . .	McNairy	Parksville . . . . .	Polk	Reynolds Depot . . . .	Giles



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Rheatown . . . . .	Greene	Shop Spring . . . . .	Wilson	Tazewell . . . . .	Claiborne	War Gap . . . . .	Hawkins
Riceville . . . . .	McMinn	Shown's X Roads . .	Johnson	Tellico Plains . . . .	Monroe	Ward's Forge . . . .	Johnson
Richardson's . . . .	Montgomery	Silesia . . . . .	Hempheys	Temperance Hall . . .	DeKalb	Warrensburg . . . .	Greene
Richalnd Station . .	Sumner	Silver Creek . . . .	Marshall	Ten Mile Stand . . . .	Meigs	Wartrace Depot . . .	Bedford
Richmond . . . . .	Bedford	Silver Spring . . . .	Wilson	Terry . . . . .	Carroll	Washington . . . . .	Rhea
Ridge Post . . . . .	Davidson	Silver Top . . . . .	Obion	Thomasville . . . . .	Robertson	Washington College	
Ridgeville . . . . .	Franklin	Slaydensville . . . .	Robertson	Thompson's Station		Washington . . . . .	Washington
Rigg's X Roads . . .	Williamson	Sligo . . . . .	DeKalb	Thorn Grove . . . . .	Knox	Watauga Bend . . . .	Washington
Ringgold . . . . .	Montgomery	Smith's X Roads . . .	Rhea	Thorn Hill . . . . .	Grainger	Watertown . . . . .	Wilson
Ripley . . . . .	Lauderdale	Smith's Fork . . . . .	Hardin	Three Forks . . . . .	Wilson	Waverly . . . . .	Humphreys
River Bend Forge . .	Sullivan	Smithville . . . . .	DeKalb	Timber Ridge . . . . .	Greene	Wayland's Springs	
River Hill . . . . .	White	Smyrna . . . . .	Rutherford	Tabasco . . . . .	Henderson	Lawrence	
Roan Mountain . . .	Carter	Sneedsville . . . . .	Hancock	Tobacco Port . . . . .	Stewart	Waynesborough . . .	Wayne
Robertsville . . . .	Anderson	Snoddyville . . . . .	Jefferson	Toone's Station . . . .	Hardeman	Wear's Cove . . . . .	Sevier
Rob Camp . . . . .	Claiborne	Snow Hill . . . . .	Hamilton	Towee Falls . . . . .	Monroe	Weaw . . . . .	Humphreys
Roberson's X Roads .	Bledsoe	Solon . . . . .	White	Totty's Bend . . . . .	Hickman	Webster . . . . .	Roane
Robinson's Store . .	Lincoln	Solsburg . . . . .	Wilson	Trace Creek . . . . .	Jackson	Welcker's Mill . . . .	Roane
Rockford . . . . .	Blount	Somerville . . . . .	Fayette	Tracy City . . . . .	Madison	Well Spring . . . . .	Campbell
Rock Island . . . . .	White	Sorby . . . . .	Wayne	Trade . . . . .	Johnson	Wellwood . . . . .	Haywood
Rockport . . . . .	Benton	South Carroll . . . .	Carroll	Trammel . . . . .	Sumner	West Fork . . . . .	Overton
Rocky Mount . . . .	Jackson	South Gibson . . . .	Gibson	Travisville . . . . .	Fentress	West Point . . . . .	Lawrence
Rocky River . . . . .	Warren	South Rock Island		Trenton . . . . .	Gibson	West's Store . . . . .	Washington
Rocky Spring . . . .	Grainger	Spain's . . . . .	Van Buren	Trezevant . . . . .	Carroll	Whitaker's Blu . . . .	Wayne
Rogersville Junction		Sparta . . . . .	White	Trion . . . . .	Jefferson	White Bluffs . . . . .	Dickson
Hawkins		Speedwell . . . . .	Claiborne	Truine . . . . .	Williamson	White Oak . . . . .	Humphreys
Rogersville . . . . .	Hawkins	Spencer . . . . .	Van Buren	Troy . . . . .	Obion	White Plains . . . . .	Jackson
Rome . . . . .	Smith	Spring Creek . . . .	Madison	Trundle's X Roads . .	Sevier	White Bend . . . . .	Davidson
Romeo . . . . .	Greene	Springfield . . . . .	Robertson	Tucahoe . . . . .	Jefferson	Whitesburg . . . . .	Jefferson
Roseberry . . . . .	Knox	Spring Grove . . . . .	Maury	Tucker's X Roads . . .	Wilson	Whiteville . . . . .	Hardeman
Rose Creek . . . . .	McNairy	Spring Hill . . . . .	Maury	Tuckaleechee Cove . .	Blount	Whitleyville . . . . .	Jackson
Ross . . . . .	Anderson	Spring Hill Academy .	Henry	Tullahoma . . . . .	Coffee	Whitfield . . . . .	Hickman
Rossville . . . . .	Fayette	Spring House . . . .	Grainger	Tunnell Hill . . . . .	Knox	Williamsport . . . . .	Maury
Rough and Ready . .	Warren	Spring Palce . . . . .	Marshall	Turnbull . . . . .	Dickson	Williamsville . . . . .	Dickson
Round Top . . . . .	Wilson	Springtown . . . . .	Polk	Turnersville . . . . .	Robertson	Will's Point . . . . .	Benton
Rover . . . . .	Bedford	Spring Vale . . . . .	Jefferson	Twinville . . . . .	Knox	Willis' Station . . . .	Fayette
Rowesville . . . . .	Bedford	Standing Rock . . . .	Stewart	Tynersville . . . . .	Hamilton	Wilson's . . . . .	Anderson
Running Water . . .	Marion	Stanton Depot . . . .	Haywood	Tyree Springs . . . . .	Sumner	Wilsonville . . . . .	Cocke
Rural Hill . . . . .	Wilson	Stantonville . . . . .	McNairy	Tyrone . . . . .	Marshall	Wilton Springs . . . .	Cocke
Russellville . . . .	Jefferson	Statesville . . . . .	Wilson	Union . . . . .	Maury	Winchester . . . . .	Franklin
Rutherford's Depot . .	Gibson	Steam Mills . . . . .	Giles	Union City . . . . .	Obion	Winfield . . . . .	Scott
Rutledge . . . . .	Grainger	Stephen's Chapel . . .	Bledsoe	Union Depot . . . . .	Sullivan	Winston . . . . .	Weakley
Sadlersville . . . . .	Robertson	Stewart's Ferry . . .	Davidson	Unionville . . . . .	Bedford	Wittsville . . . . .	Jefferson
Sagefield . . . . .	Morgan	Stockton's Valley . .	Roane	Unitia . . . . .	Blount	Wolf Creek . . . . .	Cocke
Sail Creek . . . . .	Hamilton	Stony Point . . . . .	Bradley	University Place . . .	Franklin	Wolf River . . . . .	Fayette
Sailor's Rest . . . .	Montgomery	Straight Fork . . . .	Campbell	Vale Mills . . . . .	Giles	Woodbourne . . . . .	Union
Saint Clair . . . . .	Hawkins	Strawberry Plains . .	Jefferson	Vandergriff's . . . . .	Knox	Woodbury . . . . .	Cannon
Salem . . . . .	Franklin	Sulphur Springs . . . .	Rhea	Van Hill . . . . .	Hawkins	Woodford . . . . .	Montgomery
Salisbury . . . . .	Hardeman	Sulphur Well . . . . .	Shelby	Vernon . . . . .	Hickman	Wood Lawn . . . . .	Montgomery
Saltillo . . . . .	Hardin	Sugan Wood . . . . .	Humphreys	Versailles . . . . .	Rutherford	Woods . . . . .	Perry
Sandy Bridge . . . .	Carroll	Summittville . . . . .	Coffee	Verrilla . . . . .	Warren	Wood's Hill . . . . .	Roane
Sandy Hill . . . . .	Henry	Swallow Bluff . . . .	Hardin	Vine Dale . . . . .	Knox	Woodson's X Roads	
Sandy Mills . . . . .	Cumberland	Sweet Gum Plains . .	Overton	Viola . . . . .	Warren	Claiborne	
Santa Fe . . . . .	Maury	Sweet Water . . . . .	Monroe	Viney Grove . . . . .	Lincoln	Haywood	
Saundersville . . . .	Sumner	Swingleville . . . . .	Washington	Walden's Creek . . . .	Sevier	Roane	
Savannah . . . . .	Hardin	Sycamore . . . . .	Claiborne	Walden's Ridge . . . .	Marion	Gibson	
Scott's Hill . . . . .	Henderson	Sycamore Mills . . . .	Cheatham	Wallace's X Roads . .	Anderson	Yellow Creek . . . . .	Cumberland
Sevierville . . . . .	Sevier	Tabor . . . . .	Roane	Walnut Grove . . . . .	Overton	Yellow Creek Furnace	
Sewee . . . . .	Meigs	Talbot's Mills . . . .	Jefferson	Walnut Post . . . . .	Lauderdale	Montgomery	
Shady . . . . .	Johnson	Tampico . . . . .	Grainger	Walnut Valley . . . . .	Marion	Claiborne	
Shady Hill . . . . .	Henderson	Tank . . . . .	Davidson	Walter Hill . . . . .	Rutherford	Hawkins	
Sharon . . . . .	Tipton	Taylorsville . . . . .	Johnson	Wansville . . . . .	Bradley	Blount	
Shelbyville . . . . .	Bedford	Taylorsburg . . . . .	Cocke	War Creek . . . . .	Hancock	Gibson	
Shiloh . . . . .	Gibson					Hamilton	



# MONTGOMERY COUNTY POSTAL HISTORY

## POST OFFICES AND POSTMASTER APPOINTMENTS: THE STAMPLESS PERIOD

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**M**ONTGOMERY COUNTY, TENNESSEE was established on April 9, 1796 when Tennessee County gave up its name to the state and the territory was divided into Montgomery and Robertson Counties (Everton and Foster). The new county was named for John Montgomery, who, in part, laid off the land and made the plan for a town on the north bank of the Cumberland River. The town was to be named Clarksville, in honor of General George Rogers Clark, a hero of the Revolutionary War in the West. An early map of Montgomery County is shown as Figure No 1.

As the population of the county increased, so did the number of towns and with it the establishment of official post offices. Prior to the establishment of official post offices, mail was handled on an informal basis by residents and travelers going from point to point. Mail handled in this fashion is termed 'carried outside the mail,' as it had no official Post Office Department sanction. Mail and letters in this style are often marked 'By the Favor of,' or 'By the Politeness of,' indicating who actually carried it to its destination.

The following towns within Montgomery County had official post offices established prior to 1850 (Chester, Frazier, and Phillips):

<i>Name of Town . . .</i>	<i>Date Post Office Established</i>
Ashbury . . . . .	May 1, 1844
Blooming Grove . . . . .	April 18, 1837
Brook Hill . . . . .	January 17, 1816
Clarksville . . . . .	November 4, 1800
Daley's . . . . .	September 16, 1846
Dalys . . . . .	January 13, 1826
Fredonia . . . . .	January 22, 1827
Feary . . . . .	ca 1816
Henrietta . . . . .	June 10, 1847
Johnson's* . . . . .	January 6, 1831
Kercheval's . . . . .	March 20, 1828
Little Grove . . . . .	July 2, 1847
Macadoo . . . . .	October 2, 1846
McCallister's Cross Roads . .	March 1, 1817
Minor's Nursery . . . . .	February 2, 1839
Mount Henry . . . . .	October 10, 1820
Mount Vernon Furnace . . .	June 14, 1832

\* Johnson's, New York, and Seacry's were private post offices.

New Providence . . . . .	March 2, 1837
New York* . . . . .	February 8, 1820
Onecho . . . . .	March 29, 1839
Palmyra . . . . .	October 1, 1801
Pea Ridge . . . . .	March 8, 1847
Port Royal . . . . .	January 1, 1802
Red River Furnace . . . . .	April 15, 1826
Richardson's . . . . .	April 7, 1847
Ringgold . . . . .	February 5, 1847
Sailors Rest . . . . .	March 31, 1832
Seacry's* . . . . .	January 14, 1817
Tennessee Iron Works . . . .	August 7, 1827
Walnut Grove . . . . .	February 3, 1819
Washington Furnace . . . . .	April 4, 1833
Wheatleys Mills . . . . .	December 7, 1848
Williams . . . . .	December 18, 1827
Yellow Creek Furnace . . .	February 11, 1825

Each of these towns, except for the private post offices, had postmasters appointed by the Postmaster General in Washington. The position of postmaster was quite important as he was often one of the few individuals who could read and write. At times, he may have been the only U.S. Government official in the area. He served as a witness to legal matters, friend and counselor to many and conveyor of news to all. Often the post offices were located in stores, stands, at cross-roads, ferries, forges and other prominent landmarks. Being a postmaster was not a full-time occupation in the early settlements as the postmaster still had to keep his store, farm and tend to other frontier business.

**A** study of the appointment of the various postmasters can assist the genealogist or historian in placing particular individuals at their post office location within their tenure. The following pre-1850 postmaster appointments were made for the towns of Clarksville, Ashbury and Port Royal within Montgomery County by the Postmaster General (Frazier):

### Clarksville, Tennessee

<i>Name of Postmaster . . .</i>	<i>Date of Appointment</i>
James Elder . . . . .	November 4, 1800
Edward H. Settle . . . .	December 15, 1826
John Steele . . . . .	May 6, 1828
Charles Minor . . . . .	January 22, 1830
John H. Posten . . . . .	January 4, 1836

John D. Bradley . . . . . June 11, 1836  
James E. Franklin . . . . . April 18, 1849

#### Ashbury, Tennessee\*

*Name of Postmaster . . . Date of Appointment*  
Charles H. Brame . . . . . May 1, 1844  
John Gold . . . . . September 16, 1846

#### Port Royal, Tennessee\*

*Name of Postmaster . . . Date of Appointment*  
John Baker, Jr. . . . . January 1, 1802  
Jonathan Stephenson . . . . April 1, 1805  
Joseph Woolfolk . . . . . October 1, 1808  
Leroy Keesee . . . . . March 31, 1826  
Isham L. Watkins . . . . . September 18, 1829  
David B. Allen . . . . . May 4, 1830  
George B. Hopson . . . . . July 4, 1834  
George Bell . . . . . March 14, 1839  
Abram C. Gaines . . . . . March 30, 1843  
P. F. Norfleet . . . . . June 25, 1845  
Walter Boyd . . . . . August 8, 1845  
Abram C. Gaines . . . . . December 23, 1847

What did the mail look like during this period? How was it sent and delivered? Could you recognize an item of early postal history? As an introduction to a study of early postal history, the first United States postage stamp was issued in 1847. For some times afterwards, these initial stamps were not available to all post offices. They were most certainly not made available to small post offices in Montgomery County, Tennessee. Postage stamps were required on all mail on and after January 1, 1856. Before stamps were made mandatory, the mail was sent stampless, that is, without stamps. These items of early postal history are called stampless covers or stampless letters and they are highly collectible, not only for their postal markings, but also for their historical content.

A typical stampless letter was simply a folded letter sheet that had been sealed with wax after it was written, then addressed and taken to the post office for mailing. Envelopes were not in common use until the mid 1850s. Once it was in the hands of the postmaster, it was postmarked using a hand stamp not much unlike what is still in use today. In most cases, the hand stamp was provided by the Post Office Department. Various colors of ink were used, with black, blue, red and green being the most common. If the revenue from the post office did not

meet certain levels, the Post Office Department would not provide the postmaster with a hand stamp. The postmaster had to resort to posting the letter in manuscript. These are called manuscript postmarks or manuscript cancels. The postmaster then had to apply a rate schedule or fee schedule to the letter. Various fee schedules were used depending on the rates in effect at the time. This was usually based on the weight of the letter or on the distance the letter was to travel. The rates were either stamped on the letter or written in manuscript. Most of the rates were due rates, that is, the recipient had to pay the fees at the destination of the letter. Wouldn't that be a novel thought today? It might even eliminate junk mail. Yes, there was junk mail back during the stampless period, called circulars, and they could be sent for less than a letter. The sender could pre-pay the fees, and if they were pre-paid, the postmaster would note this on

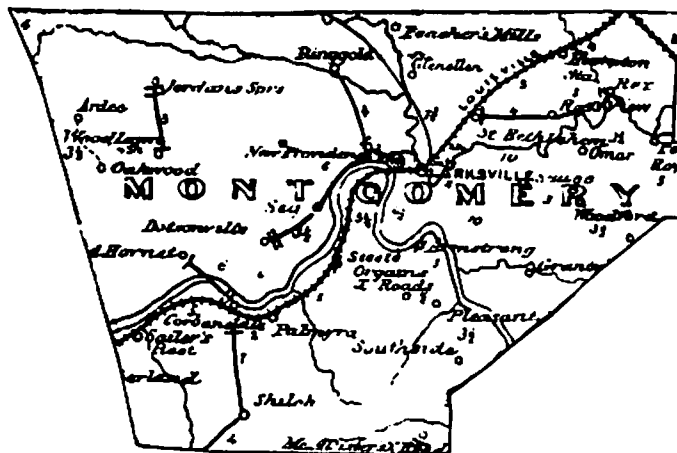


Figure No. 1 - Early Map of Montgomery County, Tennessee  
(Taken from Frazier)

the face of the letter using a hand stamp 'Paid,' or by writing 'Paid' on the letter next to the rate. Certain individuals, because of their office or position, had free franking privileges. Senators, certain federal appointees, including postmasters, U. S. Congressmen and others made the list. Such mail was sent without fees and it was marked with a hand stamp or in manuscript with 'Free.'

In the early stampless period within Montgomery County, hand stamps were used in only in Clarksville with straight-line, half-oval, oval and circular stamps being reported. Black, blue, brown, green and red inks were used with these stamps. Hand stamps for Paid, 5, 10, 12, and 6 in a circle were also used. The hand stamps were in use from 1811-1855. Manuscript postmarks have been found from Clarksville for the periods of 1814-1835

\* Ashbury was discontinued on June 12, 1858, and Port Royal was discontinued on December 31, 1940.

1835 (Phillips). All other towns in Montgomery County used manuscript cancels in posting their letters during this period.

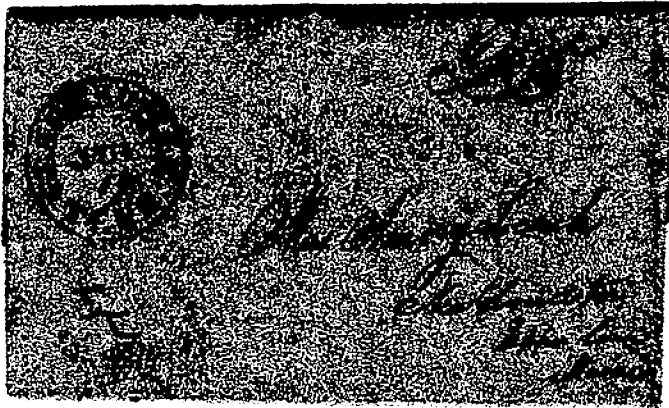


Figure No. 2- Stampless Letter Clarksville, Tenn. Dated Jul. 17, 1841. Black Circular Date Stamp Script 25

Examples of early Montgomery County postal history are shown in Figures 2-5. They are representative of the vast majority of mail in the stampless period. Figure No.2 is a stampless letter from Clarksville, Tenn. using a black circular date stamp dated July 17, 1841. It was sent to New Gloucester, Maine for a due rate of 25 cents. The word "Single" is written on the letter, noting that the single rate for letters applies to this particular item. Figure No.3 is a stampless letter bearing a manuscript cancel from Ashbury, Tennessee dated June 17, 1846. The letter was sent to Diers Burg (Dyersburg), Tennessee. The rate of 5 cents is noted in manuscript. This is a due rate. Figure No.4 is a stampless letter with

manuscript has been blotted out by the postmaster in Franklin, Tennessee who received the letter on May 25, 1849, stamped it with his hand stamp, corrected the due rate to 10 cents and wrote "Miss & fored" (missent and forwarded) on the face of the letter. Figure No. 5 is a stampless letter postmarked in manuscript from Port Royal, Tennessee on July 29, 1838. The letter was sent to the postmaster in Red Hill, Virginia. This particular writer had free franking privileges as the word "Free" appears on the face of the letter.

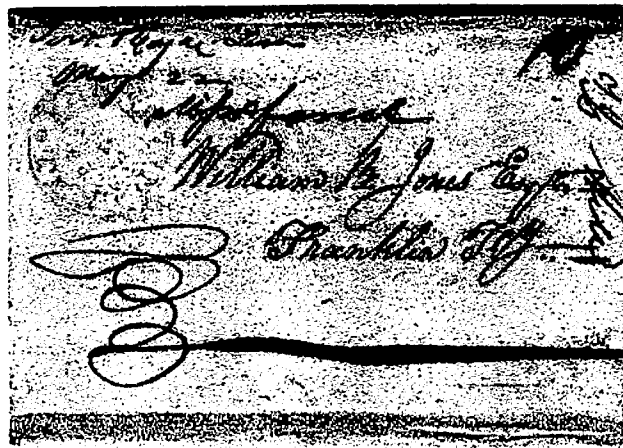


Figure No. 4- Stampless Letter Port Royal, Ten. Dated May 22, 1849. Manuscript Postmark ; Franklin, Ten. Black Circular. Date Stamp May 25, 1849 Script 10, Miss Forwarded

Historians can have a field day examining old letters from this period, not only looking at the postal markings, but also at the content of the letter. Many of the same things we consider important today were important back then- land, agriculture, weather, politics. Often we get to hear how events took place directly from the people involved in them. Genealogists sometimes overlook the importance of this type of material in their research. From such a study, both a sender and a receiver can be placed in exact locations at exact times, thus being better than the census at locating specific individuals. Family mail provides a wealth of information not only about the family members but also about family migration patterns. As a tool for postal historians, the census can be used to locate a letter writer when post office markings cannot be read (which is quite often). I have frequently used the census index, either in book form or CD format to pinpoint an individual, and from there locate the town in which he lived. This does not work in all cases as the census is taken only every ten years and people moved around. This method works best

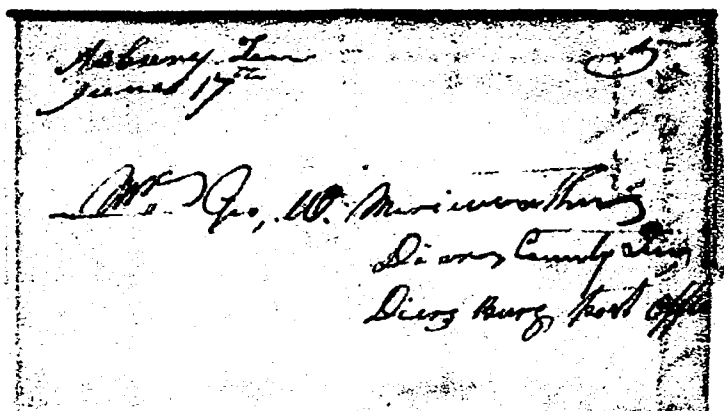


Figure No. 3- Stampless Letter Ashbury, Ten. Dated June 17, 1846. Manuscript Postmark Scrip 5

a Port Royal, Tennessee manuscript postmark dated May 22, 1849. The initial rate, written in

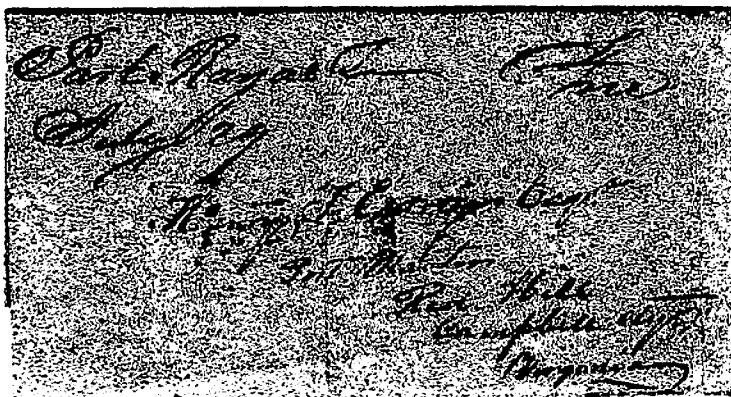


Figure No. 5 - Stampless Letter Port Royal, Ten. Dated July 29, 1838. Manuscript Postmark Script Free

for letters written in or near the decennial year and for letters written by the head of household as they are the only individuals listed on the census by

name until 1850.

You should always take great care in reading, handling and displaying old letters. Paper will not last forever and it is very important to preserve these items for future generations to enjoy.

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## THE DOMESTIC ECONOMY, 1879<sup>1</sup>

### HOUSEHOLD RECIPES<sup>1</sup>

#### TOOTH POWDER.

Prepared chalk, two pounds; powdered orris-root, pounds; powdered white castile soap, quarter of a pound; powdered white sugar, quarter of a pound; powdered pumice stone, half an ounce; powdered carmine, half an ounce; oil of lemon, half an ounce; oil of lavender, half an ounce. the carmine as fine as possible; then add to it the pumice-stone then the sugar, then the soap, orris, and chalk in succession, Then add the flavoring drop by drop, mixing it thoroughly with all the ingredients. Sift through the finest apothecaries' sieve.

