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## Editor's Musings

*It has been my pleasure to serve as editor of our quarterly this past year, and I anticipate many innovative and rewarding experiences in 2005. Kudos to everyone who so generously contributed to the accomplishment of this publication.*

*In the last issue of *Ansearchin'*, we printed a page relating to the Warr family Bible. Through one of our readers, I was put in touch with a Warr descendant. The Bible had been sold at a local estate sale, unbeknownst to the family. I am delighted to report that the cherished Bible is now in the possession of the Warr family.*

*Certainly, many of you are busy watching Christmas movies this holiday season. One of my favorites is the Frank Capra classic, "It's A Wonderful Life." We have a similar story which originated right here in Tennessee. I hope you enjoy the account by Russell Cherrington Driver entitled *Real Life, "Wonderful Life"* beginning on page 12.*

*If you are interested in Native-American genealogical research, specifically the Cherokee – please sign up for the January 29<sup>th</sup> seminar to be held at the Memphis-Shelby County Public Library.*

*Currently, I am in the process of ordering new microfilm regarding the following counties: Fentress, Houston, Lincoln, Madison, Shelby and Warren. These films will prove beneficial in comprising Comings & Goings, Marriages, Deaths, and various other features.*

*Jennye*  
Jennye

# Guerillas, Prohibition & Politics

Contributed by Jennye Miller Scott

**Duncan Brown Cooper**<sup>1</sup> was born on 21 April 1843 in Mulberry Hill, Maury County, Tennessee. He was the son of **Matthew Delmere Cooper**,<sup>2</sup> a cotton dealer, merchant and a prominent Mason, and **Marian Witherspoon Brown**.<sup>3</sup> **Duncan** left his school to join the Confederate Army, enlisting at the organization of Captain **John B. Hamilton**'s Company A, 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, Tennessee Cavalry, as third corporal and advancing to the rank of colonel by age nineteen, where he would become known as a notorious rebel guerilla<sup>4</sup> in and around the Middle Tennessee area. By the time **Duncan** became a colonel, he was in charge of over 300 men operating in Maury, Lawrence, Hickman and Wayne Counties in Tennessee and in Lauderdale County, Alabama and would have a price placed on his head by the Federals. **Duncan** was referred to as 'Master **Cooper**' by the Union newspapers, because he was too young and small to be called anything else. One reporter suggested **Cooper** be spanked and put to bed without his supper instead of being sent to prison. After some fierce fighting and being captured on the Swan Creek in Lewis County in 1864, **Duncan** was jailed in Columbia and later sent to Fort Delaware and released a few weeks before General **Lee**'s surrender. **Duncan** married **Florence Fleming**<sup>5</sup> on 19 October 1865. **Florence**'s grandfather, **Thomas Frierson Fleming**, was a strict Presbyterian from South Carolina and was one of the early Scotch-Irish settlers in Tennessee around 1805. **Florence** was so admired by a civil war soldier, **Billy Huges**, that he named his gun in her honor. He is written about in the book *Co. Aytch*, by **Sam R. Watkins**, and is quoted as saying: "Give me 'Florence Fleming'." This was his gun which was engraved with silver lettering. After the death of his first wife, **Florence**, **Duncan** married again to **Mary Polk Jones** on 18 January 1877. **Mary** was the granddaughter of General **Lucius J. Polk** and **Mary Ann Eastin**. **Duncan** was a businessman engaged in many professions: railroad engineer, lawyer, publisher of the *Nashville American* and an important political figure in Tennessee's Democratic Party.

<sup>1</sup> The children listed living with **Duncan Cooper** and **Mary Polk Cooper** on the 1880 Maury County, Tennessee census are as follows: **Florence**, 13; **F.F.**, male, 11; **M.D.**, male, 10; **Sadie**, 2; **W.S.**, male, 5 months, all born in Tennessee. **Duncan** and **Florence Fleming** had the following children: **Florence m. Charles Newell Burch**; **Flavel Frierson**, b. 1868, d. 1905; **Matthew Delamere**, III, b. 1869, d. 1930, m. **Mariam Cooper**. **Duncan** and **Mary** had the following children: **Sarah Polk m. Lucius Burch**; **William Frierson**, II, m. **Kate Lafollette**; **Robin Jones m. Evalee Smith**; **Mary Jones m. Beverly Wilson**; **Duncan Brown, Jr. m. Dorothy Peters**. Per *Confederate Soldiers and Patriots of Maury County, Tennessee*, page 69.

<sup>2</sup> **Matthew Cooper** was born 30 October 1792 in Chester District, South Carolina. **Matthew** and **Marian** were married on 24 June 1841 in Maury County. He died 20 December 1878 in Maury County, Tennessee and is buried in Zion Presbyterian Cemetery in Maury County, Tennessee. He was first married to **Agnes Frierson**, and they had six children. His second wife was **Elizabeth Jane Frierson**, they had one child. His third wife was **Marian**, and they had seven children: **Martha Ann**; **Duncan Brown**; **Alice Jane**; **Addison m. Eva Campbell**; **Emma Sweet**; **Fannie m. George Milner**; **Eloise m. Albert W. Stockell**. Per *Confederate Soldiers and Patriots of Maury County, Tennessee*.

<sup>3</sup> **Marian Brown** was born on 12 August 1822 and died on 16 March 1861 in Maury County, Tennessee. She is buried in Zion Presbyterian Cemetery in Maury County, Tennessee. **Marian** was the daughter of Presbyterian Reverend **Duncan Brown** and **Susannah Frierson**, the daughter of **Robert Frierson** (1743-1808) and **Elizabeth McCauley** (1746-1822), who was born 29 September 1782 and died 13 September 1822.

<sup>4</sup> This guerilla movement was backed by the rich secessionists of the area who aided and sympathized with them.

<sup>5</sup> **Florence Fleming** was born on 17 June 1843 in Maury County, Tennessee and died 2 September 1870. **Florence**, the daughter of Judge **William Stuart Fleming**, chancellor of the Eighth Chancery Division of Tennessee, was born 23 April 1816 in Maury County and died 13 July 1896. Her mother was **Frances McClelland Stephenson**. **William** and **Frances** were married on 5 September 1839 in Maury County. **William** was the eldest son of **Thomas Frierson Fleming** (1789-1838) and **Margaret Elizabeth Armstrong** (1798-1866) of South Carolina.

Here are some newspaper articles noting the colorful life of **Duncan Cooper**.

**Duncan Cooper** enlisted in the Confederate Army while a mere boy and attained the rank of colonel in his 19<sup>th</sup> year.

*Columbus Herald and Mail*, 7 October 1870

A citizen of Hickman County informs us that a recent raid of a battalion of the 14<sup>th</sup> Michigan Mounted Rifles struck terror in the hearts of the guerillas and thieving bands that infest Hickman and adjoining counties. The Federals, he says, were under command of Major **Fitzgibbon** and were reputed to be 800 strong by the fleeing enemy's account. Our information was conscripted the day before the Federals came, but in their haste to get away from the terrible Yankees, his captors left him to take care of himself.

Colonel **Duncan Cooper**, successor to **Dick McCann**, sent word to the Federals that he would fight them at Bigby River, but though the Federals numbered 80 and **Cooper** had nearly 300, he fled at the first fire, leaving three of his men prisoners. The pursuit was rapid and exciting, the Federals keeping close on their heels for 12 miles, through mountain defiles and ravines, until they reached Centerville, when **Cooper**, finding himself sorely pressed, had his force scattered in all directions to avoid death or capture.

**Cooper** himself went ten miles further before he halted. The Federal commander then headed to the east and striking in the rear at Mt. Pleasant the following morning, routed the commands of Captains **Williams** and **Barnes**, of **Biffle's** regiment, capturing 13, killing two and wounding one, without injury to horse or man. The Federals destroyed a tannery and its contents used by the rebels at Bigbyville.

To give an idea of the terror our force inspires, our informant says that he had heard Major **Fitzgibbon's** command was estimated at 1500. Our force carried neither blankets nor rations but lived upon prominent rebels. They were well mounted and looked the manliest and healthiest set of fellows that ever visited that part of Dixie.



We are proud and glad that such a colonel as **Henry R. Mizner** is in command of such an important post as Columbia, and under his directions we are sure the 14<sup>th</sup> Michigan will give little rest to guerillas in Maury, Hickman, Giles and Lawrence Counties.

*Nashville Daily Union*, 30 October 1863

Quoting the *Columbia Sentinel*, Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> inst., "On Wednesday last at 8 p. m., Major **Fitzgibbon**, at the head of 80 men, started for the immortal **Cooper** and his comrades. Crossing Duck River eight miles below town, came upon the rear of **Cooper's** camp, who, as usual, led the Major, however, losing five of his men as prisoners -- the Major still pursuing him through the cedars. **Cooper** camped three times during the night in order to elude his pursuers, but in vain. On the run through the cedars, one of **Cooper's** men was wounded in the back. **Cooper**, still on the run, went through the mountains and crossed Anderson's Creek. There he lost one man killed, supposedly Lt. **Brownlow**. At length, **Cooper**, thinking himself safe, halted, but with the Major coming upon his rear guard, they again 'skedaddled,' but keeping up a running fight

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some 8 miles below Mount Pleasant, the Major captured four more of the guerillas. Some of **Cooper's** men wore the Federal uniform. The result of the scout foots up as follows: Major capturing 22 prisoners belonging to the 9<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Cavalry, Colonel **Biffle** and 47 horses. The Major and his little band deserve high praise for the gallantry displayed and the good done. With his indomitable courage and great skill in a military point, he will soon rid the country of so great a pest as guerillas, thieves and robbers. May success attend him."

*Nashville Union*, 27 November 1863

Colonel **Duncan Cooper**, notorious rebel guerilla, burnt 150 bales of cotton last Tuesday in Lawrence County, the property of **W. J. Porter**, who owns a cotton mill in that county, one mile southwest of Lawrenceburg.

*Nashville Dispatch*, 31 December 1863

The notorious guerilla Lt. Col. **Duncan B. Cooper** was yesterday captured by Col. **Mizner's** command. The dispatch which conveys this information says the railway bridges will be a little safer now.

*Nashville Daily Union*, 17 February 1864

We mentioned yesterday the capture of the notorious guerilla, Lt. Col. **Duncan B. Cooper**. He was brought to this city yesterday in company with some sixteen other prisoners, rebel soldiers, horse thieves, etc., by Lt. **Finn** of the 14<sup>th</sup> Michigan. We are informed that he was captured on Swan Creek, some 21 miles west of Columbia, in Lewis County, by a portion of the 7<sup>th</sup> Iowa Infantry, who met with him unexpectedly. **Cooper** says he owes his capture to the failing of his horse.

*Nashville Daily Union*, 18 February 1864

#### THE CAPTURE OF MASTER D. B. COOPER

Master **D. B. Cooper**, who figures in this neighborhood as a harmless guerilla for the last 18 months, was captured on Bigby by Sergeant **Haney** of the 50<sup>th</sup> Illinois on Tuesday last. He was brought in by a detachment of the 14<sup>th</sup> Michigan and confined in jail over night, when he was sent to Nashville. He was much talked of by foolish girls and brainless boys of his own age and mental caliber. He was the most insignificant thing it has been our fortune of misfortune to get possession of bearing a commission in any army since the war began. He would not pass muster among third class drummer boys.

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A feminine phlegmatist of this city writes to protest against Major **Fitzgibbon's** ill treatment of Colonel **Cooper** after he was captured and became his prisoner and adds, "*That is not the proper way to treat a noble enemy.*" The accusation that Major **Fitzgibbon** insulted or maltreated any prisoner is false, and as our looking upon Mr. **Cooper** "as an enemy," that is a mistake. His case and ours was like that of the mother who was asked by her husband to chastise and quiet her crying babe. Rolling the child all over her lap, she turned to her husband and said, "*I can't beat him; I can find no place large enough to lay a hand on.*"

#### TAKE NOTICE

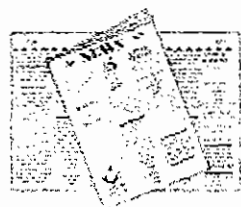
The patriotic citizen who offered to give \$50,000 bonds for the "freedom of the city" to **Duncan Cooper** is hereby notified that the authorities would deem it more becoming his loyalty, honesty and humanity -- if he is troubled with such follies -- if he would visit the orphans and widows left helpless and disconsolate through the agency of said **Cooper**, and dispense part of his charity

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among them. He and his gang of rebel worshippers and sympathizers will have to do it. We are growing sick and weary with the hollow-heartedness of these conspirators who are growing fat. *The Sentinel*, Columbia, Tennessee, 20 February 1864

Mrs. **Florence Fleming**, wife of Colonel **D. B. Cooper**, died Friday -- wife and mother. *Columbia Herald*, 9 September 1870

Married at Ewell Farm, home of Major **Campbell Brown**, on the 18<sup>th</sup>, Colonel **Duncan B. Cooper** and Miss **Mary P. Jones**, eldest daughter of Mrs. **Sarah P. Jones** and granddaughter of late General **Lucius J. Polk**. *Columbia Herald and Mail*, 19 January 1877



As with any newspaperman and politician -- friends and enemies are sure to be made. **Duncan** was no different. After a difference of opinion with old friend and colleague, **Edward Ward Carmack**,<sup>6</sup> over prohibition, an issue that greatly divided the state, **Duncan Cooper** joined forces with **Malcolm Rice Patterson**<sup>7</sup> to prevent **Carmack** from winning the Democratic nomination for governor of Tennessee. **Cooper** and **Patterson** were anti-prohibition, and **Carmack** was very much for it. At the time, various laws had been passed pertaining to the sale, manufacture and distribution of alcoholic spirits. The state had laws on the books to prohibit the manufacture and sale of alcohol dating back to 1838, however, by 1886 the *Nashville Union* reported that the distilling industry was the largest manufacturing industry in the state of Tennessee.

This was a major issue in this election, and **Malcom Patterson**'s platform prevailed, and he went on to become governor of the state of Tennessee. **Carmack** was furious over the loss. As editor of the *Nashville Tennessean*, he blatantly ridiculed both **Cooper** and **Patterson** in his newspaper. **Cooper** was outraged at the slander, and after several warnings urging **Carmack** to cease this behavior, **Carmack** continued, bringing the issue to a boiling point. This public and private hatred for one another would result in the following story published in the *Dickson County Herald*:

On the afternoon of November 9, 1908, **Edward Carmack**, **Duncan Cooper** and **Robin**<sup>8</sup> **Cooper** fatefully met on the downtown streets of Union Street and 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Nashville when **Duncan** and **Robin** encountered **Carmack**. The testimony indicated that **Carmack** fired the first

<sup>6</sup> **Edward Ward Carmack** was born 5 November 1858 in Sumner County, Tennessee. He married **Elizabeth Cobey Dunnington** 29 April 1890. She was born 18 February 1861 in Columbia, Tennessee and was the daughter of **Francis Cobey Dunnington**, a lawyer and journalist, who owned the *Nashville Union and American*, born 1827 in Christian County, Kentucky, died 3 September 1875 in Kentucky and **Ellen Rebecca Ewing**, born c. 1832 in Kentucky. **Edward** died 9 November 1908 in Nashville, Tennessee and is buried in Rose Hill Cemetery in Columbia, Tennessee. **Edward** was the son of **Francis McMillin Carmack** born 6 January 1832 in Lauderdale County, Alabama and died 18 March 1861 in Jacinto, Mississippi and **Elvira Kate Holding**. **Francis** and **Kate** were married on 24 October 1853 in Marshall County, Tennessee. **Edward** was the city attorney of Columbia in 1881, elected to the state house of representatives in 1884, joined the staff of the *Nashville Democrat* in 1888, editor of the *Memphis Commercial* in 1892, elected as Democrat to the U. S. Senate, served from 4 March 1901-3 March 1907.

<sup>7</sup> **Malcolm Rice Patterson** was born 7 June 1861 in Morgan County, Alabama. He moved to Memphis with his family in 1872 and graduated from Christian Brothers College. He was the district attorney for Shelby County, Tennessee in 1894, then elected to congress in 1901, resigning in 1906 to become governor of Tennessee. He was the son of **Josiah Patterson**, a Tennessee representative, colonel in the Fifth Regiment of Alabama Cavalry and attorney. **Josiah** was born 14 April 1837 in Morgan County, Alabama and died 10 February 1904 in Memphis, Tennessee. He is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery in Memphis. **Malcolm** died 8 March 1935 and is buried in Forest Hill Cemetery in Memphis.

<sup>8</sup> **Robin Cooper** was born 15 August 1881 in Maury County, Tennessee and was the son of **Duncan Cooper**.



shots and hit **Robin Cooper** in the throat. **Robin Cooper** then fired three shots at **Carmack**, two of which found their way into his heart and one into his spinal column. **Duncan Cooper** did not fire upon **Carmack**. The incident stirred up the prohibition movement in Tennessee, inasmuch as **Carmack** was a teetotaler. Both the **Coopers** were sentenced to twenty years, and upon appeal, the charges against **Robin** were dropped, and the elder **Duncan** was pardoned by Governor **Malcolm R. Patterson**.

**Edward Ward Carmack**, editor of the *Nashville Tennessean*, was killed on Seventh Avenue in downtown Nashville by **Duncan B. Cooper** and his son, **Robin Cooper**. Five men from Paradise Ridge served as jurists in the case of the two men accused of his murder. The **Coopers** were tried for murder and sentenced to serve twenty years each in the penitentiary. The cause given at trial for the origin of difficulty was offensive editorials that had been published in the *Nashville Tennessean*. **Cooper** appealed to the Supreme Court. **Robin Cooper's** trial was decided to have been technically wrong and was sent back to the lower court for retrial. **Duncan B. Cooper's** sentence was decided to be right, but he was pardoned by Governor **Patterson** as soon as notice was received of the decree of the Supreme Court.

*Dickson County Herald*, 9 November 1909

On August 28<sup>th</sup>, 1919, at Belle Meade, Attorney **Robin Cooper** was called from a high stakes card game in his stylish and handsome home in Belle Meade at about 9 p.m. and drove away in his automobile with a stranger. On Saturday, August 30<sup>th</sup>, his body was found in Richland Creek, his skull crushed. He had been beaten with a stone about one mile from his home. This murder remains unsolved.

Colonel **Duncan Cooper**, widely-known citizen of Nashville, died Saturday night, 79 years; former editor and publisher of *Nashville American*; he died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. **Lucius E. Burch**; was the son of **Matthew D.** and **Mary Ann Cooper**, born at Mulberry Hill, seven miles from Columbia, on 21 April 1843; grandson of Reverend **Duncan Brown**; early education in Maury County; attended college in Cannonburg, Pennsylvania, a Presbyterian institution, and while he was in college the Civil War began, whereupon he left the classroom at age 16 and enlisted in the Confederate Army; he served on staff of General **Nathan B. Forrest** on the state raid and later organized a regiment within the Federal lines; he was captured and imprisoned at Fort Delaware and figured in the last exchange of prisoners between the contending forces; after the war Colonel **Cooper** was admitted to the bar in Columbia, later moving to Nashville where he made his home for many years, the last fifteen at the home of his daughter, Mrs. **Burch**. He married first Miss **Florence Fleming** of Columbia and second Miss **Mary Polk Jones** of Maury County. He is remembered by friends as having been a man of much brilliance; personal friend of **Theodore Roosevelt**, President **Grover Cleveland** and Vice-President **Adley E. Stevenson**, who visited Col. **Cooper** in his home here; he was buried in Maury County in his native soil.

*Nashville Banner*, 5 November 1922

In 1909 the state of Tennessee issued a statewide prohibition halting all sales and manufacturing of alcohol, and on January 16, 1920 nationwide prohibition became effective in the United States as a result of the adoption of the eighteenth amendment to the Federal Constitution and the passage of an enforcement act known as the Volstead Law.

## Warner G. Rutledge: A Fearless 'Raiding Deputy'

*Contributed by Dorothy M. Roberson, 7150 Belsfield Rd., Memphis, TN*

When **Warner G. Rutledge** announced in the summer of 1898 that he was stepping down as General Deputy Collector for the Internal Revenue Service's Middle and Western Divisions in Tennessee, *The Nashville Banner* had high praise for his accomplishments.<sup>9</sup>

*The Banner* said **Rutledge** had "brought honor to himself and terror to violators of the internal revenue laws" during his five years as a raiding deputy, noting that he "destroyed hundreds of illicit stills and poured out on Mother Earth thousands of gallons of moonshine liquor."

The Nashville newspaper further commented:

"He has wrecked alike the small still of the simple mountain man who would do no evil and the big steam stills in the fortified strongholds of desperadoes who thought no more of taking the life of a man than they did that of a rabbit. He has taken hundreds of prisoners and engaged in hand-to-hand conflicts with men who knew no law.

"As a result, the outlawry that reigned in 'Little Putnam' and the Red Sulphur Springs District of Hardin County are things of the past. In Little Putnam, 30 or 40 stills were destroyed within a radius of two miles, and in Hardin County, **Gus Thomas'** gang of moonshiners -- the most successful and greatest feared ever in the state -- is scattered to the winds, two of its members in the state prison and another at Brooklyn. Two others were killed and the balance gone no one knows where. The registered distiller who violated the law was seized and hauled across the coals with no more consideration than any other criminal."

**Rutledge** didn't hesitate to enforce the law in his own part of the state as well. In the fall of 1896, he made several raids in Lincoln County in the vicinity of Flintville near the Alabama line. On 29 October, the *Fayetteville Observer* reported that **Rutledge** and other revenue officers had just destroyed the largest illicit distillery ever operated in Lincoln County.<sup>10</sup> The still, with a large steam boiler and five large terminals, had a capacity of 8½ gallons a day. The deputies seized 3,000 gallons of beer and 50 gallons of whiskey in the raid. Fires were still burning at the still, but no one was there.

In reporting the raiding deputy's retirement, the Nashville paper noted: "No man ever made a better record than has Mr. **Rutledge**, but he has many friends who rejoice that he chooses to retire and seek the peace and quiet of the farm, for he has enemies made by performing his duty, and no raiding deputy who achieves the success attained by Mr. **Rutledge** knows at what moment the assassin's bullet will end his career."

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<sup>9</sup> Issue of 30 July 1898.

<sup>10</sup> Other officers on the raid were identified as J. A. Loyd, W. M. Robinson, R. G. Kirby, J. T. Lynn, T. M. Robertson and Claude Williams.

*The Banner* reported that **Rutledge** planned to spend his retirement getting reacquainted with his family and friends. They apparently had seen little of him during his five years as a raiding deputy.<sup>11</sup>

**Rutledge** came by his zeal for law enforcement naturally. His maternal grandfather, **John Warner, Jr.**, was Bedford County deputy sheriff in 1810 and later was the second man to serve as the county's sheriff,<sup>12</sup> being twice elected to that office. The **Warners** were among the county's earliest settlers, migrating to Tennessee from their native North Carolina and living briefly in Sumner County before settling in Bedford about 1808.<sup>13</sup>

**John, Jr.**, b. 11 Jan 1783, d. 17 May 1834, was the first of eight children born to **John Warner** and his wife, **Pharaba (Mears) Warner**.<sup>14</sup> On 11 Nov 1810, he married **Eunice Dixon**, daughter of **William** and **Mary Dixon** of Bedford County.<sup>15</sup>

As recorded in the Warner family Bible, **John, Jr.**, and **Eunice** had eight children:

1. **Huldah Brinson Warner** - born 13 Jan 1812, died 21 Mar 1844, married **John Wilhite [Wilhoite]** on 25 Oct 1827. **John**, owner of a series of grist and saw mills in Bedford County, d. between 1841 and 1852.

2. **Anna Adline Warner** - b. 6 Jan 1814, d. after June 1839, m. [1] on 25 Sep 1828 to **William Wilhite** (1804-1839); [2] before 1848 to **James Robinson**.<sup>16</sup>

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<sup>11</sup> E. E. Bell of Dresden, deputy in charge of the Fifth District, took **Rutledge's** former position.

<sup>12</sup> **Benjamin Bradford** was Bedford's first sheriff.

