

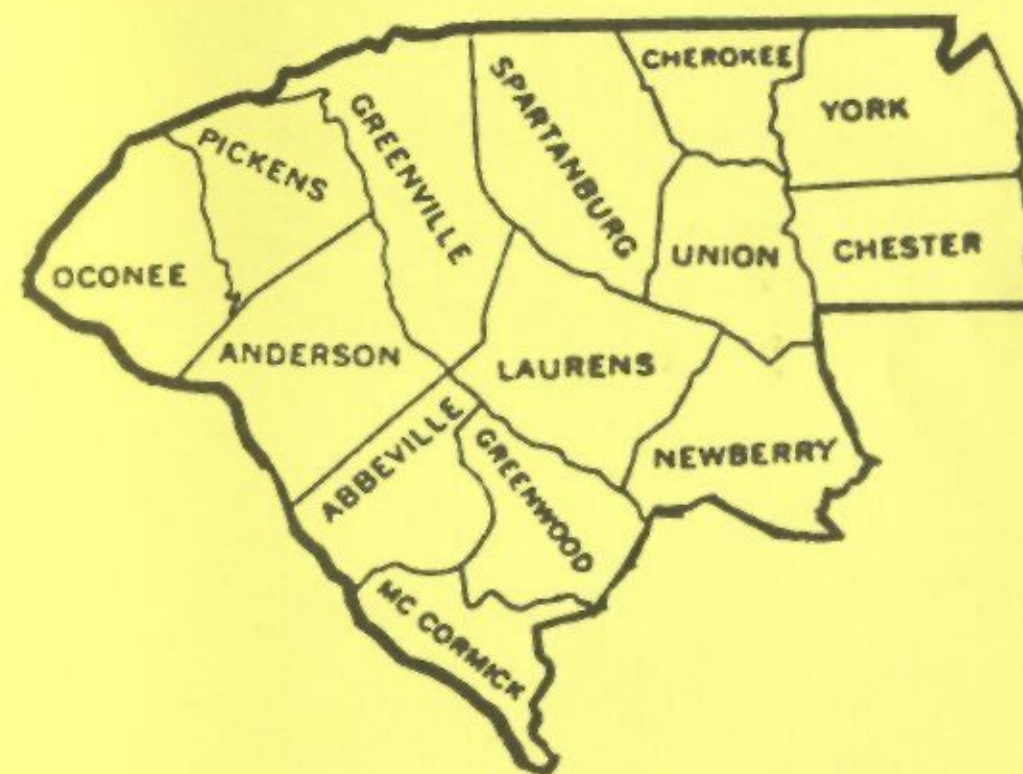
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# TRIBUTE TO DR. JAMES L. REID



The past couple of months have really brought to my mind the old saying "Give me the flowers while I'm living." Too often, each of us takes for granted an individual in our life who brings us much joy and helps in many way (both great and small) to make life more pleasant and easier. Dr. James L. Reid is one such person in the life of my family and this organization. His excellent submissions to *Upper South Carolina Genealogy & History* are just the tip of the iceberg and reflect only a portion of the many contributions of time and energy he makes (usually anonymously) to the Society. Jim is a fount of knowledge not only of the genealogical and historical sources of this area but the lore and fast dying oral traditions as well. Having been trained as a scientist (Jim has a doctorate in physics from Clemson University where he currently teaches), he approaches both his genealogical and historical research with a sharp, systematic, methodical eye. He thinks through problems and comes up with solutions based on the evidence not what he wants the results to be. If Jim makes a conjecture about a research problem, it is based on a careful, critical weighing of the evidence available to him at the time and, if he is writing, he includes the disclaimer that the supposition is only inferred by the facts, not proven by them (something which, unfortunately, not all researchers will do). Afterwards, in the tradition of the scientific method, he continues to search for additional facts and refines his conclusions accordingly.

Through our many years of friendship, I have come to know and respect Jim as both a researcher and an individual. Although he is too modest to say so, he is a scholar of the highest order and an avid researcher who knows more about historical and genealogical sources in South Carolina than most professional archivists I know. Jim is also a gentleman in the finest of Southern traditions. Jim has something too often lacking in this world, namely values, and he lives by them. He is a great boon to Piedmont Historical Society. This quarterly is dedicated to Jim in appreciation for what he does and who he is.

Joey Gainey, Editor

# FAMILY BIBLE RECORD OF THOMAS HAMMETT OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY

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Contributor's Note: Words and statements not in the original Bible record are enclosed by square brackets, []. The publisher and the publication date of the Bible are unavailable to the contributor.

## FAMILY RECORD

### MARRIAGES

Thomas Hammett and Lucy [Richardson] Hammett was married on the 31 <sup>st</sup> of Dec 1828	B. F. Hammett and Mary A Ramsey was married the 15 of December 1868
Govan Bush and Margaret Hammett was married on the 4 of November 1858	C. H. White and E. L. Piehoof was married on the 18 of Nov. 1883.
Samuel Piehoof and Ramoth Hammett was married on the 18 of September 1859	Raphael and Estelle Greer married August 14, 1937

### BIRTHS

Thomas Hammett was Born June the 7 <sup>th</sup> 1799	Martha C Hammett was Born on the 10 <sup>th</sup> of Dec. 1843
Lucy Hammett was born on the 17 <sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1807	Frances T Hammett was Born on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> of April 1848[P]
Ramoth A Hammett was Born on the 22 <sup>nd</sup> of Nov. 1829	James J Bush was born the (28) of Septem 1863
Margaret M Hammett was born on 1 <sup>st</sup> of Feb. 1831	Lougenia E Piehuff was born December the (12) 1861
John J Hammett was Born on the 14 <sup>th</sup> of March 1833	Lucy A. Deller Hammett was born the 10 of January 1872
Mary G Hammett was Born on the 12 <sup>th</sup> of Nov. 1834	Odes O. White was born on the 14 <sup>th</sup> of July 1884
William P. Hammett was Born on the 20 <sup>th</sup> of August 1838	John V White was born on the 20 <sup>th</sup> of October 1886
James F Hammett was Born on the 30 <sup>th</sup> of April 1838	Lillian V White was born on the 17 <sup>th</sup> of August 1889
Catherine E Hammett was Born on the 30 <sup>th</sup> of March 1840	Mamie E White was borned on the 25 <sup>th</sup> May 1892
Barham F Hammett was Born on the 11 <sup>th</sup> of April 1842	Edna T White was born on the 29 <sup>th</sup> March 1895



## DEATHS

Thomas Hammett Departed this life on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March 1848 Age 49 years  
 Margaret M Bush Departed this Life on the (25) of February 1864  
 W. P. Hammett Departed this life on the 21<sup>st</sup> Oct 1864  
 M. J. Hammett Departed this life on the 7<sup>th</sup> of July 1869

Lucy Hammett Departed this life on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of August 1881 Age 73 years  
 E. C. Hammett Departed this life on the 26<sup>th</sup> of April 1885  
 J. J. Bush Departed this life on the 4<sup>th</sup> May 1885  
 S. S. Piehuff Departed this life on the 18<sup>th</sup> of July 1864

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## FAMILY BIBLE RECORD OF THE REVEREND DRURY DOBBINS

Contributed by Billy Joe Byars, 816 Floyd Road Ext., Spartanburg, SC 29307 <bbyars@bellsouth.net>

Contributor's Note: Words and statements not in the original Bible record are enclosed by square brackets, []. The following records are taken from from a copy of the original Bible printed for Mathew Carey, No. 118, Market-Street, Philadelphia, October 27th, 1802.

FAMILY RECORD  
BIRTHS

Drury Dobbins was born april the 7<sup>th</sup> 1776  
 Artemisa Harrel was born april the 6<sup>th</sup> 1794  
 [Daughter and only child of Drury Dobbins and the wife of Richard Harrill.]  
 Drury Dobbins Harrell was born May 27<sup>th</sup> 1809  
 Abraham Byars was born october the 7 1796  
 Littleton Byars was born april the 7<sup>th</sup> 1798  
 Sally Harrel was born December the 25 1811  
 Dolly Harrell was born November the 25<sup>th</sup> in the year of our lord 1815  
 John H. Harrell was born March the 1<sup>st</sup> 1818

Anthony S. Harrill was born August 10 1820  
 James A Harrill was born Nov the 25. 1822  
 Harres Harrill was born April the 7. 1825  
 Seliany Harrell was born September the 3 Day \_\_\_\_ 1827  
 William Wilson Son of Robert and Sally Wilson was born August 18, 1827  
 Susanna Willson was born March the 28 1829  
 Sally Harrill born July 29<sup>th</sup> 1833  
 Eliza H Harrill was born May the 31 1835

## MARRIAGES

Drury Dobbins & Hannah was Married July 27<sup>th</sup> in the year of our lord 1793  
 William Smith and Ann his wife was Married October the 8<sup>th</sup> 1789

Reuben Warren and Mary his wife married the 12<sup>th</sup> September 1782  
 G.[?] B. Harrill & Fannie his wife was married December [faint] 1868

## DEATHS

William Dobbins Departed this life September 23<sup>rd</sup> 1814 [Father of Drury Dobbins]  
 Susannah [Collins] Dobbins departed this life the 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 1832 [Mother of Drury Dobbins]  
 William Collins departed this life March the 16<sup>th</sup> 1832  
 Ira Smith son of W<sup>m</sup> and Ann Smith Departed this life June the 6<sup>th</sup> 1794  
 Hacklay Warren Departed this life June 10<sup>th</sup> 1807  
 Sarah Warren his wife Departed this life 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 1800  
 James Dobbins departed this life March 29<sup>th</sup> 1843 [Brother of Drury Dobbins]

Drury Dobbins Departed this Life this [Left blank. His tombstone has May 17, 1847.]  
 Hannah Dobbins Departed this Life [Left Blank. Her tombstone has June 8, 1848. She was the wife of Drury Dobbins.]  
 Dolly Hardin Departed this life February the 7<sup>th</sup> day 1841  
 S.C. Harrill departed this life December 25<sup>th</sup> /61  
 Richard Harrill Departed this life the [Left blank. His tombstone has March 28, 1859.]

[On a separate sheet were recorded the birth dates of thirteen persons who were not part of the Bible record. The Dobbins entries are thought to be nephews and nieces of the Reverend Drury Dobbins.]

Sarah Dobbins was born April 14<sup>th</sup> 1811  
 Ezekiel Dobbins [Jr.] was born February 8 1813  
 Peggy Dobbins was born April 10 1815  
 Nancy Dobbins was born June 6 1817  
 James B. Dobbins was born August 31 1819  
 Daniel Dobbins was born November 18 1821  
 Susannah Dobbins was born December 29 1823

Silvery Dobbins was born May 25 1825  
 Polly Dobbins was born September 28<sup>th</sup> 1828  
 William Dobbins was born June 28 Day \_\_\_\_ 1831  
 Hannah & Drury was born twins 15<sup>th</sup> February 1836  
 Fannie E Harrill was born June the 1<sup>st</sup> 1830  
 David Harrill was born May 1<sup>st</sup> 1836

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### FAMILY GROUP OF WILLIAM C. DOBBINS BORN 1740

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Contributor's Note: William C. Dobbins was a Revolutionary War patriot. He was paid 52 pounds, 9 shillings, 8 pence sterling for sundry provisions in 1781 and 1782. He moved from Granville County, NC to York District, SC between 1761 and 1776. He later moved to Rutherford County, NC, where he died. Many of his descendants still live in Rutherford and Cleveland Counties, NC and in York, Cherokee, and Spartanburg Counties, SC. My ancestor is his son James Ballard Dobbins.

William C. Dobbins, Sr

Born February 17, 1740 in Granville County, NC; died September 23, 1814 in Ellenboro, Rutherford County, NC.

Wife, Susannah Collins

Born February 27, 1738 in Granville County, NC; died May 1, 1832 in Logan Township, Rutherford County, NC; daughter of William Collins (born 1712) and his wife Sally (born 1716).

#### Children

1. James Ballard Dobbins, Sr. Born about 1762 in Granville County, NC; died March 28, 1843 in Cleveland County, NC. Was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. Married January 1, 1785 in Cleveland County, NC to Nancy (maiden name is unknown to me).
2. William "Will" Dobbins, Jr. Born September 3, 1765 in Granville County, NC; died March 24, 1852 in eastern Spartanburg District, SC. Married September 3 1789 in Rutherford County, NC to Elizabeth Scruggs.
3. Mary "Mollie" Dobbins Born about 1767 in York District, SC; died October 14, 1854 in eastern Spartanburg District, SC. Married 1792 in Rutherford County, NC to Richard Scruggs, Jr.
4. Frances "Frannie" Dobbins Born 1772 in York District, SC; died 1863 in Rutherford County, NC. Married 1789 in Halifax County, Va to Anderson Womack.
5. Jonathan Dobbins Born about 1773 in York District, SC; died after 1870 in Rutherford County, NC. Married Sarah (maiden name unknown).
6. Ezekiel Stanley Dobbins Born 1755 in York District, SC; died November 3 1857 in Spartanburg District, SC. Married 1790 in Spartanburg County, SC to Elizabeth Hughes
7. Rev. Drury Dobbins Born April 17, 1776 in York District, SC; died May 17, 1847 in Rutherford County, NC. Married July 27, 1793 in Rutherford County, NC to Hannah Sams.

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### AN INCIDENT IN THE LIFE OF REV. DRURY DOBBINS

Contributed by Dr. James L. Reid, 730 Walnut Hill Road, Campobello, SC 29322.

Source: The *Shelley Aurora* (Cleveland County, NC), copied by the *Carolina Spartan*, March 23, 1892

#### Rev. Drury Dobbins.

The *Aurora* published four years ago an Enoch Arden affair in which a noted Baptist pioneer preacher, Drury Dobbins, married innocently another man's wife. This minister and the supposed widow were aiming to do what was right and legal, and no one in North Carolina knew or thought the first husband was living, but the unexpected often happens and the runaway husband No. 1 returned to claim his wife whom he had left.

The minister and second husband acted prudently and nobly and proposed that the woman should decide irrevocably the question and each would abide by her decision. So each that day together asserted their love and claims in the presence of all three. Then came the ominous response from the mutual wife, who wisely selected the nobler and kinder husband, Rev. Drury Dobbins. Then the first husband kissed her and was gone forever. The woman chose her future partner, and the first husband, like Enoch Arden, submitted to his fate and returned to Georgia. This is no fiction, but the unadorned truth, as our old men of Cleveland and Rutherford counties can attest.

Rev. Drury Dobbins was one of Nature's Noblemen, a diamond in the rough, who left a noble impress upon this Piedmont section. He was like the celebrated Dr. Carey, a shoemaker, who studied books while he mended shoes, and was a faithful sentinel on the watchtower of Zion for half a century. In his early life he married Mrs. Hannah Sams, nee Callahan, of Rutherford county.

Some of his Baptist friends ought to assist in erecting a suitable monument to the memory of this talented and popular preacher. This ought to be done, although North Carolina is not fond of erecting monuments to her heroic dead.—*Shelley Aurora*

[Contributor's Note: Other sketches of Rev. Dobbins state that his wife was Mrs. Hannah Callahan, nee Sams—just opposite the statement above. The marriage of Rev. Dobbins and Hannah is not on record in Rutherford County, NC. To conclude that the statement in the *Aurora* article above is in error the reader should consult Hannah Dobbins' will, which is printed immediately below.]

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#### WILL OF MRS. HANNAH DOBBINS

Contributed by Billy Joe Byars, 816 Floyd Road Ext., Spartanburg, SC 29307 <bbyars@bellsouth.net>

Source: Rutherford County, NC Will Book E, Page 176, Nov 25, 1847, Recorded Feb Court 1848

I, Hanah Dobbins of the County of Rutherford and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainties of earthly existence do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say first that my Executor here inafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends, and pay all funeral expenses with my just debts, howsoever and whomsoever owing, out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as part or parcel of my Estate. Secondly, I give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Artamincy Harrill and the heirs of her body Two bay mares, one nine years old and the other six, one three horse waggon, one carryall waggon three cows and Calves, one sow and pigs, Eight head of Hogs, two Cupboards and one bureau, six feather beds, steads and furniture, one Clock, Three Tables, one loom, one wheel and cards, one Negro Girl named Sarah about three years old, all the corn fodder and oats that may be on hand, also all the poultry of every description. Thirdly I give and bequeath unto my beloved son John Callahan six dollars in cash to be payed him by my executor (hereinafter named). Fourthly, my will and



desire is that all the residue of my Estate (if any) after taking out these devises and bequests above mentioned shall be sold and the debts owing to me be collected and if there should be any surplus over and above the payments of debts, expences and legacies that such surplus shall be payed over to my beloved daughter Artimincy Harrell for the use and benefit of her and the heirs of her body. Lastly, I constitute and appoint A. S. Hatrell my lawful Executor to all intents and purposes to Execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. In witness where of I the said Hanah Dobbins do hereunto set my hand and seal this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November AD 1847.

her  
Hanah x Dobbins {Seal}  
mark

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Hannah Dobbins to be her last will and Testament in presence of us who at her request in in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

D. Beam Robert H. Wilson

[Note: Clearly, Hannah must first have married a Mr. Callahan to have a son named John Callahan.]