#### CAMPHOR ICE.

White wax, two ounces; spermaceti, two ounces and two drachms; camphor, six drachms. Melt, and add olive-oil, five ounces and five drachms; glycerine, three drachms. into eighteen cakes.

#### RED LIP SALVE.

Oil of sweet almonds, two ounces; pure olive-oil, six ounces; spermaceti, one and one-half ounce; white wax, one ounce. Color with carmine, and perfume with oil of roses.

#### LOTION FOR CHAP LIPS.

Borax, two drachms; strong rose-water, twelve ounces; glycerine, three ounces; mucilage of quince seed, ten drachms. Mix.

#### COLD CREAM.

Rose-water, half an ounce; oil of sweet almonds, half an ounce; pure olive-oil, two ounces; spermaceti, half an ounce; white wax, one drachm. Melt sperm and wax with the oil by means of water-bath. Then add the rose-water, and stir till cool. When nearly cool, add oil of roses or any other perfume desired.

#### CAMPHOR SALVE

##### FOR CHAPPED LIPS, HANDS, ETC,

Spermaceti, two drachms; white wax, two drachms; pulverized camphor, two drachms; washed lard, half an ounce; pure olive-oil, half an ounce. Melt in water-bath, and stir with it, while cooling, two drachms glycerine.

1. Marion Cabel Tyree, ed., *Housekeeping in Old Virginia* (Louisville, Kentucky: John P. Morton and Company, 1879), pp. 511-514.



# UNIVERSITY OF NASHVILLE

## MEDICAL SCHOOL GRADUATES, 1851-1909<sup>1</sup>

### Notes by Journal editor:

If a graduate's address was unknown in 1909, the address denoting the senior year in college was given in italics. If the current address was known in 1909, it was given in regular type. An asterisk (\*) indicates a person who was known to be deceased by 1909.

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NAME AND YEAR GRADUATED	ADDRESS
McCrary, Lyman Beecher, 1859	Woodbury, Tenn.
McCrary, Thomas Chapman, 1868	<i>Bell Buckle, Tenn.</i>
McCulley, Joseph M., 1875	<i>Cleveland, Tenn.</i>
McCullough, Allen Posey, 1857	<i>Murfreesboro, Tenn.</i>
McCutchen, Robert William, 1870	<i>Humboldt, Tenn.</i>
McDonald, John Thomas, 1900	Hanging Limb, Tenn.
McDonald, Samuel A., 1876	<i>Linden, Tenn.</i>
McDonald, Samuel E., 1905	<i>Bells, Tenn.</i>
Mcdonald, Stephen Olan, 1855	<i>Lockport, Tenn.</i>
McDougal, William Edward, 1902	<i>Savannah, Tenn.</i>
McEachern, Charles Gresham, 1900	<i>Moss Point, Tenn.</i>
McEwen, Joseph Woods, 1856	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
McFarland, John G. D., 1889	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
*McFarland, John W., 1868	<i>Lebanon, Tenn.</i>
McFarland, Sam W., 1901	<i>Lebanon, Tenn.</i>
McFerrin, James Abston, 1904	<i>Mt. Pleasant, Tenn.</i>
McFerrin, Marvin, 1889	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
McGahey, Rufus Crockett, 1902	<i>Hendersonville, Tenn.</i>
McGavock, Felix Grundy, 1853	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
McGregor, John Flower, 1856	<i>Cedar Grove, Tenn.</i>
McGuire, Calvin Bridges, 1856	<i>Millville, Tenn.</i>
McGuire, Frank Farquaharson, 1894	<i>Fayetteville, Tenn.</i>
McGuire, George W., 1869	<i>Millville, Tenn.</i>
McIntosh, John William, 1854	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
McKamy, Thomas Jefferson, 1898	<i>Cleveland, Tenn.</i>
McKee, James H., 1867	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
McKennie, Beverly R., Jr., 1868	<i>Edgefield, Tenn.</i>
McKinley, Joseph S., 1867	<i>Eads, Tenn.</i>
*McKnight, Armstrong e., 1860	<i>Milton, Tenn.</i>
McKnight, Hatton, 1892	<i>Murfreesboro, Tenn.</i>

NAME AND YEAR GRADUATED	ADDRESS
McKnight, Samuel Houston, 1882	<i>Southport, Tenn.</i>
McLaurine, Henry M., 1876	<i>Lynnville, Tenn.</i>
McLemore, Abraham M., 1861	<i>Mason's Grove, Tenn.</i>
McLemore, Sydney S., 1854	<i>Spring Hill, Tenn.</i>
McMakin, John Blair, 189p	<i>Wayland Spring, Tenn.</i>
McMillan, William Henry Harrison, 1890	<i>Decaturville, Tenn.</i>
McMillay, John Gilbert, 1900	<i>Decaturville, Tenn.</i>
McMinn, John Smiley, 1870	<i>Greenville, Tenn.</i>
McMurray, Thomas Madison, 1874	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
*McMurray, William J., 1869	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
McMurry, George Wesley, 1858	<i>Charlotte, Tenn.</i>
McNabb, Gustavus Adolphus, 1888	<i>Cleveland, Tenn.</i>
McNelly, Robert D., 1867	<i>Gallatin, Tenn.</i>
McNeill, James H., 1906	<i>Mitchellville, Tenn.</i>
McNutt, James W., 1852	<i>Tennessee</i>
McRae, Francis Marion, 1880	<i>Union City, Tenn.</i>
Napier, Edwar Y., 1882	<i>Waverly, Tenn.</i>
Napier, Richard Alonzo, 1900	<i>Union City, Tenn.</i>
Napier, Richard S., 1861	<i>Charlotte, Tenn.</i>
Neal, John Hicks, 1882	<i>Bodenham, Tenn.</i>
Neal, John R., 1866	<i>Pulaski, Tenn.</i>
Neal, Wiles Washington, 1857	<i>Lawrenceburg, Tenn.</i>
Neal, William Horatio, 1899	<i>Lawrenceburg, Tenn.</i>
Neas, Darius, 1878	<i>Parrotsville, Tenn.</i>
Neblett, Samuel A., 1860	<i>New Providence, Tenn.</i>
Neblett, William R., 1867	<i>Tate's Station, Tenn.</i>
*Neil, Charles C., 1870	<i>Huntland, Tenn.</i>
Neil, David Robertson, 1895	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
*Neil, J. B., 1866	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>
Neil, Z. W., 1872	<i>Verona, Tenn.</i>
Nelson, Andrew P., 1884	<i>Winchester, Tenn.</i>
*Nelson, Daniel Erin, 1883	<i>Chattanooga, Tenn.</i>
Nelson, I. H., 1854	<i>Smyrna, Tenn.</i>
Nelson, John Elisha, 1900	<i>Briceville, Tenn.</i>
Nethery, John Tidwell, 1891	<i>Yorkville, Tenn.</i>
Nevill, Edwin Jarrett, 1874	<i>Clarksville, Tenn.</i>
Newcomb, Thomas Sterling, 1869	<i>Williamsport, Tenn.</i>
Newman, Benjamin Caster, 1873	<i>Newmarket, Tenn.</i>
Newsom, Belfield C., 1868	<i>Bellevue, Tenn.</i>
Newsom, Marshal Martin, 1856	<i>Lebanon, Tenn.</i>
Newsom, William R., 1860	<i>Trezevant, Tenn.</i>
Nichol, Adam Gillespie, 1898	<i>Nashville, Tenn.</i>

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Nichols, Thomas Watson, 1874	Cumberland City, Tenn.
Noblitt, Boone Edward, 1897	Mulberry, Tenn.
Noblitt, David J., 1860	Charity, Tenn.
Noel, William M., 1853	Tennessee
Norman, Thomas, 1869	Tennessee
North, James A., 1861	Franklin, Tenn.
Northern, Samuel W., 1869	Tennessee
*Nowlin, Jabus Swanson, 1859	Shelbyville, Tenn.
Nuckolls, John W., 1869	Toone, Tenn.
*Nuckolls, Richard, 1859	Springfield, Tenn.
Oden, Edward Madison, 1896	Reed's Store, Tenn.
Oden, John Wesley, 1908	Brentwood, Tenn.
Oden, Solomon Fletcher, 1872	Brentwood, Tenn.
Ogden, Benjamin W., 1853	New Providence, Tenn.
Oliver, Ananias F., 1868	Moorhead, Tenn.
Oliver, George Weldon, 1900	Groveland, Tenn.
O'Mohundro, O. C., 1872	Nashville, Tenn.
Orr, David Franklin, 1886	Shelbyville, Tenn.
Osborne, G. G., Jr., 1861	Fairfield, Tenn.
Oughterson, William Alexander, 1906	Nashville, Tenn.
Overall, Franklin A., 1875	Yorkville, Tenn.
Overton, John Lane, 1903	Lanton, Tenn.
*Owens, Richard, 1857	Nashville, Tenn.
Ownby, James William, 1873	Hollow Rock, Tenn.
Padgett, Andrew Andrews, 1855	Nashville, Tenn.
Page, Samuel Newton, 1871	Union City, Tenn.
Page, William Burchett, 1871	Granville, Tenn.
Parchman, James Bayless, 1894	Cumberland City, Tenn.
Parker, Carroll Sanders, 1870	Humboldt, Tenn.
Parker, Clarence Avery, 1903	Morrison, Tenn.
Parker, William Byron, 1891	Smithville, Tenn.
Parker, William Worthington, 1890	Smithville, Tenn.
Parks, S. N., 1853	Tennessee
Parman, Emanuel, 1869	Franklin, Tenn.
Paschall, William A., 1882	Franklin, Tenn.
Patterson, Felix L., 1855	Nashville, Tenn.
Patterson, Hugh Lawson, 1869	Elkton, Tenn.
Patterson, James M., 1859	Verona, Tenn.
Patterson, William Alanson, 1871	Millville, Tenn.
Patton, Ernest White, 1908	Litton, Tenn.
Patton, John McGinn, 1887	Bradysville, Tenn.
Payne, John B., 1859	Enon College, Tenn.
Payne, John Lien, 1861	Smyrna, Tenn.
Peay, Altow Ferrill, 1889	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Peden, Edgar Floyd, 1899	Handleyton, Tenn.
Peebles, Joe Hutchison, 1891	Shelbyville, Tenn.
Penn, James Watkins, 1859	Smyrna, Tenn.
Percy, Josiah Walker, 1869	Nashville, Tenn.
Perkins, Isham Washington, 1882	Henderson, Tenn.
Perkins, Newton C., 1857	Franklin, Tenn.
Perry, James Franklin, 1857	Gallatin, Tenn.
Perry, Russell Simpson, 1894	Columbia, Tenn.
Perry, William Turner, 1854	Campbellsville, Tenn.
Pettit, James Monroe Stratton, 1869	Nashville, Tenn.
Petway, Robert Gordon, 1857	Nashville, Tenn.
Phelps, James LaFayette, 1875	Mifflin, Tenn.

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Phillips, James Henry, 1858	Grantville, Tenn.
Phillips, John Kane, 1855	Wartrace, Tenn.
Phillips, Martin Egbert, 1875	Nashville, Tenn.
Phillips, Newton Franklin, 1872	Whitesburg, Tenn.
Phillips, Thomas Franklin, 1874	Ooltewah, Tenn.
Pierce, William Hartwell, 1857	Gallatin, Tenn.
Pinkerton, Thomas J., 1853	Tennessee
Pinner, Thomas Jefferson, 1871	Dover, Tenn.
Pitts, James Brett, 1853	Tennessee
Plumlee, Barton Stone, 1874	Nashville, Tenn.
*Poindexter, William H., 1860	Bells, Tenn.
Pollard, Thomas George, 1903	Nashville, Tenn.
Porch, William Thomas, 1869	Bakerville, Tenn.
Porter, Edward E., 1864	Fowlers Landing, Tenn.
Porter, James W., 1861	Paris, Tenn.
Porter, Otey James, 1890	Columbia, Tenn.
Porter, Samuel Smith, 1857	Nashville, Tenn.
Potter, Thomas Jefferson, 1900	Smithville, Tenn.
Potter, Thomas Marshall, 1871	Brownsville, Tenn.
Powell, Charles Sumner, 1885	Baird Mills, Tenn.
Powell, Gustivus, 1857	Tennessee
Powell, Robert J., 1852	Tennessee
Powell, Thomas Louis, 1872	Nashville, Tenn.
Poyner, Ashley B., 1852	Tennessee
P'Pool, Atha Gregory, 1872	Nashville, Tenn.
P'Pool, Edmond F., 1864	Nashville, Tenn.
Prater, William Warren, 1882	Lenoirs, Tenn.
Preston, James H., 1881	Humboldt, Tenn.
Prewitt, Thomas E., 1861	Grand Junction, Tenn.
Price, Clarence E., 1885	Manchester, Tenn.
Price, Curtis E., 1866	Manchester, Tenn.
Price, George Hunter, 1888	Nashville, Tenn.
Priddy, Burk, 1874	Sale Creek, Tenn.
Price, John S. M., 1862	Culleoka, Tenn.
Pritchett, John William, 1857	Paris, Tenn.
Prout, William Henry, 1857	Franklin, Tenn.
Pugh, Francis H., 1852	Tennessee
Pugh, James Monroe, 1875	Hollow Rock, Tenn.
Pyles, Conrad A., 1864	Nashville, Tenn.
Quarles, John Dillard, 1896	Whitleyville, Tenn.
Qualls, Albert Butler, 1909	Bushing, Tenn.
Quinn, Edward A., 1896	Calhoun, Tenn.
Quinn, James Whitsett, 1855	Nashville, Tenn.
*Ragland, Walter, 1888	Dancyville, Tenn.
Rains, James Tidwell, 1874	Malesus, Tenn.
Rainey, James M., 1853	Tennessee
*Rains, Thomas B., 1870	Columbia, Tenn.
Ralston, Gilbert Washington, 1857	Smyrna, Tenn.
Ralston, James Reid, 1857	Nashville, Tenn.
Ralston, William T., 1868	Lebanon, Tenn.
Ramer, Albert Thomas, 1852	Nashville, Tenn.
Ramer, Daniel William, 1874	Baggettsville, Tenn.
Ramsey, Benjamin F. W., 1854	Nashville, Tenn.
Ramsey, Russell Reneaw, 1872	Cleveland, Tenn.
Ramsey, William Melvin, 1887	Tuscaloosa, Tenn.
Ramsey, Andrew Brown, 1884	McMinnville, Tenn.

## The University of Nashville History, [written] 1874

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Rankin, James Coffield Mitchell, 1858	Shelbyville, Tenn.
Rash, Benjamin Jordan, 1903	Nashville, Tenn.
Rawlins, James Solomon, Jr., 1893	Dancysville, Tenn.
Rawls, Erving J., 1869	Coopertown, Tenn.
*Read, Corin, 1860	McMinnville, Tenn.
Reazor, Samuel Lacey, 1872	Flat Creek, Tenn.
Reed, Marshall, 1878	Nashville, Tenn.
Reed, Thomas Erastus, 1876	Lewisburg, Tenn.
Reeder, William D. H., 1865	Nashville, Tenn.
Reese, Orregan Whitthorne, 1890	Templow, Tenn.
Reeves, Nathan Henry, 1874	Bristol, Tenn.
Register, Jesse Boone, 1902	Spring City, Tenn.
Register, Walter Roland, 1890	Memphis, Tenn.
Reid, Joseph F., 1853	Tennessee
Reynolds, Herman, 1909	Smithville, Tenn.
Reynolds, William E., 1877	Carbondale, Tenn.
Rhoads, Prsley Theodore, 1890	Howell, Tenn.
Rice, Thomas Demosthenes, 1902	Stokes, Tenn.
Rice, Thomas J., 1868	Stokes, Tenn.
*Richardson, David Mason, 1857	Dyersburg, Tenn.
Richardson, Thomas Skidmore, 1855	Spring Hill, Tenn.
Richardson, W. H., 1866	Covington, Tenn.
Richardson, William Temple, 1855	Smyrna, Tenn.
*Richardson, Zach Answell, 1887	Mt. Juliet, Tenn.
Richmond, Joe A., 1908	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Richmond, John Bond, 1859	Huddleston's Cross Road, Tenn.
*Ridings, Edward Watson, 1902	Dickson, Tenn.
Ridings, George Dillard, 1870	Waverly, Tenn.
Ridley, James A., 1853	Smyrna, Tenn.
Rife, William Chrstopher, 1894	Villa Ridge, Tenn.
Rives, George W., 1857	Nashville, Tenn.
Roach, John Carson, 1872	Atwood, Tenn.

NAME AND YEAR GRADUATED	ADDRESS
*Robb, William David, 1856	Scottsville, Tenn.
Robbins, Crockett David, 1907	Gordonsville, Tenn.
Roberts, Deering John, 1860	Nashville, Tenn.
Roberts, Edwin Lee, 1905	Nashville, Tenn.
Robertson, Richard H., 1867	Denmark, Tenn.
Robinson, Joseph Allen, 1871	Granville, Tenn.
Robinson, Lemuel A., 1862	Chestnut Mount, Tenn.
Robinson, William, 1871	Smith County, Tenn.
Robinson, William Franklin, 1877	Toons' Station, Tenn.
Roche, Peter Grimes, 1872	Nashville, Tenn.
Rochelle, Walter Fenner, 1883	Jackson, Tenn.
Roddy, Thomas Hale, 1857	Ooltewah, Tenn.
Rodefer, William Preston, 1873	New Market, Tenn.
Rodgers, James, 1872	Knoxville, Tenn.
Rodgers, Thomas Dick, 1884	Friendship, Tenn.
*Rodgers, William D., 1867	Concord, Tenn.
Rogers, John G., 1875	Cherry Grove, Tenn.
Rogers, Joseph Anderson, 1866	Leeville, Tenn.
Rogers, Carl E., 1907	Ducktown, Tenn.
Rollings, Robert Henry, 1854	Hendersonville, Tenn.
Roper, A. J., 1864	Nashville, Tenn.
Rose, Alvin Axley, 1907	Riceville, Tenn.
rose, Henry Clay, 1874	Dayton, Tenn.
ross, James A., 1867	Pikeville, Tenn.
Ross, Oliver Eugene, 1874	Athens, Tenn.
Ross, Robert N., 1861	Sulphur Well, Tenn.
*Rothrock, Robert G., 1861	Nashville, Tenn.
Rucker, John F., 1857	Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Rucker, Samuel T., 1898	Memphis, Tenn.
Ruddiman, Edsel A., 1893	Nashville, Tenn.
Rudolph, Mary Conroy, 1899	Nashville, Tenn.
Russell, Charles Lee, 1900	Allisonia, Tenn.

NAME AND YEAR GRADUATED	ADDRESS
Russell, John Lansden, 1859	Louisville, Tenn.
*Russell, Robert, 1870	Nashville, Tenn.
Russworm, Samuel Clark, 1857	Jefferson, Tenn.
Rutland, Benjamin Howard, 1854	Cedar Grove, Tenn.
Ryan, Michael, 1881	Erin, Tenn.
Ryan, William Hill, 1900	Wynn, Tenn.
Rye, Thomas Hartwell, 1859	Franklin, Tenn.
Sadler, Matthew C., 1862	Netherland, Tenn.
*Safford, James A., 1872	Nashville, Tenn.
Samuel, George W., 1866	Black Jack, Tenn.
Sanders, Leonard A., 1860	Dresden, Tenn.
Sanford, James Robert, 1857	Covington, Tenn.
Sanford, William Bailey, 1880	Memphis, Tenn.
Satterfield, Reuben Thomas, 1900	Nashville, Tenn.
*Saudek, Joseph, 1854	Hillsboro, Tenn.
Saunders, John Henry, 1856	Lockport, Tenn.
Sayers, Edwin A., 1908	Nashville, Tenn.
Sayers, Robert Boyd, 1858	Franklin, Tenn.
Scales, Mark H., Jr., 1860	Rigg's X Roads, Tenn.
*Scarborough, John Gaines, 1861	Madisonville, Tenn.
Scarborough, J. H., 1872	Tharpe, Tenn.
Schell, Harry Augustus, 1889	Gallatin, Tenn.
Schell, Joseph Perry, 1909	Nashville, Tenn.
Scott, John E. D., 1868	Humboldt, Tenn.
Scott, Robt. William, 1875	Humboldt, Tenn.
Scott, William S., 1876	Dickson, Tenn.
Seat, William Robert, 1873	Cherry Valley, Tenn.
*Seay, George Wharton, Jr., 1887	Nashville, Tenn.
Selley, Frederick Augustus, 1885	LaFayette, Tenn.
*Seneker, John Beddeman, 1899	Emmett, Tenn.
Sevier, Charles H., 1870	Brownsville, Tenn.
Sevier, John Henry, 1884	Brownsville, Tenn.
Seward, John W., 1861	Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Shadden, Jefferson Monroe, 1898	DeRay, Tenn.
Shannon, James Edward, 1872	Greenfield, Tenn.
Shannon, Thomas George, 1855	Nashville, Tenn.
Shapard, J. Campbell, 1858	Decherd, Tenn.
*Sharber, John Hendrix, 1855	Versailles, Tenn.
Sharp, William Thomas, 1889	Bedford, Tenn.
Shaw, Henry, 1857	Tennessee
Shaw, Henry Erwin, 1882	Neptune, Tenn.
Shaw, Thomas Jefferson, 1855	Ryan's Store, Tenn.
Shearer, Hillard County, 1905	Belltown, Tenn.
Shearer, Monteville Decatur, 1905	Tellico Junction, Tenn.
Shelton, David Carav, 1897	Inman, Tenn.
Shelton, James Madison, 1899	Smithland, Tenn.
Shelton, R., E., 1861	Jasper, Tenn.
Shelton, Richard Elijah, 1906	Whitwell, Tenn.
Shelton, William C., 1881	Nashville, Tenn.
*Sherrill, Leander Joseph, 1858	Sharon, Tenn.
Shields, David E., 1884	Morristown, Tenn.
Shipman, Daniel Henry, 1871	Waynesville, Tenn.
Shoulders, Harrison H., 1909	Red Boiling Springs, Tenn.
*Shy, James Louis, 1860	Franklin, Tenn.
Sidwell, Herman Edgar, 1902	Celina, Tenn.
Siddons, William Milton, 1858	Hartsville, Tenn.

NAME AND YEAR GRADUATED	ADDRESS
Sienknecht, Henry, 1867	Robertsville, Tenn.
Sienknecht, Charles, 1866	Kingston, Tenn.
Sienknecht, Joseph Augustus, 1898	Oliver Springs, Tenn.
Sienknecht, Theodore Frederick, 1855	Oliver Springs, Tenn.
*Simpson, Samuel Putman, 1858	Salem, Tenn.
Sims, Philander Davis, 1856	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Sims, Samuel Corder, 1902	Memphis, Tenn.
*Sipe, James N., 1876	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Sisk, Crete Nixon, 1905	Jordonia, Tenn.
Sizemore, Rufus Hicks, 1857	Charlotte, Tenn.
*Slayden, Campbell, 1852	Williamsville, Tenn.
Slayden, William Martial, 1858	Williamsville, Tenn.
Slack, Wm. H., 1876	Coghill, Tenn.
Sloan, Fielding Polk, 1860	Maryville, Tenn.
Smiser, Merritt Booker, 1873	Culleoka, Tenn.
Smith, Charles Harrison, 1868	Harrison, Tenn.
Smith, Dillard G., 1868cEwen Station, Tenn.	
Smith, Hugh Brown, 1905	Granville, Tenn.
Smith, James Buchanan, 1896	Dunlap, Tenn.
Smith, James Calhoun, 1872	Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Smith, James David, 1890	Edgewood, Tenn.
Smith, James T., 1860	Center Point, Tenn.
Smith, James Washington, 1870	Dover, Tenn.
Smith, Jerome B., 1869	Ashland City, Tenn.
Smith, Joel, 1875	Dover, Tenn.
Smith, John Luther, 1870	Iowa, Tenn.
Smith, John Neal, 1901	Brentwood, Tenn.
Smith, Jos. Bryant, 1875	Dover, Tenn.
Smith, Larkin, 1888	Nashville, Tenn.
Smith, Richard Carter, 1882	Newport, Tenn.
Smith, Richard Filmore, 1891	Friendship, Tenn.
Smith, Samuel Granville Fly, 1856	Oakland, Tenn.
Smith, Sterling Triest, 1870	Dunlap, Tenn.
Smith, Taswell Sidney, 1855	Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Smith, William A., 1873	Columbia, Tenn.
Smith, William Doubllass, 1894	Newbern, Tenn.
Smith, William Middleton, 1858	Hurricane Station, Tenn.
Smyth, Alonzo P., 1888	Ridgely, Tenn.
Sneed, Eldred, 1879	Nashville, Tenn.
Sneed, John William, 1901	Bonbrook, Tenn.
Sneed, William David, 1883	Melton, Tenn.
Sneed, William J., 1885	Lewisburg, Tenn.
*Snyder, Romulus Harrison, 1869	Nashville, Tenn.
Somers, James, Jr., 1858	Dresden, Tenn.
Sory, Bailey Brown, 1893	Cedar Hill, Tenn.
Sory, Leander Franklin, 1898	Adams, Tenn.
Speck, Carl Thomas, 1908	Morristown, Tenn.
Speck, Horace Tilden, 1905	Livingston, Tenn.
Speck, Luther Price, 1908	Bushing, Tenn.
Spradling, Lewis Wetzel, 1899	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Springs, Thomas B., 1852	Tennessee
Steele, David Porter, 1856	Ropley, Tenn.
Steele, John W., 1866	Franklin, Tenn.
Steel, Newton Chambers, 1873	Chattanooga, Tenn.
Steen, John Houston, 1907	Georgetown, Tenn.