<sup>13</sup> The county was surveyed and laid off into townships in 1807 at the direction of the Tennessee legislature. **John Warner's** name appears in the county's early records as a supporting witness for a divorce petition filed with the legislature on 31 Jan 1809. [Source: Charles Sherrill: *Reconstructed 1810 Tennessee Census*, published Mt. Juliet, Tenn., 2001.]

<sup>14</sup> **John Warner, Sr.**, died 25 Jul 1829 in the 76<sup>th</sup> year of his age, and **Pharaba** died 20 Mar 1814 at age 50 after a long illness. She was the daughter of **William Mears** (1730-1810) and his wife **Ann** (d. 1812). Family births, deaths, and marriages from Warner Family Bible in possession of Mr. and Mrs. **Timothy R. Marsh**, Shelbyville, Tenn.; reproduced in their book, *Bedford Co., Tenn., Bible Records*, Vol. 2, pp. 97-99. Published by Southern Historical Press, Easley, S.C., 1986.

<sup>15</sup> Her father refers to her as "Unie" in a deed of gift dated 18 Jul 1818. The deed identifies her sisters as **Keziah**, wife of **Benjamin Smith**, and **Ann**, wife of **Martin Perry**; and a brother as **Jedidiah Dixon**. The **Dixon** surname appears in some records as "Dickson" or "Dixson." [Source: Helen & Timothy Marsh: *Land Deed Genealogy of Bedford Co., Tenn., 1807-1852*, Southern Historical Press, Easley, S.C., 1988, page 74]

<sup>16</sup> Helen & Timothy Marsh: *Chancery Court of Records of Bedford County, Tenn.*, Southern Historical Press, Easley, S.C., 1988, p. 306.

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3. **William Dixon Warner** - b. 1 Dec 1815, d. 27 Nov 1842, m. **Mary Swift**, daughter of **Flower** and **Catherine Swift**, on 5 Jan 1836. Had one son, **Thomas W. Warner**, b. 26 Oct 1838.

4. **Richard Jackson Warner** - b. 27 Jul 1818, d. 28 Sep 1835 (never married)

5. **Samuel Josiah Warner** - b. 9 Aug 1821, d. in Apr 1897 at age 76, m. **Margaret A. Thompson** on 3 May 1849. She died in Apr 1904, aged about 75.

6. **John Muse Warner** - b. 13 Aug 1824, m. **Harriet R. Thomas** on 6 Nov 1845

7. **Purdy Van Buren Warner** - b. 17 Jul 1830, d. 31 Aug 1845 (never married)

8. **Eunice Mary Warner**<sup>17</sup> - b. 23 Oct 1832, m. **John W. Rutledge** on 22 Nov 1849

Unie was just 17 when she married **John W. Rutledge**.<sup>18</sup> Like the Warners, the Rutledge family had been among Bedford County's earliest settlers. **John W.**'s parents, **John** and **Sarah Davenport Rutledge**, had come from their native South Carolina to the county about the same time as the Warners.<sup>19</sup> **John W.** and his father were both farmers, Democrats, and Missionary Baptists.

**John W.** and **Eunice** had four children:

1. **John Warner Rutledge** - b. 13 Jan 1851; d. 4 Feb 1852, aged one year, 22 days<sup>20</sup>

2. **Warner G. Rutledge** - b. 1853; d. 1926 [More details below]

3. **Eunice Rutledge** - b. 27 Apr 1855; m. 25 Feb 1875 to **Thomas L. Thompson**, who was b. 1850 and was son of **Thomas** and **Tranquilla (Stephens) Thompson**. Had four children: **Thomas L., Jr.**; **Mary A.**, **John W.**, and **Hiram S. Thompson**. **Eunice** d. 11 Aug 1899 and **Thomas** d. in 1912. Both buried in Section R, Willow Mount Cemetery, Shelbyville.

4. **John W. Rutledge, Jr.** - b. 20 Jul 1860;<sup>21</sup> m. 26 Dec 1884 to **Kate Nease** (b. 1 Jul 1864). Children: **John H. Rutledge**, captain of Shelbyville's Hook & Ladder Company; **Neese Rutledge** (b. 5 Feb 1887, d. 18 Dec 1966);

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<sup>17</sup> Listed in court records as **Mary Eunice Warner**; in family Bible as **Eunice Mary**.

<sup>18</sup> **John W.** was born 12 Jan 1823 in Bedford County and died in 1901. [Source: *Goodspeed's Biographies, Bedford County*, and *Marsh's Cemetery Records of Bedford Co., Tenn.*]

<sup>19</sup> **John Rutledge**'s name is mentioned in reference to the Franklin County boundary in an 1809-1811 deed book. [Source: *Reconstructed 1810 Tennessee Census*, op. cit.]

<sup>20</sup> Warner Family Bible, op. cit.

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and Daisy Rutledge (b. 30 Apr 1892, d. 4 Apr 1894). In 1878, John W., Jr., and his brother-in-law, Thomas L. Thompson, opened a general store in Shelbyville where they sold groceries and provisions and also dealt in fine horses and mules. John d. 4 Nov 1911 and is buried with Rutledge relatives in Willow Mount Cemetery, Section N, Shelbyville. Kate d. 8 Dec 1934 and is buried in Center Church Cemetery south of Shelbyville with Nease family members.

Like most young sons of that era, Warner Rutledge helped his father on the farm. On 4 Dec 1874 at the age of 21, he married Julia L. Phillips. Born 15 Mar 1855, she was a daughter of Garrett and Charlotte (White) Phillips of Bedford County.<sup>22</sup> On 11 Jan 1876, she gave birth to a daughter whom they also named Julia L. The young mother died five days later and her infant six months later on 16 Jul 1876. Warner buried his little family in the Jennings Cemetery where her father had been interred the year before.<sup>23</sup>

It would be more than a decade later before Warner took a second wife. On 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 1887 he married Miss Bettie Knowles<sup>24</sup> at the home of her mother, Mrs. Sara Elizabeth "Lizzie" (Baker) Knowles, in Flintville.<sup>25</sup> Among those attending the ceremony were his cousin, Thomas W. Warner;<sup>26</sup> his brother, John W. Rutledge; her brother, Ed Knowles; and her sister, Miss Lula Knowles.

Following the ceremony, Warner and Bettie returned to Bedford County where they resided in District 7 for the rest of their lives. Warner's occupation was listed as a farmer in the 1900 and 1910 censuses. Their children, all born in Tennessee, were:

1. Mary Rutledge - b. September 1892
2. John William Rutledge - b. May 1894
3. Elizabeth Rutledge - b. ca. 1902
4. Warner G. Rutledge, Jr. - b. in 1904; d. in 1949
5. Samuel M. Rutledge - b. ca. 1907

Bettie died 29 October 1925<sup>27</sup> and Warner the following year. Both are buried in Willow Mount Cemetery in Shelbyville, along with Warner, Jr.<sup>28</sup>

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<sup>21</sup> Birth date from *Goodspeed Biographies, Bedford County*. Date is given as 1851 in *Cemetery Records of Bedford Co., Tenn.*, but that is birth date of his deceased brother who had the same name but died in 1852.

<sup>22</sup> Garrett, born 4 Apr 1815 in Bedford County, was the son of Mathew Gregory Phillips and Malissa Garrett. He died 18 Mar 1875. Charlotte, born 1 June 1816 in Bedford, was the daughter of Josbua White and Mary P. Holt. She died 13 Dec 1889.

<sup>23</sup> Helen & Timothy Marsh: *Cemetery Records of Bedford Co., Tenn.*, Marsh Historical Publications, Shelbyville, 1976, p. 108.

<sup>24</sup> Born 26 Apr 1865 in Lincoln Co., Tenn., she was one of seven children. Birth date from *Death Records of Bedford Co., Tenn.*, compiled by Louise G. Lynch, published Shelbyville 1984.

<sup>25</sup> Bettie's father, W. G. Knowles, was born ca. 1827 in Georgia and at the time of the 1880 census was a merchant in Lincoln Co., Tenn., Civil District 3.

<sup>26</sup> Son of his uncle, William Dixson/Dickson Warner

<sup>27</sup> *Death Records of Bedford Co., Tenn.*, op. cit.

# Real Life "Wonderful Life"

By Russell Cherrington Driver

Almost everyone knows about **George Bailey**, played by **Jimmy Stewart**, the banker whose bank was miraculously saved in the ever-popular Christmas film, "It's a Wonderful Life." Few people know that something similar actually happened in East Tennessee during the Great Depression. The town was Bristol, not Bedford Falls, and the bank was not the Building and Loan, but the First National Bank of Bristol.

It was barely two years after the October 1929 crash on Wall Street when, in November 1931, **Leslie Rowles Driver**, a 42-year-old cashier from nearby Johnson City, accepted the position of active vice-president at the First National. This was a fearful time for bankers and their families -- **Driver** brought a wife and four children to Bristol. In only four years following the stock market crash, nine thousand banks closed.



A mere six months after the **Drivers** moved, at a meeting of 70 business leaders, representing half the First National's stock, it was announced that the bank would be reorganized. The bank's investment in listed bonds had depreciated by approximately \$300,000 in market value, and there had been rumors and massive withdrawals. Total deposits declined by 38 percent in 1932.

The bank's chairman of the board, Judge **Joseph A. Caldwell**, presented the reorganization plan. It included the following: (1) \$400,000 of doubtful or slow returning assets were to be removed from the books; (2) stockholders were asked to cancel their stock in the interests of the bank and the local economy; (3) \$250,000 in new capital and surplus were to be developed through the sale of new stock; and (4) the withdrawal of funds already deposited in checking accounts would be limited to 5 percent for at least 90 days. This was the only alternative to receivership and liquidation. Over \$150,000 of new stock was subscribed in 30 minutes.

Two days after the meeting, on June 28, 1932, the *Bristol Herald Courier* ran an editorial supporting the reorganization plan. The newspaper also published a letter by **L. C. Hassinger**, founder and owner of Bristol Builders Supply Company, appealing for community support of the plan. The newspaper also reported that seven local stores, representing national businesses, after their home offices reviewed the plan, were ordered to continue doing business with the bank.

On the evening of July 14, over 700 depositors met with the bank's reorganization committee. **C. M. Preston**, president of the Hamilton National Bank of Knoxville, spoke on the costs of a bank failure to

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<sup>28</sup> *Cemetery Records of Bedford County*, op. cit., p. 234.

the entire community. First National director **Clarence P. Daniel** reported on the bank's recent history and the reorganization plan. Deposits had declined by more than \$1 million within a year. The bank was forced to call loans and borrow from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation in order to meet demand. At this point, the need was assessed to be \$300,000 in capital and \$75,000 in surplus.

**First National Bank, Bristol, Tennessee**



Business leaders, stockholders, and other local bankers spoke in favor of the bank and the plan. This included, among others, **Charles J. Harkrader**, owner of the *Bristol Herald Courier*, and **C. S. Carter**, president of the Dominion National Bank. By the end of the meeting, persons representing deposits of \$476,000 had agreed to the plan, and more than 200 others (a majority of the depositors present) had signed creditor's agreements. At about the same time, 56 leading businessmen subscribed to stock, and 65 businessmen launched a drive to sell stock.

About nine weeks later, on September 22, a meeting was held to sell the remaining 351 shares. By then the total goal in refinancing the bank was \$312,500, translating to 2,500 shares @ \$125 per share; \$250,000 in capital; and \$62,500 in surplus. Ninety-three percent of deposits were already voluntarily restricted before the meeting began. It was an auction style meeting, and 120 shares were sold in 45 minutes. The entire meeting lasted two hours, and **C. S. Carter** of the Dominion National Bank bought the last ten shares. The reorganized bank now had between 200 and 300 stockholders. Over \$300,000 in restricted deposits were to be released. A total of \$1.5 million was on deposit. A representative of the Comptroller of the Currency would arrive soon to direct the bank's affairs until a new charter was issued.

On October 20 the Washington Trust and Savings Bank, a local institution, telegraphed the Comptroller of the Currency that the First National had deposited \$312,500 of capital and surplus, and that the Washington Trust held no stock as collateral. Two days later, it was announced that the new charter had been granted. The new officers included **Carl A. Jones**, president; **W. F. Smith**, vice-president and cashier;

**Irvin Aaron**, assistant cashier; **Leslie Driver**, vice-president; and **Charles J. Harkrader**, vice-president. **Carroll L. Kidd** was chairman of the board of directors. By the following day, new deposits since the reorganization began had reached \$230,000.

On October 24, the *Bristol Herald Courier* addressed the reorganization in an editorial entitled, "A Notable Achievement." It read in part:

"The reorganization of the First National Bank is a notable achievement to which many have contributed. These many include the committee in charge of the difficult work incident to the reorganization effort; the old stockholders who surrendered their stock; the new stockholders who provided the capital for the new stock and surplus; the officers and the clerical force of the bank; the depositors; and the business interests and individuals who have cooperated in or gave their moral support to the effort. It is an achievement in which the people of this city and section may justly take pride. It is a matter for most sincere congratulation all around that the First National, which has served Bristol and the Bristol territory for three-quarters of a century, is to continue to render the service which has made it one of the most important assets of this city and one of the best known banking institutions in the Appalachian region."

In the end, no depositor lost a cent! All restricted deposits over \$1 million were released on January 2, 1934. All deposits up to \$2,500 were then protected by the new Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. This covered 98 percent of the bank's 7,500 depositors. Reflecting the First National's sound condition, \$250,000 of preferred stock was purchased by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. Since restrictions were imposed in June 1932, over \$500,000 in new deposits were accepted.

A day earlier, the *Bristol Herald Courier's* editorial stated, "What has been done speaks for itself and is an accomplishment, under adverse circumstances, that should earn the gratitude not only of those who stood to lose much of their money deposited in the bank, through expensive liquidation, and who are now saved one hundred percent, but of the entire community . . ."

The bank would become the First National Bank of Sullivan County in 1961, First Eastern National Bank in 1982, and soon thereafter First American National Bank. Today it is the AmSouth Bank.

What followed for **Leslie Driver**, in many ways, did seem to be "a wonderful life." Active in the Tennessee Bankers Association, Driver was elected president of the TBA in May of 1939.

In 1940 he was named president of the First National, an office he held for 21 years. During his tenure as president, the bank's total resources increased by 574 percent – from \$2,904,914 to \$19,578,412, and demand deposits grew by 914 percent – from \$1,277,350 to \$12,952,124. Also in 1940, Tennessee Governor Cooper, with approval by President **Roosevelt**, appointed **Driver** as one of three members of the local Selective Service Board.

In 1949 **Driver** was elected a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, where he served for five years, becoming the first Tennessee banker to sit on the board. His four children grew up to be a CPA and college vice-president, an ophthalmologist, an ordained minister and seminary professor, and a doctor's



wife and the mother of five. He "grandfathered" 14 grandchildren. **Driver** enjoyed over 10 years of retirement and, attended by his wife of almost 56 years, died peacefully at age 83 in 1972.

In his address to the TBA's 50th annual convention held in Memphis in 1940, as outgoing president, **Driver** remarked, *"I have often wished some capable writer, possessed of the facts, would tell the country the true story of the many high principled, unselfish bankers who came to the rescue with new additional capital, and with wise counsel worked long and diligently -- yea sweating blood and going more than the 'second mile' to bring order out of chaos -- solely that their depositors and community might not suffer loss. All of us know many fine and outstanding bankers who did a marvelous service in that crisis. They are still unsung heroes. It is a story that should be told."*

This is the story of one of those community banks.

This article is by **Russell Cherrington Driver** (rcdriver@earthlink.net), grandson of **Leslie Driver**. It excerpts parts of his book, *Leslie Rowles Driver: The Fruitful Prince*. The book was published in limited numbers and is not for sale to the general public. However, if you would like to read more detail about this institution or **Leslie Driver**, the book is available in the following public libraries in Tennessee: Bristol Public Library (Virginia); Sullivan County Library, Blountville; Johnson City Public Library; The Washington County - Jonesborough Library; Lawson McGhee Library (Knox County Public Library System), Knoxville; Blount County Public Library, Maryville; Oak Ridge Public Library; and Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville.

The biography can also be found at these Tennessee organizations and institutions: Tennessee High School, Bristol; King College, Bristol; Bristol Historical Association; State Street United Methodist Church, Bristol (Virginia); East Tennessee State University (Archives of Appalachia), Johnson City; SunTrust Bank, Johnson City; Munsey Memorial United Methodist Church, Johnson City; Rocky Mount Historical Association, Piney Flats; McClung Historical Collection (East Tennessee History Center), Knoxville; University of Tennessee (Special Collections Library), Knoxville; Oak Ridge High School; and Tennessee Bankers Association, Nashville. Additional copies are located in other libraries, including, among others, Emory & Henry College (Special Collections Library), Emory, Virginia; Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta; Family History Library (The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints), Salt Lake City, Utah; the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.; and The National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth.

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Capt. **George Wharton Seay**, assistant surgeon of the Second Tennessee Regiment, now at Camp Meade, Pa., has received \$33 from four young ladies of Memphis. The money was secured for the purchase of necessities for the hospital and was the proceeds of a lawn party held on Wednesday last in North Memphis. Miss **Wilson**, Miss **Stenkuhl**, Miss **Hardwick**, and Miss **Hearne** will have the satisfaction of knowing that their money will be put to immediate use. Capt. **Seay** intends to purchase cots and medicines today, and the supplies to be purchased are not such as might be supplied by the government. All deficiencies are being made up from contributions received at various times from the patriotic ladies of Tennessee.

*Nashville Banner, 30 Aug 1898*

**A. V. S. & Jno. T. Lindsley** will sell at public outcry to the highest bidder the exceedingly handsome and desirable property at 619 Fatherland Street, known as the **McClay** home place. The large commodious two-story and attic brick, slate-roof house, has all modern conveniences and trees, shrubs and the choicest variety of flowers in profusion. Cause of sale is the owner's desire to move at once to California.

*Nashville Banner, 30 Aug 1898*

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The arrival of a dear, wee baby girl to make brighter "Avondale," is an interesting and pleasing announcement to the many friends of Mr. and Mrs. **Edwin S. Gardner, Jr.**, who are evincing their delight over the arrival of a future belle for Nashville by sending numerous congratulatory telegrams. If this little maiden be as bright and charming as her mother, social circles of some years hence will certainly be enriched by her presence.

*Nashville Banner, 30 Aug 1898*

**Dr. McPheters Glasgow** has gone to Lexington, Va. to visit his family at his old home.

*Nashville Banner, 30 Aug 1898*

**Walter & William Buck** of Gallatin County arrived home yesterday with their father, **E. B. Buck**, who had gone to New York to accompany them home. The brothers were with the army at the

invasion in Cuba and took part in the battle at Santiago. **Walter** was shot in the left leg, necessitating amputation just above the knee, and **William** was stricken with fever. On their return to the States, they were taken to New York hospitals for treatment.

*Nashville Banner, 27 Aug 1898*

As the result of a wager, Justice **W. J. Stringfellow** of Davidson County's 12th District will don a red suit on Labor Day and roll **S. C. Price** around the Public Square in a red wheelbarrow. The wager lost was that **Sullivan** would beat **Rainey** for Circuit Court Clerk.

*Nashville Banner, 12 Aug 1898*

**Sheriff Bush** of Hamilton County, who was reelected last Thursday [4 Aug 1898], has reappointed all of his old deputies, who were: **T. P. McMahon**, **J. R. Henderson**, **H. J. Marsh**, **W. T. Yarnell**, **Nick Bush**, **W. H. Davidson** and **Lon Trewitt**.

*Nashville Banner, 10 Aug 1898*

**Prof. C. W. Anderson**, well-known Brownsville educator, has joined Maj. **Sam Killebrew's** surveying party in Old Mexico and has gone there.

*Nashville Banner, 9 Aug 1898*

Mr. **E. B. Buck** of Gallatin, Tenn., has received a letter from his son, **Walter**, who was wounded at the battle of Santiago. The young soldier stated that he was in Bellevue Hospital, New York, and doing well under the circumstances. His left leg had to be amputated just above the knee as the result of a Mauser bullet striking him.

*Nashville Banner, 2 Aug 1898*

Business changes have picked up in Gallatin. **J. E. Harrison** and **P. A. Filson** have purchased the stock of liquors and cigars of Mrs. **Lena Robertson**, who has been conducting the saloon since the death of her husband, **W. A. Robertson**, two years ago. Yesterday, **J. R. Bruce** sold his saloon on the east side of the square to **Charles Magers**, and Mrs. **S. E. Lane**, who has been engaged in keeping a boarding house for the past 25 years, is making preparations to remove to Lebanon by 1st September.

*Nashville Banner, 2 Aug 1898*

Mr. and Mrs. **Elijah Kirkpatrick** celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. **Leslie Kirkpatrick** on West End Avenue [in Nashville]. This elegant home was beautifully decorated, every detail carrying out the golden hue. Only a limited number of friends were invited

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to be present, and they were received by the **Kirkpatricks** with their children: Mr. and Mrs. **Hugh F. Kirkpatrick**, Mr. and Mrs. **William H. Scoggins**, Mr. and Mrs. **Leslie Kirkpatrick**, Mr. and Mrs. **Thomas Kirkpatrick** and Miss **Manie Kirkpatrick**. The grandchildren were little Misses **Annie Hunter** and **Roberta Young Kirkpatrick**; Misses **Marietta**, **Lucy** and **Elizabeth Scoggins**; **Lucy Wilkin Kirkpatrick**; and **Katherine**, **Elijah**, and **Sarah Lee Kirkpatrick**. Surgeon and Mrs. **Richard Barr**, at present in San Francisco, and Mr. and Mrs. **Nevins Kirkpatrick** of New Orleans, are other family members.

*Nashville Banner, 27 July 1898*

Registered pharmacist certificates were issued to six of 14 applicants examined by the State Board of Pharmacy here this week. Those granted registration were **J. T. Albright**, Lenoir City;

**Marvin Burrows**, Nashville; **W. D. Walter**, Memphis; **B. D. Sprowl**, Knoxville; and **L. J. Pettus** and **C. P. Embry**, both of Chattanooga.

Assistant pharmacists' certificates were granted to **Euclid Snow** and **G. A. Schwab**, both of Nashville; **C. M. Merrill**, Knoxville; and **John T. Moss**, Union City.

*Nashville Banner, 22 Jul 1898*

About 55 Confederate veterans from Shelbyville and Bedford County will go in a body to Atlanta to attend the Confederate reunion. Hon. **James T. Bickley** and Dr. **Jep Taylor** left Lynchburg yesterday for Atlanta where they will represent the **Woody B. Taylor Bivouac** of Confederate Soldiers at the reunion. Delegates from Giles County are **A. W. Moore**, Maj. **B. F. Carter**, **L. E. Abernathy** and **George T. Riddle**.

*Nashville Banner, 20 Jul 1898*

Mrs. **A. Crawford Roughton** and children left Lynchburg on Monday [18 Jul 1898] for Fort Worth, Tex., where they will join Mr. **Roughton**, who went to the city several weeks ago. They will make Fort Worth their future home.

*Nashville Banner, 20 Jul 1898*

A land grant of 10,000 acres in Tipton, Lake, Lauderdale and Shelby Counties was registered to **W. M. Grimes** and others yesterday afternoon by the Secretary of State.

*Nashville Banner, 20 Jul 1898*

Nine residents of Decherd are among those employed to teach this year in the public schools of Franklin and Bedford Counties. They include **R. H. and Guy McClure** and Misses **Mary Hessey, Hattie Young, Mattie Darwin, Willie Blanton, Bettie** and **Jessie Elkins** and **Cassie McGill**.

