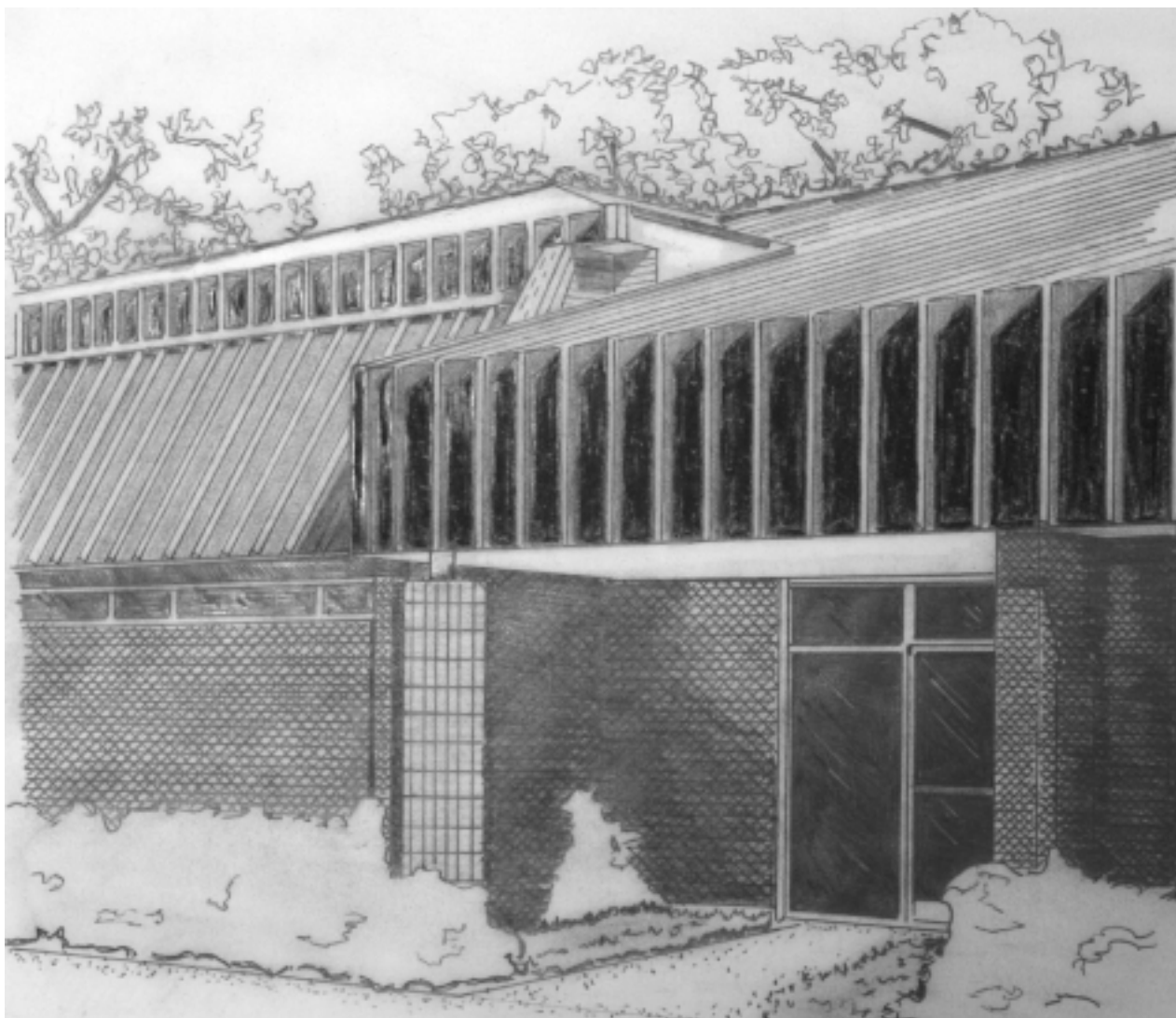


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## FROM THE EDITOR

This summer, I have spent quite a bit of time looking through our Vertical Files for material to publish in *Ansearchin' News*. These files, which are indexed by surname (and occasionally by county or state), are a gold mine of interesting information: family charts, Bible records, newspaper clippings and family histories. Material is usually cross-referenced by surname (volunteers are constantly working on the files to update indexes), and has been sent to the Tennessee Genealogical Society over a period of forty years to share with all of our members and researchers who come to the library.

All material includes family members who lived in Tennessee at one time, but there is more data than you might expect on recent generations who are now living in other states, especially Mississippi, Arkansas, and Texas.

Which brings me to my next point: it is not always clear who sent in the information, his or her sources, and the date the material was compiled. These files may only be used as a suggestion for further research if not documented and dated. Aunt Susie's letter from 1965 may be long on family stories and short on facts. What was her married name? And did Cousin Will appear in the 1870 census in Ashley County, Arkansas? In what town?

We would love to have a copy of your family Bible records or family history for our files. When you send in material, please include the following:

- Your name, address, e-mail address, and telephone number

- Date material was compiled, especially if a family history

- Names of other contacts in your family (younger people, perhaps)

- Sources (census records, interview with family member, letters, etc.)

If you send a copy of the record pages from a family Bible (which usually only list date of birth, date of marriage, date of death) please enclose a short explanation of who the family members were. Relationships? Where did various family members live (county, state, town)? Any interesting stories about any of the people mentioned in the pages of the Bible? Occupation of family members?

Be sure to take advantage of this wonderful resource when you come into our library in Germantown. The librarian and volunteers will help you find the files you need for your family research.

*Ann Kendall Ray*



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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Recently I had occasion to drive across Tennessee, from the north east corner to the south west corner. Although I have done it dozens of times, it is still a thrill.

Few people realize what a large state Tennessee is. Bristol is closer to Lake Erie and Canada than it is to Memphis. Few realize that even with a large industrial base it still has a large agrarian population. There are more horses in Tennessee per capita than in Texas.

It is a big, diverse state with three stars on its flag indicating the three unique geographic areas; the mountains in the east, the plateau, and the flat lands in the west. From the highest point, Clingmans Dome at 6,643 feet to 188 feet at the Mississippi river bank in Memphis, there are beautiful but untenable crags, excellent farm and pasture land "that lays pretty," white-water rivers and placid streams, and forests that seem primeval.

An acquaintance from New Mexico once said to me, "I don't like to drive through Tennessee. You can't see anything for the trees."

This diversity of geography was one nemesis that the pioneer overcame.

As I speed along the Interstate at 75 miles per hour with the navigation screen indicating that I will be in Memphis in 7 hours 51 minutes, my admiration for these hardy people grows and makes me want to know even more about them.

Genealogical research is a most satisfying hobby!

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I hope that all of you will go to our web site, [www.tngs.org](http://www.tngs.org), and choose "Download our current newsletter." There are several pictures of speakers and TNGS members. (Alphonse Capone is not a member.) I wish all of our members were able to participate in all of our local events.

We are discussing with the Shelby County Archivist the possibility of digitizing past issues of Ansearchin' News and putting them on line. Fifty-four years of published Tennessee material will create a significant on-line resource.

Please look at the ADOPT-A-BOOK PROGRAM on page 190. This is some of the material that your Acquisitions Committee has identified as needed to compliment research material that we currently have. Gifts to TNGS are tax deductible within the IRS guidelines.

—James E. (Jim) Bobo

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## James Beaver, Primitive Baptist Preacher

Michael A. Ports\*

### Introduction

The following article is the eighth installment in the continuing series of articles concerning the children of Stephen and Nancy (White) **Beaver** of Henderson County, Tennessee. The focus now is on their son James, his two wives, Nancy **Kirk** and Rebecca **Wallis**, and their family. It is hoped that their descendants as well as other researchers will find his story both interesting and informative. It also is hoped that interested readers will step forward with new information.

The story of James **Beaver** is an intriguing one. From relatively humble roots, he quickly rose to become a prominent member of his community. When only about thirty years old, he was an ordained minister, major in the local militia, successful farmer, and slave holder. After the tragic death of his first wife and their oldest daughter, James remarried and started a second family. In spite of his obvious success, he was not satisfied with his life in Tennessee. He sold out and moved his family and slaves to Texas, where he built a large and successful plantation, established a church, and continued preaching. Again, he prospered and rose to a position of some prominence. When he died at 62 years of age, he should have been satisfied with his achievements and proud that he had raised his children to become successful and prominent citizens.

### The Early Years in Tennessee

8. James **Beaver** was born June 10, 1809 in Lincoln County, Tennessee, the son of Stephen and Nancy (**White**) **Beaver**.<sup>1</sup> He was a young lad when his family moved to Henderson County circa 1822. It was there that James spent his teen and early adult years where he attended the local schools of his day to good effect, as he was literate as an adult. It also is presumed that he became a devout and enthusiastic Baptist as a result of the influence of his parents. Major James Beaver married Miss Nancy G. **Kirk** on January 2, 1834 in Henderson County.<sup>2</sup> She was born August 19, 1816, the daughter of John and Sarah (**Cousar**) **Kirk**. Apparently, James **Beaver** was an officer in the local militia, notwithstanding the fact that no other official record of his militia service has been found. In 1836, James **Beaver** owned 12 acres of land valued at \$72.<sup>3</sup> He paid just \$0.10½ in taxes for his property. That year, he owned no slaves. In 1840, the young family of James **Beaver** consisted of eleven persons.<sup>4</sup>

#### Males

Two, under 5

One, between 20 and 30

#### Females

One, between 5 and 10

One, between 10 and 15

One, between 20 and 30

James and his wife Nancy are presumed to be the two oldest people in their household; both are listed in their correct age category. The two young boys probably are their sons William and Hugh. But, the identity of the two young girls is uncertain. They may have been relatives, but the nature of their relationships is not known. In less than four years, James had purchased or perhaps inherited five slaves: two males, one under 10 years old and one between 10 and 24, and three female slaves,

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1 Ports, Michael A., Across the Southern Frontier to Tennessee: The Story of Stephen Beaver. The Tennessee Genealogical Magazine, Ansearchin' News, Volume 53, Number 2, Summer 2005.

2 National Banner & Nashville Daily Advertiser, Published at Nashville, Tennessee, January 21, 1834. Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

3 1836 Tax, District No. 3, Henderson County, Tennessee. Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

4 1840 Census, Henderson County, Tennessee, Page 333. inherited five slaves: two males, one under 10 years

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one under 10 years old and two between 10 and 24. Thus, it seems that in just a few short years James had become a significant landowner, successful farmer, and slave holder.

James **Beaver** was a devout and active member of the Primitive Baptist Church. He was an active member of the Clark's Creek Primitive Baptist Church as early as 1836.<sup>5</sup> On October 6-8, 1838, Elder C. **Riddle**, J. Beaver, and P. J. **Cotton** represented their congregation at the Association meeting held at Rocky Spring Meetinghouse in Madison County. Only the most respected church members were selected to represent their congregations. James Beaver was ordained as an "Itinarate Minister of the Gospel" at the Mud Creek Meeting House in Carroll County, Tennessee on the Monday after the third Sunday in September, 1841. His letter of ordination was signed by Willis **Bridges** and Francis **Beard**.<sup>6</sup> No evidence has been found indicating that James ever received much in the way of formal education, except what might have been available in the local schools. However, it is apparent that he was educated enough to function in society, serve as a field officer in the local militia, and serve his congregation as both minister and clerk. On January 20, 1846, James **Beaver** as clerk of the Baptist Church at Clark's Creek obtained a grant for a small tract of land just over four acres in size where the church and cemetery were established.<sup>7</sup>

On April 1, 1849, the State of Tennessee granted James Beaver a large tract of land of 236¾ acres of land located in Range 3, Section 7 of Henderson County.<sup>8</sup> In 1850, James was farming his own land which he valued at \$3,000.<sup>9</sup> He is listed as 41 years old and a native of Tennessee. His wife Nancy is listed as 38 years old and also a Tennessee native. Their five sons, Benjamin, Thomas, Champ, Hugh, and an unnamed infant, were living with them. Also in the household was a young school teacher named William **Kirk**. The 19-year-old probably was Nancy's brother or nephew. James owned six male and ten female slaves.<sup>10</sup> The slaves appear to be comprised of two distinct family groups, but sorting them is problematic because of the order in which they were listed. The four adults consisted of a black male aged 53 years old, female aged 25 years old, black male 35 years old, and mulatto female aged 35 years old. The first two may have been husband and wife, but the disparity between their ages suggests not. The second two could have been husband and wife. There also were twelve children, ranging in age from 4 months to 13 years.

In 1850, James **Beavers** owned 200 acres of improved land and 300 acres of unimproved land valued at a total of \$3,000.<sup>11</sup> His farm implements and machinery were valued at \$500. His livestock was valued at \$765. He owned three horses, four mules, three cows, four oxen, ten cattle, twenty-five sheep, and seventy swine. That year, his farm produced ten bushels of rye, five hundred bushels of corn, two hundred bushels of oats, eighty pounds of rice, five hundred bales of ginned cotton, fifty pounds of wool, five bushels of potatoes, twenty bushels of sweet potatoes, two hundred pounds of butter, thirty pounds of beeswax and honey, \$75 in home manufactured goods, and \$15 worth slaughtered animal products.

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5 Clark's Creek Primitive Baptist Church Records, Minute Book 1, Page 2. In custody of Houston Carroll, church clerk, of Henderson, Tennessee in 2001.

6 Photocopy of the original Letter of Ordination in possession of the author.

7 Tennessee Land Grants, Western District, Book 2, Page 562. Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee. (Hereinafter cited as West Tennessee Grants.)

8 West Tennessee Grants, Book 10, Page 172.

9 1850 Census, Population Schedule, Civil District No. 3, Henderson County, Tennessee, Page 127.

10 1850 Census, Slave Schedule, Civil District No. 3, Henderson County, Tennessee, Page 1.

11 1850 Census, Agricultural Schedule, Civil District No. 3, Henderson County, Tennessee, Page 11.

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## A Tragic Death

Nancy G **Beaver** died on July 16, 1850, aged 33 years, soon after the birth of her ninth child. She was buried at the cemetery adjacent to the Clarks Creek Primitive Baptist Church. The church and cemetery, now known as the Fry Point Cemetery, were abandoned many years ago. They formerly were located in what was southwestern Henderson County, have been part of Chester County since 1882. Also buried there are five of her children who died very young. Just five months old at his death, one son never was named. Even though both she and her baby were deceased when the census was taken, they were enumerated as if they still were living.

The children of James and Nancy G. (Kirk) Beaver were:<sup>12</sup>

60. i. Mary D., born November 11, 1834 in Henderson County, Tennessee. She died October 22, 1835, aged 11 months.
61. ii. William **Riley**, born March 24, 1836 in Henderson County, Tennessee.
62. iii. Benjamin **Kirk**, born December 29, 1837 in Henderson County, Tennessee. He died June 20, 1855.
63. iv. Hugh, born October 20, 1839 in Henderson County, Tennessee.
64. v. Samuel **Washington**, born August 5, 1842 in Henderson County, Tennessee. He died September 28, 1846, aged 4 years.
65. vi. Thomas, born September 23, 1844 in Henderson County, Tennessee.
66. vii. Champness, born November 23, 1846 in Henderson County, Tennessee.
67. viii. James, born August 20, 1848 in Henderson County, Tennessee. He died October 16, 1849, aged 14 months.
68. ix. unnamed male, born February 1850 in Henderson County, Tennessee. He died July 24, 1850.

## Remarriage

With five young sons to raise, James **Beaver** did not grieve for his wife very long. Just four months later, on November 17, 1850, he married Rebecca **Wallis**.<sup>13</sup> Very little is known about his second wife Rebecca, who was born circa 1825 in North Carolina. She may have been the younger sister or cousin of Isham **Wallace**, born circa 1818 in North Carolina, who lived nearby. On May 4, 1854, James **Beaver** purchased a young slave girl.<sup>14</sup> He paid \$900 to W. P. **Glenn** for his “negro girl **Elgin** aged about 14 years. Said negro servant said to be sound and sensible and a slave for life.” Such a purchase is further indication that James was successful as a farmer.

On December 19, 1856, James sold his primary plantation, 620 acres located on the waters of Clark’s Creek, to Bryant Fry for \$3,900.<sup>15</sup> Later the next spring, on May 8, 1857, James **Beaver** sold his remaining 88 acres to A. J. **Quinn** for \$500.<sup>16</sup> And finally, in August 1857, James **Beaver** formally asked his congregation for a letter of commendation and bid them farewell.<sup>17</sup> Soon thereafter, James **Beaver** moved his family to Freestone County, Texas.

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<sup>12</sup> Photocopy of the family information from the James Beaver family bible in possession of the author. (Hereinafter cited as James Beaver bible.)

<sup>13</sup> James Beaver bible.

<sup>14</sup> Land Records, Henderson County, Tennessee, Deed Book P, Page 383. Henderson County Courthouse, Lexington, Tennessee. (Hereinafter cited as Henderson Deeds.)

<sup>15</sup> Henderson Deeds, Book P, Page 379.

<sup>16</sup> Henderson Deeds, Book P, Page 354.

<sup>17</sup> Clark’s Creek Primitive Baptist Church Records, Minute Book 1, Page 124.

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## Moving to Texas

On July 19, 1858, James **Beaver** purchased three tracts of land on Lake Creek in Freestone County, Texas.<sup>18</sup> He paid \$2,106 to Luther and Ellen **Wright** for a 320-acre tract patented to Luther **Wright**, a 230-acre portion of the Noah Hunt Headright, and a 51-acre portion on Cat Creek from the same Headright. On the same day, Calvin **Wright** and his wife Christiana Eliza sold a tract of land to James **Beaver** for \$270.<sup>19</sup> The tract of land contained 90 acres from the same Headright of Noah **Hunt**. On the following day, James purchased an interest in a fifth tract of land from Luther and Ellen **Wright** for \$255.<sup>20</sup> The fifth tract was described as 120 acres out of Land Certificate No. 74547 for 320 acres issued to Thos. F. **McKinney**. It is interesting to note that James was styled “of Limestone County” in the deed. Again on the same day, James purchased an interest in a sixth tract of land from Luther and Ellen **Wright** for \$48.<sup>21</sup> The sixth tract consisted of 16 acres of land previously owned by Robert **Thrasher**. James again was styled “of Limestone County.” Thus, in just two days, James **Beaver** had purchased six tracts of land containing in all 827 acres for a total of \$2,679. A search of extant Limestone County records yielded no evidence of James **Beaver** ever having lived there.

In 1859, James **Beaver** first appears on the tax rolls of Freestone County.<sup>22</sup> He was assessed for three tracts of land. The first tract, of 280 acres and valued at \$840, consisted of the two tracts from the Noah **Hunt** Headright that he had purchased from Luther and Ellen **Hunt**. The second tract of 320 acres, valued at \$960, also was purchased from the Hunts. The third tract of 720 acres, valued at \$1,750, had been part of the **McAnulty** Headright, but no record of him purchasing that tract has been found. It is curious that James was not assessed for the other four tracts of land containing 546 acres that the deed records show he did purchase. Did he manage to hide those land transactions from the tax assessor? Perhaps the four tracts were part of the 720 acres for which he did pay taxes. James also was assessed for his poll tax, seventeen slaves valued at \$9,356, eight horses valued at \$1,000, twelve cattle valued at \$128, and miscellaneous property valued at \$375. In all, he paid \$418.47 in state tax and \$11.76 in county tax.

