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THE EDITORIAL VIEWPOINT

by Dorothy Marr Roberson

TWO major contributions have been made recently to TGS in memory of our founding president, the late **Virginia Walton Brooks**. The memorials, contributed to the Society by her granddaughter, **Ann Martin Putnam** of Sanford, N.C., include a beautiful 40x40" oil painting of Virginia. It was done by noted Memphis portrait painter **Paul J. Penczer** in 1955, and now graces our reception room.

The other memorial gift is Virginia's genealogical library. The collection consists of some 469 genealogy and history books, many of which are signed editions. More than 200 of the books are on Virginia, and others focus on Tennessee, Kentucky, Arkansas, North Carolina, the Huguenots, and various family histories. TGS is indeed fortunate to receive such a generous contribution which will greatly enhance our library and be of immense value to all of our membership. We can think of no more fitting tribute to the woman whose vision brought Tennessee its first state-chartered genealogical society. This way, she lives on in our midst and continues to add to genealogical knowledge -- both now and in the future.

JEAN ALEXANDER WEST, who makes so many important contributions to *Ansearchin' News* with her abstracts of various county records and her knowledge of genealogical information, has provided some interesting follow-up to the story in our last issue about **Theodosia Quigley Trout** ["The Yellow Fever Story with a Happy Ending," p. 32]. When **Pat Rogers Hall**, Vista, Calif., sent us the story, she expressed the hope that some of Theodosia's descendants would turn up as a result. As it turns out, Jean West lived next door to one of Theodosia and **Ira Trout**'s daughters for many years. Her name is **Mary Lou Turner**, and she now lives in Hernando, Miss. The only other one of the Trout children still living is **Elizabeth Spencer** who resides at The Parkview retirement home here in Memphis.

Jean also steered me to **Ellen Davies Rodgers**' history of the Episcopal Church in West Tennessee, *The Holy Innocents*. From it, I learned that the Trouts had seven children:

- (1) **Theodosia Gailor Trout** - b. 19 June 1896 at Mason, Tenn., d. 2 Aug 1897 at Como, Miss.
- (2) **Frederick Irenaeus Trout** - b. 21 Jul 1897, Como, Miss., lived in Tupelo, Miss.
- (3) **Catherine Naomi Trout** - b. 13 Oct 1899, Grenada, Miss., m. **F. F. Frazier, Sr.**, lived in Memphis
- (4) **James Douglas Quigley Trout** - b. 9 Mar 1901, Thayer, Mo., d. Oct 1902 in Gulfport, Miss.
- (5) **Irenaeus Trout** - b. 15 Oct 1903, Memphis, d. 8 Jul 1905, Clarksdale, Miss.
- (6) **Elizabeth Wilmot Trout** - b. 18 Jul 1908, Punta Gorda, Fla., m. **E. F. Spencer**, living in Memphis
- (7) **Mary Louisa Trout** - b. 31 Dec. 1911, Grenada, Miss., m. **L. L. Turner**, living in Hernando, Miss.

What I wouldn't have given months ago to have found this resource which -- embarrassingly enough -- is in our own TGS library! In all my years of editing, though, I've never seen it fail -- as soon as something you have written gets into

print, additional information turns up! Many of you family history writers probably know what I'm talking about.

TGS MEMBER Samuel T. Davidson of Tallahassee, Fla., brought up a good point in a recent letter. It's about a sin of omission that's committed by far too many genealogists. And that's the failure of so many folks to acknowledge a reply to their queries.

Mr. Davidson puts it this way: "It would appear that courtesy would demand that the recipient of a reply to their query acknowledge the receipt thereof. **Even if the information is irrelevant or useless, the responder should receive some reply.** The lack of some sort of reply negates the phrase 'will exchange information' which is sometimes seen."

He's got a mighty good point there. I responded to one man's query on the Internet about mutual relatives in Bedford County -- and it was like dropping a bottle with an enclosed message into the ocean. I've wondered Did my message reach its destination? Did it shock him so that he couldn't muster a reply? Did his computer blow up or did he die and was cremated? All sorts of things come to mind.

Ansearchin' News now carries more queries per issue than any of the exchange quarterlies that come into the TGS library. It's a valuable section for our members' perusal and we hope to keep it that way. So, please, when you get a reply to your query, do take the time to drop a thank-you note to the sender. You'll make friends that way ... and who knows? That person may send you some more info in the future. Mind your manners [and feather your nest].

TGS is fortunate to have so many outstanding members. Among them is **Verna Baker Banes**, who writes a genealogy column, "Heritage Happenings," for *The Huntsville (Tex.) Item*. Some time back, she wrote for permission to use the article we ran about the Coffee County, Tenn., history class that restores an old cemetery each year. The morning after her version of the story was printed, she had a call from a reader wanting more information about ordering the books for Bedford and Coffee counties. (It helps to spread the word!)

Verna writes that all lines of both her mother's and father's families had deep roots or "stopped off" in Tennessee. She and her husband **Tony** are currently involved in updating a 1992 Walker Co., Tex., cemetery book.. Both are in their 77th years, and are still busy with family, church, and civic responsibilities. Verna says their days are full. She ends her letter by saying, "Thanks for the TN Genealogical Society!" And we say, "Thanks for Verna and Tony Banes!"

IF WE'RE NOT carrying items from time to time on the county where your ancestors lived, drop us a line and let us know. With 95 counties in the state, it's easy to miss some of them. So do let us know the ones you're particularly interested in, and we'll do our best to come up with something for you!■



An Epitaph That Became A Presidential Campaign Issue

When he was 74, **Col. Ezekiel Polk** of Hardeman County wrote his own epitaph. He was proud of his 20-line poem (it rhymed) and he left instructions in his will for it to be “done on durable wood as there are no rocks in this county fit for gravestones.” Ezekiel also instructed that the marker be well painted and placed upright at his head with a weeping willow planted at his feet.

The time was 24 June 1821. And Ezekiel never dreamed that two of the lines in his epitaph would be circulated during the 1848 presidential campaign in an attempt to embarrass his grandson, **James Knox Polk**, who was a candidate for the nation’s highest office. It doesn’t take much imagination to pick out the couplet in Ezekiel’s epitaph that set off the political wrangle:

*“Here lies the dust of old E.P.
One instance of mortality;
Pennsylvania-born, Car’lina bred,
In Tennessee died upon his bed.
His youthful days were spent in pleasure
His latter days in gathering treasure.
From superstition lived quite free
And practiced strict morality.
To holy cheats was never willing
To give one solitary shilling.
He could foresee, and foreseen
Could equal most of men in being
That church and state will join their power
And misery in this country shower.
The Methodists with their camp-brawling
Will be the cause of this downfalling.
An era not destined to see
It waits for poor posterity.
First fruits and tenths are odious things
And so are bishops, priests, and kings.”*

When Ezekiel died on 31 Aug 1824, his wishes were carried out. But two decades later when the lines about the Methodists were circulated in an attempt to defeat his grandson, a family member removed the marker from the Hatchie burying ground,¹ chipped out the controversial lines, and carried it to the home of Ezekiel’s son, **Edwin Polk**, where it reportedly lay under his house for years. In 1849 Edwin contributed land in southwest Bolivar to be known as the Polk Cemetery and “to be forever a family burying ground.” Ezekiel’s remains were moved there in the early 1850’s and a second monument (minus the original epitaph) was erected.² Close by was buried Ezekiel’s faithful servant, “**Uncle Jim**” who had followed him from Pennsylvania to Middle Tennessee and finally West Tennessee. For years to come, Ezekiel would be remembered as the “man with two tombstones.”³

James K. Polk’s political opponents in the presidential race continued to try to embarrass him. They first charged that James’ father **Samuel Polk** was a Tory. However, a little checking revealed that Samuel was not born until 1772 and was less than three years old when the Revolutionary War started.

¹ Located about three-quarters of a mile north of Bolivar

² The original tombstone was said to have been placed in the yard of **Edwin** and **Octavia Polk**’s home Mechlen

³ **James K. Polk** apparently didn’t share his grandfather’s views about the Methodists. Six days before he died, the former president was baptized by a Methodist minister.

Polk's opponents then decided to try to make the Tory charge stick against Ezekiel. But son Edwin gathered affidavits and went to North Carolina where he proved the charges false.⁴

As one of Polk's supporters said, "The false charges were intended not so much to defame the memory of the patriotic dead as to affect the popularity and well earned fame of Ezekiel's grandson."

A look at Ezekiel's life reveals the unfairness of the charges. He had been born in Cumberland Co., Pa., near what is now Carlisle on 7 Dec 1747, the seventh child of **William Polk** and his wife, **Margaret Taylor**. In about 1750 his parents moved to Mecklenburg Co., North Carolina. Years later, he and his brother Thomas attended the meeting in Charlotte to draft a declaration of independence. Ezekiel is said to have been one of three men who drafted the first document advocating absolute independence for the American people.⁵ It was approved by Mecklenburg County citizens at the Polk family residence on 20 May 1775. On 18 June 1775 Ezekiel was commissioned as captain of the South Carolina Rangers by the Council of Safety of South Carolina. He and his nephew, **William Polk** of Raleigh, N.C., were in an engagement against the Tories at Rayburn's Creek, S. C. In 1780 when **Lord Cornwallis** and his men were en route from Camden to Charlotte, they forced Ezekiel out of his home, threatening to burn his house and destroy his property. Like hundreds of other patriot Whigs, Ezekiel resigned his commission and took protection under the British commander to save his family and property. He later broke the protection and again took up arms for the patriot cause. Pursued by the British army, he managed to escape and form a scouting party of patriots who annoyed and fought the British in South Carolina for the remainder of the war.

After the Revolution, he became sheriff of Mecklenburg County. About 1806, Ezekiel and his family migrated to Maury County, Tenn. After **Isaac Shelby** and **Andrew Jackson** signed a treaty with the Chickasaw Indians on 19 Oct 1818, Ezekiel was one of the first settlers in the area that became Hardeman County.⁶ He was 72 when he left his home in Maury County to venture into land where only Indian feet had trod before. Migrating with him were his brother **Thomas**, his son **William**, his sons-in-law **Thomas McNeal** and **Thomas Jones Hardeman**,⁷ and his young grandson **Rufus P. Neely** who made the journey on ponyback carrying slabs of bacon. Because sufficient provender could not be taken for the horses in those days, they had to depend on grass by the roadside. One morning shortly after arising, Ezekiel found the horses had disappeared. He attempted to rouse the sleeping campers.

"McNeal, get up -- the horses are gone! Rufus, get up -- the horses are gone and we'll have to walk back home! Hardeman, get up -- the horses are gone!"

As the story goes, Hardeman growled, "D__n the horses!" and turned over to continue his nap. Eventually the horses were found grazing about a mile from the camp.

Afer settling in the area, Ezekiel and **Major William Ramsey**⁸ each gave 50 acres as the site for a town [Bolivar], both reserving the privilege of a choice lot.⁹ Ezekiel was noted for his benevolence to the poor.

⁴ The defense against the charges was published in a pamphlet entitled, "A Vindication of the Life and Revolutionary Services of Col. E. Polk," published by the Tennessee State Central Committee and printed by John P. Heiss, Nashville.

⁵ It was drafted one year before Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence.

⁶ Created in 1823 from the Western District (Indian lands)

⁷ Hardeman County was named in his honor

⁸ Progenitor of the **Newbern** family in Hardeman County

⁹ Ezekiel's home -- situated west of town -- was destroyed by Federal troops during the Civil War.

EPITAPH (continued)

Hardeman County records show he donated small tracts of land to three poor families collaterally related to him. Ezekiel was married three times, and had nine children. His first wife, whom he married in Mecklenburg Co., N.C., ca. 1769 was **Mary Wilson**, daughter of **Samuel Wilson**. She died 29 Nov 1791. They had eight children:

- **Thomas** - born 5 Dec 1770, probably in Tryon Co., N.C., died 1814, married **Abigail Irvin**
- **Matilda Golden** - b. 5 Dec 1770 (Thomas' twin sister), d. 20 Sep 1853 at Springfield, Mo.; m. (1) on 3 May 1792 to **John Campbell** [1792-1816], (2) in Dec 1821 to **Philip Jenkins** in Maury Co., Tenn.
- **Samuel** - b. 5 Jul 1772 prob. in Tryon Co., NC., m. **Jane Knox** in 1794; d. 1827; father of **Pres. John Knox Polk**
- **John** - b. 1774 probably in York Co., S.C., d. 1804
- **William Wilson** - b. 10 Sep 1776, probably in York Co., S.C.; d. 8 Oct 1848 in Phillips Co., Ark., m. **Elizabeth Dodd**. Was chairman of the first Hardeman County Court.
- **Clarissa** - b. 25 Dec 1782 prob. in Mecklenburg Co., N.C., d. 8 Dec 1846 at Bolvar, Tenn.; m. **Col. Thomas McNeal** in 1803 in Williamson (later Maury) Co.
- **Mary** - b. 1785 prob. in Mecklenburg Co., N.C., d. 24 Sep 1835 in Bolivar, Tenn. Married **Col. Thomas Jones Hardeman** ca. 1814 in Maury Co., Tenn. Had five children: **Thos. Monroe**, **William P.**, **Owen Bailey**, **Mary Ophelia**, and **Leonidas Polk Hardeman**
- **Louisa** - b. 1787 prob. in Mecklenburg, N.C., d. 26 Dec 1869 at Bolivar, Tenn., m. (1) **Capt. Charles Rufus Neely** in Maury Co., Tenn., in 1802, (2) **Dr. Clinton C. Collier** in Hardeman County.

He and his second wife, **Bessie "Polly" Campbell Davis**, had no issue.

Ezekiel's third wife, whom he married in 1812 in Maury County, was **Soffia/Sophia (Neely) Neely**, the daughter of **James Neely** and the widow of **Leonard Neely**. She lived for 20 years after Ezekiel's death. They were the parents of four children :

- **Charles Perry** - b. 27 Oct 1813 in Maury Co, Tenn.; d. 1893, m. **Ellen Matilda Fitzhugh**
- **Eugenia** - b. 1815 in Maury Co., d. 16 Oct 1895 in Wilburton, Okla.; m. **Alexander Neilson** in Hardeman County
- **Benigna** - b. 30 Jul 1816 in Maury Co., d. 27 Jan 1886 in Memphis; m. **William Henry Wood** on 18 Jul 1834 in Hardeman Co.
- **Edwin Fitzhugh** - b. 6 May 1818 in Maury Co.; d. 4 Apr 1854 at age 36 in Bolivar, m. **Octavia Rowena Jones**, daughter of Calvin, on 30 Jul 1846 in Bolivar. She d. 13 Jul 1917 at age 91. Children: Pauline, who d. in infancy; and Octavia, b. 10 Mar 1848 in Bolvar, m. Tudor F. Brooks on 7 Sep 1869 at Bolivar.

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Franklin County's Manchester -- A Thriving Town in the 1880's

With a pride equal to that of any Chamber of Commerce, *The Manchester Times* of 20 Jan 1888 reported that the town's number of mercantile firms had grown from seven to 13 in only five years.

I. J. Greer was singled out as the merchant who not only had been in business the longest, but was the first to have a brick storehouse erected in Manchester.

"He started with a small stock of goods about ten years ago and each succeeding year has found him with more goods and a larger trade," the paper noted. "He is assisted by **Frank Campbell**, charming young bachelor who -- were it not for his bashfulness -- would be making some woman happy."

Moving on around the square, *The Times* recognized **E. S. Hough** as "proprietor of one of the neatest and well stocked drugstores in this section of the state." The editor added, "We do not suppose there is a better business man in this entire county."

The firm of **Wooten & Winton**, formed in 1882, was apparently the largest mercantile store in town. **James C. Winton, Jr.**, one of the partners, was general manager. Sales in December 1887 exceeded those of the same month in 1886 by \$2,400, it was reported. Besides the proprietors, three salesmen -- **William** and **Charley Rodes**, and **Simeon Ashley, Jr.** -- were required to wait on the customers who daily thronged the store.

Doing business under the firm name of **J. G. Wilkinson & Co.** were **Joe Green Wilkinson**, **Thomas H. Willis**, and **Stephen M. Winton**. They were assisted by **Robert Leming**. The business was located in a brick building at the corner of Depot and Spring Streets. **John P. Adams** was identified as proprietor of the neatest store in town. "He takes pride in keeping his goods in proper shape."

Burger & Alwood recently moved to a new brick storehouse and added largely to their dry goods stock, according to *The Times*. **J. H. Burger** and **William Alwood** composed the firm, and **John K. Perry** was described as "their gentlemanly clerk." **Price & Lecroy** dealt in drugs and groceries, and had full lines of both. **J. Ernest Price** was store clerk.

Manchester had three exclusive grocery firms -- **W. J. Taylor's**, **W. T. Ferguson's**, and **Turner & Gould's**. **Bright & Harmon** took charge of the old Grange stock when that institution ceased business. They handled dry goods, groceries, sewing machines, and organs. **Dr. I. N. Jones** was said to have been doing a good business with his general merchandise store, and kept a well-selected stock. The newest mercantile firm to enter the field was that of **J. H. Smith & Sons** which moved into the old Grange stand with a new stock.

The Times also reported that **W. R. Lannon** had returned from several years' residence in Texas and would soon open a grocery business in Manchester. ■

Oakland, Tenn., Had Its Share Of Senior Citizens in 1890

A reporter from the *Memphis Public Ledger* who visited Oakland some 30 miles east of Memphis in early 1890, found it a pleasant town and a delightful place to visit. At that time, the little settlement on the Tennessee Midland Railroad between Memphis and Jackson boasted two hotels, a steam grist mill, a cotton gin, and a livery stable -- not to mention its generous share of senior citizens.

Among octogenarians who had passed nearly their entire lives in the Oakland vicinity were: **Capt. B. Kyle**, **Mrs. Harriet McCully**, Messrs. **Henry Pitman**, **W. Murphy**, **R. Bradshaw**, **Bird Stafford**, and **Dr. P. W. DuPree**.

Then there was **Mrs. Mary Pearce**, described as "a venerable and excellent old lady" living near town who had reached her 96th year and was said to be as spry as most ladies 60 years of age. A South Carolinian by birth, she removed to Oakland at an early day, raised a large family, and had been a devoted Presbyterian for more than 70 years. In her possession were two ancient relics she prized highly. One was a powder gourd with the date 1628 carved on its side. Her husband's father carried it through the Revolutionary War. The other was a book of sermons by **John Flavel** which was published in London in 1715.

Among the town's intelligent and wide-awake business men found by *The Ledger* were: **T. L. Irwin**, dry goods and groceries; **J. H. Flippin & Co.**, general merchants; **Mathews & Mathews**, dry goods, groceries, and notions; **Jeff C. Pierce**, furnishing goods, boots, shoes, etc.; **Morrow & Kyle**, druggists and chemists; **C. S. Cassels**, druggist; **L. B. Lamb**, real estate agent; **G. S. Anderson**, liveryman; **T. R. Timberlake & A. M. Mason**, contractors and builders; **J. L. Waggoner**, woodworker and wagon-maker; **William Hall**, undertaker; **C. Irwin**, brick mason; **Peter Broom**, blacksmith; **Cassels & Morrow**, physicians; and **Capt. Ben Flippin**, owner and proprietor of a large steam gin and grist mill. **Prof. R. O. Prewitt**, principal of Oakland Academy, and his full corps of assistants were said to be building up a fine school. The story appeared in the 16 Jan 1890 issue of the *Memphis Public Ledger*. ■

✓ CENSUS TIPS

The 1900 and 1910 censuses provide clues as to the number of children born to a woman. Column 11 of the 1900 census and column 10 of the 1910 census show how many children were born to each woman, and successive columns in each census tell how many of those children were still living. This information can help you determine if you have identified all the children in a given family, and whether any were deceased when either census was taken.

SOURCE: *The Record, News from the National Archives and Records Administration*, Vol. 4, No. 3, Jan 1998, p. 26 ■

Thousands Of Tennesseans Trek To California In '49 Gold Rush

The 1848 discovery of gold by New Jersey carpenter **James Wilson Marshall** at Sutter's Mill on the American River in California drew a rush of immigrants from all over the world -- including a sizable number from Tennessee.¹

In the two years following the discovery, more than 90,000 people migrated to California and by 1854 the figure had exceeded 300,000 -- or one of about every 90 people living in the United States.²

In its 30 Dec 1848 issue, the *Memphis Weekly Appeal* commented that the California gold mania was at least dividing everyday gossip with the cholera.

By 3 Feb 1849, *The Appeal* acknowledged that the discovery of gold was real: "The whole civilized world seems to be electrified, astonished, and amazed at the profuse yieldings of these mines. Both the old world and the new and the islands of the oceans are sending forth their hundreds and thousands to plunder the mines of their rich treasures."

But life on the new frontier was not always as envisioned. A former citizen of Memphis, who identified himself only as "W. C. S.," wrote from San Francisco on 31 Jan 1850 about the high cost of living. "Boarding at a respectable hotel, including eating and sleeping accommodations, costs \$400 per month, and washing \$8 per day."³ [In terms of 1997 dollars, this would be equivalent to \$8,000 a month for board and \$160 a day for laundry.]⁴

¹ Historian **Walter T. Durham** estimates that by the end of 1852, there had been at least 4,500 Tennesseans in California since the beginning of the Gold Rush. From 1848 to 1860, California's population increased from about 20,000 to 380,000.

² *The Sacramento Bee*, 18 Jan 1998

³ *The Memphis Eagle*, 22 Mar 1850.

⁴ Based on figures from the *Sacramento Bee*.



Nevertheless, prominent men gave up their positions and headed West. **Col. Samuel W. Bell**, for instance, resigned as Knoxville postmaster and left for California.⁵

As in most states, a number of California-bound mining companies were organized and outfitted in Tennessee. Usually the men paid a specified membership fee and agreed to put their daily take into a general fund from which profits would be equally distributed. The company's directors took care of transportation arrangements and provisions. The plan appealed to many '49ers because it offered a degree of safety in numbers, especially on the overland trails.

A. M. Rosborough, the *Nashville Whig's* principal editor, left Thursday,

18 April 1850, for California by the overland route. *The Memphis Eagle* reported, "He goes out as superintendent of the Tennessee Mining Company with a steam engine and suitable machinery for gold mining in the quartz region." Others in the company were **J. Litton Bostick**, **Dr. W. Farmer**, **James Bostick**, **E. Taylor**, and a Negro boy. The men were obliged to work as a joint stock company for 18 months from the time of their departure. Traveling with them "for mutual protection against the dangers and vicissitudes incident to the route" were **J. B. Rosborough** [**A. M.**'s brother], **J. R. Groves**, and a Negro boy.

The Hope Mining Company, formed in Nashville and Clarksville, had left Saturday, 13 April, taking the Isthmus route. **G. A. Harrell**, Esq., headed the group that included **Dr. Joseph W. Stout**, **J. W. Jادkins**, **William Stewart**, **William Carpenter**, **B.**

⁵ *The Franklin Weekly Review*, 15 June 1849

F. Thomas, Samuel E. Williamson, Lewis Sharp, and D. A. Wilkins.⁶

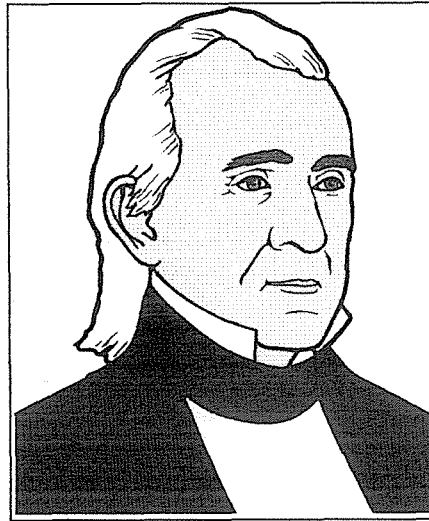
Another company going via New York and the Isthmus left 21 May for 'the land of gold.' **Dr. P. W. Martin** was superintendent, traveling with his son [name not given], **Dr. J. W. King** (treasurer), **R. H. Harvey, James Peacock, Thomas B. Childress, Esq., W. J. Childress, James R. McCall, and Irbin Stephenson** (colored man).⁷

The Gallatin Tenth Legion ran a list of Tennesseans -- most Sumner Countians -- who were among passengers arriving at San Francisco on 11 July via the steamer *New World*. The list, copied from the *New York Tribune*, included **J. Parrey, W. L. Carr, W. Lew, S. Elliot, F. B. Douglass, T. C. Wilson, Isaac Saffarans, D. Barry** and servant, **J. Havart, W. Wright, H. Gregory, D. Saffarans, G. W. Pearson, W. Patterson, H. M. Terry, L. Charlton, G. Love, J. E. Cartwright, G. D. Blockmore, James Allen, and R. Charlton.**

The men apparently were members of a mining company headed by **Wilson and Love**. The paper reported that a letter had since been received from **James Allen** of the group saying they only stayed in San Francisco a single night and left for the mines 12 July.

An unidentified Memphian who left for California via Fort Smith, Ark., in April 1849 wrote from Sacramento City in September that enormous wages were being paid for all kinds of labor.

"Teamsters are getting from \$300 to \$400 a month, and common day laborers \$10 per day," he said. "I know one of our company who is getting \$10 a day for grinding coffee."⁸



PRES. JAMES K. POLK

By October 1850 signs of disillusionment began appearing in local newspapers.⁹ Commented *The Memphis Eagle* on 29 October: "We have not heard of a solitary instance among the many emigrants to California from this section of a 'fortune' having been made. Ninety-nine out of 100 never accumulate as much as they spend in reaching the seductive and delusive El Dorado."

According to one estimate, 10,000 individuals died the first year of the Gold Rush because of inadequate shelter, poor food, disease, lack of medical supplies, and crime. Another historian wrote that 1 in every 5 miners who came to California in 1849 was dead within six months, a rate so high that insurance companies refused to write new policies for those going to the gold fields.¹⁰

California was admitted to the Union on 9 Sep 1850 but it was almost six weeks before the news reached the new state. In preparation for statehood, voters had approved a state constitution on 13 Nov 1849 and elected Tennessee-born **Peter Harde-**

man Burnett as their first civil governor. He was inaugurated 22 Dec 1849. Meanwhile, the state's General Assembly selected **William McKendree Gwin**, a former resident of Sumner Co., Tenn., and **John C. Fremont** as its two U. S. senators who would take their seats when statehood was won.

California's first treasurer, **Richard Roman**, also was from Middle Tennessee as was its first secretary of state, **William Van Voorhies**, a former Maury County attorney who had been sent to California by **President James K. Polk** as a special mail agent. Two other Tennesseans, **David F. Douglass**, formerly of Sumner County, and **W. R. Bassham** were among the 16 members of California's first General Assembly.

Tennessean **James K. Polk**¹¹ was U.S. president when gold was discovered, and his December 1848 announcement that the discovery was authentic set off the stampede to what was to become the Golden State. **Polk** had long championed statehood for California and, although he died before it was achieved, the state recognized its debt to him in a public memorial service.

On 30 Aug 1849, the San Francisco newspaper *Alta California* declared, "The citizens [of California] will forever cherish the name of **James K. Polk** while they enjoy the blessings promoted at his hand."¹²

¹¹Born in Mecklenburg Co., N. C., on 2 Nov 1795 to **Samuel** and **Jane Polk**, James spent his formative years in Maury Co., Tenn. He attended the Murfreesboro Academy and the University of North Carolina, and read law in **Felix Grundy's** office in Nashville for a year before opening his own law office in Columbia. In 1825 he was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and 11 years later became Speaker of the House. In 1840 he was elected Tennessee governor and in 1844 U.S. president

⁶*The Nashville Whig*, 13 Apr 1850

⁷*The Nashville Whig* of 23 May, 1850, quoted in *The Memphis Eagle*, 28 May 1850

⁸*The Memphis Enquirer*, 20 Nov 1849

⁹Even so, the Gold Rush continued into the mid-1850's

¹⁰*The Sacramento Bee*, 18 Jan 1898

'The Elephant' Loomed Large In '49er Lingo

References to "the elephant" crop up repeatedly in letters and reports from the California Gold Rush days.

Those who were planning to travel west announced they were "going to see the elephant."

Those turning back claimed they had "seen the elephant".... or "seen the elephant's tracks" or "seen the elephant's tail." Regardless of which variation they used, it was pretty clear that they'd seen as much of the animal as they cared to see.

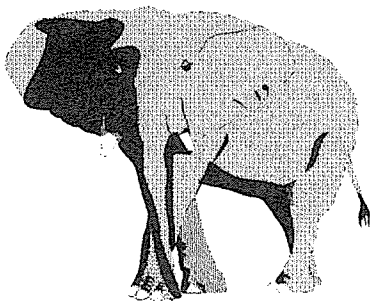
The expression was older than the Gold Rush, having originated about the time elephants were first featured in circus parades.

It seems that a farmer, on hearing a circus was in town, loaded his wagon with vegetables and headed for the market. He had never seen an elephant and was excited about the prospect of finally getting to see one.

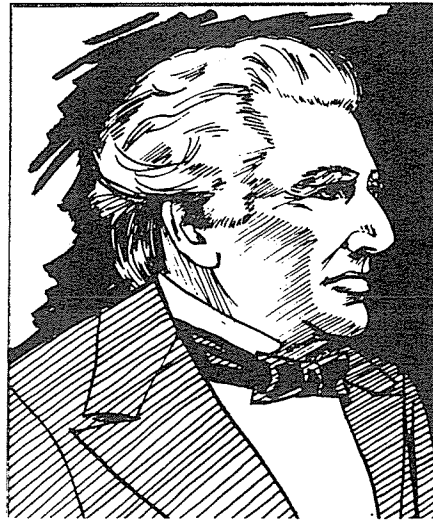
On the way to town he met the circus parade which was being led by the elephant. The farmer was thrilled at the sight of the beast, but his horses were terrified. They bolted, overturning the wagon and completely ruining all his vegetables.

But the farmer was unperturbed.

"I don't give a hang," he said, "because I have seen the elephant!"



A SIGHT TO BEHOLD ?



WILLIAM MCKENDREE GWIN

California's 1st Senator Was Sumner Countian

William McKendree Gwin, considered by many as the most influential political figure in California's early days, was born near Fountain Head in Sumner Co., Tenn., on 9 Oct 1805. He was the second of seven children born to **Rev. James and Mary Gwin**. His father, a native of Wales, had removed from North Carolina in 1790. A Revolutionary War soldier and a Methodist minister, he was a friend of **Andrew Jackson** and served as chief chaplain for his Louisiana expedition. James also was a close friend of **Methodist Bishop William McKendree** of Tennessee, and named his son for him. Young William Gwin was President Jackson's protege and served for six months as his personal secretary in Washington.

William was given professional training in both law and medicine. He was admitted to the bar at Gallatin in 1826, and in 1828 received a medical degree from Transylvania University in Kentucky. He began his medical practice in Clinton, Miss., where he married **Caroline Simpson**. They had two children, both of whom died in infancy. Caroline died before 1834. Meanwhile, Pres. Jackson in 1833 had appointed Gwin U.S. marshal for Mississippi. In

1837 Gwin married a young widow, **Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Hampton (Bell) Logan**, at Vicksburg in 1837. In 1840 he was elected to the U. S. House of Representatives, where he served a single term before returning to private life because of financial obligations. In 1845 he moved to New Orleans as a federal commissioner to superintend construction of the U.S. customs house.

When the Gold Rush started, Gwin headed for California in the spring of 1849. His avowed purpose was to help California achieve statehood and then return to Washington as its U. S. senator. He did both, being responsible for writing most of California's constitution and serving as the state's senator for two terms with distinction. He was instrumental in establishing a mint in San Francisco, initiating surveys of the Pacific coast, and deepening channels of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers. He wrote the 1851 California land title law, and introduced bills for an intercontinental railroad and telegraph lines, and for a navy yard and depot at San Francisco. In 1851 the California legislature passed a resolution of appreciation for his work.

Because of his Southern sympathies, Gwin fell from favor during the Civil War. In 1861 he was briefly imprisoned at Fort Lafayette, and in 1865 was held for eight months at Fort Jackson. No charges were made in either case. During much of the war, Gwin and his wife and their three children¹²--**Lucy, Carrie, and Willie**--took refuge in France.

After the war, they returned to California. Meanwhile, the Palomas quartz mine in Calaveras County, which Gwin had acquired in 1851, paid off and Gwin was said to have been a wealthy man when he died 3 Sep 1885 while on a business trip to New York. He was buried at Mountain View Cemetery in Oakland. ■

¹² Their first child, **Mary Bell Gwin**, died in Washington in Aug 1852 at age 11.

Californians Elect Tennessee-Born Burnett Their First Governor

In his autobiography, **Peter Hardeman Burnett** said he had been a pioneer most of his life.

"I was born a pioneer as Nashville at the date of my birth [15 Nov 1807] was but a small village, and Tennessee a border-state but thinly populated," he wrote, "and whenever, since my arrival in California, I have seen a party of immigrants with their ox-teams and white-sheeted wagons, I have been excited, have felt younger, and was for the moment anxious to make another trip."