*Nashville Banner, 20 Jul 1898*

**B. R. Thompson**, president of a hardwood lumber company of Grand Rapids, Mich., while in Brownsville this week with his local representative, **H. L. Merrill**, contracted for nearly 400 million feet of red oak, quarter sawed, most of which will be shipped from Haywood County. This is the largest order given here for many years and will put a good sum in circulation

*Nashville Banner, 19 Jul 1898*

**Dr. W. M. Wright** of Huntingdon has closed a contract with the company now building the courthouse for the erection of a new hotel on the site of the old Eason House, which was destroyed by fire last February. The structure will be erected at a cost of about \$10,000 and is to be completed Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Nashville Banner, 30 Jul 1898*

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**W. N. Cameron**, wife, and daughter of Coleman, Tex., have arrived in Sparta. They spent two weeks on the road, driving through from their home by way of Mammoth Cave. Mr. **Cameron** is president of a bank in Coleman and makes a trip back to his home in Sparta every year, though this is the first time he has driven through. They are visiting friends and relatives.

*Nashville Banner, 25 Jul 1898*

A new post office has been established at Primm Springs, 12 miles north of Centreville. **George Smithson** has been appointed postmaster. The new office will receive mail three times a week from Centreville and will prove a great convenience to the citizens of that community and especially the people who visit Primm Springs in the summer.

*Nashville Banner, 29 Jul 1898*

**J. M. Skyle & Co.** of Trenton has made arrangements to open a dry goods store in Brownsville. They will occupy the building formerly occupied by **Chapman Bros.**, who have removed to Oklahoma.

*Nashville Banner, 30 Jul 1898*

The wheat crop of Carroll County is the largest in years. **B. P. Moore** produced 35 bushels per acre, harvesting 525 bushels on 15 acres. This is the greatest yield per acre ever grown in Carroll County. The largest crop reported is 3,604 bushels raised by **Morgan Green** of the Fourth District.

*Nashville Banner, 22 Jul 1898*

A most important land deal has been made in Moore County's Ninth District (County Line). Mr. **John E. Bobo** sold his valuable farm to Messrs. **Elisha Wiseman** and **John Stone**, the consideration being \$45 per acre cash. The farm is one of the best and richest in the Mulberry Valley.

*Nashville Banner, 16 Jul 1898*

Mr. **George W. Steagall**, Tullahoma, has finished a shipment of 50 carloads of oak lumber to Germany, part of it going 200 miles up the Rhine.

*Nashville Banner, 29 June 1898*

Mr. and Mrs. **Wm. Harris** were the guests of their brother, **Dr. J. W. Smith**, of Hall's X Roads last week.  
*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

Mr. and Mrs. **Jno. G. Duncan** leave this morning for Kentucky. Mrs. **Duncan** will visit her home in Cincinnati before returning.  
*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 16 May 1899*

Capt. and Mrs. **L. T. Dickinson** have returned to Chattanooga from Iowa, where they spent the holidays with their daughter, Mrs. **Tucker**.  
*Chattanooga Press, 13 Jan 1899*

Mrs. **Washington Durando**, née **Helen Whiteside**, leaves this week for Ohio to join her husband.  
*Chattanooga Press, 13 Jan 1899*

Miss **Alice Trimble** has returned to Oxford, Ohio to reenter school after spending the holidays at home.  
*Chattanooga Press, 13 Jan 1899*

In Bradley County a tree fell on **David Blankinship**, broke his leg, and pinned him to the earth, but he dug himself out with a knife and got home.  
*Chattanooga Press, 20 Jan 1899*

**H. O. Ewing** and family have moved into their new home on McCallie Avenue.  
*Chattanooga Press, 20 Jan 1899*

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**Jasper**, the county seat of Marion, had quite a disastrous fire Saturday night. It started in **John M. Lewis's** livery stable where it killed 11 horses and burned the adjoining Mitchell House, the law office of **Col. W. E. Donaldson**, and the bakery of **D. K. Maxwell**.  
*Chattanooga Press, 27 Jan 1899*

Mr. **Oscar Seagle** has accepted a position with an opera company in New York.  
*Chattanooga Press, 3 Feb 1899*

**Leonidas B. Lock** has been appointed postmaster at Lawrence, McNairy County, and **J. C. Kalleen** is the new postmaster at Jersey, Tenn., succeeding **John Lightfoot**.  
*Chattanooga Press, 10 Feb 1899*

Misses **Kate** and **Sarah Key** leave Saturday for Washington. In April, Miss **Sarah** goes to Japan.  
*Chattanooga Press, 10 Mar 1899*

**Dr. H. A. Dykes** has shaken the dust of his feet off on Chattanooga and is said to

have gone to Lebanon, Kansas. He recently resigned as election commissioner and was appointed poorhouse physician. His departure creates a vacancy in the latter position.  
*Chattanooga Press, 10 Mar 1899*

**Will Tyler**, son of **F. E. Tyler**, and a former sergeant in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tennessee, enlisted in the regular army and left Tuesday for the Philippines to join the 9<sup>th</sup> Infantry.  
*Chattanooga Press, 24 Mar 1899*

Capt. **J. F. Tarwater** of Rockwood passed through Chattanooga Tuesday en route to Hot Springs, Arkansas.  
*Chattanooga Press, 14 Apr 1899*

**Dr. R. B. Garrett**, pastor of First Baptist Church, announced his resignation last Sunday. He and his wife are preparing to leave July 1<sup>st</sup> for their new home in Virginia. Both are loved by their congregation and friends, and their departure causes deep regret.  
*Chattanooga Press, 26 May 1899*

Capt. **T. H. Paine**, who assumes the position of State Commissioner of Agriculture on June 1, announces the following appointments: Clerk - **Lewis V. Sevier**, Hardin County; Assistant Commissioner for East Tennessee - **W. M. Cleveland**, Monroe County; for Middle Tennessee - **R. E. Ayres**, Bedford County; and for West Tennessee - **W. M. Baird**, Gibson County.  
*Chattanooga Press, 26 May 1899*

Miss **Minnie Hawkins** of Highland Park has gone to Cincinnati to visit friends and will later enter the conservatory of music.

*Chattanooga Press, 14 July 1899*

**Burns Wert**, who has been in Cuba, has returned to this city.

*Chattanooga Press, 14 July 1899*

Major **A. H. Pettibone**, formerly of Chattanooga and more recently a resident of Greeneville, Tenn., has been appointed as special attorney on land claims in the West. The position is said to be worth \$2,500 a year.

*Chattanooga Press, 14 July 1899*

A letter has been received in this city from **John W. Stone**, a former citizen and postmaster for four years. He is now postmaster at Pinar Del Rio, Cuba. Mr. **Stone** is well known here, having been in the newspaper business for a number of years.

*Chattanooga Press, 21 July 1899*

Mrs. **George Gates**, Columbus, Ohio, is on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

**H. A. McQuade**.

*Chattanooga Press, 11 Aug 1899*

**James Lauderbach** and wife, née **Bessie Burgess**, have returned from their honeymoon spent at Asheville, N.C.

*Chattanooga Press, 15 Sep 1899*

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Mr. and Mrs. **W. J. Willingham** are located in their handsome new home on Vine Street. It is one of the most elegant homes in Chattanooga, and is furnished with all the modern conveniences.

*Chattanooga Press, 13 Oct 1899*

Mr. and Mrs. **K. P. Jones**, formerly of Chattanooga, are here on a business trip this week. Recently they have made their home at Asheville, but are now living at Maryville, Tenn. They speak highly of the latter place as a center of refinement and a cheap town in which to live.

*Chattanooga Press, 27 Oct 1899*

**S. P. Blair** of Mouse Creek is now conducting a tannery at Harriman which has an output of 300 hides a day. He says the quality of the water there in the Emory River is splendid for tanning purposes. Mr. **Blair** is still interested in politics in McMinn County where he has held a prominent place.

*Chattanooga Press, 27 Oct 1899*

**C. W. Oliphant** of McMinn County has entered into a contract with the Southern Railway to supply them with 4,000 crossties in the near future. He has already furnished them with more than 10,000 ties during the present year.

*Chattanooga Press, 27 Oct 1899*

Prof. **James S. Waterhouse**, formerly of Chattanooga, has been elected to the chair of natural sciences at Cumberland University at Lebanon, Tenn.

*Chattanooga Press, 3 Nov 1899*

**L. H. Lancaster**, Sweetwater, has gone to Nashville where he accepted a position with the Cumberland Telephone Company as chief inspector.

*Chattanooga Press, 10 Nov 1899*

Mr. and Mrs. **J. W. Clift** of Soddy celebrated their golden wedding anniversary Wednesday [27 Dec 1899]. They have resided in Hamilton County since 1849. The anniversary was celebrated with a family reunion at their home in Soddy.

*Chattanooga Press, 29 Dec 1899*

Mr. **Wiley Barnes**, with his family, has moved to Chattanooga from Mississippi. He is a brother of **John Barnes**, the coal dealer, and will be quite an addition to commercial circles.

*Chattanooga Press, 12 Jan 1900*

Prof. **Samuel Hixson**, superintendent of Hamilton County schools, was honored last week by his election as president of the State Teacher's Association at Nashville. It was a compliment highly deserving, as he is one of the most efficient teachers and superintendents in the state.

*Chattanooga Press, 26 Jan 1900*

## PHILLIPS-HOLMAN

Quite a surprise to a number of Nashville people will be the announcement of the coming nuptials of Miss **Minnie Holman** to Dr. **W. J. Phillips** on Wednesday morning [17 Aug 1898] at the home of the bride's sister in Washington, D. C. Immediately after the ceremony, they will leave for the seashore. They will be at home to their friends after 10 Sept. in Birmingham, Ala., where the groom is a prominent physician. Miss **Holman** has for the past few years been the principal of the primary department at the Winthrop Model School and has been prominently connected with many literary and musical clubs of the city.

*Nashville Banner, 15 Aug 1898*

## LINDSAY-BABER

Huntingdon, Aug. 15 — A quiet wedding took place here yesterday morning. The contracting parties were Miss **Minnie Baber**, daughter of **W. F. Baber** and Prof. **Albert Lindsay** of Big Sandy, a former student of the Southern Normal University. The ceremony was performed at the bride's home, and only a few intimate friends were present. Rev. **W. S. Roney** officiated. The couple left immediately for Big Sandy.

*Nashville Banner, 15 Aug 1898*

## CONE-HOPE

One of the prettiest weddings of the season was that of **Donald Cone** and Miss **Lillie Hope**, which was solemnized at Tusculum Church, seven miles out on the Nolensville Road at 6 p.m. Wednesday [10 Aug 1898]. The church was beautifully

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decorated, and the happy pair stood under a wedding bell. The ceremony, which was performed by Rev. **Joseph Alexander**, was very impressive. Ushers were **Lawrence Hope**, **Richard Minton**, Dr. **Pickard**, and Prof. **Ben Bell**. After the ceremony, a reception was given for the bridal party and a few friends at the home of the bride's parents. The groom is a prosperous merchant of Una.

*Nashville Banner, 12 Aug 1898*

## SHAFFER-CAMPBELL

Mr. **Walter G. Shaffer** was married to Miss **Erby H. Campbell** at the residence of Mrs. **John Paris**, 33 Academy Place, at 8:30 o'clock last night, Rev. **J. J. Stowe** officiating. The bridegroom is a member of the firm of **Shaffer & Noble**, and the bride is the daughter of Mrs. **L. Campbell** of Fillmore Street. Both are well known and very popular. They are at home to their friends at 33 Academy Place.

*Nashville Banner, 12 Aug 1898*

## COOPER-BINKLEY

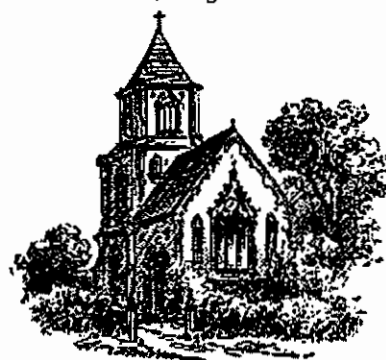
**Wade Hampton Cooper** and Miss **Carrie D. Binkley** were married August 1 at Diamond Springs, Logan County, KY. The bride is a daughter of Capt. **B. F. Binkley** of this city. Mr. and Mrs. **Cooper** will come to Nashville in about two weeks.

*Nashville Banner, 4 Aug 1898*

## OSBORNE-BLANTON

At 9 o'clock last evening at the home of the bride's parents on Fatherland Street, Miss **Janie Blanton** and Mr. **Joseph B. Osborne** were quietly married in the presence of a few relatives and intimate friends. The bride was becomingly attired in a tailor-made gown of blue cloth with hat to match and carried a bouquet of American Beauty roses. The impressive ceremony was performed by Rev. **J. D. Barbee** and the bride's father. The bride is the eldest daughter of Rev. and Mrs. **M. L. Blanton** and is well known and highly esteemed. Mr. **Osborne** is one of the leading merchant tailors in the city and is well known in business and social circles. The couple left immediately after the ceremony for Elk Park, N.C. They will be at home to their friends after October 1 at their home on Fifth and Fatherland Streets.

*Nashville Banner, 4 Aug 1898*





## TWINAM-WRIGHT

Mr. **J. C. Twinam** and Miss **Loula Wright** were united in the holy bonds of matrimony last evening at the Centenary Church in Chattanooga. The groom is a member of the Board of Aldermen, and the bride is the daughter of Capt. **J. F. Wright**, a well-known East Tennessean. They have gone East on a six-weeks' honeymoon.

*Nashville Banner, 4 Aug 1898*

## CANNON-RICE

Dr. **William F. Cannon** of Belleville [Lincoln County] and Miss **Sophia T. Rice** of Alabama were united in marriage at the Rice Baptist Church at Deposit, Ala. They will make their future home in Belleville. Dr. **Cannon** is a promising young physician. Mrs. **Cannon** is a daughter of the late Dr. **Francisco Rice** and is well known and highly esteemed.

*Nashville Banner, 4 Aug 1898*

## PRICKETT-BEESLEY

Last night, Mr. **W. O. Prickett** of this city and Miss **Bessie Beesley** of Murfreesboro were united in marriage at the residence of Rev. **Edward Ogilby**, pastor of the Church of the Advent. The event was a surprise to the friends of the contracting couple, and only a few intimate friends and relatives were present at the occasion. Miss **Beesley** had been visiting relatives here for several weeks and up to the hour of the marriage they knew nothing about it. Immediately after the ceremony the young couple left for Murfreesboro where they will spend a few days visiting the bride's parents. They will

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make this city their home. The bride is the daughter of **George Beesley**, a prosperous Rutherford County farmer, and the groom is well known here, being connected with **Everett Payne's** stationery store.

*Nashville Banner, 6 Aug 1898*

## MUNGER-WHITE

A large number of friends assembled at McKendree Church last night to witness the marriage of Miss **Lydia White** and Rev. **Henry Lee Munger** of Lampasas, Texas. While the guests were assembling, a splendid musical program arranged by Mrs. **A. H. Stewart**, was rendered. Immediately after Bishop **Hargrove** performed the impressive ceremony, the couple departed for their Texas home. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **John Murray White**, and in addition to being a charming young lady, she is also a musician of ability and culture. The groom is a Methodist preacher, being a member of the Texas conference. He, too, is a musician and a member of the celebrated Hemphill Quartet. The ushers were Dr. **R. Boyd Bogle**, **James A. Ogilvie**, **Charles H. Weakley** and Dr. **Joseph T. Meadors** of Columbia.

*Abstracted, Nashville Banner, 22 Jul 1898*

## MCCULLOUGH-TEALEY

Last evening at 8 o'clock, Miss **Addie Tealey** and Mr. **William Henry McCullough** were united in marriage at the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. **Herman Justi** in the Watkins Building in the presence of a limited number of friends. The ceremony was performed by Rev. **D. C. Rankin**, D. D. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. **A. R. De Larue** and is a faithful and prominent worker in church and Christian Endeavor circles. The groom is the son of **J. W. McCullough** and until recently was engaged in business with his father. The couple left last night on an extended trip to the seashore. On their return they will be with Mrs. **De Larue** in the Watkins Building.

*Nashville Banner, 22 Jul 1898*

## GILLON-CONNER

Ripley, Tenn.-- Miss **Lucy Conner**, one of Ripley's most esteemed and popular young ladies, was united in marriage to Rev. **J. T. Gillon** of Union City at 6 p.m. Wednesday [20 Jul 1898] at the Baptist Church, the Rev. **T. W. Hart** officiating. The church was filled with friends assembled to witness the ceremony.

*Nashville Banner, 22 Jul 1898*

## SEAY-DURHAM

Gallatin, Tenn. -- The home of **J. W. Durham** of Bransford was the scene of a happy wedding Wednesday [6 Jul 1898]. His daughter, Miss **Lillie Durham**, was united in marriage to Mr. **George Seay** of Trousdale County, Rev. **Wm. Wilkes** officiating.

*Nashville Banner, 9 Jul 1898*



## MIERS-LAWRENCE

**William B. Miers** of Dallas, TX, on Thursday evening [7 Jul 1898] was united in marriage to **Miss Lizzie J. Lawrence** of Gallatin, Esquire **W. L. Oldham** performing the ceremony. At 7:20 the happy pair left on the southbound train for Dallas. The bride is a daughter of **Mr. R. F. Lawrence** and one of the most popular young ladies of Sumner County. The groom is a son of the late **R. N. Miers** and was born and reared near Gallatin, removing several years ago to Dallas, where he now occupies a high position in business circles.

*Nashville Banner, 9 Jul 1898*

## LUSH-LEIGHTON

The marriage of **Miss Fannie Leighton** and **Mr. James Lush** was solemnized Thursday morning at the residence of the bride's mother on Buena Vista Street, **Rev. E. T. Brantly** officiating. The marriage was a very quiet one, only relatives and a few friends being present. The bride wore a beautiful costume of gray. After receiving congratulations and best wishes of friends, the couple left for Chattanooga where they will reside in the future.

*Nashville Banner, 9 Jul 1898*

## YATES-TARVER

Gallatin, Tenn. — **Mr. Samuel L. Yates**, late private of Company E, 17<sup>th</sup> U. S. Infantry, was married Wednesday evening [29 June 1898] at the Bethpage parsonage to **Miss Minnie Tarver**, **Rev. R. L. Fain** performing the ceremony. **Mr. Yates** is the son of **Mr. G. Y. Yates** of Bethpage, and the bride is a daughter of the late **J. D. Tarver** of the same vicinity.

*Nashville Banner, 2 Jul 1898*

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### BAXTER-RICHARDSON

Yesterday afternoon [29 June 1898] at the residence of **Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Richardson** at West End, **Miss Leonora Richardson** and **Mr. Perkins Baxter** were united in marriage, with only the immediate families and very near friends present for the impressive ceremony performed by **Rev. R. K. Brown** in the drawing room. After the ceremony, an informal reception followed, and the couple left for Chicago last evening. The bride is the oldest daughter of the **Richardsons** and one of the most charming and altogether fascinating girls of Nashville. **Mr. Baxter** is a son of **Hon. Ed Baxter** and one of the brightest young attorneys of the city, being associated with the law firm of **Baxter & Hutcheson**.

*Abstracted, Nashville Banner, 30 June 1898*

### HILLARD-HOUSTON

**Mr. Charles Wellesley Hillard** of Chicago and **Miss Florence Houston** were wed at the residence of **Mr. and Mrs. Frank Porterfield**, West End, last evening [29 June 1898]. Since her childhood, **Miss Houston** has been a marked favorite in a continually widening circle of

friends, and is one of the loveliest girls of Tennessee. The bridal party descended the stairway leading into the reception hall where the ushers, **Messrs. Thomas H. Malone, C. C. Trahue, Edwin Price, Ed Thompson, James DeMotive, Alex J. Porter, John Early** and **Ossie J. Walsh**, led the way carrying the broad satin ribbons, which made the aisle. The bridesmaids, **Misses Medora McAllister, Elsie Caldwell, Willie DeMotive** and **Sue Porterfield** followed with groomsmen, **Messrs. Chas. J. Windsor, Eugene McComas** and **James Belden**, all of Chicago, and **Nelson Leonard** of St. Louis. **Miss Adelaide Douglass** was maid of honor, and **Mr. R. Hamilton Street** of Chicago was best man. The couple will sail the 6<sup>th</sup> of July for England where they will visit the groom's parents and later tour the continent before returning in September to spend the autumn in a summer home on the lakes.

*Abstracted from the Nashville Banner, 30 June 1898*

### SMITH-MEEK

**Mr. and Mrs. Bathwist L. Smith** have issued invitations to friends to witness the marriage of their daughter, **Almena McGee Smith**, to **Mr. Frank Hale Meek** on Tuesday evening, May the fourth, at eight o'clock in **St. John's Episcopal Church**.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 30 April 1899*

An elegant wedding occurred last night between **Frank H. Meek** and **Almena Smith**. They were united in marriage by the **Rev. Dr. Ringhold** in the presence of a large number of friends. **Miss Boudoite** was the bride's maid, and **W. B.**

**Whitlow** was the best man. The ushers were Messrs. **Claude Lotspeich**, **Thomas House**, **Lee Smith** and **Edward Cureton**. The bride was gowned in white organdie over silk. The bride is the daughter of **B. L. Smith** and only last year graduated from the high school. The groom is one of the salesmen of **Hazen and Lotspeich**, the wholesale grocers of Jackson Street. Prof. **Frank Nelson** presided at the organ and rendered the wedding music.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 5 May 1899*

#### **Marriage Licenses Issued in the Journal and Tribune**

**May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1899**

**Samuel A. Henry** and **Lula May Hayes**

**Frank Jackson** and **Melinda Henderson**

**May 4<sup>th</sup> 1899**

**Edgar W. Dugger** and **Mary L. Keith**

**Earnest P. Walker** and **Mary H. Wright**

**May 5<sup>th</sup> 1899**

**Frank H. Meek** and **Almena Smith**

**Joseph Buckner** and **Mary Rumor**

#### **LAGANKE-SAMPSON**

**Mr. Herman Laganke** and **Miss Fannie Sampson** were married at the Euclid Hotel on Monday night. Rev. **Wright** officiating. The pair left for Chattanooga to spend the week and attend the carnival.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 7 May 1899*

#### **EDINGTON-FRITZON**

**John F. Edington** and **Miss Mary Elizabeth Fritzton** were married on May 5<sup>th</sup> in Helena Arkansas. A large number of friends and relatives of the bride were present. Just before the

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entrance of the bridal party **Miss Kinsey** sang a beautiful solo. Then the organ was played by **Miss Slocum**, who pealed forth the wedding march, and the party entered the church. First came the ushers, Messrs. **Robert Gordon**, **W. B. Watson**, **Nelson Fritzton** and **John Rainey**. They were followed by the groom's best man, **Mr. Harry C. Burns** of Chattanooga, and **Miss Eloise Underwood**, the maid of honor. Then came the figures of central interest, the groom and his fair, petite bride-to-be.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 8 May 1899*

#### **RICE-HAUN**

Friends of the contracting parties in this city have received the following invitation: **Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Davis Farrell** request the honor of your presence at the marriage of their sister, **Ella Rice**, to **Mr. Samuel David Haun** on Tuesday evening, May twenty-third at half-past eight o'clock, at M.E. Church, South Athens, Tennessee.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 13 May 1899*

#### **RUSSELL-BOND**

On Thursday evening at the residence of **Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Brooks** on Louise Avenue,

occurred the marriage of **Miss Emma B. Russell** and **Prof. D. L. Bond**, formerly of the Kimberlin Heights Theological School and now identified with the College of Sacred Literature, Cleveland, Ohio. The ceremony was performed by Rev. **Robert Stewart**, pastor of the Park Street Christian Church, in the presence of relatives and a few intimate friends. Prof. and Mrs. **Bond** will live in Cleveland, Ohio.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

#### **MITCHELL-SPENCE**

**Miss Harriet G. Mitchell** of this city and **Mr. William H. Spence** of Fostoria, Ohio were married at the residence of the bride on Chamberlain Street last Thursday evening May 11<sup>th</sup>, Rev. **W. F. Cottrell** officiating.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

#### **MARSHALL-FORD**

A secret marriage came to light this week, the contracting parties being **Mr. Melvin Marshall** of Atlanta and **Miss Annie Ford** of this city. They were married in Atlanta, April 1<sup>st</sup>. The only opposition to the marriage was the extreme youth of the bride. She is attending school here and will not join her husband in Atlanta until fall.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

