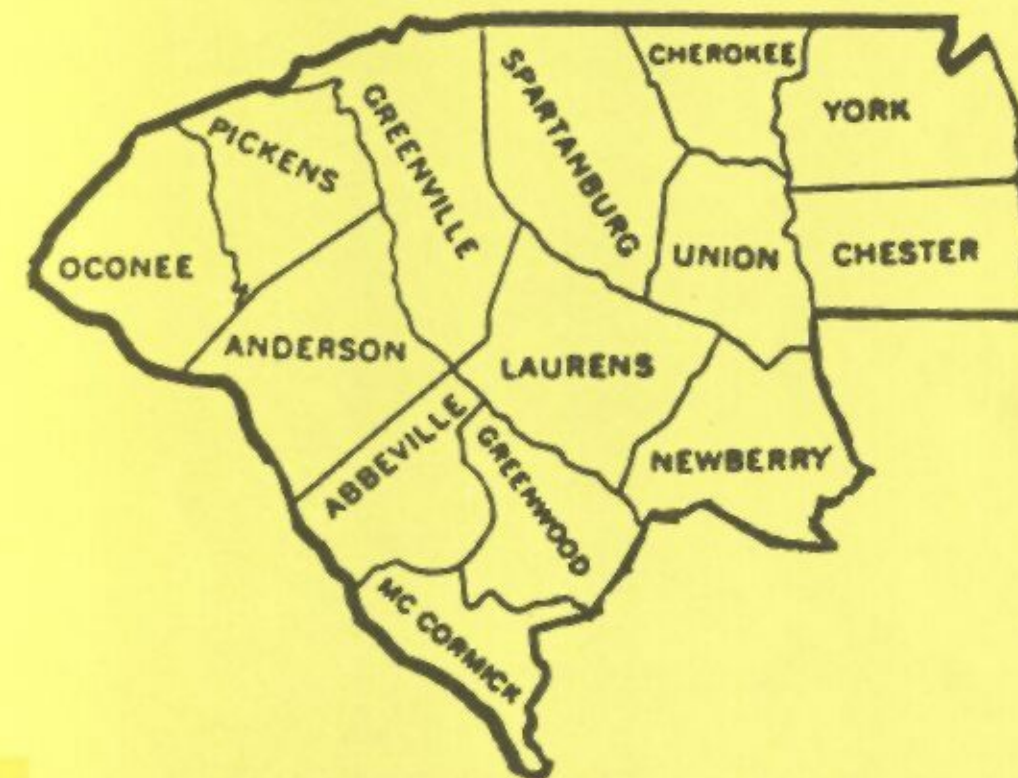


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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello Everyone,

We have been having some excellent meetings and programs! On June 8 we met at the Rainbow Lake Pavilion #1 for a program on the history of Rainbow Lake. We learned that Rainbow Lake started as a dam, reservoir, and filter plant to supply water for Spartanburg City and County. It later became a large recreational area used for swimming and family fun. There was a wonderful display of pictures of the history of the lake and a video of fun events at the lake. Rainbow Lake opened in June of 1926 and closed in 1968. The pavilion is still available for groups to use for picnics, weddings, and family reunions.

We are looking forward to all the future meetings and especially to the one at the Hollywild Animal Park in October. We would love to have you all join us!

Bob Cartee

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FAMILY RECORD OF JAMES AND ELIZABETH BENNETT LANCASTER OF UNION DISTRICT

Contributed by Charles A. Jones, 700 Waycross Drive, Greensboro, NC 27410-6060

James Lancaster

Born: 13 February 1800, Union District, South Carolina

Died: 9 July 1880, Union County, South Carolina

James' father: Larkin Lancaster

Born: 1767, Warren County, North Carolina

Died: October 1853, Union District, South Carolina

James' mother: Delilah Lankester

Born: Ca. 1777, Warren County, North Carolina

Died: 22 February 1866, Union District, South Carolina

(Larkin and Delilah married 26 October 1797)

James' paternal grandfather: Samuel Lancaster (b. 1746, Va.-d. ca 1810, 1810, Spartanburg District, SC)

(Samuel's wife was named Agnes.)