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### DEATH NOTICE OF MRS. ELIZABETH GLADDEN OF FAIRFIELD

Source: *The Winnsboro Register*, copied by *The Edgefield Advertiser*, June 30, 1858

DEATH OF AN AGED LADY.—Mrs. Elizabeth Gladden, the aged mother of Col. A. H. Gladden, died at her residence in this district, on Tuesday night last, at the advanced age of about one hundred and six years. Mrs. Gladden married about the time of the outbreak of the war of the Revolution, and was quite familiar with many of the scenes, which occurred in our State, during that dark period which "tried men's souls." She retained her faculties in a great degree, until within the last few years, when her eyesight and memory partially failed. She was, far as our knowledge extends, the oldest resident in our District.—*Winnsboro Register*, 24th ins

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### DEATH OF MRS. KATIE SEAY PUTWAY IN TEXAS

Source: *The Carolina Spartan*, May 26, 1886, p. 3

—The *Advertiser*, published in Giddings, Lee County, Texas, bearing date of May 13th, contains a notice of the death of Mrs Katie Seay Putway, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Seay, once residents of our town. Mrs. Putway was a prominent teacher in the Sunday school and was a leading woman of her town. Some of our citizens may remember her, for her girlhood, until she was ten years old, was spent here [in Spartanburg].

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### SOME DEATHS IN CHESTER COUNTY IN AUGUST 1873

Source: *The Chester Reporter*, copied by *The Carolina Spartan*, September 4, 1873, page 2

On Saturday night, 16th instant, of brain fever, a daughter of Mr. W.L. Edwards, aged about three years.  
son of George Keenan, aged about 10 years.

On Monday night, Miss Betsey Morrow, daughter of David Morrow, deceased. Suddenly on Monday afternoon, 18th instant, Lowry Nealy, aged nearly two years.

On Monday, 18th instant, Mr Hugh Omelveny {sic} an old citizen of Chester, aged 81. At his residence at Roddytown on the evening of the 15th, after a long and painful illness, Gregg Cherry, Sr., aged about eighty years.

In this town, on Tuesday night last, Minnie, a daughter Mr. S. N. Murphy, aged three years. Of congestion the heart, on the 18th instant, at his residence in York County, Mr. T.M. Love, aged fifty nine years, seven months, and four days.—*Chester Reporter*

On Friday evening, 16th inst., near Landsford,

Reporter

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### THE PATHOS OF DATES (AN EARLY BLOSS FAMILY)

Source: *The Carolina Spartan*, September 14, 1892

Note: The narrator is not known.

#### The Pathos of Dates

I once read a story in which the main incidents were traced out by a person on the opposite side of the street, by means the shadows on the window curtains. In a similar manner I evolved a pathetic story of real life from a series of dates in an old family Bible, which lately fell before my notice. The first date:

"January 1, 1730. On this happy New Year's Day, I Adrian Bloss, took to wife my beloved Kathrina, daughter of John Wagner."

The bold handwriting, the impulsive style, the many flourishes of the the pen, seem to bring vividly before me the smiling bridegroom, happy in his new joy.

Turning the page, the entry was in deep contrast, and in a delicate feminine handwriting.

"August 15, 1730. Died by falling from a ladder, Adrian Bloss, aged 25 years."

By falling from a ladder—perhaps while engaged, as was customary in those days, in building with his

own hands a dwelling for his bride.

The next entry, in the same handwriting, was more touching still.

"November 21, 1730. Born, Adriana, daughter of Adrian and Kathrina Bloss."

Again on the mortuary page:

"December 25, 1730. Died, on this the Nativity of the blessed Saviour, Adriana Bloss, Daughter of Adrian and Kathrina Bloss."

After so brief flowering the little posthumous blossom went to sleep with her father. After this comes another record in a different handwriting:

"January 1, 1770. Entered into rest, Kathrina, widow of Adrian Bloss, aged seventy years.

Seven months a wife, one month a mother, fifty years a childless widow

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# COPING WITH DEATH OF HEAD OF FAMILY IN EARLY YORK DISTRICT

Contributed by Dr. James L. Reid, 730 Walnut Hill Road, Campobello, SC 29322.

Have you, gentle reader, ever wondered how a mother in the early, relative primitive days of upstate South Carolina managed to raise her family of children after the untimely death of her husband? In this article I am going to give you a glimpse or two of how one particular woman and her family coped with this sad situation. The setting is in York District in the span of years from 1807 to the early 1820's, and the woman is Mrs. Ann Meek, widow of Adam Meek. The probate court file of Adam Meek was transcribed in this *Quarterly*, issue of August, 2000 (Vol. XIV, No.3, p. 147). From his will I list the family members at the time of Adam's death:

Adam Meek,	father, husband, head of household
Ann Meek,	his wife and mother of the following children
James,	oldest son
Margaret,	oldest daughter, later Mrs. Moore
Jane,	middle daughter, later Mrs. Byers
Agnes,	youngest daughter
William,	youngest son

Today, we can come no closer to conversing with a family bereft of a husband and father than to read their direct testimony, and that of relatives and neighbors, concerning their situation. Such testimony for this family is found in the files of an equity court case, whose specification is the following:

York District, SC) Equity Court (Pinckney District), Case N° 4 (1819). Samuel B. Byers *et al* vs. James Meek, Exor of A. Meek, Bill for Petition; to Account and Discovery.

[The first testimony is from one of the loose papers in this case. It serves establish the date of death of Adam Meek and the age of each of his children at that time. My insertions into the testimony are enclosed in square brackets.]

## 19<sup>th</sup> May 1821 Edward Byers

he knows a part of the cultivation which Adam Meek lived at the time of his death but he does not know what it is worth James Meek has cultivated it since his fathers death—Major Meek died the last of January or first of February 1807 ... all the children were under age at the death of Major Meek [and] Agness and William were underage at the time of the death of their mother. Margaret at the time of her fathers death was above 18 years old, Jane 12, Agness 8 or 9 & William 4 or 5 the economy of the family was as good as common the widows industry and attention and mercy in the family was considerable. She was no charge. he has seen the young ladies at the wheel. he thinks they were industrious and capable of keeping themselves in ordinary clothes from the time they were grown up to the time they were married

## Edward Byers

Margaret was married about ten years ago or more, left the family soon after she was married. Jain has been married about 5 years ago she left the place in a short time after. Nancy [same as Agnes] left there about three years since.

[The remainder, and the bulk, of personal testimony is from a little booklet of fifteen pages folded and sewn together at the crease. It is about the same size as the "Blue Book" used today for exams requiring compositions. On the front cover are the words *Reference Book*, and just under these are the words *Evidence Book*. The testimony was taken in May of 1822.]

## Examination of Mrs. Margaret [Meek] Moore one of the comp<sup>l</sup>

She lived with her mother from in the family from 1807 in January until the 27<sup>th</sup> of May 1813. Her mother lived on the place where her father died there was no sale of the property her mother died the 20<sup>th</sup> of May 1818 her sister Jane, Agness & William remained also on the plantation while she lived there her sister Jane continued there until she married, the rest untill their mothers death Jane was married in November 1816—her mother two sisters & Brother were furnished with provisions off the plantation James married in March 1809 and settled on his on place in March 1812 the support of the family came through the hands of her Brother James—he furnished all them things & this continued to be the case until her mothers death—stock household furniture in short Exhibit marked A was in the use of the family—till the time above mentioned there has been no sale of property since her mothers death—she got some of the household furniture since her mothers death—during the time she lived with the family [she] was furnished with dresed clothing by the executor—two years with such clothing as was necessary to be bought Jane was untill she was twenty one in the same way—she was 21 in November 1815 Agness was furnished until she was 21 years old in like manner until her mother's death which was 20<sup>th</sup> of May 1818. Her mother was furnished in like manner during the time she lived William was furnished with clothing from the time of his fathers death until the death of his mother weaving for the family furnished in like manner as clothing, except some for one or both of her sisters to the amount of \$1.50 cts a piece the cotton for which this clothe was made was raised on the place, William clothes was principally spun by her mother & Agness, an old Negro woman named (Sue) was helper from her fathers death untill her mothers in the house to cook etc, Sarah was the wash woman; she generally was a full hand Josiah has not the use of his right shoulder even at this time Jos. not a proper use of it, everything that was made on the plantation as far as she can recollect, was consumed on it, except cotton—that was carried to market. (Josiah was worth 64 do<sup>l</sup> per year) her Brother James undivided part of the property still remained on the plantation—no division was done. James had two negroes that he got by his wife and two he bot [bought], three worked on the farm until he moved, and two afterwards, Those two of the defits own negroes worked on the farm from 1809 to her mothers death, there were two [negro] girls about 12 or 13 years old when they commenced working—her mother would not consent to have an overseer to be in the house with her, James had the management James occasionally worked and plowed in the field when it was necessary to do so—they got horses to ride when it was convenient. when they were not in use on the farm, (visiting etc until they received their legacies at 21—)

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her Negroes worked on the farm (June & Sam) two years the same length of time her clothed her, June was a woman. Jude Laura Sam about 11 years, She is of the oppinion that clothing was not worth more than the [value? (word omitted)] her [word omitted?] of her negroes Mrs Moore made up the principal part of the negro clothing the first two years, with the assistance of her mother & sisters Her mother superintended the spinning of the clothing—her sisters assisted in taking care making up clothing etc as she [had] done Before she left them, she got a cupboard and ½ dozen chairs the cupboard was appraised at \$12 Mrs Moore was to give \$17 for the cupboard, and glass \$20.00 —the chairs at \$12.00.

## Agness Meek

proves the sames as sister did (Z) admitted by Miss Agness Meek Mr Moore applied to James Meek for Partition they could not agree she does not know that James refused

## John L. Moore

[—] allowed the executor of \$100 and interest due from the estate to John L. Moore in right of his wife for rent of lands there has been no Sale of the property, it has been used by the family since the death of Major Meek to his wives [death]—he is under the impression that the provisions raised on the farm was consumed by the family. Save sold corn. but one year that year no cotton was planted—stock etc was



consumed also by the family—all the property such as furniture implements of husbandry etc continued in the family and used by them—used on the farm—the family was well provided for—market crops was not great such as cotton in revenue is worth—since Meeks death untill now—\$175 debt was industrious and saving. Executor had two horses that worked on the farm from Testators death untill Mrs Meeks death. Mr. McElire says that a good work horse is worth \$30 per year—in the year 1813 there were 3 bales of cotton made on the farm—from 1807 untill now there might average 15 Bails of cotton per year, he would suppose not more than 15 Bails could have been made since that period per year. [The year 1813 was a drought year.]

#### Robert Bratton

was present with James Meek when he proposed to get an overseer. the widow objected to it. She said she would not allow it—this happened in 1817. If offered to build an house for the overseer she said she would rather her negroes go idle—he has heard her say it often, the reason is that there was not [?] there—he has seen James Meek plowing—he worked hard.

#### Mr. ju<sup>o</sup> Moore

\$25 per year for Mrs Meek Boarding including the use furniture etc—over and above her attention in the family clothing at \$20.00 per year the girls — Boarding \$25 each on the same principal as the old lady \$35 per year for the young ladies clothing. \$25 per year for William's Boarding since Major Meek death untill his mothers death. William clothing \$20 per year from the death of his father untill his mothers death \$8 per year from 1809 untill 1818 \$8 for year clothing Jane in 1810 \$8 per year for Agness in 1818 & 1811 Mrs Meek could not have an overseer in the house—

Reference closed for today

Reference commenced on Wednesday the 29<sup>th</sup> May 1822 [sic]

#### Samuel B. Byers

he is of the opinion that Mrs. Meek was no charge to the estate, nor to the Executor her services rendered was equivalent to her board. her services consisted in making clothing for the white and Black families—in raising & taking care of the young negroes—and upon this score he thinks she was no charge to the executor

Reference commenced on May 31<sup>st</sup> 1821 [sic]

#### Edward Byers

he advised the executor not to keep any accounts against the estate of legatees of the estate that was known[?] by them he believes—he conversed with his sister [i.e., James Meek's sister] she was satisfied for a length of time he talked with the family They appeared satisfied he particularly conversed with the old lady—James & Margaret—she [Jane Meek] was his sister, Mrs Byers. he was present when James Meeks settled with Mrs Byers who was then 21 years of age she heard the conversation between the witnesses and the defendant about no accounts being kept she appeared satisfied he drew up the will he was under the impression that James was to get the net proceeds with four negroes he thinks the widow understood it so also—and this was the condition that was made...the widow did not want any division of the property. she wanted it all to be in common at the time he [James Meek] wanted her to get her part—it was some time after this she demanded her share of James it might have been 8 or 4 years—he appeared willing to give her the 1/6 part of the appraisement bill he was not willing to give any more. he was under the impression that her reason for demanding her part was that it might [?], he does not know whether it was a little or not, he rather thought that it might be she appeared satisfied that there was no sale & enjoyed in common he knows nothing else he told her he thought it could not be spared, she made no objections to it in conversation with her about a sale, he thinks there was two or 3 years during the way there was nothing more made that would support the family—but since that there ought to be more, the services of the old lady was no charge to the estate were to the estate of A. Meek & not to James

Meek alone, & this is why he says she is no charge, the family lived in common and enjoyed things in the same way that would have if A. Meek had been alive, he told Jane when she was about 14 that the interest of her part would keep & she might chose her guardian or let her property remain with James Meek, & the girls were not willing that their part should be taken out of the hands of James Meek—he is not certain whether he had the same conversation with Agness

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Shortly after the death of A. Meek he told the widow his opinion of the will & gave his opinion as before stated at that time she was seemed distressed about the affairs of the family he did not think it appeared to be a matter of much concern—the testator[Adam Meek] said that he must do something to induce James to take care of the family and his other=Jane was about 11 or 12 at the time he read the will, Nancy 9 or 10—william 5 years old

#### X Byers

[One presumes that the witness is still Edward Byers.] he told the widow that James Meek the impression left in his mind by Mr. Meek that James was to get all that was made and [support?] the family & that if she was not satisfied with the will she could break it. She said no his will is my will, he added later he told her that she could get her part and the children could have guardians & at this time she had gotten over her distress she wanted them all to be together she was not willing to have a divide. She objected to have an overseer he thinks the negroes were appraised high—negroes Bad and Isaac about 10 or 11

#### X Jane Byers

she was present when her mother demanded her part of the property from the Executors=she has heard her mother ask her Brother often for her part of the property, she never heard the family say that James was to get what was made of the net proceeds, she understood the property was to be kept in common together she was about 12 years old at the time of her fathers death=she understood from Mr. Byers that James was to Keep no Books against them=she heard that he was buying books—her mother heard so=she does not think that was the cause of her mother demanding her part She thinks the reason her mother demanded her property was that she wanted what [she] ought to have she never made any agreement or heard any of the family say that they had that James was to get all the net proceeds that was made she does not think that such an agreement could be made without her Knowing it it might have been made at her fathers death but if it had she thinks she would have heard of it afterwards, no such thing was mentioned at any time that her mother demanded partition of her share she expected to get what she was entitled to by the will and law; she heard that there was property not willed & she intended to have her rights, the reason James would not give his mother her property was that he claimed all the increase, this was the particular reason why division was not made the old lady said she would never settle unless she did get her property; there may have been other objections, this was two or 3 years before her [Jane's] marriage The demand was made as [s]he thinks after the report of James Keeping Books—her mother said that she could not get her part without suing from James ... She thinks her mothers were worth her support from her attention she thinks her services were worth her support (Mrs Byers) she made Negro clothes & her mothers & her sisters Nancys she thinks was a great as hers—over and above what they done for themselves hire was 2 years for herself & 2½ years for Nancy—Nancy was boarded out 2 years, she was boarded out all the time, there is no charge against herself does not know of any charges vs Nancy. The demand was made shortly after James moved to his own house

#### Miss Agness Meek

She thinks that her services was sufficient for board upon an average

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## JAMES MEEK AND REVOLUTIONARY WAR STORIES FROM THE UPSTATE

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[For the Spartan]

### The Olden Times.

JAMES MEEK—CAPT. MAYFIELD—THE HOG TROUGH—TABLE ROCK MOUNTAIN—MARIA CUNNINGHAM—THE INDIAN—SWEET MILK AND PEACHES

James Meek came with his widowed mother from Pennsylvania and settled on Bullock's Creek in York County, S. C., where he was living at the commencement of the revolutionary war. He and his brother-in-law, Byers, were both zealous whigs and, at an early period of the revolution, joined Sumter's army and served with that distinguished partisan officer during nearly all his skirmishes and fights, and was in that disastrous defeat at Fishing Creek on the 18th of August, 1780 where his army became scattered, many of them fleeing to the mountains. As Meek, Byers, and many of their friends were wending their way homeward, by some fortuitous circumstance, Mr. Meek was captured by Tories, his arms pinned behind him and carried as a prisoner to the house of one Captain Mayfield, a blood thirsty Tory of Chester county, S. C. and no doubt they would have put him to death had he not been rescued. On their way, however to Capt. Mayfield's they had a river to cross adjoining a farm and there was no skiff or other means to enable them to cross the river. They found upon examination a large hog trough near the farm house which they launched into the river, into which they placed Mr. Meek and ferried him over. When they reached Capt. Mayfield's house they called for dinner and placed a sentinel at the door to give alarm should he discover any whigs approaching. Before they had time, however, to dispatch their dinner, the sentinel at the door cried out: "Yonder comes Sumter's men." The Tories all fled leaving Mr. Meek, their prisoner. On arrival of Mr. Meek's whig friends at the house of Capt. Mayfield, Mr. Hood, out with his knife, cut the cords that bound the arms of Mr. Meek and carried him back to Sumter's army. Two of Mr. Hood's sons, Abner and Sylvanus, were for many years citizens of Winston county, Mississippi.

Many years after the close of the revolutionary war, Mr. Meek started to Alabama for the purpose of purchasing land. He reached the North West part of the state [i.e., SC], where he spent the night. The next morning he started on his journey, but had not gone very long before his horse came galloping back without a rider, to the house where he had tarried the previous night.