#### **CRABTREE-CATLIN**

On May 10<sup>th</sup> at Hill City M. E. Church, **Miss Cora Catlin** married Rev. **Anson M. Crabtree**. Dr. **Ackerman** officiated. The attendants were **Miss Lillie Hagar** and **Mr. Samuel Randall**, **Miss Mabel Dove** and **Mr. M. E. Thompson**. The ladies were all in white

toilettes and looked extremely pretty. An informal reception followed the ceremony. Mr. and Mrs. **Crabtree** left for Effna, Virginia, where he has a pastorate near his old home.  
*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

### SHOEMAKER-WILLIAMS

Many friends in this city and elsewhere were the recipients yesterday afternoon of the following auspicious announcement: Mr. and Mrs. **T. R. Shoemaker** invite you to be present at the marriage of their daughter, **Lucie**, to Mr. **P. J. Williams**, Thursday evening, June first, eighteen hundred and ninety-nine, at eight o'clock, Church Street Methodist Church, Knoxville, Tennessee.  
*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 16 May 1899*

### SEAY-MILLER

Wednesday night [17 Oct 1900] at the home of the bride's parents in Ridgedale, Miss **Lida Miller** and Mr. **Edward Seay** were married. The wedding was a quiet home affair with only the relatives of the contracting parties present.  
*Chattanooga Press, 19 Oct 1900*

### PETTIBONE-ALLEN

Mr. **H. S. Pettibone** and Miss **Fannie Allen** were married Wednesday night [3 Oct 1900] in the parlors of the Rossmore Hotel by Dr. **J. W. Brouger**. Mr. **Pettibone** is a son of former Congressman **A. H. Pettibone** of Bristol.  
*Chattanooga Press, 5 Oct 1900*

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### CRABTREE-ISBESTER

Wednesday morning [26 Sep 1900] at the home of the bride's mother, Miss **Jennie Isbester** and Mr. **W. R. Crabtree** were quietly married. Dr. **Monk** officiated. Immediately after the ceremony, the couple left for an extended eastern trip.  
*Chattanooga Press, 28 Sep 1900*

### CLIFT-ROGERS

Rev. **Wallace Clift** left Tuesday for Louisville, KY, where on Thursday [27 Sep 1900] he was married to Miss **Margaret Rogers**. They will be at home after October 15th at the Southern Home, Lookout Mountain. Mr. **Clift** is the popular pastor of the Lookout Mountain Presbyterian Church and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. **J. W. Clift** of Soddy.  
*Chattanooga Press, 19 Sep 1900*

### KNOX-FAY

Mr. **Vaughn Knox** of D. B. Loveman & Company surprised his friends by being married while in New York City to Miss **Maud Fay** of Chicago. Miss **Fay** has often been a guest at the

Inn. They will reside in Chattanooga and will be at home at the Aldine.  
*Chattanooga Press, 21 Sep 1900*

### TAYLOR-HALL

**Theo Taylor** of Evensville and Miss **Abbie Hall** of Pikeville were married at Evensville last week by Rev. **Schwecket**. It was their intention to keep the marriage a secret, but in some way it has leaked out.  
*Chattanooga Press, 14 Sep 1900*

### HODGES-IGOU

**Lee Hodges** of Dayton and Miss **Lula Igou** of Igou's Ferry were married at Dayton last Sunday [9 Sep 1900] by Rev. **Jackson**.  
*Chattanooga Press, 14 Sep 1900*

### HIXSON-POWELL

Mr. **Emmett Hixson** and Miss **Essie Powell**, both popular young people of Hixson, were married Wednesday [5 Sep 1900] at the home of the bride. The wedding was a pretty, quiet home affair. The ceremony was performed by **E. F. Hixson, Esq.**  
*Chattanooga Press, 7 Sep 1900*

### FARLESS-WIGGLE

Mr. **James Farless** and Miss **Julia Wiggle** were married in Hixson last Monday, [1 Sep 1900] **E. F. Hixson** officiating.  
*Chattanooga Press, 7 Sep 1900*

### STEWART-RAULSTON

Mr. **Ab Stewart** and Miss **Bertha Raulston**, popular young people of South Pittsburg, were married Wednesday night [5 Sep 1900] at the Baptist church in that place. Rev. **Julian Shipp** performed the ceremony.  
*Chattanooga Press, 7 Sep 1900*

## CRAIGMILES-COOKE

On Wednesday, 5 Sep [1900] Miss Nellie Cooke and Mr. Robert Craigmiles were quietly married at the home of the bride in Ridgedale. Miss Cooke, for several years, has been a popular teacher in the public schools. Mr. Craigmiles is one of Chattanooga's mail carriers. After a short trip, they will go to housekeeping in Highland Park.  
*Chattanooga Press, 7 Sep 1900*

## COOK-LOWE

Miss Irene Lowe and Dr. Charles Cook were married Tuesday noon [28 Aug 1900] at the home of the bride. Dr. Bachman performed the ceremony. The couple left at once for their future home in Charles City, Iowa. The bride's brother, Ed Lowe, came from Nashville to attend the ceremony.  
*Chattanooga Press, 31 Aug 1900*

## SEARS-FORBES

Miss Roxie Forbes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Forbes, was married in New Orleans on the 14th August [1900] to Mr. J. T. Sears of San Antonio, Texas. Miss Forbes was accompanied to New Orleans by her parents.  
*Chattanooga Press, 24 Aug 1900*

## CALDWELL-BRIGHT

Monday night [20 Aug 1900] at the home of the bride's parents on McCallie Ave., Miss Lucy Bright and Mr. James L. Caldwell were married, the Rev. Dr. Logan performing the ceremony. The house was tastily decorated, and the bride was gowned in white organdie over silk. The couple left at 10

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o'clock that night for New York and on Thursday sailed for the Paris Exposition. After seeing Paris, they will make a tour of Europe.

*Chattanooga Press, 24 Aug 1900*

## HIGGINS-CALDWELL

Last Thursday night [19 Jul 1900] at 7 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents in Whorley, Mr. James H. Higgins and Miss Carrie Walters were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Rev. W. S. Stephenson. The ceremony was witnessed by 75 of the young couple's friends, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. George Lemons of Rome, Ga. and Mr. Mat. Logan of Chattanooga. The bride and groom left Sunday for a bridal tour over the W. & A.  
*Chattanooga Press, 27 Jul 1900*

## DELONG-RAHM

Wednesday night [6 June 1900] at the Christian Church, Miss Laura Rahm and Mr. Eston DeLong were united in marriage, the Rev. Mr. Clubb officiating. The church was

filled with friends of the couple, and the ceremony though simple in its character was impressive and beautiful. The newly-wedded couple went at once to their new home on Douglass Street, where they will be at home to their friends.

*Chattanooga Press, 8 June 1900*

## WILSON-JERAULD

Wednesday evening, [16 May 1900] a very beautiful wedding was solemnized at the First Methodist Church which united Miss Jessie Jerauld and Mr. Percy Wilson. The bride was attired in a gown of white organdie with lace and carried bride's roses. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. J. Manker, who was assisted by Rev. J. M. Taber. Immediately after the ceremony, a reception followed, and the bridal couple left for a trip to northern and eastern points. They will make their home in Highland Park.  
*Chattanooga Press, 18 May and 1 June 1900*

## SIMPSON-EATON

One of the prettiest weddings of the season was that which united Miss Fannie Eaton and Mr. John G. Simpson Wednesday night [20 June 1900] at the First Methodist Church. The couple left immediately after the ceremony for an eastern bridal trip.  
*Chattanooga Press, 22 June 1900*

## LELAND-SLOAN

The marriage of Miss **Margaret Sloan** to Mr. **Willard Leland** occurred Wednesday night [27 June 1900] at Centenary Church. Dr. **Monk** performed the ceremony. A reception at the home of the bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. **R. A. Sloan**, followed the ceremony, after which the newly-married couple left for an extended bridal trip in the North and East. They will make their future home in Buffalo, N.Y.  
*Chattanooga Press, 15 and 29 June 1900*

## MARTIN-PALMER

A wedding of unusual interest was that of Mrs. **Lannie May Palmer** of Bristol and Mr. **Frank G. Martin** of Chattanooga, which took place at the Main Street Methodist Church in Bristol, at 9:30 the morning of 14 June. After the ceremony, the couple left for a honeymoon at Asheville, N.C. The bride has many friends in Chattanooga and is a close relative of Dr. **J. W. Bachman**. The groom is well known and held in the highest esteem. He has been connected with the *Chattanooga Daily Times* for several years and will make this city his future home.  
*Chattanooga Press, 8 and 15 June 1900*

## PALEY-DODGE

Miss **Lillabelle Dodge** and Mr. **Wilfred Paley** were married Tuesday morning, July 24, in the parlor of the First Presbyterian Church, Dr. **Bachman** officiating. Immediately after the ceremony, the newly-married couple left for New York from whence they sailed for the groom's home in England and the Paris Exposition.  
*Chattanooga Press, 20 and 27 Jul 1900*

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## HAYES-ZERBE

The wedding of Miss **Edith Zerbe** and Mr. **Jesse T. Hayes** occurred at the home of the bride in Hill City on Wednesday night, July 18.  
*Chattanooga Times, 20 Jul 1900*

## HATCHER-ANDERSON

The announcement has been received in this city of the marriage of **G. Edmund Hatcher**, formerly of Chattanooga, to Miss **Laura Anderson** of Ludlow, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. **Hatcher** will reside in Chicago where he is located as press agent for the Masonic Temple Theater.  
*Chattanooga Press, 27 Jul 1900*

## SMITHERMAN-BROWN

Sherman Heights, Sept. 25 - Last Sunday [23 Sep 1900] Mr. **John Smitherman** and Miss **Russie Brown** were married. The ceremony was performed by E. A. **Womack**, justice of the peace. Both parties were King's Point young people.  
*Chattanooga Press, 28 Sep 1900*

## HUGHES-STANDIFER

Miss **Lula Standifer** of Stephen's Chapel went Thursday [20 Sep 1900] to Chattanooga where she met **Reuben Hughes**, and they were married. They came back Friday and surprised all their friends.  
*Chattanooga Press, 28 Sep 1900*

## MCCABE-POE

**N. M. McCabe** of Dayton and Miss **Mollie Poe** of Daisy were married on the 22nd of September.  
*Chattanooga Press, 28 Sep 1900*

## THOMAS-HEARD

Stephens Chapel was the scene of a double wedding recently. Miss **Lou Heard** and Miss **Matilda Heard**, daughters of **James Heard**, were married to the two **Thomas** brothers, also of this place.  
*Chattanooga Press, 2 Nov 1900*



## MILLIRON

The funeral of Mrs. **Sophia Milliron** was held this afternoon at the South College Street Christian Church by Rev. C. A. **Moore**. She died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. **Victor Williams**, 714 Belmont Avenue, at 8:35 p.m., 21 August. Mrs. **Milliron** was in her 79<sup>th</sup> year. She was the widow of **Jacob Milliron**, one of Nashville's oldest tailors. He came to Nashville with **Samuel Pritchett** and **James Browne** in the early days. They were for a long while associated in business. Mrs. **Milliron** leaves seven children: **Jacob, James, Robert** and **John Milliron**, Mrs. **Williams**, Mrs. **Ford Reddick** and Mrs. **Reeves**, all of this city.

*Nashville Banner, 23 Aug 1898*

## CARR

Mr. **Stephen A. Carr**, aged 61 years, died last night at his home, 406 Shelby Avenue. He was a retail merchant, and his wife and several children survive him. His remains will be interred at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

*Nashville Banner, 22 Aug 1898*

## CLARK

Mrs. **W. J. Clark**, sister of Mr. **S. A. Warren** of Warren, Neely & Co., died this morning at her home near Brentwood on the Granny White Turnpike after a brief illness. She was 55 years of age and was a true Christian woman, much beloved by many friends in the community where she had lived for many years. The funeral will take place at 12:30 tomorrow at the family residence, followed by interment at Mt. Olivet.

*Nashville Banner, 20 Aug 1898*

# TENNESSEE DEATHS



## MATHIS

Clarksville, Aug. 19 – Mrs. **Martha Mathis** died yesterday at her home in the 17th District of Montgomery County. She was 85 years of age and was born and had lived her entire life in the district where she died. She leaves a large family of children and grandchildren. She was a lifelong member of the Methodist Church. Her funeral took place from the family residence today at 10 o'clock, services being conducted by Rev. Mr. **Klyce**. The remains were interred at the Edmondson burying ground.

*Nashville Banner, 19 Aug 1898*

## GILBERT

Lynchburg, Aug. 15 – Mrs. **Rachel Gilbert** died at her home near Chestnut Ridge a few days ago at the advanced age of 86 years. She was a member of the Christian Church. Her remains were interred at Richmond, Bedford County.

*Nashville Banner, 13 Aug 1898*

## PORTERFIELD

Mrs. **M. E. Porterfield**, widow of the late **John Porterfield**, died last night at the home of her daughter, Mrs. **M. A. Spurr**, on the Lebanon Road. She was 71 years of age, and was born and reared in Nashville – her father,

**W. B. Shappard**, being a prominent banker here during his lifetime. Mrs. **Porterfield** lived in Richmond, Va. with her daughter, Mrs. **John Dunn**, and came here two months ago on a visit. The deceased leaves three other children: Mrs. **James Taylor**, Miss **Johnnie Porterfield** and **William Porterfield**. Funeral services will be held at the **Spurr** residence tomorrow morning, followed by interment at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

*Nashville Banner, 12 Aug 1898*

## MEEKS

*[Genealogical information abstracted from a lengthy tribute written by John V. Wright and published in the Nashville Banner of 10 Aug 1898]*

Gen. **John Henderson Meeks** of McNairy County died on the morning of 23 July 1898 at age 84. His death marks the end of an era in the history of McNairy County and also of the state. He was among the last surviving pioneers in West Tennessee. Born in 1814, he removed with his grandfather, Maj. **John Henderson**, from Lincoln County, the place of his birth, to West Tennessee in 1830. His grandfather, a brave and distinguished soldier in the war of the Revolution, was a near neighbor to Gen. **Jackson**. Gen. **Meeks** was elected and returned to the Tennessee legislature several times over able and popular opponents and at a time when his party was in the minority. He was the warmest and ablest advocate, if not the author, of Tennessee's homestead law which protects homes for the use of the wife and children against the improvidence of the husband

and father. Gen. **Meeks** was a member of the Constitutional Convention in 1870. He was married to Miss **Eleanor Atkins** in 1841. She was a member of one of the most respected families in the county, and to this marriage were born eight children — five boys and three girls. The eldest son, **John P.**, served under Gen. **Forrest** and was killed in 1864. Another son, **Rufus Polk Meeks**, is an able and worthy minister of the Christian Church, and another, **Marcus Henry Meeks**, is a lawyer of ability and success, now practicing in Nashville.

### JAMESON

Gallatin, Aug 10 — Mrs. **A. V. Jameson**, wife of **B. F. Jameson**, died yesterday at the family residence five miles east of here on the Hartsville Turnpike. The deceased was about 60 years of age and the mother of two children — **Sam P. Jameson** and Mrs. **Ed B. Carr**, who, along with the husband, survive her. Mrs. **Jameson** was well known and much esteemed. The remains were interred in Gallatin Cemetery this morning at 10 o'clock

*Nashville Banner, 10 Aug 1898*



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### BARNES

Mrs. **Ellen H. Barnes**, wife of **T. W. Barnes**, the well-known auctioneer, died last night [8 Aug 1898] at her home on the Harding Road. She was 80-years-old and had been sick for some time. Her husband and the following children survive her: **J. W. Barnes**, Mrs. **Samuel Scoggins**, **W. D. Barnes** and Miss **Florence Barnes**. Funeral services will be held at the residence this afternoon and will be conducted by Rev. **James E. Clarke**. The remains will be taken to Columbia tomorrow morning for interment.

*Nashville Banner, 9 Aug 1898*

### SWEENEY

Lewisburg, Aug 2 — Miss **Lilla Sweeney**, aged 23, daughter of Mr. **W. A. Sweeney** of New Hope, died yesterday afternoon. She was a very popular young lady.

*Nashville Banner, 2 Aug 1898*

### POWELL

Chattanooga, Aug. 8 — Mr. **Sydney Powell**, one of Chattanooga's oldest and most highly esteemed citizens, died last night at the residence of Dr. **W. G. Bogart** after an illness of three days. Last Thursday at Chickamauga Park, where he had several stands on "Midway," Mr. **Powell** ate some over-ripe peaches, was sick the next morning and on Saturday was removed to the city at the suggestion of his physician, Dr. **Holtzclaw**. Although the doctor brought into use all his medical skill, he could not save his patient who grew worse from day-to-day, his illness culminating in death after a delirious spell of three hours. **Sydney Powell** had lived here continuously for more than 30 years. At the outbreak of the war, he enlisted in Lookout Battery, a body of Confederate artillery raised in Chattanooga, of which the late **R. L. Watkins** was a lieutenant. This battery repulsed the first attack made on this city by **Wilder's** battery. He served until the end of the war with bravery and gallantry at Resaca, Mobile and Atlanta, returning home in 1865 without a scratch. He afterward embarked in the grocery business and until six months ago conducted one of the largest stores in South Chattanooga. At the time of his death, Mr. **Powell** was quite wealthy, owning valuable real estate in Tennessee and Georgia, besides having vast personal possessions. He was a member of **N. B. Forrest Camp**, Confederate Veterans.

*Nashville Banner, 8 Aug 1898*



## GANAWAY

Clarksville, Aug. 8 -- Rev. R. P. **Ganaway** died at his home near Bellamy, Montgomery County, Saturday [6 Aug 1898]. He was 80 years of age and had been an active Christian worker nearly all his life. He was a member of the Methodist Conference for 50 years and had resided in Montgomery Circuit for the past 20 years. He was born in Murfreesboro. Survivors include his wife and five children. Funeral services were held at Wiley's Chapel yesterday morning, followed by burial at Greenwood Cemetery in Clarksville. Services were conducted by Rev. W. B. **Lowery** and Rev. J. L. **Chenault**.

*Nashville Banner, 8 Aug 1898*

## MALONE

Yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Mrs. **Thomas H. Maloue** died at her home five miles out on the Harding Road. She was 55 years of age and had been sick for a long time with an incurable malady to which she finally succumbed. Mrs. **Malone** was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. **Alexander Fall**. She was wed to Capt. **Malone** in 1866, and four children of this union survive -- Mrs. **Ellen F. Magruder**, Columbus, Ohio, **Thomas H. Malone, Jr.**, Miss **Julia Malone** and **Edward Fall Malone**. She also leaves two brothers, **Joseph Horton Fall** and **Alexander H. Fall**. Funeral services will be held at the grave at Mt. Olivet Cemetery at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, Rev. J. C. **Morris** officiating.

*Nashville Banner, 8 Aug 1898*

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### SMILEY

The funeral of Mr. **Thomas Smiley**, who died Thursday [4 Aug 1898] took place yesterday afternoon at the residence of **H. H. Blanton**, three miles from Nashville on the Murfreesboro Road. Services were conducted by Rev. J. H. **McNeilly**, followed by interment at Mt. Olivet. Mr. **Smiley** was born 8 Oct 1813 in Nashville and was therefore 85 years of age. He received a collegiate education at the University of Nashville and then studied law with Mr. **Ephriam H. Foster** and was subsequently admitted to the bar. He was Circuit Court Clerk for 14 years and was deemed a most genial gentleman, as well as one of the handsomest men in personal appearance in the country. He was, during his lifetime, interested in the secret societies of the city, especially the Odd Fellows, of which order he was Past Grand Representative. Smiley Lodge of this city is named in honor of him. The services at the grave yesterday were conducted by the Odd Fellows.

*Nashville Banner, 6 Aug 1898*

## ROSE

Yesterday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, **Francis M. Rose** passed away at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. C. W. **Peden**, 120 South Spruce Street. He was 36 years of age, and his wife survives him. Mr. **Rose** was a native of Giles County and resided in Pulaski up to a few years ago when he went to Colorado and engaged in the hardware business with his brother. He returned here four years ago and entered the same business with the firm of **Tennison & Rose**, of which he was a member at the time of his death. He married Miss **Louise Peden** several years ago and their only child died a few months since.

*Nashville Banner, 6 Aug 1898*

## MORRIS

Lynchburg, Aug. 6 -- Mrs. **Emma Locke Morris** died at the home of her father, 'Squire' **Wm. F. Locke**, at Chestnut Ridge, Moore County, on Wednesday night [3 Aug 1898]. Her remains were interred in the Waggoner graveyard near town. She was the wife of Mr. **Loderic J. Morris** of Lincoln County, with one child about 4-years-old, surviving her. Mrs. **Morris** was about 30 years of age and a member of the Methodist Church.

*Nashville Banner, 6 Aug 1898*





## PATTERSON

Mrs. **Elizabeth Patterson**, one of the oldest and best-known women in Davidson County, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. **Ann E. Hill**, nine miles from the city on the Nolensville Road last night. She was 91 years of age and was the widow of Dr. **Everett Patterson**, who before the war, was one of the most prominent physicians and citizens of that section. He entered the Confederate Army as a captain and was killed near the State Asylum while his company was engaged in a skirmish with Union soldiers. Mrs. **Patterson's** funeral will take place tomorrow morning, followed by interment in Mt. Olivet.

*Nashville Banner, 6 Aug 1898*

## DUNNIVANT

Pulaski, Aug. 4 -- Mrs. **Ben Dunnivant**, a most exemplary Christian woman, died Tuesday evening [2 Aug 1898] at the residence of her sister, Mrs. **Louise Birdsong**, about ten miles southeast of Pulaski on the Elkton Turnpike. She leaves two children, both grown. She is a sister of Mr. **Andrew King**, a retail merchant of this city, and Mr. **Milt King**, a farmer in that district. Funeral services were held yesterday at Liberty Church, and burial was at the old Dunnivant graveyard in that vicinity.

*Nashville Banner, 4 Aug 1898*

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## WHITAKER

Lynchburg, Aug 4 -- Mr. **Henderson C. Whitaker**, a prominent and influential citizen of Lincoln County, died at the home of his son, Mr. **Ben A. Whitaker**, near Mulberry. He was about 75 years of age and leaves a wife and six children. The children are Mrs. **J. T. Dardis** and Mrs. **J. C. Crump** of Franklin; Mrs. **Rutherford Brett** of Carthage; Mrs. **W. H. Haynes** of Shelbyville; and Messrs. **Ben A. Whitaker** of Mulberry and **Larkin M. Whitaker** of Nashville.

*Nashville Banner, 4 Aug 1898*

## TAYLOR

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. **Newton W. Taylor** passed away at the residence of his brother, **W. Jasper Taylor**, on West Park Street. He was 66 years of age and had been ill for some time. The deceased was born here 2 Oct 1832 and resided in this city to the date of his death. In his young manhood he worked at the brick mason's trade, and by dint of economy and thrift, accumulated enough money to go into the grocery business, which he carried on successfully for many years. His

last business venture was in real estate, and for the past 20 years he had been prominently engaged in it. Mr. **Taylor** was a man of strong character, true to his friends and generous to his foes. His moral courage was displayed in the fight in which he, along with five others, made here against Know-Nothingism in 1855 when **Andrew Johnson** canvassed the state against that party and its doctrine. The remains of the deceased were interred this afternoon at Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

*Nashville Banner, 4 Aug 1898*

## MARCHBANKS

Col. **C. C. Marchbanks**, Assistant State Commissioner of Agriculture, and one of the best-known citizens of Tennessee, died yesterday afternoon at his home in Highland Park of softening of the brain, brought on by apoplexy. He had been in failing health for several years. He was born in 1843 at White Plains, Overton County, his father being **Benton Marchbanks**. He entered the Confederate Army as a private in Col. **John Savage's** regiment in 1861. After the war, he studied law at Lebanon (Tenn.) University and practiced in the courts of Warren and White Counties until 1889 when he moved to Nashville. He was a man of keen wit and a splendid storyteller, and his lecture, "The Harp of a Thousand Strings," is remembered by all who heard it. He was state senator from the 9<sup>th</sup> District in 1876, elector for the 3<sup>rd</sup> District in 1884 and elector for the state at-large on the **Bryan** ticket in 1896.