In 1860, James was farming in the Fairfield District of Freestone County, not far from the town of Teague.<sup>23</sup> The 51-year-old James valued his real estate at \$5,600 and his personal property at \$22,506. His second wife Rebecca is listed as 35 years old and born in North Carolina. Rounding out his household were his children Hugh, Thomas, Champness, Nancy, John, and Whitfield. His personal property consisted largely of slaves. James owned twenty slaves, ten males and ten females.<sup>24</sup> He had four separate slave quarters to house them. The first four adults listed in the census schedule appear to be the same slaves that he owned ten years earlier. They were listed as a 65-year-old black man, 57-year-old black woman, 43-year-old black man, and 45-year-old mulatto woman. The last is noted as a fugitive from the state. The remaining sixteen slaves ranged in age from 25 years to 2 years. His farm consisted of 400 acres of improved land and 1,000 acres of unimproved land.<sup>25</sup> He valued his land at \$4,000 and his farm implements and machinery at \$550.

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18 Land Records, Freestone County, Texas, Deed Book G, Page 173. Freestone County Courthouse, Fairfield, Texas. (Hereinafter cited as Freestone Deeds.)

19 Freestone Deeds, Book G, Page 183.

20 Freestone Deeds, Book G, Page 175.

21 Freestone Deeds, Book G, Page 176.

22 Real and Personal Property Tax Rolls, Freestone County, Texas, 1851-1874. All Texas real and personal property tax records at Archives Division, Texas State Library, Austin, Texas.

23 1860 Census, Population Schedule, Fairfield District, Freestone County, Texas, Page 70.

24 1860 Census, Slave Schedule, Fairfield District, Freestone County, Texas, Page 40.

25 1860 Census, Agricultural Schedule, Fairfield District, Freestone County, Texas, Page 23. During the previous

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He valued his livestock, consisting of four horses, eight mules, seven cows, four oxen, eighteen cattle, thirty one sheep, and eighty five swine, at \$2,036. During the previous year, his farm produced two hundred fourteen bushels of wheat, fifteen hundred bushels of corn, twenty nine bales of cotton, sixty pounds of wool, five hundred pounds of butter, \$105 worth of home manufactured goods, and \$472 worth of slaughtered animals.

In 1860, James **Beaver** paid his poll tax. He also was assessed for twenty slaves valued at \$14,000, eight horses valued at \$800, thirty-four cattle valued at \$245, thirty sheep valued at \$120, and miscellaneous property valued at \$370. In addition to the three tracts on which he paid taxes the previous year, he was assessed for a fourth tract of land. It consisted of 132 acres out of the **Hunt** Headright and was valued at \$438. For all of his property, he paid 424.88 in state tax and \$16.58 in county tax. Finally, in November 1860, a committee of members of the Clark's Creek Church in Tennessee sent the requested commendation letter to James **Beaver**.<sup>26</sup> On September 26, 1860, J. S. **Wills** sold a tract of land in Freestone County to James **Beaver** for \$400.<sup>27</sup> The tract contained 320 acres of land.

In 1861, he was assessed for six tracts of land. The first tract consisting of 132 acres of the **Hunt** Headright was valued at \$438, the second tract of 230 acres of the **Hunt** Headright was valued at \$1,380, the third tract of 320 acres of the **Wright** Headright was valued at \$800, the fourth tract of 722 acres of the Sarah **McNulty** Headright was valued at \$1,750, the fifth tract of 320 acres of the **McElroy** Headright was valued at \$720, and the sixth tract of 64 acres of the George **Sanders** Headright was valued at \$128. James also was assessed for his poll, twenty slaves valued at \$10,000, eleven horses valued at \$1,000, forty cattle valued at \$260, thirty-two sheep valued at \$128, and miscellaneous property valued at \$370. For all of his property, he paid \$28 in state tax and \$11.88 in county tax.

On June 10, 1861, James **Beaver** sold one of his tracts of land to John F. **Teague** for \$141.<sup>28</sup> The tract had been part of the north half of the 640-acre Noah Hunt Headright that he had previously purchased from Luther **Wright**. James signed the deed, but his wife Rebecca did not release her dower rights in the land. On the same day, James purchased a tract of land from John F. **Teague** for \$123.<sup>29</sup> The tract contained 41 acres of land. On November 10, 1861, James **Beaver** sold another tract of land to Reuben **Manning** for \$1,000 in cash.<sup>30</sup> The tract contained 361 acres of land. Again, James signed the deed, but his wife did not.

In 1862, James was assessed for only four tracts of land: the 132 acres from the **Hunt** Headright, 230 acres from the **Hunt** Headright, 320 acres from the **Wright** Headright, and 213 acres from the **Sanders** Headright. In addition, he was assessed for his poll, sixteen slaves, valued at \$6,400, ten horses valued at \$800, fifty-five cattle valued at \$225, and forty sheep valued at \$160. He paid \$27.12 in state tax and \$26.62 in county tax.

In 1863, James was assessed for the same four tracts of land, his poll, fifteen slaves valued at \$9,000, eleven horses valued at \$880, sixty-five cattle valued at \$590, \$1,800 loaned at interest, Merchandise on hand valued at \$45, and miscellaneous property valued at \$100. He paid \$78.14 in state tax and \$116.21 in county tax.

In 1864, James was assessed for his same four tracts of land, seventeen slaves valued at \$13,600, \$2,100 in Confederate Treasury Notes, livestock valued at \$2,590, and his poll. He paid \$96.71 in state tax and \$239.40 in county tax.

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26 Clark's Creek Primitive Baptist Church Records, Minute Book 1, Page 137.

27 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 255.

28 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 296.

29 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 304.

30 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 325.

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On April 24, 1864, James purchased a tract of land of 213 acres for \$426 from D. M. **Brown**.<sup>31</sup> The tract contained 213 acres of land. On May 10, 1864, Benjamin F. **Hancock** sold a tract of his land to James **Beaver** for \$1,400.<sup>32</sup> The tract contained 320 acres and was located on the east side of Lake Creek approximately 14½ miles southwest from Fairfield. On May 23, 1866, James deeded a tract of land to his son Thomas **Beaver** as a reward of merit for being a faithful son.<sup>33</sup> The tract consisted of the 320 acres of land that he only recently had purchased from Benjamin **Hancock**. On April 3, 1867, James deeded two tracts of land to his son Champness as a reward of merit for being a faithful son.<sup>34</sup> He previously had sold the two adjacent tracts of 150 acres and 50 acres of the John **Teague** Headright to his sons Thomas and Champness. James signed both deeds.

In 1865, James **Beaver** does not appear on the tax rolls. In 1866, he was assessed for five tracts of land. The first tract of 320 acres of the **Wright** Headright was valued at \$640. The second of 320 acres of the **Hunt** Headright was valued at \$920. The third of 70 acres of the Hiram **Inman** Headright was valued at \$184. The fourth of 213 acres of the **Sanders** Headright was valued at \$150. The fifth of 51 acres of the **Sanders** Headright was valued at \$105. He also was assessed for his poll, twelve horses valued at \$480, fifty cattle valued at \$200, sixty sheep valued at \$120, and miscellaneous property valued at \$200. He paid \$6.96 in state tax and \$3.48 in county tax.

In 1867, James was assessed for four tracts of land, including 320 acres of the **Wright** Headright, 213 acres of the **Inman** Headright, 71 acres of the **Hunt** Headright, and 100 acres of the **Hoffman** Headright. Together, the four tracts were valued only at \$780. He also was assessed for his poll, four horses valued at \$200, thirty cattle valued at \$105, and miscellaneous property valued at \$145. In 1868, James was assessed for the same four tracts of land valued at \$780. He also was assessed for his poll, four horses valued at \$180, thirty-five cattle valued at \$105, \$150 loaned at interest, and miscellaneous property valued at \$117. He paid 42.99 in state tax and \$1.74 in county tax.

On February 26, 1869, Champness and Thomas **Beaver** together sold 755 acres of land to their father James.<sup>35</sup> Apparently no money exchanged hands. On the same day, James sold 140 acres to his son Champness \$5.<sup>36</sup> The land was situated approximately nine miles southeast of the town of Cotton Gin and had been part of the Noah **Hunt** Headright. Again, James signed the deed.

In 1869, James was assessed for four tracts of land, namely 93 acres of the **Hoffman** Headright valued at \$139, 206 acres of the **Wright** Headright valued at \$384, 161 acres of the **Hunt** Headright valued at \$483, and 213 acres of the **Inman** Headright valued at \$426. He also was assessed for his poll, seven horses valued at \$275, forty cattle valued at \$120, and miscellaneous property valued at \$40. He paid \$3.80 in state tax and \$3.30 in county tax.

On January 24, 1870, James **Beaver** sold a tract of land to J. G. **Lindsey** for \$555.<sup>37</sup> The tract contained 111 acres of land and was situated on the waters of Lake Creek approximately nine miles southeast of Cotton Gin. Actually, the 111-acre tract was comprised of 40 acres from the Noah **Hunt** Headright, 64 acres from the **Lee** Headright, and 7 acres from the Madroy Headright. On April 9, 1870, James purchased a tract of land from **Hobbs** and **Wilson** for \$640.<sup>38</sup> The tract contained 320 acres of land.

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31 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 187.

32 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 576.

33 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 754.

34 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 1, Page 754.

35 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 2, Page 693.

36 Freestone Deeds, Book H No. 2, Page 694.

37 Freestone Deeds, Book K, Page 61.

38 Freestone Deeds, Book K, Page 89.

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In 1870, James was assessed for four tracts of land: 93 acres from the **Hoffman** Headright valued at \$137, 206 acres of the **Wright** Headright valued at \$384, 161 acres of the **Hunt** Headright valued at \$483, and 213 acres of the **Inman** Headright valued at \$426. He also was assessed for his poll, seven horses valued at \$275, forty cattle valued at \$120, and miscellaneous property valued at \$30. He paid \$3.78 in state tax and \$1.39 in county tax.

In the 1870 Census, the 61-year-old James **Beaver** valued his real estate at \$3,000 and his personal property at \$675.<sup>39</sup> In spite of the fact that he was an ordained minister, James listed his occupation as farmer. His wife Rebecca was listed as 45 years old and a native of North Carolina. Living with them were their children H. K., J. C., Whitfield, R. A., H. F., Eli F., and Forrest. Completing their household was W. A. **Allison**, who is presumed to be a hired hand or boarder. It is curious that James **Beaver** apparently was not included in the agricultural schedules.

In 1871, James was assessed for five tracts of land, including 93 acres of the **Hoffman** Headright valued at \$139, 320 acres of the **McCiniston** Headright valued at \$640, 213 acres of the **Inman** Headright valued at \$626, 76 acres of the **Wright** Headright valued at \$684, and 371 acres of the **Hunt** Headright valued at \$1,441. He also was assessed for his poll, five horses valued at \$250, thirty cattle valued at \$150, and miscellaneous property valued at \$143. He paid \$21.38 in state tax and \$27.45 in county tax.

James died from pneumonia at his home on Beaver Creek in Freestone County. His tombstone at the Salem Cemetery near Teague reads, "Sacred to the Memory of Elder James Beaver, a pious Christian Minister of the Primitive Baptist Faith. Born in Tennessee June 10, 1809, Died in Texas October 17, 1871." On December 16, 1871, the District Court granted letters of administration to his son Thomas H. **Beaver**.<sup>40</sup> Thomas filed an administration bond in the amount of \$12,000. George **Sanford**, O. **Whitenton**, Henry **Crothers**, Benson **Galbreath**, and E. **Hobbs** acted as his sureties. On January 2, 1872, the administrator filed an inventory and appraisal of the real and personal property belonging to his father's estate.<sup>41</sup> Neighbors J. D. **Mathews**, Micajah **Lindsey**, and J. G. **Lindsey** performed the appraisal.

<i>93 acres of land being a portion or part of 320 acres of land patented by</i>	
<i>J. S. Wills assignee of Owen Huffman</i>	
<i>Valued at 41.50 cents per acre</i>	<i>\$139.50</i>
<i>320 acres land Patented to the heirs of Newton McChristian</i>	
<i>Valued at \$2.00 per acre</i>	<i>\$640.00</i>
<i>213 Acres a part of the Hiram Inman Headright</i>	
<i>survey valued at \$3.00 per acre</i>	<i>\$639.00</i>
<i>90 Acres of land being a part of Noah E. Hunt survey Deed by Calvin Right</i>	
<i>Valued at \$1.00 per acre</i>	<i>\$90.00</i>
<i>256 Acres of land being a part of 320 acres of land patent by Luther Wright</i>	
<i>Assignee Robert Loss Preemption claim valued at \$5.00 per acre</i>	<i>\$1280.00</i>
<i>50 acres being a part of the Noah E. Hunt</i>	
<i>Survey valued at \$6.50 per acre</i>	<i>\$325.00</i>

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39 1870 Census, Population Schedule, Fairfield District, Freestone County, Texas, Page 90.

40 Probate Records, Freestone County, Texas, Probate Minute Book 1, Pages 316-318. Freestone County Courthouse, Fairfield, Texas. (Hereinafter cited as Freestone Probates.)

41 Freestone Probates, Book 1, Pages 352-353.



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**PERSONAL PROPERTY**

<i>One Bay Mule valued at</i>	<i>\$60.00</i>
<i>One Bay horse valued at</i>	<i>\$100.00</i>
<i>40 head of Cattle valued at \$4.00 per head</i>	<i>\$160.00</i>
<i>26 head of hogs valued at \$2.00 per head</i>	<i>\$52.00</i>
<i>one or bellows vice anvil 2 hammers one pr of tongues val.</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
<i>One Hack valued at</i>	<i>\$20.00</i>
<i>One wagon &amp; Harness valued at</i>	<i>\$40.00</i>
<i>Farming Tools valued at</i>	<i>\$15.00</i>
<i>House furniture valued at</i>	<i>\$150.00</i>
<i>Kitchen furniture valued at</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
 <i>Note on <b>Stephens &amp; Brown</b> Date July 9<sup>th</sup> 1871 int. 10%</i>	 <i>\$300.00</i>
<i>“ James <b>Allison</b> &amp; W. A. <b>Allison</b> Date March 25<sup>th</sup> 1871</i>	<i>“ “</i>
<i>With mortgage on Cook to secure payment of</i>	<i>\$154.50</i>
<i>W. A. <b>Allison</b> Credit on same Dec. 28<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>22.50</i>
<i>Note Jacob <b>Lee</b> Date April 14<sup>th</sup> 1870 Int. 10%</i>	<i>50.00</i>
<i>“ L. C. <b>Jones</b> “ Jany. 7<sup>th</sup> 1871 “ 10%</i>	<i>160.00</i>
<i>“ Jno. G. <b>Smith</b> “ Feby. 18<sup>th</sup> 1870 “ 10%</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Credits March 13<sup>th</sup> 1871</i>	<i>30.00</i>
<i>“ Jno. G. <b>Smith</b> “ Feby. 10<sup>th</sup> 1869 Int. 10%</i>	<i>200.00</i>
<i>“ Moses <b>Echols</b> &amp; C. T. <b>Echols</b> July 4<sup>th</sup> 1870</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>“ Moses <b>Echols</b> Date Jany. 1<sup>st</sup> 1869</i>	<i>100.00</i>
<i>Credit on same</i>	<i>38.00</i>
<i>“ Moses <b>Echols</b> &amp; C. T. <b>Echols</b> July 4<sup>th</sup> 1870</i>	<i>150.00</i>
<i>“ T. D. <b>Cochram</b> Date Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> 1870 10% Int.</i>	<i>1000.00</i>
<i>Claim against J. W. <b>Story</b> Jany. 6<sup>th</sup> 1869</i>	<i>250.00</i>
<i>Cash in coin collected on G. K. <b>Anderson</b> note Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup></i>	<i>550.00</i>
<i>Cash in coin collected on <b>Faukenbery</b></i>	<i>33.33</i>

In 1872, the James **Beaver** estate was assessed for five tracts of land, namely 93 acres of the **Mills** Headright valued at \$140, 320 acres of the **McChristian** Headright valued at \$640, 213 acres of the **Inman** Headright, 140 acres of the **Hunt** Headright valued at \$410, and 256 acres of the **Wright** Headright valued at \$1,280. He also was assessed for one horse valued at \$100, forty cattle valued at \$160, one mule valued at \$60, \$1,000 cash on hand or loaned at interest, and miscellaneous property valued at \$20. The estate paid \$7.04 in state tax and \$5.03 in county tax. The personal property listed in the foregoing inventory and appraisal is not unusual for that time and place. James had owned a modest number of livestock. That he owned a complete set of blacksmith tools is interesting. Did he practice the craft himself or did he simply supply the necessary tools for one of his sons or hired hands? The amount of money that James Beaver had loaned to others was most unusual. He evidently earned a significant portion of his total income from lending money. On March 4, 1873, Thomas H. Beaver filed his first accounting of the administration of his father's estate.<sup>42</sup>

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42 Freestone Probates, Book 1, Pages 568-570.

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**ACCOUNT FOR FINAL SETTLEMENT OF THE ESTATE OF JAMES BEAVER DEC'D  
THOMAS H. BEAVER ADMR.**

**TO AMT. OF INVENTORY**

1871						
Nov. 11	"	"	Col	of	Z. Faulkenberry	\$233.33
Dec 28	"	"	"	"	A. Allison	10.00
1872						
Jany 22	"	"	"	"	Geo. Anderson	550.00
" 22	"	"	"	"	J. G. Smith	50.00
March 27	"	"	"	"	" "	63.15
" "	"	"	"	"	B. Grear	10.00
" 25	"	"	"	"	J. D. Mathews (hogs)	31.00
Nov. 20	"	"	"	"	J. W. Story (cash)	375.00
" 28	"	"	"	"	Jacob Lee	62.91
Oct 20	"	"	"	"	Moses Echols cash	311.25
1873						
Jany 1	"	"	"	"	L. C. Jones "	192.00
" 22	"	"	"	"	Q. Whittington "	119.78
Feb. 28	"	"	"	"	Stephens & Brown "	349.25
April 5	"	"	"	"	Proceeds of lint 1 bal cot.	72.00
Decr. 10	"	"	"	"	" " " 210 lbs @ 15¢	31.50
Jany. 1	"	"	"	"	" 5 acres of land @ \$3.00	15.00
" 1	"	"	"	"	T. Cochran	600.00
" "	"	"	"	"	Proceeds of rent	10.00
" 4	"	"	"	"	J. G. Smith	251.17
						\$3337.17

ByAmt	to	J. W. Story	Voucher	1	\$76.42
" "	"	Q. Whittington	V.	2	38.00
" "	"	John Beaver	"	3	66.00
" "	"	T. L. C. Means			
		(inventory)	"	4	8.00
" "	"	Carley Bros.	V.	5	3.25
		Amts. Brot Forward		\$3337.17	\$191.67

ByAmt	to	J. B. Jackson	Voucher	6	\$19.00
" "	"	Jas. Allison	"	7	13.50
" "	"	S. C. Dentor	"	8	16.00
" "	"	Gilman Chase	"	9	23.00
" "	"	James H. Beaver	"	10	12.50
" "	"	" " "	"	11	35.00
" "	"	O. J. Nancy Beene	"	12	315.00
" "	"	W. G. McInnis	"	13	16.00
" "		Pd Taxes Receipt	"	14	51.47
" "	"	" " "	"	15	40.11
" "		for 8 bu corn @1.25"	V	17	10.00

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“ “	for 1 4 “ “ @ 1.00	V	17	14.00
“ “	“ Surveying land	V	17	2.50
“ “	Tax 1871, 4.00 , 1872, 2.50	V	17	6.50
“ “	Freight on Cotton	“	17	2.50
“ “	appraisers of Estate		17	39.00
“ “	Attorneys Fees		\$777.75	
“ “	Com in favor of Admr.			
“ “	pd for Tombstones			

#### **NOTES ON HAND UNCOLLECTED**

Note on J. W. **Story** for \$301 \$301.21  
*due 1<sup>st</sup> Jany. 1874 10% int.*

Note on O. C. **Kirven** for \$600.00 600.00  
*Due one day after date 10% int.*

Note on W. A. **Allison** for \$150.50 150.00  
*due 25<sup>th</sup> day march 10% int with credit of 23.50 October 28 1871.*

Note on A. R. **Senter** J. G. **Lindsey** J. D. **Sawyer** for \$50.00 50.00  
\$1101.21

*Due Decr 25<sup>th</sup> 10% int.*

Note on Jacob **Lee** H. B. **Carathers** Sid \$50.00 \$50.00  
*due Dec'r 1<sup>st</sup> 1873 10% int.*

Note on J. W. **Stephens** W. P. **Brown** Jas. H. **McCain** \$349.25 349.25  
*due March 1<sup>st</sup> 1874 10% int.*

Note on L. C. **Jones** for 4160.00 160.00  
*with credit of 442.00 Jan 1<sup>st</sup> 1875 due Jany A. D. 1871 10% int.*

Note on T. D. **Cochran** for \$1000.00 with credits on 26<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1875  
*of \$600.00 due one day after date with 10% int. 400.00*

*Admr represents that in addition to the original inventory on the land mentioned therein that there are 70 acres more of land coming to said estate from the estate of Champ **Beaver** Dec'd all of which he now has control & possession of and further that he has delivered over to Mrs. Rebecca **Beaver** wife of said Jas. **Beaver** Dec'd her distributive share in said estate on account of which is hereunto attached and asked to be considered in this report.*

Apparently, his son Champness had died and left a tract of land to his father. On July 20, 1874, Thomas H. **Beaver**, administrator of the estate of James **Beaver** deceased, sold a tract of land to Moses C. **Echols** for \$311 in gold.<sup>43</sup> The 220-acre tract had been part of the **Wills** Headright. On November 2, 1876, Thomas H. **Beaver** filed his supplemental exhibits, accounting, and settlement of his administration of his father's estate.<sup>44</sup>

Admr reports that since the filing of his original exhibit for the final settlement of said Estate, the property has remained in his possession, but that he has now made application for a partition and distribution of the same among the heirs and expects the commissioners who were appointed to make said partition to make their report at the November term of your Hon. Court.