James' great-grandparents: Lawrence Lancaster (b. ca 1720, Isle of Wight Co., Va.-d. 1792, Warren Co., NC
and Mary Williams Lancaster (b. 1717, Albemarle Parish, Surry Co., Va.-d. Warren Co., NC)

Married

Elizabeth Bennett

Born: 1808, Union District, South Carolina

Died: 8 April 1888, Union County, South Carolina

Her parents: William Bennett and Mary Langston Bennett

Children

- | | | |
|-----|-----------------------------|---|
| [1] | Mary Lavinia Lancaster | <p>Born: 10 January 1828, Union District, South Carolina</p> <p>Died: 2 July 1882, Rutherford County, North Carolina</p> <p>Married: 15 December 1846, Rutherford County, NC</p> <p>Husband: Thomas Branch Calton</p> <p>Born: 15 July 1813, Richmond, Virginia</p> <p>Died: 30 March 1892, Rutherford County, North Carolina</p> <p>His parents: John King Calton and Susannah Guthrie Mann Calton</p> |
| [2] | Franklin D. Lancaster | <p>Born: 1833, Union District, South Carolina</p> <p>Died: 31 August 1862, Civil War</p> <p>Married: ca 1858/59, Union District, South Carolina</p> <p>Wife: Mary Hester Ann West</p> <p>Born: 14 April 1834, Union District, South Carolina</p> <p>Died: March 1894, Union County, South Carolina</p> <p>Her parents: Thomas Jefferson West and Hannah Bennett West</p> <p>Husband 2: Larkin Lancaster, Jr. (b. 15 December, 1818)</p> |
| [3] | William Alexander Lancaster | <p>Born: 20 May 1835, Union District, South Carolina</p> <p>Died: October 15, 1908, Spartanburg County, SC</p> <p>Married: ca 1865/66, Union District, South Carolina</p> <p>Wife: Asenath West</p> |

Born: 26 July 1843, Spartanburg District, South Carolina
 Died: 24 May 1932, Spartanburg County, South Carolina
 Her parents: Thomas Joseph West and Mary Minerva Porter West

- [4] Martha Emily Lancaster Born: 16 June 1837, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 2 April, 1863, Union District, South Carolina
 Married: 1856, Union District, South Carolina
 Husband: Berryman Jefferson Jones
 Born: 11 May 1809, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 11 November 1870, Union County, South Carolina
 His parents: Stephen Jones and Hannah Bogan Jones
- [5] Sarah Sophronia Lancaster Born: 21 June 1839, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 24 May 1916, Union District, South Carolina
 Married: 29 June 1859, Union County, South Carolina
 Husband: Isaac Christopher Bogan
 Born: 19 September 1823, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 6 June 1878, Union County, South Carolina
 His parents: Charles Bogan and Martha Parham Bogan
- [6] Elizabeth Frances B. Lancaster Born: 1840/41, Union District, South Carolina
 (See p. 100 below.) Died: October 5, 1861, Union District, South Carolina
 Married: ca. 1858/59, Union District, South Carolina
 Husband: William J. Mayes
 Born: ca. 1835/36, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: February, 1863, Richmond, Virginia (Civil War)
 His parents: Samuel J. Mayes and Elizabeth Black Mayes
- [7] James Benjamin Lancaster Born: 13 November 1843, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 30 January 1912, Union County, South Carolina
 Married: ca. 1865/66, Union District, South Carolina
 Wife: Elizabeth Jane White
 Born: 23 November 1850, South Carolina
 Died: 9 October 1929, Union County, South Carolina
 Her parents: Elliott White and Mary Jane McWhirter White
- [8] Jonathan Zachariah Lancaster Born: 31 October 1846, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 8 August 1892, Union County, South Carolina
 Married: 19 November 1872, Union District, South Carolina
 Wife: Rutha Lila Gwinn
 Born: 20 February 1857, Spartanburg District, SC
 Died: 13 February 1895, Union County, South Carolina
 Her parents: Mancell Gwinn and Bathsheba Elizabeth West Gwinn

FAMILY RECORD OF BERRYMAN JEFFERSON AND MARTHA EMILY LANCASTER JONES OF UNION DISTRICT

Contributed by Charles A. Jones, 700 Waycross Drive, Greensboro, NC 27410-6060

[See child number 4 above for data on Berryman Jefferson Jones and Martha Emily Lancaster.]