His pioneering trait is reflected in the fact that he left tracks in four states: Tennessee, Missouri, Oregon, and California. Burnett, who incidentally added the second "t" to the family surname, was the son of **George** and **Dorothy [Hardeman] Burnet**. George was born in Pittsylvania Co., Va., on 26 Sep 1770 and died in Clay Co., Mo., on 22 Feb 1838. Dorothy, the daughter of **Thomas** and **Mary [Perkins] Harde-man**, was born in Davidson Co., Tenn., 15 May 1786 and died 17 Mar 1843 in Platte Co., Missouri. They married in Davidson County in 1802.

In 1827 son Peter took a job as a clerk for **Parson Peck** in Hardeman Co., Tenn. There he met **Harriet W. Rogers**, who had recently moved into the county with her father, **Peter Rogers**, and other family members from Wilson County. Harriet was born in Tennessee in 1812. She and Peter were married 20 Aug 1828. They had six children:

(1) **Dwight J. Burnett** - b. 23 May 1829 in Hardeman Co., Tenn., m. **Mary Wilcox** in Sacramento City, Calif., in Jan 1850

(2) **Martha Letitia Burnett** - b. 29 Apr 1833 in Clay Co., Mo., m. **Caius T. Ryland** in Alviso, Santa Clara Co., Calif., 23 Jan 1851

(3) **Romeeta J. Burnett** - b. 14 Feb 1836 in Liberty, Clay Co., Mo., m. **W. T. Wallace** in Alviso, Santa Clara Co., Calif., 30 Mar 1853

(4) **John M. Barnett** - b. 4 Feb 1838 in Liberty, Clay Co., Mo., m. **Ellen Casey** in San Francisco on 27 Apr 1863

(5) **Armstead L. Burnett** - b. 7 Oct 1839 in Liberty, Clay Co., Mo., m. **Flora Johnson** in San Jose, Calif., on 21 Nov 1860, d. 26 May 1862 in San Jose

(6) **Sallie C. Burnett** - b. 27 Sep 1841 in Platte Co., Mo., m. **Francis Poe** in San Jose, Calif., on 21 Nov 1860, d. in Sacramento City, Calif., 24 May 1861

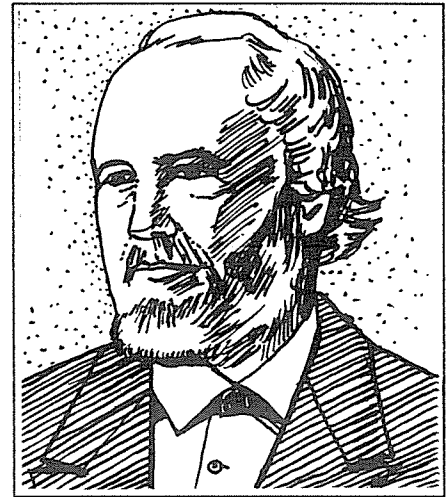
After some unsuccessful experiences in the mercantile business, Peter studied law and began practicing in 1839. He was soon appointed district attorney in Platte County. In 1843 he organized and was captain of an ox-drawn wagon train that set out from Independence, Mo., for the Oregon territory. One thousand persons made up the train which is believed to be the largest that ever crossed the plains.

During the five years Burnett lived in Oregon, he became a member of the territorial legislature and a Supreme Court justice. In September 1848 he organized and led the first wagon train of immigrants from Oregon to California.

Burnett tried his hand at panning for gold but made only a modest strike. In the vernacular of other 49'ers, Burnett declared he had "seen the elephant" and turned to new fields of endeavor. **John Sutter, Jr.**, offered him a job selling lots in the newly laid-out city of Sacramento. Peter did well, eventually making about \$50,000 in the real estate business. He donated a lot as a building site for a church at 7th and K Streets in Sacramento.

In 1849 he was elected governor of California, winning easily over his opponents. He resigned as governor in early 1851 to take care of personal business.¹² He later practiced law in San Jose, was a Sacramento city councilman, a California Supreme Court justice [1857-58], and founder and president of the Pacific Bank in San Francisco. His wife Harriet died in 1879. Peter died a wealthy man on 17 May 1895 at the age of 88.■

¹²Burnett soon found that his \$10,000 salary as governor (paid not in gold but in depreciated state script) was inadequate to cover his expenses.



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Med School Graduate Postpones Career to Join '49 Gold Rush

Lucius Lucullus Battle was only 20 when he graduated from the Memphis Medical College in the spring of 1849. The city was in the grip of a cholera epidemic and, like hundreds of others in the vicinity, L.L. was hit hard -- not by cholera, but by the *gold fever*.

His parents, William and Chloe (Boddie) Battle, III¹ of nearby Arlington, were less than enthusiastic when their son told them of his decision to join the Gold Rush. He left the family home at Arlington on horseback for Memphis with only one or two dollars and added to his capital by borrowing \$40 from **Gen. C. B. Frazier**.

Many '49ers had started to California via Panama but could get no farther than the Isthmus because of the scarcity of ships. Consequently, L. L. and his party decided to take the overland route via Fort Smith and Santa Fe. Accompanying him on the journey were **Dr. Charles Cullen** of Richmond, Va., **W. G. Perry**, Petersburg, Va., and a Negro man named **Hambleton** who had been in the Seminole Indian War in Florida and with the U. S. Army during the Mexican War. About 10 Mar 1849 they erected a tent on the bluff at Memphis as headquarters for the California Gold Hunters.² In all, about 108 men signed up for the trip. The group chartered **Capt. Angus Greenlaw's** steamboat, the *J. L. Webb*, to take them to Fort Smith, Ark., with all their worldly pos-

sessions -- ranging from a wagon and team to a pie pan. L. L. took along his medical books and surgical instruments plus a six-gallon keg of brandy in case anyone got snake bitten.

The boat pushed off from Memphis on 20 March amid the firing of guns and the warm salutations of friends. It was L. L.'s 21st birthday.

After an 11-day journey via Post, Pine Bluff, and Little Rock, Ark., they landed at Fort Smith where some 12,000-15,000 men had assembled to prepare for the long journey to the gold region on the western slope of the Sierra Nevada mountains. L. L., in his journal, wrote that the men were from 18 to 65 years old, from every state in the Union, and from every profession and calling that could be imagined. They formed into companies of not less than 100 men.

"I have seen as many as 40 or 50 steers to one wagon and 10 to 15 men trying to drive them," he recalled. "The drivers were lawyers, merchants, preachers, doctors, and planters -- and they all whipped and cursed alike."

For weeks, the men worked their way through the mud. "Some days we wouldn't go half a mile," L. L. remembered.

Finally, he and his companions organized a company of 20 men and seven wagons which they thought would be strong enough to go on through semi-civilized Indian territories to the Comanche Nation where they expected to wait for some of the larger companies to join them before attempting to go through.

"We traveled for six weeks at the rate of six miles a day through the mud," he said.

Following a fight with the Indians, the men arrived at Camp Disappointment where they teamed up with some others and formed the Washington Company of 108 members. With **Morgan Cook** of Nashville as captain, the new group left the camp on the 1st of May -- 15 men on horses and the rest on foot.

During a 10-week ordeal of crossing the desert, the men became so weak from lack of food and water that they were unable to carry their rifles and had to abandon them. By the time they arrived in California, only 60 members of the company remained.

"It took eight months for us to get to San Diego," L.L. wrote. "The day I left Memphis I weighed 155 pounds, and the day we reached San Diego I weighed only 120. I think we were the poorest and most emaciated men that ever assembled on the American continent."

At San Diego, which then was a village of only 400 to 600 people, the men sought passage on the steamship *Oregon* for San Francisco. On the ship L. L. ran into two men from Memphis, **Prof. Biby** and **Roscoe Feild**, but neither recognized him. The third Memphian he met up with was **Major George Wyatte**³ who asked him his name. When L. L. told him, the major exclaimed, "I had lief meet a son! Your people all believe you are dead. The night before I left home your brother **Fred** and sister **Tempy** stayed at my house and I have a letter and some money for you sent by your sister, **Mrs. Turley**."

Through the benevolence of the ship's captain and crew, all 60 men were taken aboard and landed in San Francisco without charge. L.L. tried his hand at panning for gold on the waters of the Calaveras and met with moderate success. He soon left the mining area and talked with a family friend about opening a medical practice in the area. The friend, who was a brick mason, told him the medical field was so crowded that he had two doctors and a lawyer carrying hods on his brick jobs. Having 'seen the elephant,' L. L. decided to return home without further glimpses. "I returned with a little more money than I started out with and an experience of pioneer life that cannot

¹William Battle (III) was b. 24 Apr 1790 in Nash Co., N.C., and m. **Chloe Crudup Boddie** of Wake Co., N. C., 24 May 1812. Chloe, b. 16 June 1796, was the widow of **Nathan Boddie** and the daughter of **John** and **Mourning (Dixon) Crudup**. L. L., one of William and Chloe's 12 children, was b. 20 Mar 1828 near Raleigh, N. C. The Battles moved to Shel by Co., Tenn., in 1830 and settled in an unbroken wilderness known as "Dark Corner" about three miles north of Arlington. William d. 14 Sep 1874 and Chloe 21 May 1864.

²At this point, L.L.'s father came to the bluff and gave him all the money he thought he would need for the trip.

³His son-in-law, **Robert M. Anderson** (1824-1872), was later lieutenant-governor of California. He is buried at Elmwood Cemetery, Memphis, Tenn.

now be obtained in the United States," he wrote later. "I had never been a hundred miles from home before, but in a little over 18 months I had traveled 200 miles on horseback, 3,300 miles on foot, and 8,000 miles by water."

After returning to Arlington, he began his medical practice. On 11 Dec 1854, he married **Martha Chester**, the daughter of **Robert I. and Elizabeth (Hays) Chester** of Jackson, Tenn., who was born 3 June 1832. They had six children:

- **Dr. William Boddie Battle** - b. 19 Dec 1855 near Jackson, Tenn.; d. 24 Mar 1946; m. (1) on 8 Jan 1880 to **Adrian Sherrod** of Fayette Co., Tenn., [b. 16 Sep 1858, d. 14 Nov 1904], they had five children, (2) **Blanche Sherrod**. [b. 25 Nov 1871, d. 21 Mar 1956]. William practiced medicine at Gallaway [Fayette Co.], Tenn.
- **Elizabeth Hays Battle** - b. 1858, d. 1862
- **Jane Royster Battle** - b. 29 May 1860; m. 27 Feb 1880 to **Dr. William John Jones** (b. 17 Feb 1857 at Bartlett, Tenn., d. 14 Dec 1895 at Memphis). Had five children.
- **Mary Ormond Butler Battle** - b. 2 June 1863, d. 18 Nov 1929, m. **Lunsford Pitt Cooper II** [b. 20 Oct 1859 - d. 28 Mar 1925]. Had eight children.
- **Bell Battle** - b. 1866, d. 1933, m. **John Cunningham** (1859-1925) on 6 Jan 1886. Had seven children.
- **Sandol Humphreys (Miss Pat) Battle** - b. 6 Sep 1868, d. 25 Nov 1944. Taught school in Memphis and Shelby County.

Martha died 1 Apr 1872, and in 1874 L.L. married **Mrs. Frances Middleton Hays Preston**. Frances died in 1891, and the following year L. L. took a third wife, **Mrs. Polly Finnie Riley**. She died in 1894, and L. L. died two years later on 16 Jul 1896.

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...East Tennessean John O'Brien Writes Home

Sacramento City, Calif.

19 [month illegible] 1850

"Arrived in San Francisco the 23rd of June and started for the mines on the 26th. After arriving in this city, I met with an acquaintance who wished me to join him in the provision and grocery trade. I agreed to do so but expressed the wish first to see the 'Elephant.'

"Accordingly, I went up on the American River ... prospected a little, and satisfied myself I could do better in the city and, with that belief, retreated.

"The high stages of the rivers and creeks have been a severe drawback in the mining community.

"You are aware that the richest diggings are on the bars of the rivers and banks. When the water is high, it runs so rapidly in the holes that it is impossible to work them. The rivers are falling and those who have claims are doing well....

"I was surprised to find on my arrival here so much disappointment. I met many going home after a few days' stay -- some who had not even seen the mines.

Martin Dies En Route To California Gold Fields

The death of 20-year old **James Hall Martin** of Sumner County was reported in the *Franklin, Tenn., Weekly Review* on 15 May 1849.

A typographer by trade, he died en route to California on 29 April and was buried at Danville, Mo., by his fellow travelers. James was the son of **Peter H. Martin**.

California Agriculture Booms

The Memphis Eagle on 10 Jul 1850 reported that boxes of garden seeds which originally cost \$9 were then selling for \$100 in California and scythes which cost \$8 were disposed of for \$45. One man near San Jose was said to have made \$50,000 by raising potatoes.

"The boys from old Washington [County] have all arrived safe with the exception of **John Cox**, the **Battles**, and **Green and Woods**. They all left Panama the 1st of June and I expect them daily. **James Broyles** has had an attack of the fever and has been staying in the store room and is now walking about. Say to his mother and father that he is entirely out of danger and will be able to go to work in a short time.

"Taking everything into consideration, I will not advise anyone to come to this country. To those who intend coming, I would advise [them] ... to start with no less than \$300."

-**JOHN T. O'BRIEN**

(Abstracted from *The Rail-Road Journal & Family Visitor*, Jonesboro, Tenn., 5 Oct 1850)

J. W. Horton Fatally Stricken On Way To California

John Wesley Horton, about 25 years of age, died 11 Sep 1849 on his way to the California gold rush. News of his death was received by his brother, **H. H. Horton**, of Williamson Co., Tenn., in a letter from **B. F. Hudson**.

Young Horton had started to California with a Lincoln Co., Tenn., mining company, and fell sick with a fever while en route. He was ill for two weeks and died on the first day's travel in the desert. Hudson said Horton was buried at the first well called Alorma 15 miles west of the Colorado River.

The death was reported in the 7 Dec 1849 issue of the *Franklin (Tenn.) Weekly Review* which called Horton "an estimable member of the Methodist Church, a man of sterling integrity, and great energy of character."

Hudson in his letter also reported that **Rev. Malt Marshall** and others of the company were all well.

California's First Census Taken in Late 1850

California's first census, taken in late 1850, revealed a population of 92,597. Some say this figure was about 50,000 under the true number.

The census also showed that 73 percent of California's population was between the ages of 20 and 40, and 92 percent was male.

The "Gold Rush" counties for which 1850 census records are still available are Sacramento, Amador, El Dorado, Sutter, Yuba, Butte, Sierra, Nevada, Tuolumne, and Placer¹⁴. Records for San Francisco, Contra Costa, and Santa Clara counties have been lost. A list of Tennesseans reported in these counties in 1850 will be carried in *Ansearchin' News*, beginning on the next page of this issue. More listings will appear in subsequent issues.

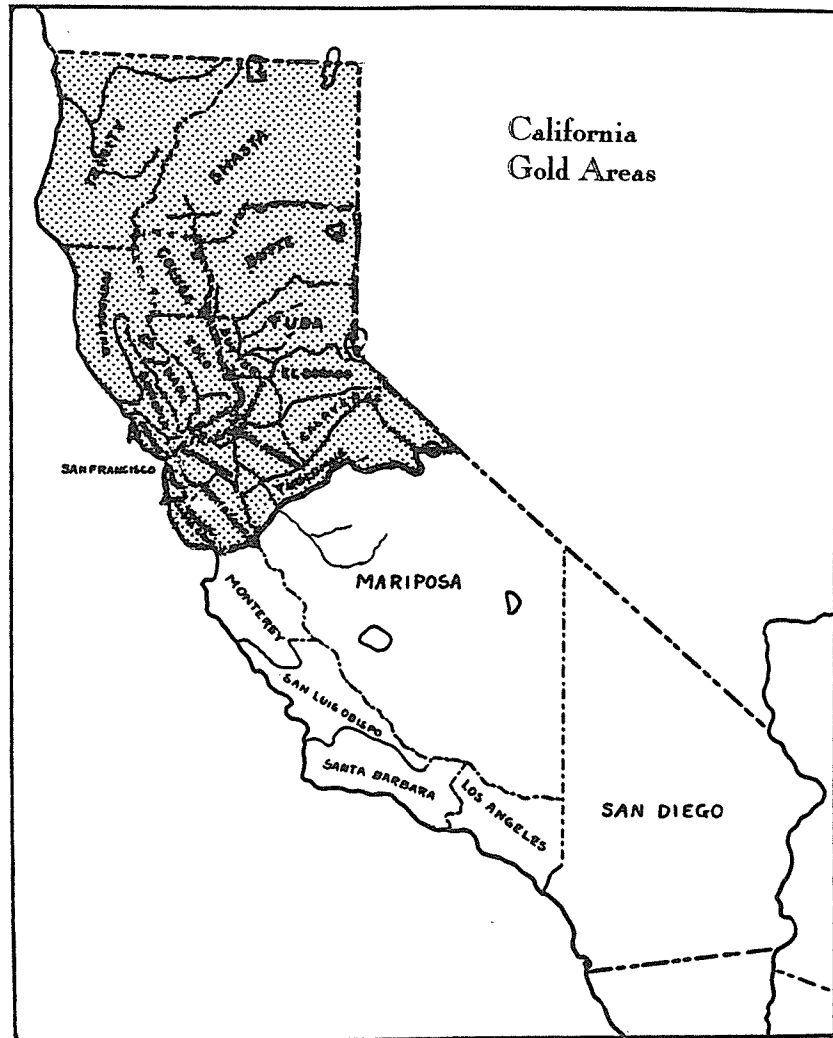
A Miner's Breakfast

New Englander **Edward Gould Buffum** and a fellow gold miner stopped at a store in Coloma, Calif., one morning in 1848 and bought a few groceries for breakfast. Here's Buffum's account of it:

"Mac and myself ... ate and drank with great gusto, and when we had concluded our repast, called for the bill. It was such a curiosity in the annals of a retail grocery business that I preserved it." The itemized bill:

One box of sardines	\$16.00
One lb. of hard bread	2.00
One lb. of butter	6.00
One-half lb. of cheese	3.00
Two bottles of ale	16.00
Total	\$43.00

¹⁴Placer and Nevada were created in 1851 from Yuba; Sierra in 1852 from Yuba; Amador from Calaveras in 1854; and, Plumas from Butte in 1854. All the others were original counties.



(California Historical Survey Commission)

Some 4,000 Believed To Have Died On Overland Trails

The fate of some Argonauts (as many of the '49ers called themselves) may never be known. It is estimated that 4,000 of the emigrants died on the overland trails to California.

J. Goldsborough Bruff, leader of the Washington City company, made a habit of recording inscriptions on every graveboard he saw. His entries became more frequent after passing the forks of the Platte River.

The graveboard of a Tennessean identified only as "**C. Taylor**" was among those found by Bruff. No date is on his marker, but he died of cholera and typhus and apparently was buried

in the vicinity of fellow travelers who all died in June of 1849.

Other listings of apparently nearby graveboards: **Lemuel Lee**, Vandalia, Ill., aged 64, died June 3, cholera; **Capt. Pleasant Gray**, Huntsville, Tex., 43, died June 9, cholera; **Rachel E. Pattison**, aged 18, died June 19, 1849.

Willis Dies in Sacramento City

John Willis, former LaGrange, Tenn., resident, died in Sacramento City, Calif., 26 Jan 1850. The news was not received in Tennessee until 16 April 1850 when *The Memphis Eagle* ran a brief story and asked North Carolina papers to copy it. ■

TENNESSEANS IN 1850 CALIFORNIA CENSUS

SUTTER CO., CALIF.

NAME	AGE	PAGE
Brown, Saml	23	53
Brown, Wm. C.	19	38
Creemer, Thos. ¹	49	40
Cremer, John	23	40
Davis, M. W.	27	52
Duke, R. F.	20	45
Hill, John	22	53
Johnson, E. S.	21	20
Longley, P. A.	18	52
Maguire, Jas.	35	45
March, Jas.	26	21
Mason, G. L.	27	20
Nickerson, S.	35	24
Smith, Rufus	23	37
Stratton, E.	24	52
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Allison, Wm.	26	262
Anderson, Jno.	21	260
Anderson, Jordan	19	269
Andrews, R. L.	25	294
Angel, Henry C.	26	273
Anthony, T. W.	27	279
Atwood, Wm. R.	38	304
Bail, John	23	280
Bailey, Peter P.	38	304
Baker, Jesse G.	35	292
Ballard, H. C.	24	294
Baniers, H. H.	26	309

¹ Apparently same Thos. Creemer who m. Martha Lowry 17 Nov 1828 in Greene Co., Tenn. John is probably their son.

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Banksmith, E.	45	303
Banksmith, Emily S.	37	303
Barnes, T.	25	279
Barnet, Henry	30	272
Barnhart, Joseph	23	276
Barrow, J. P.	26	307
Bates, Barney	27	305
Bayliss, Joseph E.	34	302
Beal, John	27	281
Bennet, Gilbert	26	289
Bennet, Henry	24	289
Benning, T. F.	26	282
Bentley, Levie	27	276
Benton, B. H.	35	305
Bigger, Rachel ²	34	300
Black, E. W.	35	280
Black, Francis	30	292
Blair, Lewis	21	246
Bliss, R. L.	28	304
Bloom, John	24	294
Board, Thos. J.	24	207
Bonner, Loring	26	242
Boon, George	29	300
Bowen, Henry	50	311
Bowen, Henry P.	22	311
Bowen, Jas. A.	24	311
Bowen, John F.	19	311
Bowen, Mary Jane	21	311
Bowen, Rachel ³	45	311
Bowen, T. J.	32	260
Bowles, Jesse	19	249
Boyle, M.	25	223
Bradley, A. J.	35	297
Braley, Catherine ⁴	54	243
Branan, John	24	247
Branock, M.	26	222
Bray, Anthony	34	289
Broadus, Wm.	50	253
Brown, H.	21	285
Brown, H. N. C.	30	261
Brown, H. R.	27	276
Brown, J. H.	31	276
Brown, Jas.	21	265
Brown, John	27	265
Brown, William	15	306
Brunson, Wm.	30	272

² On same page are Joseph Bigger, 45, b. Va., and 4 children, Joseph, Jr., 12, Harriet 10, Eleon 7, and James 5, all b. in Mo.

³ Listed with this family is Louisa Bowen, 3, b. in Utah

⁴ Also on Page 243: Hiram Braley, 55, b. Va.; Hiram H. Braley, 18, b. Ill.; and Henry H. Braley, 9, b. Ill.

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Buck, E. S.	24	282
Buckannan, Jas.	27	200
Burcham, Benj.	27	303
Burchell, Edmond	30	311
Burk, Jas.	18	223
Burkett, Adam	29	288
Burrows, Edward	26	242
Byrne, Joel	28	222
Caloin, Aaron B.	28	298
Cambell, Benj. F.	29	289
Cameral, Joseph	29	286
Campbell, Jas. N.	27	283
Cannon, W.	24	284
Carmack, _____	32	269
Carothers, Jas.	25	302
Carris, Andrew	28	283
Carris, David	30	311
Carrol, Chas.	34	291
Carroll, Chas.	25	300
Chilton, P. L.	33	242
Chocallen, C. W.	33	282
Chowney, C. H.	24	243
Chowney, J. W.	26	243
Christy, Abram	31	298
Clark, Wm.	24	247
Claypole, J.	35	279
Clemonts, Thos.	24	222
Clendennon, Thos.	34	307
Coalson, Isaac	39	306
Coffee, Thos. S.	25	262
Coffee, V. B. (male)	19	262
Colburn, B.	34	290
Collins, Geo. D.	25	301
Comfort, Chas.	41	298
Comyn, Chas.	28	287
Connelly, John S.	28	281
Conoin, J. T.	35	305
Cooper, J. L.	29	304
Copeland, Wm.	35	258
Cormack, Wm.	26	264
Corwin, Ben F.	33	297
Craine, Aamber	23	280
Crane, P. A.	28	307
Crawford, John	28	309
Crocker, John C.	35	296
Crowson, John ⁶	54	311
Cunningham, J. M.	36	267
Curl, Paschal H.	19	267

⁵ Middle initial is "F."

⁶ Listed on same page are William Crowson, 18, and James Crowson, 16, both born in Mo. and probably his sons

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Daly, Lewis	28	288
Darby, Wm. P.	28	303
Davidson, Hiram	29	293
Davies, R.	25	282
Davis, A. B.	27	283
Davis, Isaac	36	268
Davis, Jas. C.	27	308
Davis, Thos. S.	28	300
Dawson, H. C.	31	278
Dayton, Geo. D.	45	292
Deen, Robt.	28	254
Dennis, J. F.	32	296
Dent, N. R.	34	300
Devenport, Wm.	28	298
Dickson, Henry	24	281
Dillahunty, C. L.	38	301
Dissoaway, D. J.	35	304
Dixon, W. D.	41	273
Dodson, J. B.	24	288
Donaldson, Alfred	25	298
Done, Frank	31	223
Doxy, Beverly (male)	20	312
Dunn, Jno. L.	34	292
Dyer, Harvey	56	258
Earthman, John	30	269
Eaton, C.A.	27	286
Eddington, Luke	39	311
Edgar, John A.	23	265
Edmonds, John	28	286
Edwards, Jno.	28	280
Egelston, John	28	281
Ekells, J. M.	35	298
Eldrid, H. H.	26	302
Elliott, John	28	272
Elsburg, W.	23	281
Elylet, R. D.	32	279
Emerson, Ludwell	32	279
Erwin, John	28	305
Evans, Geo. W.	22	264
Farrell, Benj.	23	313
Field, Edwin	38	287
Field, J. H.	25	287
Field, John	24	287
Fisk, John	28	288
Flack, Vincent	35	307
Fletcher, Wm.	27	290
Flinn, R. B.	22	278
Flippin, Jas. A.	24	314
Ford, John T.	23	314
Forrester, R. C.	23	268
Forrester, Richard	28	268
Forsythe, J. B.	29	280

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Frierson, A. J.	27	288
Frierson, John T.	36	261
Fullen, Harris S.	27	276
Fullen, L. G.	20	276
Furgison, C.	27	280
Gallagher, Miles	23	269
Galloway, M. C.	24	295
Garner, Jas. P.	23	206
Garrett, Joseph	20	242
George, Henry	30	298
Gillespie, Thos. M.	27	297
Gilmore, J. G.	23	297
Gish, D. J.	35	280
Glasscock, Arch.	20	276
Glen, Edward	36	309
Gole, A. M.	38	308
Green, John	26	307
Green, M. F.	26	283
Green, Robt.	23	203
Gregory, Jas., Jr.	23	279
Guion, Uriah	29	272
Gunn, Ben	34	272
Gunning, John	31	305
Gus, __ (black)	35	265
Hall, R. H.	25	308
Halsey, Chas.	28	201
Hamilton, J. R.	25	295
Hampton, M. P.	28	301
Harburn, B. M.	23	306
Hardeman, Edward	28	277
Hardeman, Thos. L.	26	277
Hardin, John H.	24	264
Hargan, Augustus	33	261
Harris, Jas. F.	29	222
Hartzell, N. W.	32	307
Hatch, H. R.	25	261
Hawk, Adam	35	278
Hawk, Andrew	30	278
Hayden, S. M.	23	279
Hayden, W.	30	278
Haynes, Wm.	25	307
Hedrick, B.	24	282
Heiskell, Tyler ⁷	28	265
Henderson, Jas.	30	273
Henderson, Saml.	27	273
Henderson, Saml. R.	35	295
Hendrick, H. G.	34	288
Henry, __ (black)	41	265

⁷From Monroe Co., Tenn. In 1856, he was elected to the California State Assembly from El Dorado County. He married **Belle Patterson** another Tennessean.

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Hickman, D.	26	283
Hightour, H. T.	24	282
Hill, Ben F.	28	295
Hill, Wm.	23	312
Hollister, H.	28	284
Holmes, Leonidas	26	297
Holt, Henry	30	262
Holt, Wm.	29	262
Honk, Wm.	32	295
Hoodfin, John	20	313
Hopkins, A. M.	27	304
Hopkins, Thos.	31	280
Horenalder, Jno.	31	284
Hough, Wm.	31	293
Houston, S. B.	31	300
Houston, Uriah B.	28	296
Howard, S. P.	30	273
Humphreys, Geo.	28	279
Hunt, A.	39	297
Hunt, G. D.	39	311
Hunt, Joseph	38	305
Hunter, David W.	26	292
Hyde, Jordan	32	266
Hyde, Saml. M.	23	277
Inman, Andrew	23	249
Irvin, John	25	308
Jack, __ (black)	26	249
Jackson, Thomas	21	281
Jacobs, Peter	28	285
James, B. M.	25	305
Jarnagan, Benj.	19	267
Jarnagan, Lewis	23	267
Jarnagan, Samuel	19	267
Johnson, Armstrong	27	276
Johnson, John G.	35	301
Johnson, L. M.	21	295
Johnson, S. T.	24	295
Jones, Ed	24	282
Jones, John	27	289
Jones, John C.	32	298
Jones, Lemuel	32	294
Jones, M. T.	25	305
Jones, Wm.	22	282
Joyce, Nancy ⁸	16	311
Keeble, Frank M.	30	303
Keeble, Walter	35	303
Keneday, Wm. H.	24	287
Kenna, Catheren ⁹ (f)	24	219

⁸Listed with **Henry Joyce**, 29, b. N.C., and **Martha E. Joyce**, 11 months, b. Mo.

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Key, Thos.	24	284
Kidd, P. A. (female)	23	314
Kimsey, Samuel	44	314
King, Joseph	34	305
Kliner, Frederick	29	289
Knight, Geo.	26	246
Lamar, Jas.	22	264
Lamb, Chas. J.	25	300
Lampeal, J. L.	32	285
Larkington, Henry	41	273
Latham, J. E.	32	302
Laughland, J. V.	29	314
Leach, Wm. H.	35	305
Ledbetter, Jas. M.	27	279
Lee, G. W.	29	284
Lee, John	38	302
Lee, Lewis A.	28	306
Lee, Wm.	24	293
Lenard, Edward	35	223
Lerois, John	27	281
Lewis, John	25	292
Lewis, John	24	296
Lewis, W. S.	24	296
Lieper, G.	28	289
Lyon, Geo.	28	289
Macy, Geo. ¹⁰	14	264
Madeira, H. J.	35	277
Major, F. F.	37	290
Majors, Isam	40	261
Mansil, T.	27	295
Marsh, Thos.	27	278
Martin, A. D.	34	300
Martin, J. S.	27	283
Martin, Josiah	28	289
Martin, Wm. H.	24	291
Mason, Jas. H.	26	307
Massengill, Thos. M.	27	313
Mathewes, P.H.	30	219
Mathews, Edward	26	222
Mathews, G. W.	25	219
Mathews, J. J.	33	207
Mawes, Evans	40	243
McCarty, John T.	24	258
McDowell, J. W.	24	207
McFarland, Stphn. H.	32	264
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McLanahan, Jas.	25	309
McManus, Abram	25	303
McMullen, _____	40	307
McTyre, Henry	25	281
Mead, S. C.	27	304
Meador, B. W.	38	261
Mena, J.	46	223
Merrill, Branham	29	300
Mhoon, John	35	273
Michael, C. F.	24	284
Miller, D. D.	32	302
Miller, Eliza A.	28	302
Miller, Jas. (black)	30	311
Miller, Joe	33	207
Miller, Walter	47	222
Mills, H. A.	24	299
Minor, Jas.	40	223
Minor, Michael	35	223
Mitchell, P. H.	26	307
Moore, R.	25	223
Moore, R. D.	29	289
Moore, Thos.	27	303
Moreland, M. W.	28	283
Morgan, Anderson	33	280
Morgan, David	27	280
Morrell, Wm. S.	26	288
Morrow, Jas. W.	_____	274
Morse, E. J.	27	247
Morse, Venable	26	292
Morton, Chas.	35	269
Morton, M. Y.	22	207
Mullen, Thos.	32	223
Murphey, H. B.	26	247
Murry, Henry	24	200
Nelson, R.	27	294
Nerman, Aaron	28	296
Nick, _____ (black)	25	249
Nixon, Hiram	28	294
Nixon, John H.	26	294
Norman, Wm.	38	312
Norton, Peter	30	278
Nowell, John S.	30	299
Olds, Rufus	27	309
Olmstead, E. M.	35	308
Olmstead, H. T.	33	279
Orr, Jas. G.	26	269
Overton, John	21	313
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Pale, John T.	45	284
Palmer, Thos.	32	278
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Peters, M. N.	31	295
Philops, P.	24	285
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Porter, F. H.	35	222
Pratt, D. H.	32	286
Priest, M. M.	27	303
Priest, Wm.	31	303
Pullen, John S.	26	305
Queen, J. B.	28	278
Rabbits, W. H.	28	292
Raggert, Wm.	34	301
Reggele, G. W.	27	206
Rever, M.	32	253
Reyonds, C.	27	280
Rice, David	27	294
Richards, John	26	288
Richards, Josiah	31	278
Richards, Peter J.	31	281
Richardson, Henry	23	288
Richardson, Lyman	25	288
Richardson, Silus	25	278
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Rinham, Wm. P.	24	266
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Roch, D.	37	280
Root, S. W.	33	279
Rose, Cyrus	27	265
Rose, H. M.	28	280
Rosebougher, J. B.	28	250
Ross, C. H.	25	280
Ross, Morgan P.	24	307
Ross, R. L.	35	304
Rountree, Wm. H.	35	300
Russell, Thos. A.	25	255
Ryburn, Wm.	26	306
Saddler, S. J.	37	293
Saltzman, G.	43	219
Sanford, Wm. H.	27	304
Scott, Adam	27	289
Scott, James R.	25	289
Shad, W. W.	48	285
Shafer, W.	28	285
Sharp, Elisha	30	262
Sharpton, Geo.	21	267
Shirtley, G. W.	28	276
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Short, Robert	24	299
Shurbon, Chas.	26	305
Sinder, N. R.	25	283
Sirelor, P. S.	23	223
Skane, John	25	287

⁹Three children listed with the Kennas: Ada, 8, and Robt. 6, both b. Miss.; James, 2, b. Ark.