<sup>43</sup> Freestone Deeds, Book N, Page 493.

<sup>44</sup> Freestone Probates, Book 1, Pages 830-838.

*Admr reports that since the filing of said original exhibit he has collected money of said estate as follows, to wit:*

To Amt	received	for	rent	for	1874	\$85.00
" "	"	"	"	"	1875	66.50
" "	"	"	"	"	1876	27.00
" "	"	sales of 4 cows & calves				35.00
						\$213.50

*Amr reports that since the filing of said original exhibit he has paid out the following additional amounts as expenses of administration, taxes on property, &c. to wit.*

Byamt	pd	court	costs	V.	18	\$18.40
" "	"	"	"	"	19	55.40
" "	"	Taxes	for	1874	" 20	20.10
" "	"	"	"	"	" 21	25.25
" "	"	"	"	"	" 22	7.57
" "	"	"	"	1875	" 23	24.16
" "	"	"	"	1874	" 24	2.52
" "	"	"	"	1873	" 25	37.04
" "	"	"	"	1875	" 26	31.05
Byamt	pd	J. C. Beaver			V. 27	12.00
Amt credits carried forward						\$223.49
Amt credits bro't forward						\$223.49
ByAmt	pd	atty	fees	V.	28	50.00
" "	"	Surveyor	including	claim		
services in making partition of land					V 19	39.00
Byamt	pd	commissioners for making				
partition 3 D \$2.00 per day 8 days					V 30	48.00
Byamt	pd	court	costs	"	31	45.00
" "	"	Taxes	for	1876	" 32	24.83
" "	comrs	@5% on	\$213.50	received		10.57
" "	"	"	\$440.32	pd out		22.01
" " charged by admr fore extra work & labor done, loss						
of time &c in having lands surveyed in making partition of estate						25.00
						\$498.00

*Admr reports that of the 40 head of cattle reported in the inventory & appraisalment of said Estate, he delivered to Mrs. Rebecca **Beaver**, surviving wife of the said James **Beaver** Dec'd 10 head, that he has sold 7 head as above reported and has in his possession 2 head; that said cattle were out Stock, on the range and that the balance, 20 head, have been either stolen or lost without fault on the part of admr. Admr calls attention to said original Exhibit for the final settlement of said Estate filed March 4<sup>th</sup> 1873 and States that there is an arrear to a large amount in same in this; That he is therein charged with the total amount of Collections of money made by him in the sum of \$3337.17 which is correct but that he is also charged therein with notes on hand uncollected amounting in the aggregate without interest in the sum of \$2055.46. Admr States that all of said notes, with the exception of one on W. A. **Allison** for \$150.00 ware taken by him for money loaned out of said \$3337.17 and that it was therefore an error to charge him with both the*

money and the notes; that he has kept said money loaned out so far as he could with safety do so and in his general recapitulation hereinafter made has charged himself with the balance of money shown by said Exhibit to be due by him and interest on the same to this date; and prays that this Supplemental Exhibit be taken as a correction in that respect and to that extent of said original Exhibit.

Admr reports that said note on W. A. **Allison** for the sum of \$150.00 is still on hand unsettled; that it was taken by his intestate, in his lifetime, and that admr has been unable to collect it, and he now report it as worthless.

#### GENERAL RECAPITULATION

To amt balance due in money as per original Exhibit A filed March 5 <sup>th</sup> 1873	\$2194.09
To interest on same for 3 years 8 mo 10 days	
Comparedence \$408.27 & \$480.14 aggregate	885.14
To Amt Debits on this Exhibit	<u>213.50</u>
total amt debits	\$3293.00
By amt credits on this Exhibit	<u>498.00</u>
Balance due by admr.	\$2795.00

Admr reports that, to cover said balance above specified having kept said money loaned out, as herein before stated, he has the following notes on hand interest on same being calculated to this date and all bearing interest at 10% per annum to wit:

Note	on	L. C. Jones	prin & Int.	\$162.12
" "		T. D. Cochran et als	" "	327.96
" "		A. J. Rogers	" "	34.89
" "		C. Cobb	" "	127.91
" "		Sheperd & Bunn	" "	71.99
" "		J. H. Kerby	" "	16.53
" "		N. R. Moody et als	" "	76.82
" "		G. T. Gregory	" "	<u>911.25</u>
Amt notes carried forward.				\$1729.47
Amt notes brot forward				\$1729.47
Note	on	O. C. Kirven	prin & int.	544.55
" "		S. Bryant	" "	54.06
" "		J. W. Storey	" "	<u>350.58</u>
				\$2778.66
Amt on hand in money				16.34
making total amount of said balance				\$2795.00

Admr reports the lands of said Estate specified in the inventories heretofore filed the exception of the Homestead which was set apart to the widow and family of the said James Beaver Dec'd, as being in his possession, and also subject to partition & distribution among the heirs. Admr herewith files the relinquishment of Mrs. Rebecca **Beaver** to the other heirs of said estate, and States that in accordance with the same the said Mrs. Rebecca **Beaver** is entitled to a 1/3 life interest in the lands of said Estate, and absolutely to a 1/3 share of the notes and money the sum of \$931.66 and the share of each of the other eight heirs the sum of \$233.91.

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Thomas H. **Beaver** also filed the report of the commissioners who partitioned the real estate with his own final accounting and settlement. The commissioners partitioned the land into ten parcels, more or less equal in size and value, as follows:

- Lot No. 1, 80 acres, \$220 to Whitfield **Beaver**
- Lot No. 2, 80 acres, \$220 to Rebecca **Beaver**
- Lot No. 3, 80 acres, \$220 to Forrest **Beaver**
- Lot No. 4, 80 acres, \$220 to Thomas H. **Beaver**
- Lot No. 5, 80 acres, \$280 to Mrs. Nancy **Beene**
- Lot No. 6, 71 acres, \$284 to Henry **Beaver**
- Lot No. 7, 87 acres, \$174 to John **Beaver**
- Lot No. 8, 70 acres, \$350 to Eli **Beaver**
- Lots Nos. 9 & 10, 314 acres, \$984 to Mrs. Rebecca **Beaver**

The commissioners also apportioned the notes and monies so that each of the heirs received their rightful share of the estate. The final settlement and distribution of the estate was complicated and prolonged due to the number of outstanding loans and due to the partition of the real estate to the individual heirs.

The children of James and Rebecca (**Wallis**) **Beaver** were:

- 69. i. Nancy **Kirk**, born February 20, 1852 in Henderson County, Tennessee.
- 70. ii. Carroll, born November 21, 1853 in Henderson County, Tennessee. He died March 17, 1854.
- 71. iii. John **Clifford**, born March 23, 1855 in Henderson County, Tennessee.
- 72. iv. George **Whitfield**, born June 12, 1857 in Henderson County, Tennessee.
- 73. v. Rebecca Ann, born October 9, 1860 in Freestone County, Texas.
- 74. vi. Henry **Fletcher**, born December 28, 1863 in Freestone County, Texas.
- 75. vii. Eli F., born January 13, 1865 in Freestone County, Texas.
- 76. viii. Forest, born January 18, 1867 in Freestone County, Texas.

At the time of the 1880 Census, the widow Rebecca was farming the old family plantation.<sup>45</sup> She is listed as 55 years old and a North Carolina native. Her sons, Whitfield, Henry, and Eli, were living with her and no doubt managing and working on the plantation. Her farm consisted of 40 acres of tilled land, 40 acres of permanent pasture, and 450 acres of unimproved land.<sup>46</sup> She valued her farm land at \$1,500, implements and machinery at \$50, and livestock at \$200. During the year, she had spent \$100 in fence building and repairs and paid out \$10 in wages. Rebecca owned four horses, two mules, two cows, ten cattle, eleven sheep, twenty one swine, and forty barnyard poultry. During the year, two calves had dropped, she purchased two cattle, she sold one, and two had died, strayed, or were stolen. Two of her sheep had died of disease. The remainder produced eight fleeces that weighed twenty pounds. She also harvested three hundred bushels of corn from 28 acres and eight bales of cotton on 13 acres. She valued the total farm production at \$440.

Unfortunately, the widow has not been found in the 1900 Census anywhere in Texas. Rebecca Beaver died September 9, 1907. She was buried next to her husband at the old Salem Cemetery. Her tombstone indicates that she was born March 10, 1825. No probate was entered on her estate and no further record of her has been found.

On February 28, 1964, Wretha B. **Johnson**, a descendant recalled visiting the old family plantation during her youth.<sup>47</sup>

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*“James **Beaver** built on the plantation at Beaver’s Creek, what was known as the ‘settler’s story and a half,’ a mansion for the time and section where he lived. This was a big log house, built as follows: the room or rooms on one side was first built with a wide porch or veranda running the full length of one side, as he needed shelter for his family in a hurry; then rooms were added across the porch which now became a wide open hall; later as the family grew, the upstairs portion was added and a lean-to kitchen built on the back. I do not remember ever visiting this house except once when I was ten or twelve years of age, but I was disappointed to find that the ‘fine’ house I had heard so much of, had cracks between the logs chinked up with cotton and clay. The house had three chimneys, one at the side of each main portion of the house, and one in the kitchen to cook on.*

*“As the Rev. James Beaver was a man of ‘quality,’ his children, I refer to the older children, were cared for by their Negro mammy almost entirely. When quite small each child was given his Negro servant. When Hugh and Thomas H. Beaver enlisted in the Confederate Army, each was accompanied by his ‘body servant.’ My grandfather, Thomas H. Beaver, was well educated for his time, but he always spoke the old slave dialect. The Beaver children attended the fashionable boarding school taught by Aunt Adeline, Mrs. Benson **Galbreath**.*

*“When we were children, we visited the Freestone kinfolks every summer. I can remember how the old slave Negroes came around to see ‘Miss Dovie’ and Marse Tom’s pretty little grandchildren. When the slaves were freed they lamented and pleaded to stay with Marse Jim. And I can remember so many stories of the **Beaver** family’s life during slavery times, and especially of the witty, droll little Negro girl so beloved by the children.”*

## Conclusion

The Reverend James **Beaver** was an interesting character. He served as a major in the local Tennessee militia while a young man. One wonders whether he saw any active military service during his service. He also was ordained as a minister in the Primitive Baptist Church while a young man. He was instrumental in organizing the local congregation in Tennessee and again in Texas. He continued to actively preach throughout his life. In Texas, he became a large landowner and successful cotton planter. His life was a full and fruitful one. He no doubt was proud of his children and enjoyed his grand children during his later years.

The foregoing article presents all of the public and private records that we have found concerning James **Beaver**, his wives Nancy **Kirk** and Rebecca **Wallis**, and their family. We are indebted to the staff of many public and private institutions for their patience, cooperation, and assistance. Special mention is due the helpful staff at the Tennessee State Library and Archives, Texas State Library, Henderson County Courthouse, Freestone County Courthouse, and the very kind ladies at the Mid-Continent Public Library, Dallas Public Library, and the Clayton Library in Houston. Also, many thanks are due to our cousins Orpha Jewel **Weaver**, Lena Canady **Bonner**, and Willie Mae Beaver who generously shared their research with us. Hopefully, others will step forward with new information as well as suggestions for further research.

\* 5427 Mission Road, Fairway, Kansas 66205. Member, Texas State Genealogical Society.

45 1880 Census, Population Schedule, Precinct 2, Freestone County, Texas, Enumeration District 52, Sheet 25.

46 1880 Census, Agricultural Schedule, Precinct 2, Freestone County, Texas, Enumeration District 52, Sheet 15.

47 Untitled manuscript, donated by Mrs. Neva Beaver Shanks. Dallas Public Library, Dallas, Texas.<sup>29</sup>

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## THE MCEWEN FAMILY BIBLE

On December 24, 1986, **Gifford Rhodes** of Orange Park, Florida corresponded with **Mary Louise Nazor** at the Tennessee Genealogical Society and sent her a copy of pages from his **Rhodes** and **McEwen** family Bibles, along with newspaper clippings of the obituaries of **Levi McEwen** and his children **James F. McEwen** and **Elizabeth McCracken**.

The McEwen family Bible belonged to the descendants of **Levi McEwen** and his wife, **Frances E. Thomas**. It was apparently held by **Linnie (McCracken) Carter** until sent to **Anna (McEwen) Rhodes** 10 July 1967. The Bible was published by A.J. Holman & Co., No. 930 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1880.

According to entries in the Bible, **Levi McEwen** was born January 8th 1826, and his wife **Frances** was born July 10th, 1830. On their marriage certificate they are listed as **Levi McEwen** of Lexington, Tenn. and **Frances E. Thomas** of Mifflin, Tenn. They were married on November 9th 1849 at the home of **James Thomas** by **James Beaver, M.G.** [yes, the **James Beaver** of the previous article]; witnesses were **James A. Henry, Rebun Hart, James M. Cooper** and **Josephine Purdy**.

### LEVI MCEWEN

Death notices in Huntingdon, TN and Memphis newspapers from April 4, 1895 tell us that **Levi** was ill for six weeks before dying of consumption at the age of 69 years. He was born in Henderson County in 1825, the accounts say, and "during his residence there was both Sheriff and County Court Clerk for a number of years." **Levi** moved to Huntingdon in 1870 "and was for a long time connected with the firm of McCracken and Co. as bookkeeper. In 1888 he was elected Mayor of Huntingdon which position he has held until his demise."

"He was married in 1848 to Miss **Frances Thomas** who survives him. He was the father of four children, two of whom, Mrs. **Ellen Algee**, wife of **James E. Algee**, at one time editor of the Memphis Scimitar, and **John D. McEwen**, also survives him. The remaining two, **J.F.** and **Bettie**, wife of **Jo McCracken**, a prominent business man, are dead. Impressive funeral services were held at the residence this afternoon, after which the remains, followed by almost the entire town, were conveyed to Clark Cemetery for interment. Mr. **McEwen** was a member of the Knights of Honor.

### ELIZABETH MCCRACKEN

"Born at Center Point Henderson County on May 30, 1852 and was married to the surviving husband on May 28, 1868." **Bettie** was evidently in poor health for some years prior to her death, as described in the article. She and her husband became members of "the local C.P. church" in June of 1885, a year before her death.

### JAMES F. MCEWEN

"Died April 18th, 1887 in Huntingdon, of consumption. He was a kind-hearted, generous man, and although his death was not unexpected his many friends deeply regret his loss. He leaves a little boy, his wife having died some years ago."



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## BIRTHS

**Levi McEwen** was born January 8th 1826

**Frances E. McEwen** was born July 10th 1830

**John Dickinson McEwen** was born August 19th 1850

**Elizabeth McEwen** was born May 30th 1852

**James Franklin McEwen** was born Feby 19th 1855

**Ellen Agnus McEwen** was born May 26th 1858

**Katie McEwen** Daughter of **John D.** and **Katie McEwen** was born December 22nd 1873

**Joe McEwen** son of **James F.** and **Minnie McEwen** was born April 6th 1878

**Frances Singletary** daughter of **Flint** and **Katie Singletary** was born Oct 2, 1903

**Joseph McEwen, Jr.**

**Linnie McCracken** Born 11/3/71 Birth Certificate Feb. 25, 1942 P. 94847 File No. D105037

## MARRIAGES

**Joe McCracken** and **Elizabeth McEwen** were married May 28th 1868

**John D. McEwen** & **Katie Johnson** was married December 26th 1872

**James F. McEwen** & **Minnie Travis** were married Sept 5th 1875

**James R. Algee** and **Ellen A. McEwen** were married Oct 18th 1885

**L.M. Carter** and **Linnie McCracken** were married Oct 1, 1900

**Flint Singletary** and **Katie P. McEwen** were married Aug 18, 1901

**John D. McEwen** and **Alina Curry** were married at Trenton, Tennessee on \_\_\_\_\_

## DEATHS

**Elizabeth McCracken** died June 5 1886

**James F. McEwen** died April 18th 1887

**Levi McEwen** died April 4 1895

**Frances E. McEwen** died Mar. 14, 1906

**Luther McCall Carter** died February 22, 1910

**Ellen Agnes Algee** died October 1910

**Joe McEwen** died Rutherford nursing home, Rutherford, Tennessee Oct 18, 1966 was not sent to Huntingdon for burial

Please see the Rhodes vertical file at the Regional History and Genealogy Center Library in Germantown, TN for information from the other Bibles. One of the Bibles belonged to the descendents of **John Marion Rhodes** (b. 1848), son of **John W. Rhodes** and **Mary "Polly" Kelley Rhodes**, who came to Carroll County from Elbert County, Georgia about 1849 to farm in the eighth district. The six children of **John Marion Rhodes** and **Nannie Jane Morgan** include **Lucian "L.M." Rhodes**, who married **Anna McEwen**, daughter of **John D.** and **Martha Currey McEwen**.

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## The Porter House and Key Corner Historical Points in Lauderdale County, Tennessee

—by Roy Cook, Jr. — Halls, Tennessee

**Henry Rutherford**, surveyor, son of General **Griffin Rutherford**, born in Rowan County, N.C. August 17, 1762, migrated to Tennessee about 1783, and was active in surveying North Carolina warrants west of the Tennessee River, 1785-86.

**Henry Rutherford**, in 1785, began his surveys at Key Corner, which was on the first high ground along the south side of the Forked Deer River (known then as the Okeena), the Cole Creek Bluff. On this first trip Rutherford named the river Forked Deer, because he killed a large buck on its bank, which had large and forked antlers. **Rutherford** returned to North Carolina after having completed his surveys, and returned again in the spring of 1819 to Key Corner to settle permanently.