(To be Continued)



## Williamson County Remembrance of 1859

*The following is a portion of the Annual Address before the State Agricultural Bureau of Tennessee, delivered at the sixth annual state fair by Commander M. F. Maury, United States Navy, on Tuesday, October 11, 1859.*

"Where were you in the days of my boyhood? Drifting your crops down the Mississippi river in flat-boats, and footing it back with your young men through the Indian nation? In a commercial sense you could make but one crop in two years; for the rule was, a year to grow and to gather, and a year for the market and the return. It was hard work poling up the Mississippi, and slow business drifting down.

"I can recollect when in winter it took the farmer of Williamson County two weeks to make a trip from Franklin to Nashville—18 miles—with a load of tobacco. Wagons went in pairs, so that they might "double team," and help each other out of the mud holes by the way. The fences on the road-side were literally used up in prying wagons out of those mud holes. Indeed the road hence to Franklin was in winter almost literally one long mud hole, and after struggling through it, twenty cents the bushel for corn could not

always be got; but twenty-five cents the pound for common brown sugar was sure to be charged....

"I do not know how it is now, or how it may have been in other parts of the State, but when I was a boy, the peach crop in Williamson County generally failed every other year—only with Mr. Brown, our neighbor, who lived in the knobs—it never failed! Mr. Brown was a plain man,... He built his house on a knoll in the valley, but his orchard he planted on the knob, and in the years of failure with his neighbors he would have a most abundant crop, which he sent to town by the wagon load and sold from \$1.00 to \$2.00 the bushel. 'What is the reason that Mr. Brown's orchard never missed' was a question that exercised the neighborhood...."

*From Reports from Public Officers and Institutions Made to the General Assembly of Tennessee, Session of 1859-60 (Nashville: E. G. Eastman & Co., Public Printers, 1860), pp. 649, 653. ■*



**An almanac engraving depicting mid-19th Century farmlife.**

The major sources of illustrations of this kind are from type specimen books prior to 1890. This one was taken from *Handbook of Early American Advertising Art* (New York: Dover Publications, Inc., 1953)

# Two Rutherford County Records of People of "Colour"

Contributed by Florence B. Langford

State of Tennessee  
Rutherford County

This 24th day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six personally appeared before me Robert S. Morris clerk of the county court of said county Melisa Taylor a free girl of colour (sic) who is properly described as being a Mulato about ten years old.

She has large eyes her features are tolerable good. Nothing very extraordinary about her. Her teeth are very close. She has two scars. One of them on her left arm on the point of the elbow and the other a very small one on her right hand both occasioned by burns. She is about three feet ten inches high slender made. She has small feet her toes turnout a little when she walks. Her feet a little calloused. Her hair knated. Charles Mitchell and Edward H. Mitchell citizens of Rutherford County in the State of Tennessee men of good moral character and men of truth also appeared before and being sworn agreed with me that the above is a good description of said girl Melisa Taylor and further say they have for several years been acquainted with the said Melisa and that the said Melisa has always been the reputed daughter of Sally Taylor a Mullato woman who has always passed as a free woman and who has free papers now in her possession and that the said Melisa has always passed as a free girl in the State of North Carolina before the remove to this state and has passed as such all the time since she has been here.

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Detail of record of Melisa Taylor

Subscribed & sworn to )  
before me this 24th day of ) Charles Mitchell  
September 1836 ) Edward Mitchell  
Robert S. Morris, Clerk<sup>1</sup>

State of Tennessee - Rutherford County Court  
March Term 1838

To James Smith a free man of colour (sic) a citizen of Rutherford County. It appears to the county court now in session that Crawford Holly has died leaving a will and the court being satisfied as to your claim to the administration to the will annexed, and you having given bond and qualified as directed by law and the court having ordered that letters of administration be issued by you. These are Therefore to authorize and empower you to take into your possession and control all the goods, chattels, claims and papers of the said intestate and return a true and perfect inventory hereof to our county court in ninety days, to collect and pay all debts, and to do and transact all duties in relation to said estate which lawfully devolves on you as administrator, and after having settled up said estate, to deliver the residue thereof to those who are by law entitled.

Witness, Robert S. Morris, Clerk of said court at office this 5th day of March 1838, and year of American Independence Sixty Second.

Robert S. Morris, Clk.<sup>2</sup>

1. Rutherford County, Tennessee, Court Order Volume 9: 368, Microfilm Reel 260 (Tennessee State Library & Archives).

2. Rutherford County, Tennessee, Court Order Volume 10: 146, Microfilm Reel 260 (Tennessee State Library & Archives).

# The Churches of the Middle Tennessee Cumberland Baptist Association in 1880

Contributed by Timothy Mohon

The Cumberland Baptist Association was organized in 1871 in Springfield, Tennessee. Today, this Southern Baptist association covers Montgomery County, with only five churches in neighboring counties. But at one time, the Cumberland covered as many as eight Middle Tennessee counties.

Many genealogists have found the records of various congregations to be of help in the search for their elusive ancestors. These records are usually used in helping to judge the date of birth due to the rite of infant baptism and the names of the infant's parents.

Due to the Baptist practice of believer's baptism as opposed to infant baptism, many suppose that Baptist church records are of little use. But this is a fallacy. Even though they are of little use in determining the date of birth or names of parents, Baptist records can be of use in helping to pinpoint an individual in a particular location at a given point in time and sometimes lists the date of death. The records of Baptist denominational bodies can also be of use in this fashion. The following document is an example of the usefulness of denominational records.

The following "Church Gazetteer" can be found in the 1880 printed minutes.<sup>1</sup> It not only shows the extent of the Cumberland in early days, but it also gives detailed information on many small rural churches. In addition to the information found in the gazetteer, the following compilation has been supplemented with the names of the Pastor, Church Clerk, Sunday School Superintendent, Messengers to the association that year, and the date of organization of the congregation. This addi-

tional data is compiled from the statistical tables found on pages 4-6 of the printed minutes. This excerpt gives the names of many individuals who were members of various local congregations. In the case of congregational officers, it also lists the post office address. This listing will also give the genealogist a post office address for those obscure congregational names that they come across in their research.

Many congregational historians will find this register of assistance in that the history of Baptist churches in this area of Tennessee can be quite sparse. This listing gives many details concerning the lives of particular congregations as well as facts about the buildings that they occupied.

A few notes need to be made in order to utilize this document. First, the county name is listed following the name of the congregation. Second, those names found in all CAPITALS are ordained ministers (the one underlined name is a licensed minister.)

## CHURCH GAZETTEER

Giving Location, Description, and Items of  
Interest from the Letters of the Year

**BATTLE CREEK**, Robertson County, 58 members.—Three miles south from Cooperstown, on the old road to Sycamore Powder Mills. Cooperstown is eight miles southwest from Springfield. Has a new frame house worth \$1,000; seats 250; meets once a month, third Sunday; no other services; no Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* W. S. ADAMS, Adams' Station, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* J. M. Murrah, Cooperstown, Robertson County, Tenn.

*SSuperintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* O. C. Greer, J. M. Murrah

*Organized:* 1843

**BETHANY**, Robertson County, 117 members.—Is on the road from Springfield to Franklin, Ky., nine miles from Franklin, two and one-half miles north-east from Black Jack. Has a house worth \$2,000; seats 300; preaching once a month, third Sunday; has a Sunday-school all the year.

1. *Minutes of the Tenth Anniversary of Cumberland Association of Baptists, held with the Springfield Baptist Church, Robertson County, Tenn., August 14, 15, and 16, 1880* (Nashville: Cumberland Presbyterian Publishing House, 1880), 24-27. The original of these minutes can be found in the James P. Boyce Centennial Library of the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky and a microfilm copy can be viewed in the Library and Archives of the Southern Baptist Historical Commission, Nashville, Tennessee.

*Pastor:* G. W. FEATHERSTON, Black Jack, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* J. R. House, Cross Plains, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* C. B. Williams, E. M. Willis

*Organized:* No Date Given

**BETHLEHEM**, Robertson County, 297 members.—Seven and one-half miles from Springfield, on the Springfield and Gallatin road; five miles from Greenbrier Station. Has a good framed house worth \$4,000; seats 350; preaching twice a month, second and fourth Sundays; also, an annual protracted meeting, beginning second Sunday in October; has a Sunday-school during spring and summer only, continued about seven months; is repairing and renovating its house of worship.

*Pastor:* W. C. SHANNON, Baggettville, Tenn.

*Clerk:* G. H. Sprouse, Baggettville, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* B. F. Baggett, James Pinson, Wm. Sprouse, J. W. Sprouse

*Organized:* 1838

**BETHLEHEM**, Sumner County, 24 members.—About two miles west from Fountain Head Station, Louisville and Nashville Railroad. Has a church worth \$300; preaching once a month, second Sabbath; no Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* W. S. BORTHICK, Franklin, Ky.

*Clerk:* J. W. Briley, Fountain Head, Sumner, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* J. W. Briley, Nee'y Brown

*Organized:* 1868

**CLARKSVILLE**, 226 members—Has a new brick house, with basement, worth \$25,000; seats 400; has a live Sunday-school; total contributions for the year \$1,662.

*Pastor:* A. D. SEARS, Clarksville, Tenn.

*Clerk:* E. B. Fly, Clarksville, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* J. F. Parker, Clarksville

*Messengers:* W. J. Fly, F. L. Smith, Joshua Brown

*Organized:* 1866 [reorganized, organized in 1831]

**CONCORD**, Sumner County, 50 members.—On the Long Hollow pike, at the crossing of Drake's creek. Hendersonville is the nearest railroad station. Has a framed house worth \$500; seats 200; regular preaching second Sunday in each month, and occasionally at other times; has a Sunday-school in spring and summer.

*Pastor:* J. W. SWAN, Franklin, Kentucky

*Clerk:* J. W. Dorris, Worsham, Sumner

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* J. W. Dorris, J. R. Dorris, Wm. Birney, James Morris

*Organized:* 1874

**EBENEZER**, Robertson, 101 members.—one mile northwest of Greenbrier Station; five miles south of Springfield. Has a framed house worth \$1,000; seats 250; has a Sunday-school in spring and summer; preaching once a month, fourth Sunday.

*Pastor:* W. B. TRENARY, Goodlettsville, Tenn.

*Clerk:* J. D. Stanley, Greenbrier, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* C. J. Burch, Greenbrier.

*Messengers:* John Phipps, J. E. Dorris, J. W. Dorris, R. T. Dorris

*Organized:* 1874

**EDGEFIELD**, 273 members.—Has a new brick church, with basement, worth \$16,000; seats 350; also has a framed parsonage worth \$2,000, and mission building \$1,000; contributions \$4,155. Has a thriving home Sunday-school and two mission schools; has been in some perplexity with regard to a large number of absent and delinquent members; finally after trying other means, determined to erase from the roll all such, notifying the parties wherever they could be reached. A number have been, on application, reinstated and regularly dismissed to other churches. They re—Has a large framed house in good condition, worth \$12,000; seats 500; preaching on the second Sunday and weekly prayer-meetings; also a thriving Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* No Pastor

*Clerk:* H. Alvin Holmes, Gallatin, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* M. S. Elkin, Gallatin.

*Messengers:* M. S. Elkin, G. M. Guthrie

*Organized:* 1858

**HARMONY**, Robertson County, 128 members.—On the road from Port Royal to Turnersville: three and one-half miles from each place. Has a good brick house worth \$2,000; seats 400; preaching once a month, second Sunday. Sunday-school during the summer; no other services. Their former pastor having resigned, Elder Petrie accepted their call, but after a short time was removed by death. The church then called Elder J. W. Fort, of Red River church, who was ordained in October, 1879, and has been their pastor since January. This church also has "revised and corrected" its roll of members, and have dropped many names, reporting its membership at fifty less than last year. Their Sunday-school is growing in interest.

*Pastor:* J. W. FORT, Adams' Station, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* Emmett Merrow, Turnersville, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* J. C. Goodman, Turnersville.

*Messengers:* A. J. Atkins, W. L. Parker, J. Reeder, J. T. Rosson

*Organized:* 1835

**HOPEWELL**, Robertson County, 222 mem-



bers.—Seven miles northeast from Springfield, near the road from Springfield through Black Jack to Franklin, church is two miles southeast of the main road. Has a framed house worth \$1,200; seats 450; preaching once a month, second Sunday; no Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* G. W. FEATHERSTON, Black Jack, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* H. M. Johnson, Cross Plains, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* Robert Pitt, Hubertsville.

*Messengers:* W. J. Smith, Wiley Pitt, W. A. Willis, J. C. Holman, W. H. Jones

*Organized:* 1826

**KEESEY'S CHAPEL**, Montgomery County, 41 members.—South side of Cumberland river, one and one-half miles from Searcy's ferry, four miles above Clarksville. Has a frame house worth \$500; seats 200; preaching once a month, third Sunday.

*Pastor:* None Listed.

*Clerk:* A. J. Armstrong, Clarksville, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* No Messengers

*Organized:* 1849

**LEBANON**, Robertson County, 114 members.—Seven miles from Springfield, one mile west from Barren Plains. Has a good brick house worth \$800; seats 250; preaching once a month, fourth Sunday; no Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* G. W. FEATHERSTON, Black Jack, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* I. F. Mason, Barren Plains, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* —

*Messengers:* Jeremiah Fyke, I. G. C. Mason, C. G. Holman, T. W. Hughes, I. F. Mason

*Organized:* 1857

**LITTLE HOPE**, Montgomery County, 67 members.—On the road from Clarksville to Port Royal, ten miles from Clarksville; four from Port Royal; about ten miles from Adams' Station. Has a good brick home worth \$1,500; seats 300; preaching once a month, first Sunday; maintains a weekly prayer-meeting, and has a Sunday-school the year round.

*Pastor:* W. S. ADAMS, Adams' Station, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* Thos. S. Trigg, Ross View, Montgomery, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* P. R. Bradbury, Clarksville, Tenn.

*Messengers:* G. W. Bradbury, P. R. Bradbury, R. M. Winn, H. L. Winn, T. J. Winn, H. B. Davis

*Organized:* 1869

**MARROWBONE**, Cheatham County, 48 members.—on Little Marrowbone creek; three miles from Cumberland river; about six miles from Ashland. Worships in an old log church worth \$400; seats 150;

preaching usually once a month, fourth Sunday; has a Sunday-school in a school-house half a mile from the church.

*Pastor:* None Listed.

*Clerk:* W. D. Frensley, Ashland City, Cheatham, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* No Messengers.

*Organized:* 1845

**MOUNT HERMON**, Cheatham County, 57 members.—Near Gupton's Cross Roads, and near the county line; post-office, Henrietta. Has preaching once a month, first Sunday; worships in a log house, weatherboarded and ceiled, worth \$400; seats 200.

*Pastor:* No Pastor.

*Clerk:* G. M. Smith, Henrietta, Cheatham, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* James Hogan, Wm. P. Atkins.

*Organized:* 1840

**NASHVILLE**, First Church, 493 members.—Has a brick house, with basement and annex rooms for primary school and Bible class; house built in 1835; seats 450; property valued at \$25,000. Has a thriving Sunday-school and a mission station, where, in addition to a Sunday-school, religious services are held every Monday night. Total contributions for the year \$4,433.

*Pastor:* T. D. JONES, D. D.

*Clerk:* P. R. Calvert.

*SS Superintendent:* M. B. Pilcher, Nashville.

*Messengers:* J. B. CHEVIS, Dr. W. P. Jones, A. Larcombe.

*Organized:* 1820

**NASHVILLE**, Third, 168 members.—Is now building a neat brick house, the basement of which is finished and occupied; has cost thus far \$2,629, all paid; house will seat 350. Maintains a weekly prayer-meeting, and also a young people's meeting; has a live Sunday-school and a small mission school. (The Association will meet with the Third Church of Nashville next year.)

*Pastor:* L. B. FISH.

*Clerk:* John Welter.

*SS Superintendent:* A. J. Wheeler, Nashville.

*Messengers:* John Adler, Z. T. Sweeney, J. Robertson.

*Organized:* 1876

**NEW BETHEL**, Davidson County, 143 members.—Two miles south of Goodlettsville, nine and one-half miles by road from Nashville. Has a good framed house worth \$1,000; seats 300; preaching once a month, second Sunday; has a permanent Sunday-school and weekly prayer-meeting.

*Pastor:* No Pastor.

*Clerk:* G. W. Kemper, Goodlettsville, Tenn.  
*SS Superintendent:* D. H. Hall, Goodlettsville.  
*Messengers:* Enoch Cunningham, A. J. Cunningham.  
*Organized:* 1796

**NEW HOPE**, Sumner County, 81 members.—On Drake's creek; four miles north from upper Gallatin pike; eight miles north from Henderson. Has a framed house worth \$800; seats 400; preaching on the third Sunday of each month; no Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* J. W. SWAN, Franklin, Ky.

*Clerk:* Z. T. Honeycutt, Worsham, Sumner, Tennessee.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* A. H. Brinkley, T. F. Honeycutt, John W. Garrison

*Organized:* 1845

**PLEASANT HILL**, Robertson County, 80 members.—Five miles north of Cross Plains, on road from Cross Plains to Franklin road; eight miles from Franklin. Has a good framed house worth \$1,200; seats 300; preaching once a month, first Sunday; no Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* W. P. D. CLARK, White House, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* John W. Stait, Cross Plains, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* W. B. Pond, L. C. Payne, J. C. Webb

*Organized:* 1849

**PLEASANT VALLEY**, Sumner County, 51 members.—

Twelve miles west of Gallatin, on the Red River road, seven miles from Fountain Head Station. Has recently completed a new house of worship which will seat 200. It is worth \$1,000; but has religious services every Sunday, and a Sunday-school all the year.

*Pastor:* W. P. D. CLARK, white House, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* R. C. Searcy, Cross Plains, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* W. P. D. CLARK, White House.

*Messengers:* J. C. Link, J. A. Griffin, R. C. Searcy, J. W. Hester, I. F. Wilkinson

*Organized:* 1877

**RED RIVER**, Robertson County, 155 members.—At Adams' Station. St. Louis and Southeastern Railroad. Has a large framed house worth \$2,500; will seat 500; regular preaching every third Sunday, and weekly prayer-meeting; Sunday-school all the year. The annual protracted meeting last October was conducted by Rev. J. W. Fort, assisted by Brother S. P. Fogy. The church was revived and there were eighteen added to its numbers.

*Pastor:* J. W. FORT, Adams' Station, Robertson, Tenn.

*Clerk:* Eli Omdorff, Adams' Station, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* M. G. ALEXANDER, W. D. Fort, Jr.

*Messengers:* W. S. ADAMS, M. G. ALEXANDER, Eli Omdorff, J. E. Ruffin

*Organized:* 1791

**ROCK SPRING**, Robertson County, 80 members.—Six miles south of Springfield. Has a log church worth \$100; seats 100; preaching once a month, third Sunday; no Sunday-school.

*Pastor:* No Pastor.

*Clerk:* I. Reeder, Greenbrier, Robertson, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* A. J. Hinkle, Springfield.

*Messengers:* A. J. Hinkle, I. Reeder, J. T. Buie, J. M. Pyles

*Organized:* 1806

**SPRINGFIELD**, Robertson County, 66 members.—Has a new brick house, the best in the town; cost \$4,000; seats 500; preaching every Sunday, weekly prayer meeting, and Sunday-school all the year. Is burdened financially; still owes about \$1,000 on their new house; asks for the kind offices, counsel, and prayers of the brethren. Reports the death of a worthy and much loved Brother, Rev. T. W. Mason, late of Cooperstown.

*Pastor:* JOHN H. ANDERSON, Springfield, Tenn.

*Clerk:* J. W. Dean, Springfield, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* A. E. Garner, Springfield.

*Messengers:* D. S. Featherston, J. S. Atkins, D. L. Durrin, R. T. Matthews

*Organized:* 1866

**STATION CAMP**, Sumner County, 194 members.—on Station Camp creek, six miles west from Gallatin, between Red River Dike and upper Nashville pike. Has a framed house, with two annex rooms, worth \$1,000; seats 300; preaching once a month, first Sunday; Sunday-school during spring and summer, about seven months.

*Pastor:* None Listed.

*Clerk:* L. B. Sprouse, Springfield, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* L. B. Sprouse, Gallatin.

*Messengers:* No Messengers.

*Organized:* 1867

**UNION HILL**, Davidson, 61 members.—Four miles west of Goodlettsville, on the road to White's creek. Has a framed house worth \$500; seats 200; organized a Sunday-school last April; preaching once a month, second Sunday.

*Pastor:* W. B. TRENARY, Goodlettsville, Tenn.

*Clerk:* J. M. Forrester, Goodlettsville, Tenn.

*SS Superintendent:* None Listed.

*Messengers:* E. L. Cummins, W. E. Cole, J. W. Cole, W. L. Robertson, J. M. Forrester

*Organized:* 1859

## Early Indian Tribulations in Middle Tennessee, 1797

The following is gleaned from depositions taken by Benjamin Hawkins, the Principal Agent of Indian Affairs South of the Ohio for the Federal Government. At this time, he was camping near Nashville surveying the Holston treaty line. -Editor

### 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 1797, Camp near Nashville

No. 1. James Bosley applied to inform the Agent for Indian Affairs [Benjamin Hawkins] that some time about the year 1788 or 1789, a negro fellow of his named Sam was taken by some Creek Indians within three miles of Nashville; he was with a waggon. They took four horses out of the waggon and at the same time they fired on and killed John Hunter, and during the same day they fired on and killed Major M. Kirkpatrick.... Mr. Bosley is informed that this negro is in possession of Stephen Sullivan, who lived where he had this information at New York, the town of the residence of the while Lieutenant. Sam is about 45 years of age; he is a good waggoner and active plantation negro. Mr. Bosley lives within two miles of Nashville.

No. 2. George Ridley and his wife, one child, and a negro girl, returning from the Natches in 1789 or 1790, while on Duck River, at its junction with the Tennessee, making a canoe, were fired on by Indians, said by the Chickasaws to be Creeks. They killed Ridley and his wife, and it is suspected that the girl and boy were taken prisoners. The girl about 12 years old, the boy about 2 years old. George Ridley, the grandfather, lives within three miles of Nashville.

### No. 3. [Concerning persons of Tugalo area]

No. 4. Edmund Gamble informs that he has a negro some where in the Creek country, taken on the 15th April 1790 near General Robertson's; said to be found in the woods nearly perished with hunger. The description: He is named Ned; about 17 years old at the time he was taken;...was raised near Halifax, in the State of North Carolina, by Major Joel Hart.

No. 5. General Joseph Martin on Tugalo River in the fall of 1788, had a large cream coloured horse at the at that time about four years old....

No. 6. George Gentry, of Davidson County, near Nashville, applies on the 19th of May 1797, for justice and states the grounds: On the 31st of January last, his brother, John Gentry, was killed by some Creek Indians; at the time he was in company with Edward Ragsdale and John Browder. His brother lost 2 blankets, saddle, bridle and meal bag; that the saddle has since been returned by the Creeks in care of Sackfield Maclin....

No. 7. Edward Ragsdale, mentioned in No. 6, states his claim and therein corroborates the preceeding demands. He says on oath: "The on the 31st of January, he, together with John Gentry and John Browder, were on the waters of Harpeth, on the



north side of the ridge dividing the waters of Cumberland from those of Duck River, and they were there fired on by persons unknown, but conjectured to be Indians; that Mr. Gentry was wounded by a shot and died in a few minutes; it appeared that his (Mr. Gentry's) mare

was wounded by the same shot; that the two survivors left their horses, one gun and the dead boy of Mr. Gentry and his wounded horse; that the horse which Mr. Sackfield brought from the creek nation is the same horse mentioned in this statement. He further deposes that he lost a saddle, blanket, bridle, hat and meal bag, and he believes the persons who fired got the whole except the hat. He further deposes that John Browder lost at the same time one horse, one blanket and a bridle. He further deposes that John Gentry had with him at the time he was killed, two blankets, a saddle, bridle and meal bag, and that the saddle returned by Sackfield Maclin from the Creek nation is the same saddle belonging to John Gentry. He further deposes that the mare which Mr. Gentry rode and which died, as he believes, of the wound before mentioned, was the property of Frederick Browder...."