*Nashville Banner, 2 Aug 1898*

## FITCH

The funeral of Capt. **J. B. Fitch**, who died Monday night [1 Aug 1898] took place this morning at Elm Street Church. One of Nashville's best-known citizens, he had been ill for a long time, and until Friday had for five weeks been confined in the City Hospital. On that day he was removed to St. Thomas Infirmary where he died. He was for several years proprietor of the Children's Candy Store on Union Street, but for some time previous to his illness was connected with Bowman's Candy Store on Cedar Street.

*Nashville Banner, 2 Aug 1898*

## HARRIS

The funeral of Maj. **Albert W. Harris**, cashier of the American National Bank, took place yesterday afternoon at the family residence on the Murfreesboro Road, with Rev. **J. R. Winchester**, rector of Christ Church, conducting the services. The procession which followed the body to the grave at Mt. Olivet was one of the longest ever seen in Nashville, and was evidence of the popularity of the deceased whose sudden death on Saturday morning [23 Jul 1898] was a shock to his numerous friends and acquaintances. His first experience in the banking business was a collecting clerk for the Third National Bank of Nashville. He was

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promoted to assistant cashier in 1870 and then became cashier of the American National Bank when it was organized in 1883. A native of Nashville, he was born 13 July 1839 and was the son of **William O.** and **Fannie B. Harris**. His father was one of the proprietors of the old *Republican Banner* and was one of the leading newspapermen of his day. Major **Harris** received his principal education at the University of Nashville. His early life was spent in a wholesale shoe house at Memphis, but when the war broke out he enlisted as a private in Co. A, Rock City Guards, First Tennessee Regiment, and won the rank of major by gallantry on the battlefield. He was promoted to Gen. **Maney**'s staff and was transferred to the ordnance department under Col. **Wright** where he remained until the close of the war. He married Miss **Fannie Wilson**, daughter of Dr. **J. R. Wilson**, a prominent citizen of Davidson County. She survives him, along with his daughter, Miss **Mary Lou Harris** and two sons, **W. O.** and **Albert W.**

**Harris**, II. He was a brother of Dr. **J. E. Harris** of Temple, Ohio; **John W. Harris** of Sumner Co., Tenn.; and Mrs. **E. H. Pigue** of Nashville.

*Abstracted from the Nashville Banner, 23 & 25 Jul 1898*

## STAINBACK

**James T. Stainback**, the well-known contractor, died today at the residence of his brother, **George W. Stainback**, 408 Woodland Street. He was unmarried and leaves several brothers and sisters. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

*Nashville Banner, 2 Aug 1898*

## SPEARS

The many friends in this community of Col. **A. L. Spears** were pained to learn of his death on 14 Feb 1900 at his late home in Jasper. He was 58 years of age, was born in Bledsoe County, and has been a resident of Jasper since 1877. Col. **Spears** was one of the leading attorneys of Marion County, a man of sterling worth who was held in high esteem by the entire community. He leaves the following children: Mrs. **W. D. Wright**, Miss **Grace Spears**, and **Alvin Spears**. He was a brother to Col. **W. B. Spears** of Jasper, **N. B. Spears** of Alabama, **J. B. Spears** of Pikeville, and Mrs. **James Roberts** of Sequatchie.

*Chattanooga Press, 23 Feb 1900*

## PARHAM

News was received Wednesday night of the sad death of Mr. **M. B. Parham** of this city who died in a sanitarium in Nashville Wednesday night [21 Mar 1900]. His death was the result of an operation which had been performed last Monday. Mr. **Parham** was one of the best-known and highly esteemed gentlemen in this community. He was a brother to **John H. Parham**, who was with him at the time of his death. Interment will take place Friday morning at Columbia, Tenn. Mr. **Parham** leaves one son about nine years of age who was in school at Columbia. Mr. **Parham** was an active member of Centenary Church.

*Chattanooga Press, 23 Mar 1900*

## LOWRY

Mr. **D. H. Lowry** died at his home near Madisonville [Monroe County] on 18th March. He had only been sick a few days and was 64 years of age. He was the father of **C. A. Lowry**, postmaster at Madisonville.

*Chattanooga Press, 30 Mar 1900*

## LONG

Mrs. **Eliza Long**, one of Chattanooga's oldest residents, died last Saturday [31 Mar 1900] at her home on West Seventh Street. Her deceased husband was the first postmaster of Chattanooga, being

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postmaster of Ross's Landing at the time the name was changed. The funeral was held Sunday from the First Presbyterian Church of which she has been a devoted member since 1843. The services were conducted by Revs. **Bachman** and **McCallie**. Interment was at Citizens Cemetery.

*Chattanooga Press, 6 Apr 1900*

## OXLEY

Col. **F. G. Oxley**, formerly of Chattanooga, died Monday [9 Apr 1900] at his home in Bridgeport after a short illness. The remains were taken to Independence, KY for interment. By his death, he leaves a wife, one son, **Robert**, and one daughter, Mrs. **Walter Selman**.

*Chattanooga Press, 13 Apr 1900*

## LEWIS

The many friends of Mrs. **C. C. Lewis** were pained to learn of her death, which occurred last Saturday [7 Apr 1900] at her late residence on McCallie Avenue. Though she had been sick for some time, it was not thought the end was so near. Her death was a shock to the entire community. She was a beautiful Christian character, and it can be truly said was loved by all who knew her. Mrs. **Lewis** leaves two

daughters, Misses **Mamie** and **Laura**, and one son, **Mike**. The funeral was held Monday morning and was conducted by Rev. **J. W. Bachman**. Interment was at Forest Hills.

*Chattanooga Press, 13 Apr 1900*

## MACGOWAN

Mr. **Frank MacGowan** died Wednesday [11 Apr 1900] at the home of Mr. and Mrs. **William Cooke** on Mission Ridge after a short illness of pneumonia. Mr. **McGowan** was a prominent and well-known citizen. He was the senior member of the firm of **MacGowan & Cooke** and was held in the highest esteem by his employees. Mr. **MacGowan** was a son of Col. **J. E. MacGowan** and resided in this city for many years. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, 12 April at the Unitarian Church. Interment was at White Oak Cemetery.

*Chattanooga Press, 13 Apr 1900*

## WOODEN

Mrs. **T. B. Wooden** of Dayton, Tenn., died last Monday [21 May 1900] at the home of her brother, **H. D. Huffaker**, on Oak Street, this city. She also was a sister to **W. F. Huffaker**, Mrs. **Stevenson** of Rossville, and Miss **Ada Huffaker**. She leaves a husband and three children. The remains were taken to Apison and interred in the family burying ground.

*Chattanooga Press, 25 May 1900*

## GARNER

**Wm. L. Garner** died last Saturday night [26 Apr 1900] at his country home at Hornville, several miles east of Chattanooga, where he has lived since 1887. For ten years, he was

the proprietor of the **Garner** House on Walnut Street. The deceased leaves a wife and two daughters, **Mrs. P. Massey** of Waco, Texas and **Mrs. Felton Jones** of Cartersville, GA. The funeral was held from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in this city and was conducted by **Revs. Logan and Bachman**. The remains were taken to Cartersville, GA for interment.

*Chattanooga Press, 1 June 1900*

### MCBROOM

**Mrs. W. P. McBroom** died Tuesday [28 May 1800] at her home in Highland Park after a long illness. She was the wife of **W. P. McBroom**, secretary-treasurer of the Tennessee Fixture & Showcase Company and manager of the Lookout Planing Mill. The remains were taken to Ooltewah for interment.

*Chattanooga Press, 1 June 1900*

### ALTMAN

**David Altman**, an esteemed resident of this city since 1869, died suddenly Tuesday evening [28 May 1800] at his home on East Fourth Street. He leaves a wife and four children: Misses **Jettie** and **Rebekah**, **Mrs. Calmus** of Birmingham and **Max Altman** of Albany, GA. The deceased was an uncle of **H. and S. Schwartz**.

*Chattanooga Press, 1 June 1900*

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### WARE

**Mrs. Elsie G. Ware**, wife of **A. J. Ware**, died last Sunday night [1 Jul 1900] at Erlanger Hospital from the effects of an operation to remove a tumor. The deceased was born in Mc Minn County in 1862 and was the daughter of Mr. and **Mrs. Nelson Grigg**. After her marriage in 1883, she came to this city and has resided here since that time. She leaves a husband and four children.

*Chattanooga Press, 6 Jul 1900*

### HIXSON

Stephens Chapel, July 2 -- The sad news of the death of **Pleas Hixson** has reached here. He had been ill with consumption for several months. A short time ago, his brother, **Reuben Hixson**, took him to the western part of Texas in hopes that the change would help him, but he died a short time after his arrival there, and his body was interred in the Lone Star State. He was one of the best and most respected young men in our valley, and his death has cast a gloom over

the entire community.  
*Chattanooga Press, 6 Jul 1900*

### WOLFE

Conductor **H. L. Wolfe**, of the Chattanooga Southern Railway, died Tuesday night [10 Jul 1900] at his home in Alton Park as a result of injuries received in a wreck about two months ago. Deceased was 50-years-old and had been with the Chattanooga Southern ever since the road was built. He leaves a wife and five children.

*Chattanooga Press, 13 Jul 1900*

### WALLACE

**Rev. J. A. Wallace**, for several years a resident of Highland Park, Tenn., died Monday [9 Jul 1900] at Bristol, Tenn., while on a visit to his brother. The immediate cause of his death was heart trouble. He was a former pastor of the Highland Park Presbyterian Church. By his death he leaves a wife and one daughter, Miss **Mary Belle Wallace**, who were at his bedside at the time of his death; and also one son who is a preacher in Alabama. The remains were taken to Soddy for interment. **Rev. J. W. Bachman** conducted the services.

*Chattanooga Press, 13 Jul 1900*

## LOVELESS

**J. B. Loveless** of Estill Springs in Franklin County, was among the census enumerators appointed to begin work 1 June 1900. But he was taken sick before he could commence, and Miss **Dora Arledge** was appointed 31 May to take his place. A few days later, Mr. Loveless died. The following article, written by his daughter, **Tennie Loveless**, appeared in the *Chattanooga Press* on 27 Jul 1900:

*"James B. Loveless was born in South Carolina in 1834. He departed this life June 18th, 1900, aged 66 years, one month, and 13 days. He joined the Methodist Episcopal Church at the age of 13, and at the age of 18 began as an exhorter in aiding the church. In 1854 he was licensed to preach. In 1856 he was elected to the Alabama conference. In 1864 he was married to Sarah J. Crofford of Atlanta, Ga. and proved to be a true husband and father. He suffered a great deal during his sickness, but had patience and bore all without complaining. He was the father of 11 children, two of whom have gone to that same sweet rest some time ago, but his wife and 9 children still remain with many other relatives to mourn his loss."*

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### TIDWELL

Mrs. **Lucy Tidwell** died here Wednesday [25 Jul 1900] at the home of her son on Rossville Avenue at the advanced age of 94 years. She came to this county in 1821 with her parents from South Carolina, where she was born. She learned the Cherokee language, and her death removes the last person speaking that tongue in this vicinity. The deceased had eight children, four of whom are living. Mrs. **J. L. Whiteside** of Lookout Mountain, the mother of **Claude Whiteside**, is a daughter of Mrs. Tidwell. For many years she has been a devoted member of the Christian church. She leaves by her death 23 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren. At the funeral Thursday, four generations were present.  
*Chattanooga Press, 27 Jul 1900*

### EVANS

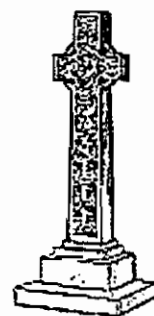
Mrs. **Palmyra Evans**, wife of Capt. **J. W. Evans**, died last Sunday [16 Sep 1900] at Erlanger Hospital. She has been an invalid for several years. Mrs. **Evans** was a native of Virginia but has been a Chattanooga resident since 1855. She was admired and respected by a large circle of friends. The funeral was held Tuesday from the home on Vine Street, Dr. **Bachman** officiating.

*Chattanooga Press, 21 Sep 1900*

### MOFFITT

Mrs. **Kate Moffitt**, wife of **William Moffitt, Sr.**, died Monday [17 Sep 1900] at her home in Hill City from a heart attack. She was a highly respected lady, and a host of friends mourn their loss. She leaves her husband and four children: Misses **Bessie** and **Edna**, **Wm. Moffitt, Jr.**, and **Charles**, who is in Colorado. The funeral was held from the residence Tuesday morning, with interment in White Oak Cemetery.

*Chattanooga Press, 21 Sep 1900*



## ***Williamsons Form Family Organization at Reunion in Monteagle***

Descendants of **Cuthbert Williamson**, in a reunion held 21-22 July 1898, at Monteagle, formed a permanent organization to collect information concerning the family's history. The **Williamsons** are a large and influential family whose ancestry dates back to 1630. **Cuthbert Williamson** lived in Charlotte Co., Va., during the close of the 18th Century.

Officers of the new organization are: Mr. **Henry C. Williamson** of Memphis, president and treasurer; Miss **Florence Williamson** of Culleoka, Tenn., secretary; and Maj. **John T. Williamson** of Columbia, Tenn., statistician and chairman of the executive committee. Reunions will be held annually, probably at Monteagle, that location being a central point. And, **Henry Williamson's** handsome new two-story summer home there offers ample accommodations for a large party.

Others present for the first day of the reunion on 21 July were **George C. Williamson**, Culleoka, Tenn., aged 83 years; Dr. **W. E. Harroway**, Florence, Ala., 83 years; Mrs. **Mary A. Jeffries**, Gray's Summit, Mo., 70 years; **J. P. Williamson**, Petersburg, Va., 76 years; **Samuel M. Williamson**, Lynchburg, Va., 65 years; **E. M. Williamson**, Danville, Va., 63 years; **William C. Williamson**, Amherst Court House, Va., 48 years; **John R. Williamson**, Louisville, Ky., 55 years; **Charles S. Williamson**, Culleoka, Tenn., 61 years, and wife; Miss **Lottie Gray Williamson**, Columbia; Mrs. **J. B. Newby** and Miss **Florence Newby**, St. Louis, Mo.; Dr. **James G. Williamson** and Misses **Rebecca** and **Annie Williamson**, Columbia; Mrs. **Annie Seabury**, Petersburg, Va.; Dr. and Mrs. **W. G. Moore** and Miss **Jessie Moore**, St. Louis; **John I. Fisher**, North Middleton, Ky.; **O. S. Smith**, Lynnville; **C. S. Brown, Jr.** and Miss **Ruth Brown**, Obion Station.

Speakers included **E. B. Andrews**, president of Brown University and **Lawton B. Evans** of Augusta, Ga. [Abstracted from the *Nashville Banner*, 21 & 23 Jul 1898]



## ***Believe It Or Not ....***

The following item appeared in the *Nashville Banner* on 5 Aug 1898 and was attributed to an unnamed Dyer County correspondent for the *Crockett County Sentinel*:

*"Several days ago, Mr. H. G. Drummond of Newport, Ark., formerly of Dyer County, sent a monument from his town to Hurricane Hill to be placed at the grave of his wife. She had been dead about 10 years, and they had almost forgotten her grave, and to be sure of the right one, Mr. Albert Drummonds dug into the grave. When the coffin was opened, her face was recognized by all who knew her before her death. Her sister, Mrs. Lula Drummonds, took her hair down and fixed it up again. Her clothing was scarcely soiled at all."*

Newspapers of the 1890's seldom varied in the way they described certain things. *The Nashville Banner* acknowledged this eccentricity on 20 Aug 1898 with a story captioned, "Nuts for Correspondents and Contributors to Crack:"

~Refreshments at an evening entertainment are always "dainty."

~"Important business" is always transacted, and "a large attendance" is always "desired."

~"Routine business" also is always "transacted."

~The bride is always "beautiful and attractive" and the dead woman always possesses "qualities of heart and mind."

~"The public" is always "invited" to church entertainments.

~"Miss 'Blank' always returns from a "pleasant visit to friends," and she always returns home."

~"All entertainments are "delightful," and the hostess is always "charming."

~A man is always "held up and robbed," but a "miscreant snatches a purse from a lady." She is never "held up."

~The "late" Mr. Jones is always "laid to rest."

~The services are always "impressive," and the preacher always "holds the attention" of his congregation "throughout" whether they are asleep or awake.

~The prisoner is always "taken into custody."



# Shelby County Deeds of the 1840's

## INSTALLMENT 5

*Abstracted from microfilm of Shelby County Deed Book O*

*by Jean A. West and Dorothy M. Roberson*

### *Pages 161-162*

Deed dated 29 Oct 1841: For \$300 consideration, **John S. Claybrook**, acting executor of the will of **John Overton**, deceased, conveys to **William Spickernagle** part of original county lot #505. Lot begins at intersection of north side of Poplar Street Extended and south side of Market Street and runs to lot sold earlier to **Spickernagle**. [Lot size not given.] Witnesses: **M. B. Winchester**, **William Armour, Jr.** Deed acknowledged by **Claybrook** before deputy county court clerk 20 June 1843. Recorded same date.

### *Page 163*

Deed dated 8 June 1843: For \$1,000 consideration, **Conrad Baumgartner** conveys to **Johann Baumgartner** Lot #41 in Square 12 of plat of town of Fort Pickering with appurtenances. **Conrad Baumgartner** acknowledged deed before deputy county court clerk 13 June 1843; deed recorded 27 June 1843.

### *Page 164*

Deed dated 18 January 1843: For \$500 consideration, **Edwin Hickman** and **Lemuel Austin** convey to **John Frank**, **Frederick Bruns**, and **Henry Wise** Lot #399 in Memphis. Lot fronts 148.6 feet on north side of Winchester Street and runs back 148.6 feet to Commerce Street. Witnesses: **W. Stockton**, **P. G. Gaines**, **C. L. Hardaway**. Deed acknowledged by **Hickman** and **Austin** before deputy county court clerk 19 June 1843; recorded 27 June 1843.

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Deed of trust dated 4 Jan 1843: **James T. Leath** of Memphis, acknowledging that he owes **John Frank** \$1,200, executes 36 notes to **Frank** for \$600. Notes, each for \$16.66-2/3rds cents, to be paid monthly for next three years. As security, **Leath** conveys to **Frank** mortgage on Lot #384 in Memphis situated at corner of Winchester and Third Streets, fronting 74' 3" to Commerce Street. Obligation null and void if **Leath** pays notes with interest by due dates. Witnesses: **D. Adams**, **L. Pringwerth(?)**. Deed of trust acknowledged by **Leath** before deputy county court clerk 11 Jan 1843. Recorded 28 June 1843.

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Deed dated 23 Jan 1843: For \$300 consideration, **William J. Rawlings** conveys to **John Franks** undivided lot in Memphis situated east of Lots #309 and 310. Numbered in **William Lawrence's** manuscript plan as #386, lot begins on west side of Third Street at intersection on south side of Jackson, runs north-east 148.6 feet to an alley, then same distance to other alley. Appurtenances and improvements included. Witnesses **W. D. Mays**, **Austin Authe** proved deed before deputy county court clerk 25 Jan 1843. Recorded 28 June 1843.

Mortgage dated 6 June 1843: For \$10 consideration, **Henry R. Pugh** conveys to **Jeptha Fowlks** one Negro man named **George**, aged about 38 years, with wife, **Rose**, aged about 20 years. Condition of sale is that **Pugh** this day executed \$518.42 note payable to **Fowlks** in 12 months with interest. If note is unpaid at maturity, **Fowlks** is to advertise and sell the two Negroes. **Pugh** acknowledged mortgage before deputy county court clerk 6 June 1843. Recorded 28 June 1843.

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Deed dated 22 Jan 1842: For \$289 consideration, **John W. Moorland** conveys to **Haman Bolster** 1-1/4 acres in Shelby County, beginning at stake 10 feet from south edge of Memphis & La Grange Railroad, running southeast to stake on north edge of Union Street, then northwest to southeast corner of lot that **Moorland** sold to **S. W. Jefferson** and back to beginning. Witnesses: **S. A. Norton**, **J. T. Jefferson**. **Moorland** acknowledged deed 20 Feb 1843 before deputy county court clerk; recorded 27 June 1843.



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Deed dated 14 Mar 1843: For \$200 consideration, **Haman Bolster** conveys to **John Delahay** lot near Memphis beginning at stake 10 feet from south edge of Memphis & La Grange Railroad, running south with railroad and 98 feet parallel with **Jefferson's** line to stake on north side of Union Street, then to southeast corner of lot sold by **J. W. Moorland** to **S. W. Jefferson**, and northeast to beginning stake. **Bolster** acknowledged deed 14 Mar 1843 before deputy county court clerk; recorded 28 June 1843.

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Decree of Middle Division, Chancery Court, issued at Franklin, Williamson Co., Tenn., April 1843, Term in matter of **William Donelson & others vs John C. McLemore**: In keeping with decree issued at October 1842 term, Court Clerk **Benjamin Litton** ascertained amounts due with interest to each of creditors mentioned in bill. In all, creditors — identified as **Robert Woods**, **Oliver B. Hays**, **Jacob D. Donelson**, **William Donelson**, **Marcus B. Winchester**, **Samuel J. Hays**, and **John Donelson, Sr.** — have a \$23,986.17 lien on lands conveyed by **John C. McLemore** to **William** and **Stokely Donelson**. In regard to **William Donelson's** claim of \$13,090.13, it appears that he and **McLemore** made settlement 27 Apr 1841 in which **McLemore** was to pay **Donelson** \$1,920 in installments. On 23 Aug 1842, after reviewing settlement, it was believed injustice had been done to **Donelson** in amount of \$5,000. **McLemore** agreed to pay off this amount in land, but later demand was made for cash payment. With this still unpaid, **Donelson's** claim is now \$29,086.17. **McLemore** made another mortgage 8 Aug 1842 to secure \$6,033.05 in claims to **Willoughby Williams** and **Oliver B. Hays** after satisfying first claims from property conveyed to **Donelsons**. On 7 Sep 1843 **McLemore** made another trust deed to secure \$2,525.02 in debts due **Robert Woods** and **S. J. Hays**. Clerk's report was submitted and confirmed 27 Apr 1843. In line with court decree, clerk on 14 Jan 1843 sold real estate mentioned in report after duly advertising its sale. [Four lines of microfilm faded out at this point.]. Forty acres of **McLemore's** estate were sold to **Hays** for \$30 per acre or \$1,200 for whole tract. Clerk said he had not required notes' execution because **Hays** claimed larger amount than his bid and court is to settle claim. **Frederick P. Stanton**, **Jeptha Fowlks**, **C. D. McLean**, and **M. B. Winchester**, commissioners appointed to sell **McLemore's** land in the Western District, duly advertised sales in Memphis and Nashville newspapers and on 4 Feb 1843 sold several parcels of land in Fort Pickering to highest bidders. Parcels were unsold portion of Fort Pickering tract laid off to **McLemore** in division of Grant #19060 issued by State of Tennessee to **John Ramsey** and **John Overton**. Tract was divided into four lots and sold subject to streets, roads, and earlier sales by **McLemore**.

Highest bidders for McLemore lands in Shelby County:

**Willoughby Williams:**

- Lot #1 containing 441 acres @ \$10 per acre
- Lot #2 containing 205 acre @ \$15 per acre
- Lot #3 containing 346.2 acres @ \$20 per acre
- Lot #4 containing 232.2 acres @ \$40 per acre
- One undivided half of 5,000 acres @ \$1 per acre, being same land State of Tennessee granted **McLemore** and **A. B. Carr** [Grant #21781 dated 12 Jul 1825]
- 1,000 acres @ \$1 per acre, being same land State of North Carolina granted **Thomas Talbot** [Grant #386 dated 27 Nov 1793] and conveyed by **Talbot** to **McLemore**
- Undivided half of 1,000 acres @ \$1.10, being same entered in name of **McLemore** and **Joseph H. Bryan** [Entry #818, Warrant #934]

**R. C. Brinkley:**

- 532-½ acres @ 75 cents per acre, being same land granted by State of Tennessee to **Hardy Murphree's** heirs for 3,840 acres [Grant #19222 dated 3 June 1823] and sold by them to **McLemore**. For purchase price, **Brinkley**, with **F. P. Stanton** as his security, executed three bonds, each for \$133.33 payable to court clerk at 6-, 12-, and 24-months respectively after 4 Jul 1843.