Children

- [1] Mary Ellender Christmas Jones Born: 26 December 1857, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 13 May 1949, Rutherford County, North Carolina
 Married: 3 December 1874, Rutherford County, NC
 Husband: Javan Augustus Calton
 Born: 18 October 1849, Rutherford County, North Carolina
 Died: 31 December 1918, Rutherford County, NC
 His parents: Thomas Branch Calton and Mary Lavinia Lancaster Calton [See child number 1, p. 97 above.]
- [2] Hettie Jones Born: 6 September 1860, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 4 February 1830, Rutherford County, North Carolina
 Married: 16 January 1883
 Husband: James Monroe Calton
 Born: 3 December 1859, Rutherford County, North Carolina
 Died: 19 December 1938, Rutherford County, NC
 His parents: Thomas Branch Calton and Mary Lavinia Lancaster Calton [See child number 1, p. 97 above.]
- [3] Kemper Jones Born: 15 December 1861, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 31 March 1862, Union District, South Carolina
- [4] Richard Jefferson Jones Born: 18 March 1863, Union District, South Carolina
 Died: 18 May 1929, Bryson City, Swain County, NC
 Married: 1887, Rutherford County, North Carolina
 Wife: Emily E. Green
 Born: 1 December 1870, Rutherford County, NC
 Died: 1 July 1918, Rutherford County, North Carolina
 Her parents: Lloyd E. Green and Margaret Greene Green

TWENTY FIVE CENT REWARD IN UNIONVILLE IN 1823

Source: *Yorkville Pioneer*, issue of October 18, 1823

RANAWAY from the subscriber, about the 10 th of March last, my apprentice to the *Tanning Business*, named ISAAC MICHAEL M'CALL, about 17 years of age, dark complexion, dark eyes and light hair; 5 feet three or four inches high and rather light made. Any person apprehending and bringing to me said apprentice boy, shall be entitled to the sum of Twenty-five Cents, and the sweepings of my Shop. MALACHI KEENAN, Tanner and Currier, Unionville, S. C. Sept 17-3t.

ELIZABETH FRANCES B. LANCASTER MAYES

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

The circumstances pertaining to Elizabeth Frances B. Lancaster, the fourth daughter and sixth child of James and Elizabeth Bennett Lancaster (p. 99 above), call for the careful delineation which I present here. The 1850 federal census of Union District shows the James Lancaster family enumerated in household 460, p. 31. The ages listed therein for the Lancaster children are consistent with their dates of birth gathered from tombstones except for Elizabeth and James, who are recorded too young by one or two years. James' 1850 census age is given as 5 years, whereas his tombstone has his date of birth as 13 November 1843. This means that James was actually six years old at the time of the 1850 census. This datum casts doubt on the reported age of seven years for Elizabeth in 1850. As we shall see, Elizabeth was most probably born in the year 1841.

A tombstone in the Putman Baptist Church cemetery near West Springs in Union county provides the following crucial inscription:

FRANCES B. LANCASTER

Died

OCT. 5, 1861

Age 20 Yrs

Wife of W^m J. Mayes, who died
at Richmond Va. Feb. 1863
from wounds received in
the confederate war.

This grave marker is right beside those of James Lancaster and Elizabeth Bennett Lancaster. In the well known and oft used compilation of Union County cemetery inscriptions by Mrs. E. D. Whaley, only the above bold-faced part was transcribed into her book. This oversight and Elizabeth's 1850 census age have contributed to the notion that Elizabeth and Frances B. were two different daughters of James and Elizabeth Lancaster. However, it can be proved that Frances B. is actually Elizabeth of the 1850 census. Given that William J. Mayes was the husband of a Lancaster daughter, I made the logical move of searching the 1860 census for William J. M-a-y-es. I found him, but his last name was misspelled. In the 1860 federal census of Union District, SC, p. 247, West Springs P.O., household #1022/925, one finds W. J. M-a-r-ys, age 24, with Elizabeth, age 19, and Joseph, age 7/12. Only five households separate him from Samuel Mayes, and his age of 24 corresponds well to the age of 14 for William Mayes in the 1850 census. Elizabeth's age of 19 points to her year of birth as 1841 and not 1843. The age of 7 months for the infant Joseph suggests that he was born in November or December of 1859. The grave marker for Joseph Adolphus Mayes at the Fairforest Presbyterian Church cemetery shows that he was born 11-21-1859 and that he died 4-19-1881.