**Rutherford** brought his brothers, **Benjamin Porter** and one **Crenshaw**, and he also brought plenty of provisions, livestock, poultry and farming tools. They made the trip overland to Reynoldsburg on the Tennessee River, where they took flat-boats for the rest of the journey. **Rutherford** settled on a tract of land he had entered a generation before, about two miles east of Key Corner. **Henry Rutherford** is buried on that same spot of ground in the cemetery named after him. The cemetery has not been kept up through the years but the tombstones are still visible and it has a wire around it.

When **Rutherford** first came to Key Corner he cut his initials in a large sycamore tree as a marker. The tree has long since fallen, and the point where the original survey began is about sixty feet in the Forked Deer River, but a bronze marker has been placed at the approximate spot where the original survey began. It has been said that the old sycamore tree with the initials H.R. cut in it, was later pulled out of the river with 17 yoke of oxen (date uncertain). The first grist mill in Lauderdale County was built at Key Corner in 1826 for **Griffin Rutherford**, son of **Henry**. The first cotton gin in Lauderdale County was also built at Key Corner in 1827, and in about 1829 the first school was taught about 2 ½ miles north of what is now Double Bridges, by **Edith Kenley**. **Rutherford** also taught school at Key Corner in a log cabin. In 1836 the first steamboat, the "Grey Eagle," was run up the Forked Deer River, but today only small row boats and fishing boats travel the river at Key Corner because it is shallow at places and many logs and fallen trees are in the river.

**Benjamin Porter**, instead of settling at Key Corner, moved to about 2 miles east of Key Corner, where the community of Porter's Gap now stands. He erected a log house made of yellow poplar with brick between the logs. He had to make his own brick in a homemade oven he built himself. The house still stands [date?]. The logs are put together with wooden pegs. He had his own sawmill and sawed his own weather boarding. The house has four fireplaces in it, two upstairs and two downstairs. The downstairs fireplaces will burn firewood six feet long.

In this house was born June 12, 1820, the first white male child in the county, **Benjamin Porter, Jr.** **Benjamin Porter, Jr.** lived all his life in the house in which he was born, and died at a very old age. He has the unusual experience of having been a resident of three different counties (Haywood, Dyer and Lauderdale) without ever moving from the same house. Mr. **Porter** reared two daughters and three sons in this house and instead of specializing in farming, he hunted game and raised cattle and hogs. He raised his hogs wild in the bottom (that is, he let them make their own living, but he carried corn to them occasionally to keep them in a certain range). Once Mr. **Porter** discovered that panthers were eating some of his cattle, so he went panther hunting, and it is said that he killed, in one day, four full grown panthers, their length averaging nine and one half feet. When Mr. **Porter** came home that

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night he was almost frozen to death and for a few days he couldn't talk enough to tell his family where he had been. Mr. **Porter** was a celebrated bear hunter. He killed, by actual count, over one hundred bears.

Porter's Gap received its name because of the Gap Mr. **Porter** had there, which he went through to go to the Mississippi Bottom and to Key Corner.

The **Porters** had considerable wealth, and during the War Between the States the Yankees were coming to their house to try to loot the place, but the **Porters** were keeping watch for them, the boys and Mr. **Porter** would divide and hide on each side of the gap and when the Yankees were coming through, the **Porters** would ambush them. The soldiers that did get to the house were defeated because the house had portholes in the upper rooms through which the **Porters** would shoot them as they rode around the house. Between 75 and 100 Yankee Soldiers were killed around the house and the Gap during the War Between the States. Once the Yankees captured Mr. **Porter** and took him to Jackson, Tennessee, but turned him loose and he bought a horse and rode home.

The **Porter** family and the Yankee Soldiers are buried about 800 ft. north of the old Porter house in an unmarked cemetery. In Mr. **Porter**'s will was a clause that William **Clemens**, his stepson, put up markers and build a road to the cemetery, but this was never done.

In 1904, my grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom **Cook**, bought the farm from William **Clemens**. In 1934, my grandparents had a servant living in the old Porter house. She was unmarried and had no enemies that any one knew about, but one day as my grandfather was walking by the old house he saw smoke coming out of the house from all directions. He went into the house and found the negro servant where she had been placed in the long fireplace with quilts wrapped around her and set afire; but it was found that she had been hit on the head before being placed in the fireplace. Footprints were found leading to the highway through the cotton field but the murderer was never found.

The old **Porter** house still stands about one hundred and fifty feet behind the house where I was born and where my father still lives.

#### Notes

This article was sent to the Tennessee Genealogical Society 25 January 1982 with the following note attached:

Dear Editor,

Enclosed is an article by **Roy Cook**, Jr. of Halls, TN on the Porter House. My dad grew up in that house. There is at least one error in the story: **Ben Porter**'s stepson was **Benjamin Moore Clement**, my grandfather. I don't think the Porter House was sold until after 1907, but I don't have the land records to check. I thought you might want to use this or parts of it for "Ansearchin' News."

—**Mary Clement Douglass**, Salina, Kansas

**Henry Rutherford** (1762 – 1847), surveyor and early settler of Tennessee, was the son of General **Griffith Rutherford** (1721 – 1805) and **Elizabeth Graham** of Rowan County, North Carolina and Sumner County, Tennessee. Seven or eight of their ten children eventually came to Tennessee and lived in Cocke, Smith, Wilson, Maury and Dyer (later Lauderdale) Counties in the 1830's and 1840's. **Henry**'s younger brother, **Griffith Weakley Rutherford** was born in 1775 and died 10 Nov 1846 in Wilson County, Tennessee. His wife was **Elizabeth Johnson** (1787 – ca. 1866). Seven of their eight children lived in Davidson, Stewart and Wilson Counties, and one son migrated to Texas.

(For more information, please see *Genealogical History of the Rutherford Family* by **W.K. Rutherford**, 1979 and 1986; several family charts are also available in TnGen files).

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## CROCKETT COUNTY, TENNESSEE

### CLERK MINUTES, QUARTERLY COURT

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MONDAY AUGUST 5TH AD, 1872

The commissioners appointed at the May term of this court to set apart for the use of minor children under 15 years of age of **V. L. Mallett** deceased, all property exempt from execution and attachments as provided for in sections 2284-2287-2289 of the code made the following:

Pursuant to the above order, we the undersigned commissioners appointed at the May term of the county court of Crockett County have proceeded to set apart to the minor children under fifteen years of age of **V.L. Mallett** deceased the following property exempt from execution by law also one buggy on hand, purchase shoes, sugar, coffee and necessities of life for one year to wit:

1 pair plow gear	155	1 set chairs	200
		2 bed steads	400
curb bit	50		
cook stove & utensils	2430	150 mid meat	1500
log chain	65	50 lbs shoulder meat 8	400
weeding hoe	25	86 lbs ham meat 13	1118
1 plow	325	26 lbs jowl 3 ¼	84
harrow	200	40 lbs lard 14 ¾	590
spad	65	52.72	
1 grind stone	190	amt forwarded \$89.87	
and irons	85	4 ½ lbs corn @3.45	1552
1 fire shovel	25	2 beds	1500
pot hooks	25	Horse wagon	1050
3715		buggy and harness set apart to supply minor	
still yards	50	children under fifteen yrs. with shoes, sugar	
tin pan	20	& coffee &c	
tray and sieve table ware	550	spinning wheel	250
water bucket	50	_____ & pin	50
1 milk churn	65	1 wash kettle	55
coffee mill	20	grubbing hoe	105
1 table	165	7 head stock hogs	2525
lamp	25	milk cow	3625
school books	10	\$336.99	

Respectfully submitted **I.W. Evans**

**D.E. Smith**  
**W.A. Lewis**

**James Little et al vs. Eliza J. Winn**

To the worshipful county court of Crockett County

The undersigned clerk of this court in pursuance to an order of your worshipful court made at the June term hereof in the above cause. After advertising as directed by law did proceed to sell the tract of land

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described in the pleadings at Cageville in Crockett County on the 27th day of July last for 20 percent cash the balance in equal sums due by note December 25th 1872 and 1873 and **W.A. Webb** being the highest and last bidder same was knocked off to him at twenty nine dollars per acre and the said parties has complied with the terms of sale all of which is respectfully submitted.

**F.J. Wood** clerk

**Sol W. Brassfield vs. Martha D. Brassfield**

This cause came on for hearing and by order was continued til the next term of this court.

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MONDAY AUG 5TH AD 1872

**James Little vs. Eliza J. Winn**

This cause came on to be heard as to fees of council upon the report of the clerk which report is in words and figures as follows:

**James Little et al vs. Eliza J. Winn**

The undersigned when this cause was referred to take proof as the attorneys fees referred to the [deposition] of **A.A. Freeman, W.T. Poston** on file herein and begs leave to report that **W.I. McFarland** atty for petitioners is entitled to receive as reasonable fee the sum of seventy eight dollars and thirty cents and **W.A. Powell** atty guardian *ad litum* for minor to ten dollars all of which is submitted.

**F.J. Wood** clerk

It appearing that said report is in all things correct. It is therefore ordered that same be confirmed and the clerk pay over to the attorneys named the aforesaid amounts.

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It appearing to the court that said report is in all things correct it is therefore ordered and decreed that the same be in all things confirmed and that all the right title and interest of **James Little** and wife **Burline**, **Frank Young** and wife **Agnes**, **Clinton Bailey** and his wife **Emily**, **James Beard** and his wife **Matilda**, **A.J. Medlin**, **William H. Winn**, **George G. Winn** and **Eliza J. Winn**, in and to the following discribed tract of land situated in the civil district of Crockett County Tennessee; on the waters of Cypress Creek and formerly lived upon by **Lit Medlin** deceased and bounded as follows to wit: on the south by the lands of **Robert Emmerson**, and **Alex Webb**; on the east by lands **James Follace** on the north by lands of **James Smith** and **John D. Evans** and on the west by the lands of **W.A. Webb**. Its south west corner being at the field gate of **W.A. Webb** on a willow oak the north east corner on an elm on **Robert Emmerson's** north line, at the creek and the east corner at the bridge on the creek at **Robert Emmersons** corner and another north east corner at **James Smith** corner, on the old Madison County line, and the north west corner at a stake at **W.A. Webb** corner containing by estimation 54 acres bought by **Lit Medlin** of **A. Reece**, be divested out of them and each of them their heirs &c and vested in **W.A. Webb** his heirs assigns &c forever subject to a loan for the unpaid purchase money. It is therefore ordered out of the cash proceeds, of said sale including attorneys fees, and that the clerk pay over to the parties, hereto after payment of cash fees &x as aforesaid, out of the proceeds of said sale as they are entitled, to receive the same, and that he pay to the guardian of **Eliza J. Winn** his portion of said fund, upon his executing bond therefore with good security.

MONDAY AUGUST 5TH AD 1872

**James Little et.al. vs Eliza J. Winn**

Ordered by the court that this cause be referred to the clerk to take proof as to what would be reasonable attys fees on this cause and that he report to this term of the court...This cause came on to be heard as follows: [see page 66, above]

Court adjourned til 9:00 a.m. August 6th 1872

**Isaac M. Johnson** chairman  
**S.S. Watkins** associate  
**J.H. Davis** associate

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TUESDAY AUGUST 6TH 1872

The court met pursuant to adjournment present and presiding **Isaac M. Johnson** chairman, **S.S. Watkins** and **J.H. Davis** associate justices, **R.G. Harris** sheriff and **F.J. Wood** clerk.

When the following proceedings were had to wit:

**Ann Wilson** exec. **James Wilson**

A paper writing preporting to be the Last Will and Testament of **James Wilson** deceased was this day produced in open court and the execution thereof duly proven by the oaths of **Isaac M. Johnson**, **A.J. Curtis** subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore ordered by the court [to be] the Last Will and Testament of **James Wilson** deceased.

Therefore **Ann M. Wilson** wife of **James Wilson** deceased came into court and was duly qualified as executrix of the estate of **James Wilson** deceased and was relieved from giving bond customary in such cases owing to the fact that this matter was provided for in the Last Will and Testament of **James Wilson** deceased.

**F.J. Wood** secretary of the Board of Commissioners of Crockett County, **J.F. Sinclair**, **W.N. Beasley**, **J. Frank Roberson**, **Asa Dean**, **K.H. James**, **T.J. Hicks**, **J.E. Pearson** and **F.J. Wood** handed in his report of the meeting of the Board of Commissioners on the first Monday of August.

State of Tennessee  
Crockett County

To the worshipful county court of Crockett County,  
Pursuant to adjournment the commissioners of Crockett County met at the Masonic Hall in Cageville on the first Monday in August it being the 5th day of said month all the commissioners being present. They proceeded to attend to and transact such business as might come before them. The first business was reading the propositions for donations for the county site of Crockett County which was made from the citizens of Cageville and vacinity for the county site [seat?] to be established at Cageville also from **J.W. Evans** for establishing the county site on the **Loron** farm also from the citizens of Cairo also from **Anthony Swift** and **S.S. Booth** for the establishing the county site near the center of said county surveyed and ascertained by **Gen William Corner** making it one mile and five eighths from Cageville and about the same from Cairo on a direct line or nearly so between two points whereupon it was shown that the donations from Cageville were greater in valuation than from either of the other mentioned points.

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On motion it was then ascertained that the commissioners a majority ruling were in favor of locating the site of said county.

On motion it was ascertained that a majority of the commissioners were in favor of locating the county site at Cageville which was finally agreed upon and from this time forever hereafter the name of Cageville is abolished and in the future the county site must go by the name of Alamo agreeable to an act passed November 23rd 1871.

**F.J. Wood** secretary

Court adjourned til court in course **Isaac M. Johnson** chairman

**S.S. Watkins** associate

**J.H. Davis** associate

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MONDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND AD 1872 County court September term 1872

State of Tennessee

Crockett County

Be it remembered that at a county court began and held at the Masonic Hall in the town of Alamo on Monday the 2nd day of September 1872 It being the first Monday in said month, this being the regular term of said court for the county of Crockett and state of Tennessee. Present and presiding his worshipful **Isaac M. Johnson** chairman, **J.H. Davis** associate justice and **J.W. Roseman**, associate justice pro tem and by special call **J.J. Farrow**, **D.H. James**, **J.E. Pearson**, **Z.T. Warren**, **S.D. Hopper**, **J.C. Cook**, **J.F. Roberson**, **B.H. Harmon**, **G.W. Bond**, **Dennis Tatum**, **L.W. Daniel** esqs duly commissioned and qualified to hold said court **F.J. Wood** clerk and **R.G. Harris** sheriff when the following proceedings were had to wit:

Ordered by the court that **Asa Dean**, **P.B. Nance**, **C.A. Boswell**, **Thomas Bell**, **John Stamps** and they are hereby appointed a jury of Viess to examine the present Dyersburg and Jackson road from the old Dyer County line to the point where it runs in the old road at Thomas Bells at the board marked Jackson and Bells Depot and report to the next term of this court as to its practicability of being made a first class road and whether the same will injure the public or private individuals. Issued.

State of Tennessee vs. bastardy **W.F. Poston**

This cause came on to be heard witnesses on the part of the state being absent, on motion and by consent of defendant, the same was continued until the 2nd day of the next term of this court. And it was further ordered that notice issue to **Amy Seals** witness on behalf of the state to make a personal appearance at the court house in the town of Alamo on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in October next to give evidence in behalf of the state. This she shall in no wise omit under the penalty prescribed by law. Issued.

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MONDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND AD 1872

Ordered by the court that **George Smothers** overseer on the Jackson and Dyersburg Road from Cross Roads Church to the creek near Bells Work all the lands on **W. Griffins** farm, **Norman Shearron** Col and all the lands on **Wm Sherrons** farm and all other lands within the bounds of said road not mentioned in preceding order and not allotted to other roads. Issued.

Ordered by the court that **Z. Wainright**, **E. Harrell**, **W.B. Jones**, **John Tatum**, and **T.E. Noel** be appointed a jury of Veiss to examine that portion of the road leading to Bells Cross Roads Church where the creek makes into the road between the farms of **Mrs. Crichlow** and **Dr. William**

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**Jelks**, and report to the next term of this court the proveable damages should the road be located beyond the lines of either farm. Issued.

On motion it is ordered by the court that a rule formerly adopted by this court prohibiting any member of this court being received on any bond or bonds be so modified as to apply only to the quorum court so far as the magistrates are concerned.

**Benjamin C. Bridger** Adm of **Nancy Bridger** deceased

On motion **Benjamin C. Bridger** was this day appointed administrator of the estate of **Nancy Bridger** deceased where upon the said **Benjamin C. Bridger** came into court was duly qualified entered into and acknowledged his bond in the sum of Two thousand dollars with **W.M. Griffin** and **John A. Yearwood** as his securities who severally acknowledged said bond in open court which was approved by the court and ordered to be recorded that letters of administration. Issue to the said **Benjamin C. Bridger**.

**J.F. Robertson** this day produced in open court a statement from the clerk of Dyer County Court showing the indebtedness of the administrator of **M.W. Robertson** deceased estate which was ordered to be spread upon the minutes.

State of Tennessee

Dyer County

I **W.M. Watkins** clerk of the county court of Dyer County, Tennessee do hereby certify that there is due and owing from the administrators of **M.W. Robertson** decd Viz **J.H. Perry** and **J. Robertson** the sum of three thousand two hundred and sixty six and 36/100 dollars, \$3266.36 as per settlement made on the 18th day of June 1872 as the same appears of record in my office. Witness my hand at office this August 15 Anno Domini 1872, **W.M. Watkins** clerk by **Zack Watkins DcW. Berry Perry** Adm of **W.N. Ellis** deceased On motion **W.B. Perry** was this day appointed administrator of the estate of **W.N. Ellis** deceased. Whereupon the said **W.B. Perry** came into court and entered into bond in the sum of five hundred dollars, \$500.00 with **R.L. Hamil** and **Asa Dean** as his securities which bond was severally acknowledged in open court approved by the court and ordered to be recorded the said **W.B. Perry** was duly qualified and it was ordered that letters of administration issue to the said **W.B. Perry**. **R.G. Harris** sheriff brought forward **J.W. Cates** and **W.M. Walker** who were duly qualified in open court as Deputy Sheriffs of Crockett County.

**Sol W. Brassfield vs Martha D. Brassfield**

This cause on for hearing and by order continued til the next term of the court.

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**Z.S.A. Mitchell**, Guardian of **Jefferson Porter**, **M. Francis Porter**, **Georgia Ann Porter**, **Margaret Porter**, **Loula Porter**

On motion **Z.S.A. Mitchell** was this day appointed guardian of **Jefferson Porter**, **M. Francis Porter**, **Georgia Ann Porter**, **Margaret Porter** and **Loula Porter** thereupon the said **Z.S.A. Mitchell** came into court was duly qualified entered into and acknowledged his bond in the sum of two thousand dollars with **P.W. Moore** and **W.H. Mitchell** as his securities who severally acknowledged said bond in open court and ordered to be recorded.



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## George Alton col Appointed to J.W. Oslin

**George Alton** a colored minor orphan was this day brought into court and by the court appointed to **J.W. Oslin** thereupon the said **J. Waslin** came into court entered into an obligation for faithful preformance of his duties to said apprenticed and for the payment of one hundred dollars in currency and to furnish said apprentice with one suit of clotes at his expiration of the apprenticeship the said **Oslin** gave **J.H. Werson** as his security on said obligation which being acknowledged in open court by **J. Waslin** and **J.H. Werson** was appointed by the court and ordered to be recorded, said minor is about 13 years old.

**J.W. Oslin**

## R.G. Harris Bond

**R.G. Harris** sheriff of Crockett County this day came into court and entered into bond in the sum of twenty five thousand dollars with **T.J. Hicks, J. Hall, James Emerson, D.A. Jones, R.E. Armstrong** and **J.W. Edwards** as his securities which bond was severally acknowledged in open court, approved to by the court and ordered to be recorded and the oath of office was duly administered to the said **R.G. Harris**.