Highest bidders for McLemore lands in Lauderdale County

**David Queen:**

- Fifteen acres @ \$30 per acre, being part of country Lot #525 containing 52-½ acres designated on plan of division between original proprietors of Memphis and lying north of Bayou Gayoso. **Queen**, however, failed to comply with purchase terms and his bonds were returned with clerk's report. Purchase was set aside, and court ordered clerk to convey land in question to **Oliver B. Hays** by deed.

**Willoughby Williams:**

- **McLemore's** one-third interest in 760 acres in Lauderdale County @ \$2.50 per acre, land having been granted by State of Tennessee [Grant #21036 dated 1 Jan 26] to **James Trimble, Matthew Barrow, and McLemore**. For purchase price, **Williams**, with **Benjamin H. Sheppard** as his security, on 4 Jul 1843 executed three written obligations, each for \$9,466.66 and payable respectively to court clerk in 6-, 12-, and 24-months.

Clerk's report included \$28 bill from **Henry Van Pelt** for publication in *Memphis Appeal*. Report was confirmed by court-appointed commissioners. **Willoughby Williams**, being largest purchaser of property in Western District, was authorized to "lift" his notes deposited in clerk's office. Complainants ordered to pay court costs out of debts due from **Brinkley**, and court approved pay of \$ \_\_\_ per day [microfilm illegible] to commissioners. Any two of them can sell on 6-, 12-, or 24-months credit the land purchased by **David Queen** and report at next court term. Decree recorded in Shelby County 1 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 10 Dec 1842: For \$600 consideration, **James Rose and Richard Bigelow**, acting for late firm of Baker Johnson & Co. of Shelby Co., Tenn. and New York Co., N.Y., convey to **Seth Wheatley** of Memphis parcel of land designated on plan of Memphis as part of Lot #52. Parcel, 25'x50', is bound by Mississippi Row and Winchester Street, and is same land **Rose** conveyed by trust deed to **Wheatley** on 21 Jan 1839 [recorded in Book G, pp. 443-445]. With **Wheatley** having been paid and debt secured by trust deed discharged, this conveyance is made to vest in him and his heirs a complete and absolute title to the property. **Bigelow** is surviving partner charged with liquidating Baker Johnson & Co. Witnesses **P. G. Gaines** and **Eugene Mageveny** proved deed 28 June 1843, and it was recorded 1 Jul 1873.

Deed of trust dated 27 June 1843: **Thomas R. Gibson** executes 12-month note to secure \$19 debt he owes **Reddin Corbit**. To further secure payment, **Gibson** gives in trust one small wagon and two yoke of oxen about seven or eight-years-old. If debt paid before 27 June 1844, obligation is void; if not, it is to remain in full force. **Gibson** appoints **Joseph Winford** trustee to advertise and sell items to highest bidder in event debt is not paid after one year. Witnesses: **R. R. Pickle, Benjamin Winford**. Trust deed acknowledged 28 June 1843 by **Gibson** before deputy county court clerk; recorded 1 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 22 Aug 1840: **Joseph H. Talbot** of Madison Co., Tenn., on 4 Feb 1840 entered into agreement with **Ransom H. Byron** of Marshall Co., Miss., to exchange one-half of lot in Memphis for one-half of certain tract of land in Mississippi lying on Mississippi River and known as **Isaac Irving (?)** reservation. **Byron** conveyed one-half of tract to **Talbot** and sold one-half of lot to **John Trigg** of Shelby Co., Tenn, giving him a title bond. To make good the contract between **Byron** and **Trigg**, **Talbot** conveys north half of Lot No. \_\_\_ [left blank] to **Trigg**. It adjoins **Trigg's** brick warehouse fronting promenade in Memphis, and is half of lot purchased by **John F. Schabell**. Witnesses: **H. W. McCorry, R. C. Brinkley**. **Talbot** personally confirmed bargain and deed before **James D. McClellan**, Shelby County court clerk, on 18 Sep 1840. Both were recorded 30 June 1843.

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Deed dated 27 Oct 1841: **John S. Claybrook**, acting as executor of the late **John Overton's** will and being empowered by Chancery Court for Middle Division of Tennessee, sitting at Franklin, Williamson County, has sold and does transfer to **John Trigg** for \$5 south half of Lot #73 as laid down in plan of Memphis. Lot begins 37 feet southwest of intersection of first alley north of Adams Street with Mississippi Row, runs southeast 148 feet to front alley, and south 37 feet down alley to north boundary of Lot #74. **Claybrook** acknowledged deed 29 Oct 1841, and it was recorded 1 Jul 1843 in Shelby County.

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Bill of Sale dated 26 June 1843: **R. & P. H. Ezell** and **T. T. Armstrong** have received \$975 from **William Robinson** as payment in full for two negro slaves: **Abram**, aged about 26 years, and **Washington**, aged about 14 years. Both are warranted to be sound, healthy, and sensible. **Ezell**, as member of **Ezell & Armstrong** firm, acknowledged sale before deputy county court clerk 26 June 1843. Recorded 1 Jul 1843.

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Title Bond dated 14 June 1843: **William Robinson**, being firmly bound to **Isaac Suggs** for \$4,150, conveys to him 207- $\frac{1}{2}$  acres in Range 6, Section 1 of 11th Surveyors District in Shelby County. Not included is part of railroad that runs through the tract, as it belongs to railroad company and is excluded from the 207- $\frac{1}{2}$  acres in survey. Acreage adjoins southwest corner of **John Robinson's** 100-acre tract, and east boundary line of **McLemore** and **Blacklan's** (?) 640-acre tract. If **William Robinson** makes general warranty deed to above land by 25 Dec 1845 or as soon as **Suggs** executes payment of \$687.50 note due by that date, obligation is null and void. Otherwise, it is to remain in full force. Witnesses: **John Wherry**, **Isaac Suggs**. Title bond acknowledged by **William Robinson** before county court clerk 1 Jul 1843; recorded same date.

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Deed dated 4 Jan 1843: **Muscogee Co., Georgia:** For \$300 consideration, **William P. McKeen** sells to **Hampton S. Smith** Lot #5 in Section 4, Township 1, Range 5 west of basis meridian of Chickasaw Cession in state of Tennessee. **McKeen** personally acknowledged before Judge **Joseph Sturgis** of Supreme Court, Chattahoochee Circuit, Ga., that he signed deed 4 Jan 1843. Shelby Co., Tenn., court clerk certified he received state tax on deed 3 Jul 1843. Deed recorded in Shelby County 4 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 20 Mar 1843: For \$800 consideration, **John W. Guthredge** of Crittenden, Ark., conveys tract of land in Memphis containing about 7/8ths acre to **James Minton** and **Angus C. Chisholm**, partners trading in merchandise under title of **Minton, Chisholm & Company** of Louisiana. Tract adjoins land of **Thomas Pitman**, State Line Road, **John Guthredge**, **M. Gabriel J. Slaughter**, and **Jeptha Fowlks**. Witnesses: **P. G. Gallaher**, **Granville Louis**. **Guthredge** acknowledged deed before Shelby County deputy clerk 30 June 1843 and paid state tax. Deed recorded 3 Jul 1843.

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Partnership Contract dated 8 May 1843: For \$500 consideration, **Francis S. Latham** conveys to **H. L. Guion** one-third part of printing materials, presses, type, fixtures, etc., of printing establishment of *American Eagle* newspaper office in Memphis, one-third of profits, and other rights, privileges, and perquisites usually belonging to equitable partnership business. Establishment will be known as **Latham & Guion** for purpose of continuing publication of newspaper and conducting general printing. Under agreement, **Latham** gives his services and stake in appurtenances now in editorial office of newspaper and printing establishment, and **Guion** gives his services in regard to bookkeeping, making collections, and transacting concern's general business, etc. **Latham**, owning two-thirds of business, shall be entitled to two-thirds of net proceeds, and **Guion**, owning one-third, shall be entitled to one-third of net proceeds, and in case of a loss, vice versa. Firm shall contract no debt except for articles absolutely necessary to carry on business such as office rent, board of hands and persons employed in office, etc. Firm's name

shall never be used as insurer of any note, bond, or obligation nor as stayer of an execution for any person whatsoever. At end of one year, **Guion** has option of paying **Latham** an additional \$250 or, after taking out one-third of net proceeds, withdrawing from firm. **Latham** shall refund \$500 to **Guion**, take back his interest, and pay him one-third of cost of such items as may be added to office during the year after deducting reasonable amount for wear and tear of same. For \$1 consideration, **Latham** and **Guion** jointly and severally convey in trust above described equipment for faithful performance of contract to **E. H. Porter** and appoint him trustee. If both parties comply with above contract, then trustship to be void, but if either fails to comply with his part of contract, **Porter**, as trustee, after giving 20 days' notice, is to proceed to sell defaulting party's interest for the other's benefit. **Latham** and **Guion** acknowledged contract before deputy county court clerk 1 Jul 1843. Recorded 3 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 9 Nov 1841: For \$205 consideration, La Grange & Memphis Railroad Company conveys to **William H. Edwards** Lot #27 in Square #5 in town of Fort Pickering. Lot, 25' wide and 118- $\frac{1}{2}$  deep, fronts on Jackson Street and runs back north to an alley. Deed is signed by **Eastin Morris**, president, and **George W. Adams**, cashier. Deed acknowledged by **Morris** before deputy county court clerk 17 Nov 1841; recorded 5th Dec 1843.

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Deed dated 5 Jul 1843: For \$320 consideration, **John C. McLemore** of Shelby County conveys to **James S. Moffat** of Obion Co., Tenn., Lot #29 in Square #11 in town of Fort Pickering. Lot fronts 25 feet on Broadway and runs back 170 feet to an alley. Witnesses: **E. S. Todd**, **W. J. Strong**. Deed acknowledged by **McLemore** before deputy county court clerk 6 Jul 1843; recorded same date.

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Deed of Trust dated 15 Jul 1843: For \$100 consideration, **Thomas Washington** and **Preston Hay** convey to **P. C. Gallagher** two large feather beds, bedsteads and furniture, one small featherbed and furniture, one sofa, two bureaus, one wardrobe, three dozen chairs, two mahogany tables, one small table, one carpet, and other household and kitchen furniture now in possession of **Thomas Webb**. Items are all the personal property **Webb** conveyed to **Gallagher** by trust deed dated 6 May 1842 and registered in Shelby County Book M, pp. 167-168. Conveyance acknowledged 5 Jul 1843 by **Preston Hay** on his own behalf and as attorney-in-fact for **Thomas Washington** before deputy county court clerk. Recorded 8 Jul 1843.

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Bill of Sale dated 5 Jul 1843: For \$10 consideration, **P. C. Gallagher** conveys to **John Andrews** two large feather beds, bedsteads and furniture, one small featherbed and furniture, one sofa, two bureaus, one wardrobe, three dozen chairs, two mahogany tables, one small table, one carpet, and other household and kitchen furniture lately in possession of **Thomas Webb** at his dwelling house in Memphis, being same bought by **Gallagher** from **Webb's** trustees **Thomas Washington** and **Preston Hay** on 5 Jul 1843. **Andrews** is to hold the property for the use and benefit of **Margaret Webb**, wife of **Thomas Webb**, during her lifetime and it is to be kept separate and apart from her husband and not subject to his debts or under his control. At her death the property is to be distributed among her female children. If **Margaret Webb** requests, property can be sold and proceeds reinvested or used for her comfort and convenience. **Gallagher** acknowledged bill of sale before deputy county court clerk 6 Jul 1843; recorded 8 Jul 1843.

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Deed of Trust dated 4 Jul 1843: **Josiah Baugh** conveys to **Richard G. Clarke** for \$5 the man slave **Isaac**, his wife, **Malinda**, and three children, **Ned**, **Martin**, and **Elizabeth**, and one boy named **Jesse**. Trust deed is made to secure payment of \$1,335 debt **Baugh** owes Farmers and Merchants Bank of Memphis. A \$667.50 note made by **Baugh** 24 Apr 1843 is due in 12 months, and another of same size is due two years after date. **Ellison Clark** and **D. I. Lane** are securities for notes. If **Baugh** or his securities pay debt by due date, trust deed to be void. Otherwise, **Richard Clarke** as trustee is to sell slaves at public auction after giving due public notice. Net proceeds are to be used to satisfy debt with any remain-

ing balance to go to **Baugh**. Trust deed acknowledged by **Baugh** before deputy county court clerk 4 Jul 1843; recorded 10 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 16 May 1840: For \$2,200 consideration, **Roland M. Hensley** and **Charles T. Hensley** convey to **John Kirk** and **William Thomas** parcel of land in Shelby County on north side of Market Street and east of Bayou Gayoso. Parcel begins at southeast corner of lot **Henry C. Walker** purchased from the **Hensleys**, runs 107-½ feet south with Market Street, then northeast 103 feet to **Walker's** line and back to beginning. Parcel embraces portion of Lots 14 and 15 and is part of purchase from **William D. Mays**. Deed acknowledged 16 May 1843 by **Roland M.** and **Charles T. Hensley** before deputy county court clerk; recorded 8 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 30 June 1843: For \$525 consideration, **Anderson B. Carr** conveys to **J. P. Caruthers** original Lot #124 in Memphis, Subdivision 1, on west side of Main Street between Poplar and Washington. Subdivision is at intersection of west side of Main Street with south side of Front Alley south of and parallel with Poplar Street. Witnesses: **M. B. Winchester**, **Geo. W. Winchester**. Deed acknowledged by **Carr** before deputy county court clerk 6 Jul 1843; recorded 8 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 2 Jan 1843: For \$1,000 consideration, **James M. Youngblood** conveys to **James Gray** 113 acres in Shelby County, Range 5, Section 3 in 11th Surveyor's District. Land is part of 640-acre entry in name of **McLemore** and **Henderson**, and begins at northwest corner of **Youngblood's** 320-acre survey thence south to stake in Stage Road and further south to stake in **McLemore** and **Henderson's** east boundary line, north to northeast corner of **McLemore** and **Henderson's** 640 acres, and west to beginning. **Youngblood** acknowledged deed 7 Jul 1843 before deputy county court clerk; recorded 10 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 15 Feb 1843: For \$500 consideration, La Grange & Memphis Railroad Company conveys to **Michael McNamee** four lots in town of Fort Pickering -- namely, Lot #5 in Square #5, and Lots #28, 29, and 30 in Square #22 -- with all hereditaments and appurtenances. Lot #5 fronts 25 feet on Alabama Street and runs back 118-½ feet to an alley. Other three lots each front on Jackson Street and run back 100 feet with Lot 30 being at intersection of Fifth and Jackson Streets. Deed signed by **Eastin Morris**, company president, and witnessed by **Henry Green**, **John B. Acree**. Acknowledged by **Morris** before deputy county court clerk 6 Apr 1843; recorded 11 Jul 1843.

Bill of Sale dated 7 Jul 1843: For \$800 in cash, **R. A. Allen** conveys to **Robert C. Campbell** a man slave named **William**, about 27 years old, of yellow complexion, about 5 feet, 8 or 9 inches high and of sound body and mind. **Allen** acknowledged bill of sale 13 Jul 1843 before **John W. Fuller**, Shelby County court clerk and it was recorded same day.

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Deed of Trust dated 7 May 1841: **Thomas C. McMackin** conveyed five slaves to **John Brown** by trust deed -- namely, **Billy**, aged about 32; **Bob**, aged about 16; **Leah**, aged about 27; **Lucinda**, aged about 22; and **Tillar**, aged about 52. Deed made to secure certain debts, which on 1 Jan 1843 remained unpaid, and **Brown** has proceeded to advertise and sell the slaves in Memphis (with exception of **Tillar**, who has died since trust was executed) on 12-months credit to highest bidders. **William Hyer** bid \$420 for **Lucinda** and executed his bond to agent **Leroy Pope, Jr.**, with **Samuel Watson** and **Miles Owen** as his securities on 8 Apr 1843. **Brown** acknowledged bill of sale 11 Jul 1843 before **James Rose**, deputy county court clerk, and it was recorded 13 Jul 1843.

Deed of Trust dated 8 May 1843: For \$1 consideration, **William Hyer** conveys to **James Rose** one Negro woman named **Lucinda**, aged about 24, black complexion, sound in both body and mind, and also one mahogany piano with rosewood front. Foregoing bill of sale made in trust to secure payment of debt **Hyer** owes **W. F. Allen** and **A. A. Smithwick** of the firm of **Allen & Smithwick**. One bill is due 1st Apr 1843, and **Allen** and **Smithwick** have become **Hyer's** security in stay of three judgments obtained 6 Apr 1843 before **James Rose**, Esq. One judgment is in favor of **James W. Alexander** for \$183.78; and other two are in favor of **Henry Alexander** for \$83.22 and \$45.69 respectively. If **Hyer** discharges debts by 5 Jan 1844, bill of sale will be null and void; otherwise, Trustee **James Rose** shall on that day advertise and sell **Lucinda** and piano 10 days thereafter and pay off debts specified. Witness: **R. A. Blount**. Trust deed acknowledged by **Hyer** 13 Jul 1843 before county court clerk and recorded same day.

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Deed of Release dated 15 Mar 1843: **William L. Vance** heretofore executed title bond to **John Brown** on two-acre parcel of land east of Bayou Gayoso near Memphis on Union Street Extended. Parcel begins at southeast corner of **James H. Lowrance's** three-acre lot and runs to his northeast corner, then southwest to stake at north boundary of Union St. Extended and northwest to beginning. In consideration of premises and for further \$600 consideration to be paid **Brown** by **Leroy Pope, Jr.**, who has paid \$100 of this amount and executed promissory notes payable in annual installments from 15 Mar 1843 for balance, **Brown** releases and conveys to **Vance** all his interest in the two acres and authorizes **Vance** to make good and sound title to **Pope** and his heirs. **Brown** acknowledged deed of release before county court clerk 11 Jul 1843, and it was recorded 13 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 15 Mar 1843: For \$600 consideration to be paid by **Leroy Pope, Jr.** to **John Brown** of De Soto Co., Miss. -- \$100 of which **Pope** has paid in cash and executed the balance in promissory notes payable in five annual installments from this date with interest -- **William L. Vance** conveys two acres in Shelby County east of Bayou Gayoso near city of Memphis. [Description same as in above Deed of Release.] **Vance** acknowledged deed before county court clerk 11 Jul 1843, and it was recorded same day.

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Deed of Trust dated 13 Jul 1843: For \$5 consideration, **Elisha G. Conant** conveys to **Seth Wheatley** and **Joseph R. Williams** the following: [1] part of Lot #70 in town of Memphis, fronting 20 feet on promenade and running back eastwardly 148-½ feet; [2] all of his interest in 34'x148' portion of Lot #70 that **W. A. Bickford** leased to him 21 June 1842 for 10 years, starting at corner of Front Row and Washington Street, running north, then eastwardly, and back to beginning; [3] all of his interest in portion of Lot #70 at intersection of Washington and Front Row that he purchased from **John McLemore** by deed acknowledged 12 Jul 1843 before deputy county court clerk. This conveyance made in trust to secure payment of five promissory notes **Conant** made for \$1,000 each and due in seven months. Conveyance to be null and void if **Conant** pays notes by due date. If notes unpaid at maturity, **Wheatley** and **Williams** are to take possession of property and, after 10 days' notice in newspaper, sell it to highest bidder for cash and use net proceeds to pay off notes. **Conant** acknowledged trust deed before deputy county court clerk 13 Jul 1843 and it was recorded same date.

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Deed dated 1 Sep 1842: For \$700 consideration, **John C. McLemore** conveys to **Thomas H. Allen** three-acre tract in Shelby County beginning where west side of Lauderdale Street intersects with south boundary line of South Memphis. Witnesses **C. D. McLean** and **A. B. Carr** appeared before deputy county court clerk 11 Jul 1843 and swore that **McLemore** acknowledged deed in their presence. Deed recorded 14 Jul 1843.

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Bill of Sale dated 10 May 1843: **M. M. McKay** this day received \$650 from **Robert G. Fellow** as full payment for two Negro girls, **Caladonia**, about 20 years of age, and **Charity**, about nine years of age.



Witnesses: **James A. Sims, John Fellow**. Bill of sale acknowledged by **McKay** before deputy county court clerk 17 May 1843. Recorded 15 Jul 1843.

Bill of Sale dated 8 Apr 1843: **Thomas C. McMakin**, by deed of trust dated 7 May 1841 and recorded in Shelby Deed Book K, pp. 383-385, conveyed to **John Brown** five slaves – **Billy**, aged about 32; **Bob**, aged about 16; **Leah**, aged about 27; **Lucinda**, aged about 22; and **Tiller**, aged about 50. Trust deed was made to secure certain debts and contained provision to sell slaves if debt or any portion of it or interest was not paid by 1 Jan 1843. Debts not having been paid, **Brown** proceeded to advertise and sell the slaves with exception of **Tiller**, who had since died. Deed was executed in Memphis on 12-months' credit, and slave **Lucinda** was sold to **Gardner B. Locke**, highest bidder, for \$355. **Locke**, with **Levi Prescott, Warren Prescott** and **W. A. Bickford** as securities, executed bond to **Leroy Pope, Jr.**, agent, at 12-months from 8 Apr 1843. **Brown** as trustee conveys slave to **Locke**, his heirs, and assigns in bill of sale dated 8 Apr 1843. Bill of sale acknowledged by **Brown** before deputy county court clerk 11 Jul 1843; recorded 17 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 30 June 1843: For \$407.50 consideration, **James R. Williams** and wife, **Ann E. Williams**, convey to **William B. Wilson** 40-3/4ths acres on south side of Nonconner [Nonconnah] Creek west of Pigeon Roost Road in Shelby County and is part of **James P. Kimble** tract. Deed acknowledged 5 Jul 1843 by **Williams** before county court clerk and separately by his wife, **Ann**, before **Thomas Holeman**, justice of the peace, on 7 Jul 1843. Recorded 16 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 6 May 1842: For \$181.50 consideration, **James R. Williams** and wife, **Ann E. Williams**, convey to **William B. Wilson** 16-1/2 acres in Shelby County District 12 running south from Pigeon Roost Road. Acreage is part of the **Williams'** interest in the **James Kimble** tract. **Williams** acknowledged deed before county court clerk 6 May 1842, and his wife, **Ann**, on 17 May 1842 acknowledged before **Thomas Holeman**, justice of the peace, that she executed deed voluntarily. Recorded 14 Jul 1842.

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Deed dated 8 June 1843: For \$300 consideration, **Levi Young** and wife, **Elizabeth**, of Howard District, Anne Arundel Co., MD, convey to **James W. Welling** of Baltimore their one-sixth interest in lots and parcels in Shelby Co., Tenn., belonging to the estate of the late **William Winchester**, maternal grandfather of **Elizabeth** and **James**. In division of estate in Shelby Circuit Court, lots and parcels were allotted to **James W. Welling, Henry Welling, Levi Young** and wife, **Elizabeth, Joseph Iglehart** and wife **Mary, Rebecca Welling** and **William Welling** but remain undivided. Witness: **William B. Dorsey**, notary public, Howard District, Anne Arundel Co., MD. **Levi and Elizabeth Young** acknowledged deed jointly and separately, with **Elizabeth** separately attesting she executed deed voluntarily and freely. Notarized at Ellicott's Mill, MD, Shelby Co., Tenn., court clerk certified receiving state tax on deed, and it was recorded 18 Jul 1843.

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Deed dated 13 June 1843: For \$300 consideration, **Mary Iglehart** of Howard District, Anne Arundel County, MD, conveys to **James W. Welling** of Baltimore her one-sixth share in various holdings of her maternal grandfather, **William Winchester**, in Shelby Co., Tenn. **Mary** and her husband, **Joseph**, were among heirs named in division of estate in Shelby Circuit Court. **Mary** acknowledged before **William B. Dorsey**, notary public, Anne Arundel Co., MD, on 13 June 1843 that she voluntarily executed deed. Tennessee state tax paid 17 Jul 1843 in Shelby County; deed recorded 18 Jul 1843.