Edward Ragsdale's property lost: One saddle, one blanket, one bridle, [and] one meal bag.<sup>1</sup>

1. Benjamin Hawkins, "Letters of Benjamin Hawkins, 1796-1806," *Georgia Historical Society's Collections*, IX (Savannah, Ga.: The Morning News, 1916), pp. 174-176.

# **TENNESSEE COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, DEED ABSTRACTS, 1789-1797** **Early Records of Robertson, Montgomery, Stewart, Dickson, Houston,** **Hickman, Humphreys and Cheatham Counties**

Transcribed by Yolanda G. Reid, Robertson County Historian

**T**ENNESSEE COUNTY was formed in the fall of 1788 and was the third county created in what we now know as Middle Tennessee. The county seat of Tennessee County was Clarksville. The land within this county encompassed what is today known as Montgomery, Robertson, Dickson, Houston, Stewart, parts of Hickman, Humphreys and Cheatham Counties, Tennessee.

The importance of this material lies not only in their early date, but also that many of these are grants for Revolutionary War service.

The Tennessee County deed records are found on microfilm as *Montgomery County, Tennessee, Deed Book A*. Page numbers given here are the actual page numbers found in Deed Book A and on the microfilm. Surname spelling is given as originally written, but the word "registered" is indicated as "reg." in this series. —YGR

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p. 319 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to THOMAS JOHNSON, assignee of MARTIN ARMSTRONG, Surveyor of the military lands...No. 159...137 acres...Sulpher Fork of Red River...WILLIAM BORAN's line...KARR's line...NICHOLS line...surveyed for & by THOMAS JOHNSON 2 November 1792 by entry dated 21 August 1792, grant signed RICHD. DOBBS SPAIGHT 9 January 1794...reg. 30 December 1794

pp. 319-320 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to NATHANIEL HOLLEY, assignee of LITTLEBERRY STONE, Private in Continental line...No. 2138...640 acres...north side of Cumberland River on the Clay Lick Branch joining east boundary of HUGH HENRY's preemption ...CRUTCHER's line...surveyed 19 (no month given) 1791 by GEO. WALKER by military warrant No. 3381, located 6 January 1789, grant signed RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT 10 May 1793...reistered 30 December 1794

pp. 320-321 HUGH TINNIN of Sumner County to JAMES TAYLOR of Tennessee County...indenture made 1 September 1794...100 pounds...100 acres on north side of Main Red River...DAVID MERADETH now lives...Witness: JAMES TINNIN & JOHN TINNIN...reg. 6 February 1795

pp. 321-322 GEORGE COOK of Davidson County to VALENTINE SEVERE of Tennessee County...indenture made 11 July 1792...100 pounds...640 acres...north side of Red River...SAMUEL EWING's corner...granted to GEORGE COOK No. 197...Witness: B. SEARCY & JULIUS SANDERS...reg. 7 February 1795

pp. 322-323 ROBERT WILLS to WILLIAM BAKER, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 28 August 1794...50 pounds...49 acres on McAdoes Creek part of the preemption where HAYDEN WELLS now lives...Witness: BENJN. MEENEES & HAYDEN WELLS...reg. 7 February 1795

pp. 323-324 SAMUEL COX, SENR. of Logan County Kentucky to DAVID HAMILTON of Tennessee County...indenture made 4 June 1794...80 pounds...100 acres...Red River...being part of North Carolina grant to ROBERT HEA-

TON...Witness: JAS. MCCARRELL & JOHN HAMILTON...reg. 24 February 1795

pp. 324-325 SAMUEL COX, SENR. of Logan County to JOSEPH HAMILTON of Tennessee County...indenture made 4 June 1794...80 pounds...87 acres on Red River...being part of 320 acres granted by North Carolina to ROBERT HEATON...Witness: JAS. MCCARREL...reg. 24 February 1795

pp. 325-326 HENRY WHITSEL, JUNIOR to ANDREW GIBSON, both of Guilford County North Carolina...indenture made 9 February 1794...HENRY WHITSEL, JUNIOR heir & administrator of PHILLIP WHITSEL, decd...500 pounds...1000 acres...south side of Cumberland River joining JAMES DICKSON & HAYDEN WELLS survey...Witness: JAMES STRAIN, WM. GAMBLE & ANDREW DICK...reg. 24 February 1795

p. 327 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to PHILLIP WHITSELL, non commissioned officer in Continental line...(No No.) 1000 acres...south side of Cumberland River joining the upper boundary of a survey made for JAMES DICKSON & HAYDEN WELLS...surveyed 14 December 1792 by R. NELSON by military warrant No. 744, located 10 November 1792 grant signed RICHD. DOBBS SPAIGHT 31 December 1793...reg. 24 February 1795

p. 328 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to JOHN PHILLIPS...(no No.) 640 acres...10 pounds for every hundred acres...Richland Creek of Red River...surveyed 13 September 1792 by THOMAS JOHNSON by warrant No. 161, entry dated 19 January 1794, grant signed RICHD. DOBBS SPAIGHT 27 June 1793...reg. 24 February 1795

pp. 328-329 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to DAVID WILSON, assignee of THOMAS HARRIS, \_\_\_ in Continental line...(no No.) 1000 acres...Cumberland River on both sides of the third west fork of Yellow Creek above MILLS RAMSEY's claim...JAMES MIDDLETON's southwest corner...WILLIAM L. LEWIS line...COL. WM. DAVIS line...surveyed 24 May 1790 by JOHN DICKSON by military warrant No. 1430, located 22 March 1786, grant signed ALEX MARTIN 4 January 1792...reg. 25 February 1795



pp. 329-330 THOMAS MOLLOY of Davidson County to WILLIAM FORT of Tennessee County...indenture made 26 November 1794...\$200...640 acres...between Red River and Sulphur Fork...JOHN REYNOLDS line...being granted by North Carolina to JACOB ROCHEL patent dated 9 March 1786 and no. 226...Witness: WILLIAM BROWN & NOAH SUGG...reg. 25 February 1795

pp. 330-331 ROBERT MCCONNELL of Tennessee County to WILLIAM ROSCO of Davidson County...indenture made 21 December 1794...200 pounds...150 acres...north side of Cumberland River on Richland Creek...Sulphur Fork of Red River... being part of a preemption granted by North Carolina to CHARLES THOMPSON dated 17 April 1786...above the mouth of NICHOLAS COONRAD's Spring branch...ROBT. PRINCE...ABINGO BAKER...crossing Millers Creek...Witness: JAMES NORFLET, SAML. UNDERWOOD, ISAAC BROWN ...reg. 25 February 1795

pp. 331-332 LEMUEL LAWRENCE & MARY LAWRENCE of Northampton County North Carolina to ISAAC BROWN of Hertford County North Carolina...150 pounds...640 acres...Sulphur Fork of Red River at the mouth of Brush Creek joining the south boundary of STEPHEN CANTREL's preemption... it being a patent granted to RICHARD FENNER dated 12 March 1787... signed 12 December 1793...Witness: JAMES NORFLEET, SETH J. THOMAS, RICHARD GODWIN...reg. 26 February 1795

pp. 332-333 THOMAS JOHNSON to MELCHER OYLER, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 16 August 1794...\$150...220 acres...head of Phillips's pond...being part of 640 acres granted by North Carolina to THOMAS JOHNSON dated 20 May 1793 No. 1341...reg. 26 February 1795

pp. 333-334 ISAAC BROWN & MOURNING BROWN of Tennessee County to WILLIAM CONNEL of Tennessee County...100 pounds...640 acres...Sulphur Fork of Red River at the mouth of Brush Creek joining the south boundary of STEPHEN CANTREL's preemption... being a patent granted to RICHARD FENNER dated 22 March 1787...signed 24 January 1795...reg. 26 February 1795

p. 335 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to JAMES RENFROE...10 pounds for every hundred acres...640 acres...both sides of Red River...at an old punchion cabin on the south side of Red River about a half a mile below Fort Tinon? commonly called Red River Station... surveyed 6 November 1792 by WM. CRUTCHER & A. FOSTER by warrant No. 503, entry dated 29 June 1784, grant signed RICHD. DOBBS SPAIGHT 27 June 1793...reg. 2 March 1795

pp. 335-336 GEORGE BELL to MARTIN DUNCAN, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 27 January 1795...100 pounds...150 acres...north side of Red River east of EVAN SHELBY's claim including a spring near the head of a branch...reg. 2 March 1795

pp. 336-337 ROBERT NELSON to NICHOLAS COONROD, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 24 July 1794...100 pounds...640 acres...north side of Cumberland River opposite Dearons? Island...JOHN SHELBY's upper corner...Witness: WM. MILES, ISAAC TITSWORTH...reg. 2 March 1795

pp. 337-338 COL. JOHN MONTGOMERY to JOHN SEVERE (son of VALENTINE SEVERE) & JOHN MONTGOMERY SNYDER...indenture made 2 February 1794...100 pounds...100 acres...in the fork between Cumberland River and Red River...near the open end of a Sugar Camp...southwest corner with the line run for JOHN NEWEL until it strikes DAVIS's fence...Witness: A. CRUTCHER...reg. 2 March 1795

pp. 338-339 JOHN REILY of Logan County Kentucky to JACOB MCCARTY of Tennessee County...indenture made 24 October 1794...50 pounds...320 acres...bank of the South Cross Creek the southeast corner of the said JOHN REILY's guard right No. 651...being granted to said Reily by patent dated 10 July 1788 No. 87 as assignee of JAMES SHAW assignee of ROBT. BEDWELL one of the commissioners guard...Witness: WILLIAM HINDS, JOHN MCCARTY...reg. 24 March 1795

pp. 339-340 JOSIAH MCDONNEL of Green County Georgia to DAVID MCFADDIN of Tennessee County...indenture made 27 September 1794...274 acres...100 pounds...north side of Cumberland River on both sides of Red River...Witness: JOHN MACKY...reg. 13 March 1794

pp. 341-342 JESSE CAIN to ANN KANADY, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 21 October 1794...35 pounds...46 acres...Sulphur Fork... being part of land granted by North Carolina to JESSE CAIN dated 18 May 1789 No. 59...Witness: THOMAS JOHNSON, Esqr...reg. 13 March 1795

pp. 342-343 ROBERT MOORE of Lincoln County Kentucky to RICHARD MILES of Tennessee County...indenture made 24 January 1795...66 pounds...640 acres...north side of Cumberland River...northwest corner to JOSIAH RAMSEY...being granted to Moore by North Carolina patent dated 17 April 1786...signed ROBERT MOORE with his seal affixed by ANDREW JACKSON attorney in fact and proven by the oath of SAMUEL DONNALSON, Esqr...reg. 13 March 1795

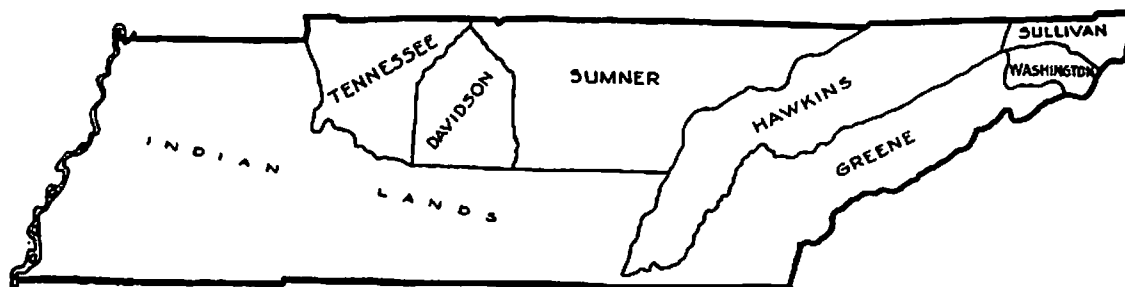
pp. 343-344 BENJAMIN HARDIN, SENR. to EPHRAIM PRATT, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 7 August 1794...30 pounds...70 acres...Sulphur Fork of Red River...including said Pratt's improvements...being granted by North Carolina to HARDIN dated 27 November 1792 No. 1604...Witness: BENJN. MENEES, Esqr...reg. 16 March 1795

pp. 344-345 JAMES BOYD to JACOB RHEUDOLPH, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 27 August 1795...50 pounds...100 acres...on the waters of McAdoo Creek part of the preemption where sd. JAMES BOYD now lives and granted to JOSIAH RAMSEY by North Carolina patent dated 17 April 1786 No. 22...THOMPSON's line...THOMPSON HARRIS's line...reg. 15 March 1795

pp. 345-346 HAYDEN WELLS of Tennessee County to WILLIAM WICOFF, JUNR. of Monmouth County New Jersey...indenture made 28 October 1794...\$400...640 acres...north side of Cumberland River on Blooming Grove Creek...JOHN TROUSDALE's east boundary... granted to HAYDEN WELLS by patent dated 17 June 1793... Witness: HOWEL TATUM, Esr...reg. 16 March 1795

pp. 346-347 THOMAS BELUE of Tennessee County to JOHN JOHNSTON of Sumner County...180 pounds...370

- acres...Sulphur Fork about one mile west from a clay lick...HUGH HENRY's line...Witness: MICHAEL GILBERT... reg. 16 March 1795
- pp. 347-348 RICHARD MILES to ALEXANDER CARNES, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 10 November 1794...30 pounds...100 acres...McAdoo Creek part of a pre-emption granted by North Carolina to ROBERT MOORE dated 17 April 1786 No. 60...corner to JAMES BOYD...reg. 18 March 1795
- pp. 348-349 ROBERT NELSON to ARCHD. EDMONSTON, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 6 January 1795...\$100...320 acres...west fork of Parsons Creek on old road...WM. LINTON's southwest corner...WM. KIRK's line... ROBT. EDMONSTON's line...land was granted to JOSHUA HADLY...reg. 16 March 1795
- pp. 349-350 TIMOTHY ANDERSON to his son HENRY ANDERSON, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 21 October 1794...50 pounds...116 acres...north side of Cumberland River on McAdoo Creek, being part of 3840 acres formerly the property of JAMES MCCRORY...dividing line between said TIMOTHY ANDERSON and HUGH TAYLOR's heirs...including said HENRY ANDERSON's cabin and improvements...reg. 18 March 1795
- pp. 350-351 JOSHUA HADLEY of Sumner County to JOSEPH HART of Davidson County...indenture made 12 July 1793...HADLEY in County Court of Davidson held 9 January 1787 did in a suit which he prosecuted against JAMES LANIER as bail for JAMES ALLEN obtained judgement against LANIER for 680 pounds, \_\_\_ shillings, nine pence half penny...Sheriff DAVID HAY did sell at publick auction to aforesaid JOSHUA HADLEY for 15 pounds tract of 640 acres surveyed by military warrant No. 703...south side of Kers Creek joining the east of a pond and line run by R. NELSON... Witness: THOMAS JOHNSTON, Esquire...reg. 18 March 1795
- pp. 351-352 THOMAS JOHNSON of Tennessee County to JOSEPH DILLINER of Logan County Kentucky...indenture made 3 September 1794...\$100...160 acres...on Calebs Creek joining the north boundary of JOSIAH RAMSEY...said tract granted by North Carolina to THOMAS JOHNSON dated 16 December 1793 No. 131... reg. 25 March 1795
- pp. 352-353 ROBERT NELSON to WILLIAM JOHNSTON, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 28 October 1794...5 pounds...28 acres...south side of Red River near Elk fork...reg. 25 March 1795
- pp. 353-354 GEORGE WALKER of Fayette County Kentucky to JOHN TUCKER of Tennessee County...indenture made 3 August 1794...\$100...100 acres...on the Clay Lick Branch...corner to NATHANIEL HOLLEY's guard right...granted by North Carolina to GEORGE WALKER dated 27 April 1793 No. 123...Witness: THOMAS JOHNSON, Esqr...reg. 25 March 1795
- pp. 354-355 THOMAS JOHNSON of Tennessee County to ANDREW MILLER of Logan County Kentucky...indenture made 2 October 1794...100 pounds...640 acres...Sulphur Fork of Red River...northwest corner to PHILIP SHACKLER assignee of ABRAHAM MCADOWS...being granted by North Carolina to THOMAS JOHNSON dated 20 May 1793 No. 2184...reg. 26 March 1795
- pp. 355-356 THOMAS JOHNSON to STEPHEN BOREN, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 1 July 1794...\$100...54 acres, exclusive of 50 acres belonging to STEPHEN BOREN...Sulphur Fork of Red River...on GRIMES's preemption line and corner to ROBERT HAYS...being granted by North Carolina to THOMAS JOHNSON dated 16 December 1793 No. 132...reg. 27 March 1795
- pp. 356-357 JOSEPH DILLINER of Logan County Kentucky to RICHARD JONES of Fayette County Kentucky...indenture made 14 April 1795...31 pounds...160 acres...Calebs Creek joining the north boundary of JOSIAH RAMSEY...granted by North Carolina to THOMAS JOHNSON dated 16 December 1793 No. 131 and conveyed to JOSEPH DILLINER...Witness: JOHN ALSTON...reg. 28 April 1795
- p. 357 JAMES DRUMGOLD of Logan County Kentucky to RICHARD JONES of Fayette County Kentucky...indenture made 21 March 1795...100 pounds...340 acres...north side of Cumberland River near Clarksville...about a mile and three quarters from town...BOYD's preemption line...Witness: JOHN ALSTON...reg. 28 April 1795
- p. 358 JAMES BYRN of Davidson County to THOMAS PERRY of Sumner County...indenture made 13 January 1794...30 pounds...320 acres...Red River... part of tract granted to JAMES BYRN by patent No. 1742...reg. 28 April 1795
- pp. 359-360 GEORGE NEVIL of Tennessee County special Guardian for ZEBIAH & GEORGE SYMS ELIOTT, orphans of JOHN ELIOT, decd. to JAMES MCCARROL of Tennessee County...indenture made 2 October 1793...Nevil appointed special guardian July Court 1790...590 acres...north side of Cumberland River on west fork of Red River granted to JOHN ELLIOTT by patent dated 10 July 1778 or 1788?...sold at public auction 28 August 1792 to satisfy judgement against estate of Elliott...McCarrol being highest bidder at 86 pounds... WILLIAM MORGOT's line...ROBERT YOUNG's line...reg. 6 March 1795
- pp. 360-361 NICHOLAS COONRAD of Tennessee County to HUGH MCMILLIN of Logan County Kentucky...indenture made 17 February 1795...226 acres...60 pounds...on Millers Creek waters of Sulphur Fork of Red River including the improvement whereon ROBERT & HUGH MCMILLAN lately lived...JOHN RICE's northwest corner...being granted by North Carolina to NICHOLAS COONROD dated 31 December 1793 No. 2420...Witness: HUGH LEWIS...reg. 6 May 1795
- p. 362 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to NATHANIEL DICKESON, Lieutenant in Continental line...No. 81...944 acres...south side of Cumberland River...above the lick creek that runs in above the second island below Red River...surveyed 22 January 1785 by military warrant No. 63, located 30 November 1784, signed RICHD. CASWEL 14 March 1786...reg. 7 May 1795
- pp. 362-363 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to ROBERT HAYS, assignee of COL. MARTIN ARMSTRONG, Surveyor of the lands allotted officers & soldiers...No. 117...150



The map, showing Tennessee County, North Carolina, before the State of Tennessee was formed, is reproduced from *Formation of North Carolina Counties, 1663-1943*, by David L. Corbitt (Raleigh: State Department of Archives and History, 2nd printing, 1969), Appendix II.

## TENNESSEE AT THE BEGINNING OF 1790

Showing Approximate County Divisions  
within Present State Boundaries

Map by  
L. Polk, Denmark.

acres...on the dry fork of the west fork of Red River ...surveyed 16 November 1792 by THOS. JOHNSON by entry dated 23 December 1785, grant signed RICHD. DOBBS SPAIGHT 14 January 1793 ...reg. 7 May 1795

pp. 363-364 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to ROBERT HAYS, assignee of HENRY GRAY, non commissioned officer in Continental line...No. 2214...1000 acres...north side of Cumberland River about seven miles above the Virginia line including a spring formerly claimed by EDMOND JENNINGS...MARTIN ARMSTRONG southwest corner...surveyed 15 January 1787 by THOMAS MOLLOY by military warrant No. 2607, located 1 December 1785, grant signed RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT 20 May 1793... reg. 5 May 1795

p. 364 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to ROBERT HAYS, assignee of JOHN GALLAWAY, Sergeant in Continental line...No. 1547...1000 acres...waters of Red River to join an entry of JOHN ELLIOTT and W. SHELBY...waters of Spring Creek...surveyed 20 January 1787 by ROBERT HAYS by military warrant No. 1757...grant signed RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT 14 January 1793...reg. 7 May 1795

pp. 364-365 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to ROBERT HAYS, assignee of COLONEL MARTIN ARMSTRONG, Surveyor of lands allotted officers & soldiers...No. 119...100 acres...Spring Creek, waters of Red River...surveyed by & for ROBERT HAYS 3 May 1784 by entry dated 1 July 1785, grant signed RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT 14 January 1793...reg. 8 May 1785

p. 365 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to RACHEL HAYS, assignee of ISAAC ABBOTT, Private in Continental line...No. 2038...640 acres...north side of Cumberland River about one mile from THOMAS FLETCHER's on the west fork of Red River...surveyed 1 November 1792 by WM. CRUTCHER by military warrant No. 2340, located 6 January 1786, grant signed RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT 20 May 1793...reg. 12 May 1795

p. 366 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to ISAAC PHILIPS, assignee of ELIJAH CORNELIUS, Private in Continental line...No. 2484...640 acres...Red River...mouth of Sturgeon Creek...BROWN's corner...CONDY's line...surveyed 13 December 1792, located 4 December 1792, grant signed RICHARD DOBBS SPAIGHT 18 December 1793...reg. 12 May 1795

pp. 366-367 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to JACOB MCCARTY, assignee of GEORGE MARSHAL, Private in Continental line...(no No.) 228 acres...Sulphur Fork adjoining ABSALOM CHISHOLM's preemption... surveyed 14 August 1789 by THOMAS JOHNSON by military warrant No. 870, located 13 October 1784, grant signed SAM JOHNSTON 26 November 1789...reg. 13 May 1795

pp. 367-368 ROBERT NELSON to DANIEL MCKINDLEY, both of Tennessee County...indenture made 22 July 1794...\$100...160 acres...southeast corner of JOHN NELSON survey...Witness: THOMAS JOHNSON, Esqr...reg. 25 May 1795

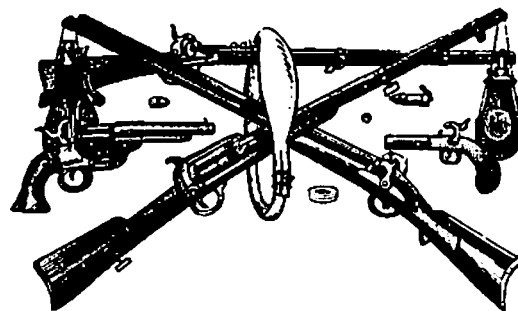
p. 368 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to WILLIAM BAXTON, assignee of SARAH LILEY heiress of JOHN LILLY, Private in Continental line...No. 332...640 acres...north side of Cumberland River adjoining an entry of STEPHEN CANTREL of a thousand acres on the north...surveyed 13 June 1787 by HICKMAN by military warrant No. 2743, located 12 June 1787, grant signed RD. CASWELL 28 July 1787...reg. 19 June 1795

p. 369 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA to DAVID AMBROSE, non commissioned officer in Continental line...No. 913...1000 acres...Sycamore Creek including the mouth of the Battle Ground Creek... ANTHONY CRUTCHER's east boundary...JOHN FORD's corner... near JOHN REILEY's line...surveyed 17 October 1786 by R. WEAKLEY by military warrant No. 890, located 6 September 1795?, grant signed SAML. JOHNSTON 18 May 1789...reg. 19 June 1795

( To be Continued )

# Tennessee Soldiers Living in Nebraska in the 1890s

by Livy I. Simpson



Have you lost track of a family with a military connection to Tennessee? The answer may be found in Nebraska. That is where I found one of my Tennessee ancestors. John Simpson was the one of three brothers who served in the Civil War but John was the only one to enlist in the Union army. His pension records revealed that he lived in Nebraska and subsequent research led me to *Roster of Soldiers, Sailors, and Marines of the War of 1812, the Mexican War, and the War of the Rebellion, residing in Nebraska, June 1, 1891* published by The Secretary of State for Nebraska. Volumes were also published for the years 1893 and 1895. These three volumes are available at the Tennessee State Library and Archives.

The following list is compiled from all three separate volumes. This transcription maintains the original inconsistency in punctuation, spelling and abbreviations. The soldier's military unit does not necessarily reflect his military career. The entries for John Simpson vividly illustrate the inconsistencies. John Simpson served in two military units in the Civil War. He was a sergeant with the Company B in the 5<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Cavalry and a Captain in Company I in the 4<sup>th</sup> Mounted Infantry. In 1891 John is listed as a Captain in company I, 4<sup>th</sup> Cavalry. In 1893 he is listed twice; the military unit is listed as 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry instead of the appropriate 4<sup>th</sup> Mounted Infantry. The 1895 entry abbreviates his first name as Jno and lists him as a Captain in Company I, Cavalry.