When the horse was discovered some of the family cried out: "There is Colonel Meek's horse." Diligent search was made and after the lapse of several days his body was found among some driftwood below the ford on Seneca river. His money could not be found and it was supposed that he was murdered for his money and his body thrown into the Seneca River. His remains were interred on the plantation of Colonel Anderson.

Mr. Meek left five sons and one daughter, viz:

1. Abner died in Attala county, Mississippi,
2. Amzi died in Louisville, Mississippi,
3. James B. died in Louisville, Mississippi,
4. Wm B. died in Louisville, Mississippi,
5. Eli died in Arkansas
6. Mrs. Chesterfield McKenney now resides at Holly Springs, Miss.

After Sumter's defeat at Fishing Creek another squad of his men retreated to the vicinity of Table Mountain, in Greenville county, where a company of Tories commanded by Bill Cunningham where about to surround and capture them at the foot of the mountain, and in order to make their escape, as the dernier resort, they ascended the mountain at the only place where it was passable for a horse. They knew the pass

way would be guarded by Cunningham and his adherents and should they attempt to descend from the mountain by the same route that they came up, they would be captured and put to death. Their rations being nearly exhausted, they held a consultation, whether or not, they would kill their only horse, which they called "Sweet Milk and Peaches", and eat him. Maria Cunningham, a sister of Bloody Bill, was in love with one of the rebel young men, and resolved at all hazards to rescue him if possible.

She sallied forth in quest of a young Indian whom she knew and been raised near the mountain and was familiar with all the by-paths upon the mountain and if any person could rescue the rebels from their peculiar situation, it was that Indian. She hired him to undertake the hazardous experiment. He clandestinely made his way to the summit of the mountain and found the environed rebels almost in a straving condition. He cut a long grape vine, piloted them to a point on the mountain where the depth would be the least. He tied one end of the vine to a tree, which enabled the soldiers to make their escape from the mountain by climbing down the grape vine.

For the above mentioned information I am indebted to the Meek family. They said they had heard their ancestor relate frequently the above mentioned incident and they said he gave the names of all the men that were rescued from the mountain by the Indian; but they had forgotten all their names except "Maria Cunningham" and "Sweet Milk and Peaches".

Rev. J. H. Saye of Chester Co., S. C. informed me that he once saw Capt. Mayfield in Franklin county, Georgia long after the close of the Revolutionary war.

Wm. T. Lewis

## DEATH OF JOHN BARKLEY, SHERIFF OF FAIRFIELD DISTRICT, IN 1814

Source: *Charleston Courier*, Monday, January 10, 1814

DIED, IN Winnsborough, on the 27th ult. JOHN BARKLEY, Esq. Sherrif of Fairfield District.

## DEATH OF A WELL KNOWN COLORED CITIZEN OF GREENVILLE

Source: *The Greenville Enterprise*, Wednesday January 17, 1872, p.2, col.1

DUDLEY TALLEY, well known to all the old citizens of Greenville City and County, died at his residence in Greenville, on Saturday morning, 6th instant, aged 78.—He was a remarkable negro in many respects. When a slave, belonging to Capt. D. Long, he earned for himself near eight hundred dollars he bought the freedom of his son for \$800. The son unfortunately died soon after. He remained a slave till after his master's death. Having accumulated some \$150 prior to the sale of Capt. Long's personal property, several years before the war, he requested a gentleman, in whom he had confidence, to buy him at the sale and give him his liberty, and he would repay the sum, which was \$650. This was done. True to his word, he, little by little, added to the \$150, and extinguished the debt. He also accumulated sufficient to buy a house and lot, and died owning a real estate of considerable value. Dudley was respected for his industry, honesty, and native good sense—He was a moral and religious man, having for many years been an active member of the Church (Baptist). He was attached to his friends, white and black. He had a great regard for Rev. Dr. Williams, of the Theological Seminary of this place, and had expressed the wish he should preach his funeral. This Dr. Williams did, on Sunday 7th last, in the colored Baptist Church, before a large congregation, among them were some of our most respectable white citizens. Gabriel Pool, Pastor of the Church, performed the burial service at the grave.



# FAMILY GROUPS AND FAMILY CONNECTIONS FROM COUNTY COURT RECORDS

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Contributor's note: The intent and purpose of this contribution is to expose family groups and family connections from the various types of court records from the upstate counties of South Carolina. The county and the type of record will be carefully identified. The wording, sentence structure (or lack thereof), and punctuation (or lack thereof) of original documents will be followed as closely as possible. Information within a document that is not essential nor relevant to the genealogical content will be elided, as indicated by successive dots, i.e., ... . Statements or individual words not in the original document will be enclosed by square brackets [ ]. Names, places and dates are sometimes set in boldface type by the contributor for purposes of highlighting and emphasis.

## CHESTER COUNTY

Chester County, SC, Probate Court, Apt No. 18, Package No. 520, Estate of William Estes, Dec'd (1807), Liddell Estes & William Estes, Ex'ors

### Will of William Estes

In the name of God Amen I William Estes Sen. of Chester District and State of South Carolina being thro. the tender providences of Almighty God, weak in Body but strong in mind, and recollection, and while I commit by body to the Dust from whence it came, and Spirit to God who gave it, I dispose of my property in the following manner viz—I will and Bequeath unto Elizabeth my Lawful and Loving wife the possession benefit & profit of the home place, as also the possession and use of the Negroes remaining after four shall be taken out, as shall be hereafter mentioned, together with the household stuff or furniture as also the whole stock of horses cattle sheep & hogs to enjoy to her own proper use & behoof during the time she remains my widow—and she is also to have the waggon & gears, the farming and mechanical utensils—I Bequeath unto my son Liddell the place he now lives on and the Negro man Phil. an also that plantation whereon the widow Gun now lives—I Bequeath to my son Sylvanus one negro man named Dick I Bequeath unto my son William one Negro man named Silas. I Bequeath unto my son John the plantation on which he lives and it is my wish that Sylvanus and Liddell and my wife shall have the free use of the cotton Machine so far as to pick their own cotton, and she have a proportional part in the repairs of the machine at the time they should want to use it, if any repairs should be necessary—I Bequeath to my Daughter Polly one Negro girl Aggy. I bequeath to my Daughter Peggy Gater one negro girl named Anne and one Negro Boy named Henry I Bequeath unto my Daughter Betsy Lockhart one Negro Boy named Peter & also one Negro girl named fanny. I Bequeath unto my Daughter Sally Walker one Negro girl named Sally and one Negro man named Dennis Now it is the true meaning and intention of this will, that the Negroes above donated to my Daughters, shall properly and exclusively belong to themselves and the Lawful heirs of their Bodies—I will that all that is left after my wife's Death be equally divided among all the Legatees—except William Clement—I Bequeath unto my grandson William Clement one horse Beast

worth fifty dollars & and a new Bridle & saddle worth fifteen dollars to come out of the stock left to my wife—I also Bequeath into my wife all the ready cash on hand, and also one Hundred Dollars which is in the hands of John Lockhart—I also appoint My sons Liddal & Sylvanus my Executors and I also revoke and recall all former wills by me made and declare this my last Will and Testament. given under my hand this Eleventh Day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and seven.

William Estes

Signed and Delivered in the presence of John Walsh Vinson Lee

### William Estes' Will Proven

South Carolina, Chester District} Personally appeared John Walsh & Vinson Lee & being Duly sworn [say] on their oaths that they saw William Estes Sign & acknowledge the within Instrument of writing as his last will & testament and that the said William Estes was then of sound mind & perfect memory to the best of their knowledge & belief & and the said deponents & each of them did subscribe as witnesses in the presence of and at the request of the testator at the same time appeared Liddal Estes & Sylvanus Estes & qualified as Executors

Given under my hand this 4<sup>th</sup> day of september 1807

J O Brown OCD

### Warrent of Appraisement of Estate of William Estes Dec'd

South Carolina, Chester District} By Joseph Brown Ordinary of said District these presents are to Impower you or any three of you to repair to all such places & parts you shall be directed unto by Liddle Eastes and Sevanous Eastes wheresoever any of the goods and chattels of William Estes Deceas'd are at Do remain & there view and appraise all & every of the said goods & chattels ... to make a true & perfect Inventory thereof & to return the same to the said Ledal & Silvanous under your hand ...

To Jesse Wallace Tho' Davis Elijah Gunn Henry Carter & Vincent Lee or any three of you dated this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September 1807

J.O. Brown O.C.D.

South Carolina, Chester District} I do hearby certify that Jesse T Wallis Thos Davis Hennerly Carter & Vincent Lee was all present & sworn according to Law to Execute the within warrent of appraisement Given under my hand & Seal Sept 29<sup>th</sup> 1807

Hez<sup>d</sup> Donald J.P. {seal}

### Appraisement Bill of the Estate of William Estes Deceased

[The following slaves were named in the appraisement bill:

1 Negro man Tom	\$100.00
1 Negro man Sam	600.00
1 Boy Dennis	250.00
1 do Harry	250
1 girl Fanny	175
1 do Selvey	175
1 woman Let & child Littleton	500
1 girl Agga	175
1 woman Amy & child Peter	500
1 Negro man Charles	550

The inventory of the entire estate came to a total of \$4100.75.]

We whose names are underwritten do certify the above appraisement of the Estate of the Late W<sup>m</sup> Estes is a true appraisement according to the best of our knowledge September 29<sup>th</sup> 1807

Jesse t. Wallace Henry Carter Tho's Davis Vincent Lee

### Sale Bill of the Estate of William Estes dec'd

[Only the names of the buyers at this sale are listed below:

Lydal Estes	John Dalles	John G. Smith	Edw <sup>d</sup> Colvin
Peter B. Seely	James J Davis	Wm Estes	Charles Heyles
John Gilchrist	James Vance	Jos T Estes	Wm Carter
John Carter	Jones Taylor	James Atkinson	Geo Harden Jr.



John Estes	David Owen	Thomas Pressley	Carter Estes
Charles Walker	Wm Clark	Henry Brackfield	Stephen Terry
R. Welk	Joseph Carter	Charles B. Smith	Newman Proctor
Elizabeth Lockhart	Blake Carter	James Wright	D.G. Cobein
Edw <sup>d</sup> O'Calaghan	James C Alverson	B. Grant	Robert Tindal

S. Estes	bought	1 Negro man Tom	\$ 36.00
John Carter	"	1 do do Sam	465.00
R Welk	"	1 Negro girl Levilla	509.00
Joseph Carter	"	2 Negroes (1 woman & 1 child)	300.00
S. Estes	"	1 Negro boy Lillison	641.00
Charles B. Smith	"	1 Negro Boy Peter	587.00
Newman Proctor	"	1 Negro Boy Jack	400.00
Elizabeth Lockhart	"	1 do Girl Lydia	355.00
Charles Walker	"	1 Negro Boy Churchhill	300.00
Wm Carter	"	1 Negro Girl Hannah	256.00
Elizabeth Lockhart	"	1 Negro boy Reuben	200.00

Charles Walker bought an old Bible.

The total amount of the entire sale came to \$4483.18½. The sale bill was not dated. The following note was written at the end: I send on the Sale Bill in E. Lyles Handwriting Wm Lockhart paid L. Estes \$117.

#### Receipt of John Carter June the 15<sup>th</sup> 1811

Received of Silvanus Estes one of the Executors of the Estate of William Estes Deceased The sum of Sixty Dollars it being part of my shear of the value of the Negro Charles Received by John Carter

#### Receipt of Charles Walker April 24<sup>th</sup> 1811

Received of Silvanus Estes Twenty four Dollars & Thirty seven cense of the Estate of William Estes Deseast Charles Walker

#### Receipt of Lyddal Estes June 25<sup>th</sup> 1811

Received of Sylvanus Estes Twenty two Dollars and twenty five cents being part of the Estate of William Estes deceast (Signed) Lyddal Estes

#### Receipt of William Estes June 25<sup>th</sup> 1811

Received of Silvanus Estes twenty fore dollars and thirty five cents of the Estate of William Estes Decest William Estes

#### William Clement's Receipt March 27<sup>th</sup> 1813

Received of Silvanus Estes 11\$ of the Estate of William Estes the Deceased (signed) William Clement

#### William Clement's Receipt

Receipt [Received?] of Mr. Sylvanius Eastes one Dollar it being in full of my part in suit Wm Clement vs Sylvanius Estes in Ordinaries Court This 6<sup>th</sup> Day of April 1814

#### John Estes' Travel Bill April 10<sup>th</sup> 1811

The executors of the Last Will of Wm Estes Dec'd to John Estes to traveling ... on business of Said Estate \$21

South Carolina, Chester District} Personally appeared John Estes & being duly sworn Declars on Oath that the above account of twenty one dollars is just & true & that he actually & necessarily paid the same on business of s<sup>d</sup> Estate (Signed) John Estes

Sworn this 10<sup>th</sup> April 1811 before

J O Brown O.C.D.

[Elizabeth Estes, widow of William Estes, Senior, died either near the end of the year 1822 or early in January of 1823. Probate court activity resumes in January 1823 with a different ordinary. The following undated statements seem designed to bring the status of the estate up to date at that time.]

#### Undated Statements

One negro is dead named Let Sally Walker had one Negro boy Name dennice October the [blank] 1807 Peggy gather [Gaither] had one Negro boy named henry April 9<sup>th</sup> 1808 Betsey Lockhart had one Negro name Fanny June 1<sup>st</sup> 1808 May 8<sup>th</sup> 1808 Mary Carter had one Negro girl Name aggy

One Negro Charles Sold for five hundred dollars one grey horse is dead and a black mare is dead two sows is dead and one calf is dead one mans saddle ten dollars & twenty five sents

Amt of the Sale of the Estate of Wm Estes .....	\$4483.18½
Cash from Charles Walker .....	10.25
Cash received from William Lockhart with 16 years interest .....	212.00
	\$4706.13½

#### Second Warrent of Appraisement of the Estate of William Estes Dec'd [Jan 21, 1823]

State of South Carolina, Chester District} By E. Lyles Ordinary of s<sup>d</sup> Dist. ... To Henry Carter, James Atkinson Esq John Pinchback Joseph Carter Sam<sup>l</sup> Wright Esqr

#### [Petition of Lyddal Estes to Sell The Estate of His parents January 28, 1823]

State of South Carolina, Chester District} By E. Lyles Ordinary of Chester District WHEREAS Ludwell [sic] Estes Executor of the last will & testament of William Estes hath petitioned the court of ordinary for liberty to Sell the whole of the personal Estate of the said William Estes the Court after viewing the prair of said petition & being willing to grant the prair these are to authorise you the said Ludwell Estes to Expose the whole of the personal Estate of said dec'd at public Sale on a credit of twelve months with bond of good Security for all sums of two dollars & upward all under cash before delivery first advertising as the Law directs Given under my hand and Seal this the 28<sup>th</sup> day of Jasnuary AD 1823 E. Lyles ord'y

#### Second Appraisement of the Estate January 31 1823

A true and perfect Inventory of the goods chattels and personal estate of William and Elizabeth Estes late of Chester District farmer Deceased made by us whose names are hereunto Subscribed this thirty first day of January in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and twenty three

[The names of the slaves in the inventory are the following:

Negro men Tom and Sam	420.00
Woman and one child Amy & Lovilla	850.00
Young fellows Littleton and Peter	1030.00
one boy and girl Jack and Juda	675.00
Children Churchill Hannah and Reuben	665.00

The value of the entire estate was appraised at \$4134.16.]