To add support to my thesis that Elizabeth and Frances B. are one and the same daughter of James and Elizabeth Bennett Lancaster, I note that in the federal census of Union County for 1870 that one Joseph Mays, age 10, is "at home" in the household of James and Elizabeth Lancaster (hh 199/213, p. 337). In the 1880 Union County census household of Samuel J. and Elizabeth B. Mayes, two grandsons are listed as J. Adolphus Mayes, age 20, and W. J. Frances[sic] Mayes, age 18.

YORK COUNTY'S NONAGENARIAN IN 1903

Source: *Yorkville Enquirer*, Wednesday, August 12, 1903, p. 1, col. 3.

SAMUEL M. ROACH

For the second time since the publication of these sketches was commenced, we are enabled to go out of the list of octogenarians, and give the portrait of a nonagenarian. The first in the list of those who had passed the ninety year mark was Mr. Thomas McGill of King's Creek [See this *Quarterly*, issue of November, 2005, p. 176], and today's subject is Mr. Samuel M. Roach, who lives near Rock Hill and who, so far as we have positive information, is the oldest male citizen of York county. He is ninety-two years of age.

Mr. Roach's father came to this country from Ireland and served through the war of 1812 as a major in the American army. He built the house in which the son, Mr. Samuel Roach, is now living, in the year 1811, the year of Samuel Roach's birth. The house is rather an unusual one. It is walled inside with brick, plastered over, and every nail used in its construction was forged by hand on the premises. The building cost about \$2,000 and is still in a fairly good state of preservation, notwithstanding its ninety-two years of service.

Mr. Roach was raised a farmer. Although endowed by nature with fine intellect, and thoroughly instructed in all that went to make a man of sterling character, he never sought political or social prominence.

He was content all of his long life to devote himself strictly to attending to his own business, and after his marriage especially gave his entire attention to the requirements of his growing family. His wife was Miss Mary Workman, who died in September 1895, aged eighty-two years. As the result of the marriage there are seven children living as follows: John M. and Wm. T. Roach, in Texas; Mrs. William Edwards in Tennessee; T. J. and R. W. Roach at Rock Hill; Sam M. Roach, Jr., at Ogden; and Mrs. W. T. Sturgis, who also lives near Rock Hill.

Mr. Roach has been a member of Ebenezer church for nearly half a century, and since boyhood had enjoyed a reputation for upright character and correct living. He has probably never had a dollar except what he made himself on his own farm, and he has the reputation of never having bought a pound of meat or a bushel of corn in his life.

The neighborhood of which Mr. Roach's home is the centre, for a radius of two miles at least, is entitled to especial distinction for the longevity of its inhabitants. A Mrs. Sturgis, near there, died at one hundred and two; John Campbell died at eighty-two, and his wife died at seventy-two; James Jones died at seventy-seven, and his wife, Rhoda Jones, died at eighty-four; Mrs. Mary Allen died at eighty-four and her daughter, Miss Mary Allen, died at eighty-two; Mrs. Jincy Henry died at eighty-two; A. T. Black at seventy-two, and his wife died at seventy-three; Samuel Sturgis is living at eighty-five, and his wife, who died some years ago, was seventy-six.

Mr. Roach, although feeble on account of his advanced age, is still able to walk about, and during most of the time his mind continues clear.

DEATH OF A NONAGERNARIAN IN YORK DISTRICT IN 1846

Source: *Charleston Courier*, issue of Thursday August 6, 1846, p. 2, col. 6

Died at his son's residence in York District, (S. C.) on the 26th ult. [July 26, 1846] Mr. SAMUEL MCELHANEY, in the 95th year of his age.

UNION DISTRICT GUARDIANSHIP BOND FOR ROBERT FRANKLIN NORMAN (1835)

Source: Union District Probate Court, Box 23, Package 8, Estate of Mrs. Jane Norvell (1835). This bond was mistakenly placed in the foregoing estate file and is thus misfiled.