## James Lowerry Bond

**James Lowerry** trustee elect this day came into court and entered into bond in the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars with **James W. Lock, James Emmerson** and **J.P. Simmons, James Mekins** as his securities which bond was severally acknowledged in open court, approved by the court and ordered to be recorded and the oath of office was duly administered to the said **James Lowerry** as trustee of Crockett County.

**R.J. Haynes** constable elect of District No. 1, this day came into court and entered into bond in the sum of eight thousand dollars with **J.E. Pearson** and **J.W. Bond** as his securities which bond was severally acknowledged in open court approved by the court and ordered to be recorded and the oath of office was duly administered to the said **R.J. Haynes**.

*editor's note: the following men posted the same bond as constables-elect:*

District 2	<b>L.L. Cherry</b>	<b>William Todd,</b>	<b>J.P. Jones, securities</b>	
District 3	<b>Calvin Vanpelt</b>	<b>J.W. Edwards,</b>	<b>W.S.A. Jones,</b>	
	<b>J.N. McKiver</b>			
District 4	<b>A.J. Collingsworth</b>	<b>U.Z. Rains,</b>	<b>B.F. Collingsworth, securities</b>	
District 5	<b>I.C. Smothers</b>	<b>R.C. Bridger,</b>	<b>J.W. Willett,</b>	<b>B.C. Bridger</b>
	<b>L.W. Daniel, securities</b>			
District 6	<b>I.W. Cates</b>	<b>C.W. Cates,</b>	<b>F.G. Cates, securities</b>	
District 7	<b>F.T. Cates</b>	<b>C.W. Cates,</b>	<b>F.G. Cates, securities</b>	
District 8	<b>William Stamps</b>	<b>Baker Harrell,</b>	<b>Thomas Harrell,</b>	<b>Dorsy Harrell</b>
District 9	<b>T.H. Averty</b>	<b>J.F. M. McCeness,</b>	<b>J.W. Moore,</b>	<b>Henry Babb</b>
District 10	<b>G.T. Eason</b>	<b>J.W. Moore,</b>	<b>E.J. Chaney,</b>	<b>W. Sims, and</b>
	<b>Thomas Harrell, securities</b>			
District 11	<b>I.H. Reddick</b>	<b>J.H. Farmer,</b>	<b>B.H. Harmon,</b>	<b>J.F. Roberson</b>
District 12	<b>R.T. Chambers</b>	<b>J.W. Moore,</b>	<b>W.C. McAfee,</b>	<b>Asa Dean,</b>
		<b>W.S. Chambers, and</b>	<b>J.D. Smith, securities</b>	
District 13	<b>I.H. Farmer</b>	<b>W.T. Macklin,</b>	<b>J.W. Moore,</b>	<b>J.H. Reddick</b>
	<b>and J.L. Leggett, securities</b>			

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Minor Children of **W.N. Ellis**, deceased

Ordered by the court that **George Dean, T.F. Conyers**, and **R.T. Hamil** be and they are hereby appointed commissioners to set apart to the minor children under 15 years of age, of said deceased all the property exempt from execution of the estate of **W.N. Ellis** deceased and report to the next term of this court.

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Ordered by the court a majority of the magistrates being present and voting for the same that **Jessie Harris, Isaac M. Johnson, W.M. Klyce** be and they are hereby appointed a committee to form a plan, and accept designs with plans thereof for the building of brick or wood, court house and jail to be erected in Alamo and report the same at the next term of this court and communicate with undertakers thereof reserving the right either without paying for same.

**B.H. Harmon**, Notary Public

**B.H. Harmon** who has been duly elected Notary Public for Crockett County this day came into court and entered into bond in the sum of five thousand dollars with **J.H. Reddick** and **J.F. Robertson** as his securities which bond was severally acknowledged in open court approved by the court and ordered to be recorded and the oath of office was duly administered to the said **B.H. Harmon** as Notary Public of Crockett County.

Where as it has been made known to the county court by the secretary of the board of commissioners appointed by the legislature of the state of Tennessee to organize the county of Crockett that by the authority of the 11 section of said act of Nov 23 1871 they had located the county site of said county of Crockett at the Village Cageville and that the said town of Cageville shall be known as the town of Alamo the county site of Crockett County for all time to come according to the provisions of said section No 11 of said act. Therefore be it ordered by the court a majority of the magistrates in said county being present on the bench that **H.H. Mahon, H.M. Klyce** be and they are hereby appointed a committee in conjunction with **W.A. Johnson** county surveyor whose duty it shall be as soon as convenient to lay off said town of Alamo with a public square, streets And alleys for said town and survey all donations of land made by citizens to the county into suitable sized lots for business houses and residences all numbered and made out and return to map of the plan of said town.

Court adjourned until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock

**Isaac M. Johnson** chairman  
**J.H. Davis** associate  
**J.W. Rosamon** associate

(to be continued)

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## THE CHICKAMAUGA EXPEDITION OF 1787

—by Lloyd de Witt Bockstruck, FNGS

In 1787 the settlers in Davidson County attempted to negotiate with the Cherokee in the Chickamauga towns. A few days following the negotiations, the Indians killed Mark Robertson near the home of his brother, Col. James Robertson, who led the retaliatory response against the Cherokee settlements in June. It was not until 1789, however, that North Carolina approved payment for the militia service.

Due to the absence of the 1790 census returns, the names of the more than 1,300 men paid in 1789 for their military service in the first war following independence represent an important record. The men were numbered sequentially as they “signed” for their pay. That is the number to the left of the name. The descendants of these veterans are entitled to membership in the Society of Indian Wars.

This valuable record is found in volume XVII, page 6, folio 3 through page 19, folio 3 of *the Revolutionary Army Accounts* in the North Carolina Archives and on microfilm in major genealogical libraries in the nation. It should be noted that the numbering sequence in the original contains several clerical errors.

905 James -----	1218 Benjamin Bailey	1418 Jesse Bird
1152 Nathl	1356 Elisha Baker	817 Wm Black
826 James Adair	241 John Baker	1075 Joseph Black
1242 John Adams	261 Nicholas Baker	667 Wm Black
697 Ringrose Adkins	1336 Alexr Baker	1132 Benj Blackburn
893 R. Adkins	232 Zibb Baker	1198 J. Blackwell
588 Robert Adkinson	1063 Elezar Balckburn	418 Geo Blackwnoor
628 John Aires	1153 Wm Baldwin	812 William Blair
562 Dr. Isaac Aleander	903 James Baley	1105 John Blair
821 James Alexander	366 Andw Barbee	1154 James Blake
1147 J. Alexander	956 Eli Barber	524 Anthy Bledsoe
1128 Jacob Alexander	1043 Michl Barnett	521 A. Bledsoe, Col.
476 Aaron Alexander	383 Robt Barnett	876 Thos Bledsoe
1165 Joseph Alexander	183 Kennedy Bay	523 Isaac Bledsoe
800 Archibd Alexander	1109 John Beard	1079 Dillon Blevin
559 Richard Allen	1346 James Beard	1066 Andw Bogle
985 John Anderson	374 John Beard	1067 James Bogle
589 John Anderson	79 John Bell	508 Page Bolien
514 Uriah Anderson	23 John Bell	1286 Jonathan Bosely
1017 Alexr Anderson	78 Wm: Bell	131 James Bosely
503 Wm Anderson	941 Dani Belue	1268 James Bounds
660 Alexr Armstrong	644 John Bennett	1238 Saml Bowen
1366 Alexr Armstrong	923 Fras, Beny, Capt.	475 William Bowen
400 Francis Armstrong	274 Wm Beny	884 John Bowman
1182 Robertson Asher	851 Saml Beshers	493 Wm Bownian
918 John Asher	1281 John Beverly	425 Andrew Boyd
1143 Davd Asher	1378 Nathl Bigham	319 Andw Boyd
1181 John Asher	857 John Billingster	179 John Boyd
1157 Davd Austin	202 Francis Bird	1381 John Boydston

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1379 William Boydstone	865 Priestly Buckner	255 Christian Caps
1197 Abraham Boyles	273 Bennett Bull	488 Eq. Carinack
417 Henry Bradford	740 Isaac Buller	582 John Carney, Adjut
351 Jams Bradley	737 Joseph Buller	1254 Alexr Carnpbell
1275 James Brandon	741 Christopher Buller	244 Robt Carr
1140 J. Brandon	335 Stephen Bum	1205 Leonard Carrigan
1243 Sarffl Bransot[?]	1347 Job Bumps	1065 Wm Carson
314 Alexander Breadin	952 John Burke	769 James Carter
102 Elijah Brewer	510 Nichs Burke	798 Jeremiah Carter
494 Robt Brigance	1148 J. Burnes	378 Jacob Cartwright
707 Davd Brigham	135 Eusebius Bushnell	487 Thos Cartwright
509 David Brigim	184 Gasper Butcher	347 Thos Cartwright
766 Wm Brittain	1326 Stephen Byrd	704 Samuel Caruthes
309 Joseph Brock	1313 Amos Byrd	840 Saml Cary
122 Jos Brock	791 Stephen Byrd	138 Benj Caselman
1133 Saml Broles [or Brioles]	1315 Amos Byrd	899 Joseph Casey, Capt.
632 Pierson Brook	1314 John Byrd	904 Saml Casey
277 Jos Brook	115 Peter Caffery	19 Abraham Castleman
1244 Adam Brooles	191 John Caft	467 Abraham Castleman
641 Saml Brown	243 Jesse Caine	245 Abraham Castleman
461 Thos Brown	1319 James Caldwell	225 Benjamin Castleman
438 James Brown	1339 Wm Caldwell	416 Andw Castleman
699 Felix Brown	1337 Andw Caldwell	171 Abraham Castleman
1149 J. Brown	687 John Callahan	1323 John Chamberlain
806 Alexr Brown, Capt	858 Richd Calvett	829 John Chamberland
104 John Brown	727 James Cameron	1245 Moses Chambers
1038 Wm Brown	1410 James Cameron	1187 James Charter
229 John Brown	1011 James Cameron	853 John Chester
1206 Joseph Brown	837 Alexr Campbel	153 Harry Chew
388 Thoms Brown	917 Moses Campbell	578 G. Christian
97 John Brown	910 John Campbell	688 Geo Christian
192 William Brown	1253 David Campbell	891 Geo Christian
159 Wgiam Brown	1233 John Campbell	882 John Clandennin
1040 Hugh Brown[?]	108 John Campbell	140 Alexander Clarke
647 John Brumley	218 John Campbell	154 Lardner Clarke
643 Wm Brumley	149 John Campbell	504 Wm Clary
1415 James Bryan	107 Charles Campbell	1131 M. Cleek
1200 Benjamin Bryant	402 John Campbell	1392 James Clements
116 Jams Bryant	148 Charles Campbell	871 Jeremiah Cloud
268 Jams Bryant	147 Jams Campbell	665 Jacob Clowder
685 Davd Bryham	106 James Campbell	1216 Dred Coble
1257 E. Buchannon	592 Jeremiah Campton	664 Andw Coffinan
743 J. Buchannon	808 Francis Camren	777 Andw Coffman
462 John Buckhannon	998 Nichs Canitzer	881 James Cohom
318 Wlliam Buckingham	326 Moses Cannon	1178 Charles Coker
752 Thos Buckingham	1085 Za. Caplen	780 David Coldwell

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1277 Joseph Collins	339 Joseph Crabtree	1003 Joseph Dickson
286 James Collins	196 Joseph Crabtree	88 Joseph Dillinder
223 Wm Collinsworth	495 Wm Crabtree	1195 Isaac Dinson
864 James Combs	502 David Crady	1164 Thos Disney
669 Garret Conder	252 Geo: Craffbrd	1400 John Dixon
1027 Wm Conderce	983 John Craige	1404 J. Dixon
264 John Connelly	235 John Crain	1402 James Dixon
485 Wm Connor	815 John Crawford, Capt	1421 Reubin Dobbins
305 John Conts	849 Hugh Crawford	887 John Dogan
623 George Conway	681 Sarml Creathers	631 Geo Doherty
486 Wm Conyers	801 Andrew Creswell	468 James Donaldson
434 Wm Cook	164 Thos Cribbens	458 James Donaldson
271 Thos Cook	1026 John Crocket, Sergt	429 William Donaldson
447 John Cook	231 William Crooks	288 Jams Donaldson
866 James Cooper	615 John Croom	386 Robt Donelson
839 James Coopr, Capt.	307 Anthy Crowder	382 John Donelson
1414 Stephen Copeland	5 William Crunk	413 James Donelson
172 John Costillis	128 Wm Crutcher	249 Jacob Donelson
141 John Costley	352 Jams Crutcher	333 William Donelson
709 John Cottyham	152 Jams Crutcher	518 John Donoho
1031 Geo Couch	151 Anthy Crutcher	730 Wm Dougan
1034 Nichs Couch	603 Jacob Cunningham	726 Robt Dougan
478 John Coughran	1285 Alexandr Cunningham	720 Hugh Dougan
349 John Coughren	897 James Curran	834 Jonothan Douglas
1036 Nathl Cowen	804 John Cusick	7 Richd Douze
1095 Edwd Cox	757 Saml Dalton	1269 Patk Dowell
1091 Edwd Cox	571 Col. Danl Kennedy	301 Benjamin Drake
1089 Edwd Cox	156 Capt. David Hay	414 Jonathan Drake Capt
1094 Edwd Cox	1369 John Davis	238 Daniel Drake
1099 Edwd Cox	1338 Wm Davis	415 John Drake
776 Edwd Cox	778 James Davis	237 Benjamin Drake
1098 Edwd Cox	958 John Davis	239 Enoch Drake
1092 Edwd Cox	87 Joseph Davis	110 John Duffell
201 Enos Cox	1139 J. Dean	217 John Duffle
1096 Edwd Cox	735 John Dearman	1401 Robt Duggan
1087 Edward Cox	638 Davd Dearmant	1396 William Duggan
1100 Edwd Cox	634 John Dearmont	1403 John Duggan
1103 Edward Cox	145 Sarffl Deason	1353 Hugh Duggan
200 John Cox	297 Jams Delaney	1173 Julius Dugger
1104 Edward Cox	457 James Delaney	4 John Duncan
185 Fuller Cox	993 Jacob Derrick	283 John Dunham
1093 Edwd Cox	886 Danl Deseritt	1376 Joseph Dunham
1283 Wm Cox	1213 Isaac Dexton	397 Joseph Dunham
498 Jos Crabtree	439 Gfiffith Dickson	72 John Dunham
377 William Crabtree	1009 Hugh Dickson	284 Jos Dunham
197 William Crabtree	1001 James Dickson	285 William Dunham

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1032 Davd Dunkan	1166 Joseph Ford	482 John Gibson
938 Joseph Dunkin	1102 [no forename] Davis	674 John Gibson
1069 Adam Dunlap	70 [no forename] Cook	566 Henry Giles
813 Jos Eadey	1097 [no forename] McMare,	1317 William Gillaspie
656 Wm Edminstone	Capt.	629 Thos Gillaspie, Capt.
345 Wm Edmondson	1176 Wm Forhand	1328 James Gillaspie
1004 Laben Edwards	701 James Forsey	790 James Gilsaspie
1292 William Elkins	825 John Forsey	618 Thos Gist
889 Thomas Elliott	129 Anthy Forster	620 Wm Gist
888 Hugh Elliott	459 Jams Forster	607 Joseph Gist, Lt
236 Jams Elliott	1282 Leonard Foust	357 Coms Glascock
833 Hugh Elliott	995 Adam Fox	496 Coms Glasgow
303 James Elliott	1207 James Fraisy	1249 Wm Glass
96 Wm Ellis	964 John Francisco	692 Wm Golden
214 E. Emmon	1387 Alis Franklin	1278 James Golliher
1141 Wm English	1057 Absalom Franklin	1279 John Golliher
412 Christopher Erwin	497 Wm Frazier	755 Thomas Goodin
313 James Espey	379 Daniel Frazier	604 John Goodpasture
407 Absalom Estes	492 Wm Frazier	605 Solomon Goodpasture
408 Moses Estes	471 Jams Frazier	1162 J. Goodpasture
219 Moses Estes	602 Geo French	1163 J. Goodpasture
95 Moses Eustace	410 Joseph French	686 Davd Gorsage
100 John Eustace	220 Joseph French	1101 Edward Gossage
94 John Eustace	84 Joseph French	177 Elijah Gower
315 John Evans	499 Bazet Frey	20 Elijah Gower
120 John Everett	869 James Frisure	68 Elijah Gower
76 Robt: Evins	393 Stephen Frost	1384 Sarml Gragg
1055 James Ewing	213 Stephen Frost	1388 Thomas Gragg
226 Andrew Ewing	195 Malachi Fry	931 John Graham
137 Alexander Ewing	224 Wm Galaspie	1383 John Grant
17 Andw Ewing	922 Solomon Gabbage	126 Squire Grant
133 Will Fail	85 Bradly Gambrel	1174 James Graves
1127 J. Fain, Capt	624 Jacob Gardenhire	926 Jacob Gray
975 Richd Fancher	1350 James Garrison	924 Stephen Gray, Lt.
977 John Fancher	710 Edwd Garurn	1204 Thomas Graysum
580 John Fargar	622 Saml Gass	1262 Benjamin Gregory
796 John Finley	841 Hugh Gentry	672 Joseph Griffeth
1078 Rob Finley	420 John Gentry	1258 John Griffey
6 William Fisher	207 John Gentry	15 John Griggs
66 Benj: Fletcher	572 Lt Geo Doherty	242 William Grimes
66 Benj: Fletcher	574 Col. Geo Maxwell	1256 James Grimes
419 Benjamin Fletcher	739 Hirain Geram	1088 Ep. Grimes
130 Lewis Ford	626 Solomon Geran	934 John Grubb
464 Jams Ford	170 John Gibson	955 Wm Guilford
1225 Wm Ford	715 James Gibson	1389 Rice Guilick
127 John Ford	332 John Gibson	1390 Andw Guilick