Appraised by us the day and year above written Henry (x) Carter James Atkinson Jn<sup>o</sup> Pinchback

#### Second Sale Bill of The Estate of William Estes [March 3, 1823]

[Only the buyers will be recorded here:

Wm Clark	Stephen Terry	Carter Estes	L. Estes
John Carter	R. Welks	Joseph Carter	Charles B Smith



Newman Proctor	Charles Walker	Wm Carter	Elizabeth Lockhart
Blake Carter	Edw Colvin	James Wright	Ja Patterson
George Hardin	James Wright	David Owens	D. G. Cabeen
Wm Estes	P. B. Seely	Rob't Tindle	

L. Estes	bought	1 Negro man Sam	\$ 36.00
John Carter	"	1 ditto Dillon Sam	125.00
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L. Estes	"	1 Negro boy Littleton	641.00
Charles B. Smith	"	1 Negro boy Peter	581.00
Newman Proctor	"	1 Negro boy Jack	400.00
Elizabeth Lockhart	"	1 Negro girl Juda	555.00
Charles Walker	"	1 Negro boy Churchill	300.00
William Carter	"	1 Negro girl Hannah	256.00
Elizabeth Lockhart	"	1 Negro boy Reuben	200.00

The total sale amounted to \$4310.62½

I Lydal [sic] Estes Executor of the Last will Of William Estes Dec'd do certify this is a true Sale Bill of the Estate left in the Widows hands Given under hand this 3 March 1823 (signed) Lyddal Estes  
Wm Lockhart pd Est. \$117.17 14 years interest

#### Affidavit of Eli Gaither [August 14, 1823]

Georgia, Walton County} Personally appeared before Eli Gaither and after being duly sworn saith on oath that certain a mare was sold for one hundred Dollars formerly the property of Margaret Gaither previous to the Executor being put into office of his Dec'd a part of the price of said above mentioned mare and that he never rec'd but Eighty dollars for the said mare sworn to and subscribed before me this the 14 day of August 1824

Andrew Brown

Eli Gaither

#### Citation to Settle the Estate of William and Elizabeth Estes [April 11, 1828]

S. Carolina, Chester District} By Peter Wylie Ordinary To the sheriff or his lawful deputy Whereas Charles Walker a Legatee of Wm & E Estes has applied for a citation for Lydell Estes Executor of Said Estate to appear before me & account for his actings & doings in Said Estate & make final settlement thereof You are hereby commanded to appear before me at my office at Chester Court house on the 15th Inst at Said Settlement Givenn under my hand & Seal this 11th Aprile 1828 P. Wylie {Seal}

#### Final Settlement of the Estate of William Estes & Elizabeth Estes [April 15, 1828]

At a Court of Ordinary holden at Chester Courthouse on Tuesday 15 day of April 1828 Present P Wylie The intent of said court to make a final settle of the Estate of William & Elizabeth Estes Lydell Estes being cited to appear before the court to render an account of his activities & doings in said [estate] Also Joseph Carter Administrator of Sylvanus Estes was present in court when the court proceed[ed] to make the settlement & upon viewing Impartially the papers and matters admitted the following appears to be the result

Amount of price of a Negro sold after the death of Wm Estes (named Charles) with interest thereon when collected .....	\$ 540.00
Amount of a debt Received from Wm Lockhart .....	107.00
	647.00
Amount transacted by Sylvanus Estes .....	102.32½

Amount to be equally divided into 8 equal shares .....	8)544.68½
Each Legatees share .....	68.08

#### Paid Legatees as per Receipt

To John Carter as per Receipt .....	60.00
To Charles Walker as per Receipt .....	24.37
To William Estes as per Receipt over his Expencc which was 24 dollars accounted for in the expence above .....	.37
To Lydell Estes as per Receipt .....	22.25
To John Estes a negro girl at \$300 .....	300.00
Am't of Legacies paid per Receipt .....	406.99
Am't in hand of Sylvanus Estes before his share taken .....	137.67
Amount of Sylvanus Estes share .....	68.08
	69.01
Amount in hand of Sylvanus Estes with 13 years Interest thereon ....	68.34
Amount in hands of estate of Sylvanus Estes in 1824 .....	132.95
Charles Walkers share .....(husband of Sally Estes).....	68.08
Rec'd from Sylvanus Estes as per Receipt .....	24.37
Amount of 13 years Interest .....	39.77
Amount due Charles Walker in 1824 .....	83.48
John Estes Share .....	68.08
Received Negro girl .....	300.00
Overpaid John Estes .....	231.92
Interest on 231.92 for 13 years .....	211.04
Am't due from John Estes .....	442.96
William Estes Share .....	68.08
Received as per Receipt as per Receipt over his traveling expence ...	.37
	67.71
Amount due William Estes with 13 years Interest thereon .....	61.61
Amount due William Estes in the year 1824 .....	\$ 129.32
Lydell Estes Share .....	68.08
Rec'd as per Receipt .....	22.25
Amount due Lydell Estes with 13 years Interest .....	45.83
Amount due for 13 years .....	41.70
Amount due in 1824 .....	87.53
John Carters Share .....(husband of Polly Estes).....	68.08
Rec'd as per Receipt .....	60.00
	8.08
Amount due with 13 years Interest thereon .....	7.84
Am't due for 13 years .....	15.42
Eli Gathers Share .....(husband of Margaret Estes).....	68.08
Amount of 13 years Interest .....	61.95
Amount due in 1823 .....	130.03
Mrs. Lockharts Share .....(widow of John Lockhart).....	68.0
Amount of Interest thereon for 13 years .....	61.95
Amount due in 1824 .....	130.03



[The identity of the parents of William Clement, grandson of William Estes, is not revealed in this probate file.]

#### [Statement of Final Settlement]

Account of the administration of Lydell Estes Executor of the above Estate with Sylvanus Estes after the death of Elizabeth Estes also after the death of Sylvanus Estes Executor

Amount of the Sale of said Estate .....	\$4485.18
Amount due from Charles Walker .....	10.95
Whole Amount of Estate .....	\$4496.13
Lydell Estes Commissions .....	211.80
	4284.33
Amount of debts and expenses .....	125.00
Net amount to be divided in 8 equal parts .....	8) 4158.45
Net Amount .....	519.80

#### Portion of an Unrelated Probate Document

In this Estes probate file there was an unrelated page entitled "In the matter of the Estate of Mary Tims dec'd." The will of Joseph Tims is mentioned; and it is stated that Vincent Brown was husband of Elizabeth, one of the legatees of Joseph Tims. It is not dated, but it is written on the back side of one of the papers belonging to the Estes file.]

Chester County, SC, Probate Court, Apt No. 37, Package No. 573, Estate of Aaron Lockhart, Dec'd (1799), Sarah Lockhart, Executrix

#### Aaron Lockharts Last Will & Testament

In the name of god Amen I Aaron Lockhart of Chester County in the State of South Carolina being weak and low in body Amount of 13 years Interest ..... 39.77

**Misplaced** but of sound mind & memory & calling to mind the mortality of my Body ... Do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally I give my Soul to the hands of god that gave it & my body to be buried in a Decent manner at the Direction of my Executors ... as touching such worldly goods it has pleased god to bless me in this life I dispose of the same as followeth Item I give & bequeth unto Sarah my well beloved wife my negro Joeneh Mime together with all the household furniture to her heirs & assigns forever and I Give to Aaron Love son of my daughter Margery Love one cow & to Aaron Love son of my daughter Jane Love I give one cow & to my two daughters Margery & Jane aforesaid I give each of them five pounds to be paid out of my personal estate at such time as my Executor shall find it most convenient and to my son John I give ten pounds to be paid as aforesaid & and the remainder of my personal Estate after the payment of my just debts & funeral charges to be Eaually divided between my sons & daughters hereafter mentioned Viz Charles Aaron Moses William Ely Rebeckah Mary Margaret and Sarah & it is my will that the whole of my lands & mills except my moiety in the sawmill be sold at the discretion of my executors & money arising from the sail thereof be divided in manner following one third part to my loving wife aforesaid twenty five pounds to my son James Lockhart ten dollars to my grandson Aaron Lockhart son of James ten pounds to each of my daughters Rebeckah Mary Margaret & Sarah & the remaind to be Eaually Divided between my five sons Charles Aaron Moses William & Ely—and the whole profits arising from my part in the sawmill to my loving wife aforesaid for the term of five years for the support of herself & family & and at the Expiration of that sum my part of the said sawmill to be sold & the money arising from the sail to be

Eaually divided by my five sons Last above mentioned & I do hereby ordain & appoint my loving wife aforesaid Executrix of this my last will & Do hereby Revoke all former wills & testaments Ratifying & confirming this and no other to be my last will & testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this 25 Day of August 1798 Signed Sealed published pronounced and declared by said Aaron Lockhart to be his last will & testament Aaron Lockhart  
in the presence of J O Brown Charles Gillmore Elijah Goings

Recorded in the office of Chester County in Ordinary Book A pages 15 & 16 this 11<sup>th</sup> day of June 1799  
Teste Sam<sup>l</sup> Lacey

#### Inventory and appraisement of the Estate of Aaron Lockhart Decease'd

Taken on Oath by the subscribers

[The details of the inventory will be omitted here. The whole amounted to 2514 dollars.]  
Clayton Rogers Job Going Cha's Gillmore Rob't Wood

#### Receipts for Legacies [of] Estate of A. Lockhart

Recorded Book D page 140

This Day Received of John Lockhart five pounds sterling being a Legacy Left me by my father I say  
Received by Me this 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 1799 W. Love

November 29 1799 Received of John & Sarah Lockhart one cow in full of a legacy left me by Aaron Lockhart to me Aaron L. Love

November the 29<sup>th</sup> 1799 Received of John & Sarah Lockhart one cow in full of A Legacy Left by Aaron Lockhart Deceased to me Aaron Love

November 29 1799— Received of John & Sarah Lockhart two hundred and forty five Dollars [her] part of the personal Estate of Aaron Lockhart deceased Rebeckah Love

November 29, 1799 – Received of John and Sarah Lockhart two hundred and Eleven Dollars twelve cents and one half in full of his part of the personal estate of Aaron Lockhart deceased Charles Lockhart

Nov 29 1799 Received of John & Sarah Lockhart ten dollars in full of a legacy left by Aaron Lockhart to his grandson Aaron the son of James Ja's Lockhart  
Test James M McKnight

Received 20<sup>th</sup> March 1806 of John & Sarah Lockhart two hundred & Eleven Dolars twelve cents of the personal estate of Aaron Lockhart Deceas'd John Gallagher  
[This receipt suggests that one of the younger daughters of Aaron Lockhart married John Gallagher.]

Received March 16 1809 of Sarah & John Lockhart too hundred & Eleven Dolars & twelve cents in full of the personal Estate of Aaron Lockhart Deceicied Received by me Moses Lockhart

June 29 1809 Rec'd of Sarah Lockhart Executrix of the Estate of Aaron Lockhart Dec'd two hundred and Eleven dollars in full J. Rogers  
[This receipt suggest that one of the younger daughters of Aaron Lockhart married J. Rogers.]



[There was no final settlement papers in this estate file.]

Chester County, SC, Probate Court, Apt No. 37, Package No. 576, Estate of **John Lockhart**, Dec'd (1808),  
**Elizabeth Lockhart, Moses Lockhart & William Lockhart**, Executors

#### Will of John Lockhart

In the name of God Amen I John Lockert of Chester District in the State of South Carolina being weak and low in body but of sound & disposing mind & memory ... do make and ordain this my last will & testament ... and as touching worldly goods as it hath pleased God to bless me with in this life, I dispose of the same as followeth: **Item**. I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife **Elizabeth** the whole of my personal Estate to be hers during her widowhood, or natural life, & if she marries the whole of my personal Estate to be Equally divided between my loving wife aforesaid & my three children, viz, **Aaron Norcissa & Elizabeth**, after the payment of my just debts & funeral charges, & it is my will that my son Aaron aforesaid shall have the tract of land whereon I now live with all the appurtenancy thereunto connected when he should arrive at the age of twenty one years, & my loveing wife aforesaid to have the [use] of the same until my son shall come to the age aforesaid & it is my will that the tract of land lying on Broad River containing fifty acres, and on turky creek containing thirty seven acres, each adjoining land of **Alen Degraffenried** to be sold and the money arising from the sale thereof be laid to use of famely at the discretion of my Executors & I do hereby ordain & appoint my loving wife **Elizabeth** & my brothers **Moses & William** Executors of this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have set my hand [&] seal this 14th day of **November 1807**. Signed sealed published pronounced & declared by the said John Lockert to be his last will & testament the date above in presence of

**Charles Lockert**

**Charles Gilmore John Gilmore**

**John Lockert {L.S.}**

#### Proof of John Lockhart's Will

South Carolina, Chester District} Personally appeared **Charles Gilmore** & being duly sworn declares that he saw **John Lockert** sign & acknowledge the within instrument of writing ... and that he the deponent together with **Charles Lockert** & **John Gilmore** did subscribe as witnesses in the presence & at the request of the testator. At the same time appeared **Elizabeth Lockert** & **Moses Lockert** & qualified as Executrix & Executor Given under my hand this 26 day of **December 1807**

**J. O. Brown O. C. D.**

[The usual set of probate records will not be transcribed from this file. There are no final settlement papers in the file. The point of the following transcriptions is to establish that **John Lockhart**, the son of **Aaron Lockhart** (whose probate file appears just above) was the husband of **Elizabeth Estes**, daughter of **William Estes**. The reader will recall that the will of **William Estes** mentions a sum of \$100 in the hands of **John Lockhart**. The following statement proves the point.]

State of South Carolina, Chester District} Before me **E. Lyles** ordinary of Chester District. Personally appeared **Elizabeth Lockhart** Executor of the last will of **John Lockhart** and being duly Sworn Saith on oath she paid **one hundred dollars** with one year or more interest to **Sylvanus Estes** Executor of last will of **Wm Estes** Sworn to & Subscribed the **5 July 1824**

her

**Elizabeth x Lockhart**

mark

[The following document locates **Charles**, one of the **Lockhart** brothers, in 1814.]

State [of] Tennessee, Robertson County} Personally appeared before me **Charles Miles** a Justice of the peace of the s'd county **Charles Lockert** and After [having been] sworn deposeeth & Saith that Sometime

About November in the year 1807 he was called upon to assist in the settling the accounts of **John Lockert** Dec'd & **Aaron Lockert** Sen'r Deceased the deponent farther saith that in the Settlement he gave the Estate of **John Lockert** credit by fifty Dollars paid to **Clayton Rogers** by the said **John Lockert** Upon account of **Aaron Lockert** Jun'r Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th Day of **January Eighteen hundred & Fourteen**

**Cha's Miles**

**Charles Lockert**

#### YORK COUNTY

York County, SC, Probate Court, Case #30, 18, File #1272, Estate of **Henry Etters Sr**, Dec'd (1856),  
**Andrew Etters**, Administrator

#### [Petition to Settle the Estate of Henry Etters, Senior]

State of South Carolina, County of York} To **J. A. McLean** Esq., Judge of Probate. The petition of **Henry Etters, Eliza Etters, & Rebecca Gibbons, W. C. Beatty**, their Atty, represents to your honorable court that, being lineal descendants of **Henry Etters Sr**, deceased, they have a pecuniary interest in his estate: that **Andrew Etters** is now the surviving administrator, on file in the Court of Probate, that from the returns of said surviving administrator, on file in the Court of Probate, it appears that the said surviving administrator has a considerable amount of funds, due & payable to your petitioners & other heirs of the estate of **Henry Etters Sr** that demand has been made on said surviving administrator to pay to your petitioners the several sums, thus due and payable to them, which payment said Adm' has wholly neglected to make, & still refuses.

Therefore your petitioners pray your honorable court to cite the said **Andrew Etters**, surviving Adm', to appear before you on a day certain, to be fixed by you, to account for his actings & doings as such Adm', and that a summons for this purpose do issue to him, & that he be compelled, by due process of law, to pay to your petitioners their just & legal demands herein **March 10th 1874** **W.C. Beatty** Atty

[The foregoing petition is only part of this file. Other papers in it show that **Henry Etters Sr.** died May 12, 1856.]

#### YORK COUNTY

York County Deed Book G, Page 280

This indenture made the twenty third day of January in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and twenty five and thirty fifth and thirty Sixth year of the Sovereignty and Independency of the United States of North America Between **James Meek** of **Bullocks Creek** York District and State of South Carolina for one of the part[s] and **Edmond Westmoreland** of the district and State aforesaid of the other part **WITNESSETH** That the said **James Meek** ... quit claim unto the Said **Edmond Westmoreland** ... a certain piece or parcel of land lying on the waters of **Bullocks Creek** in the district and State aforesaid containing forty three acres...

**James Meek**

Signed Sealed and delivered in the presence of **Moses Meek James Harbison Robert Meek**

#### Renunciation of Dower by Susana Meek, wife of James Meek

State of south Carolina, York District} I **James Whyte** one of the Justices of the Quorum in and for the district aforesaid do hereby certify Unto all whom it may concern that **Susana Meek** wife of the within named **James Meek** did this day appear before Me and Upon being privately and Separately examined by Me did declare that She does freely voluntarily and without any compulsion dread or fear from any person or persons whomsoever renounce release and forever relinquish unto the said **Edmund Westmoreland** ... all her interest and Estate. and also all her right and claim of Dower of in or to all the premises Within Mentioned and released and quit claimed. Given under my hand and Seal this 25th day of **Jan'y 1811**



Whyte {L.S.} J. A.,

(signed) Susana Meek

[This James Meek is the same James Meek of the Revolutionary War story on Page 120 of this issue. See the August 2000 issue of this *Quarterly*, p. 146, for the will of Jane Meek, mother of James.]

#### ABBEVILLE COUNTY

Abbeville District, SC} Equity Court Box 40, Package 2175, James Arnold Gdn for Carswell Reynolds and Mahala Reynolds (1818)

State of South Carolina, Ninety Six District} In Equity

#### Guardianship Bond

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, THAT WE James Arnold John Cochran & D. McGehee of Abbeville District in the State aforesaid, are jointly & severally held and firmly bound unto John McComb, Esq., Commissioner of the honorable court of Equity, his successor or assign in the penal sum of Eight thousand dollars ... Sealed with our seals and dated this ninth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Eighteen.

Whereas the honorable court of equity for the district and state aforesaid, in pursuance of the petition of James Arnold presented to it, on the tenth day of June last did nominate and appoint the above bound James Arnold Guardian of the estate and effects of Carswell Reynolds and Mahala Reynolds minors under the age of twenty-one years ...

James Arnold {Seal}

Sealed and delivered in the presence of J. M. Crouch

#### [Power of Attorney of Carswell Reynold]

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS THAT, I Carswell Reynolds of Green County in the State of Alabama have constituted ... Benjamin Reynolds of Abbeville District in the State of south Carolina my true and lawful attorney for me ... to receive all such sum and sums of money ... payable ... to me; by James Arnold of the state and District last aforesaid—who was legally appointed my guardian during my minority & who, the said James Arnold is administrator of Benjamin Reynolds and who was the administrator of my father Larkin Reynolds ... IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and Seal : dated at Erie this 11th day of July in the year of our Lord on thousand eight hundred and twenty and in the Forty Fifth year of the Sovereignty and Independence of the United States of America

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

Carswell Reynolds {Seal}

Teste John M. Bales Durrett White

#### [Receipt of Mahala Reynolds]

24th Feb'y 1821 rec'd of James Arnold Adm'r of the Estate of Ben'n Reynolds Dec'd and Adm'r De Bonis Nom of the Estate of Larkin Reynolds, Dec'd and Guardian of Mahala Reynolds the sum of Four hundred and Thirty One dollars & 20 cents, in full of all demands in each respective case

(signed) Arch'd Arnold

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#### OBITUARY OF MRS. EVE GARDNER OF EDGEFIELD DISTRICT

Source: *The Edgefield Advertiser*, February 3, 1858, p. 3, col. 6

DEPARTED this life, Dec. 31st 1857, at the residence of her husband in Edgefield District, South Carolina, in the seventieth year of her age, Mrs. EVE GARDNER, consort of Mr. JOHN GARDNER, and

daughter of Mr. Martin Taylor, a Revolutionary War soldier.