¹⁰T. B. Macy, 46, b. Mass., on same page

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Smith, Volney	29	287
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Snyder, Thos.	26	282
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Stabbins, Wm. J.	25	277
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Stephen, J. B.	27	287
Stevens, Jack	33	247
Stewart, C.	28	293
Stewart, Henry	24	281
Stewart, J. M.	28	305
Stewart, John	27	294
Stover, John	25	281
Stover, Wm.	27	294
Sullivan, Jas.	27	243
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Swan, Porter	24	222
Taylor, Joshua	38	309
Temple, Jas.	35	308
Thurstin, L. T.	25	301
Tinkbone, C. C.	27	282
Tinnon, C. C.	28	265
Tinnon, Jno.	28	261
Tompkins, J. M.	37	308
Trader, Thos.	30	219
Trousdale, J. B.	27	291
Turner, _____	25	307
Tuscon, A.	25	284
Tyler, John	34	294
Tyler, O. F.	28	291
VanClub, Henry	28	272
Venable, Horace	25	294
Vernon, _____	45	293
Waddle, J. W.	24	298
Waldrane, Alexr.	21	250
Wales, Asoph	38	308
Walker, H. C.	38	303
Walker, Jas. H.	32	304
Ware, Levi	26	280
Ware, Wm. R.	24	274
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Weeks, J. C.	27	242
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Williams, Jas. G.	22	206
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Williams, N. D.	39	297
Williamson, Richd.	24	294
Williamson, W. D.	25	294
Wilson, Fred	28	286
Wilson, Geo. H.	28	308
Wilson, L. M.	29	279
Wilson, M.	47	292
Wilson, Saml. M.	27	302
Wilson, T. J.	23	283
Wilson, Wilson R.	33	281
Winston, A. M.	27	296
Wise, Saml. R.	34	304
Wistar, R. M.	25	304
Withington, G. E.	24	298
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Wolf, J. H.	28	219
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Woodward, L.	27	291
Wright, C.	25	282
Young, A. C.	35	307
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Southgate Dies In Kentucky

G. M. Southgate, Esq., formerly acting magistrate in Nashville, died at the residence of his son, **Dr. Bernard Southgate** in Boone Co., Ky., on 7th April 1867. He was in the 67th year of his age, having been born in Richmond, Va., in 1798.

In 1832 he became a citizen of Covington, Ky., then removed to Nashville in 1857 for the benefit of his wife's health. He left last July, as was his custom, to spend the summer months with his children in Kentucky. In early March, he was seized with a nervous debility and gradually declined. For a number of years, he was one of Cincinnati's most prosperous merchants. -*Nashville Gazette*, 14 Apr 1867

**Samuel Mosby,
Native of Virginia,
Dies In 78th Year**

(Abstracted from microfilm at the Memphis/
Shelby County Library of the Memphis Public
Ledger, 4 Mar 1886)

Samuel Mosby died 3 March 1886 at the residence of **Mrs. Prestige**, No. 75 Union Street in Memphis, after a brief illness. He was born in Hanover Co., Va., on 26 Nov 1809 and therefore had entered his 78th year.

He came to Memphis in 1825 and was actively engaged in business as a clerk and merchant except for the four years of the war until 1878. Since then he has given close attention to his large property interests in this city and home affairs at Ridgeway some 12 miles east of the city on the Memphis & Charleston Railroad. His health had failed him somewhat of late and about 10 days ago he removed to the city to be within easy reach of physicians.

Mr. Mosby entered the employment of **Gen. Nat Anderson**, merchant, as a clerk in 1825 and in 1843 became a partner with his brother-in-law **T. W. Hunt**. The firm was dissolved in 1854 and was restarted in 1868 with **Clarence P. Hunt** as partner.

Mr. Mosby was married first to **Miss Susan W. Hunt** by whom one son, **Walter**, was born. He was killed at the battle of Perryville. Mosby's second wife was **Miss Sarah Leake** who died in 1878 of yellow fever. Seven children, two of them sons, survived as a result of this marriage.

Mr. Mosby was married in 1881 to **Mrs. Lucy Fisk**, a sister of his second wife. He acquired a fortune of perhaps a quarter of a million dollars, but he leaves his family an even more valuable legacy of an untarnished name and example that is to be emulated.

He was an Episcopalian. Services were at Calvary Church, with pallbearers **Jake M. Wood**, **J. L. T. Speed**, **Carrington Mason**, **William Bowles, Sr.**, **S. P. Read**, **W. A. Wheatley**, **D. T. Porter**, **George Winchester**, **J. J. Rawlings**, **W. W. Messick**, **W. S. Bruce**, and **H. L. Brinkley**.

Pocket-Size Bible of 1860 Raises Interesting Questions

Nancy Smith of Memphis is one of those people who just can't walk by a collection of old books at a junk dealer's, antique shop, flea market, or any place else. She always has to stop, look them over, and on occasion buy some. One such book she has owned for at least 15 or 20 years is especially intriguing. It's a small New Testament -- only about 3x4-3/4" -- printed in 1860 by the American Bible Society of New York and "translated out of the original Greek, with the former translations diligently compared and revised." The intriguing part is the inscription in the front of the Bible. It reads:

"Presented to
H. Hamilton
C. Williams
H. White

while in Norfolk jail on a charge of
Bein in the African Slave Trade
Oct 23d 1860"

Another entry states that the Bible was presented to the trio by **Eli Cuthrill**, a Norfolk, Va., publisher who made a practice of giving Bibles to prisoners. Nancy learned this much about Cuthrill from the Norfolk library, but so far has been unable to identify the three prisoners. Anyone who can provide some information on the men or the history involved is asked to contact Nancy at 1353 Garden, Memphis, TN 38134, phone (901) 372-7448 or write *Ansearchin' News*. ■

Estrays Taken Up in 1827 In Rutherford County

Ranger **B. Gannaway** ran a notice dated 27 Dec 1827 in the *Murfreesboro Vidette* {10 June 1828 issue} listing names and residences of nine persons who had taken up estrays. Listed were:

-**Wells Cooper**, living on head waters of little Harpeth two miles east of Versailles, one bay horse

-**William Walker**, 11 miles southeast from Murfreesborough, one bright sorrel stud

-**John A. Lowe**, living on the waters of Cripple Creek six miles east of Fox's Camp, one filley

-**James Timms**, three miles north of Abbot's mill, one dark brown filley

-**Joseph Ramsey**, living on the east fork of Stone's River near Readyville, one sorrel mare

-**Arthur M'Crary**, living on the headwaters of Cripple Creek, one sorrel horse

-**John Lytle**, eight miles west of Murfreesborough on the road leading to Franklin, a bay colt

-**David Morris**, living two miles north of Murfreesborough, one bay horse

-**James McKnight**, living on the head of Bradley's Creek, one iron grey horse. ■

Letters to the Editor

Where Was Morning Star, Tennessee?

My **William H. Spearman** died 24 Nov 1886 in Morning Star, Tenn. This is also his burial place. Would like to know the location of Morning Star. It is not listed in today's maps.

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EDITOR'S REPLY: A directory of Tennessee postoffices shows that Morning Star was the name of a post office established in Washington County on 7 Aug 1878. The post office was closed on 30 Nov 1900 and moved to Jonesboro. The book, *Washington Co., Tenn., Tombstone Inscriptions, Vol. II*, compiled by **Charles M. Bennett** and the Watauga Association of Genealogists and published in Nashville in 1978, lists the Morning Star Independent Baptist Church Cemetery. Its location is described as being on Helton Road behind Asbury Methodist Church. When the inscriptions were copied in 1973, the oldest marker was dated 1973. If you'd like to do further checking, see letter below.

White Rock, Kans., Also Among the Missing

In October 1862, according to a family record, my great aunt **Rachel Harrison** married **Alexander Marsh** in White Rock City, Jewell Co., Kans. I couldn't find the town on any map. I had two cousins who lived nearby. They drove the back roads looking for signs of habitation. No luck. I wrote to the U. S. Geological Survey. They had the facts. We were off base. The town name was White Rock, not White Rock City. It was located just over the line in Republic County, not Jewell County. Most importantly, the White Rock post office, established in 1870, was discontinued in 1900. It had died as have 6,000 other Kansas towns, an estimate I noted in *Forbes* magazine.

The Geological Survey provided a precise written description of White Rock's location and pinpointed it on a 1:100,000 scale map. They sent a page from *Kansas Post Offices* by **Baugham**, two pages from *Bulletin of the U. S. Geological Survey*, No. 154, dated 1898, and two pages from *Kansas Place-Names* by **John Rydjord**. The source for this great service, which took about three weeks, is: U. S. Board on Geographic Names, U. S. Geological Survey, 523 National Center, Reston, VA 20192-0523, E-mail address: www.usgs.gov

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EDITOR'S NOTE: Thanks for passing along this information. It should be helpful to many of our readers. ■

Early Giles County Deeds, Book B

Abstracted by Jean Alexander West from Tennessee State Archives Microfilm Roll 70

Pages 94-95: Dated 29 Mar 1810. For consideration of \$1,000, **William Terril Lewis** of Davidson Co., Tenn., conveys to **Richard Hightower** of Williamson Co., Tenn., 405 acres lying in Giles County. Property, granted to Lewis by Grant #1796, adjoins **George Doherty's** 5,000-acre grant on the west. Witnesses: **Alexander Donelson, Jr., James Fitsimmons, H. Rutherford**. On back, deed was acknowledged at Davidson Co. Court session of July 1810 by **Lewis**, and ordered certified 16 Jul 1810. **Andrew Ewing**, Clerk.

Pages 95-97: Dated 3 Feb 1807. For consideration of \$3,000, **Thomas Hickman** of Davidson Co., Tenn., conveys to **Abraham/Abram Maury** and **John Walthall** of Williamson Co., Tenn., 2,786 acres in Middle District of Williamson County on Richland Creek of Elk River adjoining **George Doherty's** SW corner. Land is part of 5,000-acre grant to **Robert Hays** by Grant #105 dated 10 Jul 1788. Hickman bond to Maury dated 16 Dec 1796. Witnesses: **W. Barrow, John Q. Talbot, Thomas Talbot**. On back is written receipt of Probate Court, dated 14 June 1808: This day **John Walthall** rec'd a separate indenture, it being part of within mentioned tract for which he gave a receipt to **Thomas Hickman**, and agrees that if the land which falls in his part should not be of the quality described, he will take the deficiency in other lands as agreeable to the bond referred to. Acknowledged by **Abram Maury**. On back: Davidson Co. Circuit Court, 12 March 1810. This indenture between **Thomas Hickman and Abram Maury & John Walthall** was acknowledged in open court by **Thomas Hickman and Abram Maury**, and ordered recorded. **J. Randolph McGavock**, Clk.

Pages 97-99: Power of Attorney: **William Rainey** of Caswell Co., N.C., appoints his trusty friend, **John Yancy** of Giles Co., Tenn., to act for him in his absence in defending any suit that may be brought against him pertaining to 3,000 acres lying on both sides of Richland Creek, and to pay lawful taxes. Dated 24 Aug 1810. Witnesses: **E. T. Bailey, Pleasant Crews**. Recorded 6 Dec 1810. On back: Power of attorney from **Wm. Rainey** to **John Yancy** proved by **Edmund T. Bailey and Pleasant Crews**, witnesses. Ordered registered by **German Lester**, Giles Co. ct. clk., 21 Nov 1810. Document certified and signed in state of North Carolina 21 Nov 1810 by former county court clerk **Will White** (now N.C. secretary of state) who signed all copies. Signed and certified 4 Sep 1810 by North Carolina **Gov. David Stone** and **Secretary A. Bryan**.

Pages 100-101: Surveyor's certificate, State of North Carolina, Middle District, Entry #1143, dated 31 Oct 1783. **Ed Harris**, district surveyor, certifies on 1 Mar 1785 that he has surveyed for **Henry Mumford** 5,000 acres on south side of Duck River and both sides of Long Creek. Witnesses: **Mark Robertson, David McKee, Will White**, Secretary.

State of N.C. Grant #79 to **Henry Montford** for 5,000 acres in Middle District on Duck River on both sides of Long Creek. Dated 10 Jul 1788. **J. Glasgow**, Secretary. **Sam Johnston**. A true copy. **Will White**.

Pages 101-104: Dated 11 Jul 1809: 5,000 acres conveyed by **Stephen Childress**, high sheriff of Williamson Co., to **George W. Campbell** of Knoxville by order of Davidson County Court of Pleas and Quarter Session. **John Armstrong** at time of his death owed \$1,030.02 which was balance of a \$1,587.15 judgment issued in name of **William T. Lewis** against heirs of said **John Armstrong** and his real estate in April 1802 Davidson County court. On 28 Sept 1807, **Sheriff Childress**, by his **Deputy Wm. Hulme**, sold at auction 5,000 acres in Williamson County on Richland Creek at the mouth of Robinson Creek for \$1,034.02 to highest bidder, **George W. Campbell**, by his agent **Joseph Phillips**. Land was assessed \$1,000 with H&A. Witnesses: **J. Whorton, Will Williams, Jno. Dickinson**. Deed acknowledged and certified at April 1809 court term, **N. P. Hardeman**, Williamson Co. ct. clk. Recorded 3 Oct 1809, Book B, p. 136. **Nicholas Scales**, Williamson Co. registrar.

Pages 105-106: Dated 21 Mar 1796: For consideration of \$100 in Spanish dollars, **John Lockhart**, one of heirs of **Samuel Lockhart**, dec'd, of North Hampton Co., N.C., conveys to **Elijah Robinson** of Davidson Co., Tenn., U.S. Territory south of Ohio River, 1,000 acres of land in Indian Territory on Elk River. Tract adjoins 3,000 acres surveyed by **Robert Weakly**, being part of 5,000 acres granted **Sam'l Lockhart** by state of N.C. on 10 Jul 1788 in Grants #59 and 66 recorded in North Hampton Co. On back of conveyance: Davidson Co., Tenn., 21 Jan 1811. Witnesses: **Daniel Ross and Thomas Molloy**. **Ross** swears that **Thomas Molloy** has been dead long since, but that signature is his handwriting. **Andrew Ewing**, Clk.

Pages 106-108: Dated 12 Oct 1810: For consideration of \$200, **Oliver Williams** of Williamson Co. conveys to **Caleb White**, Giles Co., 120 acres on eastern waters of Indian Creek of Elk River adjoining property of **George Doherty** and **John Purviance's** 3,000-acre tract on north. Land originally granted to **Nathan G. Pinson** by Grant #2217, with H & A's. On back: **Nicholas P. Hardeman**, Williamson Co. ct. clk., certifies deed was acknowledged in Oct 1810 by **Williams** and orders it recorded.

Pages 108-110: Dated 5 June 1810. For consideration of \$1,112.00, **Joseph Brown** of Maury Co., Tenn., conveys to **Jacob Perkins** of city of Philadelphia 4,000 acres in Lincoln and Giles counties, adjoining **Martin Armstrong's** 5,000 acres granted under Grant #125. Witnesses: **Felix Grundy, William Perkins, Washington Perkins, A. Harris, Thomas H. Benton.** At Giles Co. Nov 1810 court session, deed was acknowledged and proved by **Alfred Harris**, witness, and at court session on Feb 1811 by **Thomas H. Benton.** Acknowledged and sealed by **German Lester**, Giles Co. ct. clk., 20 Feb 1811.

Pages 110-111: Dated 10 Apr 1810. For consideration of \$5.00, **John Dabney, Sr.**, of Williamson Co., Tenn., conveys to **William Dabney**, Giles Co., 160 acres on Big Creek waters of Richland Creek, adjoining **John Dabney, Sr.'s** 1250-acre tract purchased from **William T. Lewis**, with all H.& A. Witnesses: **John White, John Dabney, Jr.** In Giles Co. ct. session 18 Feb 1811, **White and Dabney** acknowledged and certified deed, and **German Lester**, ct. clk., ordered it recorded.

Pages 112-114: Dated 18 Dec 1810. For consideration of \$1,000, **Howell Tatum** of Davidson Co., Tenn., conveys to **John Walthall**, Williamson Co., Tenn., 320 acres in District 2 on east side of Richland Creek of Elk River in Giles County. Tract adjoins lands of **James Lewis** (as assignee of **Tipton Lewis**), **Isaac Price, John Marr, Ezekiel Polk, and Montforth**, and was granted to **Tatum** by Grant #2749. Witnesses: **David S. Deaderick, Robert Searcy.** In Jan 1811 term of Davidson Co. court, **David Deaderick** and **Robert Searcy** certified deed as witnesses, and **Andrew Ewing**, ct clk., ordered it recorded.

Pages 114-116: Dated 29 Mar 1810. Part of Certificate #191, dated 1 Mar 1807, obtained from commissioner of West Tennessee by **John McIver**, entered by #1709. Grant to **William P. Anderson**, McIver's assignee, for 540 acres on waters of Richland Creek in Maury Co., District 2, adjoining land of **Col. Nelson Patterson** and **Abner Pillow.** Surveyed 28 Sept 1809 by **George Breckenridge**, D. S., with H & A. Signed 29 Mar 1810 by **Gov. Willie Blount, Sec. R. Houston.** On back: received in West Tennessee Register's office 28 Apr 1810. **David McGavock**, reg., certifies **Anderson** is entitled to said land.

Pages 116-118: Dated 1 May 1810. For consideration of \$1,620, **William P. Anderson**, Davidson Co., conveys to **Andrew Castleman**, Davidson Co., 540 acres in Maury Co. near northwest corner of **Col. Nelson P. Patterson's** land, adj. **Anderson's** east boundary and that of **Abner Pillow.** With H&A. Witnesses: **John L. Ewing, Jacob McGavock.** On back: In Davidson Co. ct., Oct 1810 session, deed proved by witnesses **Ewing** and **McGavock.** Certified 14 Nov 1810 by **Andrew Ewing**, Clk.

Pages 119-120: Dated 4 Oct 1810. For consideration of \$1.00, **Nathan G. Pinson**, Lincoln Co., Tenn., conveys to **Oliver Williams**, Williamson Co., 120 acres on Indian Creek of Elk River in Giles Co. Land with H&A granted **Pinson** by Grant #2217 and adjoins that of **George Doherty** and **John Purviance.** Witnesses: **Elliott Hickman, William Smith.** Deed proved by **Hickman** and **Smith** in Williamson Co. Jan 1811 court session, and certified 30 Jan 1811 by **Nicholas P. Hardeman**, ct. clk.

Pages 121-122: Dated 10 Apr 1810. For consideration of \$10, **John Dabney, Sr.**, Williamson Co., conveys to **John Dabney, Jr.**, Giles Co., 160 acres on Big Creek, a branch of Richland Creek, with H&A. Witnesses: **J. White, Wm. Dabney.** Deed proved in Giles Co. court Feb 1811 term by witnesses. Ordered registered by **German Lester**, ct. clk., 18 Feb 1811.

Pages 122-124: Dated 29 Mar 1810. For consideration of \$1,000, **John Haywood**, Davidson Co., Tenn., attorney, conveys to **John Yancy**, Giles Co., 500 acres on Richland Creek adjoining **Bumpuss Rd.**, property of **Thos. Brittain (?)** marked by **Robert Weakley**, and property of **Charles Polk** surveyed by **Geo. Brackenridge**, with H&A. Witnesses: **John Mayfield, William Ramsey.** If tract is more than 500 acres, surplus shall belong to **J. Haywood.** If tract is less than 500 acres, he will make up deficiency. Witnesses: **John Mayfield, Wm Ramsey, John Graves, Elijah Anthony.** Deed proved in Giles Co. ct. by **Elijah Anthony** and **John Graves.** Ordered registered 20 Feb 1811 by **German Lester**, Giles ct. clk.

Pages 124-129: Dated 4 May 1810. For consideration of \$2,500, **James Patton** and **Andrew Erwin** of Asheville, N.C., convey to **James Reed**, Giles Co., one-half of a parcel of land on Richland Creek adjoining **William Raney's** southwest corner. Land is part of 5000 acres originally granted by state of North Carolina to **Stokely Donaldson [Donelson]** on 17 June 1790 by Warrant 532. **Donaldson** conveyed 532 acres of original grant to **Augustin Woodcliffe** who on 10 Jul 1790 sold it to **James Patton, Andrew Erwin**, and **James Reed.** Patton and Erwin jointly conveyed to **James Reed** one-half or 2500 acres of the grant with all H&A. Signed by **James Patton, Andrew Erwin**, and **James Mitchell.** Witnesses: **John Jones, Samuel Jones.** In Dec 1810 term of Giles Circuit Ct., deed proved by **Samuel Jones, John Jones**, and by **James Mitchell**, attorney for **Patton** and **Erwin.** **James Berry**, clk., certified deed and ordered it registered 11 Dec 1810. Also recorded with deed is plat drawn of 5,000 acres in State of N. C. Middle District by warrant from entry taker, Grant #532 dated 27 Oct 1783. Surveyed for **Stokely Donaldson**, 5,000 acres on Richland Creek, a branch of Elk River adj. **Wm. Raney's** southwest corner. Surveyed 18 Mar 1786 by **J. M. Lewis**, deputy surveyor for Middle District, with **Angaley (?) Jeter** and **Turner Williams**, chain carriers. Also filed is N. C. Grant #155: For consideration of 10 lbs. per 100 acres, grant is made to **Stokely Donaldson** for 5,000 acres

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in Middle District on Richland Creek adjoining **William Raney's** southwest corner if registered in Registrar's office within 12 months. Dated 17 June 1790. Signed 10 Jul 1790 by N.C. Gov. **Alexander Martin** and Sec. **J. Glasgow**.

Pages 130-132: State of Tennessee Warrant #119, dated 31 Jan 1803. Signed by Secretary of State and issued to **Howell Tatum**. Entered on ___ day of 180___ by #296. [Dates left blank.] Conveys 100 acres in Maury Co., District 2, fractional section of Range 1 on Elk River adj. **John Gray Blount, Samuel Lockheart** on west to line run by **James Bright** as Congressional Reservation line. Surveyed 17 Jul 18___, with H&A. Issued 30 June 1809 by Gov. **John Sevier, Sec. R. Houston**.

State of Tennessee, Grant #1219, part of Warrant #117 dated 31 Jan 1803 issued to **Howell Tatum** and entered 25 Aug 1807 by #319. Granted to **Tatum** and heirs 33.5 acres on waters of Elk River in District 2, fractional section of Range 1 adjoining line run by **James Bright** as Congressional Reservation line at **Howell Tatum's** east line to **Samuel Lockheart's** 2,000 acres, surveyed 22 Jul 1808 with H&A. Dated 30 June 1809. Signed by Gov. **John Sevier, Sec. R. Houston**.

Page 132-133: State of Tennessee, Grant #1220, Warrant #94, dated 7 Jan 1803 and issued to **Howell Tatum**; entered 10 Dec 1808 by #3. Grant consists of 88.5 acres in Maury Co. District 2 adjoining **Tatum's** 100 acres at northwest corner to fractional section of Range 1, supposedly on Reservation, with H&A. Surveyed 31 July 1808. Grant dated 30 June 1809, signed by Gov. **John Sevier, Secretary R. Houston**.

Pages 134-135: State of Tennessee, Grant #1218, Warrant #124, dated 31 Jan 1803 to **Howell Tatum**, entered 23 Dec 1808 by #46. Grant consists of 77.25 acres, District 2, on one of Elk River branches adjoining his 44-acre tract. Surveyed 30 Jul 1808, with H&A. Signed 30 June 1809 by Gov. **John Sevier, Sec. R. Houston**.

Pages 135-136: State of Tennessee, Grant #1221, Warrant #110 dated 31 Jan 1803 to **Howell Tatum**, entered 10 Dec 1808 by #4. Grant consists of 44 acres in District 2 adjoining Congressional line run by **Mr. Bright**. Surveyed 30 Jul 1808, with H&A. Signed on 30 June 1809 by Gov. **John Sevier, Sec. R. Houston**.

Pages 137-138: Dated 18 Feb 1811. For consideration of \$100, deed of trust between **William Hanby, Nelson Patteson, and German Lester**, in order to secure \$300 debt owed by **Hanby** to **Lewis Kirk**. **Hanby**, conveys following to **Patteson** and **Lester**: Negro woman **Cinthia** and her child, four cows and calves, four yearlings, 30 hogs, two beds and furniture, bay mare and bay colt, three pots, two ovens, one skillet, one kettle. After 8 Feb 1813 and after legal advertising of sale, **Patteson** and **Lester** are to sell foregoing to highest bidder for ready money and reasonable charges. Signed by **Hanby, Patteson, and Lester**. Witnesses: **Will Ball, B. M. Patteson, N. A. Patteson**. Registered 25 June 1811.

Pages 139-141: Dated 18 Jul 1810. For consideration of \$240, **Howell Tatum**, Davidson Co., Tenn., conveys to **John Jones**, Giles Co., 80 acres on Richland Creek, a branch of Elk River, adjoining boundary of old grant in name of **Stokely Donelson, Henry Montford's** Grant #82 for 5,000 acres, and **Charles Genard's** SE corner. Tract granted **Tatum** by state of Tennessee Grant #2118 with all H&A. Witnesses: **Somerset Moore, William Parker**. Registered 26 June 1811.

Pages 142-143: Dated 9 June 1809. Power of attorney from **Thomson/Thompson Glen**, Surry Co., N. C., to **William Shepperd**, Orange Co., N.C., to make quit claim deed for 1,000 acres, part of 5,000-acre grant from state of North Carolina to **William Shepperd** and **Joseph Phillips**. Surveyed 2 Oct 1789. Land is located in Tennessee on Richland Creek of Elk River, and is remainder of 2500 acres **Glen** purchased from **Joseph Phillips** on 9 June 1809. **Shepperd** must sell property for no less than \$1.00 an acre. Witnesses: **George Head, S. H. Shepperd**. Registered 26 June 1811. On back: Power of attorney duly acknowledged during Nov 1809 term of Surry Co., N.C., court by **Thompson Glen**. Dated 18 Nov 1809. **Jos. Williams**, Clk. [**John Williams**, magistrate of Surry Co., certifies **Jos. Williams** as acting clerk. 18 Nov 1809.]

Pages 144-146: Dated 14 Aug 1810. For consideration of \$5,052.87, **William Polk**, Wake Co., N. C., conveys to **Martin Lane**, Wilson Co., Tenn., and **Thomas Lane**, Bedford Co., Tenn., 1,347.50 acres on Richland Creek of Elk River in Giles County. Part of 3000-acre grant (#49) to **Thomas Polk** by state of North Carolina dated 10 Jul 1788; land adjoins **Larkin Cleveland's** southeast corner, with all H&A. Witnesses: **John B. Hogg, Blackman Coleman**. On back: **B. C. Coleman**, Rutherford Co., Tenn., court clerk, ordered certification 1 Oct 1810.

Page 146: Plat of **Henry Montford's** 5,000-acre tract. State of North Carolina Middle District warrant #1843 from state entry taker dated 31 Oct 1793. Land located on south side of Duck River on both sides of Long Creek, crosses and recrosses creek. Surveyed 1 Mar 1785 by **E. Harris**, deputy surveyor. Witnesses: **Mark Robertson, David McRee**.

Page 146-147: State of North Carolina Grant #79 to **Henry Montford** for 5,000 acres on Long Creek. Registered 28 June 1811 for 10 lbs. per 100 acres, paid to state treasury. Boundaries as above, with all H&A. Signed by **Gov. Samuel Johnston, Sec. J. Glasgow**, 1788. Recorded in Secretary's office.

Pages 148-149: Dated 1 Jan 1811. For consideration of \$600, **Howell Tatum**, Davidson Co., Tenn., conveys to **Nathan Bass**, Giles Co., 326.25 acres on Indian Creek adjoining **Bright** meridian, and lines of **George Doherty** and **Joshua Richman**. Land conveyed to Tatum by Grant #2769 with all H&A's. Witnesses: **Thomas Marks, Lester Morris, James Goldsbury**. On back of deed: Proved and registered 18 Feb 1811 by **German Lester**, Giles Co. ct. clk.

Pages 150-153: Dated 1 Jan 1811. For consideration of \$600, **Howell Tatum**, Davidson Co., Tenn., conveys to **Joshua Richman**, Giles Co., 281.75 acres on Indian Creek of Elk River, adjoining north boundary of Grant #276 to Tatum, southwest corner of Grant #2768 to Tatum, Grant #2769 to **Nathan Bass**, Grant #2766 to Tatum, and Grant #2767 to Tatum with all H&A. Witnesses: **Thomas Marks, Lester Morris, James Goldsbury**. On back of deed: Proved by witnesses in Feb 1811 Giles Co court term. Registered 18 Feb 1811 by **German Lester**, ct. clk.

Page 153-154: Certificate of Survey #120 by **James M. Lewis** for **Micager Green Lewis**, 5,000 acres on Richland Creek, Middle District, adjoining **John Armstrong's** southwest corner. Warrant #69 dated 10 Jul 1788. Surveyed 16 Mar 1786 by Deputy Surveyor **R. Weakly**, and chain carriers **J. M. Lewis, Charles Anderson**. Registered by **J. B. Hogg**, clerk of Land Office 20. Witnesses **J. M. Lewis, Charles Anderson**.

State of N.C., Middle District, Certificate of Survey for Warrant #1633 dated 10 Apr 1784 from North Carolina entry taker for 1,470 acres granted to **Jethro Sumner** on east waters of Richland Creek of Elk River, adjoining **Micager Green Lewis**. Surveyed by **R. Weakly** and chain carriers **Amos Moore, Charles Anderson**. Surveyed 17 Mar 1786. ■

Thirty 'Young and Beautiful' Ladies Graduate from Mr. Ward's Seminary

Diplomas were conferred on 30 'young and beautiful' ladies at Mr. Ward's Seminary on Friday evening, 28 June 1867, according to *The Nashville Gazette* of 30 June.

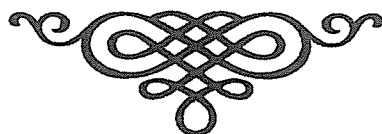
The graduates presented Principal **W. E. Ward** with a splendid marble clock which he assured the donors would grace the seminary as long as the institution should exist. *The Gazette* said the principal might well feel proud of his success as a teacher, having only commenced his school since the close of the war and having "almost obtained in this brief time a pre-eminence over any other school in the South."

Graduating were:

Hattie Abernathy, Leighton, Ala.
Anna Bramlitt, Nashville
Mattie Bright, Nashville
Loulie Buford, Pulaski
Delia Buford, Pulaski
Mary E. Curry, Nashville
Mary Clem Curry, Nashville
Mattie E. Dillin, Nashville
Katie Donelson, Nashville
Alice Fitzpatrick, Cornersville

Eugenia Ford, Kosciusko, Miss.
Emme Hamilton, Nashville
Faustina B. Harris, Cornersville
Cora Hoffa (home not given)
Milda Kennedy, Pulaski
Florence A. Lee, Spring Hill
Anna McJilton, Hickman, Ky.
Florence McLean, Middleton, Ky.
Missie McLean, Middleton, Ky.
Amanda Neill, Carrollton, Miss.

Ellen S. Pullen, Pulaski
Cora Bell Reed, Pulaski
Docia Reed, Pulaski
Sallie C. Ridley, Murfreesboro
Fannie J. Robinson, Huntsville, Ala
Mollie W. Robinson, Huntsville, Ala
E. Clopton Sproull, Cartersville, Ga
Tabitha D. Wherry, Hendersonville
Izora Wilkes, Culleoka, Tenn
Eliza Winston, Nashville ■



Cemetery "Hunting" in Obion County

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The rattlesnakes were hibernating. The temperature was in the mid-50s and the sun was shining. It was a perfect day in February to go "hunting" for a cemetery. We finally had permission to go on private property to search for the Long cemetery. In the mid-1800s, our maternal great-great-grandfather, **William Long**, had owned land near Reelfoot Lake in Obion County, Tennessee. We had heard tales of a Long cemetery for years, and we were hoping this would be the day we would find his burial place. He died of winter fever in March 1860.

Armed with cameras, tracing paper, pencils, and note paper, we were ready for this adventure. From Wynnburg, Tenn., we drove east on Lake Road, turned left on Greasy Lane, and headed for the Bluff Road. Our destination was a farm-machinery shed once owned by a friend of the family. The farmer who had given us permission leased the land for his cattle.