Union C. H. Dec. 10th 1835 } [To] J. J. Pratt Ord'y of Union District

Sir It is my wish to become the guardian for my Infant son Robert Franklin Norman. Yours with respect etc
Mariah (X) Norman

[Witness] William W. Glenn

State of South Carolina, Union District } **KNOW all Men by these Presents, That we** Mariah Norman & William Browning are holden and firmly bound unto J. J. Pratt Ordinary of the district aforesaid, in the full and just sum of fifteen hundred dollars, current money of the said state ...

Sealed with our seals and dated the tenth day of December Anno Domini, one thousand eight hundred and thirty five and in the sixtieth year of American Independence ...

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

William W. Glenn

Mariah (X) Norman

W^m Browning

* * *

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT VOLUNTEER COMPANY FOR THE MEXICAN WAR

Source: The Charleston Courier, Tuesday, June 30, 1846, p. 2, col. 3. (From the S.C. *Spartan*.)

In obedience to the order of the Colonel, the 36th Regiment paraded at Timmons' Old Field on Friday, 19th inst., in order to raise Volunteers to meet the requisition called for by the President of the United States, upon this State for the war against Mexico.

Much credit is due to the officers and soldiers of the 36th Regiment for their manly spirit and promptitude with which they met this call. Seldom if ever was there a more general attendance of officers and soldiers on any occasion. The line was formed and the Regiment reviewed by the Colonel and a few spirited evolutions performed; the Regiment was then marched in columns to the grove, where they were addressed in a spirited, eloquent and patriotic manner by Col. Ballenger, Maj. T.O.P. Vernon, J.W. Tucker, Esq., which was responded to with loud and thundering peals from the artillery, and long and continued shouts of approbation and applause from the Regiment. The line was again formed and the ranks opened. The welkin was made to ring at the sound of the first beat of the drum for Volunteers, as they marched from right to left along the lines; a few rounds soon told the tale, the number was complete! Ninety men had answered the call, and proceeded forthwith to enroll themselves. After which they proceeded to an election of officers to command the Company: Col. Joe Ballenger was elected Captain without opposition; Lieut. Col. G.W.H. Legg, 1st Lieut., Major R.W. Foster, 2d Lieut. — all the field officers of the Regiment volunteered. We could not but admire the patriotic spirit manifested and exhibited by the *Spartanburg Volunteer Company*, now under the command of Lieut. Col. W.G.H. Legg; 15 men from this Company stepped out and followed their commander and enrolled themselves as Volunteers.

The utmost harmony and good feeling prevailed throughout, the Volunteers greeted each other kindly, and evinced a feeling of instant brotherhood, and a good feeling that has seldom been witnessed. The ceremonies of the day being over, they returned quietly and peacefully to their homes. Ready to respond to their country's call.

Below we give a list of all the Volunteers:

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| 4. J. W. Hunt | 33. J. J. Brannon | 62. R. C. Keller |
| 5. O. E. Edwards | 34. David Burton | 63. W. T. Brockman |
| 6. T. C. Carson | 35. E. M. Poole | 64. West Cole |
| 7. H. S. A. Poole | 36. J. F. Richards | 65. A. Cole |
| 8. M. Bennette | 37. C. A. Barry | 66. R. Johnson |
| 9. W. M. Anderson | 38. L. R. Hunt | 67. L. D. Dempsey |
| 10. J. T. Kirby | 39. A. J. Foster | 68. John Baswell |
| 11. W. H. Willbanks | 40. Hiram Williams | 69. Jackson Henderson |
| 12. O. H. Moss | 41. R. Johnson | 70. Josiah Stedman |
| 13. A. J. McMakin | 42. D. Burnette | 71. W. Miles |
| 14. G. C. Thomason | 43. G. J. Greer | 72. Wm. Tuttle |
| 15. A. L. Thomason | 44. Miles Ford | 73. A. Davis |
| 16. J. W. Rogers | 45. Joseph Malden | 74. J. P. Martin |
| 17. W. S. Gregory | 46. W.D. Chapman | 75. H. Johnson |
| 18. J. B. Archer | 47. R. Peyton | 76. J. Turner |
| 19. J. B. Cottrell | 48. T. W. Mitchell | 77. Jefferson Turner |
| 20. Wm. Lockwood | 49. E. B. Mitchell | 78. J. L. Wehon |
| 21. W. W. Boyd | 50. L. Alverson | 79. T. Brock |
| 22. I. Fowler | 51. S. G. Smith | 80. A. Cook |
| 23. John Wyatt | 52. D. T. Smith | 81. M. B. Dickey |
| 24. Henry Turner | 53. J. G. Lancaster | 82. M. R. Guthrie |
| 25. J. W. Quinn | 54. M. Boling | 83. Mark Hertton |
| 26. J. J. Quinn | 55. J. L. Marsh | 84. George Durham |
| 27. J. V. Trimmier | 56. James Williams | 85. L. Bishop |
| 28. B. Cunningham | 57. George Waldrop | 86. G. W. Pye |
| 29. Ed Ballenger | 58. Benj. McMakin | 87. H. P. Holt |
| 30. Thomas Ballanger | 59. M. H. Morgan | 88. R. Medlin |
| 31. W. E. Rector | 60. John Moore | 89. J. W. Martain |
| 32. Wm. Low | 61. David Moore | 90. John Hutchings |