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188 Abraham Guise	404 Thomas Hardeman	266 Hugh Hogan
446 Jonathan Guize	86 Thomas Hardemm	748 James Hogan
1058 Andw Gullick	465 Benjamin Hardin	1272 J. Hoges
927 John Hacker	299 John Hardin	653 John Holley
947 Stephen Hacks	750 John Hardin, Capt.	775 Sion Holley
655 Augustin Hackworth	1180 Wm Harding	558 Robert Hollis
98 John Haggard	1382 Hugh Hare	291 David Hood
612 Fredk Hail	716 Andrew Harkness	174 Wm Hooper
657 Nicholas Hail	1294 Thomas Harris	440 Absalom Hooper
1224 Joshua Haile	1144 Michl Harrison	1380 Geo Hopkins
1231 Alexr Haile	781 Thos Hart	1191 Adam Horn
1230 M. Haile	1333 Thomas Hart	489 Francis Hornsey
1330 Nicholas Haile	978 Wm Hatcher	996 Michl Houch
1232 Shadrick Haile	942 Benjamin Hawkins	1045 Henry Houghammer
1150 Moses Halcom	1106 Benjamin Hawkins	1073 Saml Houston
1318 William Hale	253 D---- Hay, Capt.	392 John Howard
753 Saml Hall, Serjt	666 James Hayes	189 Joshua Howard
1227 Jesse Halloway	900 Geo Hayes, Lt	916 James Howart
1226 Wm Halloway	527 Robert Hayes	1030 Jacob Hubbard
966 Geo Halmagh	294 Enoch Heaton	789 John Huckstin (Huckster?)
505 Jno Hambleton	187 Enoch Heaton	621 Joseph Hughs
705 Francis Hamey	1322 Wm Henderson	786 Wm Hughston
879 Benjamin Hamilton	793 William Henderson	1263 Wm. Hugston
190 Eleazer Hamilton	693 Nathanl Henderson	930 Geor Hukey
1020 Wm Hamilton	649 Geo Henery	932 John Hull
639 Thos Hamilton	304 Hugh Henry	762 Joel Hunt
206 Ebjah Hamilton	714 Ez Henry	872 Moses Hunt
350 Thos Hamilton	803 William Henry	593 Henry Hunter
640 Wm Hamilton	1130 Saml Herberson	585 John Hunter, Capt
1284 Sami Hammer	423 Barnet Herod	594 Jacob Hunter
460 Adam Hampton	1348 Jos Heron	901 John Huse
278 Adam Hampton	203 Efisha Herrington	1060 John Hutchinson
708 James Hancey	448 Wm Herrington	771 Thos Hutchinson
682 Frans Hancey, Sergt	920 David Hickey	1059 Saml Hutchinson
684 James Hancey	1325 John Hicklin	251 Ben Hutson
250 Sarffl Handley	93 Thomas Hickman	568 Stephen Hyde
511 Francis Haney	1352 Andw Hickson	892 Jacob Ireland
205 James Hanfilton	598 Mchl Hider	155 James Ireson
520 Jwns Hanison	1416 James Hill	832 Samuel Irwin
809 Abraham Hankins	820 John Hill	1324 John Ish
1276 Joseph Hankins	1255 Henry Hill	1151 James Ivey
896 James Hankins	560 Jonas Hinton	586 Lt. J. Tipton
787 John Hannah	677 Wm Hitchcock	1083 John Jackson
327 Joseph Hannah	1273 Rowland Hodges	933 Joel Jackson
788 Robt Hannah	760 Amos Hodges	859 William Jackson
1135 John Harberson	282 Edward Hogan	260 Sand Jackson

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856 Thos Jackson	614 Wm King	1211 Geo: Little
1259 Andw Jackson	690 John King	1219 John Little
222 Danl James	387 Michl Kirkpatrick, Capt	1199 Benjamin Little
518 Major James Lum (?)	455 John Kitts	563 Matthew Lock
125 John James Wood	150 David Knowland	194 Pleasant Locket
124 Dani James	652 Jos Kycler	1362 Wm Logan
433 James Jeffries	673 Hardy Lacewell	1212 Wm Logan
369 Edwd Jennings	1332 Archibald Lackey	671 Wm Logan
348 Edmd Jennings	1107 Archd Lackey	444. Wm Loggins
120 I Joel Ivey	1108 James Wood Lackey	371 John Logue
81 Lt: John Rains	1329 John Lackey	215 William Long
3 81 John Marney	844 John Lain	394 William Long
680 Capt John Miller	843 Thos Lain	1196 Chars Longmire
575 Maj John Newman	661 Thos Lain	163 Jos Love
1340 John Johnson	75 Richard Lancaster	968 Thos Lovelady
694 Davd Johnson	74 John Lancaster	981 Joseph Lovelady
1084 Philip Johnson	591 Conrod Lane	969 Wm Lovelady
670 John Johnston	754 Tidance Lane, Serjt	654 Wm Lovell
182 Capt. Jonathan Drake	90 John Lane	758 John Lowe
1158 Davd Jones	325 Robt Lane	1056 Nicholas Loyd
491 Ed Jones	1138 Wm Lang	441 Edwd Lucas
590 Wm Jones, Sergt.	1247 John Langford	395 John Lucas
1041 John Jones	751 Abel Langham	211 John Lucas
1136 Caleb Jones	143 Ishwn Lanier	180 John Lucas
344 Edwd Jones	132 Henry Lanier	611 Andw Luckey
606 Capt Joseph Lusk	142 Jams Lanier	13 Jesse Luenor
648 Jonas Jovett	1280 Isaac Laremoor	807 John Lyon
579 H---- Kasner	1052 John Lascattell[?]	1189 E. Lyon
1080 John Kaywood	936 John Laughlin	262 Polk Lyons
784 Alexr Kelly	1022 Anthy Lawson	165 Daniel Lyons
1397 William Kennedy	1374 John Leatherdale	293 Daniel Lyons
1364 Moses Kennedy	1365 Robt Leatherdale	428 Patk Lyons
82 John Kennedy	442 Willis lecks	279 Jams M Lewis
991 Robt Kennedy	761 Wm Lee	134 Wm Macklin
451 Robert Kennedy	1312 Joseph Leech	399 Wm Macklin
1019 Wm Kennedy	827 James Leeper	221 William Macklin
1354 Wm Kennedy	811 James Leeper	908 Davd Maer
823 John Kerr	997 Jos. Lemmon	960 John Mahon, Capt.
824 Matthew Kerr	114 Wm Lemmons	157 James Mairs
1072 John Kerr	805 David Lib	935 Jacob Mairs
953 Job Key	782 John Liddy, Serjt	162 Wm Mairs
616 Joshua Kidwell	867 John Light	982 Geo Maleslon
14 Thos Kilgore	868 V. Light	1236 Elisha Mann
1192 Adam Kilpatrick	1071 Thos Likens	1006 Job Manning
1357 Herman King	272 James Lindsay	1012 Joseph Manning
689 William King	1179 Ben Linsey	725 Job Manning

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1406 Job Mannon	1077 Wm McGauhey	1168 George Miller
1408 B. Mannon	810 John McGee	1 Isaac Miller
525 Gasper Mansher	1371 William McGill	1049 Alexander Miller
470 Gasper Mansher	1372 James McGill	1349 Thos Milligan
373 Arch Marhn	212 John McGogh	1320 Allen Milligan
700 Henry Marshal	247 Ben McIntosh	227 Jacob Mills
450 Wm Marshal	310 Thoms McKain	389 Jacob Mills
338 John Marshal	1391 Saml McKamey	980 Curies Mills
474 George Martin	564 Sprua- [?] McKay	828 Richd Miniffee
123 Sarffl Martin	625 Robert McKenney	663 Thomas Mitchel
733 Adam Martin	361 Wm McKnight	767 John Mitchell
570 Joseph Martin	1074 John McLain	240 John Mitchell
1264 Solomon Massengell	650 James McLain	111 Jacob Mlis
795 William Massey	484 Geo McLane	300 Archd Mohan
396 Sami Mastin	1420 Daniel McLaughlin	1134 Jno Montgomery
99 Wm Matlock	330 Geo McLean	1321 Humpy Montgomery
22 Jams Maxwell	466 Thoms McLean	792 Humpy Montgomery
263 James Maxwell	331 Ephraim McLean	987 John Moon
80 Sutherlin Mayfield, Capt:	1422 John McLillin	706 Samuel Moore
734 James McAlister	963 Danl McLoughlin	718 David Moore
819 John McAlister	971 Alexr McLoughlin	311 Jams Moore
1155 Thoms McCagg	109 John McLugan	683 Samuel Moore
512 James McCain	1037 Jams McMaghen	1023 James Moore, Capt.
69 Benj: McCain	613 Alexr McMillan	169 Alexander Moore
136 Thoms McCain	89 Robert McMillian	642 Moses Moore, Capt
1248 Saml McCalmund	403 Robt McMolin	363 Armd Morgan
308 James McCane	390 John McMorn	1343 Lince Morgan
1241 Thos McClain	830 Alexr McMullin	356 John Morgan
949 John McClelin	835 Wm McMullin	863 Davd Morrison
362 James McColester	1351 Jos McMurtry	862 Patk Morrison
246 John McCombs	479 James McNeese	921 Danl Morrison
627 Wm McConnery	480 Ben McNeese	144 James Mountray
818 Anns McCoy	1341 Geo McNew	860 Isaac Muarty
376 Jams McCrary	728 David McWee	216 John Mulagan
794 John McCulloch	346 Saml Meatchen	473 John Mulherin
384 Pok McCutchen	228 William Medlock	329 John Mulherin
385 Jams McCutchen	1142 J. Medlock	1289 Philip Mulkey
1033 Redman McDaniel	405 William Medlock	1210 Philip Mulkey
275 John McDowell	746 Wm Meek	276 John Murdock
181 Thos McFarland	452 Thomas MePaden	1221 Morgan Murry
831 Robt McFarland	186 Jams MeRory	1222 Thomas Murry
11 John McFarline	852 Nicholas Messer	1331 John Myzer
1393 Ben McFarling	526 Maj. Michl Kilpatrick	290 Wm Nash
1068 Robt McFerson	984 John Middleton	950 John Nash
77 Wm: McGah	929 Danl Miller	401 William Nash
779 Saml McGaughy, Capt.	1190 Martin Miller	890 John Nash

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925 Jesse Nauter	747 Stephen Pate	437 Joseph Ramsay
341 Geo Neely	380 Geo Payne	646 Robt Ramsey
342 Wifliam Neely	175 John Pearce	719 Alexanr Ramsey
507 William Neely	516 Ephraim Peason	691 Harper Ratliff
1270 B. Nelson	515 Jno Peason	1185 Adam Reader
785 Saml Nevel	513 Thos Peason	1359 William Reaves
1076 Saml Nevel	928 Wm Pemberton	1368 James Reed
1062 Saml Nevel, Senr.	1081 John Pemberton, Majr	1412 Alexr Reed
8 Jos Nevell	456 Isaac Pennston	662 Davd Reed
1024 Corns Newman, Lt.	1137 Van Perifield	1370 John Reed
601 Michl Newman	289 Nathan Perry	1010 Alexr Reed
280 Jones Newsom	198 John Perry	749 Saml Reno
340 James Nfincast	58 I Peter McNamie	287 Josiah Rentfro
1373 Richard Nicholson	939 John Peters	1170 Moses Reynolds
1223 James Noland	959 Adam Petre	1293 Henry Reynolds
117 John Noland	940 John Petree	895 Jacob Rhodes
431 Joshua Norrington	768 Edwd Pinkston	695 Jacob Rhodes
1039 Saml Norris	295 Eman Pishburn	1234 James Rice
1417 David Norton	1054 Nathl Poller	711 James Richardson, Capt
976 Davd Norton	1053 James Poller	845 Beverly Ridley
112 Davd Nowland	988 John Pollock	1086 John Riley
83 Thos: Nowland	945 Wm Poshand	635 Jos Riney
406 David Nowlin	1386 Thomas Potter	103 Thos Ring
445 Mchl O'Neal	679 Benj Powell	573 Col. Robert Love
658 Roger Oates	1177 Benjamin Power	848 Aaron Roberts
587 Job Odle, Comt	166 Thoms Prater	1169 Wm Roberts
911 Francis Ogden	870 Chars PreweR	1167 R. Roberts
472 Elisha Oglesby	2 Johnathan Price	260 Hezekiah Roberts
724 James Oldam	717 Abraham Price	675 Wm Robertson
1018 James Oldham	1015 Wm Price	281 Richard Robertson
1203 Jacob Ortner	989 John Prichard	398 Jonathan Robertson
1295 Alexander Outlaw	1061 John Prior	391 Elijah Robertson
312 William Overall	637 William Prior	745 Wm Robeson, Jr.
328 Nath Overall	1335 Alexr Protherow	738 Wm Robeson
469 Wm Overall, Capt.	676 John Province	359 Alexander Robinson
583 Owen Owens	1175 Jacob Purkins	358 Mchl Robinson
3 Melchor Oyler	422 Elias Pybum	1025 Jams Robinson, Ensign
898 Robt Page	1363 Ben Quick	961 Drury Robinson
885 John Pague	1035 Chars Quigley	773 John Rodstone
713 Robert Paris	1013 Sanil R-----	1193 Hugh Rogers
992 John Parker	409 John Rains	1194 Thomas Rogers
101 Andw Parks	209 John Rains	951 Michl Rogers
18 Andw Parks	118 Wm Rains	877 Martin Roller
1111 John Parks	500 Josiah Rainsey	367 Thomas Roonce
256 Andrew Parks	463 Josiah Rams	1209 Hosea Ross
584 Geo Parsons	506 Joseph Ramsay	204 Isaac Roundsaval

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436 Josiah Roundsaval	894 Wm. Sifford	1217 Thomas Steuart
1311 Robert Rowan	759 Job Simms	1016 James Stevenson
836 Henry Rowan	797 Littlepage Simms	772 Reuben Stewart
370 Archibd Ruckhanon	783 James Simms	1145 Robdrt Stewart
957 John Runion	1235 Wm Simples	1146 Thoms Stewart
193 Job Rusk	912 John Simpson	915 William Stewart
1334 Matthew Russel	874 Michl Simpson	435 William Stewart
501 Elijah Ruth	1399 Wm Simpson	608 James Stinson
1090 Robert Rutledge	1411 Reubin Simpson	617 James Stinson
1291 Andrew Ryan	873 Wm Simpson	105 Barthw Stoball
1288 Warren Samons	119 Wm Simpson	732 James Stockden
353 (none) Sanders	723 Joshua Simpson	878 Adam Stoke
139 Julius Saunders	1002 William Simpson	1261 Wm Stone
1385 Jaram Savage	721 Reuben Simpson	306 Joseph Stote
765 John Savage	1409 Joshua Simpson	67 Barthm: Stovall
322 James Scott	1355 Wm Simpson	67 Barthm: Stovall
113 Bryant Sevems	696 Howsen Skinner	12 Elihu Strickland
744 Abraham Sever	764 Ab Slover	609 Leuten Stroud
731 John Sever	994 Wm Smallwood	265 Fredk Stull
354 Philip Shackler	1228 James Smith	321 Fredk Stull
91 Richd: Shaffer	846 Moses Smith	426 Fredk Stull
986 Jacob Shall	1161 Thomas Smith	168 Fredk Stump
92 Maurice Shane	73 Wm: Smith	421 Fredk Stump
230 Thomas Shannon	698 John Smith	270 Fredk Stump
173 Joseph Shannon	842 Alexr Smith	257 Malachi Sutton
449 John Shannon	914 Tilman Smith	943 Leonard Sweat
454 Thomas Shannon	1237 John Smith	944 John Sweat
364 Jos Shannon	233 Archa Smithers	158 John Swood
334 David Shannon	234 William Smithers	1271 Robt Tarbort
1042 William Sharpe	298 Archy Smothers	1171 Robt Tate
822 John Sharpe	913 Geo Snider	954 Joshua Taylor
517 Michl Shavin	1394 Sebned Solers	974 Joseph Taylor
254 Moses Shelby	907 M. Southward	1250 Henry Taylor
121 Moses Shelby, Capt	248 William Spillars	736 Joseph Taylor
972 Isaac Shelman	1342 Peter Stalkup	600 Matthew Taylor
1048 Isaac Sherrell	742 Wm Standiford	316 Abraham Teale
1000 John Shields	343 Abram Stanley	167 Abrahwn Teel
1004 Davd Shields	430 John Steele	259 Absalom Teele
1007 John Shields	427 Abraham Steele [?Stull]	1274 Nathani Teele
1220 Edwd Shipley	372 John Steele	770 Joseph Terry
636 John Shirkey	919 Adam Stem	1229 Thoms This [or Thig]
979 Val Shoolts	902 John Stems, Serjt	71 Wm: Thomas
756 Wm Shores	1214 Robert Steuart	432 Joshua Thomas
1156 Davd Short	1184 Thomas Steuart	424 John Thomas
443 Joseph Shote (?)	1183 Robert Steuart	317 Eneas Thomas
875 Wm Shumaker	610 Alexr Steuart	999 Griffeth Thomas

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483 Robt Thomas	937 James Underwood	633 John White
323 Robt Thomas	1202 Saml Underwood	816 James White
267 John Thomas	1070 William Upton	855 Thomas White
360 Aza Thompson	199 George Ury	161 Danl. Wifliwns
21 John Thompson	522 J. V. George Winchester	9 John Wilcock
144 Thomas Thompson	576 Col. V. Sevier	965 Tobias Wilhelms
146 Jason Thompson	1172 Gilbert Vandergregg	1287 Jesse Williams
365 Thomas Thompson	909 Davd Vann	1344 John Williams
16 Robt Thompson	906 Powell Vann	490 Danl Williams
160 Rob Thompson	1358 Elias Veatch	324 Daniel Williams
21 0 Thoms Newland	1361 Nathan Veatch	799 Richard Williams
411 Thomas Thomson	1360 James Veatch	336 Thomas Williamson
838 Randall Thorton	850 Thos Vincent, Capt.	375 John Williamson
208 Capt. Thos Brown	176 Jos Vintops	1345 Thorns Williamson
577 Majr Thos King	1265 Seth Waddle	668 Benj Willobie
368 John Tinnin	1160 Philip Waggoner	645 Thos Wilsey
10 John Tinning	1239 Phil Waggoner	1395 Adam Wilson
1252 Ben Tipton	973 William Walden	763 William Wilson
722 Joshua Tipton	1413 William Waldon	990 Jarnes Wilson
802 James Tipton	1419 David Waldon	1051 Saml Wilson
595 Thos Tipton	970 Davd Waldron	1047 John Wilson
596 Jonathan Tipton	854 James Waldrope	1050 Thomas Wilson
597 John Tipton	481 Alexir Walker	1407 James Wilson
1008 Joshua Tipton	320 Phillip Walker	962 Adam Wilson
1251 Wm Tipton	178 Philip Walker	712 Adam Wilson
1186 J. Tipton	1327 Robt Walker	630 Lt. Wm Johnson
1064 Benj Tipton	1316 John Walker	883 Stople Wolfley
302 Isaac Titsworth	337 Ale)u Walker	1240 David Wood
861 Abm Titsworth	814 William Walker	1028 Jacob Woodard
729 John Toole	1375 Thomas Walker	619 Richd Woods
292 John Topp	651 J. Wall	1398 John Woods
599 Erasmus Tracy	477 Samuel Wallace	1405 James Woods
659 Jonathan Trebit	1208 Nathan Ward	847 Robt Woods
258 Martin Trentham	1367 Davd Wassom	1246 Archd Woods
1290 Daniel Triplett	1029 Saml Watson	1021 James Woods
1215 Daniel Triplett	1082 Michl Weaver	355 John Wright
1129 James Trotter	702 Moses Webb, Capt	1266 Thomas Wright
774 Fuller Truitt	1267 Merry Webb	1377 William Wyatt
678 Wm Tucker	703 Geo Webb, Lt	1159 Robt Wyley
880 John Turner	1046 Edwd West	453 William Young
967 James Turner	269 Richard Westley	1188 Patk Young

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# ROANE COUNTY, TENNESSEE 1837 TAX LISTS

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District No. 6	acreage		
		Johnston, John*	
		Joshua, Gones*	
Bowers, Benjamin*		Kitchen, William*	
Blythe, Thomas*		Kitchen, Thomas*	
Ballard, William*	160	Lay, William	
Ballard, Washington*	50	Lane, Jordan	160
Bacon, Drucy A*	120	Lane, Joseph*	160
Burton, William*		Lane, Thomas*	
Bowers, John*		Liles, Henry*	
Branham, Jefferson*		Lay, David*	
Bowman, Samuel*	11	Loveless, William*	
Carter, Thomas F.	284	Lenoir, William B.	476
Cook, John*		Lane, Joseph*	
Cleveland, Robert R.*	50	Maddy, William*	
Collins, Martin		McElhaney, Moses*	
Carter, William*	794	Meagler, Daniel*	
Crawley, Stephen H.*	30	McKinzee, Samuel*	
Carrel, Nathan		Mitchell, George*	
Campbell, Jas A.*		Morris, John*	
Delaney, Daniel*		Matlock, Jesse*	604
DeRossett, William*		Montgomery, William M.*	170
Dunlap, William*		Morris, Israel*	
Dotson, Alexander*	364	Morris, Nimrod B.*	
Delaney, Abraham*		Nicholson, Joseph*	
Eblen, Samuel*	160	Nelson, Matthew	160
Eakins, William*	80	Osbourn, Thomas*	190
Edwards, Jno. B.*	1,262	Pope, William E.*	175
Fortner, Lawrence*		Pursley, William*	550
Farris, George*		Pursley, James*	322
Fannon, John*		Roberson, Benjamin*	160
Ferguson, Stephen*	220	Rose, John*	
Grisham, Nehemiah		Rose, William*	
Gamble, Thomas*	160	Rose, Elijah*	
Grimmet, John*		Rose, McKinzes	160
Hodge, Stephen W.*		Selvedge, John*	110
Holcom, James*		Snow, Richard*	308
Hall, James		Stephens, Philip*	560
Holman, Daniel*	160	Snow, William*	
Huson, John B.*		Turner, Starlin T.*	
Horton, Richard*	134	Tallafero, Charles*	417
Hughs, James*		Taylor, James*	50
Hodge, James*		Varner, David*	
Ivey, Curtis*		Vaught, Allen*	
Irvin, Wright*		Walker, Buckner	