Our first obstacle was a rusted barbed wire fence. The largest opening we could find did not look much larger than our heads, and certainly not large enough for our *derrieres*. We had to shed our winter jackets, and use our gloves to hold the barbed wire while we managed to wiggle through. Thank goodness we had worn our boots, because we found ourselves in the middle of an area where the cows had just left. Stepping carefully, we spotted a footbridge over a small creek running east and west. This creek emptied into a large creek running north and south. Our instruction was to follow the large creek about 400 yards. Across the creek on another hill was an old, deserted, weathered, farm house. It appeared to be over a hundred years old. The wood was dark gray and the sun cast shadows in the paneless windows. It seemed as though we had stepped back in time. Everything was still, with the exception of the water flowing in the creek. We stopped to make pictures and enjoy this view from the past.

We scurried up and down hills, slipping and sliding. We squeezed through two more rusted barbed wire fences, pushed branches out of our way, and walked in old leaves sometimes up to our knees. We had to hang on to dead trees to keep from falling or sinking into soft places in the earth. We traveled much further than planned, and decided to turn back. Just as we had given up all hope, we finally spotted a tombstone in the distance. It stood about three feet tall and glistened from the sun shining through the bare branches. We were so excited. We kept looking back through the thicket to make sure it wasn't a mirage. We were a little disappointed, when we found only four tombstones and one funeral home marker, and not a Long among them. However, our great-grandmother, **Sarah Cravens**, had married a **Gentry** after her husband **William's** son, **Benjamin Ferrell Long**, died, so it is possible William could be buried in one of the several unmarked graves. A couple of the tombstones were broken and very worn from the weather. We had to use tracing paper to get complete information. We recorded the following:

BROWN, Mrs. Joe, died Apr 27, 1944, age 85 yrs 2 mos 20 days (Funeral home marker)

GENTRY, John R., June 16, 1885 - Jun 16, 1887, son of S. C. & S. A..

GENTRY_____ (appeared to be Rena H.), Feb 1897 - Oct 24, 1897, "Dau of J. M. Gentry"

HUMPHERS, Nancy, Jun 15, 1812 - Feb 15, 1885, "Wife of Calvin"

STARKES, Mary A., Mar 17, 1804 - Feb 22, 1890, "Wife of J. E."

We found what appeared to be a wagon trail, which probably was used to bring coffins up the hill, and followed it back to the creek. Although we had spent about three hours at the site, we still were not ready to call it quits. Since it was such a beautiful day, we decided to search for another graveyard we had visited about 25 years earlier. We drove north on Bluff Road trying to remember where it was located. The area looked familiar. Finally we stopped at a mobile home where a man was in the yard. He told us an old graveyard was on the other side of his fence and up a hill. Well, barbed wire and hills had not stopped us yet. We could not read some of the tombstones because they were so old, and some were covered with too much brush and earth. The cemetery appeared to have been abandoned for a long time, and we were surprised to see a few with more current dates. We recorded the following:

BARNETT, B. B., Dec 24, 1830 - Nov 7, 1883 (This was a male. Inscription referred to dearest brother.)

BUCHANAN, W. R., Dec 27, 1861 - Dec 12, 1889

GRAZALLA, Jordan, Jan 27, 1858 - Aug 18, 1879

CASHION, Charles Lewis, May 27, 1953 - Dec 30, 1953

CASHION, John Daniel, Jun 21, 1954 - Nov 27, 1954

CASHION, Phillip Stanley, Sep 15, 1961 - Jan 28, 1968

CUNNINGHAM, A. C., Jun 26, 1860 - Dec 22, 1899

CUNNINGHAM, Joe E., 1869 - 1935

Birch, 1879 - 1940

CUNNINGHAM, Dolph, Apr 20, 1900 - Jun 16, 1911, "Son of M. F. & A."

CUNNINGHAM, George R., 1906 - 1956, "Father"

CUNNINGHAM, James P., 1899 - 1982

CUNNINGHAM, Samuel B., Jul 19, 1858 - Nov 26, 1878

DOUGHERTY, Sallie, Oct 18, 1838 - May 21, 1898, "Wife of S. A."

FARRIS, W. H., Mar 21, 1888 - Jun 22, 1901 (enclosed by iron fence)

GRAZALLA, Jordan, Jan 27, 1858 - Aug 18, 1879

GURTNER, Ellen, Jun 1, 1832 - Sept 3, 1912, "Age 80 yrs"

GURTNER, George, Died Oct 1852 (age was beneath the surface)

GURTNER, George T., Dec __, 1858 - Jun 9, 1865, "Son of G. & N. E."

HALL, Etta R., 1885 - 1920

John T., 1872 - 1936

HUMPHREYS, Robert E. Lee, Jul 20, 1924 - Mar 4, 1950

MOODY, Earle, Mar 1, 1909 - Mar 25, 1945, "Tennessee Pvt. Med. Dept."

NEEL, W. A., Feb 22, 1857 - Sep 2, 1901

REEVES, George W., Apr 28, 1832 - Mar 26, 1907

Nanny P., Aug 20, 1852 - Jul 7, 1932, "His Wife"

REEVES, Opal, Jan 20, 1915 - Apr 10, 1935

RILEY, George B., Dec 10, 1839 - Mar 23, 1889, "Age 49 yrs 3 mos 13 days"

RILEY, Mary O., Jan 10, 1853 - Oct 21, 1894, "Wife of G. B."

RILEY, Maud O., Feb 12, 1905 - Aug 17, 1906, "Dau of S. E. & Ida"

RILEY, _____, Oct 21, 1909 - Dec 28, 1910, "Son of S. E. & Ida"

SADLER, J. W., 1872 - No date

Martha, 1874 - 1944

SADLER, Neal, May 6, 1876 - Mar 15, 1927

John D., 1920 - 1944

WYATT, George, Jan 20, 1886 - Mar 28, 1905

WYATT, Mandie E., Jul 7, 1861 - Jan 28, 1904, "Wife of James K."

The sun disappeared and it was getting dark. It was beginning to feel like February again. We plan to go back after the rattlesnakes start their next long winter nap.■

The Pottertown Bridge Burners

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When the people of Tennessee voted to secede, a large number of citizens in East Tennessee remained loyal to the Union. Fearing there would be acts of rebellion and sabotage against the Confederacy, **Brigadier General Felix K. Zollicoffer** issued a broadside on 7 Aug 1861 warning the citizenry that “treason to the State cannot and will not be tolerated.”

Near the village of Mohawk in Greene County is an area known as Lick Creek Valley. About a mile north is Harmon’s Valley where part of the left bank was called “Pottertown.” A thriving pottery business had been there for generations because the clay on the banks of Lick Creek was in abundant quantity and of excellent quality for pottery-making. Among those who pioneered in the pottery business were the **Harmon, Haun, Hinshaw, Vestal, Hendry, Carter, and Morgan** families.

The East Tennessee and Virginia Railroad had been cut through the area in 1858, with tracks crossing Lick Creek on wooden trestles. When the Civil War began, the Confederates recognized that the ET&VA was a key link for moving troops and supplies to the Virginia front and determined to control and protect it at any cost. In an effort to head off any sabotage of the railroad, the Confederate government sent an army of thousands into the upper East Tennessee area and kept patrols all along the line. Guards were posted around the clock at bridges, trestles, and stations.¹

On the night of 8 Nov 1861 some 50 to 60 pro-Union men gathered at the home of **Jacob and Matilda Harmon** and finalized plans to burn the railroad’s bridge over Lick Creek. They considered the deed an act of patriotism, and had confidence in the promises of “protection” they had received from high levels of the U. S. government.² When that protection did not materialize, the Confederate government took swift and terrible action. The bridge-burners who could be identified were doomed. Most of them have never been identified, but five of those who gathered that night were soon to lose their lives: **Jacob Harmon, Jr.**, and his son **Thomas Henry Harmon**, **Jacob Madison Hinshaw**³, **Henry Fry**, and **Christopher Alexander “C. A.” Haun** (the ancestor of my stepfather **Charles Harmon Britton**).⁴

C. A. was a master potter⁵ -- some say one of the best in Tennessee history -- as well as a poet and songwriter. After the burning of the bridge, he returned to his farm at Midway. In late November 1861, Confederate soldiers came to the farm and searched the house and barn but failed to find him.



C. A. HAUN

¹Harry B. Roberts, *Old Times In Greene County*, Vol. II, 1989

²Rev. Wm. B. Carter, pastor of a Rogersville, Tenn., church, met with **President Lincoln**, **Major Gen. Geo. B. McClellan**, and **Secretary of State Wm. H. Seward** and won their approval of his plan for simultaneous burning of nine main railroad bridges between Bridgeport, Ala., and Bristol, Tenn., on 9 Nov 1861. Under the plan, **Gen. Geo. H. Thomas**, commander of Union forces in Eastern Kentucky, was to advance an army toward Knoxville at the same time to seize and control that rail center and allow the Unionists to revolt against Confederate domination. Lacking sufficient troops and transportation, Thomas did not undertake his mission of liberating East Tennessee but stayed in Kentucky. The invasion was said to have been postponed indefinitely without Lincoln’s knowledge.

³Surname also appears as **Hensie** in some sources, and **Hinchie** in others.

⁴Haun and Hinshaw were neighbors, and both were potters.

⁵One example of his work is held by the East Tennessee Historical Society in Knoxville. Only two are known to have survived.

As they were about to leave, one of C.A.'s brothers walked up and asked the soldiers what they were doing. When they told him, he said C.A. was in the house because he had seen him earlier that day. The Confederate soldiers went back into the house and this time found C.A. between the mattresses on the bed. A female relative who was there throughout the episode became very angry, and yelled, "His brother told on him!"

Meanwhile, Confederate Secretary of War **J. P. Benjamin** had given explicit instructions to **Col. W. B. Wood** at Knoxville concerning the bridge-burners, notifying him that: (1) all persons identified as having been engaged in bridge-burning were to be tried summarily by drum-head court martial and, if found guilty, were to be executed on the spot by hanging;⁶ and (2) all not proved to have been so engaged were to be treated as prisoners of war and sent with an armed guard to Tuscaloosa, Ala., to be imprisoned until the end of the war.

The first of the men to go on trial were **Jacob M. "Matt" Hinshaw** and **Henry Fry**. They were tried, found guilty, and hanged all in one day -- 30 Nov 1861. Their bodies were left hanging for about 24 hours in Greeneville before being taken down. In Knoxville on 10 Dec 1861, **Haun** and the two **Harmons** were tried, convicted, and sentenced to be hanged at noon the next day. While in the Knoxville prison awaiting his trial and execution, C.A. was allowed to write a few letters, and several of these are still in possession of family members. He is said to have written his final letter while sitting on his own coffin waiting for his sentence to be carried out. On the day of his trial, he wrote his family, neighbors, and friends:

"I have had my trial but have not heard my sentence. I fear it will be bad. They may take my life and they may not. I cannot tell as yet. When I hear my sentence, I will write again. If I should not reach home soon I want you all to do the very best you can. Betsy [his wife], take care of your corn for bread. There is going to be hard times about bread, and have that ware finished off and get shoes and clothing and something to go on as you think best. I may be sent to Nashville. If I am, when my time is out I may come home if it is the Lord's will that I should live that long. The Lord only knows what is my doom. Be that as it may, I feel that my soul is with God. Children, be good to your mother and to one another and serve God. He is your Father. Really my prayer is that you all will live for God so that you may meet me in peace forever where trouble and sorrow are unknown. If tears could do you any good, you would be blessed."

Haun went on to discuss a copper mine which he apparently owned, and advised his wife to rent it until their son **Jacob** (then 13) was old enough to manage it. He urged his wife to have a written agreement between himself and **Nathan Haun** concerning the mine registered and recorded, and get **Charlie Dickerson** and **V. H. Bolling** to prove it in court. In the letter, C.A. included the words of a ballad he had written his family and requested that **Clark** [unidentified] sing it one time. It went like this:

*"Dear Betsy, for I call you so
Farewell for a little season
Dear Jacob, my son, for I call you so
Farewell for a little season
Dear Becky Jane, for I call you so
Farewell for a little season
Dear Sarah, my daughter, for I call you so
Farewell for a little season
Dear Martha, my daughter, for I call you so,
Farewell for a little season."*⁷

⁶Benjamin added: "It would be well to leave their bodies hanging in the vicinity of the burned bridges"

⁷ C.A.'s wife Betsy gave birth to their fifth child, **Mary Ann**, two months after his death.

POTTERTOWN (continued)

In a separate letter to his wife the same day, C.A. gave her specific advice about where she should live, and how she should bring up the children.

"I want you to move where we used to live on **Arthur's** place -- where he can sorter see to you and the children and work for him in place of to and fro among strangers.

"Make the children read the testament every Sabbath that they are not at preaching -- and every opportunity that you have talk to them as you have heard me do and keep them away from all bad company. Do not suffer them to use bad words nor quarrel with one another, and learn them manners. It will be for their benefit. If anyone comes to you hungry, turn them not away empty if you have it for them and the Lord will bless you more abundant."

C.A. also asked his wife to pay off his debts, collect those owed him, sell his clay mill, pottery-making equipment, and supplies, etc. "Do the best you can," he said, "This is a hard task, directing you with my death so near but I want to [give] the best advice I can while on earth ... Dear wife, here is the hard part, closing the last letter to you and my children forever on earth."

On 11 December, the last day of his life, C. A. wrote his jailer, **Colonel Baxter**, the following:

"Colonel Baxter -- I have to die today at 12 o'clock. I beg of you to have my body sent to Midway Post Office directed to Elizabeth Haun. This much I beg of you, this 11th day of December 1861.

C. A. Haun

According to my calculations, I am this day 40 years old, 3 months and 3 days"

He apparently was assured by Col. Baxter that his wishes would be carried out because in his final letter to his wife, C. A. wrote:

"Dear Elizabeth -

I have the promise that my body will be sent home to you.

O live for heaven

Oh my bosom friend and children

Live for heaven, I pray.

My time is almost out, dear friends, farewell to this world --
farewell to earth and earthly troubles.

C. A. Haun"

Haun died on the gallows at Knoxville, and his body was shipped home to Midway Station. When the body arrived at the post office, the postmaster was said to have sent a message to Betsy saying: "Come get this damn Yankee carcass or I'll dump it out in the road." According to family tradition, one of C.A.'s brothers heard of this and, went immediately to the post office and whipped the postmaster. C. A. was buried in Concord Baptist Church Cemetery. His daughter Rebecca saved the Union flag which was on his coffin and the family still has it.

On 17 December 1861 two other bridge-burners, **Jacob Harmon**, 43, and his son, **Thomas Henry Harmon**, 22, were hanged the same day. The son went to the gallows first, and his father was forced to watch. The rope broke on the first attempt, and Thomas Henry's half-lifeless body was hanged a second time. Then Jacob mercifully faced his own death.⁸ The two are buried at Old Harmon Cemetery between Mosheim and Mohawk Mill.

⁸ Jacob was born 2 June 1818. He and his wife **Malinda Self** (b. 26 Jan 1881 - d.30 May 1872) were parents of 7 children: **James Clinton Harmon** (1831-1852), **Thomas Henry** (b. 2 Sept 1839, d. 17 Dec 1861); **Mary P.** (b. 30 July 1838, d. 7 August 1863), **Andy J.** (d. 20 Sept 1874), **M. P.** (b. 26 Aug 1855, died 4 Jan 1915), **Neal**, and **Bessie Harmon Everhart**.

A sixth man, **Harrison Self**, also was tried and convicted for the Pottertown bridge-burning. His execution was set for 4 p.m. on 26 Dec 1861. In the meantime, Harrison's daughter, **Elizabeth Self**, asked Knoxville editor **William G. Brownlow** -- who at that time was in the Knoxville jail -- to write a dispatch for her to Confederate President **Jefferson Davis** imploring him to pardon her father. Brownlow's letter was apparently quite effective. President Davis commuted Self's sentence to imprisonment for the rest of the war. Following Self's trial, **Daniel Smith** and **Jacob Myers** were tried and found guilty of having some connection with the burning of the Lick Creek bridge. Both were sent to prison in Tuscaloosa.⁹

The hangings of the five men stirred quite an uproar and caused the Confederate government much embarrassment. Several years later, Congress passed a special act compensating the lawyers of the condemned men. All five of the executed men were posthumously made members of the U.S. Army's 2nd Tennessee Infantry Regiment, Co. F.

On 2 Jul 1864, another special act allowed pensions for the widows and 20 orphans of the executed men. C.A.'s widow, **Elizabeth "Betsy" Haun**, was authorized to begin receiving an \$8 monthly pension on 11 Dec 1864. Each of her minor children was to get \$2 per month until reaching the age of 16.

HAUN FAMILY GENEALOGY

Christopher Alexander Haun was born 14 Sep 1821 in Greene Co., Tenn., the son of **Daniel** and **Magdalene (McDonald) Haun**. On 29 Dec 1846 in Greene County, C. A. married **Elizabeth Cobble** who was born in 1828 [parents unknown]. C. A. died 11 Dec 1861 in Knoxville, Tenn., and Elizabeth died 10 Mar 1909 in Greene County. They were the parents of five children:

- (1) **Jacob Daniel Haun** - b. 28 Jan 1840, d. in 1907; m. **Catharine Ann Ragan** on 13 Nov 1867 in Greene Co.
- (2) **Rebecca Jane Haun** - b. 26 Dec 1849, d. 30 Jul 1933, m. **Andrew Jackson Brown** on 15 Aug 1867 in Greene Co.
- (3) **Sarah M. Haun** - b. 11 Nov 1855
- (4) **Martha Haun** - b. 19 Sep 1859, m. **James Calaway Ramsey**
- (5) **Mary Ann Haun** - b. 7 Feb 1862, m. **Ward (?)**

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⁹ *The Knoxville Whig* of 5 Mar 1864 reported that all suspects were arrested and held until a drove of 100-200 was collected and then marched off to Tuscaloosa. The article mentioned the names of **Truit**, **Pickens**, **Hodge**, **Bible**, **Thornburg**, **Meek**, **Hunt** who apparently were among them.

Abstracts of Early Marion County Deeds, 1831

(Abstracted from Deed Book C as copied by the W.P.A. in 1936 and microfilmed by the Tennessee State Library & Archives, Nashville)

PAGE 1: On 10 Jan 1829 **Ferrell Belsher** conveys 840 acres to **Wiley Belsher** for \$1,000. Property conveyed consists of two tracts: (1) 640 acres lying on the Tennessee River known as the reservation taken by **John Walker, Jr.**, and the place whereon **Ferrell Belsher** now lives, and (2) 200 acres adjoining the reservation where the town of Jasper is situated and the lands of **Roswell Hall** and **David Rankin**, with all appurtenances. Witnesses: **James Hall** and **William J. Standefer**. Proved at August 1830 county court session by **Standefer**. Other witness, **James Hall**, now living in Georgia. **Benjamin R. Montgomery** and **John C. Everett** proved **Hall's** signature. Acting on behalf of Court Clerk **John Kelly**, Deputy Clerk **William J. Standefer** certified deed on 25 Jan 1831 and ordered it registered. Deed registered 1 Apr 1831.

PAGE 2: On 26 May 1830, **Luke Hendrix** conveys 14-1/2 acres to **Jesse Stinnett** for \$100. Property is on waters of Little Sequatchee adjoining lands of **Hendrix** and **Reuben Stinnett**, and is part of Tennessee land grant #6276 to **Hendrix**. Includes hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **Jesse Humble** and **James Griffith**. Proved at August 1830 court session on testimony of witnesses. Deputy Clerk **Wm. J. Standifer** certifies deed on 24 Jun 1831, and deed is registered 2 Apr 1831.

PAGE 3: On 19 Sep 1828, **Jonathan Eaves** conveys 60 acres to **Mark Follett** for \$400. Property is in Marion County on the waters of Battle Creek in Sweeten's Cove, and is the remainder of a 160-acre tract grant to **Eaves** by the State of Tennessee and is the place where he now lives. Included are all hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **Asa Womack**, **William Eaves**. Proved at August 1830 county court session by oaths of **William Eaves** and **Obediah Bean** who swears he saw **Womack** witness deed. [Womack now non-resident of Tennessee.] Certified by Court Clk. **John Kelly** on 24 June 1832, and registered 4 Apr 1831 by **William Standifer**, Deputy Clerk.

PAGE 4: On 17 Jul 1830, **Joseph Martin** and **John S. Martin** convey 100 acres to **Hiram Hatfield** for \$17. Property entered in Marion County entry taker's office on 16 Aug 1825 by **David Curnutt**, the plat and certificate being assigned by **Curnutt** to **John S. Martin**. Land lies on the southeast side of Sequatchee Creek and includes the place where **Joseph Martin** formerly lived. Surveyed 13 Jan 1826, with its appurtenances. Witnesses: **Stephen Richards**, **Claiborn Gott**. Proved in November 1830 court session by **Richards** and **Gott**. Ordered certified and registered by Clk. **John Kelly** at his office in Jasper on 7 Dec 1830. Registered 4 Apr 1831 by **William Standifer**, Deputy Clerk.

PAGE 5: On 18 Mar 1830, **Absolom Deakins** and **George Stewart** convey 100 acres to **Hiram Hatfield** for \$781. Land is part of 140-acre tract **Deakin** and **Stewart** bought from heirs of **Landon Carter**, deceased, on the Sequatchie river. Witnesses: **Allen Kirklin** and **William Stewart**. Proved at Nov 1830 county court session. Ordered certified and registered on 8 Dec 1830 by Deputy Clerk **William Standifer**. Registered 4 Apr 1831.

PAGE 6: On 6 Mar 1830, **Mark Follett** conveys 60 acres to **Obediah Beene** for \$500. Land is on the waters of Battle Creek in Sweeten's Cove, being the remainder of a 160-acre tract originally granted **Jonathan Eaves** by the state of Tennessee and being the place where **Eaves** formerly resided. Included are hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **Robert Beene**, **Benjamin Salmon**. Proved at Aug 1830 county court session. Certified on 24 Jan 1831 by Deputy Clerk **William Standifer**.

PAGE 7: On 1st Aug 1829, **Alexander Standridge** conveys 50 acres to **Robert Payne** for \$300. Property, originally granted to **Standridge** by the State of Tennessee, is on the waters of Battle Creek in Sweeten's Cove and includes place where **Standridge** now lives together with all hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **Obediah Beene**, **William Womack**. Proved at Nov 1830 county court session by **Beene**. **Womack** now non-resident of state. Certified by Deputy Clerk **William Standifer** on 7 Dec 1830, registered 5 Apr 1831.

PAGE 8: On ___ Aug 1830, **Hopkins L. Turney** of Franklin Co., Tenn., conveys 130 acres to **David Rankin** of Marion County for \$300. Land is on southeast bank of Sequatchee river a short distance above the north and northeast corner of **Rankin's** tract. Includes hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **John Kelly**, **James Jones**. Proved in August 1830 county court session. Ordered certified by Deputy Clerk **William Standifer** on 24 Jan 1831. Registered 5 Apr 1831.

PAGE 9: On 9 Sep 1829, **Andrew Branson** conveys 90 acres to **Erasmus Alley** for \$240. Land is on southeast side of Sequatchee river beginning in old field where road leading from **Kelly's** bridge runs square out from the river ... then runs up river to stake in upper corner of river as specified in Grant No. 12450, then south along line of said survey and another survey in the name of **James Standifer** to the road leading from said bridge ... it being the whole 80-acre tract granted by the State of Tennessee to **James Standifer** by Grant No. 12450 and part of 85 acres granted to him by the state in Grant No. 12451, with

hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **John Rice, William Arnett**. Proved in November 1830 county court session. Deputy Clerk **William Standifer** certified deed on 8 Dec 1830, and it was registered 5 Apr 1831.

PAGE 10: On 17 Sep 1830, **Joseph Hawkins** conveys 50 acres to **David Chaudoin, Jr.**, for \$150. Property is situated on the northwest side of Sequatchee river on the ridge between Big and Little Sequatchee near the head of the ridge between **Philips** and **Copelin's**. Includes hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **Burgess A. Matthews, James Chaudoin**. Proved in Feb 1831 county court session; registered 6 Apr 1831.

PAGE 11: On 10 Aug 1829, **John Burgess** conveys 60 acres to **David Chaudoin, Jr.**, for \$300. Tract is on northeast side of Little Sequatchee at mouth of **Hall's** branch, and includes 8 acres originally granted by the State of Tennessee to **Alexander Coulter** on 29 July 1822 and conveyed by Coulter to **George Carroll** and from him to **Burgess**. Balance is adjoining 52 acres granted by the state to **Burgess** by Grant No. 13137 dated 11 Aug 1826. Includes hereditaments and appurtenances. Witnesses: **John Kelly, James Chaudoin**. Proved in Feb 1831 county court session by oaths of witnesses. Registered 6 Apr 1831 by Deputy Clerk **William Standifer**.

PAGE 12: On _____, **Thomas Sherley** of Hamilton Co., Tenn., conveys Lots 85 and 86 in the town of Jasper to **David Rankin** for \$33. Lots were designated in original plan of town and contain one-half acre. Witnesses: **Erasmus Alley, John D. Lusk**. Proved in Feb 1831 county court session by oaths of witnesses. Registered 6 Apr 1831.

PAGE 12: On 11 Feb 1831, **Hinchia Gilliam** sells **Sarah**, a Negro woman aged about 21 years old, to **David Rankin** for \$350. In the bill of sale **Hinchia** warrants that **Sarah** is "sound and a slave for life." Witnesses: **Gilbert Sims, Samuel W. Roberson**. Registered 6 Apr 1831.

PAGE 13: On 15 Aug 1824, **John A. and Solomon Knight** convey 122.5 acres to **Joel Marshall** for \$370. Land is on the southeast side of Sequatchee river adjoining property of **John Baker, George Lane, and Douglass'** 50-acre survey. Witnesses: **John H. Marshall, Abraham Coffelt**. Proved in Feb 1831 court session. (**Marshall** now a non-resident of Tennessee.) Certified 5 Apr 1831, registered 6 Apr 1831.

PAGE 14: In deed of trust dated 24 Oct 1830, **William P. Rice** by his attorney in fact, **John Rice, Jr.**, conveys 100 acres to **George W. Rice** for \$127 and one-half cent. The property on Cumberland Mountain was entered in the Marion County entry taker's office by a certain **Cox**, being the same land he sold to **William Hill** and by him to **William P. Rice**, the tract being known as **Rice's** saw mill, together with hereditaments and appurtenances. Property is conveyed with the following conditions: (1) **John Rice, Jr.**, is to pay **George W. Rice** \$41.88, the amount or balance of a \$62.88 note executed by **John** to **George** on 20 Oct 1830; (2) **John** is to pay **George** \$20 for a note executed by **Thomas Pickett** and **John** to **Daniel R. Rawlings** on 10 Nov 1829 and made payable by 1st Jan 1830; (3) **John** is to pay **George** \$41.12-1/2, the balance of a \$44.75 note executed by **John** and **William P. Rice** to **Daniel R. Rawlings** on 14 Oct and payable on the 1st of December next, (4) **John** is to pay and satisfy **George Rice**, for note executed to **Daniel R. Rawlings** on 28 Nov 1829 and made payable the following 1st Nov with legal interest and expense on 25 Dec next, (5) **John** must pay **George** the amount specified on said notes before 25 Dec next or this instrument to be void and **George**, after giving 10 days' notice of time and place of sale at three places in Marion County, is authorized to sell the property to the highest bidder at the courthouse in Jasper and apply the proceeds to the foregoing notes. Any overplus to be paid to **John Rice, Jr.**, or **William P. Rice** after paying the expense of the sale, and **George W. Rice** authorized to make title to person purchasing same. Witnesses: **David L. Schoolfield, Erasmus Allen**. Registered 6 Apr 1831.

PAGE 15: On 17 Nov 1829, **Henry M. Rutledge** of Franklin Co., Tenn., conveys 117 acres to **Matthew Dooley** of Marion Co., Tenn. Property is in Marion County and is tract granted **Henry Rutledge** by the State of Tennessee by Grant No. 16444, and adjoins land of **Jacob Garner**. Witnesses: **Henry E. Dooley, Aron Wilson**. Proved at Aug 1830 county court session by oaths of witnesses, and on 24 Jan 1831 ordered certified for registration. Registered 8 Apr 1831.

PAGE 16: On 3 May 1830, **John C. Everett** and **William Arnett**, both of Marion County, convey to **James Erwin** of the town of Nashville, Davidson County, two lots in Jasper. **Everett** and **Arnett** executed notes to **J. Kirklin** and **Livingston** for \$595.73 payable six months after the date in the U. S. Bank in Nashville and \$595.73 payable nine months after date. **Everett** and **Arnett** are desirous that **Kirklin** and **Livingston** be secured in payment of said debts and for the further sum of \$5 paid to them by **James Erwin**, they grant **Erwin** two lots in Jasper designated in the original plan of the town as Lots No. 63 and 71 containing one-fourth acre each on which there is an unfinished two-story brick house. If the notes are not paid, the property is to be sold to the highest bidder after 20 days' notice. Witnesses: **John H. Draper, Alex Jackson**. Proved in Davidson County Court Apr 1831 session. Certified by **Henry Ewing**, Davidson Co. court clerk. Registered 28 Apr 1831.

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PAGE 17: On 7 Feb 1831, **Anthony Street** of McNairy County conveys to **Ralph Shelton** of Marion County 272.5 acres with all appurtenances for \$1600. Land is on southeast side of Sequatchee river adj. lands of **Samuel N. Pryor**, **Matthew Pryor**, **Ephram Prigmore**, and **William Shelton**. Witnesses: **Rolla P. Raines**, **Hopkins L. Turney**. Proved at Feb 1831 county court session by oaths of witnesses. Certified for registration by **Wm. Standefer**, deputy clerk. Registered 9 May 1831.

PAGE 18: On 20 Mar 1829, **Thomas Bailey** conveys 50 acres to **David Griffith** for \$150. Land, granted Bailey by State of Tennessee in Grant #11610 dated 22 Aug 1825, lies on northwest side of Sequatchee River adj. land of **F. A. Ross**, **J. Kelly**, **H. T. Tatum**, and **J. Smith**. Hereditaments and appurtenances included. Witnesses: **Samuel Griffith**, **Arden E. Griffith**. Proved Feb 1831 county court session by oaths of witnesses. Certified by **Wm. Standefer**, deputy clk. Registered 9 May 1831.

PAGE 19: On 17 Jan 1831, **Luke Hendrix** conveyed 21 acres with hereditaments and appurtenances to **John Hail** for \$208. Land is on bank of Little Sequatchee near a cabin below **Burgess Matthews**. Witnesses: **Mark Hendrix**, **Jesse Humble**, **James Hendrix**. Proved by **Luke Hendrix** in Feb 1831 county court. Ordered certified for registration by **D. C. Standefer**. Registered 10 May 1831.

PAGE 20: On 16 Sep 1830, **Nathaniel Davis, Sr.**, and **James Davis** of Marion County convey to **Elisha Kirklin** of Bledsoe County and **Allen Kirklin** of Marion 591 acres including appurtenances for \$2,650. Land is on Sequatchee river, being same where Allen Kirklin now lives. It adjoins south boundary line of 10,500-acre surveyed and granted to **John Sevier** and 640-acre tract less 49 acres where **William Barker** now lives. If by virtue of an older and better title, they are evicted from said land, Nathaniel, James, and their heirs will refund to Elisha and Allen and their heirs the sum of \$4.48 per acre with interest from time of eviction. Witnesses: **Samuel H. Gott**, **John Roberts**. Proved in May 1831 county court session by oath of witnesses and ordered certified. Registered 14 June 1831.

PAGE 21: Bill of sale dated 18 May 1831: Three Negroes sold by Sheriff **James Jones**, to **Erasmus Alley**. In Aug 1830 session of Marion County Court of Pleas & Quarter Session, Alley recovered a judgment against **John M. Campbell** for \$167.30 plus the costs of the suit and also at the Feb 1830 session he recovered \$11.27 for costs of a suit against **William L. Holt** as executor of the last will and testament of **Elisha M. Holt**. Afterwards, the Marion County court clerk's office issued executions on both judgments. **William Jones**, deputy sheriff, levied the judgment on three Negro slaves -- Dianah, Letty, and Harriett -- as the property of Campbell and Holt and, after due notice given according to law, sold the three at public auction, with Erasmus Allen being the highest bidder. Bill of sale certified at May 1831 court session; registered 14 June 1831.

Bill of sale dated 13 May 1830: **Samuel B. Mead** sold Negro man **Dick** to **Erasmus Allen** for \$418. Dick was described as about 25 years of age, sound and "senseable," clear of any impediment, and a lawful slave for life. Witnesses: **John Rogers**, **William Bryant**. Proved in May 1831 county court session; registered 14 June 1831.

PAGE 22: In deed dated 24 Feb 1831, **Joel Marshal** of McNairy County conveys to **Reuben Smith** of Marion County 122.5 acres for \$500. Land is on southeast side of Sequatchie River adj. property of **John Baker**, **George Lane**, **Douglass'** 50-acre survey and includes house and plantation where **Reuben Smith** now lives. Witnesses: **John Baker**, **Thomas Smith**. Proved by oath of witnesses at May 1831 court session; registered 14 June 1831.

PAGE 23: On 17 May 1831, **Daniel Rawlings** conveys to **Zacheriah Cross** 70 acres for \$200. Land is in Sweeten's Cove adj. **Mark Follett**, **Womack's** line. It is same land granted to Rawlings by state of Tennessee by virtue of entry No. 271 made in Marion County entry-taker's office, dated 16 Jul 1824, and surveyed 25 Aug 1825. Witnesses: **Elijah C. Rice**, **John Kelly**. Proved in May 1831 court session, acknowledged by **Rawlings**. Registered 14 June 1831.