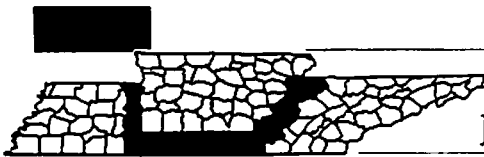
*Infantry = Inf., Cavalry = Cav., Artillery = Art.*

<i>Soldier &amp; Rank</i>	<i>Military Unit</i>	<i>Address &amp; Year</i>
Balinger, P., 1 Sgt.	E, 6 Inf.	Barneston, 1891
Balinger, Peter, Sgt.	E, 6	Liberty, 1893
Bates, W.C., Pvt.	F	Kennard, 1891
Baxter, Daniel, Pvt.	K, 40	Ansley, 1891
Baxter, Daniel, Pvt.	K, 40 Inf.	Ansley, 1893
Baxter, Daniel, Pvt.	K, 40 Inf.	Ansley, 1895
Beeler, J.A., Pvt.	C, 8	Liberty, 1893
Beeler, J.W., Pvt.	C, 1 Inf.	Blue Springs, 1893
Beeler, J.W., Pvt.	C, 1 Lt. Art.	Barneston, 1895
Beeler, James, Cpl.	C, 8 Inf.	Liberty, 1891
Beeler, James A., Cpl.	C, 8	Liberty, 1895
Berler, James W., Pvt.	C, 1 Inf.	Blue Springs, 1891
Blevins, John H., Pvt.	E, 1 R. Tenn	Octavia, 1891
Blevins, John H., Pvt.	E, 1 Inf.	Central City, 1895
Bollinger, Peter, 1 Sgt.	E, 6	Barneston, 1895
Britton, W.F., Pvt.	A, 1 Lt. Art.	Bloomington, 1891
Britton, W.T., Pvt.	A, Lt. Art.	Bloomington, 1895
Broyles, I.N., Pvt.	E, 4	Kimball, 1895
Broyles, I.U., Pvt.	E, 4 Inf.	Kimball, 1891
Broyles, I.U., Pvt.	1, 4 Inf.	Kimball, 1893
Bryon, David, Pvt.	C, 12 Reserve	Grand Island, 1893
Bunden, Henry, Pvt.	B, 17 Inf.	Pleasant Hill, 1893
Burden, Henry, Pvt.	B, 17 Colored Inf.	Pleasant Hill, 1891
Burden, Henry, Sgt.	B, 17	Pleasant Hill, 1895
Burker, T.B., Pvt.	B, 50	Grand Island, 1893
Buttons, W.T., Pvt.	A, 1 Art.	Bloomington, 1893
Byrnes, J.W., Pvt.	H, 13	Columbus, 1891

<i>Soldier &amp; Rank</i>	<i>Military Unit</i>	<i>Address &amp; Year</i>
Callihan, Samuel, Pvt.	F, 21 Cav.	Grand Island, 1893
Cameron, J.D., Pvt.	F, 4 Cav.	Cambridge, 1893
Cameron, J.D., Sgt.	F, 4 Cav.	Cambridge, 1895
Cameron, J.H., Pvt.	B, 1 Mtd Inf.	Ashland, 1895
Cameron, James H., Pvt.	B, 1 Mtd. Inf.	Wahoo, 1891
Cameron, James H., Pvt.	B, 1 Inf.	Wahoo, 1893
Cameron, Z.J., Sgt.	A, 50 Inf.	Wahoo, 1891
Case, Jesse, Pvt.	G, 1 Inf.	Florence, 1891
Cass, Jesse, Pvt.	C, 1 Mtd. Inf.	Florence, 1895
Clause, Calvin, Sgt.	B, 1 Cav.	Memphis, 1895
Clevenger, William, Pvt.	C, 8 Cav.	South Auburn, 1895
Clevinger, William, Pvt.	C, 8 Cav.	Auburn, 1893
Clouse, Calvin, Sgt.	B, 1 Cav.	Memphis, 1891
Conklin, James I, Brig Genl		Niobrara, 1893
Creech, W.J., Pvt.	A, 1 Inf.	St. Paul, 1893
Creech, W.J.	1 Lt. Art.	Howard Co., 1895
Davis, J.W., 1 Sgt.	A, 7 Mtd Inf.	Macon, 1891
Davis, J.W., Sgt.	A, 7 Inf.	Macon, 1893
Davis, John W., 1 Sgt.	A, 7 Mtd Inf.	Macon, 1895
Day, Clinton, Pvt.	E, 1 Lt. Art.	Cortland, 1895
Demisig, Frank, Pvt.	A, 5 Cav.	Harrison, 1891
Derryberry, J.H., Pvt.	D, 10	Whittier, 1893
Dodge, Orim, Pvt.	C, 3 Inf.	Omaha, 1893
Elkins, C.P., Pvt.	F, 3 Inf.	Omaha, 1893
Elkins, P.C., Pvt.	F, 3	Omaha, 1895
Emmert, G.W., Pvt.	F, 4 Inf.	Grand Island, 1893
Fears, James, Pvt.	A, 14 Inf.	Ansley, 1891
Fears, Jas, Pvt.	A, 14 Inf.	Ansley, 1895

<i>Soldier &amp; Rank</i>	<i>Military Unit</i>	<i>Address &amp; Year</i>
Franklin, Jos T., Pvt.	G, 8 Inf.	Minden, 1895
Franklin, Joseph T., Pvt.	G, 8.	Minden, 1891
Franklin, Joseph T., Pvt.	G, 8.	Minden, 1893
Galloway, J.K., Pvt.	I, 8 Cav.	Auburn, 1893
Galloway, J.K., Pvt.	I, 8 Cav.	South Auburn, 1895
Gardner, Lobe, Pvt.	K, 101	Lincoln, 1893
Gentry, J.M., Pvt.	G, 6 Inf.	Norman, 1893
Gentry, J.M., Pvt.	G, 6 Inf.	Norman, 1895
Goff, C.W, Mich Dept	—	Kearney, 1893
Goin, J.K., Cpl.	B, 1 Lt. Art.	Liberty, 1895
Goin, James K., Cpl.	B, 1 Art.	Liberty, 1891
Goin, Phill, Pvt.	B, 1 Lt. Inf.	Liberty, 1891
Goin, Philip, Pvt.	B, 1 Art.	Liberty, 1895
Haggard, L.J.P., Cpl.	D, 1 Inf.	Colon, 1895
Hammond, A., Maj.	I, 1 Cav.	Indianola, 1893
Hammond, Abraham, Maj.	I, 1 Cav.	Indianola, 1895
Hammond, Abram, Maj.	I, 13 Cav.	Indianola, 1891
Haneycutt, Gilfred, Pvt.	F, 7	Mount Clare, 1891
Hardman W.L.	—	Cushing, 1893
Harlman, Marshall, Pvt.	L, 1 Cav.	Virginia, 1893
Harold, E.D., Pvt.	A, 1 Inf.	Sidney, 1895
Hartman, Marshall, Pvt.	L, 1 Cav.	Virginia, 1891
Hartman, Marshall, Pvt.	L, 1 Cav.	Virginia, 1895
Hayes, Eli, Pvt.	H, 8 Cav.	Oconee, 1895
Hillard, James R., Cpl.	I, 13 Cav.	Platte Center, 1891
Hillard, James R., Cpl.	I, 13 Cav.	Oconee, 1893
Hilliard, Jas R., Pvt.	I, 13 Cav.	Platte Center, 1895
Hilton, W.J., Pvt.	H, Cav.	Dorchester, 1893
Hilton, W.J., Pvt.	H, 5 Cav.	Friend, 1895
Hilton, Wiley J., Pvt.	H, 5 Cav.	Dorchester, 1891
Hobbs, J.C.H., Sgt.	Cavalry	DuBois, 1891
Hobbs, Jas C.H., Maj.	13 Cav.	Louisville, 1895
Hogeland, Alex, Col.	7	Lincoln, 1895
Honeycutt, John M., 2 Sgt.	D, 1 Inf.	Wymore, 1891
Humell, Fred F., Sgt.	D, 1 Inf.	Wahoo, 1893
Hummel, F.F., 2 Sgt.	D, 1 Inf.	Wahoo, 1891
Johnson, G.R., Pvt.	C, 9 Cav.	Blue Springs, 1895
Johnson, George R., Pvt.	C, 9 Cav.	Blue Springs, 1891
Jones, W.E., Pvt.	K, 4 Cav.	Chadron, 1895
Jones, Wm., Pvt.	K, 4 Inf.	Chadron, 1895
Jordan, Cicero, Pvt.	I, 4 Mtd Inf.	Nebraska City, 1893
Jordan, Cicero, Pvt.	I, 4 Inf.	Nebraska City, 1895
Klepper, R., Pvt.	A, 14 Inf.	Devizes, Kan, 1893
Latture, D., Sgt.	A, 9 Cav.	Raymond, 1895
Latture, David, Sgt.	A, 9 Cav.	Raymond, 1893
Lisbon, B.L., 1st SB.	1 Col. Troops	Aurora, 1891
Llewellyn, C.P., Pvt.	G, 12 Cav.	Max, 1891
Lloyd, W.J., Pvt.	2 Battery	Nebraska City, 1891
Lorance, W.H., Pvt.	C, 5 Inf.	Auburn, 1891
Luallen, C.P., Pvt.	G, 2 Cav.	Max, 1895
McAllister, J.W., Pvt.	E, 1 Lt. Art.	Grand Island, 1895
McCuray, Jos F.A., Pvt.	I, 1 Cav.	Pawnee City, 1895
Mort, Phillip, Pvt.	E, 4	Kimball, 1891
Murphy, T.J., 1 Lt.	2 Inf.	David City, 1891

<i>Soldier &amp; Rank</i>	<i>Military Unit</i>	<i>Address &amp; Year</i>
Murphy, Thos J., 1 Lt./RQ.	— /M., 2 Inf.	David City, 1895
Pantee, L., Pvt.	G, 5	Dawson, 1895
Perkins, Mansfield, Pvt.	E, 114 Inf.	Wymore, 1891
Price, Allen, Pvt.	F, 10 Inf.	Seward, 1891
Price, Allen, Sgt.	F, 10 Inf.	Seward, 1893
Price, Allen, Sgt.	H, 10 Inf.	Seward, 1895
Rector, Franklin, Pvt.	E, 8 Cav.	Craig, 1891
Rector, Franklin, Pvt.	E, 8 Inf.	Craig, 1893
Robinson, A.R., Pvt.	H, 9 Cav.	Liberty, 1893
Robinson, Allen, Pvt.	9 Cav.	Liberty, 1891
Settles, Jas, Pvt.	G, 4 Inf.	Violet, 1895
Shepard, J.W., Pvt.	B, 1 Art.	Tekamah, 1895
Simmons, I.P.D., Pvt.	I, 1	Wymore, 1893
Simpson, Jno, Capt.	I, Cav.	Florence, 1895
Simpson, John, Capt.	I, 4 Cav.	Florence, 1891
Simpson, John, Sgt.	B, 5 Cav.	Florence, 1893
Simpson, John, Capt.	I, 4 Inf.	Florence, 1893
Smith, C.R., Pvt.	—	Elk Creek, 1891
Spoerry, Henry T., Pvt.	H, 13 Cav.	Columbus, 1893
Starr, Peter S., Pvt.	C, 1 Cav.	Alexandria, 1895
Stearns, John, Pvt.	G, 14	Violet, 1895
Sterns, John, Pvt.	G, 43 Cav.	Violet, 1891
Sterns, John, Pvt.	G, 4	Burchard, 1893
Straitmain, Geo E., Pvt.	6 Cav.	Omaha, 1895
Stratman, D.E., Saddler	6 Cav.	Omaha, 1891
Sutton, G.W., Pvt.	C, 7 Cav.	Loretto, 1891
Sutton, J. W., Pvt.	C, 7 Cav.	Hadar, 1895
Taylor, I.L., Pvt.	B, 4	New Castle, 1893
Thomas, G.W., Cpl.	C, 4 Cav.	Wauneta, 1895
Thomas, Geo. W., Quarter Master Sgt.	C, 11 Cav.	Hampton, 1895
Thomas, George W., Quarter Master	M., 9 Cav.	Hampton, 1891
Thomas, George W., Pvt.	M., 9 Cav.	Hampton, 1893
Thomas, J.B., Pvt.	C, 1	Liberty, 1893
Thompson, Asa, Pilot	2	Grant, 1891
Thompson, Asa, Pvt.	C, 1 Inf.	Kearney, 1895
Walker, J.B., Pvt.	7 Cav.	Sidney, 1893
Wallace, J., Pvt.	H, 1 E.	Trenton, 1893
Wallace, Jno, Pvt.	C	Falls City, 1895
Watts, Thomas, Pvt.	E, 1 Cav.	Omaha, 1891
White, J.N., Pvt.	F, 10 Cav.	Pawnee City, 1891
White, Jno. M., Pvt.	F, 10 Cav.	Auburn, 1895
White, John M., Pvt.	T, 10 Cav.	South Auburn, 1893
White, W.J., Cpl.	G, 4	Pawnee City, 1893
White, W.J., Cpl.	G, 4 Cav.	Filley, 1895
Wilhoit, Emanuel, 1 Lt.	F, 2 Inf.	Round Valley, 1891
Willereghby, W.A., Pvt.	K, Inf.	Clearwater, 1891
Willhait, Emanuel, Lt.	F, 2 Inf.	Round Valley, 1893
Willhoitt, E., 1 Lt.	F, 2 Vol Inf.	Round Valley, 1895
Young, A.J.	K, 9 Cav.	Firth, 1893
Young, A.J., Pvt.	K, 9 Cav.	Firth, 1895
Young, James K., Pvt.	K, 11 Inf.	Orafino, 1893



## MIDDLE TENNESSEE CONNECTIONS

**William Mitchell, Senr.**, of Rutherford County, Tennessee, sold land in Caswell County, North Carolina, 3 Sept. 1817. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book S*, p. 196.

**William Parham** of Williamson County, Tennessee, to **Thomas Bustin** of Halifax County, North Carolina, several tracts of land Parham had purchased from **Thomas Carrell** & wife and the Trustees of the University of North Carolina, 11 June 1812. *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 22*, p. 184.

**Dudley Haile** of Bedford County, Tennessee, gave power of attorney to **Richard Russell** of Mecklenburg County, Virginia, to receive for me and wife **Martha**, formerly **Martha Carter**, whatever is due from the estate of **Mathew Carter**, deceased, and from the dower of **Sally Carter**, his wife. 26 May 1829. *Mecklenburg County, Virginia, Deed Book 24*, p. 56.

**John Stephens** of Robertson County, Tennessee, power of attorney to **Thomas Fisher** of same place, to sell 239 acres of land in Caswell County, North Carolina, on the Dan River, land left him by father **Bowler Stephens**, 11 March 1818. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book S*, p. 242.

**Thomas Fisher** of Robertson County, Tennessee, attorney for **John Stephens**, of same, to **Archibald Samuel** and **James Lea**, son of **Capt. John Lea**, of Caswell County, North Carolina, land in Caswell County, North Carolina, 14 May 1818. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book T*, p. 42.

**Abner Wilson** of Robertson County, Tennessee, to **William A. Lea** of Caswell County, North Carolina, land being one-ninth part of lands of **Jeremiah Willson**, deceased. 28 Aug. 1819. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book T*, pp. 180-181.

**William Willson** of Bedford County, Tennessee, sold to **William Morgan** of Caswell County, North Carolina, his undivided ninth part of the land of **Jeremiah Willson**, deceased. 27 Nov. 1818. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book T*, p. 204.

**George Zollicoffer** of Maury County, Tennessee,

Power of Attorney to **Julius Heronius Zollicoffer** of Halifax County, North Carolina, to settle estate of late father **George Zollicoffer**, dec'd. Issued in Maury County, Tennessee, and recorded 23 Oct. 1816. *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 24*, p. 175.

**William Smith** of Lincoln County, Tennessee, "for love and affection," negro woman **Patty** to **Alexander Murphey**, son of **Col. Alexander Murphey**, and grandson of **William Smith**, all of Caswell County, North Carolina, 31 Aug. 1818. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book T*, p. 282.

*The three following items were found in an old ledger in Sumner County, Tennessee, labeled Bills of Sales, 1837-1840. Although the ledger is labeled "Bills of Sale," a few deeds and other short legal documents are included. Submitted by Jaunita Patton.*

**Thomas M. Smith** of Logan County, Kentucky, to **David Bradley** of Sumner County, Tennessee, deed, 20 acres, part of a 1,000 acre tract on Dry Fork of Drake's Creek of Barren River on which said **David Bradley** now lives. Said tract of land patented to Trustees of Simpson Seminary and conveyed by them to **Smith**. Wit: **Joseph Spradlin**, **E. K. McReynolds**, **Robert L. Spradlin**, 20 Aug. 1836. Sumner Co., TN, [see note above], pp. 608-609.

**John W. Coffee** of Jackson County, Alabama, to **John J. Dodd** of Sumner County, Tennessee,... Coffee's entire interest in the estate of his mother **Martha (Tombs) Coffee**; also his interest in the estate of an uncle, **Robert Tombs**, and estate of an aunt, **Jane Tombs**, all deceased, for \$29 cash and \$200 to be paid by **Dodd** by 1 June 1841 for which I [Coffee] hold his note. Wit: **B. Watkins**, **George Dodd**, **William Jackson**. 10 April 1840. Sumner Co., TN, [see note above], pp. 606-607.

**John M. Anderson** of Monroe County, Mississippi, to **George W. Stoner** of Sumner County, Tennessee, deed for 307-1/2 acres on Bledsoe and Desha Creeks. 25 Oct. 1838. Sumner Co., TN, [see note above], pp. 593-595.

**Mary Howard** of Caswell County, North Carolina,



to **George T. Howard** of Wilson County, Tennessee, "love and affection" to son land on Smith's fork, Wilson County, Tennessee. 11 Oct. 1831. *Wilson County, Tennessee, Deed Book N*, p. 526.

**D. Gillispie, Junr.**, and **Joseph H. Brittian**, an infant under the age of 21 years, all of Carroll County, Tennessee... [Brittian] petitions by his guardian **James Brittian**... **Joseph H. Brittian** is one of the heirs and devisees of **Joseph Brittian** deceased late of Bedford County, Tennessee.... March Term 1825. *Carroll County, Tennessee, Minute Book, 1825*, pp. 262-263

**Mary Howard** of Caswell County, North Carolina, to **Martin Ingram** of Wilson County.... "love and affection" of son-in-law of Mary Howard, land on Smith's fork, Wilson County. 11 October 1831. *Wilson County, Tennessee, Deed Book N*, p. 527.

**Henry S. Goldsberry** of Giles County, Tennessee, gave power of attorney to **Marshall Moody** to recover that part of the estate of **Thomas Allen**, deceased, of Mecklenburg County, Virginia, which "is due me by marriage with his daughter **Lucy Allen**." 26 Aug. 1829. *Mecklenburg County, Virginia, Deed Book 24*, p. 43.

**Zenas Bush** of Montgomery County, Tennessee, sold land in Caswell County, North Carolina, that was granted to **Joseph Bush** and willed to **Zenas Bush**. 18 May 1820. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book T*, p. 307.

**Joachim D. Lindsay** of "Murray" County, Tennessee, to **Macklen Bass** of Halifax County, North Carolina, land in Halifax County, North Carolina, 12 Dec. 1817. Recorded Feb. Court 1818. *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 24*, p. 223.

**William L. Williams** of Montgomery County, Tennessee, received from **Warner Williams** of Caswell County, North Carolina, all interest and legacy to his father's, **William Williams**, deceased, estate, situated in the State of Tennessee. Part payment made 1812 or 1814. 1 May 1820. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book T*, p. 313.

**James Lovett** and **Patsey Parsons Lovett**, both of Davidson County, Tennessee, power of attorney to **William Lovett** of same, to sell land that fell to said **Patsey** by the death of her father **David Chambliss**, dec'd. Written 13 May 1811.

Proved in Williamson County, Tennessee. *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 22*, p. 260.

**Sarah Clift** of Dickson County, Tennessee, made oath..that in September 1797, then being in state of Virginia and in the presence of her husband, **Thomas Clift**, dec'd, he the said Thomas in discharge of his duty of his daughter, **Hannah Clift**, wife to **Stephen Murphey**, now deceased, gave said Murphey a cow...[more in deed], 25 Aug. 1807. *Hopkins County, Kentucky, Deed Book 1*, p. 9.

**Samuel Dabney** of Montgomery County, Tennessee, to **Roger Atkinson** of Virginia,...for promises to unite man and wife, sale of Dick and wife Betty, Peter and wife - said slaves came to his children now of Kentucky from grandmother **Elizabeth Hobson** of Pittsylvania County, Virginia....29 Aug. 1819. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book V*, pp. 46-47.

**John Lindsay** of "Murry" County, Tennessee, gave Power of Attorney to **Joachim D. Lindsay** of same to sell land that was a gift of his father by father's will in Halifax County, North Carolina, 21 May 1817. Rec. Aug. Court 1818. *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 24*, p. 303.

**Joseph Richmond** of Wilson County, Tennessee, gave power of attorney, 18 Oct. 1822, to **Silas Tarver** also of Wilson County, to demand of **Thomas Connally** of Halifax County, Virginia, or any executor of estate of **George Connally**, deceased, Richmond's wife's portion of the estate. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book U*, p. 206.

**Joseph Swann** and wife, **Elizabeth**, of Robertson County, Tennessee, power of attorney, 8 June 1822, to **Thomas Walker** of Caswell County, North Carolina, to sell land in Caswell County. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book U*, p. 204.

**James G. Jenkins** of Montgomery County, Tennessee, appointed **Thomas W. Jenkins** of Northampton County, N.C., attorney, to convey 66-1/2 acres in Northampton County, "said tract of land descended to the said **James G. Jenkins** from his father **Thomas Jenkins** of the County and State last aforesaid..." 27 June 1814. *Miscellaneous Northampton County, N.C., Records* [NC State Archives, JENKINS, stack file C.R.071.928.7, read 1978]

**Castilo S. Hill** of Davidson County, Tennessee, 30 Jan. 1830, appoints **Howell Woodruff** of sd. county, attorney, to collect from legal representative "of **John Woodruff** deceased late of Northampton County, North Carolina," the distributive share "as I may be entitled to in right of my wife **Susan Hill** formerly **Susan Woodruff** one of the children and heirs of said John deceased...." *Miscellaneous Northampton County, N.C., Records* [NC State Archives, HILL, stack file C.R.071.928.7, read 1978]

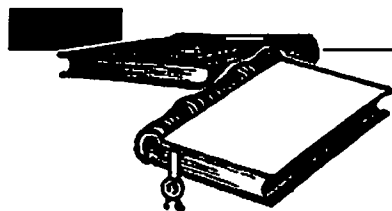
**Mary Gilmour** and **Charles Gilmour** of Halifax County, North Carolina, to **Daniel Mason** of Northampton County, N.C., 600 acres in Davidson County, Tennessee, grant No. 1075 dated 26 Nov. 1789. Written, 18 Dec. 1818 and recorded 9 January 1819. *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 24*, p. 354.

**David Young** of Davidson County, Tennessee, sold a tract of land in Hopkins County, Kentucky, on Elk Run to **William Metcalf** of Hopkins County, 14 June 1812. *Hopkins County, Kentucky, Deed Book 1*, p. 143.

**John Brown** of Maury County, Tennessee, power of attorney to brother **William V. Brown** to sell land on Tom's Creek in Caswell County, North Carolina, and to pay over the money from land to **Colonel Will Polk** of Wake County, North Carolina, for the use of **James Walker** of Maury County, Tennessee, 13 May 1825. *Caswell County, North Carolina, Deed Book X*, p. 88.

**Isaac Edwards** of Rutherford County, Tennessee, granted power of attorney to **Benjamin McCulloch** of same to recover what was due to Edwards in Virginia and North Carolina, 30 Dec. 1812. *Halifax County, North Carolina, Deed Book 22*, p. 262.

**Elizabeth Wright** of Rutherford County, Tennessee, daughter of **Robert Wright**, dec'd, of Mecklenburg County, Virginia, gave power of attorney to **Joseph Pallard** to receive from **William Hendricks** whatever was due from the estate of **Robert Wright**. 29 Oct. 1829. *Mecklenburg County, Virginia, Deed Book 24*, p. 69.



## BOOK REVIEWS

by Shirley Wilson, CG

*Hopson A Genealogy* by Dorothy Neblett Perkins. Hardback 8 1/2 x 11, 570 pp., appendix, bibliography, illustrations, index, photographs, c1998. \$75 from author, P. O. Box 675696, Rancho Santa Fe, CA 92067-5696.