She was born in Newberry District, S. C., April 2nd 1787; moved to Edgefield with her brother about 47 years ago; and was married April 1st, 1829. She was baptised into the fellowship of Little Stevens' Creek Baptist Church, by the Rev. B. Manly, nearly 45 years past. She moved her membership to Gilgal; from thence to Mountain Creek, where she remained a consistent member till her death.

She was afflicted with a chronic sore for more than four years previous to her death; and finally, was seized with the Dropsy of the Chest which terminated her existence. She was truly a devoted Christian, an affectionate wife, an indulgent mistress and a kind benefactress of the poor. She was indeed a subject of much and severe afflictions; but endured them with the most Christian fortitude repeatedly saying "Not my will, but the Lord's be done—all the days of my appointed time will I wait till my change comes"

She has left a disconsolate husband and many friends and relations to mourn her loss; but their loss is her eternal gain. "Blessed are the dead which die in the Spirit, they do rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

A FRIEND

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#### THREE GREENVILLE COUNTY MARRIAGES IN 1872

Source: *The Greenville Enterprise*

Issue of Wednesday January 17, 1872, p.2, col.5

MARRIED, by Rev A.C. Stepp, on Thursday morning, January 4th, at the residence of J.L. McCollough, Honea Path, S.C., J. J. WARD, Esq. of Darlington, and Miss LOU M. McCULLOUGH, of Greenville County, S.C.

Issue of Wednesday January 31, 1872

MARRIED, on Wednesday, 24th inst., by Rev. B.T. Buist, D.D., Mr. HUGH BLAIR BUIST and Miss ELIZA FOSTER, daughter of Mrs. Kitty Williams, all of this city.

Issue of Wednesday March 6, 1872, p.2, col. 6

MARRIED, on the 27th February, 1872, by the Rev. P.J. Shand, at the residence of Captain Thomas Anderson, Mr. MELVIN L. KINARD, of Columbia, to Miss NEELIE WILLIAMS, of Fairfield, S.C.

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#### A YORK DISTRICT MARRIAGE IN 1823

Source: *The Yorkville Pioneer*, Saturday September 20, 1823, p. 3 col. 4

MARRIED

On Thursday evening last, by the Rev. Robert B. Walker, Mr. GEORGE STEELE, formerly of Chester, to Miss MARY BRATTON, of this place.

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## COURTSHIP IN TWO PARTS

## PART ONE

## Courtship in Church

Source: *The Chester Register*, May 21, 1874, p. 1

A young gentleman happening to sit at a church in a pew adjoining one in which sat a [lovely young lady. He, being seized with a] sudden and violent passion, was desirous of entering into a courtship on the spot; but the place not being suitable for a formal declaration, the case suggested the following plan.

He politely handed his fair neighbor a Bible opened, with a pin stuck at the following text:

Second Epistle of John, verse 6th—And now I beseech of thee, lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee but that we which had from the beginning, that we love one another.

She returned it pointing to the second chapter of Ruth, verse 10th:

Then she fell on her face and bowed herself to the ground and said to him:

"Why have I found grace in thine eyes, seeing I am a stranger."

He returned the book, pointing to the thirteenth verse of the third Epistle of John—Having many things to write unto you, I would not write with pen and ink, but I trust shortly to come to you, and speak face to face that our joy may be full.

From the above interview a marriage took place the ensuing week.

## PART TWO

## Courtship in Georgia

Source: *The Carolina Spartan*, April 19, 1893, p. 4

When a Georgia farmer found out that his son John was sparking a certain farmer's daughter for a year or more without settling any question, he called him out behind the stack and said:

"John, do you love Susan Tucker?"

"I guess I do, dad."

"And does she love you?"

"That's what I dunno, dad, and I'm afraid to ask her."

"Well, you'd better throw out a few hints tonight and find out. It's no use wearing out boot leather unless you are going to marry her."

That night at 10 o'clock John came home a wreck. His face was scratched up and his ear was bleeding, his hat gone and his back covered with mud.

"John, John! what on earth is the matter with you?" exclaimed the old man, laying down his paper.

"Bin over to Tuckers," was the reply. "And I threw out a few hints to Susan."

"What kind of hints?"

"Why, I told her that I'd been hoofing it two miles four nights a week for the last two years to set up with her while she chewed gum and sung through her nose, and now I reckoned it was time for her to brush her teeth and darn her stockings, cure the bile on her chin and tell the folks we're engaged."

## DEATH NOTICE OF WILLIAM ESTES OF UNION COUNTY

Source: *The Carolina Spartan*, May 29, 1889, p. 2, col. 1

Mr. William Estes, about 90 years old, died at his home near Howell's Ferry, in Union County, two weeks ago. He leaves several worthy sons and daughters who are scattered over several States

## GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF MR. AND MRS. DANIEL SMITH

Contributed by Dr. James L. Reid, 730 Walnut Hill Road, Campobello, SC.

Source: *The Carolina Spartan*, Wednesday, March 8, 1893, p. 2

## FIFTY YEARS AGO

Colonel Daniel Smith and his wife celebrated their golden wedding at their home, near Glenn Springs [Spartanburg County], last week. For half a century they have been walking hand in hand in life's pathway. Their neighbors honor and respect them and their children rise up and call them blessed.

They were not very young when they married, both being over twenty-five years of age. The young people of today have very little idea of the conditions prevailing when these two people were married. No costly dressmakers assisted Mrs. Smith in getting up her wardrobe. In fact, it is doubtful whether or not there was a dressmaker in all the Piedmont region then. There were good women who went around from house to house and assisted in sewing. The wedding dinner was a homemade affair, abundant and good, no doubt, but all was of it was prepared in the home kitchen. There were no cooking stoves, no sewing machines, spring mattresses, baby carriages, wedding presents, bridal tours, Saratoga trunks, bonnets and shoes to match every dress, large mirrors, fifty dollar sets of furniture, brusselscarpets and fine carriages about our county homes when this wedding took place.

Fifty years ago John Tyler was president, having succeeded the grandfather of President Harrison who left the White House last Saturday. The Bunker Hill monument was finished that year. The Mormons were then giving great trouble. Texas was a republic with Sam Houston as President. In 1843 Morse secured the appropriation of \$30,000 to push his telegraph system and built the first telegraph line in the world in 1844. In the spring of 1843 there were only two papers in Piedmont Region, the Greenville Mountaineer and, perhaps, a paper at Yorkville. The Spartanburg Journal had started in 1841 or '42, but suspended. THE SPARTAN began its career in December, 1843, and will soon be ready to celebrate its jubilee. These last fifty years have made wonderful changes in our county. Who can tell what the next fifty years will bring forth?

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## DEATH OF MRS. DANIEL SMITH OF SPARTANBURG COUNTY

Source: *The Carolina Spartan*, March 29, 1893, p. 3

—Mrs. Daniel Smith died at her home near Philadelphia Church, Wednesday March 22, 1893. She was buried Thursday, Rev. W.T. Derieux conducting the services. She was born near Woodruff eighty years ago, her maiden name being Lanford. A few weeks ago she and her husband celebrated their golden wedding. For more than fifty years she was a faithful member of the church and she illustrated the Christian religion in her daily life. One who had known her for years said: "She was the most unselfish woman I ever knew." Many friends extend warm sympathy to the husband and children who are thus bereaved.

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# ANNOTATIONS ON THE FAMILY OF MR. AND MRS. DANIEL SMITH

Contributed by Mrs. Betty Jean Dill, 168 Bullington Road, Spartanburg, SC 29306.

From *Descendants of Peter Smith (son of Thomas Smith)*, Page 209:

"As a young man Daniel was commissioned as an officer in one of the companies of the old 45th South Carolina Militia and served as such for seven consecutive years. He was then elected colonel of the regiment.

Daniel was about 45 years old when the War Between the States began. He volunteered his services and was orderly sergeant in Dr. Ben Wofford's company in the winter of 1862-63 at Charleston, and subsequently served as captain of Company A, 1st Battalion of South Carolina Reserves from August 1864 to the end of the war. From December 1864 until the end of the war his son, William Pinckney Smith, age 16, was assigned to his company. Both father and son fought in the battle of Bentonville.

Daniel was clerk of Philadelphia Baptist Church for twenty-five years, a deacon for over fifty, and a Sunday School Superintendent for about fifteen years."

From *History of the Wofford Family*, Page 255:

From the Carolina Spartan of February 14, 1906, we learn the following:

"It is not generally known in this county that Captain Benjamin Wofford and some friends of his age raised a company for Confederate service in 1862. They were received and did service on the coast of this State several months. On account of their age, they were disbanded in the spring of 1863, and all under 35 years of age were sent to other commands and those over that age were returned home.

Col. Daniel H. Smith was the orderly sergeant, and a complete roll of the company was preserved by him. It was handed to us by Rev. W.P. Smith, his son. He thinks all the company are dead except Zimri Pinson and E.C. Wofford."

This was Company B, 5th Regiment, S.C. Reserves, J.J. Williams, colonel.

This roll was taken from one in the handwriting of Sergeant Daniel H. Smith:

Officers: Captain, Benjamin Wofford; first lieutenant, W.B. Scott; second lieutenant, Jerry Wofford; third lieutenant, Isaac Evans; first sergeant, D.H. Smith; second sergeant, S.S. Roebuck; third sergeant, Alvin Lancaster; fourth sergeant, James Harrison; first corporal, Asa Beason; second corporal, David Pearson; third corporal, G.P. Littlefield; fourth corporal, John Thomas.

[Also listed are 65 men who served as privates in the Company]

Jane Lanford was born December 2, 1813 in Woodruff, Spartanburg Dist., SC, and died March 22, 1893 at her home in Pauline, Spartanburg Co., SC. She is buried in Philadelphia Baptist Church Cemetery in Pauline. Her parents were John Lanford and Ruth "Ruthy" Leatherwood. John Lanford was born August 16, 1780, in VA or NC, and died in Woodruff, Spartanburg Co., SC, October 27, 1871. In 1850 John stated that he was born in VA. He is a son of James Lanford and Mary Lowery. Ruth "Ruthy" Leatherwood was born March 18, 1788 in Spartanburg Co., SC, died August 13 1859, in Spartanburg Dist, SC. Ruthy is a daughter of Zachariah Leatherwood and Jane Calvert.

Col. Daniel Hamm Smith was born June 13, 1816 in Spartanburg Dist., SC, and died October 24, 1898 in Spartanburg. It is believed that he is buried in an unmarked grave in Oakwood Cemetery in Spartanburg. His parents were Elijah Smith and Dianna Hamm. Elijah Smith was born April 19, 1767, in Prince William Co., VA, and died January 17, 1834, in Spartanburg Dist., SC. He was a son of Charles Smith and Katherine Rhodes. Dianna Hamm was born December 16, 1776, and died April 1, 1854 in Spartanburg

Dist., SC. Dianna's parents were James Hamm who died in Spartanburg Dist., SC, in Dec 1819, and Avarilla, who was still living in Dec 1819.

All of them born in Pauline, Spartanburg Co., SC, the children of Col. Daniel Hamm Smith and Jane Lanford, are:

Elvira Frances "Ella" Smith, 16 Jan 1844 - 13 Jan 1927. Ella never married; buried in Oakwood Cemetery.  
Rev. William Pinckney Smith, 13 Jan 1848 - 23 Apr 1916; md. Josephine O'Shields, buried in Oakwood.  
Marshall Green Smith, 11 Mar 1850 - 8 Jul 1890. Never married; buried in Oakwood Cemetery.  
Celia E. Smith, 25 Dec 1851 - 25 Jan 1940. md. John W. Stribling; buried in Oakwood Cemetery.

Notes for their son, Rev. William Pinckney Smith:

*Descendants of Peter Smith (son of Thomas Smith)*, Page 210:

"At the age of 16 William Pinckney Smith served in the Confederate Army for approximately 6 months in Company A, 1st Battalion, South Carolina Reserves. After reaching adulthood he became a teacher and then a Baptist Minister, serving churches in Union and Spartanburg Counties. He died of an apparent heart attack on Easter Sunday, April 23, 1916."  
[In 1900, he was in his 20<sup>th</sup> year at Sulphur Springs Baptist Church.]

*The Piedmont Headlight*, Oct 1887, Cherokee Chat:

"Rev. W.P. Smith will continue his meeting a few days after the fifth Sunday in this month."

From Family Record of William Pinckney Smith written Feb. 26, 1885:

Peter Smith was granted 1,160 acres of land in Westmoreland County, Virginia in 1712. Thomas Smith was the son of Peter Smith, his will and inventory recorded in Prince William County, Virginia and dated Sept. 12, 1778.

Five sons of Thomas came to South Carolina and settled in Spartanburg County, S. C.:

1. Thomas Smith, never married.
2. Fleming Smith.
3. James Smith had 2 sons: a. John and b. Enoch. and 2 or 3 girls.
  - a. John had 2 sons Franklin and Thomas W.
    - (1) Franklin died when a young man, unmarried.
    - (2) Thomas W. married M. W. Poulk. They had 4 children.
      - 1 Furman;
      - 2 Alice;
      - 3 Glen;
      - 4 Helen;
  - b. Enoch went to Alabama.
4. John Smith had 3 children (that are known) Elizabeth, Thomas, and Susanne.
  - a. Elizabeth was a cripple and never married.
  - b. Thomas went to Georgia.
  - c. Susanne married Thomas Finch. They had several children:
    - (1) James Finch;
    - (2) Benjamin Finch;



(3) Simpson Finch.

(4) Enoch [There are others]

(According to William Pinckney Smith all the Finch Family in Spartanburg are related to the Smith Family.)

5. Charles Smith married Catherine Rhodes. [Grandparents of Col. Daniel Hamm Smith]

William Pinckney Smith wrote, "our ancestors came from France and Wales and settled in Virginia. From thence our immediate ancestors came to Spartanburg, S. C."

### DEATH OF ROBERT HANNAH, S', REV. WAR VET, FORMERLY OF LAURENS

Contributed by Dr. James L. Reid, 730 Walnut Hill Road, Campobello, SC 29322.

Source: South Carolina State Gazette and Columbian Advertiser, May 1, 1821, p. 3, col 1.

On the 24th of January last, at his place of residence in Franklin county, on White Water river, in the state of Indiana, aged 75 years, eleven months and twenty four days, Mr. ROBERT HANNAH, Sen. of the asthma. It would be too tedious to enter into a detail of the meritorious acts of that venerable old man. Let it suffice to say, that in our revolutionary struggles he stood firm and unshaken in the cause of freedom, suffered every privation subject to the calamity of time, was distinguished as a brave and prudent officer at the siege of Savannah, Ninety-Six (now Cambridge) and several other places. At the close of the revolution, he settled in Laurens district until the year 1803, at which time he removed to the state of Indiana (then a territory) where he departed this life and society will long lament the loss of one of the departed heroes of the revolution.

Communicated

### TWO HORSE THIEVES HANGED AT PINCKNEYVILLE IN 1795

Source: *The South-Carolina State-Gazette*, Monday, November 30, 1795, p. 3, col. 2,3

On Friday, the 13th inst., was executed at Pinkneyville, for horse stealing in the presence of near 200 [or 2000?] spectators, the noted offenders William Powers and Patrick Morris; they were attended to the place of execution by the rev. Mr. Alexander; who after addressing the audience, turned to the criminals, and in a moving manner, tried to prepare them for their final exit; but to him they paid no attention; After the rev. gentleman had retired, they were asked by the sheriff if they had any thing to say; they answered NO upon which they were turned off:— They were guarded to the place of execution by a large body of horse and foot; who, if any attempt had been made to rescue the criminals—appeared determined to have the laws of their county, put into execution.

### OBITUARY OF COL. HENRY E. LYNCH OF GREENVILLE COUNTY

Source: *The Greenville Enterprise*, March 27, 1872, p.2, col.5

DIED, at his residence, in this County, on the 13th of March, 1872, Col. HENRY E. LYNCH, in the 75th year of his age. The deceased was born in Pittsylvania County, Virginia, but removed to South Carolina in his boy-hood with his father. In 1829 he located at the place 10 miles above Greenville, which has ever since been known as Traveler's Rest. Few men have commanded, in a higher degree, the respect and esteem of all who knew him, than Col. Lynch; or have more fully illustrated, than he did, throughout his long life, the highest characteristics of an honest man and a good citizen. C.