The above report has been forwarded to the Adj't. and Insp't. General, J. W. Cantey, by the last mail, with the request that, if the quota of troops has not been filled, they be received into service at an early period; but if the quota has been completed, that the report be kept on file, in case any future call should be made.

We were highly pleased, and indeed felt proud to see such a number of able-bodied and patriotic men answer to the call of their country. As regards to the title of the Company, several appropriate ones have occurred to us, but we shall wait until authorized to give them any other than the one above, viz: "Spartanburg Volunteers."

* * *

REMINISCENCES OF COLONEL JOHN THOMAS AND HIS FAMILY

Source: The Carolina Spartan, Wednesday, July 29, 1885, p. 1, col. 2.

For the Spartan, by Wm. T. Lewis, Louisville, Mississippi

Heroes and Heroines of the Olden Times

Col. John Thomas — Jane Thomas — Capt. Josiah Culberson — Wm. D. Culberson.

Col. John Thomas was a native of Wales. In early life he migrated to America and settled in Chester county, Pennsylvania. Among the goods and chattels that he brought with him from Wales was a Welsh Bible and a Conch Shell. About the year 1740 he married Jane Black, of Chester county, Pa., a sister of the Rev. John Black, of Carlisle, the first president of the Dickinson College. A few years after their marriage they migrated to South Carolina and settled in Chester county and about the year 1762 they removed to Spartanburg county, S. C. and settled on Fair Forest, where they were living during the revolutionary war.

After the close of the war he moved to Greenville county, S. C., where he and his wife both died. When hostilities commenced, John Thomas was elected Colonel of the Spartan Regiment, with which he accompanied General Williamson into the heart of the Indian Territory and fought them until they sued for peace in 1776. Governor Rutledge stored a quantity of arms and ammunition in the house of Colonel Thomas, over which he placed a guard. The tories attempted to capture these munitions, but Colonel Thomas and the guard, learning of their approach, carried off the munitions that they could to a safe retreat, leaving his wife, daughter, his little son William and his son-in-law, Josiah Culberson, to guard the munitions that were left in the house. It was not long after Colonel Thomas left, when the tory, Colonel Moore, arrived with his company and marched up to the door and attempted to batter it down, when Mrs. Thomas ordered them to leave, but they commenced firing upon the house, which was returned from the upper story by Josiah Culberson, who fired upon them as fast as Mrs. Thomas, her son William and her daughter could load the guns, which soon caused them to beat a retreat. Colonel Thomas and two of his sons were captured after the fall of Charleston and were imprisoned at Ninety-Six. During their imprisonment Mrs. Thomas visited her husband and sons, and while there she heard a tory woman remark to another: "Tomorrow night the loyalists intend to surprise the rebels at Cedar Spring."

The Cedar Spring was within a few miles of her home. The Whigs were stationed there and among them were some of her sons. No time was to be lost. She mounted her horse and during the day rode sixty miles and notified them of their impending danger, which saved the garrison from capture and enabled them to repulse the British and Tories with considerable slaughter.