William Hobson, the probable immigrant, was born in 1651 and died in 1732 in Henrico County, Virginia. The book follows his many descendants and is chock full of excellent Hobson/Hopson material. Perkins devotes considerable time and effort to placing her ancestors in historical context. Including the history of the area where they lived has created an interesting family history that is more than just names, dates and places. Photographs, transcripts of documents, footnotes and a good index all serve to enhance the value of the book.

It includes many Tennessee connections and there is a strong tie to Montgomery County. The allied surnames of Ragland, Neville, Norfleet, Boyd, Williams, Jordan and Lumpkin are just of few of

those mentioned.

Because the index is a good one, the numbering system works. A more elaborate system such as some modification of the New England Register System would have been an improvement for the reader. It would also have been more work for the author who has, quite obviously, already expended a lot of time on this publication.

Those with an interest in the above surnames or in Montgomery County genealogy will want to add this book to their collection.

*Kinship Treasures from Coffee County, Tennessee* by Sandra Lewis Gray was reviewed in the Summer 1998 issue of *The Middle Tennessee Journal of Genealogy & History*. It is available from the author, 161 County Road 1101, Booneville, MS 38829 for \$35. It is a pleasure to announce that an index to the book has since been prepared and is available from the author. ■

## JOHN ALFORD (1760-1837) FAMILY OF DAVIDSON COUNTY, TENNESSEE

by Carol Hughes Gipson

John Alford was born May 8, 1760 in Frederick County, Virginia close to the Pennsylvania line. He was the son of William and Letticia Alford of Frederick County. His paternal grandparents were John and Mary Alford of Dorchester County, Maryland.<sup>1</sup>

By the beginning of his service in the Revolutionary War, in 1778, he had relocated to central Virginia where he served as a private in the American Revolution, guarding British soldiers in Albemarle County under Captain David Shelton. John later served under Captain James Pamplin in Colonel Reuben Lindsay's Regiment in 1780, and three months under Captain James Barnett in 1781.<sup>2</sup> He was granted 200 acres for service in the Virginia Continental Line on September 21, 1784.<sup>3</sup>

John married Elizabeth Bibb, daughter of William and Sarah Bibb, on March 4, 1784 in Amherst County.<sup>4</sup> Nine children, five sons and four daughters, were born to John and Elizabeth between 1784 and 1801.

He was 46 years of age by the time he came to middle Tennessee in 1806. In 1807 he purchased 272 acres on the west fork of Mill Creek from John Cockrill.<sup>5</sup> This land had been the site of a pioneer fortification known as Brown's Station, which was abandoned after numerous Indian attacks. It was their home when Elizabeth died in 1822, and John lived there until his own death in 1837. According to Jane Wallace Alford, family historian, both are buried in the old Alford cemetery with two of their children, Thomas Key Alford and Nancy Nichols Alford, who died young.<sup>6</sup> The land was later sold to James F. Mays.<sup>7</sup> A two-story brick home, known as The May House, still stands on what is now referred to as The Granberry Farm. It is not known for certain whether this structure was built by John Alford or later by Mays. A Mr. Cornelius is the present owner.<sup>8</sup>

### Family Bible Record of John Alford<sup>9</sup>

#### Marriages:

John Alford and his wife Elizabeth was married in the year of our Lord 1784 March 4<sup>th</sup>.

James Bibb and his wife Salley was married in the year of our Lord 1802 November the 11<sup>th</sup>.

Robert Hughes and his wife Pamela was married in the year of our Lord 1807 September 10<sup>th</sup>.

William Alford married Salley Waller June 3<sup>rd</sup>. 1814.

John B. Alford married Temperance Bailey October the 21, 1817.

#### Births:

John Alford, son of William Alford and Letticia, his wife, was born in the year of our Lord 1760, May 8<sup>th</sup>.

Elizabeth Alford, wife of the said John Alford and daughter of William Bibb was born in the year of our Lord 1758, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Salley Alford, daughter of John Alford and Elizabeth his wife, was born in the year of our Lord 1784, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

William Alford, son of John Alford and Elizabeth his wife, was born in the year of our Lord 1786, July 28<sup>th</sup>.

Pamela Alford, daughter of John Alford and Elizabeth, was born in the year of our Lord 1788, March 31<sup>st</sup>.

John Bibb Alford, son of John Alford and Elizabeth, was

born in the year of our Lord 1790, March 12<sup>th</sup>.

Nelson Ellis Alford, son of John Alford and Elizabeth, was born in the year of our Lord 1792, July 19<sup>th</sup>.

Washington Alford, son of John Alford and Elizabeth, was born in the year of our Lord 1794, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Elizabeth Bibb Alford, daughter of John Alford and Elizabeth, was born in the year of our Lord 1795, February 28<sup>th</sup>.

Thomas Key Alford, son of John Alford and Elizabeth, was born in the year of our Lord 1798, February 4<sup>th</sup>.

Nancy Nichols Alford, daughter of John Alford and Elizabeth, was born in the year of our Lord, 1801 Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>.

William Livingston Bibb, son of James Bibb and Salley his wife, was born in the year of our Lord 1803, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>.

John Bibb, son of James Bibb and Salley, was born in the year of our Lord 1805, September 18<sup>th</sup>.

Matilda H. Bibb was born January 27<sup>th</sup> 1808.

Madison A. Hughes was born 1808, June 26<sup>th</sup>.

Mariann Matilda Bibb was born the 14<sup>th</sup> day of February 1810.

Elizabeth Alford Bibb was born the 8<sup>th</sup> day of January 1812.

Jefferson Bibb, born Dec. 23, 1813.

Thomas Jefferson Bibb was born May 15<sup>th</sup>. 1816.

William M. Alford was born September 28<sup>th</sup> 1818.  
 Elizabeth Bibb Alford was born March 16<sup>th</sup> 1815.  
 Harriott Pierce Alford was born December 8<sup>th</sup> 1818.  
 Cornelia Ann Bibb born 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1818.  
 Elizabeth Alford born 7<sup>th</sup> January 1820.  
 Salley Jane Alford born 5<sup>th</sup> November 1823.  
 John William Alford, son of George W. Alford and Polly  
 his wife, was born in the year of our Lord 1825  
 September 7<sup>th</sup>.  
 Louisa Elizabeth Alford, daughter of George W. Alford  
 and Polly his wife, was born in the year of our Lord  
 1826 November 4<sup>th</sup>.

#### Deaths:

Salley Bibb wife of William Bibb and mother of Elizabeth Alford departed this life in the year 1785, October the 31<sup>st</sup>.  
 William Bibb the father of Elizabeth Alford, departed this life in the year 1793, August the 24<sup>th</sup>.  
 Matilda H. Bibb departed this life Sunday, July 9<sup>th</sup> 3 o'clock A.M. 1809.  
 Jefferson Bibb departed the life March 25<sup>th</sup> 1815.  
 Thomas K. Alford departed this life on Friday the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July 1820.  
 Elizabeth Alford wife of John Alford departed this life on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2 o'clock in the morning 1822.  
 Lettia Alford mother of John Alford departed this life June 26<sup>th</sup> 1823.  
 George W. Alford departed this life August 18, 1834.  
 Nancy N. Alford daughter of John Alford departed this life August 28<sup>th</sup> 1824.  
 John Alford departed this life April 24, 2 o'clock in the morning 1837.  
 John B. Alford departed this life April 2, 1840.  
 Jane Elizabeth Alford departed this life Oct. 6, 1843.  
 Nelson Ellis Alford departed this life Dec. 25, 1864.  
 Sally Bibb departed this life Oct. 16, 1868, at 10 o'clock at night.  
 William Alford departed this life December 8<sup>th</sup> 1868 at 8 o'clock in the evening.

#### On Fly Leaf Added to Bible:

John Alford was married to \_\_\_\_\_ March the 17<sup>th</sup> 1827.  
 Eliza Ann Cathrine Alford was born April 28<sup>th</sup> 1827.  
 John Alford was born January 20, 1831.  
 James J. Alford was born March 8<sup>th</sup> 1832.  
 Thomas J. Alford was born March 7<sup>th</sup> 1835.  
 Mary Alford was born September 1836.

#### The Alford Cemetery:

The settlement of John Alford's estate shows payment for burial expenses, tombstone and walling of the graveyard at a cost of \$71.00.<sup>10</sup> The cemetery is no

longer walled in and few markers are left. John Alford's gravestone is missing. The tombstone of Elizabeth Bibb Alford, wife of John Alford, still stands in the cemetery on the Granberry Farm, off Hill Road, in Brentwood, Tennessee. The engraving reads:

"Elizabeth Alford  
 was born in Amherst  
 Cty, Virginia, Nov  
 the 20<sup>th</sup> 1758 decd in  
 Davidson C ty  
 Tennessee  
 July the 4<sup>th</sup> 1822"

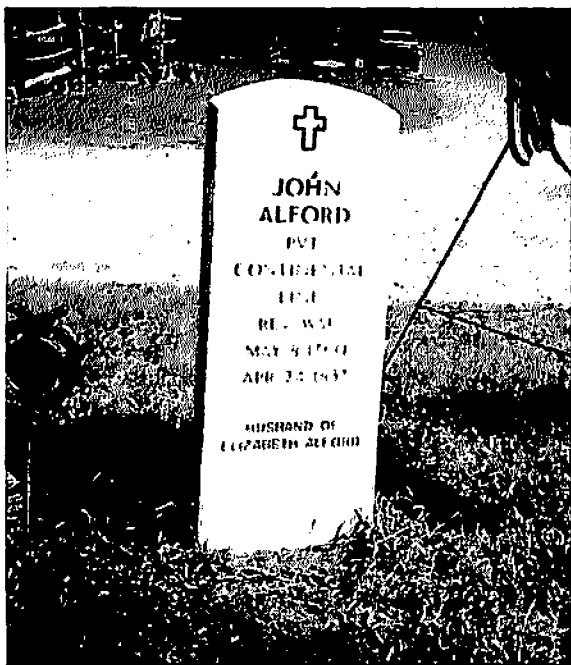
The Alford American Family Association publishes the quarterly, *AAFA Action*. A color Xerox copy of an 8x10 photograph of Elizabeth's grave can be ordered from them for \$2.<sup>11</sup>

The gravestone of their daughter Nancy Nichols Alford is also intact. Another stone, that of Thomas Key Alford, is broken and on the ground. It appears, from several adjacent sunken areas, that there may be other unmarked graves at the site.

Mrs. Jane Wallace Alford, family historian, recently initiated the ordering of a marker from the government for John Alford's grave to commemorate his Revolutionary War Service. On Sunday, October 11, 1998 a memorial service was held at the cemetery with the Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) color guard attending. Several Alford descendants, from Tennessee and other



*Memorial Service held October 11, 1998*



*John Alford's Grave, Brentwood, Tennessee*

states representing the various branches/children of John and Elizabeth's family came together at the ceremony.<sup>12</sup>

#### **Will of John Alford:<sup>13</sup>**

**John Alford Dec'd Will Recorded July 6, 1838**

State of Tennessee Davidson County - I John Alford being of sound mind and usual health do on this twenty fifth day of September in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty four make this my last will and testament in the manner and form following-

I do first bequeath to my daughter Permelia Hughs and her heirs my negro woman Virgin and her three children maria George and Anthony. The balance of my estate both real & personal I wish to be equally divided among my heirs viz: Permelia Hughs, Sarah Bibb John B. Alford, Nelson E. Alford, Elizabeth Hughs, William Alford; also the heirs of my son George W. Alford are to be entitled to a seventh part of my estate - The amount of notes I hold against Robert Hughs is to be deducted from the part of Permelia Hughs and the amount of notes I hold against William Hughs is to be deducted from the portion of Elizabeth Hughs also the amount of notes I hold against Sarah Bibb, John B. Alford and Nelson E. Alford, are to be deducted from the portion of each one - It is my wish that my negros should not be sold but divided among my heirs - I also wish the rest of my property and my land to be sold and divided among my heirs. Lastly, I appoint William Alford, Turner Williams, and Henry Crichlow my Executors - As witness my hand and seal the day and date above written.

John Alford Seal

Test - Pierce Waller - Peter Owen - J.C. Tucker

#### **Davidson County Court May term 1837**

Two executors named, Turner Williams and Henry Crichlow renounced their right of acting as such and William Alford the other executor named in said will came into court and gave bond in the sum of twenty thousand dollars with William Owen and Pierce Waller his securitors and qualified according to law - ordered that he have letters testamentary granted him.

#### **Endnotes**

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4. This date is taken from the family Bible record. The Bible record conflicts with Amherst County, VA marriage records which state they were married on March 2, 1783.

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12. For more information write to: Mrs. William H. (Jane Wallace) Alford, P.O. Box 1314, Lewisburg, TN 37091.

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## 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 XII, p. 43. 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, with the original page number in parenthesis.*

**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 XII, Number 2)

WPA p. 219. (Orig. p. 184-5) Tuesday, 17 Nov. 1796  
Hon. John McNairy, Archibald Roane & William  
C. C. Claybourne, Judges.

### **Government vs. Patrick Forbis**

Case: Grand Jury Indictment for Horse Stealing.

Particulars: State of Tennessee, Mero District, November term 1796. Patrick Forbis, late of district aforesaid, in Sumner County, labourer, on 1 August 1796, with force and arms stole one black mare valued at \$25. belonging to Amous Freeman. Forbis did steal, take and lead away said horse against the peace and dignity of our state and contrary to the statute in such case made. Samuel Donelson, Attorney General Pro Tem [tempoary].

Plea: Not guilty.

Jury:

Boyd, William G.	Hooper, Joseph
Buckhanon, David	Porter, Reese
Buckhanon, John	Ridley, George
Edmondson, William	Taylor, Thomas
Green, William	Walker, John Senr.
Hankins, William	Young, Daniel

Verdict: Not guilty.

### **Joshua Gist vs. Phillip Hornberger and Samuel Pew.**

Case: Ejectment

Particulars: Phillip Hornberger and Samuel Pew were attached to answer Joshua Gist. Richard Fen in custody. John Den states that on 1 February 1796, in Tennessee County, Joshua Gist leased him 853 acres of land, for a period of seven years, lying on the north side of Cumberland River and on the south side of Red River about three or four miles above the mouth of the West Forke and adjoining Rice's line.

On 3 February 1796 Richard Fen, with force and arms, entered said land and ejected, drove out, and removed John Den injuring Den and to the peace and dignity of this territory and to John Den's damage of £40.

Plea: Not guilty

Jury:

Britton, Thomas	Kenedy, Robert
Cheatum, Anderson	Lankaster, John
Childers, John	Morgan, John
Gleaves, Michael	Rounsaval, David
Green, Bartlet	Stull, Zakariah
Harney, Thomas	Weathers, John

Verdict: Jury finds for plaintiff John Den and as-



sess his damage to 6¢ plus costs.

Witnesses: Lewis Crain proved seven days as a witness, 40 miles and two ferriages. Isaac Linsey proved six days attendance, 30 miles and two ferriages. John Cain, witness, proved 8 days, 50 miles travel and two ferriages.

**George Neville, juror, excused.**

Ordered that George Neville be excused attending any longer this term as a juror for reasons shown on oath. [Reasons not given.]

WPA p. 221. (Orig. p. 186) Tues., 17 Nov. 1796

**Government vs. Zackariah Stull**

Action: Motion by Stull's council to quash the presentment for want of substance. Arguments being heard for and against the motion, the Court are of opinion that the presentment be quashed.

**Waller vs. Commons**

Henry Bradford, a witness, proved three days attendance, 30 miles and two ferriages.

Court adjourned till tomorrow 9:00 o'clock

Page 221. Wednesday, 18 Nov. 1796.

Present: John McNairy, Archibald Roane & William C. C. Claybourne, Judges.

**George Nutterfield vs. Ezekiel Abell**

Case: Appeal. [No other information.]

Jury:

Britton, Thomas	Kenedy, Robert
Cheatum, Anderson	Morgan, John
Childers, John	Rounsaval, David
Gleaves, Michael	Taylor, Thomas
Hankins, William	Walker, John Sen.
Harney, Thomas	Weathers, John

Verdict: "The defendant did not assume as set forth in the plaintiff's declaration."

**Nutterfield vs. Abell**

Nimrod Fielder, a witness, being solemnly called and failed to appear, the court orders that he be fined agreeable to law.

**Frederick Stump released**

"Ordered that Frederick Stump be released from attending this court any longer this term, at the suit the Government vs. him."

**John Caffree vs. William Rascoc**

Case: Appeal [No particulars given.]

Jury:

Boyd, William G	Porter, Reese
Buckhanon, John	Ridley, George

Edmondson, William	Rowan, Daniel
Hay, David	Stump, Frederick
Hooper, Joseph	Sugg, George A.
Karson, James	Young, Daniel

Verdict: Found for plaintiff

WPA p. 222 (Orig. p. 186) Wed. 18 Nov. 1796

**Nutterfield vs. Abell**

Patrick Lyons, a witness, proved six days in the County Court and nine days in this Court.

**Robertson vs. The Williams**

Thomas Edmondson, a witness, proved four days attendance.

**Caffree vs. Rascoc**

Action: Motion made for a rule to show cause why a new trial should be granted.

Court adjourned till tomorrow 10:00 o'clock

WPA p. 222. (Orig. p. 186) Thurs., 19 Nov. 1796.

Present: Hon. John McNairy, Archibald Roane, William C. C. Claybourne, Judges.

**Benjamin Joslin vs. Jason Thompson and Thomas Thompson.**

Samson Williams, a witness, proved five days attendance and 132 miles.

**Government vs. William Tarkington**

Phillip Phillips, a witness, proved ten days attendance. Samuel Harnes, a witness, proved ten days and two ferriages. Daniel Williams, a witness, proved five days attendance. David Phillips, a witness, proved eight days attendance. John McCormack, a witness, proved ten days attendance. Frederick Phillips, a witness, proved seven days attendance. Thomas Collins, a witness, proved eight days attendance. (Original page 187)

**Government vs. William Tarkington**

Case: The Grand Jury charged him with Petit larceny.

Particulars: State of Tennessee, Mero District. November term 1796. William Tarkington, lately of Davidson County, on 14 October 1796 in Davidson County did, with force and arms, steal three peck of wheat valued at 6¢, it being the property of Phillip Phillips. Tarkington did feloniously steal, take and carry away the wheat against the peace and dignity of our state. Samuel Donelson, Attorney General Pro Tem.

Plea: Not guilty.

Jury:

Britton, Thomas      Hooper, Joseph  
Boyd, William G.    Porter, Reese  
Buckhanon, John    Ridley, George  
Edmondson, William   Taylor, Thomas  
Green, William      Walker, John Sen.  
Hankins, William    Young, Daniel  
Verdict: Not guilty

WPA p. 223-224. (Orig. p. 187-8) Thurs. 19 Nov. 1796  
**John Blackamore vs. David Hay & Frederick Stump**

Case: Covenant

Particulars. Mero District, May term 1796. John Blackamore, assignee of Governor John Sevier. David Hay, Frederick Stump and James Shaw in custody.

On 3 July 1787 at the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for Davidson County, David Hay, Esquire, was appointed Sheriff by said court and entered into a £500 bond with Frederick Stump and James Shaw, his securities, payable to the Governor of the State of North Carolina, for Hay's faithful performance of duties.

Blackamore obtained a *capias ad respondendum* against James Lenier in the sum of £141.6.4 and £5.14.3 for cost of suit. [*Black's: capias ad respondendum*: Order to Sheriff to jail defendant to ensure his presence in court to answer plaintiff. Defendant may post bond]. Sheriff Hay neglected to take bail from James Lenier for his appearance to answer Blackamore's complaint as he was bound by law to do and said judgment yet remains unpaid even though David Hay, Frederick Stump and James Shaw "well knowing the premises aforesaid to be true hath not paid said John Blackamore."

Original suit was against Frederick Stump and James Shaw for a breach of covenant. Now John Blackamore claims \$1000 damages.

The defendants, by their attorney Seth Lewis, deny Blackamore's declaration; they say it is true that Blackamore did sue out of the County Court of Davidson against Lenier returnable to the April 1788 term of court; that David Hay was Sheriff at the time and that his deputy, Daniel James did arrest Lenier but that David Hay's term of office did expire and cease and that Thomas Hickman was appointed to serve as Sheriff in his place; that Hay did turn James Lenier, in custody, over to Hickman; they ask for a ruling whether John Blackamore should maintain his action against them.

Jury:

Brown, William      Karson, James  
Cheatum, Anderson   Morgan, John  
Childers, John      Rounsaval, David  
Gleaves, Michael    Shute, Phillip  
Hankins, William    Weathers, John  
Harney, Thomas      Williams, Daniel

Verdict: Covenant not broken as charged.

Witness: James Lenier, a witness, proved 10 days attendance. Andrew Ewing, a witness also proved 10 days attendance.

**Waller vs. Commons**

Joel Rice, a witness, proved six days attendance.

**Government vs. Tarkington**

Action: Motion made to tax the prosecutor with the cost of arguments. Arguments being heard for and against the motion, the Court are of opinion that the prosecutor be not taxed with the cost.

Adjourn till tomorrow, 10:00 o'clock.

WPA p. 225. (Orig. p. 188) Friday, 20 Nov. 1796.

Hon. John McNairy, Archibald Roane & William C. C. Claybourn, Judges.

**John Hankins vs. Noah Suggs**

Action: Appeal on plea of abatement. Arguments from both sides being heard the Court are of opinion that the plea be overruled.

**Robert Goodloe vs. Anthony Sharp**

Case: Ejectment

Particulars: Anthony Sharp attached to answer Robert Goodloe in a declaration in ejectment which is as follows:

State of Tennessee, Mero District, November term 1796. Richard Fen in custody. John Den claims that Richard Fen, with force and arms entered into 228 acres of land with its tenements and appurtenances, in Sumner County, lying on the waters of Red River, which Robert Goodloe had leased to John Den on 10 September 1794 for a term of seven years. Said land bounded by land of Laurence Byram and "the Barrans." This property originally granted to Andrew Wade

On 15 September 1794, before the lease had expired, Richard Fen, with force and arms entered into the tenements which Robert Goodlow had leased to John Den and ejected him from the property, plus other wrongs, this damaging Den to the amount of \$50.00.

Plea: Not guilty.

Jury:

Britton, Thomas      Kenedy, Robert

Buckhanon, John	Morgan, John
Cheatum, Anderson	Ridley, George
Childers, John	Taylor, Thomas
Edmondson, William	Weathers, John
Hankins, William	Young, Daniel

Verdict: The jury find the defendant, Anthony Sharp, not guilty of the trespass as charged.

#### Jurors' Tickets

The following jurors received their tickets, viz:

Beaty, David	Harney, Thomas
Boyd, William G.	Hooper, Joseph
Britton, Thomas	Johnston, Henry
Brown, Isaac	Kenedy, Robert
Cheatum, Anderson	McLein, Ephraim
Childress, John Senr.	Morgan, John
Crafford, Hugh	Neville, George
Crutcher, Anthony	Porter, Reese
Douglass, James	Ridley, George
Drake, Benjamin	Rounsaval, David
Edmondson, William	Taylor, Thomas
Gambell, Edmon	Walker, John Sen.
Gleaves, Michael	Weathers, John
Green, William	Williams, John
Hankins, William	Young, Daniel
Hansbury, Smith	

Court adjourned till 10:00 o'clock tomorrow

WPA p. 226. (Orig. p. 190) Sat., 21 Nov. 1796

Present: Hon. John McNairy, Archibald Roane and William C. C. Claybourne, Judges.

#### Elijah Robertson vs. David Allison

Action: Motion for new trial. Arguments being heard, the Court are of opinion that new trial should not be granted.

#### Joshua Gist vs. Phillip Hornbarger

Action: Motion for new trial. Arguments being heard on both sides a *curia advisari vult* taken [Black's: The Court will consider].

Adjourned until Monday, 10:00 o'clock

WPA p. 227-228. (Orig. p. 190) Mon., 23 Nov. 1796

Present: Hon. John McNairy, Archibald Roane and William C. C. Claybourn, Judges.

#### Government vs. Jacob Turney

Action: Sentence. Jacob Turney having been found guilty of burglary and being called to the Bar and asked if he had anything to say why sentence of the law should not be pronounced against him, saith nothing. The Court ordered that Jacob Turney be taken to the place of execution and there be hanged by the neck until dead, dead, dead, and the Lord have mercy upon your soul. That the Sheriff

of Davidson County put this sentence into execution on 16 December next [1796] between the hours of 12:00 and 2:00 p.m.

Before the day of execution the prisoner was reprieved.

#### John Parks vs. Frederick Stump

John Lancaster, a witness, proved five days attendance and four ferriages.

#### Government vs. Frederick Stump

Edmond Gambell, witness, proved eight days and two ferriages.

#### Government vs. Jacob Reeder

Sarah Boyd, witness, proved four days and two ferriages

#### Nutterfield vs. Abell

Absolem Hooper, a witness, proved four days and two ferriages

#### Caffree vs. Rascoc

Thomas Curtcher, a witness, proved nine days attendance.

Court adjourned until Court in course.

WPA p. 228 (Orig. p. 191) Mon., 8 May 1797

#### State of Tennessee, Mero District

At a Superior Court of Law and Equity opened and held for the district aforesaid at the Court House in the town of Nashville on the second Monday in May 1797 [8 May 1797], and in the XXIst [year] of American Independence.