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## Doctor's Comin' a-Callin'

**Wm. Reynolds**, who has been very ill with cerebro-spinal meningitis, is improving but not yet out of danger.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

**Ballard Young**, who has been very ill with spinal meningitis, is thought to be improving.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

**Mrs. Kate Lane**, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is much improved.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

**Miss May Day**, who has been ill for some time past, is now much worse, and her friends are alarmed over her present condition.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

**Mrs. West Walker** is dangerously ill at her home on the Kingston Road.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 14 May 1899*

**Mr. John R. Harper** was thrown from his horse yesterday evening and sustained painful injuries.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 21 May 1899*

**Merle**, little daughter of **W. Morris Harrison**, has been dangerously ill for the past week but is now convalescent.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 21 May 1899*

**Mr. Frank Thompson**, who has been on the sick list for several days, was able to resume duty as postal clerk last week.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 21 May 1899*

It will be learned with regret that Messrs.

**Charles Rhea** and **Fred Ault** were painfully injured in a runaway accident, which occurred south of the river Saturday evening.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 22 May 1899*

**Earnest Fletcher** met with a painful accident at the chair factory Tuesday by having his thumb sawed off.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 30 April 1899*

**John Hines**, who lives in the suburbs of Bristol, fell from a bicycle Wednesday afternoon and his arm was broken.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 7 May 1899*

**Mr. James Vandeventer** has recently been very much out of health. In fact, he has not been well since his return from Puerto Rico. Last week noted an improvement, and it is to be hoped that he may soon fully recover.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 7 May 1899*

**Dr. Hall** is suffering with a sprained ankle.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 8 May 1899*

The many loving friends of little **Miss Ellen Armstead Johnson** will be pleased to learn that she is rapidly recovering from a recent illness at her home on West Main Street.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 5 May 1899*

**Mrs. W. L. Kennedy**, of this place, is quite sick.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 23 April 1899*

**Mr. Wm. Poston** has been very sick but is improving.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 23 April 1899*

**Gus Beidleman** has been suffering with an attack of grip.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 23 April 1899*

**Mrs. Mary Dounahue** is rapidly improving in health. She expects to be out again within days.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 10 April 1899*

**William Graw**, of 534 West Fifth Avenue, is not expected to live. He has been very low for several days.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 10 April 1899*

Southern Railway conductor **Tom Lawrence**, who was injured in a wreck on the west end of the Knoxville division some months ago, is not yet able to resume his run. He is, however, on the streets.

*Knoxville Journal and Tribune, 10 April 1899*

# Gleanings

## Mentions of Tennesseans -- In Our Exchanges

Contributed by Carol Mittag

**STORY OF EARLY TEXAS BAPTIST 1820-1845** included two from Tennessee. **Isaac Reed** arrived in east Texas in 1834, and **Z. N. Morrell** arrived on December 21, 1835. The article was compiled by **Herman Weiland** and published in *The Genie*, Volume 38, No. 2, ARK-LA-TEX Genealogical Association, Inc.

**W. P. MASON** was born 17 December 1838, in Henderson County, Tennessee. He was living in Plain Dealing when he filed a Confederate Pension Application in Bossier Parish on 18 July 1904. According to the article, which was extracted and compiled by **Jim Young**, and published in *The Genie*, Volume 38, No. 2, ARK-LA-TEX Genealogical Association, Inc., **W. P.** had been a resident of Louisiana since 1852. He married **Renie Goodwin** 1 May 1877, and they had two sons. **W. P.** died of Brights Disease on 15 June 1917. **Renie** at the age of 65 filed a Widow's Application on 6 October 1917. She died 28 March 1921, and signing her death notice was **R. W. Mason**, her only heir.

**OBITUARIES** in *Items from the Higbee News (MO), First Half, 1891*, included two former Tennesseans. **Kathy Bowlin** submitted the article that was published in the *Missouri State Genealogical Association Journal*, Volume XXIV, No. 2.

7 March 1891 - **Hiram Wommack**, who died at his home in Pike County last week, was born in Sumner County, Tennessee, April 5, 1811. He lacked less than three months of being 80 years of age. At an early age, he moved to Lincoln County.

A Good Man Gone - Died in Higbee on March 3 of general debility, **Mr. Thos. Pierce**, aged 81 years. **Mr. Pierce** was born in Blood [Blount] County, Tennessee, in 1810. He came to Missouri sixty years ago. Left to mourn his loss was his wife (unnamed) in her 80<sup>th</sup> year and two grown daughters, **Mrs. G. H. Pyle** and **Miss Lizzie**.

**OLD DEED HAS AUTOGRAPH OF JAMES POLK** - The deed dated November 10 1840 is from **Alexander McBroom** and his wife, **Elizabeth**, of Cannon County, Tennessee to **Aaron V. Cowan** of Rowan County, North Carolina. **Elizabeth** was a sister to **Mr. Cowan**. The deed was for 98 ½ acres, which descended on the death of **Alice Cowan** according to the will of **Robert Cowan**, on Second Creek, adjoining the land of **Nathan Cowan**. The deed and acknowledgment were attested to before **James Polk**, who at that time was governor of Tennessee. The deed was found in some aged papers on Rowan County deeds, and the story appeared in the *Salisbury Post*, Friday, 20 November 1931, and reprinted in the *Journal of Genealogical Society of Rowan County, North Carolina*, Volume 18, No. 2.

**OBITUARY** for *Pioneer Texas Cattleman*, **E. W. Farmer**, appears in *Footprints*, Volume 47, No. 2, published by Fort Worth Genealogical Society. **Mr. Farmer** was born 1832 in Roane County, Tennessee. He moved to Texas in 1848, settling in Tarrant County by 1850. He was age 83 at the time of his death and is survived by one daughter of Chicago, IL and one daughter and three sons of Fort Worth. The original obituary was published in the *Fort Worth Record*, Wed. April 7, 1915.

In the same issue of *Footprints* is the obituary of another former Tennessean **W. A. McCorstin**. He moved to Texas in 1860. He lived in Fort Worth for 25 years prior to his death and had a horse and mule business. Five sons and three daughters survived him. (*Fort Worth Record-Telegram*, Wed. March 24, 1926)

**CAPTAIN THOMAS COTTON**, a Revolutionary War Soldier, is the subject of an article in the *Illinois State Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol. 36, No. 2. **Thomas** was born in Bertie County, North Carolina, November 4, 1748. He died in Sumner County, Tennessee on June 5, 1795 and was buried in Cottontown, the settlement he helped found. The article contains his military service, his commission to Captain, migration to Tennessee, and information on his ten children; **Mary "Polly", Moore Carter, Elizabeth, Talitha, John B., Allen, Sarah, Arthur, Alexander "Sander,"** and **Norah Butler Cotton**. **Thomas's** 7<sup>th</sup> great-grandson, **Raleigh Sutton**, prepared the article.

**COLONEL JOHN M. SIMONTON'S** biography is the subject of an article in *Itawamba Settlers*, Volume 24, No. 2. He was born in Lawrence County, Tennessee in 1830, the son of **Gilbreath F. and Evelina (Buchanan) Simonton**, and the grandson of **John Simonton**, who at one time owned twelve thousand acres of land in Tennessee. The Colonel's first wife was Miss **N. Ruth Potter** of Giles County, Tennessee. She was born 1835 and died in 1881. Her father, **W. W. Potter**, was a graduate of Yale College and one of the pioneer educators of the South. Six children were born to the Colonel and his wife. He married a second time on April 8, 1885 to Miss **Flora Porter** of Aberdeen, Miss. He was promoted to the rank of colonel in the First Mississippi Infantry. After the War, he represented his district in the state senate. The source for the article: *Biographical and Historical Memoirs of Mississippi*, The Goodspeed Publishing Co., Chicago, 1891.

**DELAYED BIRTH RECORDS 1871-1899, PULASKI COUNTY, IL**, submitted by **Darrel Dexter**, appears in *The Saga of Southern Illinois*, Volume XXXI, Issue No. 2. Delayed birth records are those not recorded at or soon after the birth of the infant. Most often, delayed birth certificates were made when the individual was an adult and needed for Social Security benefits. The following is a list of the parent/parents who were all from Tennessee and the list included some towns: **Mary Jane née Scruggs Barnett**, born in Knoxville; **Lizzie née Yoder** and **Isaac Beegle**, both born in Knoxville; **Van Butler**, negro; **Nellie née White** and **Wesley Boykin**, both born in Greenfield; **Angie née Barnhill**, negro, born in Union City; **Kathie née Threikill** and **Ben DeBow**, both born in Union City; **Sallie née Clayton Edmonds**; **William Henry Exum**, negro, born in Memphis; **Nina née Bledsaw** and **Felix Flake**, both negroes; **Harriett née Pennell Hallman**; **Rinda née Penick** and **Edward Hurt**; **Nelson Howard**, born in Paris; **Augusta née Farr** and **John B. Howard**, both negroes, born in Newbern; **Cortez Jerome Howe**, born in Howesville; **Mary née Spence Henry**, negro, born in Dyersburg; **Ben Huff**, born in Cleveland; **Harriet née Pernell Hollman**; **Martha née Shelby** and **Lucis Jerls**, both negroes, born in Hardin Co.; **Thomas L. Jones**; **Lethia Owens** and **Gilford King**, both negroes; **Nancy née Guy Lackey**, born in Dresden; **Mary Ann née Stubblefield Lance**.

**THE LIFE OF JEFFERSON TABOURN, PVT., CO. D, 29<sup>TH</sup> U. S. CT.** is featured in an article by **Darrel Dexter** in the same issue of *The Saga of Southern Illinois*, as above. **Jefferson** was one of over 200,000 black Union soldiers. His parents were **Averson 'Avery' Tabourn** and **Cecilia McCallister**. **Cecilia** was born about 1818 in North Carolina based on information given to an 1880 census taker. Her history begins on a plantation in Tennessee where she was the slave of **John McCalister** of Montgomery County. **John's** will written on 2 January 1826 emancipated his slaves. They could not legally remain in Tennessee and were taken across the Ohio River to start their new life of freedom in Illinois. **Cecilia** married **Avery**, a free man, on 3 March 1837 in Gallatin County, Illinois.

**Jefferson** served one and one-half years during the Civil War. His unit saw heavy fighting during the 10-month siege of Petersburg and was present at General **Lee's** surrender at Appomattox Courthouse on 9 April 1865. He filed for his pension on 3 July 1890 and was pensioned at \$6 a month beginning 7 Jul 1880. He listed his date of birth as December 18, 1838. Census records indicate 1839.

**Jefferson** married three times. Two of his wives were from Tennessee. He filed for divorce from his first wife, **Elvira J. "Elsey" Allen**, on 23 Aug 1871 in Saline County, IL. On 23 March 1880, in

Saline County, he married **Priscilla McGee** from Tennessee. He married the third time on 25 Sep 1905 in Posey County to **Emiline Allen**, born about 1849 in Tennessee.

He died 2 Oct 1919 at the home of his son, **Abe Tabourn**, in Saline County. His grave is unmarked, and his name on the African-American Civil War Memorial appears as **Jefferson Taburn**.

Another former Tennessean mentioned in the same issue of *The Saga of Southern Illinois* is **Horatio Lane**, born May 8 1847, and his wife (name not given), who celebrated their 68<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary and his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. **Ed Ferrell**, in Rosiclare on May 8, 1938.

The same issue of *The Saga of Southern Illinois* has an article regarding the discovery of gravesites in Union Grove Cemetery, Pulaski County, Illinois. Five markers were found, and the 1880 census records of Ullin Precinct helped identify some of the individuals buried in the cemetery. Most families came from Tennessee and were slaves before their migration to Illinois. The heads of household on the census with a Tennessee connection are: **Jackson and Sam Gardner, John Stoval, Joseph King, John Posey, Ruben Pride and Smith Goldsten**. **Caroline Gardner**, wife of **Sam**, was named on one of the markers. She was born November 10, 1827 and died November 10, 1893.

**ROSTER OF THE 11<sup>TH</sup> BATTALION, LOUISIANA INFANTRY** includes the following born in Tennessee: **Joseph B. Middleton**, Perry Co.; **Steven Morris**, Franklin Co.; **Daniel Neal**, Bedford Co.; **Matthew F. T. Peters**, (location not shown); **Alexander H. Strong**, Davidson Co.; and **Franklin M. Wade**, Nashville. Additional information such as age and physical appearance, along with other members of this battalion can be found in the article compiled by **Charlotte and Deborah Foshee** and published in *The Louisiana Genealogical Register*, Volume LI, No. 2.

**JOEL AND JOHN CULPEPPER**, father and son, and former Tennesseans, are listed in the **Harris** family chart published in *Northeast Alabama Settlers*, Volume 43, No. 2.

**Joel** was born 1782, Orangeburg-Lex District, South Carolina, and was married there on 8 March 1807, to **Ann Tyler**. **Joel** died in McMinn County, TN, between 1855 and 1860.

**John** was born 1810, Abbeville District, SC, and was married about 1832 to **Martha Baker** in McMinn County, TN. **John** died between 1870 and 1880 in Cherokee County, Alabama.

**ANCESTRAL CHART of JAMES MOORE (1803-1821)** and his wife, **Harriet Gaston Davidson**, (1805-Sep 15, 1844), both born Anson County, North Carolina, show two of their eleven children were born in Dyer County, Tennessee. **Ann Ledbetter Moore** was born March 10, 1833, and **Harriet Adaline Moore** was born October 14, 1835. The chart appears in the *Yalobusha Pioneer* (MS), Volume XXX, Issue Two, along with an article written by descendant **Emma Moore**, originally published in *Farmer Magazine*, Issue November 1936, along with pictures of Senator **James Moore's** home in Oakland, Mississippi.

**PLANTERS, PATRIOTS AND PIONEERS One Hundred Ninety-Five Years in Limestone County**, published in *Limestone Legacy*, Vol. 26, No. 4, contains information on the **Robertson/Robinson/Litton** families. **Samuel Robertson** enlisted in the Revolutionary War in 1778 in Burke County, North Carolina. He received his Revolutionary War pension #4155 in 1834, while residing in Hardin County, Tennessee. **Samuel** married **Elizabeth C. Litton**, the date and location not shown. However, ancestral charts for two children show they were born in Maryland. The 1800 census from Pendleton District, South Carolina shows **Samuel** as age 40. The dates of birth for the following children are based on their age at that time: **Mary**, about 1782; **Michael**, 1783 or 1784; **Eli**, 1791; **Elizabeth**, about 1792; **William**, circa 1793; **Tabitha**, November 1794; and **Winfrey**, 1797. It is possible other children were born during this time. Three ancestral charts for the following are included: **Elizabeth** married **John Grinder** about 1812 in Williamson County, Tennessee, and they had thirteen children. **William** married **Mary Bowen** Sept 27,

1813 in Madison County, Arkansas. **Tabitha** married **Tillman Horne Holland, Sr.** Sep 8 1816, Madison County, Alabama, and they had twelve children.

**MARRIAGES AND DEATH NOTICES FROM THE CHRISTIAN NEIGHBOR**, published in *The South Carolina Magazine of Ancestral Research*, Volume XXXII, No. 3, contains the names of several ministers who died in Tennessee. Issue of July 2, 1874 died in Nashville, Tenn., June 20 -- Rev. **Thomas Madden**, D. D., aged 74 years, 4 months and 7 days. Issue of July 9, 1874 in Sumner County, June 24, 1874 -- Rev. **Barton B. Brown**, aged 76. Issue of August 27, 1874 died near Pleasant Hill, Tenn., July 26 -- Rev. **Henry Bell**, a superannuate of the Memphis Conference.

**MARRIAGE NOTICES** from the *People's Press*, Salem, North Carolina, 15 January 1874, Volume XXII, Number 3: Mr. **Daniel Bond**, editor of the *Enfield, North Carolina Times*, to Miss **Maggie Bond** of Brownsville, on the 7<sup>th</sup> of January, by Rev. **William Bond**, in Brownsville, Tennessee. Information compiled by **Rebecca R. Alson** and published in *The Forsyth County Genealogical Society Journal*, Volume 22, No. 2.

**3<sup>RD</sup> NORTH CAROLINA MOUNTED INFANTRY** began to break up at the end of the Civil War. The companies were assigned different jobs. Some were allowed to march with prisoners from Boone only as far as Greenville, TN. Others guarded prisoners on a march to a POW camp in Camp Chase, Ohio, and some troops left without permission. The complete list of soldiers and additional information can be found in *Kirk's Raiders*, subtitled *A Notorious Band of Scoundrels and Thieves*, *The Southern Genealogists Exchange Quarterly*, Vol. 45, #191. The Tennessee soldiers and the county where they enlisted follows: **George Banks**, Sevier; **George F. Banks**, Jefferson; **Henry Banner**, Washington; **James S. Beck**, Sevier; **James Berry**, Carter; **Samuel Berry**, Carter; **James Blevins**, Sevier; **Amos Boone**, Washington; **Riley W. Bowen**, Sevier; **Jackson Bowman**, Carter; **James Brady**, Greene; **Franklin Britt**, Carter; **Alfred Brooks**, Sullivan; **Hezekiah Brooks**, Cocke; **James Brown**, Washington; **John Brown**, Davidson; **Elbert S. Burgner**, Washington; **Samuel Burnett**, Blount; **Noah Cade**, Carter; **James Campbell**, Cocke; **Stephen Cannon**, Washington; **Jackson Cole**, Sullivan; **John Cole**, Sullivan; **Issac L. Collins**, William A. Correll, Washington; **Albert Couch**, Greene; **Roger J. Cummings**, Knox; **William C. Dunbar**, Washington; **Francis Ealy**, Greene; **Alexander Eddington**, Cocke; **John W. Edwards**, Samuel B. Erwin, Washington; **Guthridge Garland**, (county not shown) TN, **John, Samuel, Stephen and William Gibson**, Sevier; **Alfred Goforth**, Washington; **Thomas Gragg**, Johnson; **John Gregory**, Cocke; **James Gwinn**, Washington; **Albert A. Gulley**, Hawkins; **Samuel Hainey**, Washington; **James M. Hair**, Greene; **Levi and Martin Hall**, Washington; **James Haney**, Cocke; **Solomon Haney**, **Daniel Hann**, **Peter Hann**, **Thomas Hanson**, **Charles Headrick**, **Andrew J. and Armstrong Hensley**, **Joseph Henley**, Washington; **Isac and John Hisc**, Greene; **John E. Hockaday**, Johnson; **Thomas Hurst**, **Daniel L. Husk**, **Edward Jackson**, **John Kasey**, Washington; **George and William H. Kirk**, Greene; **Elbert A. Lawing**, Washington; **Francis M. McClure**, Sullivan; **Samuel McClure**, Hawkins; **William McIntuff**, **Wilson McKee**, Washington; **Robert McMahon**, Hawkins; **Elbert Miller**, Washington; **Elkama Miller**, Carter; **Daniel C. and John Mills**, Greene; **John W. Moore**, Carter; (two) **Samuel Moores**, **Anderson Moore**, Washington; **Benjamin Mosley**, Carter; **John Mosley**, Washington; **David T. Nabb**, Carter; **John Odell**, Cocke; **Rezi J. and Ross Oliver**, **William H. Osborne**, Washington; **William Pats**, Sullivan; **George W. Perkins**, Carter; **James Perry**, Knox; **Hiram H. Persell**, Washington; **James Reese**, Cocke; **Alfred Row**, Carter; **Lewis A. Ruminger**, Johnson; **Calvin D. Sarton**, **Overton**; **David and Issac Saylor**, Washington; **Samuel Sells**, Sullivan; **Samuel Simmons**, Greene; **Jabes B. Sloan**, Carter; **Joseph Smith**, Greene; **William Sneed**, Knox; **William Sopher**, Hawkins; **Peter Southerland**, **William D. Stills**, Greene; **Daniel, James and Murphy Stout**, Carter; **Jacob, Thomas and Vincent Tapp**, **Abraham Tilson**, **Jacob and Lafayette Tipton**, **Samuel Tittle**, Washington; **Eli Vaughn**, Carter; **Wiley Wadison**, Hawkins; **James M. Watts**, Sevier; **James Wells**, Sullivan; **William M. White**, Washington; **Andrew Whitehead**, Carter; **John A. Wilson**, Washington; **Robert I. Wilson**, Johnson; **James L. Wright**, Greene; **John, Walser and William B. Wydner**, Washington.

**MARRIAGES and DEATHS** from the Raleigh Register, 1848 include the following with a Tennessee connection: Wednesday, 28 June 1848 – Died at his late residence in Fayette County, Tennessee, on the 11<sup>th</sup> of May last, Mr. **Josiah Baucum**, aged about 75 years. He was a native of Wake County, N.C., where he resided about thirty years. From Wake he went to Anson County and remained until 1834, when he removed to Tennessee. Wednesday, 16 August 1848 – Died near Somerville, Tenn. on the 25<sup>th</sup> ultimo, in the 70<sup>th</sup> year of his age, Elder **Willis Reeves**, formerly of Orange County, in this state, and known in Orange and Wake, and several adjoining counties, as among the earliest traveling preachers in the Christian connection. Saturday, 4 November 1848 – Died at his residence, near Brownsville, Haywood County, Tenn. on the 10<sup>th</sup> of October, after an illness of a few days, Major **William R. Leigh**, in the 24<sup>th</sup> year of his age and son of the late **Roscoe Leigh**, Esq., formerly of Newbern, North Carolina. Saturday, 11 November 1848 – Married in Nashville on Monday evening, the 6<sup>th</sup> inst., by Dr. **John H. Drake**, were **Brian H. Freeman** and Miss **Amariah F. Battle**, all of Nashville. Saturday, 30 December 1848 – Married in Mt. Pleasant, on the 26<sup>th</sup> ult., Mr. **Harvel H. Goodloe**, formerly of Franklin County, in this state, to Miss **Mary**, daughter of **Anthony Buckner**, Esq., of that place. The transcriptions were provided by **Raymond A. Winslow** and published in *The North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal*, Vol. XXX, No. 3.

**DESCENDANTS OF JOHN SAMUEL BRANNON** with a Tennessee connection include: **John S. Brannon**, who married Miss **Elizabeth Carlisle**, a native of Sevier County, Tenn., born June 10, 1836. She was the daughter of **Nathan Carlisle**. Her parents moved to Bradley County, Tenn., when she was nine years of age, and from there to Georgia one year later; **Hattie Ann Brannon**, born August 25, 1859, married **Lucius Irvine Lasley**, July 14, 1878, Washington Co., AR, born about 1848 in Tennessee. The **Brannon** family chart is the feature article in *The Backtracker*, Vol. 33, No. 3, published by the Northwest Arkansas Genealogical Society.

Excerpts from the book *Lemuel Morris Ball, 1826 – 1900, His Ancestors and Descendants*, by his great-grandson, **Lemuel F. Ball**, are in the same issue of *The Backtracker*. **Lemuel** was one of ten children born to **James S. Ball** and **Susannah (Susan Ann) Posey** in Harlan County, Kentucky. **Susannah** was born in Claiborne County, Tennessee in 1814. She was the daughter of **Benjamin** and **Susannah Chadwell Posey**. The **Chadwells** were earlier settlers of Lee County, Virginia and later Tazewell, Tennessee.

**Lemuel** married **Anna Eliza Powers** January 18, 1849 in Old Tazewell, Claiborne County, Tennessee. Their first child, **Anna E. Ball**, was born in 1849 in Claiborne County. Their other children, all born in Tarrant, Hopkins County, Texas were: **Lemuel Morris**, Nov 1, 1854, **Mary E.** 1857, and **James McFarland Ball**, Nov 18, 1861. Sometime later, **Lemuel** and family moved to a farm near Gravette, Benton County, Arkansas, where **Eliza** died on April 7, 1875.