Wilkins, Solomon*	160	Lane, Elias*	
Wilkins, Elisha*		Miller, Robert*	
West, Stephen*		Masterson, John W.*	
Wright, John	1,065	McEwen, John *	
Wright, William*		McElhaney, Moses*	
<b>District No. 7</b>	<b>acreage</b>	Marney, Amos*	735
Allen, Reubin*	320	Parker, James	280
Billingsley, John*	450	Parker, Josiah*	180
Bowman, Samuel*	147	Sharp, Meredith*	150
Bolden, Jesse*	180	Swadley, Thomas*	160
Bolden, Thomas*		Stockton, Thomas	1,867
Breazeale, David R.	160	Stockton, Smith*	
Boyle, Charles O.*		Sharp, Samuel*	120
Burnett, Samuel*	130	Weese, Abraham*	130
Bower, James*		Wilson, James*	320
Blake, William*		Wrangle, Daniel	240
Cabberhouse, Edward*		Watts, Renfro*	
Chancy, John L.*		<b>District No. 8</b>	<b>acreage</b>
Cooley, James, Sr.	140	Arnold, Jonas	160
Cooley, James Jr.*		Allison, Harvey	80
Dickey, David H.*	472	Ausbourn, Nathniel	160
Dunlap, William*		Branham, Linsey*	
Dunlap, Henderson*		Bacon, Drury A.	
Davis, William L.*		Bacon, Allen S.*	
Fannon, John*		Burnet, John	360
Gamble, James*	1,520	Bracket, John*	
Galion, William*	160	Bolden, Francis*	243
Galion, Abraham*	163	Branham, John*	
Galion, Joh, Sr.*	460	Brown, Edward	160
Galion, Isaac*		Brock, Mikajah	150
Hyden, William Jr.*		Ballard, John	16
Haywood, Benjamin*	160	Byrd, McDuffee	320
Huffstutter, Henry*	18	Bohannon, Thos G.*	280
Hood, John*		Browder, William*	800
Irwin, James*		Bracket, Morgan	230
Julian, John C.*	180	Clark, John G.*	
Johnston, Edwin	270	Coon, Peter*	
Johnston, James*	560	Campbell, Jas. M.*	
Johnston, Hardin*	160	Caps, Joannah	160
Johnston, Stephen*		Caps, Sarah	30
Johnston, Benj.*		Crabtree, Cleary	80
Johnston, Seth*	50	Crocket, John A.*	
Johnston, Littlebery*		Cooley, Elijah	41
Jones, Ross	80	Dennis, Gideon*	
Little, John*	260	Dotson, Archibald*	100

Davis, Owen*		Mann, John*	
Davis, W.J.S.*		Mathes, William S.*	
Davis, Alexander*		Moore, John	160
Davis, Isaac*	840	McIntire, Archibald	75
Dotson, Stephen*	160	McClary, Joseph*	250
Dugan, George W.*	80	McCay, John*	
Dennis, Joseph, Sr.	300	McCain, John	50
Dennis, Joseph, Jr.*		Nipper, James*	320
Dotson, Foutain*	80	Neill, William*	180
Erwin, Samuel*		Norman, Pleasant*	
Edgman, Allen*		Patty, Obed*	
Easter, David*	160	Powers, Robert*	160
Easter, Peter*	190	Patty, Jesse*	120
Easter, Joseph*	310	Patty, Josiah	911 ¼
Edgman, William	190	Ross, Martin*	
Felts, James*		Reed, William*	497
Ford, Dimmon*		Stone, William*	
Forrester, Thomas*		Smith, Michail G.*	187
Farer, Edward P.	200	Stone, Manoah*	449
Fender, Christian	80	Stockton, Thomas	440
Fender, Jonathan*	275	Stormer, Jefferson*	
Fox, George*	283 ¼	Smith, Johnny	400
Gore, Thomas*	120	Talley, John*	200
Gamble, James	70	Tooten, Absolum*	53 1/3
Grigg, Alexander	160	Tally, Elizabeth	160
Holmes, Thomas*		Tooten, Wiley, Sr.	640
Helm, William*		Tooten, Wiley, Jr.*	
Holmes, John	290	Tate, Isaac	50
Howd, Benjamin*	190	Weese, William S.*	
Howell, Mallich	160	Weese, Abraham S.*	
Johnston, James	180	Weese, George*	136
Johnston, John	239	Weese, William*	320
Jones, William*	180	Weese, Mary	160
Jenkins, William*	100	Weese, John*	80
King, John*		Wilson, Hu Dewitt*	453
Kelay(?), Samuel*		Weese, Solomon*	
Lineberry, Levi*	180	Weese, Samuel*	
Moore, William		Wood, Christopher*	
Martin, Samuel	2,012	Wilson, John*	
Marney, Amos*	260	Woody, Samuel*	
Marney, Samuel*	1	Woodday, Brice*	240
Miller, Mark	190	Weese, London*	
Moore, James*	160	Wrinkle, John*	40
Montgomery, William M. *	220		
Middlton, Wesley*		<b>The following liable to double tax:</b>	
Marney, Robert		Churchwell, Geo W.	400
Morgan, Mary	160	Davis, Samuel*	

Foust, Philip*		Johnston, William*	80
Hutson, John		James, William*	100
Hawk, William	40	Keeling, Benjamin Jr.*	
Lotspeech, John	80	Keeling, William Sr.	153
Morris, Israel	158 ½	Lynn, James	
Ragan, James	80	Lewis, Aron*	
Ross, Martin	80	Lacy, Abram*	120
		Lewis, Mary	120
<b>District 9</b>	<b>acreage</b>	McEwen, John	347
Alley, Joseph*	360	Matheny, Elizabeth	
Allen, William		Martin, Samuel*	271 ½
Ahart, Adam, Sr.	160	Miller, William D.*	160
Allison, Robert*		Mathes, Linsey*	100
Ahart, Elizabeth		Mathes, Obediah	785
Byrd, Joseph	695	Mathes, Tolton	
Byrd, Jesse	93	McIntire, Nancy*	40
Barnard, Lewis*	250	Miller, Pleasant	
Burk, Milton*	50	Newcomb, Levi	105
Byrd, William*	40	Owen, Jesse*	80
Cade, John*		Peake, Jacob*	900
Campbell, Robert	480	Pride, Allen*	
Cloud, Joseph	80	Preston, George*	260
Casy, Abner	removed	Perkins, Lewis*	80
Deathiage, Byrd*	100	Padget, Elijah*	
Dopen, Elijah*		Padget, Jesse*	
Deatherdge, Abner*		Padget, Francis	160
Deathedge, Alexander*	160	Padget, Nathan*	
Davis, Thomas*		Ponder, Pleasant*	155
Dolton, Thomas*	682	Payne, Joseph*	
Dalton, Joseph*		Renfrow, John	350
Eaton, John*		Roberts, William*	160
Evans, Partick	120	Renfro, Mark*	
Forrister, John*	160	Smawly, Philip	169
Forrister, Memorial*		Snow, Thomas*	
Fuller, George*	855	Swafford, John*	230
Forrister, Alexander*	80	Sparkes, Richard	397
Fuller, Abram	40	Smawly, George	
Gilbert, Alexander*	135	Sparks, Samuel	
Grigg, George*		Talley, John H.	removed
Hernard, John*	100	Tilley, John	284
Hendrickson, Abram*	80	Tuton, Zachariah*	155
Hartly, Hu L.*	155	Utley, William	
Hatfield, Valentine	80	Wright, John	19
Hutson, Armsted*	317	Wood, Francis	160
Hamby, John	80		
Johnston, Berry*		(to be continued)	
Jolly, William*	378		



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## REVIEWS OF BOOKS AND COMPACT DISCS

**VIRGINIA IMMIGRANTS AND ADVENTURERS: A BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY 1607-1635** by Martha W. McCartney. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 2007. 833 pages, maps, indexed, clothbound; item #3505. \$49.95.

The names of the most prominent early settlers of the Jamestown region are readily available; however, this book contains the names of over 5,500 ordinary people who were settlers of this area, including Native Americans and African-Americans. Seventy-eight settlements along the James and York rivers in Virginia are sketched, with maps and such information as why, how and when the settlement was established and the names of some of the people involved. Brief biographical sketches of individuals show various spellings of the surname and give such other information as place of origin, name of ship, location of settlement, names of spouses and children, occupation, position in the colony, relationships to others, ownership of land, date and circumstances of death, and other personal details. This comprehensive index of the earliest settlers in this area in Virginia brings together the many primary sources of information about the European and native inhabitants living there in 1635.

**THE COMPLETE BEGINNER'S GUIDE TO GENEALOGY, THE INTERNET AND YOUR GENEALOGY COMPUTER PROGRAM** by Karen Clifford. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 2001. 376 pages, illustrated and indexed, paperbound; item # 1046. \$24.95.

A comprehensive guide for both the beginner in genealogy and the more experienced researcher. All the old research tools are explained as well as the Internet and various computer programs, and the text is supported by illustrations and check lists. Guidelines for using libraries, courthouses, and archives are covered, including how to find vital records, probate, military and census records in depositories and on

the Internet. Useful websites for genealogical research are mentioned throughout the book. A companion CD to the book, "The Great Ancestral Hunt," is available from GRA Inc. (2600 Golden Rd. Suite 224, Monterey, CA 93940) or online at <http://www.GRAonline.com>. This book is highly recommended as a guide for any genealogist or historian, and it would be an excellent teaching guide.

**ROOTS FOR KIDS, A GENEALOGY GUIDE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE** by Susan Provost Beller. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 2007. 104 pages, illustrated, indexed, paperbound, item #422. \$19.95.

This book, meant for a student in the fourth through sixth grades, may be used by an individual young person or as a guide for a twelve-week course or a four to five-week mini-course in genealogy. It presents guidelines for doing genealogy as well as preparing a family history at the same time. Also discussed: how to find records on the Internet. Family group sheets, pedigree charts and other forms to be copied are included. A number of databases, both free and by subscription, are listed, as well as other books which would be useful for the young genealogist and historian. An excellent book or teaching guide.

**FAMILIES OF OLD PENDLETON DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA, Vol. #3** by Linda Cheek. Published 2007 by Southern Historical Press, Inc. 668 pages, full name index, clothbound; item #SC 118. \$60.00

This is the third volume of this series of books, the result of years of research by Linda Cheek. Many of the families in the Old Pendleton District of South Carolina are related, and ample cross-references are furnished. The primary surnames covered in this volume are **Edmondson, Edwards, Ellis, Elrod, Evatt, Farmer, Finnell, Fields, Finley, Fisher, Gantt, Gervin, Gary, Gibson, Gilstop, Griffin, Grist, Hagood,**

**Hamilton and Hendricks.** More than 100 additional surnames of relatives of these families are included, and some genealogies cover eight generations. If your ancestors came from this area of South Carolina, you are very likely to find them in these volumes.

**FAMILIES OF OLD PENDLETON DISTRICT, SOUTH CAROLINA, Vol. #4** by Linda Cheek. Published 2007 by Southern Historical Press, Inc. 629 pages, full name index, clothbound; item #SC 119. \$60.00.

This fourth volume by Linda Cheek contains the following primary surnames: **Hester, Hinton, Hollingsworth, Hopkins, Hunt, Johnson, Jones, Julian, Keith, Kilgore, King, Kirksey, Ladd, Lard, Lawrence, Lesley, Lewis, Looper, Lynch, Machen, Madden, Magee, Mahaffy, Major, Mann, Mansell and Marshall.** Over 100 surnames of related families are included, with seven generations shown for some families. A short history of many of these families can also be found in *Old Pendleton District, South Carolina*, which covers Abbeville, Anderson, Cherokee, Edgefield, Greenwood, Greenville, Laurens, Newberry, Pickens, Oconee, Saluda, Spartanburg and Union counties. Many clues can be found on family members who moved to other counties or states. These books are highly recommended for anyone with South Carolina ancestors from this area. Volumes 1 and 2 of the series are also available.

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**UNDERSTANDING COLONIAL HANDWRITING** by Harriet Stryker-Rodda. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 1986, reprinted 2007. 26 pages, paperbound; item #5647. \$6.00

Most documents used by a genealogist have been transcribed, typed, copied, printed and reprinted, and for that reason are not always accurate. It is important that anyone going back to the primary sources understands why they are written the way they are and how to accurately transcribe them. This small book is a gem which explains the handwriting from different periods, giving examples to be studied. Anyone using original records should have this book as a research tool.

**EVIDENCE CITATION AND ANALYSIS FOR THE FAMILY HISTORIAN** by Elizabeth Mills. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 1997, reprinted 2007. 124 pages, indexed, clothbound. Item #3846. \$16.95.

This book was written assuming that the researcher wants to cite his sources correctly, without confusion, and is for both the beginner and the experienced historian. Topics covered include: guidelines for documentation; functions of a source note; placement of note numbers; guidelines for analyzing evidence; and tips and rules for bibliographies. Part Two contains several pages of citation formats and sample documentation of Family Group Sheets and Ancestor Charts. Every genealogist should own this book, along with the QuickSheet reviewed next.

**QUICKSHEET: CITING ONLINE HISTORICAL SOURCES**, first revised edition, by Elizabeth Mills. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 2007. Four-page laminated folder; item #3849. \$5.95

This easy-to-use guide gives instructions for citing historical sources on the Internet and gives samples of accurate citations, showing the way to identify such online sources as databases, census images, digital books and articles. Such topics as land entry records, newsletters, items from newspapers, passenger lists, Social Security death index and other online vital records are covered. This QuickSheet and the author's book reviewed above are a must for every genealogist.

**TWO HUNDRED YEARS OF ROYE HISTORY** by Charline Roye Henderson. Published by Barbara Walker, 2550 Berrydale Rd., Pensacola, FL 32534; phone (850) 968-6768. 296 pages, indexed, clothbound. \$50.00 plus \$5.00 shipping and handling.

Anyone with **Roye (Roy)** ancestors, or ancestors in allied lines, will love this family history, which lists over 4,500 relatives. Part One is a history of the family includes numerous family photographs and copies of birth, death, and marriage records, military records, letters, and family and local histories. Although the Royes have lived in many states, a large number were born and lived near Pontotoc County, Mississippi. The earliest known member of this line was **Henry Roye** who according to the 1850 Alabama census was born in North Carolina. Part Two presents nine generations of the Henry Roye family, including the lineage of **Harriet Segrest**, his wife; the lineage of **Harriet Ann Johnston Roye**, first wife of **Lemuel Roye**; the lineage of **Charlsey E. Nobles Roye**, through **Nobles, Garrett** and **Hill** lines; ancestry of **Ina Stegall Roye** through **Stegall, Williams, Nicholson, Garrett, Davis, Kinchloe** and **Frith** lines. Other surnames included are **Sewell, Matthews, Dillard, Crenshaw, Ferguson, Favors, Godfrey, Henderson, Jackson, Lavender, Plunkett, Prater, Rankins, Roberts, Russell, Seale, Stewart, Taylor, Thompson, Terrell, Turritin, White, Weems, Weatherly, Warren, Ward, Walls and Young**. This family history is very well-done and is enjoyable to read whether or not any of your ancestors are included.

#### **COMPACT DISCS FROM GENEALOGICAL PUBLISHING CO. INC.**

**CD#7012: BRITISH EMIGRANTS IN BONDAGE, 1614-1788** by Peter Wilson Coldham. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 2007.

This compact disc includes the names of over 45,000 convicts who were sentenced in England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland by legal process to

be transported to the American colonies. The details of their trials have survived in public records, together with much other information which enables us to plot the story of their unhappy and often unwilling passage to America. You will find the surname and Christian name of each emigrant, aliases if any, parish of origin, occupation or status (most often shown as "laborer"), county, sentencing court, offence and month and year of sentence, name of transport ship, and place, month and year of landing in America, if known. Names are listed in alphabetical order by surname according to modern spellings and the entries are cross-indexed when necessary. A full list of known sailings of convict ships, 1671-1788 appears as a supplement. This CD provides us with a wealth of information on this subject.

**CD #7501: IMMIGRANTS TO PENNSYLVANIA, 1600's – 1800's.** Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc.; various dates.

This compact disc contains photocopies of ten books published by Genealogical Publishing Co.: *William Penn and the Dutch Quaker Migration to Pennsylvania*; *Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania, 1682-1750*; *Quaker Arrivals at Philadelphia, 1682-1750*; *Emigrants to Pennsylvania, 1641 – 1819*; *Pennsylvania German Pioneers*; *Names of Foreigners Who Took the Oath of Allegiance to the Province and State of Pennsylvania, 1727-1775*; *A Collection of Upwards of Thirty Thousand Names of German, Swiss, French and Other Immigrants in Pennsylvania from 1727 to 1776*; *Records of Indentures of Individuals Bound Out as Apprentices, Servants, etc. and of German and Other Redemptioners in the Office of the Mayor of the City of Philadelphia Oct 3, 1771 to Oct 5, 1773*; and *Passenger Arrivals at the Port of Philadelphia, 1800-1819*. The Philadelphia "baggage lists" are among the oldest passenger lists in existence; you will find the names of passengers and in many cases the age, nationality, former place of residence, occupation, destination, and the names and relationship of accompanying

family members. This CD is a valuable resource for those whose ancestors first came to Pennsylvania from Europe.

**CD #7509: NORTH CAROLINA WILLS 1665 – 1900.** Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., various dates.

This CD includes the following four volumes, all published by Genealogical Publishing Co.: *North Carolina Wills: A Testator Index, 1665-1900* by Thornton W. Mitchell, which lists over 75,000 persons who died and left wills during this period; *North Carolina Wills and Inventories* (1906) by J. Bryan Grimes, a critical source on North Carolina's pre-Revolutionary War families, with the full texts of 200 wills and 50 inventories; *Abstracts of North Carolina Wills 1663-1760*, compiled from wills found in the office of the Secretary of State of North Carolina and including approximately 20,000 names; and *An Abstract of North Carolina Wills from about 1760 to 1800, Supplementing Grimes' Abstracts of North Carolina Wills 1663-1760*, which is arranged alphabetically by county and by surname.

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**CD #515: CONNECTICUT LOCAL AND FAMILY HISTORY, 1600's – 1800's,** Family Archives CD (2 discs). Genealogical Publishing

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About 450,000 residents of Connecticut are included in this photocopy of the following books originally published by Genealogical Publishing Co.: *Families of Early Milford, CT*; *Families of Early Hartford, CT*; *Families of Early Guilford, CT*; *History and Genealogy of the Families of Old Fairfield*; *History of Ancient Woodbury, CT*; *Families of Ancient Wethersfield, CT*; *Families of Ancient Windsor, CT*; *Genealogical and Family History of the State of Connecticut*; and *Genealogical Notes...of the First Settlers of Connecticut and Massachusetts*. These two discs contain the largest collection of early Connecticut genealogies available in one convenient source.