Present: The Honorable Archibald Roane and William C. C. Claybourne, Esquire, Judges.

#### Proclamation

Proclamation being made that the Sheriffs of the several counties within the District of Mero should come into court and make return of the *venire facias* [jurors] and other precepts to them directed; that the justices of the peace and coroners should make return of the inquests and recognizances by them taken that the Honorable Court might proceed thereon.

#### Davidson County Jurors

Bosley, James	Hewit, Robert
Buckhanon, John	Hodge, Francis
Childers, John	Hodge, James
Commons, John	Manifee, John
Cox, Thomas	Neeley, William Sr.
Davis, Frederick	Ridley, George
Davis, John	Roberts, Isaac

Dobbins, David	Robertson, Jonathan
Gambell, Edmond	Shanon, Thomas
Hanah, Joseph	Shute, Phillip

#### Sumner County Jurors

Barrow, William	Jones, Robert
Bradford, Henry	Mansker, Kasper
Dorson, John	Parker, Nathaniel
Douglass, William	Perry, Thomas
Gwin, Edward	Sanders, William
Hall, William	Smith, Daniel

#### Montgomery County Jurors

Connell, William	Miles, Richard
Dunbar, Thomas	Norfleet, James
Hornberger, Phillip	Sevier, Valentine

#### Robertson County Jurors

Cheatum, John	Dabnee, Cornelus
Christmas, Thomas	Fort, Josiah

#### Grand Jurors

Fort, Josiah, foreman	Douglass, William
Barrow, William	Hanah, Joseph
Cheatum, John	Hodge, James
Christmas, Thomas	Hornbarger, Phillip
Dabne, Cornelus	Jones, Robert
Dauson, John	Manefee, Jones
Davis, John	Sevier, Valentine
Dobbins, David	

#### Jurors Excused

Ordered that Kasper Mansker and John Childers be excused from serving as jurors this term on affidavit filed.

Court Adjourned till tomorrow 10:00 o'clock  
WPA p. 229-230. (Orig. p. 191-2) Tuesday, 9 May 1797

Present: Hon. Archibald Roane and William C. C. Claybourn, Judges

#### Marke Noble vs. Robert McConnell

Action: Motion to set aside judgment by default was filed. Arguments being heard both for and against the motion and considered by the Court, they are of the opinion that the judgment by default be not set aside.

#### James Bosley fined

Ordered that James Bosley be fined \$1.00 for not attending as a juror and that execution issue. Issued and fine paid.

#### Marke Noble vs. Robert McConnell

Case: *Certiorari*. Judgment by default. [Black's: A writ issued by a superior court to an inferior court requiring the latter to produce a certified record of a particular case.]

#### Jury:

Buckhanon, John	Hodge, Francis
Commons, John	Neely, William Sen.
Davis, Frederick	Robertson, Jonathan
Gambell, Edmond	Sanon, Thomas
Hall, William	Shute, Phillip
Hewit, Robert	Smith, Daniel

Verdict: Found for defendant.

#### John Montgomery, Administrator vs. Martin Armstrong

Case: "Probit [probate] of a deed."

Action: "Judgment according to *Sci Fa*" [Black's: A means of repealing.]

Particulars: "A deed of conveyance from John Tucker to William Tucker, for 300 acres of land, the execution and delivery of which was duly proven by the oath of William Farmer, one of the subscribing witnesses.

#### Joseph Ross vs. Noah Suggs

Case: Plea of Trespass

Particulars: Noah Suggs in custody. Joseph Ross says that Suggs was indebted to him in sum of £107.7.6 North Carolina currency, for divers goods, wares and merchandises delivered to Suggs. On 7 April 1790, in Mero District, Suggs signed a note for £115.7.6 North Carolina money, the balance of the account, due on or before the expiration of three months. Said sum has not been paid and, therefore, Ross claims damages in amount of \$600.00.

Plea: Defendant claims statute of limitations run.

#### Jury:

Buckhanon, John	Hodge, Francis
Cummons, John	Neely, William Sen.
Davis, Frederick	Robertson, Jonathan
Gambell, Edmond	Shanon, Thomas
Hall, William	Shute, Phillip
Hewit, Robert	Smith, Daniel

Verdict: Found for plaintiff Ross and assess damages at \$320.11.

WPA p. 231-2, (Orig. p. 193) Tues., 9 May 1797.

#### John Boyd vs. Robert King

Case: Covenant [No particulars]

#### Jury:

Bosley, James	Miles, Richard
Bradford, Henry	Ridley, George
Connell, William	Roberts, Isaac
Cox, Thomas	Sanders, William
Grain, Edward	Talbot, Mathew
Lewis, Joel	Weakley, Robert

Verdict: Found for plaintiff and assess his damage at \$67 plus costs. (To be continued)

## Private William E. W. Perdue, 30th Tennessee Infantry, CSA

by Janet Perdue King

Over the years several of my family members would tell variations of the same basic story of William "Bill" Perdue's escape from and near capture by the Union Army. I think there is a grain of truth to their tale but for the most part, these stories are impossible to prove. However, I believe the acts surrounding Bill's true service to the Confederacy are as interesting as the folklore.

Some of the Perdue families still live in and around Portland, Tennessee—located in "Upper Sumner County, Tennessee." Their numbers have shrunk considerably since 1900, and the town once called Perdue is now known as Sengtown. One old axiom was that "the sassafras sprouts and the Perdues were going to take the entire (13th) District."

The son of Lee Perdue and Mary Wyatt, William, called "Bill," was 25 years old when the Civil War began. He was born circa 1835 in Sumner County, Tennessee, and had married a cousin, Harriet Leavinia Barber, on 7th September 1857. The couple had one child and another was on the way. They lived near the town then called Perdue, Tennessee, which in 1861 consisted of a store and post office.

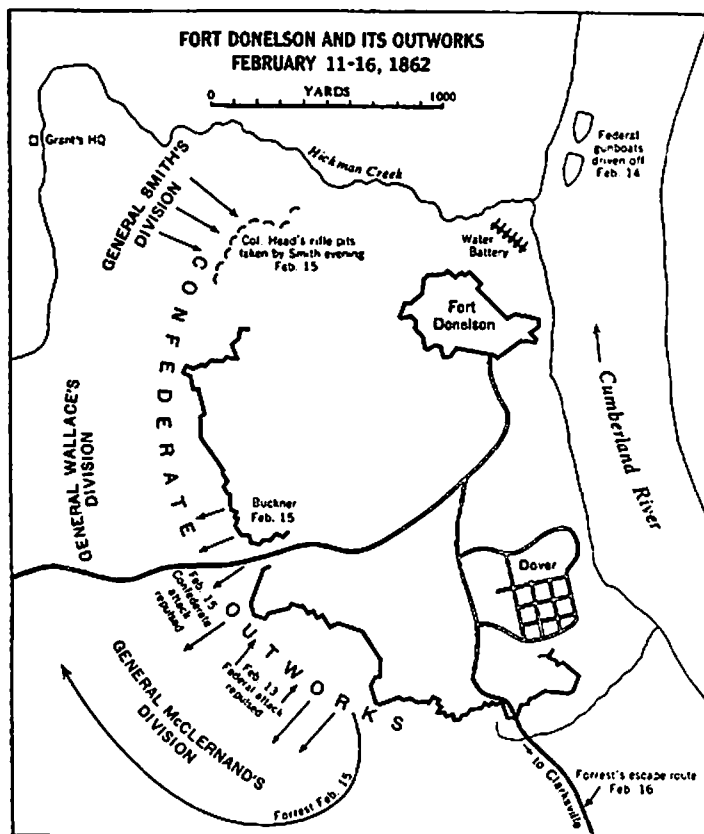
After service in the War of 1812, William's grandfather, Daniel Perdue, came to Tennessee from Franklin County, Virginia. Three of Daniel's brothers also made the trip west with him as well as three of their Perdue cousins. Another brother would eventually join them and by 1860 their numbers had increased to the point that they had their own town—Perdue.

William Perdue enlisted 22 November 1861 at Tyree Springs under Colonel John Head. He was given the rank of private in Company I of the 30th Tennessee Infantry. Many friends and several relatives enlisted at the same time, including the notorious guerilla fighter Ellis Harper.

William Perdue's orders came in December to proceed to Fort Donelson. He made his way to Nashville and boarded a steamboat to Dover. Fort Donelson was still under construction when Colonel Head and his volunteers arrived. The first job for the new recruits was to build winter quarters which consisted of small huts large enough to house four men. The men were free to choose who they bunked with and usually chose family and friends from home. After building their quarters they began work on roads, fortifications and water batteries.

No uniforms or weapons were furnished the

men. They brought their own weapons, including shotguns and old sporting rifles. The best equipped carried muskets dating back to the War of 1812. They wore civilian clothes and the only military insignia was a black stripe sewed to the pant leg. For



Fort Donelson

from John Allan Wyeth, *That Devil Forrest*  
(New York: Harper & Brothers, Pub., 1959), 42.

protection against the winter wind they used blankets, quilts, buffalo robes and pieces of carpets from home. The cold winter and the shortage of rations was to begin to take a toll on the Fort immediately.

On the 5th of February 1862 Union gunboats and steamboats loaded with troops made their way up the Tennessee River toward Fort Henry. The following day the Fort fell. The Confederate troops evacuated to Fort Donelson. The Union then turned their forces toward Fort Donelson. Colonel Head's men were ordered to garrison the Fort. The Colonel and his infantry took positions opposite the enemy who were camped just beyond the outer defense line. Here they held their ground until they were ordered

to reenforce General Buckner on the right wing of the defense line. Soon they were engaged with the Union troops. The Federal's superior firepower wreaked havoc on the Rebels. Colonel Head ordered his troops to withdraw to Dover. While their fate was being argued the men stood to arms outside—stamping their feet to ward off the cold. A decision was finally made to return to the rifle pits. However, instead of surrendering with his troops, Colonel Head chose escape. The following morning, the 16th of February 1862, Fort Donelson surrendered.

During the last four days of battle the men suffered through a severe snowstorm. Now the men were put on open decks of a prison boat bound for Cairo, Illinois. Upon their arrival they were loaded into cattle cars or box cars and sent via Saint Louis to Camp Butler near Springfield, Illinois. Arrival reports from the Camp declared these prisoners were the "hardest looking" set ever brought together. Their uniforms were rags of all colors and they carried strips of carpet for blankets.

The death rate in the regiment was at times one a day. A large number were sick before starting their journey to prison and to remain in prison meant death. Therefore, the majority of the company took the Oath of Allegiance to the Union.

An exchange of troops was then arranged for these prisoners. After a steamship trip they arrived in Vicksburg, Mississippi, and were released the 30th of September 1862. If William Perdue had escaped prior to exchange he might have been in danger of recapture. Ellis Harper escaped from Camp Butler but did not rejoin his command. He was given a Captains Commission by General Morgan and ordered to recruit a company to operate behind the Union lines in and around Sumner County. (A muster roll of this company was never kept.)

A notation from one page of William Perdue's military record headed "Roil of Prisoners of War" states that his name had been canceled by lines. What exactly that meant is unclear but it might tie in with our family tradition which begins with William's escape from prison.

After the fall of Donelson the Union Army occupied Sumner County for the remainder of the War years. It is unclear if William Perdue ever returned to service. His name appears one last time on a Company Muster dated March 1864 in Dalton, Georgia, along with the remark that he had taken the "Oath of Allegiance" in prison. I never found a copy of William's "Amnesty Oath" but the following is an example of how it would have read:

Camp Butler, Illinois 4 July 1862

I, (William E. W. Perdue), private in Co. I, 30th Tennessee Infantry, a prisoner of war, do hereby swear in the presence of the Almighty God that I will faithfully support and protect and defend the Constitution of the United States and the Union of the States of the Union thereunder; and that I will in like manner, abide by and faithfully support the acts of Congress during the existing rebellion with reference to slaves, so long and so far as not repealed, modified, or held void by Congress, or by a decision of the Supreme Court, and that I will, in like manner abide by and faithfully support all the proclamations of the President during the existing rebellion having reference to slavery, so long and so far as not modified or declared void by a decision of the Supreme Court; so help me God.

William Perdue died August of 1866 leaving a widow, two children and an unborn child. He was not 30 years old. His estate was small and Harriet was forced to sell part of their land to settle debts. His coffin cost \$8.00 and his funeral expenses \$11.00. He is buried in an unmarked grave in Shanklin Cemetery in Portland, Tennessee.

The children of William E. W. Perdue and wife Harriet Leavinia Barber:

1. Mary Ellender Perdue, born Sept 1858 in Sumner County; died 1940 in Sumner County; married (1) Asa B. Perdue (2) Granville Jackson Brackin.
2. William Henry Perdue, born 9 March 1862, Sumner County; died 23 December 1949 in Sumner County; married (1) Dora Belle Clendenning (2) Isora Clendenning Minnis.
3. George Washington Perdue, born 12 Sept 1866 Sumner County; died 19 March 1938 in Sumner County; married (1) Susan A. Cochran (2) Rosetta Garrett (3) Nettie Shirley.

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## TENNESSEE SUPREME COURT RECORDS

### Second Series<sup>1</sup>

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Supreme Court Records, Box 31,  
Middle Tennessee, 1818

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#### **William Haggart vs. John Mayfield and George Mayfield**

(Original Bill Heard in  
Williamson County Court)

Your orator William Haggart of the county of Stewart, and state aforesaid, complainant, respectfully sheweth to your honors that on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 1786 one Sutherland Mayfield executed his bond in writing under his seal to one John Haggart for two hundred acres of land on Indian Camp Creek...

Your Orator further avers that about the same time the said John Haggart died without any last will or testament leaving Samuel Haggart Edmund Haggart and John Haggart his sons and only heirs, that at the April term of Davidson County Court, Margaret Mayfield, widow of the said Sutherland, obtained letters of administration on the estate of the said Sutherland...that said Margaret afterwards married John Gibson, who also died before the year 1798. That on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April 1795 said Margaret as administratrix of the said Sutherland deceased, executed a deed to the said Samuel, Edmund and John Haggart heirs as aforesaid...

Deposition of Benjamin Joslin. The deposition of Colonel Benjamin Joslin, taken by consent in the course of Willam Haggart, against John Mayfield and George Mayfield, now depending in the court of chancery for the 4<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit of Tennessee.

Questions by complainant unto

counsel. Are you well acquainted with the handwriting of Sutherlin Mayfield, the reputed father of John and George Mayfield?

Answer: I am. I was well acquainted with him in Virginia, was raised boys with him, and lived in the station with him in Davidson County, now Williamson, after we both moved to what is now Tennessee.

Question 2<sup>nd</sup>: Is not Sutherlin Mayfield dead, and about what time did he die?

Answer: He is dead, but do not recollect the time, I would suppose about thirty-two years ago, but have seen a record of an administration on his estate, granted in April 1789, and therefore suppose it must be more...

Question: Is Thomas Nolin, John Gibson and John McGee dead?

Answer: They are all dead I believe. John Gibson I know is dead and I have heard the others are dead.

Question by defendant's counsel: Do you know anything of the consideration given by said John Haggart for said bond and land claimed?

Answer: Southerlin Mayfield had a station where he then claimed in what is now Williamson County which was burnt by the Indians about the time of the date of this bond. John Haggart, John Campbell and myself each made a contract with Southerlin Mayfield to go and live with him in his station for two years and to clear for him ten acres of land each, and build a new station. We built the station and all moved our families into the station according to contract. We all lived there some time. When we were burning the logs to plant the first crop, the Indians came and fired on us as we were putting up a wolf pen, about half a mile from the station. Sutherlin Mayfield, and one Martin a soldier was killed. George Mayfield was taken prisoner and William Mayfield was

also killed. We all in a few days left the station, with Mrs. Mayfield and at her request. John Haggart was also killed within a few days before or a few days after Mayfield; but which I do not know. We cleared no part of the land, and Campbell and myself give up our bonds. The widow paid us for what we had done. I have no other knowledge of importance on the subject.

[signed] Ben Joslin.

Sworn to before me this 27<sup>th</sup> June  
1824. R. McGavock, Clk.

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Supreme Court Records, Box 32,  
Middle Tennessee, 1818

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#### **Bradshaw vs. Beech & Bradshaw**

(Original Bill Heard in  
White County Court)

The Bill of Complaint of the heirs of William Bradshaw, dec'd. to wit Obediah Bradshaw William Josiah Isaah and Elijah Bradshaw Miles Abernathy and Usley his wife Field Bradshaw and Ann his wife John West and Rody his wife and Seth Bradshaw, complts. against William Beach Elizabeth Bradshaw widow of William Bradshaw, dec'd. Juda Beach and John Denton, defts.

Humbly complaining your orators and oratrixes shew that on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of June 1818 they filed their bill of complaint setting forth that their father William Bradshaw, dec'd died possessed of the following slaves with their increase to wit: Dick aged 38 Rose 36 Fanny 11, Tom 9 Nance[?] 7 \_\_ley[?] 6 Solomon 4 Cynthia 3 Daniel one ...

William Bradshaw had been married before his marriage with deft. Elizabeth and by his first marriage had complts. his legal heirs. He had no children by the said Elizabeth....

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Supreme Court Records, Box  
13A, Middle Tennessee, 1818

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#### **James Douglass vs. Isaac Bledsoe and others**

(Original Bill Heard in  
Sumner County Court)

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

The answer of Isaac Bledsoe and Henry R. Bledsoe, for himself and as guardian for David Bledsoe, Polly Bledsoe, Anthony Bledsoe, Robert Bledsoe, and James Bledsoe, to the will of complaint filed against them ...by James Douglass and Frances Weatherhead....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 17,  
Middle Tennessee, 1818

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**Bradshaw vs. McBean**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
Overton County Court)

Your orators and oratrixes Obediah Bradshaw, William Bradshaw, Josiah Bradshaw, Josephus Bradshaw, Isaiah Bradshaw and Elijah Bradshaw, \_\_\_[blank] Abernathy & Usley his wife \_\_\_ [blank] Bradshaw and Anna his wife and John West and Rhoda his wife...represent that William Bradshaw, late of Overton County deceased about the 26<sup>th</sup> day of August 1813 being then about eighty years of age, very weak and infirm and nearly deprived of the use of his mental faculties and being then possessed of a valuable family of negro slaves to wit Dick about 38 years old and Rose his wife about 36 and these seven children, Fanny about 11, Tom about 9, Nancy about 7, Tuanley(?) about 6 Solomon about 4 Cintha about 3 and Daniel about 1 year old through the influence and artful management of his wife now his widow Elizabeth Bradshaw and William Beach of said Overton County who had intermarried with \_\_\_[blank] the daughter of said Elizabeth by another man born previous to her marriage with said William deceased executed to said William Beach a bill of sale for said slaves in which said Elizabeth joined....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 18,  
Middle Tennessee, 1818

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**Josiah Wooldridge et al. vs.  
John and Sally Nichols**  
(Original Bill Heard in

Davidson County Court)

On the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May 1818 the petition of Josiah Wooldridge and Keziah his wife James Dupree and Nancy his wife Alfred Nichols and Susan Ingram heirs and devisees of John Nichols dec'd. by the last will and testament of the said deceased and are entitled to an undivided interest in a large portion of the real estate of said Jno. Lying within the State of Tennessee and praying the commissioners may be appointed for the purpose of making partition thereof according to law.

And Jno. Nichols and Sarah Nichols each of whom are entitled to an undivided interest in the lands described in said petition having in open court acknowledged that they were legally notified of the filing of said petition....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 18,  
Middle Tennessee, 1818

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**Campbell and Phillips vs.  
John Greer and others**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
Lincoln County Court)

Whereas it has been represented...in a certain suit in equity between Michael Campbell and Robert Purdy and Elizabeth his wife, James Neely and Nelly his wife, Joseph Philips, Elisha Williams and Polly his wife and Nancy Phillips complainants and the said David McGavock, Reg., etc...defendants...that a military warrant No. 2222 issued to the heirs of Servie Robertson on 12<sup>th</sup> September 1785 for 640 acres.

That said warrant came afterwards by assignments to Philip Philips and said Campbell that said Philips is dead leaving said Nelly Elizabeth Joseph Polly Nancy & Jno. And Wm. Philips his heirs and that said Jno. And Wm. have since died intestate leaving their other brother and sisters their heirs etc. That said warrant was afterwards on the 8<sup>th</sup> May adjudged valid by the Board of Commissioners for West Tennessee.

That said Philips and Campbell were entitled to the same and a duplicate issued in due form in their names....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 18,  
Middle Tennessee, 1818

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**Nathan Randolph et al. vs.  
Adam Huntsman et al.**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
White County Court)

On the 25<sup>th</sup> day of July 1818, personally cometh John Griggs, a citizen of White Co., aged 75 years...makes the following declaration in order to obtain the provision of an Act of Congress passed on 18<sup>th</sup> March 1818...To wit: that at the very commencement of the Revolutionary War he enlisted into the Army of the United States in the State of Virginia, in the company commanded by Captain Andrew Wallace, and was attached to the 12<sup>th</sup> Virginia Regiment commanded by Colo. James Wood, in General Scott's Brigade...and after serving three years (the term of his enlistment) he received an honorable discharge;...again enlisted...fought the Battle at Guilford Courthouse...that after serving out his second enlistment of three years...he was again discharged, both of which discharges are now by time or accident lost. That he has never applied for or received any pension...and by reason of his reduced circumstances in life he is in need of assistance from his country for support. [signed] John [g - his mark] Griggs.

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Supreme Court Records, Box 24,  
Middle Tennessee, 1818

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**Thomas Taylor vs. James  
Cook's Administrators**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
Jackson County Court)

The separate answer of Polly Myers late the wife of James Cook, dec'd. to the Bill of Complaint of Thomas Taylor against George White, Polly

Myers and Philip Myers, administrators of James Cook, dec'd., Defendants.

...This defendant admits to be true that Mr. Cook died without making any last will and testament, and that George white and herself entered on the administration of said estate...and that she has intermarried with Mr. Philip Myers....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 15,  
Middle Tennessee, 1817

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**John Overton vs. Thos. H.  
Perkins & others**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
Davidson County Court)

The separate answer of Thomas H. Perkins to the bill of complaint of John Overton...against Nicholas Perkins, William D. Perkins and this Respondent and William Thomas.

...That on or about the first day of July 1796 a certain Nicholas Perkins, since deceased, Daniel Perkins, William Perkins and this Respondent for a valuable consideration purchased from one Thomas Malloy \_\_\_[blank] acres of land situate lying and being at and near the mouth of West Harpeth River in what is now Williamson county, and ..received a bond from the said Thomas Malloy for a title to the said tract of land....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 15,  
Middle Tennessee, 1817

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**James Owens and Stephen  
Owens and others vs.  
Armstreet Stubblefield**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
Warren County Circuit Court)

The bill of complaint of James and Stephen Owens of the State of North Carolina and Caron Gibbs and Sarah his wife of the County of White, Tennessee against Armstreet Stubblefield of the County of Warren, Tennessee, David Carter of Hyde County, North Carolina, John A. Wilson, John Cain and Young Colville of the County of Warren, Tennessee, Walter Gild [?] of

the county of Stewart, Tennessee, Elihu S. Hall of the County of Davidson and David McGavock of said County, Humbly complaining...your Orators James, Stephen, Caron and Sarah that on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January 1794 there was issued by the Secretary of North Carolina to Stephen Owens for the complainants James, Stephen, and Sarah a military land warrant for 1097 acres in consideration of military services of said Stephen Owen, which said warrant was on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 1808 pronounced valid by the Commissioners of West Tennessee that said Stephen Owen about the year 1800 died intestate and that the same James Stephens and Sarah are his only children and heirs at law.

That in November 1806 said Sarah then 18 years of age intermarried with the defendant Caron Gibbs, she being the oldest of the three children of Stephen Owens. That by some fraudulent means said warrant got into the hands of the defendant David Carter, who on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 1808 forged a pretended assignment thereon for one half thereof to the defendant Armstreet Stubblefield....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 15,  
Middle Tennessee, 1817

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**Polly Hays and others vs.  
Adam Dale and others**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
\_\_\_[name of county not  
found in transcript] Court)

...It appearing to the court that on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January 1812 James Hays departed this life possessed of several negroes and other personal estate, first having made and published his last will and testament, the execution of which was committed to the said Adam Dale...that in said will among others are the following bequests to wit: "1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Polly Hays one negro girl named Fanny 2<sup>nd</sup> and also I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife, my

son Preston, my daughter Betsey, my daughter Jenny, and my son James all my personal and real property that I possess to be equally divided between them. 3<sup>rd</sup> I do allow my well beloved wife Polly to purchase land for the use of my four dear children to wit, my son Preston my daughter Betsey my daughter Jenny and my son James....