### A SAD AFFRAY IN NEWBERRY COUNTY

Source: *The Union Democrat*, as copied by *The Carolina Spartan*, December 15, 1880, p. 2, col. 2

#### A SAD AFFRAY

The case of James Thomas, for the killing of John L. Lyles, came up on an application before Judge Wallace for bail, David Johnson Jr., Esq., representing the prisoner, and Mr. William Munro, representing the state, at the request of the Solicitor. The facts elicited were in substance as follows:

At an estate sale, in Newberry County on the 3rd inst., there occurred an altercation between James Thomas Sr. and J. L. Lyles, in which [paper folded here] ... used by both parties. Upon James Thomas Jr., interposing with an insulting remark, Lyles drew a pistol and fired upon him. When Thomas attempted to return the fire, he found that his pistol was useless, upon which he retreated. The father, James Thomas Sr., upon making an effort to put a stop to Lyles's attack on his son, was himself shot through the body by Lyles and has since died of the wound. Another brother making a similar effort was shot in the head. James Thomas, Jr., upon being pursued by Lyles, and finding his pistol would not fire, threw the weapon at his antagonist and continued his retreat across a fence, Lyles pursuing and firing at him. Thomas at length attempted to return to the place where the fray began, and where his wounded father and brother were. Lyles advanced to intercept him, and opened fire upon him with his revolver, which in the meantime he had reloaded. Thomas now armed with a stout stick continued his course, and met Lyles, who almost at the instant of collision, fired a ball through the arm of Thomas, who striking back with the weapon in his hand, slew his antagonist.

Such in brief were some of the principal circumstances of this most unfortunate affair, in which the grey headed father of a large family has been made to fill a bloody grave, by the hand of one who was twice his son-in-law, and a man in the prime of his life was slain by kindred hands, leaving his bride of a month to deplore her loss of a fond husband.

The sympathies of community have been deeply excited for both bereaved families, who are of the highest respectability.

Mr. Thomas was admitted to bail in the sum of \$3000.—*Union Democrat*

### OBITUARY OF MRS. MARTHA C. KIBLER OF NEWBERRY COUNTY

Source: *The Southern Christian Advocate*, September 1, 1892, p. 6, col. 4

KIBLER—Mrs. Martha C. Kibler, the beloved wife of our dear Brother, Jacob Kibler, passed sweetly away to her rest in heaven, April 12, 1892, in her sixty-ninth year. Her maiden name was Stockman, and she had lived all her life in Newberry County, S. C., near Prosperity. She had been a member of the Methodist Church for forty-eight years. She loved the Church, and the preachers found a true friend in "Aunt Libela". Her husband was devoted to her, and he is desolate indeed. They have no living children, but she was the children's friend: many little one ones have been made happy by her kindness.

Her end was in great peace. She being dead, yet speaketh.

J. B. Warwick

### DEATH NOTICE OF MISS AMANDA MORGAN OF WALHALLA

Source: *The Carolina Spartan*, July 14, 1886, p. 3 col. 2

—Miss Amanda Morgan, sister of Mrs. Sligh, died at Walhalla Sunday after a short illness, just in the prime of a good, useful life. Her remains were carried to Sumter, the old family burying ground. In life she was patient and earnest, magnifying the office of teacher, and in death she was triumphant through the great Captain of her Salvation.



### MISCELLANEOUS MOORE INFORMATION

Contributed by Charles Moore, 150 Moore Dairy Road, Moore, SC 29369-9681.

The contributor, along with Joe Walden of Spartanburg and Helen Smith of Evans, Georgia, have done intensive genealogical research and we appreciate their sharing this information with us.

#### Some Moore Death Notices

Mr. John Moore died at his residence near Gaffney's last Friday, and he was buried Saturday, Rev. W. L. Brown officiating at the funeral. He began life with the century, being born in February, 1800; consequently he was in his 82<sup>nd</sup> year. For many weeks he had been an invalid, and in his last days he suffered severely. He was the well known court crier in our county for a long period, and for the last fifty years his voice has been familiar to all of our citizens. Thus passed away another of our old men.  
*Carolina Spartan*, issue of Wednesday, July 27, 1881.

Mrs. John Moore died at her residence near Gaffney's last Friday, after a long and painful illness. She lived to an advanced age, having gone considerably beyond the allotted three score and ten years. For a half century or more she had been a faithful member of the church at Providence.  
*Carolina Spartan*, issue of Wednesday, October 19, 1881.

Charles Moore Senior, was killed by the shifting engine Friday afternoon between two and three o'clock, a short distance north of the trestle at the gas house. He had two wounds, one on the back portion of his head and the other towards the front. He died instantly without speaking. Sheriff Nicholls had the body carried home and Coroner James held an inquest at night. The engineer stated that he saw Mr. Moore on the track, apparently in a deep study. He gave the usual warning signals which failed to move him. He then endeavored to stop his engine but was too late. The verdict of the jury was that the killing was accidental. Mr. Moore had just left Dr. Nott's house where he had been on some business and on returning took the railroad track which was a little nearer. He was a native of this county, about sixty three years old and was a house carpenter and contractor. For several weeks lately had been working at Wilson Cantrell's in the country and giving out of lumber he came down home a few days to attend to some business. It is one of those strange cases that cannot be understood. Just before he got to the railroad he met a friend and spoke very cheerfully and hopefully in regard to certain business he was arranging. He came to Spartanburg about 1850 to 1852. He leaves a wife and two daughters at home. His other children are married. He was buried Sunday afternoon in the old cemetery, Rev. W. T. Derieux conducting the service. A large number of friends from the town and country attended the funeral.  
*Carolina Spartan*, issue of Wednesday, December 4, 1889.

MRS. CHARLES MOORE died Friday night last. She was a Miss Chapman from the Broad River section of Fairfield County. In 1853 she was married to Mr. Charles Moore, one of the leading carpenters and contractors in our town. She met life's trials bravely. She did not falter in the conflict. She was patient and earnest and devoted to her home and family. Her neighbors all loved her. She was uniform and settled in her character. She was a consistent member of the Baptist Church. She leaves one married daughter, two sons, both married, and four single daughters, two of them being small. She was buried in the old cemetery Sunday afternoon by the side of her husband whose sad death recently took place. Mr. Derieux, her pastor, conducted the funeral services in the Baptist Church, a large audience being present.  
*Carolina Spartan*, issue of Wednesday, June 7, 1890.

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### POWERS PROBATE RECORDS

Contributed by Betty Jean Foster Dill, 168 Bullington Road, Spartanburg, SC 29306-6308.

Source: Spartanburg Real Estate Book G, 1896-1904, page 362, Microfilm C741.

[This record is from June 29, 1888 to April 11, 1902.]

Page 362:

State of South Carolina	}	
County of Spartanburg	}	Court of Probate
Summons for relief		

Emily Wood, Samuel F. Gaston, Mary J. Dobbins Margaret Boiter, B.H. Howe, Eddie Howe, Thos. H. Howe (by his Guardian ad litem B.H. Howe), Catherine Powers, Rebecca Powers, W<sup>m</sup> Powers, James Powers, John Powers, Mary Long, Nancy McGhee, John C. Powers, James A. Powers, and Harriet J. Johnson <sup>(2)</sup>

Petitioners Against

The heirs at law and distributes (names unknown) of Francis Powers, of John Powers and of Alexander G. Powers <sup>(2)</sup>

Defendants

To the Defendants in this action.

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the Petition in the action, which has this day been filed in the office of the Probate Judge for said County, and to serve a copy of your answer to the same on the subscriber at his office at Spartanburg, S.C. within twenty days after the service hereof upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the same within the time aforesaid, the Petitioners in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Petition.

(Dated) July 7, 1888.

W.S. Thomason, Probate Judge.

s/ Stanyarne Wilson, Petitioners Attorney.

State of South Carolina	}	
Spartanburg County	}	Probate Court

Emily Wood, et al.,

Plaintiffs

Against

The heirs at law of Francis Powers, et al, Defendants.

Mrs. Catharine Powers being sworn says: -

That she is the widow of Alvin Powers, deceased, who died during the war. He was a son of James Powers, who was a son of Catharine Powers. Catharine Powers died in 1862 leaving 8 children, as follows:-

- (1) Nancy Goodlett,
- (2) James Powers,
- (3) Mary (or Polly) Powers,
- (4) Jane Gaston,
- (5) Francis Powers,



- (6) John Powers,  
 (7) Rebecca Tippin,  
 (8) Alexander G. Powers.

They all died before their mother except Polly and Alexander.

- (a) Nancy Goodlett died before her mother and left her children as follows: -  
 (1) W<sup>m</sup> Goodlett who has since died unmarried and without issue;  
 (2) Eliza Howard, who has since died without issue;  
 (3) John H. Goodlett, who had since died unmarried and without issue;  
 (4) Nancy McGee who lives in Greenville City;  
 (5) Mary Long who has since died leaving her children Orlando, Arthur and Ida, who are all of age;  
 (6) Emyline Hawkins who has since died leaving children who are unknown to witness;  
 (7) Harriet Richard who died many years ago leaving children unknown to the witness;
- (b) James Powers left four children, Jno. C., Alex J., Alvin and Mrs. Harriet J. Johnson. John C. Powers is alive, so is Alexander; Alvin was the husband of witness; Harriet Johnson died about 7 years ago leaving her children: Lou, Elbert, Mary Littlefield and James Johnson - all of age.
- (c) Mary (or Polly) Powers died without heirs.
- (d) Jane Gaston left 4 children:  
 (1) Masoura Griffin, who died without issue;  
 (2) Emily Wood who died leaving the following children: Sarah Smith, Nancy Wood, Harriet Wood, James Wood, John H. Wood;  
 (3) Harvey Gaston who died after his grandmother Catharine Powers, leaving a son Samuel Gaston and two daughters Mary J. Dobbins and Margaret Boiter;  
 (4) Rebecca C. Howe who died after her grandmother Catharine Powers leaving three children: B.H. Howe, Miss Eddie Howe and Thos. H. Howe.
- (e) Francis Powers died in Ga. more than 40 years ago and his heirs have never been heard from.
- (f) John Powers who died in Miss. Nothing has never been heard from his heirs since before the war.
- (g) Mrs. Rebecca Tippin left two children: William, who has since died without wife or children, and the witness.
- (h) Alexander G. Powers who has not been heard from in over 20 years. He went to Miss.

The children of Alvin Powers and myself are: W<sup>m</sup>., James and John Powers.

N.C. (her x mark) Powers  
 Attest - J.J. Gentry

South Carolina }  
 Spartanburg County } Probate Court

Emily Wood, et al - Petitioners

against

The heirs at law and distributes (names unknown) of Francis Powers, of John Powers and of Alexander G. Powers, - Defendants.

Emily Wood, one of the Petitioners herein, being sworn says:

That as she is informed and believes, the heirs at law and distributes of Francis Powers, of John Powers and of Alexander G. Powers (names unknown), are proper and necessary parties to this action, as it is for the division and distribution of the proceeds of real estate now in the hands of the Probate Judge of said county, to parts of which the said Francis, John & Alexander G. Powers were entitled - the said proceeds having arisen from the sale of the real estate of Catharine Powers, dec'd-  
 That as she is informed & believes, the said three parties have been dead for many years and all of them died out of this state -

That she does not know of any widow or issue left by any of them, but believes that if there are any they reside beyond the limits of this state, are now residents of this state, and cannot after due diligence be found therein.

That she does not know the names or residences of any of them, if any there be.

s/ Emily Wood

Sworn to before me July 4<sup>th</sup> 1888.

T.J. Wood (L.S.)

Notary Public

South Carolina }  
 Spartanburg County } Probate Court

Emily Wood, et al. Petitioners

against

The heirs at law and distributes (names unknown) of Francis Powers, of John Powers and of Alex. Powers - Defendants

It appearing to my satisfaction that the defendants are proper and necessary parties to this action which is for the division and distribution of the proceeds of real estate now in the hands of the Probate Judge of said county, arising from the sale of the real estate of Catharine Powers, dec'd- That if any of them are alive they reside beyond this state, & that they are now residents thereof, and after due diligence cannot be found therein, and that their place of residence, if any, are unknown.

Now on motion of Stanyarne Wilson, Atty. for Petitioners it is ordered that the summons herein be published once a week for six consecutive weeks in the *Carolina Spartan*.  
 July 7<sup>th</sup> 1888.

s/ W.S. Thomason, Probate Judge

South Carolina }  
 Spartanburg County } Probate Court



Emily Wood, et al.

Petitioners  
against

The heirs at law and distributees of Francis Powers, et al.

Defendants

To Hon. W.S. Thomason, Probate Judge:

Your petitioner respectfully shows:

1. That he is the General Guardian of Thomas H. Howe, who is entitled in the division of the balance of the proceeds of sale of the estate of Catharine Powers, dec'd, now in the hands of the Probate Judge of said county, for which the above entitled action is about to be commenced.

2. That said Thomas H. Howe is a minor - Your petitioner therefore prays that he be appointed Guardian ad litem herein for said minor - s/ B.H. Howe

South Carolina }  
Spartanburg County } Probate Court.

Emily Wood, et al - Petitioners  
against

The heirs at law and distributees of Francis Powers, et al - Defendants

It appearing to my satisfaction from Petition that the Plaintiff, Thomas B. Howe is an infant and interested in this action which is for the distribution of the balance of proceeds of sale of estate of Catharine Powers, dec'd - among the parties entitled thereto: That B.H. Howe is his general Guardian & a fit and proper person; on motion of Stanyarne Wilson, atty. it is ordered:

That the said B.H. Howe be and hereby is appointed Guardian ad litem for the infant Plaintiff, Thomas H. Howe herein, and authorized as such to join in this action as party Plaintiff.

June 29<sup>th</sup> 1888. s/ W.S. Thomason, Probate Judge.

I accept the appointment of Guardian ad litem herein of the infant defendant, Thomas H. Howe.  
June 29<sup>th</sup> 1888. s/ B.H. Howe

South Carolina }  
Spartanburg County } Probate Court

Emily Wood, et al. Plaintiffs  
vs

Heirs at law (names unknown) of Francis Powers, et al, Defendants

To the Hon. J.J. Gentry, Judge of Probate for this county.

The petition of the persons hereinafter named, sole heirs and distributees of Mary Long, Harriet J. Johnson, Emily Wood and Rebecca Tippins, deceased, respectfully shows:

1. That after judicial determination of their rights and interests in the subject matter of this action,

except as to the interest of the heirs (names unknown) of Francis Powers, et al, defendants, and after partial distribution thereof among the parties plaintiff,

the plaintiff Mary Long, died in Greenville intestate, and without having transferred her interest, leaving as her sole heirs and representatives her children, Orlando Long, Arthur Long and Ida Long, who are all of age;

the plaintiff Harriet J. Johnson died intestate in Spartanburg County and without having transferred her interest, and leaving as her sole heirs and representatives her children, Lou Johnson, Elbert Johnson, James Johnson, and Mary Littlefield, all of age;

plaintiff Emily Wood died in Spartanburg County without will and without having transferred her interest, leaving as her sole heirs, her children, Sarah Smith, Nancy Wood, Harriet Wood, James Wood and John H. Wood, all of age;

the plaintiff Rebecca Tippins died intestate in Spartanburg County, and without having transferred her interest, leaving as her sole heir, her child, the plaintiff Catharine Powers who was heretofore made a party to this action and the sole representative of her husband, Alvin Powers, deceased.

2. That said petitioners are the owners of all the rights, interests and property to which the said deceased parties, if living, would be entitled to in this action.

Wherefore, petitioners pray that they may be substituted as representatives of said deceased parties, and that the action continue

April 9<sup>th</sup> 1902

Stanyarne Wilson,  
and Sease & Hoke,  
attorneys for Petitioners

South Carolina }  
Spartanburg County } Probate Court

Emily Wood, et al., Plaintiffs

vs

Heirs at law, (names unknown), of the Francis Powers, et al., Defendants

On reading the foregoing petition hereto attached, and it appearing to the Court that petitioners are entitled to be substituted in this action as parties plaintiff, representing the interests of the deceased plaintiffs, Emily Wood, Harriet J. Johnson, Rebecca Tippins and Mary Long, it is Ordered:

That they be substituted as such for the purpose of this action, and that the action continue in their name, for the further purposes of settling up the estate of Catharine Powers, dec'd.

April 9<sup>th</sup> 1902.

J.J. Gentry, Probate Judge

South Carolina }  
Spartanburg County } Probate Court.



Emily Wood, et al., Plaintiff.

-vs-

Heirs at law of Francis Powers, et al., Defendants.

It appearing to the Court from an affidavit of N.C. Powers herein, that the defendants above named are deceased without issue, or have not been heard of for than twenty years, and that the following heirs at law and distributees of Catharine Powers, deceased, are entitled to said defendants' interests remaining in the Court from the proceeds of the sale of the said Catharine Powers, deceased, real estate, in the following proportions:

The plaintiff, Nancy McGee, 1/8 ;

The children of the plaintiff Mary Long, who died after division of said property, Orlando Long, Arthur Long and Ida Long, each 1/4;

the plaintiff, John C. Powers, and Alexander J. Powers and Jas. A. Powers, each 1/16;

the children of the plaintiff Harriet J. Johnson, who died after said division: Lou Johnson, Elbert Johnson, Jas. Johnson and Mary Littlefield, each 1/16;

the plaintiffs, Rebecca Powers, W<sup>m</sup> Powers, James Powers and John Powers, each 1/96;

and the plaintiff, Catharine Powers 1/48;

the children of the plaintiff, Emily Wood, who died after said division: Sarah Smith, Nancy Wood, Harriet Wood, Jas. Wood and John H. Wood, each 1/60;

the plaintiffs Samuel Gaston, Mary J. Dobbins, Margaret Boiter, B.H. Howe, Miss Eddie Howe and Thos. H. Howe, each 1/36;

and that Catharine Powers is the sold heir and distributee of Rebecca Tippins, deceased, and entitled to her interest in said estate;

and it further appearing that Eliza Howard had deceased without issue, and that the above named Nancy McGee and the children of the deceased plaintiff, Mary Long, are entitled to her interest in said estate, on motion of Stanyarne Wilson, plaintiff's Attorney, it is ordered

That the money heretofore held by this Court as the interest of the plaintiffs, Eliza Howard and Rebecca Powers, and the interest of the defendants, heirs at law and distributees, (names unknown) of Francis Powers, of John Powers, and of Alexander G. Powers, in the estate of said Catharine Powers, deceased, be paid to said parties, or their attorneys, in said proportions.