**CHASING OUR TALES**, an article on citizens of Dicey County, Texas, submitted by **Sue Siebert**, appears in *Trails West*, Volume 34, Issue 4. One former Tennessean mentioned is **William Henry Ragle**. He was born January 1836 in Giles County, Tennessee and died November 1909 and is buried in Cook Cemetery in the Dicey Community. When **William** was one-year-old, his parents, **Martin Haigie "Haga"** and **Parthena Parker Rangle**, moved from Tennessee to Limestone County, Alabama. The article does not mention the date he moved to Texas, but **William** served as a private in the 5<sup>th</sup> Texas Cavalry, Company K, Mounted Infantry, of the Confederate States of America. His widow, **Melinda Jane Nolan Ragle**, applied for his pension on 29 December 1926.

**ANCESTOR CHART**, submitted by **Mildred Sulser Wright**, of Beaumont, Texas, includes: **James McCauley**, born July 3, 1812, Roane County, Tennessee and died September 8, 1886, Gadsen, Alabama. He married **Elizabeth Gartman**, born October 13, 1817, and died December 13, 1895, Gadsen, Alabama; **Lydia Melinda Wilson**, born September 14, 1824, Tennessee, died Oct 29, 1903, St. Clair County, AL.



She married **Josiah W. Wilson**, Oct 24, 1839, in Benton County, Alabama. The chart can be found in *Yellowed Pages*, Vol. XXXIV, No. 2, Southwest Texas Genealogical & Historical Society.

**EARLY HALIFAX COUNTY DEATHS** from the *Louisville and Nashville Christian Advocate* and the *Nashville Christian Advocate*, as transcribed by **Larry Brandon**, and published in *Piedmont Lineages*, Vol. XXVI, No. 3. September 28, 1854 -- **John Baynham** died near Lafayette, KY August 31, 1854 in his 47<sup>th</sup> year; born Halifax Co., VA May 1808; moved to Tennessee in 1834.

**EARLY PERSON COUNTY DEATHS** from the *Christian Advocate*, Nashville, Tennessee, November 5, 1881, as abstracted by **Larry Brandon** and published in the same source listed above. **Samuel Dickins**, surveyor and congressman, was born 1781 in Person County, North Carolina. He served as a member of the North Carolina House of Commons from 1813 to 1815 and again in 1818. He married **Jane Vaughn** of Mecklenburg County, Virginia. They moved in 1820 to Madison County, Tennessee, to what was then called the Chickasaw Purchase. They had nine children. **Jane** died December 3, 1825 in the commencement of the 42<sup>nd</sup> year of her age. **Samuel** died 1840 in Madison County, Tenn. They were buried near Jackson, probably on their plantation. Their great-granddaughter, **Martha Cinderella (Dickins) Smithwick** (1858-1935), was concerned for the perpetual welfare of the graves and had them moved and reinterred on November 17, 1914, to Elmwood Cemetery in Chapel Hill, and the same slab tombstones were placed over their graves.

**MARRIAGE AND DEATH NOTICES** from the *People's Press*, Salem, North Carolina, compiled and transcribed by **Rebecca R. Alson**, appear in *The Forsyth County Genealogical Society Journal*, Volume 22, No. 4. 13 January 1876, Volume XXIV, Number 2 -- Mr. **J. Addison Hayes**, cashier of the State National Bank, to Miss **Maggie H. Davis**, daughter of **Jefferson Davis**, in Memphis, Tennessee. (No date given) 11 May 1876, Volume XXIV, Number 19 -- Mr. **L. A. Goslen**, formerly of Forsyth County, to Mrs. **Kate Parsons**, all now of Tennessee, on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April, in Columbia, Tennessee. 23 May 1878, Volume XXVI, Number 21 -- Died at his residence in Denmark, Tennessee, on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1878, **F. A. Keehl**, in the 54<sup>th</sup> year of his age.

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**CAMDEN DISTRICT, S. C. WILLS & ADMINISTRATION, 1781-1787**, by *Brent Holcomb & Elmer O. Parker*, pub. 1978, reprint 2004, 120 pages, index, hardcover \$28.50 plus \$3.50 s&h for first book & \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Southern Historical Press, Inc.*, P. O. Box 1267, Greenville, South Carolina 29602, (800) 233-0152

The Camden District consists of what are now the following counties: York, Chester, Fairfield, Richland, Lancaster, Kershaw, Sumter, Claremont, Salem and Lee. Some of the estate papers transcribed herein were begun in Charleston and were transferred to the Camden District. It cannot be explained why some papers were in the Camden District, e.g., the estate of **Samuel Davis** of Prince William Parish. These records, along with other information, help locate the descendant and place of burial, as well as churches and possibly ministers. Twenty packages transferred to Sumter Court House have been abstracted in this book, and it contains some abstracts of documents where the original cannot be found. The records in this book are not on microfilm, so this book is important for researchers.

**LAURENS CO., S. C. DEED ABSTRACTS, 1785-1793, VOL # 1**, by *Larry Vehorn*, pub 2004, approx. 240 pp., index, hardcover, \$32.50 plus \$3.50 s&h for first book and \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Southern Historical Press, Inc.*, P. O. Box 1267, Greenville, S. C. 29602, (800) 233-0152

Abstracts of Deed Books A, B, C & D are included in this book. The deed books begin with the creation of the County Court System in South Carolina in 1785, although some entries go back as early as 1769. The abstracts of deeds are primarily in Laurens County, Old Ninety-Six District, and other counties are mentioned. Laurens County was created from the Old Ninety-Six District of South Carolina and was a major path of immigration into South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and other states west. This is an important book because it contains the names of many family members. All

surnames are shown in bold type for easy reading and locating your ancestors. Vital Records were not officially recorded in South Carolina until 1911, which makes this book most important to the researcher.

**ABSTRACTS OF OLD NINETY-SIX & ABBEVILLE DISTRICT, S. C. WILLS & BONDS**, by *Pauline Young*, pub. 1950, repr. 2004, 667 pp., index, hardcover, \$48.50 plus \$3.50 s&h for first book & \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Southern Historical Press, Inc.*, P. O. Box 1267, Greenville, S. C. 29602, (800) 233-0152

The abstracts contained in this book were copied from the original papers found in the Probate Judge's Office in the Abbeville, South Carolina Court House. Although it is a reprint, the index compiled by **Marguerite Clark** of Shannon, Miss. is brand-new in this issue and contains many names of individuals omitted from the original book. More than 3,500 wills, bonds, and administrations between 1774 and 1860 are abstracted, and more than 30,000 names are mentioned. The counties of Abbeville, Anderson, Cherokee, Edgefield, Greenwood, Greenville, Laurens, Newberry, Pickens, Oconee, Saluda, Spartanburg and Union are covered. If you have used this book before, it would be wise to take another look because of the new and complete index in this issue. This book is a **MUST** for research of the Up-Country of South Carolina and those looking for early Georgia settlers.

**FAMILIES OF SOUTHEASTERN GEORGIA**, by *Jack N. Averitt*, (*Excerpted from Georgia Coastal Plain: Family & Personal History*), 6"x9", 457 pp, softback, indexed (1964), repr. 2003, \$39.95 plus \$4 s&h for first book & \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Clearfield Company, Inc.*, 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, MD. 21202, (410) 625-9004

The Coastal Plain of Georgia consists of forty counties in the southeastern region of the state as follows: Appling, Atkinson, Bacon, Brantley, Bryan, Bullock, Burke, Camden, Candler, Charlton, Chatham, Clinch, Coffee, Columbia, Effingham, Emanuel, Evans, Glynn, Jeff Davis, Jefferson, Jenkins, Johnson, Laurens, Liberty, Long, McDuffie, McIntosh, Montgomery, Pierce, Richmond, Screven, Tattnail, Telfair, Tombs, Treutlen, Ware, Warren, Washington, Wayne and

Wheeler. Savannah, Brunswick and Augusta are also in this region. This volume consists solely of biographies and genealogical information of about 1,000 individuals. Each sketch shows the individual's place and date of birth, his educational background, military service, his career, civic interests, church affiliation, hobbies, etc. In some instances three generations are included, and in other instances the person's lineage can be traced back to the Civil War. If you have ancestors who lived in southeast Georgia, this book contains a wealth of genealogical information and offers more detail than most other regional histories.

**EARLY NINETEENTH CENTURY GERMAN SETTLERS IN OHIO (MAINLY CINCINNATI AND ENVIRONS), KENTUCKY, AND OTHER STATES**, by *Clifford Neal Smith* (4 vols in 1) 8½" x 11", 267 pp., indexed, cc 1984, repr. 2004, \$39.95 plus \$4.00 s&h for the first book and \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Clearfield Company, Inc.*, 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, MD. 21202 (410) 625-9004

This indexed book is derived from records of *Der Deutsche Pioniere*, a monthly magazine published by Deutsche Pionierverein, an organization founded in 1868-1869 in Cincinnati, Ohio. It is done in three parts plus 4A surnames A-J, 4B surnames K-Z, and 4C appendices. Due to membership requirements in the organization one can be guaranteed that the person being researched will have lived in the Cincinnati area at least 25 years. The name of the immigrant, place of origin, place of residence, a reference number, and biographical data from death notice (if any) is listed in the book.

An example from Part 1 is:

Tieman, August M1: 392

Died on 22 July (1871) at his residence in Covington, KY after a lengthy illness. He was born 27 August 1801 in Goettingen, Hannover, emigrated via Bremen on 17 June 1830, landing at Baltimore on 7 November 1830 and arriving here (Cincinnati or Covington) on 27 November 1830.

**GENEALOGIES OF WEST VIRGINIA FAMILIES FROM THE WEST VIRGINIA HISTORICAL MAGAZINE QUARTERLY, 1901-1905**, 5½" x 8½", softcover, cc 1992, rep. 2001, cost \$29.95 plus \$4 for the first book and \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from:

*Clearfield Company, Inc.*, 200 East Eager Street Baltimore, MD 21202, (410) 625-9004

Many researchers looking for Virginia information may find this book informative since prior to the War Between the States, Virginia and West Virginia were one and the same. Many of the families are of Scottish and Scotch-Irish descent. This should be of no surprise since they settled in the western portion of Virginia. The first history in the book is that of the **Cameron Family**. The immigrant, Dr. **John Cameron**, bore the colors of his clan at Culloden before arriving in New York. He then settled in Virginia, first at Norfolk, then at Staunton. **John Lewis**, who arrived in Philadelphia in 1729-1731, came from Donegal, Ireland. **John** had two brothers, **Samuel** and **William**.

**Meriwether Lewis** was descended from **William John**, wanted by the law in Ireland, moved into the mountains of Virginia. He died near Staunton, Virginia 1762. It is noted is that these **Lewis**es were originally Huguenots who went to Wales, and from there went on to Ireland. A genealogy of the **Marshall** family can be found in the genealogy of Mrs. **Virginia Harvey Patrick**. Other surnames such as **Randolph**, **Keith**, **Harvie** are in this chapter. This book is indexed to aid the researcher with ancestors who lived in what is now West Virginia.

**SHIPS FROM SCOTLAND TO AMERICA, 1628-1828, VOL. I**, by *David Dobson*, 127 pp cloth, cc 2002, cost \$20.00 plus \$4.00 s&h for first book & \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc.*, 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD. 21202-3897, (800) 296-6687

There are few records of immigrants to North America during the period covered by this book. Using primarily newspapers, government records, and a few published sources on both sides of the Atlantic, the author has compiled a list of hundreds of ships that sailed from Scotland to North America. Most of these ships carrying emigrants, particularly in the earliest period, carried only a few passengers. They were primarily cargo ships. No records of the names of the passengers were kept, except for the period before the Revolution, 1773-1774, when the British government identified who emigrated, how, why, and when, plus the ports. Also, after the end of the Napoleonic Wars, thousands of Scots sailed from Clyde to Canada, but records are vague as from where the passengers

came. In most instances the names of the ship, the ship's master, the place of origin, destination and date are shown, plus the number of passengers. If the ship your ancestor sailed on can be identified, the port can also be identified, which may show the locality from which they came, thereby narrowing the research.

**SHIPS FROM SCOTLAND TO AMERICA, 1628-1828, VOL. II**, by *David Dobson*, 173 pp, cloth, cc 2002, cost \$22.50 plus \$4.00 s&h for the first book & \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc.*, 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD. 21202-3897, (800) 296-6687

Volume II of *Ships from Scotland to America* is a groundbreaking work by the author to identify ships from Scotland to North America for the period covered. This volume is based primarily on the Exchequer records in the National Archives of Scotland. These records are almost complete from 1742 and identify the ships, shippers and cargoes on which duties or bounties were charged or given. There was a continuous stream of emigrants from Scotland from the mid-seventeenth century and afterwards, who came to work in the tobacco warehouses in Virginia, or as felons banished to the plantations. Also, they came from Scotland to Georgia and the Carolinas for cotton and rice, and to the Chesapeake for tobacco, and to Canada for timber. These ships carried many passengers, but only a few at a time. Many of the passengers were indentured servants. This volume also contains a chronological index to voyages, which is helpful if you know the date of your ancestor's arrival in America. If your ancestor came to ports in Virginia, the Carolinas, or the Chesapeake, this book may be helpful.

**SHIPS FROM SCOTLAND TO AMERICA, 1628-1828, VOL. III**, by *David Dobson*, 112 pp, papercover, cc 2004, cost \$18.50 plus \$4.00 s&h for the first book and \$1.50 for each additional book. Order from: *Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc.*, 1001 N. Calvert, Baltimore, MD 21202-3897, (800) 296-6687

Volume III of this series is designed to aid the researcher by identifying ships from Scotland to what is now the United States and Canada for the period covered. By the early nineteenth century, Greenock had become the major port for emigrants from Scotland, but ships did sail from other ports, and passengers were likely to have come from their immediate neighborhoods. This book identifies some of these ships. This volume is different from the other volumes in that it includes ships from Scotland to the West Indies after 1611. Some of the ships listed in this volume stopped at islands such as Barbados, Antigua, Grenada, and Jamaica for part of their cargo, and then continued on to the American Colonies to obtain other materials. Passengers might be dropped off at any of these locations. Some return journeys from America, where the outward voyage had not survived, are included. Volume III also has a chronological index to voyages, which should be helpful to the researcher.

**A LIST OF THE EARLY SETTLERS OF GEORGIA**, edited by *E. Merton Coulter & Albert B. Saye*, softcover, 5 1/2" x 8 1/2", 111 pp, \$17.50 plus \$4.00 s&h, *Clearfield Co., Inc.*, 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, Maryland 21202, (410) 625-9004

This book is written in three parts. Part I consists of the list of persons who went from Europe to Georgia at the trustees' charge. Part II is the list of persons who went from Europe to Georgia on their own account. Part III is the list of the first shipload of Georgia settlers sent by the trustees for establishing the colony there. The three lists contain the names of 3,000 immigrants covering the period 1732-1741. Most were assigned lots in Savannah or Frederica. These lists contain the names of the first settlers, as well as early settlers. In addition to the names, the lists also show their age, occupation, place of origin, names of spouses, children and other family members, dates of embarkation and arrival, place of settlement and date of death.

**HENRICO COUNTY VIRGINIA LAND PATENT ABSTRACTS WITH SOME PLAT MAPS, VOLUME I, LAND PATENTS AND GRANTS**, abstracted by *Bert Mayes*, dec'd., and *Selena Mayes Du Lac*, maps drawn by *Selena Mayes Du Lac*, 8 1/2" x 11", softcover, spiral bound

book, which may be ordered from **Selena Du Lac**, 3020 Winterhaven Dr., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86404, \$29.95 plus \$5.00 shipping. <[sdulac@unneedspeed.net](mailto:sdulac@unneedspeed.net)>

After reading the preface, which describes the origin of the research by **Bert Mayes**, who died before he could put together the book, and scanning the 263 pages of maps, land plats and locations, I marvel at the patience and talent of Ms. **Du Lac**, who assembled this amazing information. Henrico County is one of the oldest counties of Virginia, having been established in 1634; therefore, it has a very long history of land grants and patents. The first and earliest grant in the book is dated 20<sup>th</sup> October 1634, with the last being dated 20<sup>th</sup> February 1719, a span of almost 100 years. Not every entry has a plat or map; however, each usually contains the name of the grantee, the acreage, with written descriptions of the shape and location of the land. Often the names of adjoining landowners are included, and sometimes the names of persons imported by the grantee, which entitled him to the land. This vital information, plus the every name index, makes the book a gold mine for family historians. Not only is this book valuable for people searching for an ancestor, it is a wonderful resource for those who wish to locate the lands of their ancestors, which can be done by following the maps and plats. I enjoyed reading the names of very early settlers, whose descendants were familiar to me from research conducted in older counties and even found a couple of folks to add to my tree. I can recommend this book to serious family history scholars, as well as neophytes.

**THE BARBOUR COLLECTION OF CONNECTICUT TOWN VITAL RECORDS [EAST HARTFORD 1783-1853, EAST HAVEN 1700-1852, EAST LYME 1839-1853]** compiled by **Christina Bailey**, second printing, 2004, paperback, 252 pp., ISBN 0-8063-1545-8, \$25.00, plus \$4 s&h, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202-3897.

This is Volume 10 of a series on the Vital Records of the towns of Connecticut. This series of books is a must for anyone having Connecticut ancestors. The full series give the vital records [birth, baptism, marriage and death] of 137 towns with dates of coverage varying from town to town. As indicated by the title, this book covers the towns of East Hartford, East Haven and East Lyme. The records are alphabetized and occasionally contain

additional information beyond vital records. For example, the following are extracts from this volume. **Hezekiah Pardee**, d. Sept. 24, 1825, in the state of Miss., age 32; **Ezra Easton Smith, Simeon & Sally [Haws] Smith**, b. Nov. 28, 1829, Ashford, moved to East Hartford and entered the employ of his uncle **W[illiam]m Begelow**. After the uncle's death, he carried on the business with his brother, **W[illiam]m B.** He then entered the fire insurance business, moved to Brookline, Mass. and d. Aug 20, 1894.

## Carter DNA Project

Are you a direct male descendant from a **Carter**? If so, you'll be interested in a letter WTHS received recently. "*A **Carter** surname DNA project has been started,*" writes **Vickie Carter Tallent** of Otto, North Carolina. "*Our Web site is < [www.carter-cousin.org](http://www.carter-cousin.org)>. Our members are posting their Descendant Charts on this site, and anyone is free to search and look over our work. You do not have to be a member to visit and review the site, nor do you have to order a DNA kit to place your Descendant Chart on the site. My membership number (which traces through a direct male line -- my father) is 14421, should you care to look at the Web site and be able to follow one of us. Our project can also be seen at < [www.familytreedna.com](http://www.familytreedna.com) > .*" For more information, visit these Web sites or contact the e-mail address at [vickie@cartercousins.org](mailto:vickie@cartercousins.org).

One of our TGS members, **Mary Louise Nazor**, has already participated and has made a match. The cost is \$99 and takes several weeks to complete.

If any of you have had a successful DNA project, please let us know.

### Donelson-Cole-Jackson

Searching for information on John Donelson, Rachel Donelson's family. Rachel married Andrew Jackson. My husband is the grandson of Martha Donelson and Tilford Cole of Middle Tennessee. Anne S. Cole, 615-941-4938

### Graves

Information needed on the children of Hester Graves living in Fayette County in 1850. Family letters indicate Hester was alive in 1856. Jean Alexander West, 435 North Highland, Memphis, TN 38122

### Howard-Haworth-Boyd-Seay-Ward-Thacker

Researching all of the above lines. Betty Haworth, 10263 Paragon Road, Dayton, Ohio 45458-3915

### Horne-Griffin-Jones

Seeking info on these lines. James Barden Horn, born 23 Dec 1814 and died 23 May 1874. He married 18 Aug 1843 in Shelby County to Martha Griffin, born 4 May 1827 and died 18 Jan 1860. Thomas Curtis Horne, born 6 Sept 1808 and died 13 Aug. 1888. He married 20 Dec 1854 in Shelby County to Jane Jones, born 30 Nov 1872. William Horne, born 30 May 1810 and died 30 Nov 1872. He married 2 May 1837 to Jane Griffin. Alice L. Sexton, 6583 Heatherwood Drive, Memphis, Tennessee 38141-0768, 901-365-9527

### Price

Jonathan, William, James in Giles County ca. 1808. Help needed developing their families and places of residence. Janis Price Lindemann, 1809 Bradley Lane, Russellville, Arkansas 72801, linde@cei.net

### Donelson

Seeking any information on the descendants of John Donelson, a Nashville pioneer. Jean Meaney, 36 Planters Wood Drive, Hilton Head, South Carolina 29928-4414, meaneyplce@aol.com

## queries

### Taylor

Looking for any information on W. F. Taylor, who signed William J. Taylor's death certificate in 1932 in Parsons, Tennessee. Orman G. Taylor, 3214 Pea Ridge Road, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

### Morgan-Beauford-Rodgers

Cary, Rolly and Samuel Morgan; Nancy Rodgers and Elizabeth Beauford, children of Joshua and Elizabeth Clay Morgan of Mecklenburg County, North Carolina, 1776-1796, who appear in Rutherford County, Tennessee in 1817. Where were they between 1796-1817?

Carolyn Smotherman, P. O. Box 130, College Grove, Tennessee 37046-0130 carolyngenealogy@aol.com, 615-368-7217

### Wilson-Hinson

Seeking the names of the other children of Zaccheus and Louisa Eliza Wilson. Name of one son is probably Robert H. Wilson, born ca. 1823, who with his mother, Eliza Hinson, widow of Tilmon D. Hinson, daughter of Robert and Jane McDowell Wilson, was living in Williamson County according to the 1870 census, Dist. 12, page 2, post office, Jordan's Store. Kathryn Schultz, 2182 Gorham Place, Germantown, Tennessee 38139, 901-754-2419, kathyschultz@earthlink.net

### Kendall

Frank W. Kendall, born 1829-1833 in TN and died 1905, buried in Old Ames Cemetery, Weakley County. He married Martha Jane Carroll (1830-1923), 27 Sept 1854 in Weakley County. He was the son of Richard Kendall and Gray Adkins (?). Frank and Martha had the following children: Ann, James Porter, Calvin, Thomas, \*William, \*M. L. (Mat), \*B. F. (Ben). The family was living in TN, perhaps near Dresden, and moved to Graves County, Kentucky after the Civil War. Where were the three youngest children born (\*)?

Ann Kendall Ray, 15 Belleair Drive, Memphis, Tennessee 38104-2726

### Baker-Miller

Looking for George Baker, born about 1784-86. He married Margaret Miller, born about 1788. Their marriage is recorded in the courthouse at Dandridge, Tennessee as 1 August 1809. DNA testing indicates that he is the grandson of Humphrey Baker. The father of George Baker is not known at this time but thought to be John Baker. Any information would be great. James E. Baker, 17819 Hwy UU, Louisiana, MO 63353, jmlbaker@nemonet.com

### Adams-Mooney

Any information needed on John Quincy Adams, b. 1830 in TN, married Parmilia Mooney in MS. Lived in TN, MS and TX. Children were: Rosa, Jefferson Davis, Minnie and Florence. Charles N. Ferguson, 811 S. Market, Shawnee, OK 74801

### Young-Cook-Walters-Frensley

Demetrius Ellis Young was born ca. 1770 in NC and died ca. 1847 in Wilson County, TN. He married Delilia "Dilly" Cook (e) on 20 March 1790 in Franklin County, NC. Dilly, according to her headstone, was born 27 Dec 1772 in NC and died 26 Oct 1859 in Henry County, TN. She and her son, Thomas, and his wife, were buried in the Kemp/Bass Cemetery on Vale Road near Paris, TN. Thomas Addison Young, per headstone, was born 25 Aug 1796 in NC and died 27 Nov 1877 in Henry County, his wife buried by his side. He married Martha A. Walters on 11 April 1827 in Henry County, TN. She was born 10 March 1810 in Pittsylvania County, VA and died 13 Feb 1880 in Henry County. Their daughter, Martha Jane Young, married James Dennis Frensley. Any info will be appreciated. Dolores Hall, 1614 Victory Ct., Prospect, Kentucky 40059, choyal1225@aol.com

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