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All seven volumes of *The Compendium of American Genealogy: The Genealogical Encyclopedia of the First Families of America* are included on this set of compact discs. The family records in these volumes reference over 288,000 individuals from all of the states and provide broad coverage of who's who in early America. Lineage records may span eight or nine generations, from the earliest-known immigrant to the then-living descendent. Included are the 650,000 families listed in the first US Census in 1790, most of colonial or Revolutionary ancestry. With the added convenience of an index combining all seven volumes, these CD's are essential to any early American researcher's library.

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Vol. I, II, and III (disc 1), Vol. IV, V (disc 2) and Vol. VI and VII (disc 3), with "Contents to This Section." When using the index, print out the reference for use with other CD's, and remember to check the alternate spellings of a surname. A very useful reference source.

**CD#130: PENNSYLVANIA GERMAN CHURCH RECORDS 1729 – 1870**, Family Archives CD. Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 1996

Three volumes of Pennsylvania church records, previously published by Genealogical Publishing Co., appear on this compact disc, which contains all of the church records in *Proceedings and Addresses of the Pennsylvania German Society*. Also included: about 91,000 names, births, marriages, baptisms and burials of these people (with witnesses and sponsors), as

well as their relationship to one another. A valuable addition for the genealogist with Pennsylvania German ancestors.

#### ORDERING INFORMATION

Genealogical Publishing Co. Inc., 3600 Clipper Mill Rd. Suite 260, Baltimore, MD 21211-1953, [www.genealogical.com](http://www.genealogical.com) Phone (410) 837-8171 – fax (410) 752-8492. For Visa and Master Card orders only call toll-free 1-800-296-6687. Shipping and handling charges: \$4.00 for first item and \$2.00 for each additional item. Prices are listed with book reviews; compact discs are \$29.95 unless otherwise stated.

To view these CD's, you must have a CD-ROM drive and must use version 4.0 or higher of Family Archives Viewer (available as a free download at [www.genealogical.com](http://www.genealogical.com)) or Family Tree Maker for Windows.

### KATHERINE BROER RESTORES BESSIE PARR'S PICTURES



This photograph of a pensive young woman was on exhibit in April, 2007 at 348 N. Rowlett Street in Collierville, Tennessee, the childhood home of Elizabeth "Bessie" Dean Parr.

Bessie operated a commercial photography studio there in the early 1900's, recording the daily lives and activities of the people of Collierville. Unseen for years, many of these remarkable photographs have been scanned, restored and printed by Katherine Broer.

Contact Katie at [kbroer@yahoo.com](mailto:kbroer@yahoo.com) if anyone in your family might be among her pictures!

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## GLEANINGS

### TENNESSEEANS MENTIONED IN OTHER PUBLICATIONS

— compiled by Carol Mittag

**WILLIAM BOWMAN** was a former native of Tennessee. His obituary in the *Richmond* (Missouri) *Conservator* on April 16 1891 stated that he died on April 13, 1891 at the age of 61 years, after several years of suffering. He had moved to Ray County, Missouri about 35 years prior to his death, left a wife and six children (not named) and was buried in Hardin Cemetery. Information was published in *Ray County Reflections*, Volume XVI, No. 1.

**BETTIS PEDIGREE TREE** published in the *Eswau Huppeday*, Volume XXVII, Number 2, by the Broad River Genealogical Society, Shelby, North Carolina, includes the following with a Tennessee connection:

Albert Bettis, born 9 August 1852 in Jefferson County, Tennessee, married Frances Elizabeth 'Lizzie' Fulton in York County, South Carolina on 10 Dec 1873. They both died in Greenville, South Carolina, Albert on 30 May 1910, and Lizzie on 15 July 1911.

Allen Bettis (father of Albert), born 25 July 1812, married Catherine Witt 1 April 1834 in Jefferson County, Tennessee. He died 17 July 1886 in Cleveland, North Carolina, and she died 28 October 1883 in Jefferson County, Tennessee.

Bradley Bettis (father of Allen), born 7 December 1786 in North Carolina, was married on 22 March 1809 in Jefferson County, Tennessee to Frances Walker (born 15 Sep 1782 in Tennessee, died 11 Sep 1840 in Jefferson Co, TN). Her father was James Walker, born about 1750 in Virginia, who married Fanny Cannon on 26 June 1774 in Goochland County, Virgi Egbert died 31 March 1905, and Marthursa died 12 July, 1914. Both are buried in Elkton, Giles County, Tennessee.

Information on this family in "Planters Patriots and Pioneers, One Hundred Ninety-Five Years in Limestone County" published in *Limestone Legacy*, Volume 29, Number 3.

**SARAH ELIZABETH HUFFINE GOLDBERG**, daughter of Frederick and Mary Huffine, was born in Salisbury, TN on 6 October 1839. She married Dr. Charles Goldberg on 6 August 1859. At the time of their marriage, Sarah was residing in the Huffines Community about eight miles south of Atlanta, Cass County, Texas. A daughter, Mattie Alexander Goldberg, was born 18 August 1861 and twins were born 22 December 1862, both of whom died in infancy. Sallie was an invalid the latter part of her life. She died 20 June 1891.

"Biography: Dr. Charles Goldberg and Dr. Goldberg's First and Second Families" was published in *Texarkana USA Journal*, Volume IV, No. 1 and contains information from his birth on July 27, 1820 in Fraustadt, Prussian, Poland to his death on 30 November 1890. His first wife, Mary Ann Doe was born 6 August 1821 in Portsmouth, England and died 8 February 1859. She was buried in Clarksville, Texas. Charles and Sarah are buried at the Rose Hill Cemetery in Texarkana, Texas.

**ENOCH (Bud) WEST** was born 2 October 1868 in Meigs County, Tennessee, and died there 4 January 1931. He married Mary Daniel (b. 1874) on 8 September 1889, and their son, Elijah Alexander West was born 3 April 1894 in Meigs County. He married Lillie Elizabeth Reece 11 July 1920. Their ancestor chart is included in *Northeast Alabama Settlers*, Volume 46, No. 1.

**DAVIDSON COUNTY, NC DEATH CERTIFICATES** for 1918 published in *The Genealogical Journal*, Volume XXVII, No. 1 include Early Matthew Whitt (b. February 6, 1913, Davidson County, d. March 30, 1918, buried in Pilgrim Cemetery.) He was the son of Jerry Whitt (born Tennessee) and Nettie Everhart (born North Carolina.)

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**SAMUEL FINLEY ESTATE RECORDS: 1861-1875** – Samuel (son of Samuel and Nancy Moore Finley) was born 10 April 1786 in Cecil County, Maryland and died on 13 June 1862 in Guntown, Itawamba County, Mississippi. In 1820, he married Lucy Etter, born 1800 in Rogersville, Hawkins County, Tennessee. Children of Stanley and Lucy:

*George Henry Finley* (born 1822 in Pikeville, Bledsoe County, Tennessee, died 1876 in Texas, married *Minerva J. Swafford* during 1844 in Tennessee. Their children were William B. (born Oct. 1844) Samuel P. (born Oct. 1846), Harriet E. (born Dec. 1849), Lucy A. (born 1850), James E. (born 1853), Mary Elizabeth, (born about 1854), John M. (born about 1856), Lewis Hulon (born April 1860).

*Harriett Minerva Finley* born 1824 in Tennessee, died 27 November 1916 in Exter, Tulare County, California, married 1 January 1849 at Guntown, Itawamba County to *Hulin H. W. Broggan*.

*Carolina Elizabeth Finley* (born 10 August 1828 in Finley's Mills, Tennessee, died 12 February 1911/12 (?) in Zion City, Lake County, Illinois), married *Zodak Ford Stevens* during 1851 at Richmond in old Itawamba County. Their children were: Mary Imogene (born 11 July 1852), Harriett "Hattie" Ann (born 1 April 1855), William Adolphus (born 27 July 1858), Sallie Etter (born April 1860), Charles Emmett (born 28 December 1863), Lucy Elizabeth (born 3 October 1867) and Jimmie Lucretia (born 7 November 1870).

*James Lockhart Finley* (born 8 September 1835 in Hawkins County, Tennessee, died 27 August 1869 in Tupelo, Lee County), married *Kate M. Thomas* during 1862.

**ITAWAMBA COUNTY NEWS ABSTRACTS:** 1912 included the following news items from July 4, 1912: Miss Ethel Pelot of Jackson, Tenn., is visiting Fulton relatives and friends. She is the oldest child of Geo. P. Pelot, former editor of the Fulton Herald for several years.

Mrs. Irene Phillips, age about 80 years and a native of Tennessee, one of the oldest inhabitants of Fulton, died recently. Her body was brought from Amory last Thursday where she lived with her daughter and buried beside the body of her husband, Eli Phillips. He was an attorney, owned the Fulton Hotel before the Civil War and served as the probate clerk for the county for several years.

The above information appeared in *Itawamba Settlers*, Volume 27, Number 1.

**JESSE CHISHOLM** was born ca 1805 to Ignatius Chisholm, who came to Tennessee in the 1790's, and a Cherokee woman he married in the Hiwassee region of Tennessee. They had three sons, Jesse being the oldest. Shortly after the birth of their third son, Ignatius separated from his wife and moved to the Arkansas Territory. In 1810, Jesse was taken to Arkansas by his mother. In the 1820's, he moved to the Cherokee Nation and settled near Fort Gibson, in what is now eastern Oklahoma. He became a trader, and since he was fluent in fourteen dialects he was soon in demand as a guide and interpreter. In 1836 he married Eliza Edwards, daughter of James Edwards, who ran a trading post in what is now Hughes County, Oklahoma. He was active in Texas for nearly twenty years. Sam Houston, who met Jesse at Fort Gibson, married his aunt.

Jesse served the Confederacy as a trader; however, in 1864 he became an interpreter for the Union Army. He died on April 4, 1868 from food poisoning after eating rancid bear meat at Left Hand Springs, near the present site of Geary, Oklahoma.

This article on Jesse is contained in the *Somervell Settlers*, Volume XII, published by the Paluxy Valley Archives and Genealogical Society, Glen Rose, Texas. It contains information on his life as an Indian trader, guide, and interpreter, the Chisholm Trail, and a picture of his gravesite and plaque.

**REVOLUTIONARY WAR PENSION APPLICATIONS** published in *The Forsyth County Genealogical Society Journal*, Volume 25, Number 1, Winston-Salem, NC includes the following with a Tennessee connection:

Martin Armstrong served in the North Carolina militia from 1776 and became a colonel. He later became Surveyor General of the Northwest Territory. He settled in Tennessee and died in Nashville in September 1808.

Martin married Mary Tate in 1766 or 1767 in North Carolina. She died June 1836. Their third child survived, Mary A. E. McCall, born 19 April 1775. She was living in Smith County, Tennessee in 1855, according to a statement by her son, Dr. Alexander McCall, a resident of Davidson County, Tennessee.

Adam Binkley resident of Davidson County, Tennessee was age 93 when his Declaration was made in August 1832. He entered the service in 1778 in Surry County, North Carolina, and was a lieutenant in the expedition marching from Surry County to King's Mountain. His next term involved driving a team and a wagon from Surry County to Savannah, Georgia and back, at a loss of \$3,260 as he had used his own team. Altogether he served over two years as a volunteer.

**C. S. MILITARY PRISON SALISBURY, N. C. AUGUST A.D. 1864** – The Christian Association which met at regular stated times for prayer and praise included the following from Tennessee: Thomas Caton, Joseph Herral, G.W. James, A. J. Babb, L. C. Johnson, F. Abrams, S.

**National Parks Service—Klondike Gold Rush**  
www.nps.org “Stampeder” Genealogy

There are a number of sites that list resources and maintain searchable databases of people who went north to Alaska and Canada during the gold rush. These sites are an easy place to begin your research

•Ghosts of the Klondike Genealogical Database - 80,000 genealogical records online including records of the Northwest Mounted Police, Yukon Order of Pioneers, Palm Sunday Avalanche victims and more.

Williams, and T. J. Murphey. The complete list of individuals there is included in the *Journal of the Genealogical Society of Rowan County North Carolina*, Volume 21, Number 2.

**1880 CALDWELL COUNTY TEXAS CENSUS** includes Reuben McLane, black male, age 52, farmer, born in Tennessee and his wife Mary, black female, age 70, keeping house, born in Kentucky. The census is published in the *Plum Creek Almanac*, Volume 25, No. 1.

**JOHN AUSTIN SIMMONS** was born on 6 July 1816 somewhere in Virginia. By the time he was 22 he had moved to Tennessee where he met and married Rachel H. Sparks (or Sparkes). Their children Eada or Eady, as she was known (spelled Ede in the Simmons family Bible) born 3 June 1839, and Joseph born 31 August 1840, were born there and possible also their children Mary (b. 3 Feb 1841) and William (b. 2 Aug 1842). They remained in Tennessee for several years. The family moved to Missouri between 1840 and 1845.

Rachel was just 36 years old when she died on 16 February 1860 of fever just nine day after giving birth to Harvey, her 13th child. A few months, later John married Sarah Anderson and fathered nine more children. John died 6 July 1898 in Franklin County, Missouri and is buried next to Sarah.

This article on the Simmons family, which also contains photographs and census records, is published in the *Missouri State Genealogical Association Journal*, Vol. XXVII, No. 2.

•Valdez Museum and Historical Archives - information and images related to the gold rush on-line, 2,900 names of people who were known to have either passed through or lived in Valdez in 1897-1898.

•British Columbia Archives - births registration index (1872-1899), marriage registration index (1872-1924) and the death registration index (1872-1979).

How to find your gold rush relative: Sources on the  
•Klondike and Alaska gold rushes (1896-1914) - is a comprehensive list of resources on how to find your gold rush relative.





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## QUERIES

### LANE – KARR – PORTER

Searching for information about **JAMES M. LANE** who was born about 1818 in North Carolina and arrived in Fayette County, TN by 1846 where he married **JANE KARR** and later **JANE PORTER** of Haywood County. He was affiliated with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and a widower in the 1870 census, living with his children in Bartlett, TN. He was last known to be in Fayette Co. in 1874 when he gave a lot to the Presbyterian Church in Hickory Withe as a gift to the academy. His father may have been **JOHN THOMPSON LANE**, b. 1800 in Wayne Co. North Carolina.

**Mr. Jimmie T. Jones**, [Perrytrio@aol.com](mailto:Perrytrio@aol.com)

### WARD

Seeking information on **LUCY WARD**, b. 1845. She is daughter of **JACOB WARD**, born in Virginia. **LUCY's** mother was born in North Carolina. On 1880 census, Shelby County, 6th Civil District, **LUCY** resided in home of her husband **ROBERT GOLDSBY**.

**Janis Minor Forté**, 1710 E. 83rd Place, Chicago, IL 60617 [Fortejm@yahoo.com](mailto:Fortejm@yahoo.com)

### MORGAN

Searching for information on **Dr. WILLIAM N. MORGAN** (b. 1814, VA) his wife **MARY M. MORGAN** (b. 1821, AL) and their daughter **FRANCES MORGAN** (b. 1849, TN). The father of **WILLIAM N. MORGAN** was **JOHN MORGAN** (b. 1776, VA – d. 5/26/1858 in Tennessee).

**Margaret Knott**, 2412 Sunrise Blvd., Ft. Pierce, FL 34982 (771) 464-5492

### ARMSTRONG – MOSELEY/MOSLEY – MARTIN – DAVIDSON – GANT

Researching families of Bedford and Coffee Co. TN (**JAMES L. ARMSTRONG**, **THOMAS**

**MOSLEY/MOSELEY, MATT MARTIN**) Davidson Co. TN (**HUGH, son SAMUEL L. DAVIDSON, JENNIE VANCE**) DAVIDSON) and Hardin Co., TN (**JESSE GANTT**).

**Betty S. Carr**, 3212 56th Street, Lubbock, TX 79413-4811 [bsc@wiredbrush.com](mailto:bsc@wiredbrush.com)

### HILTON

I would like to know the parents and place of birth of **JOHN W. HILTON** (born ca. 1853) who died in Obion County in 1887. **JOHN** married **SARAH CATHERINE EVANS** (born ca. 1853 in NC) in Obion County on 31 Oct 1878.

**Robert Dunagan**, 6811 Seaside Drive, Cordova, TN 38018 (901)386-8112 [rdunagan@bellsouth.net](mailto:rdunagan@bellsouth.net)

### HAZELWOOD/HAZLEWOOD - TATE

Researching the **HAZLEWOOD/HAZELWOOD** and **TATE** families. **JOSHUA HAZLEWOOD** married **CATHERINE H. TATE** in Hardeman Co. TN on 1 June 1826. **WILLIAM HAZELWOOD** married **MARY ANN TATE** there on 29 May 1827. Who were the parents of **CATHERINE** and **MARY ANN**? When did **MARY ANN** die?

**Kathy Schultz**, 8256 Beekman Place, Germantown, TN 38139 [kathysschultz@earthlink.net](mailto:kathysschultz@earthlink.net)

### WAGGONER – LEONARD – SHOAF

**JACOB E. WAGGONER** (b. 10/30/1782, Rowan Co. NC – d. 7/6/1854, Lincoln Co. TN), son of **JOHANN JACOB WAGGONER**. **JACOB** married **ELIZABETH LEONARD** (b. 10/21/1786, Rowan Co. NC – d. 1867 in Lincoln County); she was the daughter of **LEONARD** and **ANNA SHOAF**. Would greatly appreciate any information on **ANNA**, her mother. Thank you. *Please send information to the editor of Ansearchin' News – thank you!*

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## CRABTREE

**JOSEPH CRABTREE**, d. Wilson Co. TN in 1820, m. **SALLY REBECCA HOLEMAN** April 10, 1795 in Sumner (Wilson) County, and had a brother named **WILLIAM** The children of **JOSEPH** and **SALLY** were **BENJAMINE**, **JACOB** (my ancestor), **LORENZO DOW**, **ELIZABETH**, **BARZILLA**, **ALFRED**, **ALBERT** and **SALLY ANN**. Need to know **JOSEPH**'s date and place of birth, name of mother and other siblings, and specific identity of his father, **JAMES CRABTREE**, e.g. name of his parents. *Please send information to the editor of Ansearchin' News – thank you!*

## 51st, 52nd TENN INFANTRY, CSA

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**Steve Reed**, 375 Howell Ln, Pocahontas, TN 38061

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<http://www.familysearch.com>

Catholic Archives: <http://www.catholic-history.org.uk/catharch/index.htm>

Catholic Family History Society: <http://www.catholic-history.org.uk/cfhs/>

Scottish Catholic Heritage: <http://www.catholic-heritage.net/>

Methodist Genealogy: [http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION\\_Methodist.html](http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION_Methodist.html)

Historical Society of the United Methodist Church  
<http://www.historicalsocietyunitedmethodistchurch.org/genealogy.htm>

Amish: [http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION\\_Amish.html](http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION_Amish.html)

Mennonite

[http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~jrd/j\\_\\_menn.htm](http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~jrd/j__menn.htm)

Baptist

[http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION\\_Baptist.html](http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION_Baptist.html)

<http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~baptist/>

<http://www.baptisthistory.org.uk/page04.php>

Jewish: [http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION\\_Judaism\\_Jewish.html](http://www.kindredtrails.com/RELIGION_Judaism_Jewish.html)

<http://www.jewishgen.org/>

<http://www.genhomepage.com/jewish.html>

<http://jewishwebindex.com/>

<http://www.ancestry.com/learn/library/article.aspx?article=4119>

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Quakers: <http://www.rootsweb.com/~quakers/>

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Plains/2064/squaker.htm>

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—Contributed by **Tina Sansone TNGS Member**

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