PAGE 24: On 5 Apr 1831, **William Hale** conveys to **George Harris** 100 acres with hereditaments and appurtenances for \$400. Land is on north bend of Tennessee River adj. lands of **Pleasant McBride** taken in 250-acre survey, one at 12.5 cents per acre on 16 Jul 1824, No. 272, and the other at one cent per acre bearing date of 16 Nov 1826, No. 6, and **Kelly's** corner. Wit.: **Pleasant McBride**, **A. Kelly, Jr.** Proved at May 1831 court session, acknowledged by **Hale**. Registered 15 June 1831.

PAGE 25: On 28 Sep 1830, **Alexander Kelly, Jr.**, conveys to **William Hale** 60 acres for \$555. Land is on bank of Tennessee River adj. property of **Charles Harris**, being the tract granted **Alexander Kelly, Jr.**, by Grant #13128 with hereditaments and appurtenances. Wit.: **Isam Hale**, **George Harris**, **Pleasant McBride**. Proved May 1831 court session; registered 15 June 1831.

PAGE 26: On 13 Dec 1829, **Green H. Pryor** conveys to **William Holloway** 100 acres with appurtenances for \$500. Land adj. that of **Thurman & Moore** on northwest side of Sequatchee River at head of spring now made by **Holloway** and **James Elledge** to 50-acre survey made by **Elledge**. Wit.: **Jeriah Holloway, John Holloway**. Proved at May 1831 court; registered 16 June 1831.

PAGE 27: On 18 May 1831, **James Jones**, sheriff, conveyed 210 acres to **Daniel R. Rawlings**. At May 1831 session of Marion Court of Pleas & Quarter Session, **Alexander Coulter** recovered a judgment against **Elijah Hornbeak** for \$103.28 and one-half cent plus costs of suit. At February session, **Daniel R. Rawlings** and **Thomas J. Haslerig**, partners trading under the firm name of **Rawlings & Haslerig**, recovered three judgments against **Hornbeak**: one for \$80.20, another for \$89.99 and one-fourth cent, and a third for \$99. Orders of sale were granted for all three judgments to the plaintiffs on a tract of land owned by **Hornbeak**. The land was sold at the courthouse in Jasper on 18 Apr 1829 to **Daniel Rawlings** for \$400 as the highest bidder. Land is on southeast side of Sequatchee River beginning at corner of 80-acre survey in name of **Elijah Hornbeak** and also at corner of survey belonging to **Hixon** and **Prigmore**. Wit.: **John Chilton, Stephen Adams**. Registered 16 June 1831.

PAGES 28-29: Power of attorney dated 16 May 1831. **John Southgate** of the borough of Norfolk in Virginia in a letter to **David W. Dickinson**, Esq., of Rutherford Co., Tenn., names him his true and lawful attorney to recover and receive from the administrator of estate of **John McIver**, deceased, who resided in Rutherford Co., whatever may be due him from said estate. Also authorizes **Dickinson** to dispose of: (1) 10,500-acre tract of land belonging to **Southgate** in Marion County and originally granted by state of North Carolina to **John Sevier**, (2) 3,500-acre tract in Overton County on Wolf River, being the moiety of 8000 acres conveyed to him by **John Sevier**, the other moiety having been conveyed by him to **Gordon** and by **Gordon** to **Moses Fisk** who in 1818 made to **Southgate** a reciprocal conveyance and division of 8,000 acres as will more fully appear by deed dated 27 Jul 1818 and registered in Book E, page 284, etc. **Southgate** further authorizes his attorney to sell a 1,000-acre tract conveyed to him by **John Sevier** by a deed dated 9 Apr 1803 and registered in Williamson County Court Book No. 1, page 338. Witnesses: **John Peters, Robert E. Taylor**. Virginia Norfolk County Court on 16 May 1821 ordered letter certified following **Southgate's** acknowledgment. **William Wilson**, clerk. **Arthur Emmerson**, presiding court justice. Certified 16 May 1831, registered 17 June 1831.

PAGE 29: In deed of trust dated 6 Oct 1829, **John McIver** of Rutherford Co., Tenn., conveys 320 acres to **Green H. Pryor** of Marion County for \$490.80. Land is on southeast east side of Sequatchee Creek or river adj. lands of **McIver**. Assignees **Joel Hilliard** and **Richard Hudson**. Said tract was granted by state of Tennessee to **McIver** by Patent No. 185766 (?) dated 1st Jan 1823 with appurtenances. Deed is made upon trust, however, that if **Andrew McCallie, James Anderson, and John Looney**, all of Marion County, or their securities shall on or before 1st Nov 1830 pay **Pryor** \$191.80 with interest from 24 Oct 1829, this being the balance due from them to **McIver** on account, the original purchase of said tract per agreement drawn by **Col. John Kelly**. Suits have been instituted and judgments recovered by **McIver** against **McCallie, Anderson, and Looney** for the whole consideration, agreed to be paid by them for the land. Balance still owed on judgment of \$491.80 must be paid by them to **Pryor** before 1st Nov 1830 with interest. ■

Mrs. Phoebe (White) Nelson Dies in Carter County

Died in Greene County on 29th June 1860 at the residence of her son-in-law, **Rev. A. H. Matthis** of the Presbyterian Church, **Mrs. Phoebe Nelson**, relic and widow of **Daniel Nelson**, Esq., formerly a resident and merchant of Knoxville.

The daughter of **Benjamin White**, then residing on Big Pigeon in Greene County (now Carter County), she was born 7 Jul 1786 and removed with her father to Knoxville. He put up the house now occupied by **Dr. Paxton** on Gay Street, one of the oldest structures in town. An emigrant from Virginia, he had been in the Revolutionary War, serving in the Virginia Regiment at King's Mountain and in nearly all of the Indian battles that occurred in the settlement of Tennessee and, though an old man, was under **Col. Williams** in the battle of Horse Shoe in 1814.

Her maternal ancestors were of Revolutionary stock and acted their part in the service and in the toils and dangers incident to frontier life. In 1809 she was married to **David Nelson**, long-time citizen of Knoxville where they resided till 1828 when they removed to Carter County. -*Brownlow's Knoxville Whig, 28 Jul 1860* ■

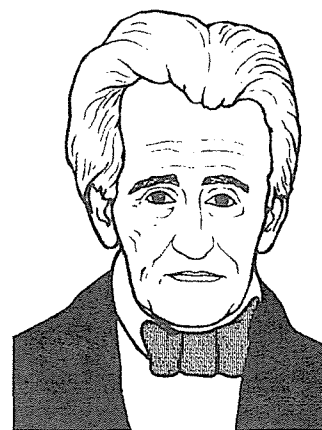
Tennessee Soldiers of 1814 Sleep in Cemetery on Banks of Coosa (Ala.) River

(Developed from information contributed by Don Cleveland, 93 Limbaugh St., Sylacauga, AL 35150, phone (256) 245-8345)

They were soldiers under General Andrew Jackson at the Battle of Horseshoe Bend in 1814 and today they rest in the peace and quiet of a small cemetery located on the banks of the Coosa River and Cedar Creek in Talladega County, Alabama. The graveyard, located about 10 miles south of Childersburg and 15 miles southwest of Sylacauga, has a plaque inscribed:

*"To the memory of General Jackson
and his Tennessee Volunteers
while camped here in 1814.
He fought the battle of Horse Shoe Bend
and discharged his volunteers.
All were from Tennessee."*

Each gravemarker lists the soldier's name and rank, whose company he served in, and what part of Tennessee he was from.



Andrew Jackson

JOHN AUSTIN Pvt., Huston's Co. East Tenn. Mil.	JOSHUA LATON Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn. Mil.	JACOB SHARPER Pvt., Allen's Co. East Tenn. Mil.	GEORGE WATSON Pvt., Duke's Co. East Tenn. Inf.
SAMUEL ABBOT Pvt., Hook's Co. East Tenn. Mil.	ALLEN DUNCAN Sgt., Howell's Co. East Tenn.	PARIS TRACY Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn. Mil.	HENRY SAWRY Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.
JOHN JONES Pvt., Laugsmiller's Co. East Tenn. Mil.	JAMES ELLIS Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	ELIJAH BRIGHT Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn. Mil.	WILLIAM PURSELL 1st Sgt., Everett's Co. East Tenn. Mil.
DAVID MCANTS Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	THOMAS DAWSON Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	JAMES McCOY Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	JAMES HAMILTON Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.
THOMAS HAMBLLEN Pvt., Everett's Co. West Tenn.	PHILLIP BELL Pvt., McNare's Co. East Tenn.	SOLOMAN BRAY 1st Corp., King's Co. East Tenn.	JOHNSTON SUMMERS Pvt., Hampton's Co. East Tenn.
WILLIAM MAGILL Pvt., Hoyal's Co. East Tenn.	EVERETT STUBBS Pvt., Whitt's Co. East Tenn.	JOSEPH BEELER Pvt., King's Co. East Tenn.	ISOM O'NEAL Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.
GEORGE BROOKS Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	JOSEPH ROBERTSON Pvt., Everitt's Co. East Tenn.	SAWYER SMILEY Pvt., Galpin's Co. East Tenn.	REUBEN HUTCHINSON Pvt., Breden's Co. West Tenn.
NICHOLAS GIBBS Capt. East Tenn.	WILLIAM MILTON BERGER Pvt., Enlish's Co. East Tenn.	JEFFREY REFFEW Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	STEPHEN PANKEY Pvt., Rainey's Co. East Tenn.
THOMAS FORD Pvt., Hampton's Co. East Tenn.	ROBERT YATES Pvt., Allen's Co. East Tenn.	MOSES FREEMAN Pvt., Dykes' Co. East Tenn.	WILLIAM PAYNE Pvt., Laughmiller's Co. East Tenn.

TENNESSEANS (continued)

ALFRED SIMS Sgt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	BRIANT SMITH Pvt., Laughmiller's Co. East Tenn.	EDWARD KING 1st Lt., King's Co. East Tenn.	ELIAS WADDLE 2nd Lt., Laughmiller's Co. East Tenn.
WILLIAM P. HARDEN Pvt., Newlin's Co.. West Tenn.	ARCHIBALD NAIL Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	ENOCH RECTOR Pvt., White's Co. East Tenn.	THOMAS PITCHHEY Pvt., Trimble's Co. East Tenn.
JOHN USHER Pvt., Breden's Co. East Tenn.	WILLIAM CLOUD Pvt., Everitt's Co. East Tenn.	ROWLING RICE Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	SPENCER HILL Pvt., Richeson's Co. East Tenn.
ANDREW CAHOON Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn	GALE COX Q. M., Allison's Co. East Tenn.	JACOB BRUNER Pvt., Hoyan's Co. East Tenn.	GEORGE GROSS Pvt., King's Co. East Tenn.
THOMAS J. JOHNSON Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	WILLIAM BUNCH Pvt., Rainey's Co. East Tenn.	JOHN HUFFMAN Pvt., Griffin's Co. East Tenn.	JACOB CRUMLEY, SR. Pvt., King's Co. East Tenn.
JOSEPH MARSHALL Pvt., Cumings' Co. East Tenn.	PETER MASONER Pvt., Hoyal's Co. East Tenn.	CABEL HORTON Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	RICHARD HILL Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.
SAMUEL McCONKA Corp., King's Co. East Tenn.	SPENCER ROGERS Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	DAVID FIELDS Pvt., Everitt's Co. East Tenn.	JOSEPH HOMES Pvt., Laughmiller's Co. East Tenn.
JOHN FRENCH Pvt, Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	WILLIAM MOIERS Pvt., Hoyal's Co. East Tenn.	ABLE RICE Mus., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	JOSEPH KATHCART Pvt., McNare's Co. East Tenn.
MOSES THOMPSON Pvt, Newlin's Co. West Tenn.	DAVID RANKIN 1st Lt., Berry's Co. East Tenn.	JOHN LEEPER Pvt., Laughmiller's Co. East Tenn.	ABLE DOCKREY Pvt., Newlin's Co. West Tenn.
GEORGE HELLUMS Pvt., Chiles' Co. East Tenn.	JACOB MOUNT Pvt., Buchanan's Co. East Tenn.	JAMES BOAZ Pvt., Buchanan's Co. East Tenn.	

Another Tennessee soldier's grave in the area is that of **Col. George Hill** who stayed in Alabama after the war and was given a land grant from **Gen. Jackson**. The colonel is buried in the Hill Cemetery about four miles west of Sylacauga. His tombstone is inscribed:

GEORGE HILL
FEB 7, 1797
JAN 3, 1867

His wife's marker bears the following inscription:

JANE HILL
1804
1855■

Shelby Co., Tenn., Survey Book B

Abstracted by Jean Alexander West

NOTE: This survey is the third in the progression of Shelby County Land Records which have survived. Survey Book A, covering grants in the 11th Surveyors' District, was printed in *Ansearchin' News*, Vol. 29 (1982) and Vol. 30 (1983). Occupant Entry Book B was published by Jean Alexander West in 1985, and copies of that publication are available at the Memphis/Shelby County Public Library and several other libraries. They also are for sale through the Tennessee Genealogical Society. The following transcript of Survey Book B does not include Pages 89, 92, 253, and 254 of Survey Book B which were missing from the photocopy of the original book. Plats are included with each entry. Unless stated otherwise, all surveys through September 1849 were certified by **John Wherry**. Photocopies are available at the Memphis/Shelby County Archives, 33 S. Front, Memphis, TN 38103.

Page 1, #1 - 1 Jul 1842: Entry #2 for **Moses Hickerson**, 141 acres, Range 8, Sec. 4 including occupant claim. Adjoins lands of **Wm. D. M. Night [McNight]**, **George Doherty**, **Thos. D. Dalby**, **Robert Young**, **Isaac B. Hickerson**. Certified 19 Sep 1842 from original survey of 28 Oct 1839 by **John Ralston**. Chain carriers: **Jas. Carroll**, **Jas. N. M. Night [McNight]**.

Page 2, #17 - [no date]: Entry for **A. A. P. Wherry** on Warrant #1860 for 3,840 acres and Entry #17 for 72 (?) acres by **James Hudson**. Surveyed for **James A. Hudson**, 72 acres including occupant extension, Ranges 6 & 7, Sec. 4, adj. **Luck Hudson**, **Richard Fennon's** 5,000-acre grant, **David Givens**, **Godfrey Kurcher**. Certified 10 Oct 1842. Chain carriers: **James A. Hudson**, **___ Hudson**.

Page 2, #18 - 20 Dec 1841: **James A. Hudson**, 16 acres, including occupant extension of **A. J. Wherry**, Range 7, Sec. 4, adj. **Lucy Hudson**, **Richard Fennen**, **Saml. G. Evatts**, **Godfrey Kurchen**. Certified 10 Oct 1842. Chain carriers: **James A. Hudson**, **___ Hudson**.

Page 3, #19 - 10 Oct 1842: **Curtis I. Berry/Barry**, 100 acres, including occupant claim as assignee of **Simon Fowler**, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. **Thos. Henderson**. Certified 10 Oct 1842. Chain carriers: **J. C. Wooldridge**, **N. W. Moore**.

Page 3, #2 - 1 Jul 1842: **Milton Keer [Kerr]**, 200 acres including his occupant claim, Range 7, Sec. 2, adj. **Jos. Alexander**, **Brown & Hawkins**, **Wm. A. Keer/Keene**, crosses Wolf River, **Jas. P. Taylor**, **Thomas Youngblood**. Certified 22 Dec 1842. Chain carriers: **L. W. Danul**, **Milton Keer**.

Page 4, #4 - 1 Jul 1842: **Thos. M. Moore**, 200 acres, including occupant claim as assignee of **Abel Grace**, Range 6, Sec. 1 on Winchester State line, crosses Nonconnah Creek twice. Certified 10 Nov 1842 from **Jon D. Graham's** 1830 survey.

Page 4, #7 - 4 Jul 1842: **Isaac Grooms**, 200 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **John Stanly**, Range 6, Sec. 1 on Nonconnah Creek adj. **Jno. Butler**, **H. Hurt**, **E. Perkison**. Certified 15 Nov 1842 from **John D. Graham's** field notes of 16 Mar 1830.

Page 5, #8 - 4 Jul 1842: Heirs of **Richard C. Vaughan**, deceased, 200 acres including occupant claim, Range 5, Sec. 3 & 4, adj. south side of Loosehatchie [river], **James Irwin**. Certified 22 Dec 1842 from survey by **John Ralston** on 8 Oct 1842. Chain carriers **Edmond D. Hale**, **R. C. Vaughan**.

Page 5, #10 - 16 Jul 1842: **John M. Thomas**, 160 acres, including part of occupant claim as assignee of **John Gordon**, Range 4, Sec. 5, adj. **Matthew Brooks' heirs**. Certified 16 Jul 1842 by **E. F. Thomas** from survey made 24 Nov 1827 by **John Ralston**.

Page 6, #11 - 1 Aug 1842: **William Rogers**, 18 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **Wilson Bright**, Range 5, Sec. 2, adj. property of East Tennessee College [President and trustees **Robert Strauther**, **Martin P. Scott**, **Gooch & Strauther**]. Certified 22 Nov 1842 from original survey of 27 Sep 1838.

Page 6, #12 - 1 Aug 1842: **Sarah Owen**, 200 acres including occupant claim, Range 5, Sec. 2, adj. **Polly Pigg**, **Strauther & Gooch's** 5,000 acres. Certified 14 Nov 1842 from survey made 15 Mar 1830 by **John D. Graham**.

Page 7, #13 - 6 Sep 1842: **John D. Graham**, 197 acres including occupant claim, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Wm. F. Lewis**, **B. Winford**, **King**, **McLemore & Blackfan**, **Starnes**, **Jon Thompson**. Certified 6 Sep 1842 by **John D. Graham**. Chain carriers: **S. P. Cherry**, **Thomas Newson**.

Page 7, #14 - 3 Oct 1842: **D. B. O'Banion**, 39 acres, including occupant claim as assignee of **Phillip H. Dalby**, Range 8, Sec. 4, adj. **Wilson Cage, Robert Young, George Doherty**, 1,000 acres. Certified 20 Dec 1842 from **John Ralston's** field notes. Chain carriers: **James Carroll, Jas. N. McKnight**.

Page 8, #16 - 3 Oct 1842: **Joseph Patrick**, 185 acres [plat states 184] including 15-acre extension to **Thomas Person** and Patrick's occupant claim as assignee of **Harden Scott**, Range 5, Sec. 1. Certified 15 Nov 1842 from **John D. Graham's** survey of 14 Mar 1830.

Page 8, #22 - 11 Nov 1842: **Peter C. Gilmore**, 250 acres including occupant claim, Range 5, Sec. 1 & 2, adj. **Joseph Patrick** and **John Merry**. Certified 22 Nov 1842 from original survey of 28 Nov 1838. Chain carriers: **B. Owen, J. F/T. West**.

Page 9, #9 - 7 Jul 1843: **F. C. Thurman**, 150 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **James McGowen**, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. **Henderson & McLemore**. Certified 3 Apr 1843 from **John Ralston's** survey of 3 Mar 1830.

Page 9, #20 - 7 Nov 1842: **Harden W. Bateman**, 200 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **Unicy Alsup**, Range 9, Sec. 4 on Island #40 in Mississippi River adj. **Hiram Russell** on bank of Mississippi River. Certified 3 Apr 1843 from survey 9 Aug 1833 by **H. Bate**.

Page 10, #25 - 6 Feb 1843: **I/J. L. Bolton**, 100 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **S. Fowler**, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. **Curtie I. Berry, Thomas Henderson**. Surveyed 1 Feb. 1842 by **Jno. Wherry**. Chain carriers: **J. C. Wooldridge, N. W. More**

Page 10, #27 - 13 Feb 1843: **John Brashares**, 150 acres including occupant claim, Range 4, Sec. 2 adj. **E. Brown**. Certified 4 Apr 1843 from original 29 Apr 1830 survey by **John D. Graham**.

Page 11, #31 - 3 Apr 1843: **John Kirk**, 17 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **William Steelman**, Range 4, Sec. 2, adj. **E. W. Tipton, James M. Louis (?)**, **Jno. M. Royster**. Certified 14 Aug 1840. Chain carriers: **H. M. Nelly, F. F. Nutt**.

Page 11, #32 - 15 May 1843: **Richard Leake**, 400 acres, Range 4, Sec. 1, adj. **John and Samuel Staggs'** occupant claim, **William Hamner**, stake in Wolf River. Certified 22 Jul 1843.

Page 12, #13 - 6 Sep 1842 [same as Page 7]: **John D. Graham**, 197 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Wm. F. Lewis, B. Winford, King, McLemore & Blackfan, Starnes, John Thomson**. Certified 6 Sep 1842 by **John D. Graham**. Chain carriers: **S. R. Cherry, Thomas M. Newson**

Page 12, #48 - 1 Aug 1843: **Britton Duke**, 100 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Pleasant Cockburn, Jno. Thomson, W. T. Lewis**, surveyed 29 Apr 1837, certified 1 Aug 1843.

Page 13, #24 - 5 Feb 1843: **Arthur Callis**, 200 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Jno. Wilson**, Winchester State Line, **Abel Grace, S. B. Choat**. Certified 31 Jul 1843 from notes.

Page 13, #29 - 22 Feb 1843: **Job H. Lewis**, 82 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1, adj. **Travis Owen, Lewis Stockton, E. J. Abernathy**, crosses Wolf River., **Jno. Powers**. Certified 31 Jul 1843 from **H. Bate's** notes.

Page 14, #47 - 18 Jul 1843: **Jno. W. Stout**, 139 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **F. B. Turner, A. Seals, M. Harelson**, crosses Nonconnah Creek twice, surveyed by **John D. Graham**. Certified 31 Mar 1843.

Page 14, #5 - 4 Jul 1842: **Thomas Youngblood**, 200 acres, Range 6, Sec. 4, adj. **James Harrell, Richard Fenner, Person**. Certified 31 Jul 1843 from notes of **John Wherry** made 11 Mar 1835.

Page 15, #6 - 4 Jul 1842: **Thomas Youngblood**, 190 acres [plat says 200] including occupant claim as assignee of **Lewis Irwin**, Range 7, Sec. 2, adj. **James P. Taylor**, crosses Wolf River twice, **Williams**. Certified 15 Nov 1842 from **John D. Graham's** survey of 26 Jul 1831.

Page 15, #56 - 2 Oct 1843: **Jesse Redd**, 47 acres, Range 4, Sec. 2, adj. **Elizabeth Brashers, Samuel Nelson, Jno. Lewis, Jas. M. Lewis, D. W. Summers**. Certified 5 Oct 1843 from **H. Bate's** survey.

SURVEY BOOK B (continued)

Page 16, #55 - 2 Oct 1843: **D. W. Summers**, 95 acres, Range 4, Sec. 2, adj. **Jesse Teelman/Seelman, Brown & Stewart**. Certified 5 Oct 1843 from **Long's** notes Fayette Co.

Page 16, #53 - 5 Sep 1843: **Thomas C. Crenshaw**, 56 acres, Range 4, Sec. 2, adj. property of Cumberland College trustees, **Benjamin Williamson, E. Bowen, Ried & Butler**. Certified from 13 Sep 1836 survey.

Page 17, #54 - 5 Sep 1843: **Thomas C. Crenshaw**, 129 acres, Range 5, Sec. 2, adj. property of Cumberland College trustees, **Warner Harrell, James Gillespie, Andrew Shaine**. Certified from 15 Sep 1836 survey.

Page 17, #26 - 13 Feb 1844: **Isaac B. Hickerson**, 200 acres, Range 8, Sec. 4; adj. **Geo. Doherty's** 2500-acre grant #94, **Wm. D. McNight, Moses Hickerson**. Surveyed by **John Ralston**. Chain carriers: **Allen Smith, Moses Hickerson**. Plat and certificate sent to Jackson 7 Feb 1844.

Page 18, #51 - 4 Sep 1843: **Benjamin West**, 100 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1. Certified 30 Dec 1843 from **John D. Graham's** survey of 11 May 1830..

Page 18, #57 - 2 Oct 1843: **Jordan Hill**, 200 acres, Range 6, Sec. 4, adj. **R. J. Hales, Aquilla Reddit**, crosses Loosa Hatchie River twice, **Asa Redditt**. Certified 27 Dec 1843 from **H. Bate's** survey of Apr 1833.

Page 19, #62 - 21 Oct 1843: **M. Kimbrough**, 196 acres, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. **Edward M. Hale**. Certified 27 Dec 1843 from **John Ralston's** survey of 30 Jan 1830.

Page 19, #63 - 28 Oct 1843: **Thomas C. Crenshaw**, 200 acres, Range 5, Sec. 2, adj. **Andrew Shane, W. Harrel**. Certified 28 Dec 1843 from **John D. Graham's** 1831 survey.

Page 20, #76 - 8 Jan 1844: **Edwin Herring**, 366 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **W. C. Dickey**, Ranges 4 & 5, Sec. 3 on Loos hatchie River, adj. **Andrew Wherry, John Donelson, Dickey, James Gillespie**. Certified 10 Feb 1844 from **John Ralston's** survey of 15 Jul 1831.

Page 20, #77 - 3 Jan 1844: **Joseph T. Allen**, 140 acres including his occupant claim, Range 4, Sec. 2, adj. a spring, **T. C. Crenshaw**. Surveyed 13 Jan 1844 by **John Wherry**.

Page 21, #79 - [no date]: **Thomas C. Crenshaw**, 60 acres, Range 4, Sec. 2, adj. property of Cumberland College trustees. Original survey 11 Apr 1837. Chain carriers: **R. A. (?) Williams, Jost Allen**. Certified 15 Jan 1844.

Page 21, #50 - 21 Aug 1843: **David Dawson**, 240 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Dawson**, assignee of **S. Harelson's** occupant claim; **T. Dolby**, crosses south fork of Nonconnah Creek. Surveyed 10 Apr 1844 by **John Wherry**. Chain carriers: **D. Dawson, Isaac Gunn**.

Page 22, #61 - 11 Oct 1843: **Allen A. Pittman**, 200 acres, Range 4, Sec. 1, adj. **L. H. Coe, Wm. Gee**. Certified 28 Nov 1845.

Page 22, #82 - 18 Jan 1844: **Joel H. Hall**, 107 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1, adj. **George Titus, Frances Cross**. Surveyed 18 Jan 1844 by **Jno. Wherry**. Chain carriers: **Frances Cross, Joel H. Hall**.

Page 23, #23 - 5 Jan 1843: **Thomas Retherford**, 85 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Richard Miller, Henderson, Tignal Jones**. Certified 23 Feb 1844 from **John D. Graham's** 1831 survey.

Page 23, #59 - 11 Oct 1843: **W. Harell**, 300 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1, adj. **Jane M. Jennings, Geo. Gillespie, Wm. Brown**. Certified 23 Feb 1844 from **S. B. Choate's** 1832 survey.

Page 24, #84 - 5 Apr 1844: **Edward Cherry**, 195 acres, Range 9, fraction of Sec. 4, Island #40 in Mississippi River, adj. **Nathaniel Patten**, meanders with river, **Royster & Bransford, Hall/Hale**. Certified 15 Mar 1838.

Page 24, #79 - 12 Jan 1844: **Henry A. Young**, 140 acres, including occupant claim as assignee of **A. D. Young**, Range 4, Sec. 1, adj. **Wm. A. Tharp, Wm. Gee, Thomas Bounds**, and Winchester state line. Certified 28 Nov 1843

Page 25, #68 - 26 Dec 1843: **Benjamin Brown**, 200 acres, Range 8, Sec. 3, adj. **G. & W Pillows, A. B. Carr, J. McIver**. Surveyed 30 May 1831 by **S. B. Choate**.

Page 25, #82 - 5 Feb 1844: **James M. Key**, 112 acres including occupant claim as assignee of **Jane Kincade**, Range 7, Sec. 1, adj. **Jno. P. Wagnon** now **James B. Sanders, E. Perkinson, Thos. Polk, Culp, G. Wallice**. Surveyed 5 May 1843 by **Jno. Ralston**.

Page 26, #85 - 5 Jul/Feb ____: Heirs of **Joshua Pursen**, 83 acres, including occupant claim as assignee of **Lewis Brown**, Range 8, Sec. 3, adj. **Thomas Hickman, A. B. Carr, John Ivin, T. Talbot**. Surveyed by **John Ralston** [no date], chain-carriers: **I. B. Hickerson, N. Costlow (?)**.

Page 26, #90 - 22 Feb 1844: **William Harrell**, 600 acres including and excluding 98 acres of **Lewis Irwin**, Range 4, Sec. 1, adj. **Saml. Leake**, crosses Wolf River twice, **Smith, James M. Lewis**. Certified from original survey 29 Oct 1839.

Page 27, #96 - 1 Apr 1844: Heirs of **David Royster**, 195 acres, Range 4, Sec. 3 adj. **J. W. Hunt**, East Tennessee College property, **McLemore & Hopkins**. Certified 19 Apr 1844 from **H. Bate's** survey of 19 Apr 1833.

Page 27, #79 - 1 Apr 1844: Heirs of **David Royster**, 153 acres, Range 4, Sec. 3 adj. **Joel W. Royster, W. P. Reaves, R. and D. Donelson, Thomas Owen**. Certified 21 Apr 1844 from **John Wherry's** original 1837 survey.

Page 28, #52 - 4 Sep 1843: **Whitfield Harrel**, 107 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **A. Atkinson, Wm. Brandon**, range line between 5 and 6. Certified 6 Aug 1844 from **John Wherry's** 1837 survey.

Page 28, #100 - 7 May 1844: **Whitfield Harrel**, 482 acres, Range 9, fraction of Sec. 4, adj. **John Ralston**, east bank of Mississippi, meanders with river. Certified 6 Aug 1844 from Jul 1821 survey.

Page 29, #95 - 25 Mar 1844: **Elizabeth Nelson** by occupant law, 72 acres, Range 5, Sec. 5, adj. **Charles Isam, Wm. Nelson**. Certified 26 Sep 1842.

Page 29, #94 - 25 Mar 1844: **Saml. Patterson**, 34 acres, Range 4, Sec. 5, adj. property of East Tennessee College president and trustees, **Joseph Kelly**. Certified 25 Mar 1844.

Page 30, #91 - 6 Mar 1844: **Benjamin Winford** by occupant law, 100 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Ira Towns, W. F. Lewis, Tignal Jones**. Certified 30 May 1844 from **John D. Graham's** original survey 14 Mar 1830.

Page 30, #98 - 15 Apr 1844: **Thomas J. Wherry**, 83 acres, Range 4, Sec. 3, adj. **Andrew Wherry**. Copy from original 4 Mar 1834.

Page 31, #74 - 1 Jan 1844: **Z. Edmonds**, 25 acres, Range 7, fraction Sec. 4 on Island #40, adj. **John Overton, Joseph Graham**. Originally surveyed 30 May 1844.

Page 31, #69 - 1 Jan 1844: **Thomas Dickens**, 200 acres by occupant law, Range 8, Sec. 5, adj. **George Doherty, Thomas Polk**. Certified 29 May 1844 from **T. B. Hall's** original survey of Sep 1836.

Page 32, #88 - 11 Feb. 1844: **W. C. Dunlap**, 275 acres, Range 8, Sec. 3 on Loosehatchie River, adj. **Lewis Brown, Joel McLemore, Thos. Talbot, Wilson Sanderlin, B. and S. B. Hawkins, A. Rembert, G. W. Ford**. Certified from original notes of 15 Aug 1844.

Page 32, #41 - 1 Jul 1844: **Milton A. Keer [Kerr]**, 283 acres, Range 7, Sec. 2, adj. **James M. Lewis, Kincade, T. Youngblood, John D. Graham, Wolf River, T. D. Carr, and Frances McGavock**. Made out from notes [no dates].

Page 33, #60 - 13 Oct 1843: **William Horsely**, 162 acres, Range 6, Sec. 2 on Wolf River adj. **Wylie Roberts, Jno. D. Graham, A. Hill, E. Bunch, James Hughs, Joseph McDowell's 5,000 acres, F. McGhee, Wilson Sanderlin**. Certified from notes [no dates].

SURVEY BOOK B (continued)

Page 33, #118 - 7 Nov 1844: **Henry B. S. Williams**, 379 acres, Range 4, Sec. 3, adj. **Henderson & McLemore's** 5,000-acre section line. Certified 6 Dec 1844 from notes.

Page 34, #117 - 2 Dec 1844: **Thomas S. Simpson**, 200 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **H. Hill, Joseph McDowell's** 5,000 acres. Certified from **J. D. Graham's** original 1830 survey.

Page 34, #120 - 3 Dec 1844: **John Reaves, Jr.**, 181 acres, Range __, Sec. 4, adj. **James Irwin, Jno. Reaves, Sr., Turner**. Certified from **H. Bate's** survey of 2 May 1833.

Page 35, #113 - 30 Oct 1844: **Thomas B. Crenshaw**, 140 acres, Range 5, Sec. 2, including and excluding **James Gillespie's** 60 acres, adj. **Washington Eddens**, property of East Tennessee College trustees. Certified from **John D. Graham's** original 1831 survey.