Given under my hand and seal this April 11<sup>th</sup> 1902.

J.J. Gentry, Probate Judge

Mrs. Emily Wood (Plaintiff)

(S. Wilson, Attorney)

To *The Carolina Spartan*, Dr,

Chas. Petty, Proprietor/

To adv. Summons

5 x 6 times per copy 20.00

Chas. Petty being duly sworn, says he is the Editor of *The Carolina Spartan*, a newspaper published in Spartanburg, S.C., and that the Summons in this action with the notice thereto appended, copies whereof we hereto annexed, were published in said paper once in each week for six successive weeks, the first publication being on Wednesday the 11<sup>th</sup> day of July 1888, and the last on Wednesday, the 15<sup>th</sup> day of Aug. 1888.

s/ Chas. Petty

Sworn to before me this 10 day of July 1889.

Stanyarne Wilson, Not. Pub. {Seal}

The State of South Carolina

County of Spartanburg

Court of Probate

Emily Wood, Samuel F. Gaston, Mary J. Dobbins, Margaret Boiter, B.H. Howe, Eddie Howe, Thos. H. Howe (by his Guardian ad litem B.H. Howe), Catharine Powers, Rebecca Powers, William Powers, James Powers, John Powers, Mary Long, Nancy McGee, John C. Powers, James A. Powers, and Harriet J. Johnson, Petitioners against the heirs at law and distributees (names unknown) of Francis Powers, of John Powers and of Alexander G. Powers, Defendants - Summons for Relief.

To the Defendants in this action:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the Petition in this action which has this day been filed in the office of the Probate Judge for said county, and to serve a copy of your answer to the same on the subscribers at his office at Spartanburg, S.C. within twenty days of the service hereof upon you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the same within the time aforesaid the petitioners in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Petition dated July 7<sup>th</sup> 1888.

Stanyarne Wilson, Petitioners Attorney

W.S. Thomason, Probate Judge. {Seal}

July 11, 1888.

Settlement of real estate of Catharine Powers, deceased.

To Amt. in hands of P.J.	\$ 93.28
By Pet. & Cit 1 <sup>st</sup> Order Pub 1 <sup>st</sup> Gdn.ad litem 2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$ 5.00
By Pet. 1 <sup>st</sup> 3 days 9 <sup>th</sup> 1 Wit <sup>th</sup>	10.15
By Record	6.00, \$21.15
By Advt. Summons Carolina Spartan	13.00 \$34.15
	1/3   \$59.13
The share of Catharine Powers sole heir of Rebecca Tippin is	\$19.71
Bal to be distributed	1/4   \$39.42



There being 4 children of Catharine Powers, dec'd, the share of each is

9.85

Share of Nancy Goodlett, Dec'd  
She leaving 2 children the share of each is

1/2 | \$9.85

4.92

Share of Nancy McGee  
Share of Mary Long, dec'd  
She leaving 3 children the share of each is

1/3 | \$4.92

1.64

Share of Orlando Long

1.64

Share of Ida Long

1.64

Share of Arthur Long

1.64

Share of James Powers, Dec'd  
He leaving 4 children the share of each is

1/4 | 9.80

2.46

Share of John C. Powers

2.46

Share of Alex J. Powers

2.46

Share of Harriet J. Johnson, Dec'd

1/ | 2.46

She leaving 4 children the share of each is

.61

Share of Lou Johnson

.61

Share of Elbert Johnson

.61

Share of Mary Littlefield

.61

Share of Alvin Powers, Dec'd

1/3 | \$2.46

Share of Widow Catharine Powers is

.82

Bal to be distributed is

1/4 | 1.64

There being 4 children the share of each is

.41

Share of Rebecca Powers

.41

Share of W<sup>m</sup> Powers

.41

Share of Jas. Powers

.41

Share of Jno. Powers

.41

Share of Jane Gaston, Dec'd  
She leaves 3 children the share of each is

1/3 | \$9.85

3.28

Share of Emily Wood, Dec'd

1/5 | \$3.28

Share of each is

.65

Share of Sarah Smith

.65

Share of Nancy Wood

.65

Share of Harriet Wood

.65

Share of James Wood

.65

Share of Jno. Wood .65

Share of Harvey Gaston, Dec'd 1/3 | \$3.28

He leaves 3 children the share of each is

1.08

Share of Samuel Gaston

1.08

Share of Mary J. Dobbins

1.08

Share of Margaret Boiter

1.08

Share of Rebecca Howe, Dec'd 1/3 | \$3.28

She leaves 3 children the share of each is

1.08

Share of B.H. Howe

1.08

Share of Miss Eddie Howe

1.08

Share of Thos. H. Howe

1.08

Share of Catharine Powers \$9.85

It is ordered that the forgoing in a true statement of the amounts due the various parties to the balance of the real estate of Catharine Powers, deceased.

Given under my hand and seal this

April 17<sup>th</sup> 1902.

J.J. Gentry, Probate Judge

I hereby authorize and appoint Stanyarne Wilson my attorney to collect and receipt for moneys due me from the estate of my Mother Rebecca Tippins.

Witness my hand & seal this 23 June 1888.

Catharine (her x mark) Powers {Seal}

In presence of

Robt. Thomas.

South Carolina }

Spartanburg County }

Mrs. Catharine Powers, being sworn says:

That she is the widow of Alvin Powers dec'd; that she is the only heir at law and distributee of her mother Rebecca Tippins, dec'd; & that she is entitled to the share of the said Rebecca Tippins in the estate of Catharine Powers, dec'd.

Catharine (her x mark) Powers

Sworn to before me June 23, 88

Stanyarne Wilson, Not. Pub {Seal}

We retain Stanyarne Wilson to recover & collect the amounts due us out of the estate of Catharine Powers dec'd; he to have one third of the amount collected, as his pay, and we are to pay him nothing outside of that.

s/ Emily Wood

s/ Harriet J. Johnson



s/ S.F. Gaston  
s/ M.J. Dobbins  
s/ S.M. Boiter  
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# ITEMS FROM THE CAROLINA SPARTAN NEWSPAPER 1870

Contributed by Nancie O'Sullivan, 180 Frady Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29307; email: nancieo@bellsouth.net.

September 22, 1870

## THREE THOUSAND CONFEDERATES AT THE DRY TORTUGAS

I saw a man today who gave his name as Edward Parker, and represented that he was a lieutenant in Capt. J. W. Kelley's Co., K., Colonel Greer's Reg., 14<sup>th</sup> NC Cavalry in the Confederate Army; that he was captured at the Battle of Chickamauga on 12<sup>th</sup> of June, 1862; was sent to Camp Chase and from there to Dry Tortugas, where he has remained until the first of last June. His tale is a strange one, but I am forced to believe every word of it - and so would you if you could see this man - and it may interest some of you readers. He says there is still about 3,000 men on the island, who have no means to pay their passage and no way to make enough money to do so. Among those still there whose names he remembered are: James Grady, Thomas W. Stinson, Wm. Stinson and George Taylor of Washington Co.; Thomas Carter and Jesse Carter of Russel; John Black and Wm. Black of Scott; James Higginbotham; Thomas W. May, Jesse T. May, and Wm. A. May of Tazewell Co. Parker says that the prisoners were all released at the close of the war, but they have no means of communication and they are still there in a most wretched condition, their only means of support being derived from labor at the levees at fifty cents per month and by begging. He worked over 5 years to save \$36.50 with which he paid his fare to New Orleans, from which place he has walked since the 7<sup>th</sup> of June, and begged his way. He is in a most pitiable condition, being entirely blind in one eye and very near so in the other, caused by exposure and very lame and crippled up from long walks. His is on his way home to Hopkins Co., N. C., having walked up the Mississippi to the mouth of the Ohio and through Kentucky, several hundred miles out of his way owing, he says to his ignorance of the country and the ignorance of those who gave him the directions.

December 1870

## MARRIED

On Tuesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> of December by Rev. R. H. Reid, Mr. Edward B. Gaston of Spartanburg to Miss Amanda S. Wynne, of Greenville.

December 8<sup>th</sup>, by Rev. J. D. McCollough, Mr. Belton O. Turner to Miss Helen K. Smith, eldest daughter of George A. Smith, all of Spartanburg.

November 4<sup>th</sup>, by Rev. J. G. Landrum, Mr. Isaac M. Smith to Miss Alice C. Linder.

In Spartanburg, the 29<sup>th</sup> December, by Rev. McCullough, Mr. Edwin W. Peebles of Buford, SC to Miss Marian Kerrison, eldest daughter of Mr. Charles Kerrison.

December 28<sup>th</sup>, by R. Briant, N. P., Mr. William T. Briant to Mrs. Nelly Burgess, all of Spartanburgh.

December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1869 by Rev. J. S. Ezell, Mr. Asa W. Tindall, Jr. to Miss Sarah H. Byars, all of Spartanburg.

## MASONIC

At the annual Communication of New Prospect, Lodge no. 143 A.F.M. the following officers were elected: M. O. Rowland, W. P. Compton, P. B. Hall, Henry Lyles, J. B. Landrum, W. P. Bishop, W. H. Foster, Benj. F. Alverson, R. H. Dodd, Jno. W. Younger.

Officers elected at Reidville: H. V. Westmoreland, T. T. Westmoreland, J. D. Leonard, W. R. Gaston, M. D. Hadden.

Officers elected at Bethel: E. S. Allen, S. P. Lanford, S. E. Mason, S. S. Robuck, J. M. Gwinn.

STOLEN from the subscriber near Jonesville, on the night of December 21<sup>st</sup>, a cream colored horse. John Wright

PINE GROVE ACADEMY - Twenty Week Session - Terms and tuition per session as follows: SPELLING, READING WRITING - \$6.00; ENGLISH - \$10.00; HIGHER ENGLISH - \$12.00; MATHEMATICS - \$12.50 See L. D. Miller, Spartanburg.

NOTICE: There will be a final settlement of the personal estate of Jackson Pearson, deceased February 7, 1870, Spartanburg Court House.

## FIRE

About 8 o'clock pm Friday night, Mr. H. Thomson's blacksmith shop was discovered on fire. The alarm was given and in a few minutes the fire was extinguished before it had done much injury to the building.

## MAIL ROBBERY

A registered letter containing fifty-three dollars was taken from the mail bag between this place and Shelby, N. C. T. C. Gladden, the mail carrier was arrested and we understand he has confessed his guilt.

## SHERIFF'S SALE

Spartanburg - In Probate Court - John Dewberry  
I will sell to the highest bidder 100 acres of land more or less, lying on N. Pacolet River being the real estate of Henry Kelso, decd. Also, Lot No. 4, containing 172 acres, bounded by John Byars, Wm. Clary. Also, 200 acres of land bounded by lands of W. W. Rhodes, John P. Casey, J. R. Casey and others, levied upon as the property of Jess Casey, deceased at the suit of C. P. Sullivan vs C. L. Casey, Ex'or.

## GLENN SPRING SCHOOL

I will resume the exercises of this school, the second Monday in Jan. next. C. S. Beard, Principal.

## MR. HIRAM MITCHELL DEAD

This old and highly respected citizen of our village died very suddenly on Saturday last. He was born in Connecticut, September, 1806. In 1827, he came to Spartanburg as a peddler and by honesty he established a good trade. In 1812 (sic maybe meant to be 1842), he married the daughter of Col. W. W. Harris, who with four children survive him. His disconsolate family have our sympathy....

## GREEN PEAS

Mrs. Woodward Allen will please accept our acknowledgment for a mess of english peas sent us on Saturday.



## STRAWBERRIES

We do not know how to express our appreciation of that bowl of large strawberries which Captain Woodruff presented to us last week. The Captain is always doing something kind and clever.

## A RIOT

On Thursday night, a party of intoxicated U. S. Soldiers entered the shop of Mr. Miller on Main Street, and behaved in such a boisterous and disorderly manner, that the proprietor ordered them away. They refused to go. A fight ensued which Miller fired upon them with a pistol, wounded three. We hope the officers in command will introduce a better discipline among his troops.

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### ITEMS FROM THE CAROLINA SPARTAN NEWSPAPER DATED WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 1885.

Sow your wheat in time to get a good stand before the freezes of winter.

The Moore Brothers have taken a contract to build a five room cottage for Major John A. Lee.

Monday, J. J. Brannen brought the largest turnip we have seen to this office. The largest is 18 inches around. He has a fine, large patch.

Landbuyers should examine the fine plantation offered for sale by H. E. Drummond. This is one of the best improved places in the county.

Mrs. Annie Orr, about 80 years of age, died Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> instant at the residence of William Phillips in the upper part of Union county.

Mrs. Noah Webster, of Gaffney City, died Sunday night the 20<sup>th</sup> instant and was buried at Camp's Creek. She was a Mrs. Bostic, of Cleveland county, N.C.

Mrs. F. S. Lockwood has recovered from her sickness sufficiently to attend to business. She has a fine stock of cheap hats and millinery goods on hand and her friends and customers are invited to call.

P. C. Hoy, writing from Petersburg, Va. to the *News and Courier* tells the story of the saving of three persons from drowning near Sullivan's Island by the bravery and daring of the late Edward Dean. This letter we will publish next week.

PERSONAL—Mr. J. C. Fike came up from Laurens last Friday to visit his native county.

A. H. Dean, Esq., a promising young lawyer of Greenville, was in town last week.

Dr. W. W. Duncan and family returned with T. C. Duncan, of Union, and his bride last Friday.

John L. Holmes has secured the position of depot agent at Centre Point, ten miles from town.

Col. T. B. Crews, editor of the Laurensville *Herald* ran up to see his Spartanburg cousins last Saturday.

W. C. Benet, Esq. of Abbeville, tried the G. L. & S. last Saturday and was guest of Mrs. McGowan while in Spartanburg.

T. H. Cannon has returned from a visit to Northern markets and reports clothing very cheap this season.

B. G. Lambright is now with W. C. Cannon and is ready to deal out plows, hardware and groceries to all his friends.

Paul V. Bomar was licensed to preach Sunday by the Baptist church and he left Monday for the Seminary, at Louisville, Kentucky.

Mr. A. Freisleben has just returned from New York and his is going to show up the City Store in a way that will attract and astonish you.

Prof. L. B. Haynes, of the Columbia Female College, has been in this county a few days and left

Tuesday with several pupils for his institution.

W. L. Kirby left Monday for a medical college in Baltimore. At the end of the session he will return a full fledged M. D.

The time on the G. L. & S. is one hour behind Spartanburg time. Make your calculations accordingly.

Mrs. Lizzie Cook, wife of William Cook and daughter of William Crittenden, died on Mr. W. J. Tuck's farm last Tuesday night.

J. T. Tillman will keep on hand at all times the very best mountain cabbage at the very lowest possible price. Give him a call when you wish something very fine.

Capt. A. J. Gwyon is engaged by our young and interesting merchant Mr. F. P. Minnaugh where he will be pleased to have all his friends call, when in need of Dry good, Boots, shoes, &c, at cash prices. Remember the old New York Store is the place.

The work of building goes on at Gaffney's. A block of three fine brick stores has recently gone up belonging to N. Lipscomb, T. Davenport and Sarratt & Wilkins. Sarratt & Sims were clearing the ground last week for the erection of a large brick store. Several dwellings are being built also.

Dr. J. Nott Moore will leave Thursday to be absent a month. He will visit hospitals and distinguished physician and surgeons in Northern cities for the purpose of studying some specialties in his practice. We congratulate the Doctor on this step forward and upward. In his absence, Dr. Means will have charge of his patients and business.

Mr. J. D. Lanford informs us that one family on his place has been doing some good work in the cotton field. Ed Davis, Rene Davis, aged 16, and Richmond Davis, aged 13, picked out 700 pounds of cotton daily and stopped at 11 a. m. to attend church at Crawfordsville, and also went to church at night. These young people have two good traits, they like to work and go to church.

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## PAGE FAMILY RECORD

Contributed by Holland J. "Johnnie" Walker, 6417 Folger Dr, Charlotte, NC 28270; email: WalkerEng@aol.com

[Contributor's Note: The letter below was found in my uncle's genealogical research along with the deed, wills, etc., I have contributed. My uncle's name was Harry Lindsay Morris who was born April 29, 1902 in Tucapau (now Startex), South Carolina. This letter is old and hand written and is noted on the envelope as being from Ralph A. Page.]

Woodruff, S. C.  
Feb. 25, 1915

Cousin Henry J. Page  
Chicago, Ill.

My Dear Cousin,

I have rec'd. your letter with much pleasure requesting me to give you a more definite genealogy of my Father's and Mother's family which I'll try and do the best I can.



William L. Lanford married Greene Lanford's Widow who was Julia Carnett. They had two children (:) Claude O. Lanford and married Minnie Bruce. Lily Lanford never married.

Leanna J. Lanford married Landrum Lanford they had 8 children (:) )

William F. Lanford married Ella Ferguson

Memory Lanford never married

Avarelia J. Lanford married John B. Fleming

Alma Lanford married Pinkney S. Page

Maggie Lanford married John C. Barnett

Hattie Lanford married Adolphus Hallman

Mattie Lanford married Charlie Epps

Lizzie Lanford married Willie D. Pearson

James Roddy Lanford never married

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E. Franklin Lanford married to Martha Willis they had no children

Frances Caroline Lanford married Jonas B. Bragg. They had two children (:) )

Iola D. Bragg married J. F. McIntyre

R. Olivia Bragg married Rhett W. Crow

Angeline Lanford married J. L. Casey they had 7 children (:) )

Beatrice Casey married Jehu Y. Brown ? [Contributor's Note: That name was the best I could make out. and I believe that it is correct.]