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Supreme Court Records, Box 14,  
Middle Tennessee, 1817

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**Aaron Boyce & others vs.  
Archibald Martin & others**  
(Original Bill Heard in  
Sumner County Court)

To the honorable judges of the Superior Court of Errors and Appeals for the Third Judicial Circuit, in chancery sitting, under the age of 21 years, [sic] By Richard Boyce their guardian and next friend, and Nicholas Boyce and Richard Boyce, all heirs and representatives of Nicholas Boyce, dec'd., late of the County of Sumner, State of Tennessee, Complainants, respectfully show that Nicholas Boyce, their father, departed this life intestate sometime in the month of December 1808, leaving seven children to wit, your five complainants and William Boyce and John Boyce their brothers, that John Boyce died intestate some time in the year 1810 without wife or child or other heir except said William and your complainants further represent that shortly after the death of said Nicholas and their father widow of said Nicholas [sic] and mother of your complainant, together with one Archibald Marlin [Martin] both of Sumner County, administered on the estate of the said Nicholas and gave bond in the sum of \$15,000.00 ...with \_\_\_[blank] Smith and Benjamin Rawlins their securities.

Your complainants expressly aver that the said Archibald and the said Nancy, nor either of them, has ever made any settlement of their administration with the County Court of Sumner County....

(To be Continued)

# Tennessee Hospital for the Insane, 1860

Listing contributed by Peggie Sides; background data located by Chuck Sherrill; assembled by editor

**H**UMAN MISERY, moaning in pens, huts, attics, basements and jails; emaciated bodies, bound with cords and chains...these were the sights and sounds of mental illness as late as the mid-eighteen hundreds, according to Dorothea Dix. Even as hospitals were made available, "the stigma surrounding those who exhibited unusual or unacceptable behavior kept families from admitting such problems existed in their homes. As public opinion swayed toward more humanitarian feelings, asylums became focal points toward which states and their citizenry aimed their charitable energies."

The State of Tennessee opened its first "lunatic asylum" on March 28, 1840 in downtown Nashville. Twelve years later, the patients in the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane were moved into a new modern facility.

For many years this was the only hospital for mental health treatment in the state. It was only in 1873 that the legislature voted to establish a second hospital in the eastern section of the state and a third in the western area. Construction on the East Tennessee Hospital for the Insane proceeded and it opened in Knoxville in 1886. However, the plans for a western hospital did not move forward as expected.<sup>1</sup>

**A**CCORDING to the *Fourth Biennial Reports of the Trustees, Treasurer, and the Superintendent and Physician of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane*, published in 1859,

The Tennessee Hospital is a structure erected in the castellated style; its extreme length from east to west is four hundred and five feet, extending from the north to south two hundred and ten feet; having in this area two airing courts of about one hundred and fifty feet square. The centre, right and left of the main building, is four stories high without the basement—the intervening ranges and wings are three stories high.... The building is constructed with twenty-four octagonal towers....

The state farm on which the Hospital is situated, contains four hundred and fifty-five acres, six miles from the city of Nashville, on the Murfreesboro' turnpike.

Included in this published Report are detailed instructions for admission of patients, and a sampling of these forms will be given here.

## ADMISSION OF STATE PATIENTS

Some respectable citizen of the county to which the patients belongs shall file, with a Justice of the Peace of the county, the following statement in writing: [Note: As this was before a JP and although later went to the County Clerk, it probably did not go before the whole County Court and therefore would not be recorded in minutes.]

State of Tennessee  
\_\_\_\_ County

The undersigned, a resident of the county and State aforesaid, states that A B is insane; that his insanity is of less than two years' standing; (or his being at large is dangerous to the community;) that he is a citizen of the County and State aforesaid, and is in indigent circumstances. These facts can be proved by C D and E F. This \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_.

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The *Fourth Biennial Report* continues:

One of the witnesses must be a respectable physician. The justice shall issue subpoenas for the persons named as witnesses, and for such other purposes as he may think proper; requiring them to appear before him at a specified time, to testify concerning the facts set forth in said statement. Witnesses may be summoned and examined in behalf of the person alleged to be insane.

If, after such inquest, the justice shall be satisfied of the truth of the facts set forth in the statement, he shall require the physician to make out a certificate, (which will be found below) and the justice shall make out a certificate as follows:

## CERTIFICATE OF JUSTICE

I, the undersigned, Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, certify that I have held an inquest in regard to \_\_\_\_, alleged to be insane, and am satisfied he is insane; that he is a citizen of this county, and is in needy circumstances, and is a fit subject for the bounty of the State. I am satisfied his being at large is injurious to himself, and disadvantageous, if not dangerous to the community.

Witness my hand and seal, this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_, 18\_\_.

O P, Justice

A Physician's Certificate accompanied the above forms, and reads:



*The Tennessee Hospital for the Insane, 1859*

#### PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE

This certificate must contain the following facts in any appropriate language, and be signed by the physician:

*First.* That F G is free from any infectious disease; his age; and a concise history of his case.

*Second.* Duration of the disease, and the supposed existing cause, and whether it is hereditary or not.

*Third.* Whether the patient has ever been subject to epilepsy or not.

*Fourth.* The medical treatment, as far as known, and any attempt to commit violence upon others of himself.

The justice shall transmit this certificate of the physician, and his own certificate to the Clerk of the County Court; and the Clerk shall transmit a copy of the same to the Superintendent at Nashville, with an application of admission.

#### ADMISSION OF PAY PATIENTS

Before any pay patient shall be received into the Hospital, there shall be produced to the Superintendent a Physician's certificate, embracing the same facts mentioned in the certificate for State Patients, the Treasurer's receipt for three months' charges in advance, and a bond with good and sufficient surety.<sup>2</sup>

**T**HE FOLLOWING is a list of the people who appeared on the 1860 Nashville, Davidson County, Tennessee, census, as either working, or being an inmate, in the Tennessee Hospital for the insane. The

census was taken on the 16th day of July, 1860, J. B. Corley, Ass't Marshal. Every attempt has been made to copy the information as exactly as it appeared on the census, according to Peggie Sides the abstracter.

The columns on the census read, from left to right, house number, order of visitation, age, sex, color, occupation, real estate value, personal value, place of birth, and notes. However, for ease of printing, certain liberties were taken with this order of things. Since all of the following were listed under one house number, that column was not printed. At the beginning of the census, there is a list of employees. After they are listed, the columns for real estate and personal property values were not used. The color columns was not used here and all persons are white except the four mulattos that are designated as such in the following listing.

It is noted that after an inmate's name, the age is listed, sex, color (if left blank, white), occupation before commission, date of commission, reason for commission (notes), and place of birth.

#### End Notes

1. *Grains of Sand, A History of Western Mental Health Institute, 1886-1986* ((Bolivar, Tennessee: Bolivar Commercial Printing, 1986), 1. Copy in the Tennessee State Library and Archives.

2. *Fourth Biennial Reports of the Trustees, Treasurer, and the Superintendent and Physician of the Tennessee Hospital for the Insane* (Nashville, Tenn.: E. G. Eastman & Co., 1859), 7, 11, 15-17. Copy in the Tennessee State Library and Archives.

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Name	Age	Sex	Occupation	Real Estate /Pers. Val.	Born
Cheatham, Wm. A. ....	40	m	Physician	\$50,000/25,550	TN
Cheatham, Mary E. ....	32	f			TN
Cheatham, Martha A. ....	7	f			TN
Cheatham, Richard	5	m			TN
Beashers, Henry A. ....	28	m	Physician	— /1,000	TN
Farmer, Thomas. ....	58	m	Steward		TN
Cheatham, Boyed M. ....	21	m	Student	700/100	TN
Bawers, Wm. G. ....	23	m	Engineer	—/300	TN
Garrett, A. D. ....	43	m	Clerk	—/3,000	TN
Kerigan, Edward. ....	25	m	Baker		Irel
Bahan, James. ....	30	m	Watchman		Irel
Crowin, Jeremiah	27	m	Engineer		Irel
Crawley, Charles	25	m	Gardner		Irel
Handley, C. ....	38	f (mulato)			
			Mantlemaker		TN
Handley, Anna	72	f (mulato)			TN
Handley, Moses	6	m (mulato)			TN
Handley, Munamed	1	f (mulato)			TN
Loose, Mary I. ....	30	f	Matron		Scot
Muderwood, John	40	m	Gardner		Irel
Brown, Edward	38	m	Attendant		Irel
Shelhart, John	31	m	Taylor		Germ
O'Brien, John	28	m	Attendant		Irel
Conner, Thomas	31	m	Attendant		Irel
O'Conner, Michael	29	m	Attendant		Irel
Waddell, John	31	m	Attendant		Irel
Higgins, Patric	28	m	Attendant		Irel
McCarty, Daniel	26	m	Attendant		Irel
Quinn, John	35	m	Attendant		Irel
Konigle, Thomas	38	m	Attendant		Irel
Nickens, Patric	28	m	Attendant		Irel

## [Inmates]

Name	Committed Date	Age	Occupation	Notes	Born
Allen, Wm. S. ....	1859	45 m	Taylor	Religious Excitment	VA
Allen, Martha W. ....	1850	63 f		Domestic trouble	TN
Outtlair, Thos. ....	1845	44 m	Carpenter	Religious (?)	TN
Boyd, Wm. H. ....	1843	49 m	Farmer	Hereditary	VA
Bradford, D. A. ....	1857	44 m	Farmer	Pecuniary Loss	GA
Barnet, M. C. ....	1858	48 m	Farmer	Onanism	TN

Name	Committed Date	Age	Occupation	Notes	Born
Butler, John M. ....	1859	33 m	Farmer	Hereditary Insane	TN
Burgess, Nancy	1859	34 f		Hereditary	AL
Boyed, Frances A. ....	1855	28 f		Ill Health	TN
Craighead, Tho. B. ....	1854	42 m	M.E.C. Preacher	Hereditary	TN
Cooke, Jas. ....	1856	28 m	Farmer	Personal Difficulty	MS
Carsey, F. M. ....	1859	29 m	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Conner, J. L. ....	1858	24 m	Student	Ill Health	TN
Creedy, M. E. ....	1853	40 f		Hereditary	TN
Cooke, E. ....	1857	42 f		Hereditary	TN
Cole, J. ....	1858	50 f		Family Affliction	SC
Curren, Permilia	1848	52 f		Hereditary	NC
Collins, E. ....	1854	34 f		Ill Health	TN
Cato, M. E. ....	1859	20 f		Injury from a fall	AL
Caruthers, Sam'l. ....	1860	67 m	Farmer	Intemperances	TN
Carlman, J. ....	1860	30 m		Hereditary	AL
Davis, John N. ....	1853	42 m	Sadler	Unknown	TN
Davis, Sam'l G. ....	1853	25 m	Trader	Onanism	TN
Davis, James H. ....	1855	37 m	Farmer	Onanism	TN
Dooley, L. ....	1858	49 m	Farmer	Epilepsy	TN
Denson, Jane	1858	22 f		Family Affliction	TN
Davis, Sam'l. L. ....	1859	47 m	Farmer	Intemperances	TN
Daniel, George A. ....	1859	25 m	Farmer	Hereditary	TN
Dedrick, David	1860	26 m	Law Student	Ill Health	TN
Eaton, M. ....	1852	39 m	Clerk	Ill Health	GA
Edwards, L. ....	1857	43 f		Hereditary	TN
Earl, James H. ....	1859	23 m	Lawyer	Hereditary	AL
Frasier, Thomas L. ....	1853	36 m	Physician	Injury from a fall	TN
Foster, Wm. P. ....	1855	44 m	Farmer	Onanism	TN
Franklin, Anna	1858	31 f		Hereditary	Eng
Fike, Addison	1859	52 m	Merchant	Loss Property	TN
Fly, John F. ....	1859	24 m	Student	Onanism	TN
Foster, Josiah	1860	51 m	Farmer	(illegible)	MS
Gilmon, N. M. ....	1856	46 m	Farmer	Hereditary	GA
Gorman, Geo. W. ....	1858	24 m	Farmer	Hereditary	TN
Graham, E. M. ....	1853	42 f	Seamstress	Hereditary	PA
Blase, G. W. ....	1859	22 m	Student	Hereditary	TN
Gill, Jas. M. ....	1842	30 m	Merchant	Ill Health	NC
Griffith, Nancy	1860	63 f		Unknown	TN
Horton, L. ....	1857	38 f		Hereditary	AL
Hardister, Mary	1857	45 f	Wife of Farmer	Hereditary	VA
Hester, Rebecca	1858	52 f		Religious Excitement	VA
Hutchinson, W. W. ....	1850	35 m	Farmer	Ill Health	TN
Hodge, Jesse A. ....	1852	26 m	Student-Law	Hard Study	TN



Name	Committed Date	Age	Occupation	Notes	Born
Hudson, Rebecca	1860	38 f.	Wife of Merchant	Ill Health	TN
Harrod, Mildred	1860	22 f.		Ill Health	TN
Jorden, Jas. B.	1853	34 m.	Farmer	Intemperances	AL
Jackson, R. B.	1855	45 m.	Lawyer	Family Affliction	VA
Jetton, Justina	1857	41 f.	Wife of Farmer	Hereditary	TN
Hobson, Elizabeth	1858	45 f.	Wife of Farmer	Family Affliction	TN
Kinney, M. I.	1856	25 m.	Pilot	Onanism	TN
King, Geo. F.	1858	19 m.	Student	Unknown	AL
Key, Abner	1860	30 m.	Farmer	Ill Health	TN
Langford, J. L.	1859	40 m.	Merchant	Intemperances	TN
Lillard, Jas. H.	1859	30 m.	Farmer	Intemperances	TN
Lively, John G.	1859	41 m.	Carpenter	Pecuniary Trouble	TN
Murphey, Thos.	1857	30 m.	Sadler	Intemperances	AL
Murrer, E. C.	1858	24 m.	Student	Hereditary	AL
Murphey, D. G.	1858	21 m.	Teacher	Hereditary	TN
Moon, Mary A.	1854	42 f.	Farmer's Wife	Hereditary	KY
Moon, Virginia E.	1857	38 f.	Farmer's Wife	Family Trouble	VA
Manning, Jack E.	1858	21 f.	Seamstress	Family Trouble	TN
Marshall, Francis	1859	29 m.	Physician	Family Trouble	VA
McKinney, Jesse	1860	29 m.	Oversee R.R.	Hereditary	TN
McKinney, Edward	1858	25 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Madding, N. M.	1859	51 f.	Wife-Farmer	Pecuniary Trouble	TN
Montague, M.	1859	27 f.	Teacher	Hereditary	AL
Mulmer, W.	1860	33 m.	Merchant	Intemperances	Ire
Nilson, John H.	1842	41 m.	Physician	Religious Excitement	GA
Nash, Elizabeth	1859	37 f.	Merchant's Wife	Hereditary	TN
Nunn, Sarah E.	1859	27 f.	Teacher	Love Affair	AL
Nuckols, T.	1860	67 m.	Farmer	Ill Health	TN
Fiser, Peter	1859	26 m.	Taylor	Fright	Ger
Pain, Carolin	1848	62 f.	Merchant's Wife	Hereditary	TN
Pickett, Ann F.	1855	54 f.	Physician's Wife	Spiritualism	TN
Patterson, M. J.	1860	18 F.	Seamstress	Ill Health	AL
Rutherford, W.	1851	40 m.	Lawyer	Hard Study	NC
Ross, A. M.	1854	46 m.	Farmer	Ill Health	TN
Robinson, W. D.	1858	27 m.	Farmer	Hereditary	TN
Rutherford, E. A.	1858	67 f.	Merchant's Wife	Religious Excitement	VA
Rosborough, A. A.	1859	40 F.	Farmer's Dau.	Unknown	TN
Reed, W. H.	1859	28 m.	Music Teacher	Hereditary	PA
Sharp, Robt.	1852	60 m.	Farmer	Loss Property	VA
Shy, Jas. W.	1857	39 m.	Farmer	Hereditary	TN
Shaw, Thos. M.	1857	31 m.	Grocer	Intemperances	TN
Shuman, Geo. S.	1859	42 m.	R.R. Contractor	Hereditary	PA
Smedly, Louis	1853	42 f.	Merchant's Wife	Family Trouble	TN

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Stephens, Martha E.	1856	32 f.	Lawyer's Wife	Hereditary	TN
Smith, Nancy	1857	41 f.	Lawyer's Wife	Jealousy	TN
Simons, Virginia	1857	36 f.	Farmer's Wife	Hereditary	AL
Sherill, A. S.	1858	28 f.	Physician's Wife	Hereditary	AR
Stone, C. A.	1858	40 f.	Teacher's Wife	Family Trouble	OH
Stephens, Wm. L.	1859	21 m.	Laborer	Ill Health	TN
Suite, Richard	1859	60 m.	Carriage Maker	Love Affair	NC
Sherrill, Jas.	1859	16 m.	Student	Hereditary	TN
Thomas, C. M.	1859	41 f.	Farmer's Wife	Puerapla(?)	TN
Thomas, Sam'l G.	1860	34 m.	Merchant	Pecuniary Trouble	TN
Trewett, J. P.	1860	38 m.	Lawyer	Intemperances	TN
Thompson, Wm. N.	1860	50 m.	Farmer	Ill Health	NC
Underwood, J. E.	1855	44 f.	Plasterer's Wife	Puerapla (?)	TN
Williams, Ben.	1847	49 m.	Farmer	Unknown	TN
Wood, Sam'l	1857	33 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Washington, N. A.	1857	44 m.	Lawyer	Intemperances	VA
Wilson, Sarah	1858	65 f.	Lawyer's Wife	Unknown	Unkn
Wald, C. H.	1858	21 f.	Teacher	Hereditary	IN
Watt, Jas. H.	1860	28 m.	Laborer	Onanism	TN
White, Margaret	1860	23 f.	Lawyer's Dau.	Hereditary	KY
West, Robt. J.	1860	60 m.	Farmer	Hereditary	TN
White, Jane	1860	43 f.	Seamstress	Ill Health	VA
Vaughnblood, M.H.	1859	21 f.	Teacher's Wife	Ill Health	AL
Everheart, Harry	1856	54 m.	Weaver	Unknown	Ger
Gacall (?), Boswell	1853	54 m.	Laborer	Family Trouble	VA
Croke, Sam'l.	1849	43 m.	Cabinet Workman	Unknown	NH
Wilkins, John	1846	41 m.	Farmer	Injury of Head	Eng
Bratton, Wm.	1852	37 m.	Farmer	Intemperances	TN
Coghill, Wm.	1856	57 m.	Carpenter	Unknown	VA
Allan, Edward	1844	47 m.	Medical Student	Hard Study	TN
Butler, Elijah	1852	53 m.	Farmer	Unknown	SC
Richardson, John	1852	42 m.	Laborer	Jealousy	TN
Brown, M. E.	1855	31 m.	Overseet	(Illegible)	VA
Kite, John	1857	31 m.	Laborer	Unknown	TN
Chaney, C. R.	1847	40 m.	Clerk	Unknown	TN
Boone, M.	1856	33 m.	Laborer	Unknown	TN
Collier, W. C.	1856	32 m.	Editor	Religion	TN
Davis, R.	1845	32 m.	Laborer	Deaf, Dumb and Insane	TN
Dolbury, John	1856	29 m.	Laborer	Unknown	Swe
Freeman, William	1854	52 m.	Stone Mason	Intemperances	TN
Rounds, David	1850	50 m.	Farmer	Unknown	TN
Percy, Thos.	1854	40 m.	Sadler	Ill Health	Eng
Chandler, John	1856	26 m.	Farmer	Religion	TN

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Miller, M.	1856	54 m.	Carpenter	Pueralapa (?)	Swit
Rogers, Louis	1856	31 m.	Taylor	Unkown	Ger
Lang, Estha	1853	35 f.	Seamstress	Hereditary	TN
Anderson, Joshua	1858	66 m.	Laborer	Family Loss	VA
Hamilton, David	1860	26 m.	Laborer	Intemperances	TN
Bates, John	1858	32 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Brown, David	1857	53 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Cingle, Albert	1858	26 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Carmer, Jams.	1858	30 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Hancock, N. H.	1858	22 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Shoat, Anna	1858	55 f.	Seamstress	Famly Loss	TN
Bowen, Jas.	1860	36 m.	Jointer	(Illegible)	TN
Knott, Jas.	1858	20 m.	Laborer	Love Affair	TN
Kerney, Sam'l	1858	42 m.	Laborer	Injury of Head	TN
Lee, L.	1844	46 m.	Laborer	Love Affair	TN
Dillahay, Jas. B.	1858	29 m.	Overseet	Love Affair	TN
Hurt, Neal S.	1858	24 m.	Laborer	Onanism	TN
Yancey, Wm.	1860	40 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Pickett, Thos. J.	1856	24 m.	Laborer	Unknown	TN
Kora, Margaret	1860	55 f.	Seamstress	Unknown	TN
Davis, Sarah	1860	49 f.		Hereditary	KY
Thompson, Wm.	1857	32 m.	Laborer	Epilepsy	TN
Thacker, Issac	1858	27 m.	Laborer	Ill Health	TN
White, Jas. K.	1858	63 m.	Teacher	Religion	VA
Tudd, M.	1859	31 f.		Unknown	TN
Scallin, Margaret	1860	38 f.	Farmer's Wife	Family Trouble	TN
Rushing, Davis	1858	36 m.	Farmer	Hereditary	NC
Robinson, Chas. E.	1857	30 m.	Carpenter	Ill Health	VA
Haley, Robert F.	1858	34 m.	Carpenter	Intemperances	TN
Duggers, Chas. H.	1859	37 m.	Taylor	Hereditary	SC
Dunn, Patric	1858	45 m.	Stone Mason	Injury of Head	TN
Potter, Henry	1858	32 m.	Carpenter	Epilepsy	TN
Gregory, W. J.	1858	42 m.	Stone Mason	Injury of Head	TN
Brady, A.	1847	40 f.	Lawyer's Dau.	Love Affair	TN
Briggs, S. J.	1858	35 f.	Seamstress	Love Affair	TN
Bates, Mary	1858	30 f.		Hereditary	TN
Cox, A.	1856	56 f.	Farmer's Wife	Religion	PA
Gates, S.	1857	36	Farmer's Dau.	Bad Health	NC
Clark, Sarah	1857	33 f.	Farmer's Dau.	Epilepsy	TN
Casey, E.	1857	59 f.	Farmer's Wife	Family Trouble	TN
Crouch, Sarah	1857	49 f.	Farmer's Dau.	Unknown	TN
Holley, E.	1857	45 f.		Desertion by husband	TN
Haslett, E. K.	1854	61 f.	Farmer's Wife	Ill Health	TN
Johnson, Susan G.	1842	42 f.	Music Teacher	Unknown	TN
Kerber, Mary	1853	57 f.		Criminal	Unkn

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Lasater, H.	1858	42 f.	Farmer's Wife	Domestic Trouble	TN
Nance, Polly	1857	58 f.	Seamstress	Hereditary	TN
Owen, P.	1858	22 f.	Seamstress	Ill Health	TN
Pargen, Sarah	1858	37 f.		Unknown	TN
Reavis, C.	1844	30 f.	Teacher	Ill Health	TN
Rounds, A.	1857	29 f.	Farmer's Dau.	Ill Health	TN
Stewart, Jane	1850	32 f.	Farmer's Dau.	Unknown	TN
Shaver, Martha	1856	39 f.	Seamstress	Religion	TN
Shy, Julia	1855	41 f.		Hereditary	TN
Stephens, Harriet	1857	20 f.	House Work	Unknown	TN
Stephens, Martha A.	1853	40 f.	Seamstress	Unknown	TN
Smith, Mary	1856	44 f.	Seamstress	Unknown	TN
Towles, Lucinda	1857	36 f.	Farmer's Wife	Hereditary	TN
Tennan, Mary A.	1857	25 f.	Farmer's Wife	Family Trouble	TN
Wilcox, Sas. E.	1848	31 f.	Lawyer's Dau.	Loss of Relatives	NC
Honey, Cath.	1854	51 f.	Farmer's Wife	Family Trouble	TN
Herbs, Harriet	1857	28 f.	Seamstress	Unknown	Ger
Mickey, E.	1844	56 f.	Farmer's Wife	Unknown	TN
Kay, Andrew	1857	45 m.	Laborer	Unknown	TN
Robbins, A.	1860	50 m.	Laborer	Unknown	TN
Wilson, Jas. D.	1853	44 m.	Laborer	Unknown	TN
Cox, Jella	1859	20 m.	Laborer	Hereditary	TN
Hall, Mary H.	1859	37 f.	Farmer's Wife	Hereditary	TN
Divoney, Thos.	1859	36 m.	Laborer	Unknown	Ire
Weakly, E.	1847	56 f.	Farmer's Wife	(left blank)	TN
Russell, Sarah	1859	34 f.	Farmer's Wife	Hereditary	TN
Dillard, Chas. D.	1859	36 m.	Law Student	Hard Study	TN
Richardson, Wm.	1859	45 m.	Jointer	Onanism	TN
Melvin, Susana	1859	39 f.	Farmer's Wife	Domestic Trouble	TN
Thompson, B. C.	1859	34 m.	Laborer	Unknown	TN
Freeman, A. D.	1860	30 m.	Laborer	Onanism	TN

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