Page 35, #111 - 24 Oct 1844: **Thomas Wortham**, 200 acres, Range 5, Sec. 5, adj. **John Reaves, James Irwin**. Certified from **John Ralston's** original 1831 survey. (Written in margin - Grant #928)

Page 36, #107 - 2 Jun 1844: **N. B. Shepherd**, 37 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Shepherd's** 67 acres at northeast corner, **W. Harrell's** 107 acres at southwest corner, #52. Certified from **John D. Graham's** original 1830 survey.

Page 36, #104 - 3/8 Ju_ 1844: **James Harris**, 186 acres, Range 4, Sec. 1, adj. **Peter Peterson**, assignee of **W. D. Freeman**, crosses Wolf River twice. Certified Sep 1844 from original survey of 3 Feb. 1837.

Page 37, #108 - 1 Sep 1844: **L. Henderson**, 255 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1, northwest corner of his grant #5036. Adj. **Seth Wheatley, S. Breeding, James Rasters, John Wilson**. Certified from **James H. Graves' 1835** survey.

Page 37, #115 - 12 Nov 1844: **A. G. Jones**, 31 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **George Deason, Cobb, Fletcher's** Creek. Certified 12 Nov 1844. Chain carriers: **Reubin Massey, A. G. Jones**.

Page 38, #112 - 24 Oct 1844: **Thos. C. Crenshaw**, 250 acres, Ranges 4 & 5, Sec. 2 & 3, adj. Cumberland College property, **Richard Leake, Wm. Gillespie, Andrew Shane, James Gillespie**. Certified from **H. Bate's** survey of 29 Oct 1833.

Page 38, #114 - 12 Nov 1844: **A. G. Jones**, 10 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **George Deason, H. Cobb**. Certified from **James H. Graves' 1835** survey.

Page 39, #67 - 5 Dec 1843: **Coleman Tinsly**, 44 acres, Range 5, Sec. 5, adj. **Silas Hollis, John G. and Thomas Blount, Willoughby Williams**. Certified from **John Ralston's** original survey of 2 Jun 1830.

Page 39, #126 - 2 Dec 1844: **Bowen Snow**, 200 acres, Range 4, Sec. 1, adj. **William Gee, L. H. Coe, Doty & Snow, William A. Tharp**. Certified 27 Jan 1844.

Page 40, #175 - 3 Nov 1845: **L. Henderson**, 1,340 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1, on Wolf River adj. **James Jarrett, Wm. Brown's** 3,198 acres, **T. Brooks, Rob Carr, Hardin Scott, Robert Fearn, L. Henderson's** 76 acres, **Thomas Persons, Seth Wheatley**. Certified from original 1832/33 survey. (Margin - This plat and certification recorded wrong. Corrected version on Page 63)

Page 41, #135 - 27 Jan 1835: **Benjamin Williamson**, 202 acres, Range 4, Sec. 2, adj Cumberland College property. Certified 27 Jan 1845.

Page 41, #109 - 30 Oct 1844: **Lewis Herring**, 490 acres including occupant claim, Range 4, Sec. 4, adj. **S. King, John Bennett, Hopkins & McLemore**. Certified 3 Oct 1845.

Page 42, #165 - 5/3 Feb 1845: **Jesse M. Tate**, 125 acres, including and excluding 65 acres of **John Pope**, Range 7, Sec. 3, adj. **William Tapp**, East Tenn. College property. Certified 5 Feb 1845.

Page 42, #92 - 4 Mar 1844: **Robert C. Ledbetter**, 70 acres, Range 6, Sec. 2, adj. **John D. Graham, John Thomson**. Certified 4 Mar 1844.

Page 43, #121 - 4 Dec 1844: **Joshua Harden**, 286 acres, including his occupant claim, Range 5, Sec 3., adj. **John D. Harbison, Thos. Kimbrough, Hiram Hardin, James Ferguson, Wm. Griffen, Gunter**. Certified 4 Dec 1844.

Page 44, #163 - 15 Mar 1845: **Joseph Edmundson**, 161 acres, Range 4, Sec. 1, adj. **H. A. Irwin, Wm. D. Pinkett, Mary Pinkett**. Certified 15 Mar 1845.

Page 44, #116 - 2 Dec 1844: **Benj. Brown**, 100 acres, occupant claim, Range 7, Sec. 2, adj. **Elizabeth Brown, Hardy Murphy**. Certified 2 Dec 1845.

Page 45, #73 - 1 Jan 1844: **John Phillips**, 105 acres, Range 8, Sec. 2, adj. **Robert Fearn, John McIvor, Mason Smith**. Certified 1 Jan 1844.

Page 45, #129 - 13 Jan. 1845: **Wm. Griffin**, 200 acres, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. **Joshua Harden, M. Kimbrough's 2500 acres, Thos. Kimbrough**, Cumberland College property, **Benj. Biggs, E. D. Hale**. Certified 13 Feb 1845.

Page 46, #130 - 13 Jan 1845: **Wm. Griffin**, 48 acres, Range 5, Sec. 3, **Micheal Mahan/Mahar, Jno. D. Harbison**. Certified 15 Jan 1845.

Page 46, #128 - 5 Jan 1845: **M. Rogers**, 30 acres, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. **Wm. Rogers, Martin P. Scott, Sarah Owen, Strauther & Gooch**. Certified 5 Jun 1845.

Page 47, #131/151 - 20 Jan 1845: **Wm. P. Reaves**, 200 acres, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. heirs of **R. C. Vaughan, David Redditt, E. D. Hale**. Certified 20 Jan 1845.

Page 47, #139 - 20 Jan 1845: **Benjamin Williamson**, 95 acres, Range 6, Sec. 2, adj. **Joseph McDowell, George Deason, Wm. Hines**. Certified 20 Jan 1845.

Page 48, #140 - 29 Jan 1845: **Jas. Raster/Rafter**, 8 acres, Range 5, Sec. 1, adj. **R. Whitby, Robt. Fearn**. Certified 29 Jan 1845.

Page 48, #142 - 2 Feb 1845: **Wilson Lurry**, 200 acres, Range 5, Sec. 2, adj. **Gooch & Strauther**. Certified 3 Feb 1845.

Page 49, #157 - 17 Feb 1845: **Wm. Twyford**, 200 acres, Range 6, Secs. 1&2, adj. **Joseph McDowell's 6000 acres, East Tennessee College property, Wm. Person, R. Husbands**. Certified 17 Feb 1845.

Page 49, #136 - 27 Jan 1845: **B. J. Dowell**, 400 acres, Range 7, Sec. 3, Island #42 or **Foy's Island** in Mississippi River, adj. **Wright W. Elliot**, western chute of river, mouth of Allegator Lake, **John Fogleman**. Certified 11 Feb 1845. Chain carriers: **A. Dowell, A. Jones**.

Page 50, #166 - 7 Apr 1845: **Thomas Youngblood**, 200 acres including his occupant claim as assignee of **John Page**, Ranges 5 & 6, Secs. 3 & 4, adj. **Rhea, A. Pillows**. Certified 7 May 1845.

Page 50, #162 - 11 Mar 1845: **A. Redditt**, 267 acres, Range 5, Sec. 3, adj. **Wm. Vaughan, Richard C. Vaughan, Richard Jones, Jas. M. Weathered**, crosses **Turner** branch. Certified 11 Mar 1845.

Page 51, #174 - 7 Apr 1845: **Loyd DeLoach**, 97 acres, including occupant claim as assignee of **Mary Pinkett**, Range 5, Sec. 1, adj. **Joseph Edmundson, Mary Pinkett**. Certified 9 June 1845.

Page 51, #134 - 24 Jan 1845: **S. H. Roberts**, 350 acres, including occupant claim as assignee of **John A. Frazier** and **John G. Sawyers**, Range 5, Sec. 1, adj. **Logan** on state line, **Sawyer, Frazier**. Certified 9 Jun 1845.

Page 52, #143 - 3 Feb 1845: **William Miller**, 186 acres, as assignee of **G. W. Ford**, Ranges 7 & 8, Secs. 2 & 3, adj. **Wm. Brinkley**. Certified from **S. B. Choate's** original survey of 29 May 1831.

Page 52, #172 - 2 Jun 1845: **C. F. B.** and **Mirinda Eisenschmiath**, 214 acres, Range 6, Sec. 1, adj. **Arthur Callis, James Titus, Adam Barnhart**, and Winchester state line. Certified by **John Wherry** [no date].

(To be continued)

BUCK

Departed this life yesterday morning at the residence of **W. W. Hart**, **Miss Emily Buck**, sister of **Mr. Silas Buck**. This bereavement is peculiarly distressing and melancholy as it has pleased a Wise Providence to take from this worthy gentleman within a few weeks a beloved wife, a mother, and a sister. -*The Memphis Appeal*, 10 Nov 1843

PETWAY

Died the 3d of February [1862], **Mrs. Mary E. Petway**, consort of the late **Hinchy Petway, Jr.**, of pulmonary consumption. Divine service at Mulberry Street Church this morning at 10'clock by **Rev. W. R. Warren**.

-*Nashville Daily Gazette*, 4 Feb 1862

WYNNE

The Lebanon Register learns from a private letter that **Mr. W. H. Wynne**, former well known resident of Wilson County, was killed at his house in Mississippi on the 2d inst. by accidental discharge of a gun which he was engaged in cleaning out.

-*Nashville Daily Gazette*, 14 Apr 1867

BRIEN

Died at his residence near Nashville on the evening of the 14th inst., **Carlton D. Brien**, aged 37 years, eldest son of the Hon. **John S. Brien**. Suffering for more than two years from that dread disease consumption, he was never heard to utter a complaint

-*Nashville Daily Gazette*, 14 Apr 1867

MOSELEY

Died in Fort Pickering on Friday last [16 Sept] after an illness of a few hours, **Mrs. Sarah Moseley**, eldest daughter of **Hugh Roland**, Esq.

-*The Memphis Appeal*, 22 Sep 1843

HAUN

Mrs. Martha Haun, wife of **Mr. Haun**, formerly of Sweetwater, Monroe County, and daughter of **Daniel Heiskell**, Esq., died at her home in Missouri on the 31st of April last. She was about 35 years of age. She was an affectionate and obedient daughter, a loving and confiding wife, and a beloved and loving sister.

-*Knoxville Whig*, 25 May 1861

Obituaries**DAVIS**

Died on 11 Feb 1864 in Knox County, **Mrs. Nancy Davis**, wife of **Michael Davis**, Esq., aged 87 years. The deceased resided in this county for 66 years.

-*Knoxville Whig*, 5 March 1864

CHASE

Mr. William Chase, an old and honored citizen, died of yellow fever at his residence in North Memphis at 8 o'clock the morning of 6 Sept 1878. He was born in Washington Co., Pa., on 8 June 1809 and moved to Memphis in the fall of 1875. Although 69, he was well preserved, vigorous, and erect.

-*Memphis Daily Avalanche*, 6 Sept 1878

FARMER

Died in Clarksville on 22nd Jan [1862] after a brief illness, **T. T. Farmer**, aged about 40.

-*Nashville Daily Gazette*, 4 Feb 1862

BONHAM

Died at Gallatin in Sumner County on 25 Sep 1865, **Olive Bonham**, aged 86 years one month 10 days. She was born in Loudon Co., Va., from whence she moved with her father, **Isaac Saffelle**, to Greene County. She was married in 1796 to **Benjamin Bonham** with whom she removed to Blount County where he died in 1861, leaving her aged and infirm to struggle alone with the trials of life. Her youngest son, **Capt. J. S. Bonham** with whom the parents had resided, was forced to leave her on account of the war, he being a fine Union man. The captain removed her to Gallatin where she spent the remaining months of her life. She raised 12 children -- five daughters and seven sons -- three of whom are ministers. She was buried beside her little granddaughter, **Rosie Elizabeth**, daughter of **Capt. J. S.** and **L. E. Bonham**.

- *Knoxville Whig*, 28 Mar 1866

MILLER

Died on 13 Aug 1878, **John Hart Miller**, son of **Henry G.** and **Lizzie S. Miller**, aged 17 years 7 months.

-*Daily Memphis Avalanche*, 14 Aug 1878

RANKIN

Departed this life on the morning of 7th Oct 1865 at the residence of his father near Dandridge in Jefferson County, **Dr. William T. Rankin**, late assistant surgeon of the First East Tennessee Cavalry, U.S.A., aged 26 years and 11 days.

-*Knoxville Whig*, 22 Nov 1865

ROYSTON

Mrs. Elizabeth Royston, daughter of **Rev. Samuel Watson**, died at her residence in Greene County of congestive chills on 23 Oct 1860. She was born in Prince William Co., Va., on 4 Aug 1785 and was consequently 75 years of age. She was married to **Joshua Royston** in Edgefield District, S. C., on 25 June 1802 and raised a respectable family of sons and daughters. She was a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and had been for 60 years. A woman of vigorous mind and great kindness of heart, she has gone to reap the reward of the faithful. -*Knoxville Whig*, 24 Nov 1860

MILLER

R. Park Miller, formerly a resident of Knoxville, died in Nashville of consumption on Wednesday, 27th Feb 1861. He was a man very much respected during his residence in our midst and the melancholy tidings of his death have cast a shadow of gloom over the hearts of many of his old friends and associates. In his profession he was surpassed by few and it may be truly said that in his death the typographical corps has lost one of its most valued members. He leaves a wife and several children. His remains were brought to this city and deposited in the burying ground on Methodist Hill.

-*Knoxville Whig*, 9 Mar 1861

JONES

Died at 11 a.m. on 3 Sep in Panola Co., Miss., **Mr. David Jones**, aged 47 years seven months, and 16 days. A native of Wake Co., N. C., he migrated with his father and family to Bedford Co., Tenn., and moved to Mississippi in 1836. He was a high-minded honorable gentleman, a benevolent neighbor and hospitable citizen, and a kind master. He was buried with Masonic honors.

-*Memphis Enquirer*, 12 Oct 1849

VACCARO

Died of old age and debility at 7 o'clock Monday evening, 12 Aug 1878, in her 80th year at the residence of her son at 132 Adams St., **Nicoletta Vaccaro**, beloved mother of **Antonio, Bartolomee, and A. B. Vaccaro**.

-Daily Memphis Avalanche, 14 Aug 1878

HARVEY

On the first Sabbath of August 1864, **Rev. S. B. West** delivered an eloquent sermon in memory of **George W. Harvey**, Co. B., 5th East Tennessee Volunteer Infantry, who died at Nashville on 4 Jan 1863. Born in Roane County on 28 Jan 1842, George made a profession of religion at age 18 during a revival at Marietta in Knox County and joined the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. He parted with his home, dear parents, and kind friends in East Tennessee to seek refuge on northern soil where he spent the rest of his life in the service of his once happy country. The memorial service was held at the residence of his father, **Rufus Harvey**, a few miles west of Loudon.

-Knoxville Whig, 14 Sep 1864

MONAGHAN

Died on 13th Aug 1878 in Memphis, **Mary E.**, beloved wife of **James Monaghan**, aged 42 years.

-Daily Memphis Avalanche, 14 Aug 1878

GRIFFIN

Died 16 Aug 1865 at Buffalo in Grainger Co., **Mrs. Preshil Griffin**, wife of **William C. Griffin**, aged 24. She was the daughter of **John and Rachel Douglas**, now living in Texas. She leaves three children, one an infant two months old.

-Knoxville Whig, 27 Sep 1865

BLOOMER

After a protracted illness, **James D. Bloomer** died 8 June 1878. He was born 11 Nov 1813 in Hawkins County and at the time of his death was 64 years 7 months and 27 days of age. He joined the Baptist Church at Blackwater near Kyle's Ford, now in Hancock County, in the winter of 1846. In May 1851 he and ten other members organized the Rockcastle Church in which he was a deacon until his death.

-Rogersville Spectator, 4 Jul 1878

Obituaries

CLINGAN

Died at his residence in Bradley County on the 1st Feb 1864 of smallpox, **A. A. Clingan**.

-Knoxville Whig, 5 March 1864

KNEELAND

Died 2 Sept 1855 at this place, **Dr. John Kneeland**, druggist, in the 42nd year of his age. He had been living in our community but a few months. He leaves a young widow to whom he had been married 11 months.

-Rogersville Times, 6 Sept 1855

TAYLOR

The Honorable **A. W. Taylor** of Carter County died 11 Oct last. He was an aged man and from the usefulness of his life, the purity of his character, and the goodness of his heart deserves a notice at our hands which cannot be granted to all men who died. His father was a pioneer of East Tennessee -- one of the men who fought the savage Indians all along the banks of the Watauga, at Long Island, and at the celebrated ford of the French Broad. He followed gallant **Campbell** to King's Mountain in 1778 and fought bravely in that engagement. He saw **Ferguson** fall, saw American arms triumph, and British army prisoners and his country free. Then he retired to his farm on the banks of the beautiful Watauga and spent the remainder of his life as a peaceful and quiet tiller of that soil for which he had so gallantly fought. **A. W.**, a son of the old soldier, was born on the farm on which he died. He was a lawyer in the truest sense of the word -- a man who made use of his talents and superior legal knowledge for the benefit of his neighbors and county. He served two or three terms in the state legislature and left his mark on the records of Tennessee as a wise and conservative statesman. He died in his 58th year, leaving a large family.

-Rogersville Times, 4 Dec 1856

WOOD

Died on Tuesday, 13 Aug 1878, of congestion of the brain, **John E. Wood** at his residence at the corner of Main and Exchange streets.

-Daily Memphis Avalanche, 14 Aug 1878

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HUGHES

Mrs. Susie Hughes departed this life at the residence of her son-in-law, **John H. Hill**, Esq., seven miles west of Franklin on 15 June 1875. She was born in Pittsylvania Co., Va., on 24 Oct 1785 and hence was in the 90th year of her age. In early life she joined the Primitive Baptist Church at McConnico's near Franklin and for nearly 70 years was an exemplary member. She suffered greatly the last four months simply from weariness in her long and toilsome life's journey. Her last words: "I want rest!" A little while before her death, she called her little grandchildren, **Willie and Tommie Hill**, to her bedside and entreated them to meet her in Heaven. She was the mother of nine children, and had 55 grandchildren, 95 great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren. She said she had lived long enough and told her friends and family not to weep over her departure.

-Franklin Review, 24 June 1875

CHEVILETTE

Departed this life on the 15th ult. at the residence of **Andrew R. Govan**, Esq., near Somerville in Fayette County, **Mrs. Louisa Chevilette**, late of Orangeburgh District, S. C., in the 65th year of her age. After encountering the trial and perplexity incident to a removal and journey from South Carolina, **Mrs. Chevilette** sickened on the day of her arrival at the home of her son in the bosom of whose very dear family she intended to spend the remainder of her life. She died one short month after her arrival.

-Memphis Enquirer, 30 Dec 1837

POPE

Departed this life on the 27th ult., **Mrs. Louisa Pope**, consort of **John Pope**, Esq., of this vicinity, aged 36 years.

-Memphis Enquirer, 4 Nov 1837

WINSTON

Died in Boon Co., Ky., on the 11th ult. in the 19th year of her age, **Mrs. Marcia Searcy Winston**, consort of **Mr. William Winston, Jr.**, and daughter of **Col. Charles D. McLean** of Shelby County, Tenn.

-Memphis Enquirer, 4 Nov 1837

MAYO

Died in Fayette County on 30 Mar 1850 **Mrs. Sally E. Mayo**, aged 54 year. -*Memphis Eagle*, 10 May 1850

WARD

Died of congestive fever on Saturday, Sept. 23, at 8 p.m., **Mrs. Ann Ward**, consort of **Col. Edward Ward** of Shelby County. A native of Amelia Co., Va., she was 61 years of age, during the last 45 of which she was Col. Ward's wife. For 20 years, she was a member of the Presbyterian Church. -*Memphis Enquirer*, 30 Sep 1837

ALEXANDER

Mrs. Nannie Alexander, widow of the late **June Alexander**, died at McCombs City, Miss., of consumption last Monday night. Her remains will arrive over the Illinois Central Railroad this morning and be carried to Riverside Cemetery. The burial service will be conducted by **Rev. J. E. Stuart**. She was a former resident of Madison County. -*Jackson Daily Whig*, 2 May 1900

HANSARD

Rachel N. Hansard, wife of **Col. R. C. Hansard** and daughter of **Sam'l** and **Mary Ewing**, died in Tazewell 19 Apr 1849. She was born 24 Apr 1813 in Lee Co., Va. Her remains were taken to the residence of her father, the place of her birth, and interred in the family burying ground where her mother has been sleeping for several years. She had been an exemplary member of the Presbyterian Church for 15 years. -*Brownlow's Knoxville Whig & Independent Journal*, 19 May 1849

JETTON

William M. Jetton died on the morning of the 17th of November at the residence of his father, **Lewis Jetton**, in Cannon County. He served as a soldier in the 18th Tennessee Regiment during the [Civil] war and was severely wounded in the fall of Atlanta near its close. He died from the effects of his wounds. Born 8 Sep 1842, he was an exemplary and worthy young man.

-*Murfreesboro Monitor*, 28 Nov 1868

Obituaries**BROWN**

Mrs. Brown, wife of the late **Peter A. Brown**, died yesterday evening at 1 o'clock at the home of her daughter in Covington, Tenn., from old age, she being 83 years old. Her remains will arrive this evening at 5 o'clock over the Mobile and Ohio Railroad. The funeral will be conducted by **Rev. W. G. Inman** and **Rev. Mr. Pate** at Pleasant Plains Church in the Tenth District. She leaves two daughters, **Mrs. Annie Dearing** and **Mrs. Nannie A. Dumas** of Covington, and two sons, **C. C. Brown** of Pulaski and **G. T. Brown** of Jackson. -*Jackson Daily Whig, Haywood Edition*, 28 Mar 1900

McADOO

Died of consumption on 25 Nov 1868, **Solon Hodge McAdoo** in the 26th year of his age. He was a member of Co. C, 18th Tennessee Regiment, CSA, and a member of Mt. Moriah Masonic Lodge whose members buried him with their usual honors at his father's residence near this city. He left a wife and one child.

-*Murfreesboro Monitor*, 5 Dec 1868

DAVIS

Died on Thursday morning, 7th Jan, **Mr. John Davis**, old and highly respected citizen of this county, after an illness of four months. Born in Kings County, Ireland, in 1777, he was in the 70th year of his age at the time of his death. His life was one of eventful interest. At one period he was a merchant in Washington, Pa., surrounded by all the comforts and conveniences of a thriving and prosperous industry and blessed by all the social and domestic enjoyments which his wife, children, and friends could confer. Losses occasioned by his kindly feeling and unsuspecting confidence in his fellow men compelled him to close his business. He migrated to Tennessee and for nearly 14 years, ever since the opening of the Franklin and Nashville turnpike in 1833, he has served as keeper of Gate No. 4. -*Western Weekly Review, Franklin, Tenn.*, 15 Jan 1847

HENDERSON

Died 12 Oct 1849 near Sommerville, Tenn., **Col. B. H. Henderson** in the 67th year of his age. Born in Campbell Co., Va., near Lynchburg in 1782, he removed with his father to Sumner County at age 17. He was educated at Lexington, Ky., where he studied law with the Hon. **Tilding Turner**, for many years judge of the Criminal Court at New Orleans. He entered law practice in Maury County ca. 1805 and married in 1810. [His wife survived him, but her name is not given.] In 1815-16 he was elected to the U. S. Congress. After his term, he moved to North Alabama where he joined the Presbyterian Church in Huntsville. In 1828 he removed to Sommerville and was a ruling elder in the Presbyterian church there.

-*Memphis Enquirer*, 13 Nov 1849

COOK

Miss Alpha B. Cook, born 15 July 1868, died 20 February 1888. Though so young, she had long assumed the many responsibilities of the family, bestowing unremitting care upon her little afflicted sisters.

-*Manchester Times*, 24 Feb 1888

TIPTON

Died in Blount County 3 Nov 1849, **Mr. William Tipton** in the 88th year of his age. He was one of the earliest settlers of this county and a soldier of the Revolutionary War. Born 13 Feb 1761 in Shenandoah Co., Va., he entered the service as a mere boy under **Capt. Langdon** in 1776. He was at the siege and stormy battle of Tarannah where he was severely wounded and left on the field all night as dead. He was a brother to **Capt. Abraham Tipton** who was under Col. Joseph Crockett and fell at Briegrass Creek 20 Sep 1781 and also to **Capt. Jacob Tipton** who raised a company in Greene Co., Tenn., and fell at St. Clair's defeat. William fought under his gallant father at the battle of Frankland; and was in the Creek War with Gen. Jackson. He came to Tennessee, then a territory, at an earlier age and remained until his death a true specimen of the pioneer.

-*Knoxville Whig*, 24 Nov 1849

In the town of Charlotte on Monday, 11th October [1819] by **Sterling Brewer, esq., Mr. Isaac H. Lanier to Miss Betty Vanleer**, daughter of **B. W. Vanleer**. On Tuesday, 12th October, **Mr. Charnal Corban to Miss Elizabeth Whitledge**.

-Town Gazette & Farmers Register, Clarksville, Tenn., 18 Oct 1819

At the residence of **Wiley Hickerson, Esq.**, this afternoon [Thursday, 20 Jan 1888] at 2:30 o'clock by **Rev. S. E. Wilson, Mr. John Rayburn and Miss Susie May**. This was a "runaway" match, the "old folks" objecting, and ended as usual -- the interested parties having their way.

-Manchester Times, 20 Jan 1888

On 28 Jan 1832 after a long courtship, **Mr. Edward Cobb to Miss Patsy Johnson**, all of this county. *-RailRoad Advocate, Rogersville, Tenn., 16 Feb 1832*

By **Rev. F. A. Ross** on Thursday evening, 22nd Dec 1831, **Mr. Henry A. Rathbone to Miss Annas R. Powell**, daughter of the **Honorable S. Powell**, all of this county. *-Rail-Road Advocate, Rogersville, Tenn., 19 Jan 1832*

At the residence of the bride's mother on 24 Dec 1894, **Prof. Isaac A. Armstrong to Miss Estella L. Beal**. **Rev. W. M. Christian**, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church officiated. The groom, formerly of Bradley County, was educated at Grant Memorial University at Athens, Tenn., and now has charge of the public school of McKinney, Texas. The bride is the daughter of **Mrs. Mary T. Beal** and one of Hawkins County's best young ladies. *-Rogersville Herald, 26 Dec 1894*

At Sewanee House on Thursday, July 4th, by **Rev. Father Welsh, Mr. John H. Wood to Miss Lizzie O'Brien**, all of this city. *-Nashville Gazette 6 Jul 1867*

Married on the evening of the 25th inst. by **Rev. Mr. Gray, Mr. James F. Smithwick of Tallaloosa to Miss Lucy V. Strange** of this place.

-Memphis Daily Enquirer, 25 Nov 1847

Married ...

On 22 April at the residence of the bride's parents in Arkansas Co., Ark., by **Rev. H. C. Horton, Mr. W. D. Lavender** of New York, formerly of Nashville, Tenn., and **Miss Nannie W. Ross**. *-Memphis Daily Appeal, 28 Apr 1857*

On the 6th June at the residence of the bride's father, **David Ralston, Esq.**, on White's Creek by **Rev. Dr. A. J. Baird, Mr. J. N. Bray and Miss Lou E. Ralston**, all of Davidson County.

-Nashville Gazette 11 June 1867

At the residence of the bride's father in Jackson, Tenn., on the morning of 17th May 1864 by **Rev. J. H. Gillespie** of the Presbyterian Church, **Capt. E. B. McClanahan to Miss Bettie Simmonds**. *-Memphis Appeal (published in Atlanta, Ga.), 29 June 1864*

At Panther Springs in Jefferson County on 6th May by **Rev. B. K. Cunningham, Dr. Jos. P. Conway to Miss S. S. Senter**, eldest daughter of the late **William T. Senter**. *-Brownlow's Knoxville Whig & Independent Journal, 19 May 1849*

On 26 April by **Rev. William Carey Crane, Mr. H. B. Wolfkill and Miss Susan Ann Hightower**. Our friend **Wolfkill ...** was looked upon as a confirmed bachelor, only fit to fold sheets of paper, but he has relieved himself from the odium attached to single life and can now fold something more precious. *-Memphis Daily Appeal, 28 Apr 1857*

On 17 August by **Parson M'Connico, Henry Van Pelt, esq.**, editor of the *Franklin Monitor*, to **Miss Ann Smith**, daughter of **Capt. William Smith** of Franklin. *-Clarksville Town Gazette & Farmers Register, 30 Aug 1819*

Married on Thursday evening last [28 Sep 1843] by the **Rev. Samuel Watson, Mr. Joseph H. Hawley to Miss Susan C. Brown**, all of Memphis.

-Memphis Daily Enquirer, 6 Oct 1843

In Paris at the Cumberland Presbyterian Church on Sunday evening last by **Rev. A. Mizell, Mr. Mike H. Atkins to Miss N. E. Porter**, all of Henry County. The happy groom with his beautiful bride left on Monday evening for Paducah with the congratulations and good wishes of a host of friends.

-Paris Intelligencer, 13 Feb 1874

In the city of Nashville on the 19th ult., **Col. William L. Martin**, Senator-elect from Wilson County, to **Mrs. Mary L. Barry**.

-Memphis Daily Enquirer, 6 Oct 1843

In McMinnville on the 21st ult., **Mr. Pleasant H. Price to Miss Malvina Hord**.

-Memphis Daily Enquirer, 6 Oct 1843

On Thursday evening, the 21st September in Madison County, **Mr. Merlin Perry to Miss Ann Boon**.

-Memphis Daily Enquirer, 6 Oct 1843

In Davidson County on 25 July by **Rev. Geo. Hagan, Mr. John Bell Gleaves to Miss Annie Ridley**.

-Nashville Gazette, 29 Jul 1866

At the residence of the bride's parents near Petersburg on Tuesday, 10 Jan, by **Elder William Dixon, Mr. Z. D. Jones** of Manchester and **Miss Myrtle Cowden**. Mr. Jones is one of our cleverest young men and is worthy of the rich prize he has won. The bride belongs to one of the first families of Middle Tennessee and by her many womanly graces has endeared herself to all with whom she associates.

-Manchester Times, 13 Jan 1888

Married in Jackson, Tenn., on 2nd inst. by **Rev. Dr. Rivers** of Florence, Ala., **J. Jay Lane, Esq.**, of New Orleans and **Miss Alice Hubbard** of Jackson.

-Memphis Evening Bulletin, 3 March 1859

At the residence of the bride's mother in this city on the 26th June by **Rev. Robert A. Young, Mr. John H. Bankston to Miss Sallie S. Bowers**, all of this city.

-Nashville Gazette, 28 June 1867

Obion County Court Clerk Minutes

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Tuesday, 5 MARCH 1850

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Present in court were **Moses D. Harper**, **James Thomas**, **David Hogan**, Sheriff **John B. Hogue**, Clerk **A. S. Hord**. Court appointed **James A. Marshall**, **S. W. D. H. Anderson**, **Horace Head**, **James I. Moffatt**, and **Alfred Gibbs** as Troy patrol for next 12 months, with **Marshall** as captain. **Allen S. Hord** was allowed \$5 to supply his office with papers for next 12 months. Court ordered that: (1) **Thomas E. Page** be taken from **Wm. Gray** and added to list of hands for **Pleasant Hudson**, overseer of Lake Road; (2) **Alfred Nolen's** hands work under **Aaron Cline** on Dresden and Mill Point Road.

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William Calhoun, **Joel D. Dunegan**, **Jesse Harrison**, **William Sanders**, **John P. Crockett**, and **A. Crockett** were appointed to change Mills Point Road from Nelley's ferry on North Fork of Obion River, leaving road leading from **Samuel C. Henry's**.

1 APRIL 1850

Present were Justices of the Peace **Moses D. Harper**, **James Thomas**, **David Hogan**, **William Haislip**, **William E. Montheral**, **Cage Hale**, **Cleaber Wright**, **William Caldwell**, **Thomas P. Cooper**, **John Holloman**, Sheriff **John B. Hogue**, and Clerk **Allen S. Hord**. Court ordered that settlements with **Reuben Hamit**, administrator of estate of **Charles Evans**, dec'd; and **Thomas P. Cooper**, administrator of estate of **William M. Cooper**, dec'd., be recorded.

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Inventories returned by **Clarissa Stroud**, administratrix of estate of **Silas Stroud**, dec'd, and **J. Y. Wilborn**, administrator of estate of **Jonas B. Meadows**, dec'd., were ordered recorded. **J. B. Pullum** was allowed \$3 for making a coffin for a man found in Mississippi River, name unknown.

Court appointed: (1) **Ezekiel Heraldson**, **Franklin White**, **Gabriel Henderson**, **A. O. Corum**, and **William Cage** to change part of road leading from Standley's bridge to state line, between Grove Creek and Moscow Road; (2) **Jonathan Haislip** as overseer on North Fork and Hickman Road from **L. Adams'** mill to **William Calhoun's** land, with following hands to work on road - **C. Pleasant**, **R. Pleasant**, **Samuel Carmack**, **David Pruett**, **Harmon Hauser**, **H. Elkins**, **Benjamin Blake**, and **John Maupin**; (3) **M. Gaskins** to replace **Wm. D. Pickard** as overseer on Dyersburg Road and to work same distance as before; hands - **S. A. McCollum**, **___ Enloe**, **William Gimmerson**, **E. G. Ephlam**, **John Motheral**, **W. E. Motheral**, **John R. Pickard**, **George Simmons**, **James E. Brown**, **Mathew Pickard**, **William Carroll**, and **John Agnew**.