J. Downs Casey married Leila Dendy

Eveline Casey married Fred Duncan

Ola Casey married Walter Gosnell

Janie Casey married John Hanna

Anna Casey married Jairus Jones

Lula Casey never married

Zack H. Lanford married Narmesia Lanford they had 9 children (:) )

Jonie P. Lanford married Nellie Hanna

J. Madison Lanford married Nannie Page

J. Crook Lanford married Lula Bennetfield

J. Landrum Lanford married Jerusha Thomas

Judson F. Lanford married Docia Woodruff

Ora M. Lanford married Frank Hanna

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Mary E. Lanford married Rex C. Cox

J. Harrison Lanford married Carrie Lanford

J. Dorroh Lanford not married

John D. Lanford married Harvey Caldwell they had four 4 children (:) )

Amy Lanford married David Johnson

Annie Lanford married Connie Fowler [Fowler]

Eddie H. Lanford married Smith

John Lanford married Aiken

Thomas P. Lanford was married to Ella Skinner they had no children

William L. Lanford served in the war for four years and was wounded once in a battle I do not know Franklin Lanford enlisted in "61" and was discharged in about a year on account of his health and then he reenlisted in 1864 as a Lieutenant and I enlisted at the same time and we served until the surrender of General Lee.

Now Cousin about Grand Aunt Rachel Page's families nor where they moved to and Grand Aunt Betsey who married Major Hancock they didn't have any

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families as I know of and never moved from here.

As to the family Bible of our Great grandfather Robert Page I know not where it is but I am in possession of my Grandfather William Page's Bible but can gather nothing from it as to the three sisters I know nothing of their ages Aunt Betsey Hancock was the only one I ever saw that I can recollect.

Hoping this will be of useful information in your history and if there is any thing else that I can do I will be more than pleased to do so, I wish you would send me a correct record of your Family and would be pleased to have their pictures.

I will close for this time  
with best regards for my cousin  
to Henry J. Page  
from Zack H. Lanford

Woodruff S C  
Route 5 "

[Note: See the May 2001 issue for the Will of William Page of Spartanburg County.]

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### JESSE PAGE DEED

Contributed by Holland P. "Johnnie" Walker, 6417 Folger Dr, Charlotte, NC 28270;  
email: WalkerEng@aol.com

Jesse Page

To all people to whom these prescense shall come Jesse Page do send greetings know ye that the said Jesse Page of the State of South Carolina and County of Spartanburg, planter for and in consideration of the love and goodwill and affection which I have and do bear toward my loving children, Mitty Page, William Page, Nancy Page, Michael Page, Jesse Page, Jr. and Betsey Page hath given and granted and by these present do



freely give and grant unto the said Mitty Page, William Page, Nancy Page, Michael Page, Jesse Page, Jr. and Betsey Page their heirs executors or administrators all my good and chattels now belonging in my present dwelling house in the State and County aforesaid known by the name of Jesse Page Planter which before the signing of these presents have delivered unto the aforesaid children and inventory signed with my own hand bearing Every date to have & to hold all the said goods and Chattels in the Said premises or dwelling house of him the said Jesse Page also twenty head of hogs, five head of cattle and two head of house kind creatures. Also all the corn and fodder and tobacco and all other property are in the said Jesse Page's possession to which I bind myself my heirs the Chattels absolutely without any Manner (-) conditions in which whereof I Signed Sealed and in his hand in prescence of us.

(Signed ) Jesse Page

(Witnesses)

Michael B. Roberts

David Rogers

William Cox

Deed - Recorded Book G, page 141.

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# **WILL OF HENRY BROCKMAN OF GREENVILLE DISTRICT**

Contributed by Holland P. "Johnnie" Walker, 6417 Folger Dr, Charlotte, NC 28279  
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I Henry Brockman of Greenville District, being of sound mind and memory but calling to mind the frailty of mortal sin, do make and ordain this as my last Will and Testament:

1<sup>st</sup> . I do give and bequeath to Thomas P. Brockman In Trust for my Daughter Milly Campbell the sum of Three Hundred dollars: the interest of which sum is to be paid annually to my daughter and after her death, the principal to be equally divided among the heirs of her body.

2<sup>nd</sup> . I will and bequeath to the heirs of the body of my deceased daughter Mary Polly Cannon, the sum of Two Hundred dollars, to be divided equally among them as they become of age.

3<sup>rd</sup> . I give and bequeath to the heirs of the body of my deceased daughter Anna Hammett the sum of Two Hundred dollars, to be equally divided among them as they become of age.

4<sup>th</sup> . I give and bequeath to my daughter Frances Peden or her heirs the sum of Two Hundred dollars.

5<sup>th</sup> . I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucy Brockman or her heirs the sum of Two Hundred dollars.

6<sup>th</sup> . I give and bequeath to the creditors of my Son Joel D. Brockman the sum of Two Hundred dollars, to be equally divided according to the amount of each debt, without regard to trade or date and no interest to be calculated on any debt since or after the 1<sup>st</sup> of January, 1823, each creditor taking a distributive share shall receive it in full of the debt and receipt the same. And in the event his creditors failing to take the above sum, Then and in that case I do give and bequeath the said sum to the children of Joel D. Brockman share and share alike, to be paid to them as they become of age. Also the one eighth part set apart for my beloved wife, after her death.

7<sup>th</sup> . I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth B. Smith or her heirs the sum of Two Hundred dollars.

8<sup>th</sup> . I give and bequeath to my son Thomas P. Brockman or his heirs the sum of Two Hundred dollars.

9<sup>th</sup> . It is my will that where any of my children or Grandchildren are now dead or may die before me, leaving legal heirs that such legal heirs shall represent their parent.

10<sup>th</sup> . It is my Will that all the above legacies be due at the time the sale money of my Estate is made payable.

11<sup>th</sup> . I do Will and bequeath to James Brockman his heirs and assigns all my tract of land on the North side on Enoree River about 150 acres provided he pay to my Estate the valuation thereof of three disinterested persons.

12<sup>th</sup> . I do Will and bequeath to my son Thomas P. Brockman his heirs and assigns all my tract of land on which I now live on the South side of Enoree River about 200 acres, provided he pay to my Estate the valuation thereof of three disinterested persons.

13<sup>th</sup> . It is my Will and desire that my servants George and Rachel be appraised and have the right to choose their Masters at the appraisement.

14<sup>th</sup> . I do Will and direct that all the rest of my Estate (and that included in the 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>, and 13<sup>th</sup> clauses if not taken by valuation) be sold to my Executor on such credit as he may think most advisable.

15<sup>th</sup> . I do give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Susana Brockman the Interest of all the balance of my Estate, after paying all my just debts and aforesaid Legacies. The interest of which to be paid to her annually for her support and to assist her to raise Milly Cannon (Dau. of Mary B. Cannon) so long as the child is permitted to stay with her.

16<sup>th</sup> . It is my Will that if at any time, the interest given as above to my beloved wife Susana Brockman should be thought by three disinterested person not to be a sufficient support for her, she may be allowed to use as much of the principal annually as may be thought necessary for her comfortable support.

17<sup>th</sup> . I do Will that after the death of my beloved wife that all the part set aside for her, shall be equally divided amongst my eight children or their heirs in a similar manner as directed by the foregoing clauses.

18<sup>th</sup> . I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Thomas P. Brockman Executor of this Last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D.  
1834.

HENRY BROCKMAN, (L. S.)

Signed, sealed Published

In the presence of

Joseph Kilgore



John Wood  
Samuel P. Hudson

Probated April 20, 1835

Recorded in Will Book B., Pages 135-136  
Apt. 10 File No. 3

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### SAMUEL M. BAGWELL OBITUARY NOTICE

Contributed by Betty Jean Foster Dill, 168 Bullington Road, Spartanburg, SC 29306-6308.

Source: *The Spartanburg Herald*, Issue of Tuesday, August 21, 1942, page 10:

Rites Today For S.M. Bagwell, 89  
Former Spartanburg County Clerk Dies at Home of Kin in New York.

Funeral services for Samuel M. Bagwell, 89, formerly of Spartanburg who died Sunday at the home of his daughters in New York, will be conducted at 11 o'clock this morning at the J.F. Floyd mortuary by the Rev. M.B. Patrick and the Rev. Carl O. Page.

Interment will be in the Bagwell cemetery.

Active pallbearers will be James Burnett, Chauncey Smith, Broadus Littlejohn, John L. Farmer, Harvey Johnson and Gregg Galbraith.

The honorary escort will be composed of E.H. Everett, I.E. Harris, Bob Phifer, D.O. McClain, Dr. Henry Nelson Snyder, Dr. C.W. Waller, Prof. A.M. DuPre, R.F. Bagwell, W.T. Rothrock, DeWitt Murph, M.B. Smith, Newton Smith, Mack Smith, Will Barnett, Joe Claude Emmons, Dr. W.I. King, John Harner, Dave Nesbitt, Dr. Lionel Lawson, Kenneth Leonard, Charles Bandera and Carl Snyder.

Mr. Bagwell was born at the ancestral home of his family May 27, 1853, the only child of the late Col. Winkfield H. and Hannah Harlan Bagwell.

He graduated from Wofford college in 1876 and for a number of years taught in the county schools. At one time, he was county clerk.

Mr. Bagwell had been a member of the Cedar Spring Baptist church since boyhood, and was actively identified with the church as clerk from 1881 to 1921.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lula A. Bagwell; one son, Samuel Reynolds Bagwell; and two daughters, Misses Gertrude Bagwell and Lucile Bagwell of New York, N.Y.

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### BURGESS BIBLE RECORD

Contributed by Nancie O'Sullivan, 180 Frady Rd, Spartanburg, SC 29307; email: nancieo@bellsouth.net

[Written on the front page of the Bible]: This is Claude J. Burgess Bible by T. J. Burgess.

This is to certify that T. J. Burgess and M. E. Bates were united by me in the Bonds of Holy Matrimony at Pooles, S.C. on the 27<sup>th</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord 1896 in Presence of [J.] R. Pagett M. D. England.

Signed J. M. Friday.

#### Births

C. C. Burgess was born the 19<sup>th</sup> of Feb. 1879  
R. B. Burgess was born Jan. 21, 1882  
Mary F. Burgess was born Dec. 14, 1884  
George R. Burgess was born Oct. 1, 1889  
Claude J. Burgess was born Oct. 4, 1891  
Jesse Oliver Burgess was born Feb. 4, 1896  
Thomas J. Burgess was born Dec. 28, 1857  
Margett E. Burgess was born Sept. 28, 1856  
Ruth Ellen Bates was born Jan. 28, 1885  
Urvin Andrew Bates was born Oct. 20, 1887  
Edgar Anderson Bates Jan. 20, 1889  
Margret L. Craine Sep. 28, 1904  
Mary J. Craine Sep. 25 1905  
Nettie R. Craine Jan. 17, 1909  
Josie T. Craine was born Feb. 6 1911  
Mary E. Burgess was born 17 of Oct 1915  
Thomas J. Burgess jur was born the 25 Nov 1916

#### Marriages

T. J. Burgess and Nancy Poole were married Jan. 24, 1875  
T. J. Burgess and M. E. Bates were married Dec. 27, 1896  
R. B. Burgess and Clara Greene were married Dec. 10, 1899  
Ruth Bates and W. [E.] Crane were married May 7, 1902  
J. V. Rhineheart and Mary Burgess were married Dec. 24, 1905  
C. J. Burgess and Corri C. Smith were married December the 27 1914  
T. J. Burgess and Laura Lowe were Married December the 16 1919  
[illegible] R. Burgess and N [or W?] Green were Married June 26, 1924

#### Deaths

Nancy R. Burgess departed this life Feb. 22, 1896.  
E. T. Burgess died 1876.  
Jesse Oliver Burgess died July 26, 1897.  
C. C. Burgess died Feb. 25, 1899.  
R. B. Burgess died March 1, 1901  
Ruth E. Craine Died Feb. 6 1911  
M. E. Burgess Died Nov 6 1916



Thomas J. Burgess Died June 6, 1930  
 Marion Jonah Smith Died February 25, 1938  
 Claude Jefferson Burgess died May 17, 1958  
 Mary F. Rhinehart died April 25, 1956  
 George Russell Burgess Died June 27, 1949

### JENNINGS FAMILY BIBLE RECORD

Contributed by Joye West Alverson, 3151 Old Spartanburg Hwy, Moore, SC 29376.

Contributor's Note: The following Bible is fragile but is readable. In this Bible are several letters, newspaper clippings and a copy of another Bible record as well as a typewritten copy of a Jennings Family History. I have no idea who wrote the history. It is very faded and hard to read.

#### Marriages

Archie C. West of Walhalla and Addie Jennings of Westminster were married on March 6, 1898 at Westminster by Rev. Andrew McGriffin.

Witnesses: Mrs. Mary McGriffin  
 Wade Jenkins and wife

Harry Jennings West of Cordele Ga. and Mary Tibitha Stewart of Milan Ga. At Milan ga. married on July 4, 1925 by Rev. O. A. Grant.

Witnesses: W. D. Stewart and family

Cecil Hunter West and Hazel Shultz of St. Louis, Mo. married October 14<sup>th</sup> 1927 at St. Louis, Mo.

Archie Leroy West and Margaret Catherine Eshelman of San Diego Calif. August 15<sup>th</sup> 1929 at Yuma Arizona.

John Quenton West of Westminster, S. C. and Helen Ashley Foster of Wellford, S. C. married Oct 7, 1939, at Westminster, S. C. by Rev. Jack Stancil. [Note: Helen's middle name should read Asher.]

#### Births

Archie C. West Borned May 13, 1873  
 Addie Clare West Borned June 13, 1879  
 Harry Jennings West Borned Nov. 27, 1900  
 Cecil Hunter West Borned May 23, 1903  
 Archie Leroy West borned Oct. 9, 1905  
 Mildred Gretta West Aug. 3, 1908  
 Woodrow Whelchel West Oct. 8, 1914  
 John Quentin West Aug 11, 1919

#### Deaths

Mildred G. West Died Sep 24, 1908  
 Addie Clare West Died July 23<sup>ys</sup> 1924 at Cordele, GA. on Wednesday at 10:00 oclock  
 Cecil Hunter West Died Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1933 at Saint Louis, Mo. on Wednesday at 10:00 oclock  
 Archie C. West Died July 12, 1941, at Vidalia, Ga. on Saturday at 11:30 P. M.  
 Archie Leroy West Died May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1954 at 220 Hughes St. Corpus Christie Tex.

[Contributor's Note: The following is from a photo copy of another Bible record found in the Bible above.]

#### Births

W. H. Jennings Born June 2<sup>nd</sup> 1834

Rebecca R. Jennings Born Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> 1835  
 Martha J. Jennings Born Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> 1854  
 Mary L. [or S] Jennings Born Jan. 4<sup>th</sup> 1857  
 Laura A. Jennings Born February 1<sup>st</sup> 1858  
 Emma F. Jennings Born Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> 1861  
 William E. Jennings Born July 2<sup>nd</sup> 1863  
 Sallie A. Jennings Born Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup> 1865  
 Lula R. Jennings Born May 4<sup>th</sup> 1868  
 Iva Jennings Born Aug 18<sup>th</sup> 1870  
 Etta J. Jennings Born February 18<sup>th</sup> 1873  
 John L. Jennings Born April 1<sup>st</sup> 1875  
 Addie C. Jennings Born June 13<sup>th</sup> 1879

#### Deaths

W. A. Jennings Died May 17, 1907  
 Sallie A. Symes Died Sept. 1, 1907  
 Rebecca R. Jennings Died Mar. 25, 1915  
 Etta I. Goforth Died Jan. 8, 1920  
 Addie C. West Died July 24, 1924  
 Laura A. Simpson Died Apr. 17, 1933  
 W. E. Jennings Died Feb. 15, 1936  
 Martha Jane Hunter Died Aug. 12, 1936  
 John L. Jennings Died Nov. 8, 1947  
 Lula R. Hacklen Died July 2d, 1955  
 Eva Hancox Died Dec. 4, 1967

[Contributor's Note: Stapled with the Bible record above are several newspaper items and a typewritten history of of the Jennings Family which will be presented in the November issue of this quarterly.]

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### DEATH OF ANNIEMAE PARIS REGISTER

It is with great sadness that I must report the death of our member Anniemae Paris Register. She died on 25 June 2001 at the age of 96. Anniemae was born to Roney Jefferson Paris and Adelaide Reed Paris on 12 March 1905 in Paulding County, Georgia. I only had the pleasure to meet Anniemae once when her daughter and she were on a research trip to Spartanburg. I learned very quickly that she was a researcher of the first order who maintained the highest integrity both as a researcher and an individual. Forever, I will treasure the memory of this determined, independent, sweet, kind woman who was a lady in the truest sense of the word. She was a subscriber to this quarterly from its inception. She kept up with the times and recently I received a note from her with her e-mail address "Granny Annie". Many people who I meet in their 50s and 60s are intimidated by the computer. Being the inspiration she always was, Anniemae learned it in her 90s!

To the family of this deeply committed, loving woman I extend sympathy on behalf of the Society. I can honestly say that knowing Anniemae Paris Register was a pleasure I will treasure and a gift from God I will always be thankful for.

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