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Court received petition, dated 1 April 1850, from **Elizabeth Tanner**, **John H. Carpenter**, **Martha J. Carpenter**, **Tyree Tanner**, **Sarah F. Tanner**, and **Luther Tanner**, heirs of **Burwell S. Tanner**, who died in March 1849 and left two Negro slaves to distribute to his heirs. Court clerk ordered to sell slaves and distribute proceeds. His widow, **Elizabeth Tanner**, and **John H. Carpenter** were named administrators of estate. Court appointed **Lee Norrid**, **Charles H. White**, **James Davis**, **Joseph C. Culbertson**, and **James Caldwell** commissioners to change road marked from Republican Meeting House intersecting Mills Point Road near **Samuel McDaniel's**. **I. Y. Wilbourn** recorded his stock mark.

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Court ordered recording of reports from: (1) commissioners appointed to change road from **Horace Allen's**, intersecting Dresden Road near Allen's new shop; (2) commissioners to lay off one year's support for widow and family of **Levi Ragan**, dec'd. Court clerk **Allen S. Hord** was ordered to draw four copies of Statutes of Tennessee and distribute copies to District #7 officer **David Hogan** and District #9 officers **C. M. Wright** and **Thomas P. Cooper**.

J. A. Ragan, administrator of estate of **Lewis Ragan**, dec'd, returned an account of sale of effects and it was ordered recorded. Court appointed: (1) **John C. Butler** administrator of estate of **John Williams**, dec'd, and he posted \$350 bond with **J. M. King**, **Geo. P. Summers**, **C. M. Wright**, and **Thomas P. Cooper** as securities; (2) **Rebecca A. Moultrie** and **George P. Summers** as administrators of estate of **Moses Moultrie**, dec'd, and they posted \$600 bond with **J. M. King**, **A. M. Wall**, **Thomas P. Cooper**, and **C. M. Wright** as securities.

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Norton Oaks, who was elected Obion County tax collector in Jan 1850, came into court and posted (1) \$2,000 bond with **John Holloman, J. B. Hogue, Peter King, S. W. Cockran, Thomas P. Cooper, G. W. Brown, Wm. King, and William Haislip** as securities, (2) \$6,000 bond for collecting and paying over county tax to **Moses D. Harper**, county court chairman, with **John Holloman, J. B. Hogue, Peter King, S. M. Cochran, G. W. Brown, Wm. King, William Haislip, W. W. Allison, W. S. S. Harris, E. H. Verhine, and B. E. P. Mathews** as securities.

Court refused motion by **I. Y. Wilboun** to strike out part of one year's support to widow and family of **Jonas B. Meadows**, dec'd. **S. W. Cochran** and **John Timberman**, administrators of estate of **B. F. McWherter**, dec'd, returned account of sale of his effects. Court appointed **James Hubbard, William Wynn, Thomas Wynn, Brinkley Barker, and C. Baley** to mark a road from old Stroud's Mill running on or near a line between **Wheaton's, Tisdale's, and Thursby's** and on to river at **Anderson's** and **Nole's** woodyard. They are to report next term. **W. S. S. Harris** was permitted to list all lands for which he is agent for a single 1850 tax. Court elected **William Haislip** to be coroner for next two years.

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Report received from commissioners who marked road from **A. R. Cunningham's** old mill on South Reelfoot intersecting with road from **James Caldwell's** near **John Caldwell's**. Court appointed: (1) **C. M. Wright, William King, Joseph Neely, Moses Wright, and John Ward** to examine road from Little Richland Creek to intersection with old road near **Robert J. Benton's**; (2) **Benjamin Landrum** as overseer on road from **Allison's** mill to Dyersburg Road, with **William Allison, Charles Cunningham, Westley Harris, Jesse Nix, and Enoch Ward** as hands to work on road; (3) **John Neil** as overseer on road from Ebenezer Meeting House to **Allison's** mill with hands to be **James Hart, Thomas Buchanan, John Pickens, Edward O'Connor, William Vincent, and John Buchanan**. Sheriff **John B. Hogue** asked court to qualify **Pleasant H. Marberry** as deputy sheriff.

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Present: Justices of the Peace **Moses D. Harper, James Thomas, David Hogan, William Caldwell, James M. Wilson, A. A. Calhoun, William E. Motheral, William Haislip, Cage Hale, Sheriff John B. Hogue, and Deputy Clerk Pleasant H. Marberry**. Court allowed **John L. Moultry** \$10 for services as District #5 revenue commissioner for 1850. **John M. Craig** and **Henry Maupin** were released from any liability as securities of **James Fair**, to whom **Mary Jane Nichols** and **Harvey Nichols**, children of **Wm. Nichols**, dec'd, are bound.

Court appointed: (1) **Walter J. McDaniel** to replace **Allen Jones**, who resigned as overseer on Hickman Road from 6-mile post to Kentucky line; (2) **James Caldwell** as overseer on Mills Point Road from **Col. White's** to 11-mile post, with **Austin Brown, Dr. Scott, James Davis, Marcus Glover, Thomas Lonon, John Good, Samuel Parker, James Park, and John Killion** to work as hands. Court ordered recording of reports from (1) jury that marked road from Republican Meeting House to intersection with Mills Point Road near **Samuel McDaniel's**, continuing until it crosses **Hickman's** fence and intersects road again near **Larkin Childress'** and (2) jury named to change part of road leading from Standley's bridge to state line, between Lower Creek and Moscow road, to satisfy **Alfred Nailor**.

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Court appointed: (1) **Elizabeth Perry** administratrix of estate of **John Perry**, dec'd, and she posted \$120 bond with **John Y. Brown** and **Austin Brown** as securities; (2) **Thomas J. Nolen** administrator of estate of **Stephen Mitchell**, dec'd, and he posted \$600 bond with **Rubin Anderson** and **John Crockett** as securities; (3) **Martha Campbell** guardian of _____ [names not filled in], minors, and she posted \$300 bond with **Allen Jones** as security.

Copy of **James M. Wilson's** commission as Justice of the Peace for District #6, dated 22 April 1850 and signed by Gov. **W. Trousdale** and Sec. of State **W. B. A. Ramsey**, was received and recorded.

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Court ordered recording of inventories and bills of sale returned by **George P. Summers**, administrator of estate of **Moses Moultry**, dec'd., and **S. M. Cockran**, administrator of estate of **B. F. McWherter**, dec'd. Court appointed **Joseph A. Fowls, C. H. Bird, Rubin Anderson, Joel B. Burnett, and W. D. Bloyse** commissioners to lay off one year's support for widow and family of **Stephen Mitchell**, dec'd.

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Regarding petition from **Elizabeth Tanner, Tyree H. Tanner, John H. Carpenter, Martha J. Carpenter, Sarah F. Tanner, and Luther Tanner** to sell three slaves -- a woman, girl and boy -- two of whom were mentioned in original petition, court ordered original decree void and ordered all three slaves to be sold.

Sheriff **John B. Hogue** asked that **Norton Oaks** be qualified as deputy sheriff. Court ordered recording of settlement with **Jonathan Whiteside**, guardian of **Mary E. Harper**, minor.

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Court received and ordered recording of: (1) inventory from **Jonathan Whiteside**, guardian of **John M. Harper**, minor; (2) settlement with **George W. Bright**, guardian of **Sarah A. James** and **Elizabeth James**, minors.

Rubin Hamit submitted bid of \$47.50 to take care of **John Parker**, pauper, for one year.

Tuesday, 7 MAY 1850

Present: Justices of the Peace **Moses D. Harper, David Hogan, James Thomas**.

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Court ordered recording of report from jury appointed to change Mills Point Road leading from **Nelm's** ferry on North Fork of Obion River near **Saml C. Henry's** lane and running along his orchard. **Norton Oaks** was appointed to help Registrar **S. S. Calhoun** collate Book A, which was transcribed in 1849. **Hiram Morgan** produced in court one wolf scalp as proof that he killed wolf in Obion County. State to pay bounty. Court allowed **James Thomas** \$10 for services as District #11 revenue commissioner for 1850.

Page #59**3 JUNE 1850**

Present: Justices of the Peace **Moses D. Harper, William Haislip, James Thomas, Baptist Boyette, William Caldwell, Sheriff John B. Hogue**, and Clerk **Allen S. Hord**. Court ordered recording of settlements with: (1) **S. A. McCollum**, guardian of **Martha A. E. McCollum**, minor; (2) **Reuben Anderson**, administrator of estate of **Richard B. Anderson**, dec'd; (3) **Bennett Marshall**, administrator of estate of **Polly Fisher**, dec'd; (4) **Bennett Marshall**, executor of estate of **William Fisher**, dec'd, along with inventory of effects. **Sarah Shores**, administratrix of estate of **Joseph Shores**, dec'd, appeared in court and suggested insolvency of said estate. Court ordered recording of account of sale returned by: (1) **Thomas J. Nolen**, administrator of estate of **Stephen Mitchell**, dec'd; (2) **J. A. Ragan**, administrator of estate of **Lewis Ragan**, dec'd.

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Bennett Marshall, executor of estate of **William Fisher**, dec'd, returned inventory of effects. Regarding petition of **Elizabeth Tanner et al**, clerk was ordered to sell slaves after giving 15 days' notice. **William Haislip** was appointed to serve two-year term as coroner, starting 1 Apr 1850, and he posted \$4,000 bond with **S. S. Calhoun, Norton Oaks, James I. Moffatt, J. B. Hogue**, and **S. W. Cockran** as securities.

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Court received copy of **Frederick C. Brown's** commission as Justice of the Peace, dated 17 May 1850 and signed by Gov. **William Trousdale**. Court allowed: (1) **Reuben Hamit** \$24.87 balance due him for keeping pauper **John Parker**; (2) **William Carter** \$2 for amount of jury ticket he lost; (3) **William Caldwell** \$10 for taking list of 1850 taxable property; (4) **William Haislip** and **James Holloman** \$10 each for taking list of taxable property as revenue commissioners for 1850.

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Court allowed Sheriff **John B. Hogue** \$41.30 due him as costs in following cases of State of Tennessee vs: **Jno W. Dunlap** (two cases); **John Overall**; **E. E. Westbrook** and others (two cases); **Robert N. Lewis** (two cases); **John Mott** and others; **E. E. Westbrook**; **A. S. Hord** and others; **F. D. Brown** and others; **R. B. Brown** and others; **S. Adams** (two cases); and **A. Adams**. Sheriff also was allowed \$32.53 as costs in following cases of State of Tennessee vs: **Peter Wynn**; **R. H. Marshall** (four cases); **E. D. Farris** (two cases); **C. H. McAlister**; **John Wilson** (three cases); **B. B. Barker**; **Jonathan Bullock**; **A. Buchanan**; **James Caldwell**; **E. W. Caldwell**; **H. K. Brown**; **W. H. Caldwell**; **R. H. Marshall**; **E. D. Farris**, vs **F. D. Brown**; **J. J. B. Camp**; **John J. B. Camp**; **H. Pryor**; **E. W. Caldwell**; **James Cary**.

Report was received from **Caldwell Pleasant**, who was appointed at December term to open a road.

William W. Graham was elected constable in District #10 on 16 April 1850, and posted \$4,000 bond, dated 3 June 1850 and signed by **William W. Graham, F. C. Brown, Nat Stephenson, W. H. Caldwell, John Crockett, and J. H. Meacham.**

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Austin Maupin, appointed guardian of **H. J. Hauser, L. B. Hauser, L. J. Hauser, and David W. Hauser**, minor heirs of **Anthony Hauser**, dec'd., posted \$2,000 bond with **John T. Abington** as security. Regarding petition from **John W. Davis** and **Elizabeth M. Davis**, it appeared to court that petitioners' father, **James Davis**, died possessed of occupant claim described in petition. Court ordered clerk to sell land, pay costs, and give balance to guardian of petitioners.

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Elijah Thomas, pauper, was let to **Joseph Bond** for bid of \$50.40. Court allowed **Willis Jones** \$41.50 for keeping **Elijah T. Wynn**, pauper, for 12 months up to 3 June 1850.

1 JULY 1850

Present: Justices of the Peace **Moses D. Harper, Wm. Haislip, Cage Hale, George W. Mosier, James Wilson, A. A. Calhoun, C. M. Wright, Wm. Wynn, John Holloman, William E. Mostiral, Sheriff John B. Hogue, and Clerk Allen S. Hord.**

Court allowed Clerk **Allen S. Hord** \$20 for making out a tax book for 1850 and \$20 for furnishing a copy of it. **Thomas P. Hord, W. W. Edmonds, and Meridith Carroll** were appointed commissioners to lay off one year's support for widow and family of **Henderson C. Pickard**, dec'd.

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William Haislip was allowed \$30 for holding elections in 1850. Court ordered recording of inventory from **Thomas J. Nolen**, administrator of estate of **Stephen Mitchell**, dec'd., and elected **Cleber M. Wright** to fill unexpired term of **David Hogan** dec'd, one of court quorum.

Court appointed: (1) **John Timberman, James Sandford, Philip A. Wright, Rolly Walker, and Samuel M. Simpson** to mark a road starting at **Eber Jenne's** mill on Mill Creek and intersecting road from Troy to Sharp's ferry between **John Miller's** and **John W. Miller's**; (2) **John W. Miller** overseer on Dyersburg Road from his house to Dyer County line.

Court ordered jury summons for 1850 October term of circuit court to be issued as follows: District #1 - **James Thomas, James N. Cullom, Thomas Sailes**; District #2 - **Cage Hale, William Haislip**; District #3 - **Anderson Calhoun, George W. Mosier**; District #4 - **William Craig, Brinkley B. Barker**; District #5 - **James M. Wilson, Julian Nale**; District #6 - **Moses D. Harper, David Canady, Samuel B. Shores, William L. Hickman, William Pickard, John Moffatt, Thomas G. Anderson**; District #7 - **J. W. Webb, Benj. J. Jackson**; District #8 - **James M. Hunter, Starky Purpus**; District #9 - **David Hogan, Aaron Sharon**; District #10 - **Nathaniel Stephinon, Calvin Bell**; District #11 - **James Henderson, George Morrow**

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Court appointed **James Darnoll** overseer on Troy to Dyersburg Road from 8 to 12-mile post, with hands to work on road being **Washington Wyatt, James Waldrope, Abner Nall, James Nall, Howell Stroud, James Stroud, Martin Henry, John Huffstutter, George Huffstutter, Adam Huffstutter, Harvy Wilson, F. Langley, and William T. Shelton.** **Benjamin F. Mead** was named to replace **John Timberman** as overseer on new Dyersburg Road from hill near **Thomas Hamilton's** to **B. F. McWherter's** lane, and to work same hands as before.

B. L. Stovall, trustee, brought into court two receipts for revenue collected and paid by **Samuel C. Henry** and requested court to have them recorded. Receipt #4091 Branch Bank, Tenn., dated 19 Sept. 1849 at Trenton, shows \$102.80 was received from **H. J. P. Westbrook** as amount due and owing on account for revenue collected as circuit court clerk from 1 Sep 1847 to 26 June 1848. It was signed by **Jno. A. Talliferow** for **Anthony Debrill**, treasurer. Receipt #4426, dated 11 Feb. 1850, Nashville, \$91.47 was received from **Saml Henry** as amount audited to him by Receipt #4436 and due on account of revenue he collected as circuit court clerk for year ending 1 Sep 1840. It was signed by **A. Debrill**, treasurer. Court allowed **Samuel C. Henry** \$14.16 for costs in case brought by State of Tennessee vs: **Thomas G. Janes**, and \$17.47 in case vs. **Benjamin Blake and A. M. Bedford**

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B. L. Stovall, trustee, was given \$194.27 credit as amount of two receipts returned to court by **Samuel C. Henry.**

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Court ordered recording of settlement with **Moses D. Harper** as guardian of **Rebecca H., Sarah A. L., Martha T., Hamil,** and **Mary Jane Hood**, minor heirs of **McDaniel Hood**, dec'd., along with inventory of wards' effects. **Samuel C. Henry**, trustee, was allowed following costs in State of Tenn. vs: **S. H. Baneer** - \$13; **Daniel L. Wright** and **William McGraw** - \$17.33; **Hiram H. Mills** - \$16.62; **Edward D. Farris** and **Charles McAlister** - \$12.62.

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P. H. Marberry was allowed following costs in State of Tenn. vs: **Sion Adams** - \$7 (two other cases); **Richard B. Brown,** **Fred D. Brown,** and **Charles H. McAlister** - \$6.25; **R. P. Caldwell,** and **A. S. Hord** - \$6.25; **Allen S. Hord,** **R. P. Caldwell,** **E. E. Westbrook,** and **F. D. Brown** - \$6.25; **E. E. Westbrook,** **F. D. Brown,** and **J. B. Camp** - \$6.25; **John Mills,** **David W. Chapman,** and **Green Mills** - \$6.25; **Robert N. Lewis** - \$13.13.

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P. H. Marberry was allowed these costs in State of Tenn. vs: **E. E. Westbrook,** **F. D. Brown,** and **John J. B. Camp** - \$6.25; **E. E. Westbrook,** **F. D. Brown,** **David Chapman,** **Henry Travis,** and **John J. B. Camp** - \$6.25; **John Overall** - \$6.25; **John W. Dunlap** and **Frederick D. Brown** - \$7.50. Court appointed: (1) **Thomas J. Nolen** administrator of estate of **Napoleon Mitchell**, dec'd, and he posted \$500 bond with **John Crockett** as security; (2) **Leonard P. Pickard** administrator of estate of **Henderson C. Pickard**, dec'd, and he posted \$120 bond with **Cleber M. Wright** and **Pleasant H. Marberry** as securities.

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Court received copy of **William Wynn** 's commission as Justice of the Peace, dated 4 June 1850 and signed by Gov. **William Trousdale** and Sec. of State **W. B. A. Ramsey.** **John Neal** was appointed overseer on Lake Road from 5-mile post to Dyersburg Road to Mills Point Road. Hands to be **Travis George,** **Uriah Straton,** **Robert Pollock,** **Jonathan Pollock,** and **William Paxton.**

Regarding petition from **John W. Davis** et al, dated 1 July 1850, court stated it was to petitioners' interest to mention in their petition the land sold by their guardian, **Allen Janes.** Court heard petition in matter of **Anthony Houser**, who died in 1849 leaving 96 acres to his wife **Sarah Houser** and **Hamilton, H. J., Lewis B., L. J.,** and **David W. Houser.** Land was Lot #1 in division of 228 acres among heirs of **Joseph Houser** and was allotted to **Gertrude Kersey.** Court ordered **Johnston Harper,** **Lysander Adams,** **Benjamin K. Harper,** and **Caldwell Pleasant** to partition off widow's dower rights.

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Court appointed: (1) **Hord C. Stephenson** overseer from **Franklin Denahour**'s house to his wood yard on Mississippi River with road hands to be men living around him, including **John Thompson;** (2) **Mans Burton** overseer on road from **Eber Jenne**'s mill intersecting Dyersburg Road near Camp Ground. with hands being **Benjamin W. Sandling,** **Joseph Sandford,** **Thos. T. E. Williams,** and **Jeremiah Wescott.** Court named **Burton L. Stovall** administrator of **David Hogan**'s estate and **Stovall** posted \$200 bond with **J. B. Hogue** and **Joseph Sandford** as securities.

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Court appointed **Lewis Huffstutter** guardian of **Abigail, John,** and **Henry F. Ott,** minors, and he posted \$500 bond with **John Crockett** and **Thomas P. Cooper** as securities. **John Cloar,** **Lee Gray,** **William A. Hord,** **James Hamlin,** **Hugh Wilson,** **Daniel Wilson,** and **Alfred Howard** were appointed to mark a road from Mill Point Road on a dividing ridge by **William Janes'**, crossing North Reelfoot below mouth of **Taylor's Creek,** and crossing Kentucky line at point where road comes in from Mills Point.

Tuesday, 2 JULY 1850

Present: Justices of the Peace **Moses D. Harper,** **C. M. Wright,** and **William Haislip** Court appointed **Richard J. Hill** guardian of **Elizabeth Ann,** **Richard,** **Mary,** **Susan,** **Nancy,** **Albert,** and **Virginia F. Hill,** minors, and he posted \$600 bond with **W. H. Caldwell,** **Joseph Sandford,** **Benjamin W. Sandling,** and **William W. Watson** as securities.

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Court allowed **James B. Harper** \$1 for book purchased for ranger's office; **B. L. Stovall,** administrator of estate of **David Hogan,** dec'd, \$12 {amount owed Hogan as one of quorum}; and **Norton Oaks** \$1 for furnishing clerk a book for 1850 tax list. **William D. Reeves** was appointed overseer on the road leading from **James B. Harper** to Reelfoot Lake and ordered to work same distance and hands as **Thomas Turner.**

(To be continued)

A Lost Graveyard Found

Hale Tombstones Uncovered at Shelby County Construction Site

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Few formal cemeteries existed during the early settlement of our country. As land was purchased, the owner often designated a plot on his land for a family burial ground. In most communities a stone mason was available to cut, erect, and inscribe a tombstone when a family member died. If a stone mason was not available, some family member might cut a bit of information into a field stone. In quite a few cases, the family eventually would move on to another area. The land then would pass to other owners, and the family plot would be neglected. Some stones would fall and be slowly covered by debris ... and others might be taken by vandals to be used for stepping stones or other purposes. All physical evidence that the family burial plot ever existed would vanish, and the memory of that family in that particular area would be ...lost.

But sometimes fate takes a hand. And so it happened recently in Shelby County where land once used for agriculture is being rapidly converted to residential and commercial use, and earth is being moved and leveled. One such area is on the north side of Old Brownsville Road not far from Brunswick, in what was politically designated as Civil District 8 in the early life of the county. In the process of moving soil there, the developer unearthed a tombstone, two foot stones, and some headstone bases. By the use of probes, it was determined there had been nine graves in this family plot. The only clue to the family's identity was one complete stone. It was inscribed:

SARAH JANE HALE

BORN 1832

DIED 1846

FATHER N. HALE

MOTHER S. W. HALE

The two footstones bore the initials S.W., and probably were from the mother's grave. The size and date on one headstone base suggests that possibly an infant was buried there in 1834.

In the 1840 census for Shelby County, there is only one head of a family with the Hale surname and a given name that begins with the letter N -- and that was **Nicholas Hale**. Further checking determined that in 1830 a Nicholas Hale had a 200-acre land entry in the county's Civil District 8. He apparently lost this property as a result of the Civil War as there is no further record of his ownership of this land. When he died in the 1870's he was living in Civil District 2.

Genealogical records show Nicholas was the son of **William Hale** and **Priscilla Cage**. William's father **Nicholas Hale** -- whose father and grandfather also were named Nicholas Hale -- removed from Virginia to Sumner County. (The family's history shows one or more Nicholases in every generation.) The first Nicholas was the son of **George Hale**, and was born in England in 1620. He migrated to America and settled in what became Lancaster Co., Virginia. He died there in 1671. William's grandfather fought in the Revolutionary War and was buried in Washington County. William married Priscilla in Sumner County. She was the daughter of **William Cage** (1745-1811) and his wife **Elizabeth Douglas** who lived at Cage's Bend.

Checking of various Shelby County census records revealed that the children of the **Nicholas Hale** [who came to Shelby] and his wife **Sarah** were **William**, **Priscilla**, **John (Henry)**, **Theophilus**, and **Mary Hale**. Sarah apparently died between 1836 --the date her daughter Mary was born -- and 1840.

The 1850 census shows their son **William** had a wife **Martha** and a son **Nicholas**, who then was only a year old. No further records of William and Martha were found in Shelby County after 1850. Their son Nicholas was living with his grandfather when he died in the 1870's.

HALE TOMBSTONES (continued)

Continued checking determined that, one by one, these family members disappeared from local records. The last family member whose existence could be determined was **Theophilus Hale**. He had been a member of the 52nd Tennessee Confederate Infantry during the Civil War and was captured twice. The first time he was exchanged, but the second time he was held in a Union prison for several months before the war ended. The last evidence of Theophilus was in 1880 when he was living in St. Francis Co., Ark., with a wife and three young children.

Nicholas was not the only member of the Hale family who migrated to Shelby County.¹ There also were his brother, **Edward Douglas Hale**, who eventually moved to Arkansas, and two sisters, **Elizabeth (Hale) Young** and **Priscilla "Prissy" (Hale) Hale**, and their families

Edward married **Hetty (Fleetwood) Madry** in Shelby County on 17 May 1828. He died in 1869.

Elizabeth, born in 1789, married **Joseph Young** in Sumner County. She died 5 Nov 1821.

Prissy, born 2 Jul 1799 in Sumner, married **Edward M. Hale** in Shelby County. She died ca. 1839.

Perhaps someone who reads this article can shed some light on what happened to the descendants, if any, of this particular **Nicholas Hale** family. And then that early-day Shelby County family will no longer be ...lost.

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Former Confederate Officer R. C. Williamson Dies in Memphis

Capt. R. C. Williamson died at his residence on Vance Street at half past 9 o'clock this morning. He had been failing in health and strength on account of an acute throat trouble for some months. He was about 48 years of age, and was born in Tipton County, the son of a noted and brainy minister.

Much of his earlier life and manhood was spent at Somerville in Fayette County. He received a liberal education, studied law, and was admitted to the bar a few years before the war. Williamson made a splendid record as a Confederate officer. After the war, he located in Memphis, where he engaged in the practice of law and married **Miss Talbot** of this place. He was a noble-hearted man, the soul of honor and true friendship, and a leading member of the Masonic fraternity.

-*Weekly Public Ledger, Memphis, 26 Jan 1886*

Could This Have Been Your Long Lost Ancestor ?

The following epitaph was found on a headboard erected in a church yard at LaGrange, Tenn., according to *The Nashville Gazette* of 10 September 1867:

*"Here lies old twenty per cent,
The more he made the less he spent;
The more he made the more he craved,
If he's gone to heaven, we'll all be saved."*

The board was said to bear no other inscription.■

¹ Nicholas moved from Sumner County to Henry County before coming to Shelby.
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Book Reviews

by

Angela Groenhout and Dorothy Roberson

THE SCOTTISH SETTLERS OF AMERICA --THE 17TH AND 18TH CENTURIES by Stephen M. Millett. Co., Inc., Baltimore, Md. 1998 reprint of 1996 edition. 5-1/4"x8-1/4" paperback, 234 pp, \$25.00 plus \$3.50 postage. Clearfield Co, Inc., 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, MD 21202, phone (410) 625-9004

Dr. Millett, editor and publisher of *U. S. Scots Magazine*, has compiled a book rich with Scottish historical facts and interesting narratives about historical Scots that remain well known to this day. He provides statistical background information regarding the Scottish presence in the colonies of early America, focusing on the Scots in respect to their emigration, socioeconomic standing, their homeland, and how well they assimilated into the colonial society. The book does not offer much in terms of genealogical data, but those working on family lines that came from Scotland will gain a broader perspective of the social and economic influences of the Scots and how they viewed their new homeland. In fulfilling their potential, the author says, the Scots became thoroughly American because their dreams and values were so compatible with those of the U. S.

SCOTTISH QUAKERS AND EARLY AMERICA, 1650-1700 by David Dobson. 1998. 5-1/4"x8-1/4" paperback 52 pp., \$10.95 plus \$3.50 postage. Clearfield Co, Inc., 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, MD 21202, phone (410) 625-9004

The author in his introduction informs the reader that Quakerism came to Scotland with the Cromwellian Army of the Occupation in the 1650's. By 1657 the Army had been purged of Friends, and some of these men became missionaries in Scotland. After much persecution, several shiploads of Scottish Quakers left the ports of Leith, Montrose, and Aberdeen for East New Jersey. However, not all aboard ship were Quakers. Some were Covenanters who had been liberated from prison, while others were Presbyterians and Episcopalians. Roughly 500 Scottish Quakers who came to America in the late 1600s are listed alphabetically in this volume. The book is a rich source of genealogical data for those researching this time period.

AMERICAN DATA FROM THE ABERDEEN JOURNAL, 1748-1783 by David Dobson. 1998. 5-1/4"x8-1/4" paperback, 102 pp., \$14.00 plus \$3.50 postage. Clearfield Co, Inc., 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, MD 21202, phone (410) 625-9004

Scotland's newspapers could be one of the most fruitful sources for genealogical researchers, but are largely overlooked. For instance, the National Library of Scotland offers researchers 350 years' worth of newspapers, the earliest of which is a London publication that dates back to 1641. In this booklet, the author abstracts references to colonial America from one of Scotland's oldest continuous newspapers, *The Aberdeen Journal*, selecting only material originated by Scottish sources. The book covers a time period when many reforms were being made in America. Scottish emigration was strong during these years, and the papers are sprinkled with ads for indentured servants, news of happenings in the colonies, felons being banished to American plantations, and details on Scottish regiments fighting in the French and Indian Wars and the Revolution. Of special interest are the names of ships that traveled from Scotland with dates and destinations clearly stated. Some 750 references from the newspaper are arranged in chronological order with the number of the issue in which the article appeared.

JACOBITES OF 1715, NORTH EAST SCOTLAND, and JACOBITES OF 1745, NORTH EAST SCOTLAND by Frances McDonnell. 1998 reprint of 1996 editions (two volumes in one). 5-1/4"x8-1/4" paperback, 96 pp, \$12.50 plus \$3.50 postage. Clearfield Co, Inc., 200 E. Eager St., Baltimore, MD 21202, phone (410) 625-9004

The Jacobites were followers of the House of Stuart who, on a number of occasions, attempted to regain the throne of Great Britain from the House of Hanover. Many natural supporters of the Prince (Charles Edward Stuart) came from the Catholic Highlands, but a significant number of Scottish Jacobites were to be found in the North East. Not all supporters were voluntary. Many were forced out by their feudal superiors. Many more claim to have been forced out in an attempt to regain their freedom from imprisonment after Culloden, where the campaign's final battle was fought. Those who could do so escaped to France, some were forcibly transported to the New World (Maryland and Virginia in particular), and others returned home and evaded capture. This book provides information regarding some 2,000 individuals, with various details such as location of residence, occupation, family names, where imprisoned (if so), date of death, etc.

Book Reviews (continued)

THE GREAT WAR by Christina K. Schaefer. 1998. 6x9" hardcover, 204 pp., indexed. \$22.50 plus \$3.50 shipping. Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202-3897. Phone 1-800-296-6687 (orders only).

World War I has receded far enough into the past to provide a genealogical challenge. This book is an effort to catalog service records and related sources on an international basis, covering soldiers participating in the war from Britain, Germany, France, Russia, Canada, and the U.S. as well as India, Australia, Japan, South Africa, and Brazil. Sources are cited for a wide range of records from personnel papers, unit records, embarkation lists, death and casualty reports to pension records and diaries. A section entitled, "Research Tips," describes the organization of military records in specific countries along with their condition and comprehensiveness. In developing this guide, the author consulted with the Army Pentagon Library, the Navy Department Library, the Library of Congress, the Family History Library, the Hoover Institution (Stanford University), England's Public Record Office, and the national archives of at least a dozen countries.

AMERICAN PLACE NAMES OF LONG AGO by Gilbert S. Bahn. 1998. 6x9" hardcover, 347 pp., \$35.00 plus \$3.50 postage. Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202-3897. Phone 1-800-296-6687 (orders only).

The disappearance of place names since the end of the 19th century has made it difficult in many cases to locate the county or area in which an ancestor lived. To help solve some of these mysteries, the author has extracted 100,000 listings from an atlas published in 1898 by George F. Cram. Reproduced from the last 106 pages of Cram's 500-page atlas, the detailed index contains the names of "every county, city, town, village and post-office in the [continental] United States," with its population according to the 1890 census and the county in which it was located. The names are arranged alphabetically by states. The section on Tennessee takes up about 11 pages (three columns to the page), and includes such fascinating place names as Mouse Tail, Number One, Pokeberry, Regret, Rip Shin, and Possible. [They're in Perry, Sumner, Sevier, McMinn, Carter, and Overton counties respectively.] It also provides valuable information on 1890 place names in Oklahoma which at that time was partly Indian Territory and partly Oklahoma Territory. The two divisions are in their respective alphabetical positions in the index. Besides the book's obvious genealogical benefits, it's fun to read.

READING EARLY AMERICAN HANDWRITING by Kip Sperry. 1998. 8-1/2x11" softcover, 289 pp., \$29.99 plus \$3.50 postage. Genealogical Publishing Co., 1001 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, MD 21202-3897. Phone 1-800-296-6687 (orders only).

Reading old handwriting is an essential skill for genealogists and historians, and this book could take you a long way down the road to acquiring that art. It contains nearly 100 early American documents with the author's transcription on a facing page -- allowing you to check your own transcription against hers. The documents are arranged according to complexity, allowing the reader to attain proficiency in reading them at a natural rate of progression. The author says that some of the most difficult letters to be aware of especially in 17th century handwriting are the lowercase letters *c*, *e*, *h*, *r*, *s*, and *t*. Capitals of these letters also may present problems. In addition, it should be remembered that the lowercase *d* was often looped back to the left, and the letters *I*, *J*, *U*, and *V* were used interchangeably. She gives tips on mastering these difficult or unusual looking letters, and advises that when you can master these, you're ready to begin reading 17th and 18th century American handwriting. The book also contains useful information on numbers, dates, abbreviations and contractions, and standard terms found in early American records. And a big bonus for surfers: she lists Internet sites that will help you learn to read that early penmanship, plus a number of sites that now are carrying original local genealogical records -- bad handwriting and all.

NORTH CAROLINA COURT OF CLAIMS RECORD OF PATENTS GRANTED 1740-1775 by Weynette Parks Haun. 8-1/4x11" soft cover, 252 pp., full-name index, place name and miscellaneous index. \$35.00 plus \$2.00 postage. North Carolina Research at Home, Attn: Weynette Parks Haun, 243 Argonne Dr., Durham, NC 27704-1423

As the title suggests, this book -- compiled from papers of North Carolina's Secretary of State -- contains lists of land patents granted there from 1740-1755. But more than that, it also lists claims made in anticipation of obtaining patents. The author explains that even though a person made a claim for land, he did not necessarily receive a patent for that land. Apparently a fairly large supply of 'blank' patents was circulating among the population at that time and, in several instances, the claimants specified the patents were issued by a certain governor at a time when in fact no patents were issued for that period (1729-1735). As an additional help to the genealogist, the book carries a list of spelling variations and "look-alike" names.

Book Reviews (continued)

CRAVEN COUNTY, N.C., DEED BOOK I ABSTRACTS, DEED BOOK 5 [Wills] 1707-1775 by Weynette Parks Haun. 8-1/4x11" soft cover, 202 pp., full-name index and miscellaneous index. \$30.00 plus \$2.00 postage. North Carolina Research at Home, Attn: Weynette Parks Haun, 243 Argonne Dr., Durham, NC 27704-1423

These abstracts of Craven County's deed books I and V, were made from microfilm produced by the North Carolina Department of Archives and History. They provide extremely useful information, including family names and relationships, occupations, neighbors, the history of ownership of certain tracts. Deed Book V is largely made up of wills, and some of the deeds in Deed Book I contain as much family information as normally found in wills. In a 1762 deed, for instance, one Cornelius Loftin makes an outright grant of all his real and personal property to his children -- giving each child's name and what each received. The first few lines of a 1740 deed also demonstrate the amount of information that can frequently be gleaned from these instruments: "John Pettiver late of the City of London, Poulterer, now of Chowan Co., nephew & heir at law of John Pettiver, late of Perquimans Prect, deceased, to Benjamin Talbot of Chowan Co., School Master, brother in law to sd John Pettiver" The wills themselves not only are filled with names and relationships, but provide interesting reading as well.

VETERANS OF TALLAHATCHIE CO., MISS. compiled by Helen Staten Arnold and Nick Denley. 1998. 5-1/4x8-1/4" paperback, 111 pp., \$13 (postage included). Pioneer Publishing Co., P.O. Box 408, Carrollton, MS 38917, (601) 237-6010.

Lists of Tallahatchie County men who served in various conflicts from the Civil War through the Persian Gulf War have been compiled and alphabetized in this book. The first two chapters deal with the Civil War and include a 1907 enumeration of Confederate soldiers and widows. Military discharges for county veterans from 1917 on are listed with information for obtaining copies from the chancery court (of which author Denley is clerk). The book ends with a roster of Tallahatchie County war dead.

JOHN THEOPHILUS THOMPSON (1750s-1826) by Elizabeth Thompson Schack. 1997. 8-1/2 x 11" spiralbound. 134 pp., including 24-page section of family charts and full-name index. (Book is not for sale, but some extra copies are available on a "first come" basis. Write Mrs. Schack at 49 E. 73rd St., New York, NY 10021-3564)

Those interested in preserving family history for their children and grandchildren should get some good ideas from this book written by Chattanooga-born Elizabeth Thompson Schack. She and her cousin, Mary Thompson-Lewis LeBrecht, worked together on the research and Elizabeth wrote the book. She says it is not intended to be a scholarly work or an orthodox family history but a mixture of family lore, documented facts, and assumptions based on records. John Theophilus Thompson, born ca. 1750s in Frederick Co., Md., is believed to have been the son of Richard and Mary Thompson of Frederick Co., and the grandson of John and Sarah Thompson. Theophilus acquired 200 acres in Orange Co., N.C., on 13 March 1780 for 100 shillings and lived there for almost 35 years, serving as road overseer, operating an ordinary, and occasionally witnessing a neighbor's will. He and his wife, Mary Newcomb, had six known children and possibly others. Their oldest son Joseph, moved to Shelbyville, Bedford Co., Tenn., about 1814 and the rest of the family followed about six years later. Members of the family are now spread across the country. In conclusion, the author writes, "We haven't found any great, illustrious persons but then we've not found any terribly bad persons either -- just a very nice American family." That's what we'd call a goodly heritage. ■

Missing Puzzle Pieces

McHALE

If any person knows anything of the whereabouts of **John McHale** who formerly belonged to the First Tennessee Cavalry, he will confer a favor by leaving word at this office or sending through the Post-office to **E. E. Jones**. His sister has not heard from him since a year ago last June. - (*Nashville Daily Gazette*, 30 Dec 1865)

WILLIAMS

Information wanted of **Lewis Williams** of Blount County who was conscripted at Knoxville in April 1863 and sent to Vicksburg. He has not been heard of since the rebel retreat from Big Black river. Any information given as to his whereabouts will be thankfully received by his friends at Friendsville, Blount County. - **James B. Cochran**. (*Knoxville Whig*, 5 Mar 1864)

STREET

The following was included in a letter to the mayor of Memphis dated 17 Aug 1878:

Am anxious to learn the whereabouts of **Whiting P. Street**, 20, 5' 10-1/2" tall, and sandy complexion. Has been left about \$150,000 by recently deceased relative and his presence here is much desired. The last intelligence from him states he left Cheyenne for New Orleans and, thinking he may have stopped in your city, I take the liberty of addressing you. - **D. F. Perkins**, Holyoke, Mass. ■

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QUERIES (continued)

HAWKINS, HOBBY: Need info on parents and siblings of Levi Hawkins, b. 1825, m. 18 Apr 1844 to Sarah Hobby, daughter of Alexander and Sarah (?) Hobby who lived in Marshall Co. in 1850 and 186_. (Part of county taken into Giles Co. in 1870-80). Could Henry Hawkins be Levi's father? Emily D. Smith, P.O. Box 4, 4217 Marietta St., Powder Springs, GA 30127, E-mail: EDSmith@mindspring.com

WALLING: Looking for ancestors of Abigail Walling who m. Thomas VanDeventer ca. 1800 in Sullivan County. Father may be Stephen Walling. Please send reply to John E. Silliman, 126 Mountain Rd., West Hartford, CT 06107-2916 (3t)

OWENS: Seeking parents/grandparents of George Harvey Owens, b. ca. 1849 in Tenn., father b. Va., mother N. C. George, my great-grandfather, m. Cynthia Ann Puckett in 1871 in Estill Co., Ky.; lived in Powell Co., Ky., in 1872.; was shot to death ca. 1875. Earl Tipton, 6 Carlyle Ct. NE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32547-1704 (2t)

TUCKER, WHITE: Re 1860 Humphreys Co. census, want any info on B. D. Tucker, 60, b. N.C.; Martha 53 b. in Ga.; and Butler Leonard, 18. Butler m. (1) Eliza Jane Bunn, (2) Martha Jane White, d. in Red River Co., Tex., in 1913. Mrs. Charlotte Tucker, 201 Los Encinos Ranch Rd., Wimberley, TX 78676

ROGERS/RODGERS, BOUTEN: Who were parents and siblings of William Wesley Rogers/Rodgers, b. 4 Feb 1807 in Ga.? He m. Elizabeth Bouten in Davidson Co., Tenn., on 17 May 1831 and was residing in Chattanooga by 1880 census. Died 18 Jan 1889 in Gallatin Co., Ill. His parents were b. in N.C. Helen F. Bentley, 365 Verdugo Way, Upland, GA 91786-7141

MASSINGILL, EVANS: Seeking info on Albert Massingill/Massengale, b. 1835 in Tazewell, Tenn. Left home. Next found in 1862. Married Mary E. Evans in Harrison Co., Iowa. Buried Atchison Co., Mo. Mrs. W. L. Bressler, 3374 Forest Hills, Livingston, TX 77351-9614

ANN (?) RICE: Seeking info on Ann, b. 1801 in Va., d. 1859 in Franklin Co., Tenn., m. Ransom Rice. Was she daughter of William and Elizabeth Acklin Hines and sister of Samuel Hines (b. 1804 Va.)? Connie Butterfield, 3044 Bush Parkway, Carmel, IN 46033-3645

MARSH: Would like to correspond with Tennessee descendants of Thomas and Elizabeth Marsh of Anson Co., N.C., or his son Simeon Marsh. Mrs. Tom Stallworth, P.O. Box 766, Chester, SC 29706

WILLIAMSON, BYERS: Would appreciate names of parents of Jane Williamson Byers who d. in Williamson Co. after 1816. She was wife of Wm. J. Byers. Will exchange info and pay postage and copying costs. Mrs. J. R. Barnett, 106 McTighe Dr., Bellaire, TX 77401-4203

ADAMS: Does anyone know parents of Martin Adams who moved to Ray Co., Mo., in 1820s? He m. Nancy Clevenger, daughter of Richard Clevenger of Cocke Co., Tenn. Martin was murdered on Main Street in Richmond, Mo., in 1840's. Carol K. Proffitt, 10397 Franklin Rd., Richmond, MO 64085

DUNLAP: Need info on family of Moses Dunlap. b. ca 1775, d. 1841 in Henry Co. In 1808 he m. Margaret Sears in Ky. She was b. ca 1787 in Va. (?), d. in Tenn. Was his family from Pa. or Va.? Margaret Edwards Lessar, 16 Five Points Rd., Rush, NY 14543-9420

GALLAGHER, COLLINS, DUNCAN: Would like to correspond with anyone researching families of (1) Wm. Gallagher, b. 26 Jul 1794, m. Sallie Paul, child: Amanda Gallagher b. 19 May 1846 Cocke Co.; (2) Moses/Moze Collins, b. ca 1774, m. Anna Botts, b. ca. 1774 in N.C., child Joshua Collins, b. ca. 1811 in Claiborne, Tenn., (3) Frank J. Duncan, b. Mar 1861 in N.C., m. ca. 1883 to Millie G ___, b. May 1862, child Murphy Duncan b. Dec 1890 (?) Dyer, Tenn. Jerry H. Collins, 2035 Poplar St., Waukegan, IL 60087-5014, phone (847) 244-4737, E-mail: Jerry.Collins@abbott.com, or Jerry_H_Collins @msn.com

GILKEY, JUSTUS: Seek ancestry of Mary (Gilkey?), wife of Moses Justus who lived in Blount Co. in 1800, later in Jackson Co., and by 1820 in Crawford Co., Ind. Their granddaughter was named Mary Gilkey Justus. Janet Pease, 10310 W. 62nd Place, Apt. 202, Arvada, CO 80004

ALLEN: Seeking info on parents of Benjamin Allen (b. 1779 N.C.) who m. Sarah Voorhies on 10 Aug 1811 in Maury Co., Tenn. Madalyn Teal, 17078 Vinland, Addison, TX 75248-1052

QUERIES (continued)

OLIVER, REASONS: Need info on Wm. Oliver who m. Rebecca Matilda Follis in Madison Co. on 17 Mar 1853. He d. Aug 1855 They had one child, Eugenia Tennessee Oliver who m. Wm. T. Reasons in Crockett Co. on 7 Aug 1872.. Was Wm. Oliver's father Wm., Sr.? Did his family move to Tenn. from Ky.? Need more info on family in Madison Co. Will share info on Follis and Reasons family. Don L. Porter, 183 Trails Lane, Waverly, Tenn. 37185

DEMPSEY: Seeking any info on Hiram Dempsey, b. 1836 in Sumner Co. to Hiram and Elizabeth __ Dempsey. Will exchange info. Donna K. Miller, 3596 Berryhill Rd., Johns Island, SC 29455-8163

WALKER: Seeking relatives of Buckner and/or Robert Walker families. Betty Hopkins, 204 W. Pine, El Dorado Springs, MO 64744

BUTLER, LEONARD, LUMPKIN: 1850 Shelby Co. court records list several of my ancestors working on New Raleigh Rd. from Coe's Mill to Zacheriah's (mill?), along with these hands: Hoeman, Lynch, Stance, Rudisill, Black, Smith, Howard, Cune, Williams, Morehead, Gaddy/Guddy, McGraw, Wilkins, Monday, Wells, Champlin, McMahan, Greenlaw, Mitchell, England, Turk, Watt, Hanly, and Woodward. Do any of you descendants of these others know location of New Raleigh Rd., Coe's Mill, or Zacheriah's? Anne Butler Black, 507 W. 19th St., El Dorado, AR 71730

REDDING, McCULLAR: Seeking info on parents of Nancy Jane Lou Redding, b. 3 Feb 1862 in McNairy Co., d. there 6 Feb 1931. She m. Samuel Houston McCullar. Carolyn Grooms, 642 Sagewood Dr., Collierville, TN 38017-6134

ROADY: Looking for Roady (many different spellings). Moses Roady had sons Peter, Josiah, Nathaniel, Thomas, Young, C. H. B. Roady. In fact, Moses-Zenith(?) family included 12 children. Ermine Roady Stewart, P.O. Box 1167, Camarillo, CA 93011-1167

POER: Looking for ancestors of my grandmother, Bessie Leona Poer, b. 3 Apr 1885 in Clifton, Tenn., daughter of Charles A. Poer and Elizabeth Binkley. Marilyn Loyd, 2089 Thayer Rd., Trinity, NC 27370, E-mail: <VHRO39A@prodigy.com>

PATE: Wish to correspond with descent of Willeroy Pate, b. ca. 1778 Bedford Co., Va., d. ca. 1844 Smith Co., Tenn. Children (all b. Tenn.): Edward P., Serela (Cyrela), Sebert, Serna, Anthony William, Saba, America Zelphia, Leroy, Stephen C., and Sampson W. My great-grandfather Anthony Wm. Pate moved to Claiborne Parish, La., before 1850. Sawyer R. Wimberly, Jr., 1004 Brookhaven Dr., Atlanta, TX 75551-2409, E-mail: srwimberly@juno.com

WOOD: Does anyone know of William J. Wood and wife Perlina J. who lived in Knox Co. in 1850? Living in same household was Sarah Brindley, aged 75, b. in Va. William was b. in Ga. Helen T. Brindley, 4579 Road 1564, Baileyton, AL 35019-8578

SEAY, HOWELL: Who were parents of Andrew Jackson Seay, b. 1830 Tenn. or Ala., m. 1852 to Mary A. Howell, Oregon Co., Mo.? Have Howell info from Sumner, Smith, and Macon counties, Tenn., and Mo. to share. Frances Dodd Intravia, 2704 Carroll St., North Las Vegas, NV 89030-5419

DAVIS, JENKINS, MOTHERSHEAD: Seeking descendants of Samuel Jenkins, b. 1823, m. in Granville Co., N.C., 1844 to Julia Davis, b. 1822. Living in Smith Co., Tenn., by 1870s. Children: Mary, Thos. H., Martha, Sarah E., Frances. Julia's cousin, Robert Thos. Davis, b. 1850, on 1870 Granville Co. census but not 1880. Did he move to Smith Co.? Also seeking info on Isaac Mothershead, b. S.C., in War of 1812, in White Co., Tenn., after 1850. I maintain data bases for all Davis families in Granville, N.C., and all Mothershead (various spellings) families in U.S. Trudie Davis-Long 8213 Mapleville Rd., Mt. Airy, MD 21771, E-mail: brinlong@erols.com

McDOWELL: Need parents and birthplace of Charles Henry McDowell, b. ca. 1869, d. 1921 in Haywood Co., m. Dora Etta Askew, daughter of George H. Askew and Sarah Buckner, living in Jackson in 1902. Mrs. R. F. Keen, 4731 Nail Rd., Olive Branch, MS 38654-0619

ROGERS, PRICKETT, JARRETT: Seeking parents and burial place of Mary Ella Rogers, b. 20 Mar 1854 in Bethel, Giles Co., Tenn., m. (1) Wm. Jacob Prickett on 29 Apr 1883 in Rogersville, Lauderdale Co., Ala., (2) Levi Jarrett on 2 Oct 1889 in Limestone Co., Ala. She d. 28 May 1900 at Tickridge in Limestone Co. Russ C. Pritchett, 617 Bloomingfield Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89128-6045

HELP WANTED: Looking for Wilkerson, Acuff, Stacy, and Carroll lines in Tennessee. Jo Ann & Tom Wilkerson, 12533 W. 82nd Terrace, Lenexa, KS 66215

QUERIES (continued)

HAMILTON/HAMBLETON: Seeking parents of Jacob C. Hamilton (Hambleton) b. 1832/33 Tenn., m. Jane Franks in Giles Co. in 1858. Lived in Mo. until 1878; d. in Texarkana, Ark., after 1907. Avis Oliver, 559 W. Davis Blvd., Tampa, FL 33606-4037

SOWARD: What was maiden name of Henry Soward's wife Mary? When and where did she die? Mary b. ca. 1780 N.C. (Anson Co.?), moved to Knox Co., Tenn., ca. 1813 from Rutherford Co., N.C. Also resided in Roane Co., Tenn. Will exchange info. H. Martin Soward, III, 5215 Dove Nest St., San Antonio, TX 78250-4708

TALLEY, CRUMLEY: Seeking parents of William Talley, b. ca. 1845-49 in Cocke Co., m. Sara Crumley ca. 1866. Still in Cocke Co. in 1870, moved to Ala. by 1900. Children: Jesse, Emma, Sarah, Beverly, James M. (b. 1874), Linnie, Lannie (Carolina), Delia, Johnny, Nannie, Bradley, Phoebe. Janis Micalizzi, 55 Elmtree Lane, Levittown, NY 11756

ROOKER, PATTILLO: Seeking info on John Rooker, b. Va. ca. 1798, was in War of 1812, d. 23 Dec 1853 in Madison Co., Tenn., m. Dec 1815 in Warren Co., N.C., to Elizabeth Pattillo, b. ca. 1799. Rooker Bible shows she died 15 May 1881. Among her 11 children: Nancy (m. Peter Reeves), Rebecca (m. Thomas Irvin Reeves), Elizabeth (m. Roland Green Harris). I have info on others. Mrs. C. C. James, 236 State Rte. 152 W., Humboldt, TN 38343

ATKINS: Need info on George Atkins, b. 1790 in N.C., m. Nancy _____, moved to Henry Co., Tenn. One son was Wm. James Atkins. Suzie Ball, 1788 Chartwell Trace, Stone Mountain, GA 30087-2205

BAKER, MILLER: My earliest known ancestors were George and Margaret (Miller) Baker who m. in Jefferson Co. in 1809. Previous researchers suggested George was son of English descendants who settled in Sevier Co. Does anyone have any data to help me prove this? James E. Baker, 17819 Highway U U, Louisiana, MO 63353-9608

HOLDEN: Who were parents of Charles Gardner Holden who lived in Fairfax Co., Va., at time of 1790 census? He apparently had two sons at this time. Sons may have been in Rutherford Co., Tenn., ca. 1840-60. James H. Holden, 28999 Brown Springs Rd., Sedalia, MO 65301

GERALDS/GERELDS: Searching this surname in Lincoln and Franklin counties 1840-60 and James Gereld's marriage to Drucilla Greer in Lincoln County in 1842. Betty Davis, 3137 N. 68th, Kansas City, KS 66109; E-mail: bmdavis@swbell.net

NEED INFO on these surnames: Webb-Lawler in Henderson Co.; Gilliam - Sumner Co.; Cantwell - Hawkins Co.; Cardin-Huff, Giles Co. Nancy W. Wood, 408 Lilac Drive, El Dorado, AR 71730-8128

MILLER-LEWIS: Need ancestors of Hinsley Miller and Mary Lewis who probably lived in Middle Tennessee about 1850. Martha R. Hodges, 1837 Dorrie Lane, Memphis, TN 38117

BARLOW, HARGUS/HARGIS, VAN HOOK: Seeking ancestors of Joseph Jerome Barlow b. 1802 N.C., son of Thomas who lived in Hillsboro, Wake Co., N.C., in 1790, and grandson of Christopher. Joseph's mother, Lucretia "Lucy" Hargus, b. 1780 to Thomas Hargus and Bridget Van Hook, m. Thomas Barlow in 1796 in Orange Co., N.C. In 1859, Joseph, Lucinda and their children, and his mother migrated to Hardin Co., Tenn. Elizabeth Barlow Mills, 6373 Becky Cove, Memphis, TN 38119, phone (901) 685-7533

CUNNINGHAM: Searching for parents of Joseph Benjamin Cunningham, b. 1834 possibly in Memphis, apparently d. in Missouri. Was m. 22 Apr 1860 in Knox Co., Mo., to Nancy Edens, b. 1837 in West Va. Glenn H. Cunningham, 23 Sunrise Lane, Lake Ransom Canyon, TX 79366

PRICE, DICKINS, DONOTTO: Seeking info on family of Parthenia Dickins, daughter of Robert Dickins and Mary Brown who m. Edward Donotto in Granville Co., N.C., in 1812. Their daughter, Parthenia Edward, b. in Rutherford Co., Tenn., m. John Williamson Price in 1843. Mrs. Scott Dunlop, 604 Huron St., Shreveport, LA 71106

RECTOR, WALKER, BREEDING, GREEN: Am researching these surnames in Overton Co., Crossville, Cumberland Co., Tenn. Do you know parents of Valena Green? Joan Mericle, 14403 Little Blue Rd., Kansas City, MO 64139

BARBER: Need info on families of Tapley A. and Cynthia Barber who lived in Henderson Co., Tenn., in mid-1800s. Pat Jones, 5015- B Sun Valley Rd., Oakwood, GA 30566-3115

QUERIES (continued)

DUNAVANT, HOLLIMON: Need anything on these surnames. All I have is that Mary Jane Dunavant m. Joseph W. Holloman in Lauderdale Co. in 1844. Any help appreciated. Biffle Owen, 2948 Pangbourne Co., Germantown, TN 38138.

MERRIMAN: Seeking info on Charles Merriman in Maury Co. ca. 1800. Where and when did he marry Betsy Cook? Who were their parents? Dorothy Dodd, 3733 C. R. 190, Carthage, MO 64836-8451

HALL, COOPER: Need parents of Elizabeth Ann Hall, b. ca. 1826, m. William Henry Monroe Cooper in Williamson Co. in 1843, moved to Izard Co., Ark., ca. 1845. Joyce Cooper Walker, 724 Spruce St., Heber Springs, AR 72543-3414, phone (501) 362-9465

FESMIRE, WHITTLE: Looking for info on family of Boalam Fesmire (1800-1884) and wife Kizzie. Their son William and his wife had daughter Alice who m. Giles Whittle about 1890. Barbara Parker, 3565 Englishill, Bartlett, TN 38135-2311.

QUINN: Seeking info on early Quinn family. Mary Quinn m. Henry Cenighan; Mary Quinn m. John Randel. Were they related to the Catherine Quinn who m. Henry Ferguson? Mrs. James M. Russell, 506 Peterson Lake Rd., Collierville, TN 38017-1843

LOCK: Need parents and siblings of William Lock b. in Tenn. in 1830, m. (1) Rhoda Boyd Jones in 1850, and (2) Martha Ellen Thomas ca. 1864. Martha M. Miller, 9023 Central Ave., Brooksville, FL 34613-5087

ALFORD, HOLLINGSWORTH: Seeking birthplace, parents of William Alford (b. Va. after 1780) and his wife Sarah "Sally" Hollingsworth (b. Va. ca. 1780-90). They m. 8 May 1823 in Davidson Co., Tenn., and were in Trenton, Gibson Co., by Sept 1829. Children: Elizabeth, James W., and Thomas Jefferson Alford. Kathryn Schultz, 2182 Gorham, Germantown, TN 38139, phone (901) 754-2419

WHITE, EVANS, DUNCAN, GOSNELL: Need proof that Jacob D. White (b. N.C. 1820, m. Eliza J. Evans in Carroll Co., Tenn. in 1843) was son of John White (b. N.C. 1792) and Sarah Duncan (b. Va. 1793) who were in Carroll Co. in 1840. Also seeking John and Sarah's lineage. Jacob and Eliza's children: Mary A., John J., and Sarah Ellen (my great-grandmother who m. J. C. Gosnell.) Anne G. Styles, 2311 Pimmit Dr., #919, Falls Church, VA 22043-2823

TAYLOR: Searching for parents of Daniel Webster Taylor who was b. in Central Tennessee area and attended school there. He published *Murphreesboro Telegraph* in 1840's. Archie V. Howard, 7025 Brookgreen Terrace, Mathews, NC 28105-2205

PATTERSON: Thomas Patterson (b. 1818 TN) m. Permelia Caroline Reeves in 1843; lived in Green Co., Ala., then Pontotoc Co., Miss. Children: James, Marcellous (m. Mary Ann Rodgers), Joel (Miriam Hooker), Theodore (Nancy Thornton), and Permelia (James Hooker). Thomas in 1840 Green Co., Ala., census without any known relatives nearby. DAR records show his parents were James Patterson and Nancy Simpson. Where were they in 1840? Winnie Brooks, 4221 Hermosa St., Corpus Christi, TX 78411, E-mail: wab@worldnet.att.net

KLENCK, IRBY: Seeking info on John Klenck who moved to Memphis (Shelby Co.) from S.C. sometime between 1830-50s. Married Sarah Irby of S.C. Mary Clayton M. Saunders, 67 Goodway Lane, Memphis, TN 38117-2403

JOHNSON: Need to verify that Hugh M. Johnson and Parmelia Strother were parents of Lucy A. Johnson, b. Aug 1847 in Tenn. Lyle D. Sexton, 141 Lucinda Ct., Franklin, TN 37064

HALFORD: Seeking info about children of (1) Jacob Halford who appears in 1830 Wayne Co. census or (2) Sirrell Halford who is in 1820 White Co. census. Trudy L. Witt, 15637 Woodwick Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70816-1519

WILSON: Seeking info on Joseph Wilson (b. 1766 Va., d. 1835 in Blount Co., Tenn.) and Joseph Newton Wilson (b. Jul 1819 in Blount Co.) Also will exchange research on Tedford, Dickson, Caldwell, McKamy/McCamy, and McClurg lines. Newton Wilson, 2579 Madrid Way So., St. Petersburg, FL 33712-3933

TOWNSEND: Will exchange info on Joseph Townsend who was in Overton Co. by 1810, d. Jan 1840 in Carroll Co. Children, all b. in Va. from 1782-1804, were Nancy, John, Joseph, Stephen, Nathaniel, Rachel (m. George Hern), Martha, and Albert. Josephine A. Saugg, 860 W. Delta, Union, OR 97883

McMILLAN: Seeking father of James McMillan of Blount Co. who married a Kennedy in 1824, according to a Knoxville news item. James A. McMillan, 6945 Scoffield Rd., Ripley, OH 45167-8967

SEARCHING for these Tennessee lines: Campbell Co. - Douglas, Davis, Perkins, Brown, Broyles; Dickson Co. - Slayden, Shelton, Reynolds, Bush; Greene Co. - Sears; Hawkins Co. - Hart; Montgomery Co. - Givan (also ended with en, in), Neblett, Thomason. Will share. Vivian Thomason Sharpe, c/o Moffatt, 3711 Joy Lane, Waldorf, MD 20603

EVANS, WELCH: Seeking parents, siblings John D. Evans, b. 24 Dec 1810, d. 30 June 1887, m. Sarah Welch (daughter of Nicholas Welch and ___ White?) Lived at White Oak Creek on Perry/Wayne co. border. Related lines: Briley, Culp, Helms, Howell, Richardson, Still, Walker. Paula DeGraf, 1558 Anna Way, Petaluma, CA 94954-5458, E-mail: JasmineSpr@aol.com

DAVIS/DAVIES: Need parents, siblings, and descendants of Morgan Davis/Davies of Stokes Co., N.C., b. ca. 1830-40, d. 1831 in Lincoln Co., Tenn. Wife: Sarah (Reed? Evans?). Children: Sarah - m. William Clayton, moved to Weakley Co., Johnathan - d. 1808 in Williamson Co., m. Nancy (Clayton?); Mary - m. Stephen Clayton III, moved to Ga.; John; Jesse - m. Ellen (?); Elizabeth - m. Ralph Smith; Ann - m. Wright Williams; Hannah - m. ___ Halbert; Amos - m. Betsy Wood.. Marian Butler, 1104 Hester, Jonesboro, AR 72401-3765, phone (870) 935-5831

FORD, COFFEE: Ralph Ford, b. 16 Feb 1754 in Guildford, Surrey, England. Married Elizabeth Coffee, b. ca. 1763, possibly in Claiborne Co., Tenn. Need proof of marriage and proof that George W. Ford, b. 10 Jan 1789/90 in Md., was their son. Myrtle Harwood, 9007 Fanita Rancho Rd., Santee, CA 92071-3949

MULLINS: Need parents and siblings of Elizabeth Mullins, b. 1800 in Va., m. in Wilson Co., Tenn., before 1866 to Wilson Price. Lived in Jefferson Co. until 1827. May be related to David D. and Athaliah Mullins. Diana Roderick, 7225 Night Hawk, El Paso, TX 79912

HOOPER: Who were parents of William Franklin Hooper, b. ca. 1815 in N.C.? He m. Margaret J. Hamilton, b. ca. 1817 in Tenn. Their daughter Pricilla Madeline Hooper b. 19 Jul 1848 in Nashville, Davidson Co., Tenn., according to obituary. Helen Reibin, 18201 Sleepy Hollow Rd., Sonora, CA 95370-8795

LONG, MILLER: Who were parents, siblings of Minos Milas Long, b. 9 Aug 1824? 1850 Texas census shows him b. in Tenn. Moved ca. 1848 to Texas, m. 8 Jan 1856 in Bastrop Co. to Amanda Miller. Children: Sarah Fannie, Anna Belle, Lillie Adele, Josephine Ewing, Howard Hugh, Milas, John T., and Frank Louis. Where was Minos before 1850? Howard Long, 1510 Betty Jo Drive, Austin, TX 78704-2648

HOLLAND, McCARTY: Will exchange info with anyone researching Holland/McCarty lines in Cleveland, Tenn. Bill Holland, 6314 Teakwood Ct., Burke, VA 22015-3419

HIXSON: Am still trying to prove correct parentage of Pleasant Hixson, b. 16 May 1823 in Bledsoe Co. to either Samuel and Sarah (Hixson) Hixon or Timothy and Rebecca (Hughes) Hixson. Floyd M. Hixson, 1712 Harvard Ave., Clovis, CA 93612-2678

RICE: Rowland Rice, b. 12 Dec 1781 in Shrewsbury, Mass., d. 6 Nov 1814 at Ft. William, Ala., as private in West Tenn. militia. He m. Pheraba Warner, Bedford Co., Tenn., ca 1809/1810. Need descendants of their orphaned children, Ebenezer and Sarah "Sally" Rice, raised by grandfather Ebenezer Rice, who came to Maury Co. in 1799 as missionary to Chickasaws. Shirley Malone Fritsche, 2099 Chingford Cove, Cordova, TN 38018-5123

DO YOU HAVE TIES TO GILES, LAWRENCE COUNTIES? Interested in corresponding with anyone who has Stanford, Davis, Harrison, Lunsford, or White lines in these areas. Mrs. Verna M. Carroll, 412 Fourth St. So., Amory, MS 38821

ESTES, NEAL, ELMORE: Moses Estes d. in Wilson Co. ca. 1815. His daughter Mary m. (1) ___ Neal, (2) William Elmore. The Elmores in Hardeman Co., ca. 1830. Any info appreciated. Ellen M. Crawford, 9749 E. 5th St., Tucson, AZ 85748-3358

ANDERSON, BOYKIN, COCKE, MACLIN: Seeking info on parents of Elizabeth Margaret (Eliza) Anderson, b. ca. 1805 in Hawkins Co., m. Osborne Hale Boykin. Her parents were Joseph M. Anderson and Sarah Cocke. I know nothing more about Joseph. Sarah's parents were William Cocke and Mary Maclin. Kay Lewis, 1018 N. Plains Park, Roswell, N.M. 88201, phone (505) 622-0967

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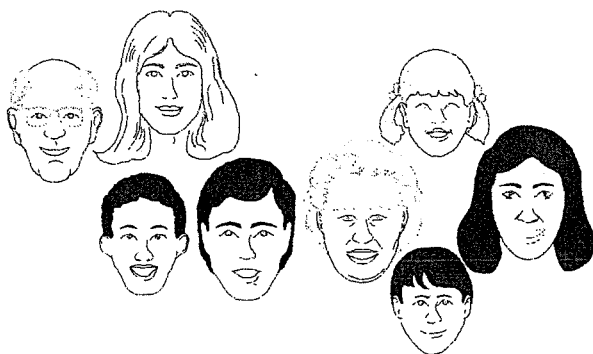
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