Mrs. Thomas was the mother of nine children, John, her oldest son, rose from a captaincy during the war till he succeeded his father in the command of the Spartan Regiment and was at the Battle of Cowpens, etc. Robert, another son, was killed in Roebuck's defeat. Abram was wounded at Ninety-Six, taken prisoner and died in the hands of the enemy. Martha, one of the daughters, married Capt. Josiah Culberson, a Welshman. He was one of the most effective scouts in the county. He was a great Indian fighter and was a special favorite with Colonel Isaac Shelby, in whose regiment he fought in the battles of Musgrove's Mills, King's Mountain and elsewhere. He was a perfect terror to the tories and many a one was killed by him in casual encounter. Governor Rutledge called him "Iron Sides," as he was so uncompromising with the tories and was so firm and unwavering in battle. He seemed to have no fear

of death while fighting for the liberties of his country. The British and the tories robbed him of his negroes, ripped open his wife's beds, threw away the feathers and made saddle blankets etc. out of the bed ticks. They even carried off the children's clothing. Mrs. Culberson inquired of them: "What they wanted with the children's clothes." They replied: "We want them for gun wadding." On one occasion a company of Whigs was being organized in Captain Culberson's vicinity, but they had to be very clandestine about it, until they could rally a sufficient number of men to form a company, or they would be surprised and captured by the enemy. The men were rendezvousing in a dense thicket near Mr. Culberson's house. They instructed Mrs. Culberson, that in case she should apprehend any danger of a company of British and tories surrounding and capturing them, to give them a signal by blowing her father's conch shell in a very high tone or key, in order that they might make their escape or prepare for battle; but on the event, should she be annoyed by a squad of tories, to sound the alarm by blowing the conch shell on a very low tone or key and they would sally forth and endeavor to capture them. Not many days elapsed before a squad of tories marched up to her house and inquired for Captain Culberson. Not finding him at home, they stacked their arms outside of the house under a window and ordered her to prepare dinner for them in haste. She invited them into the other room of the house and remarked to them that "she would blow the conch shell for her little son to come and help her get dinner."

She gave the Whigs the signal by sounding the conch shell in a low tone and then stealthily went around into the other room against which the tories had stacked their arms and reaching out at the window she removed and hid all their guns and by the time she got them concealed the house was surrounded by Whigs well armed. So soon as the tories discovered them approaching they double-quickened around the house to get their guns, but to their great surprise the guns had all disappeared, consequently the Whigs gained a bloodless victory and took them all prisoners. When the war closed the exasperated feelings of Captain Culberson were wrought up to such a pitch towards the tories who had robbed and insulted his family, that he killed several of them after the close of the war. A man by the name of Brown, during the war went to Culberson's house and told his wife that the tories had killed her d—d rebel husband and that he saw him with his tongue hanging out. After the war closed, Brown for some misdemeanor, was committed to jail. Captain Culberson, with a few friends, went to the jailor and demanded the jail key and informed the jailor that if he refused to give it up to them, they would batter down the door of the jail. The jailor surrendered the key. They took Brown out of the jail and Captain Culberson shot him through the mouth with a rifle, for telling the lie to his wife to distress his family. He also killed Nat Jackson and several other tories for which he was never interrupted. There were many blood-thirsty tories, still living in that neighborhood and for fear that they might, some day, seek advantage of him by burning his houses or way laying his road at night, Captain Culberson and Col. John Thomas sold out their possessions and moved to Greenville county, S. C., where Colonel Thomas and his wife died. Some few years after the death of Colonel Thomas, Capt. Josiah Culberson, with his family, emigrated to Indiana and settled, where Vincennes now stands in Davies county, where he died at the age of 97 years.

Ann, another daughter of Colonel Thomas, married Major Joseph McJunkin, a revolutionary soldier, who was in the battles of Hanging Rock, Musgrove's mill, Blackstock's Ford, the Cowpens and others.

Jane, the third daughter of Colonel Thomas, married Capt. Joseph McCool, a revolutionary soldier, and her sister Letitia, married another gallant officers of the revolution, in the personage of Major James Lusk.

During the war of 1812, when volunteers were called for in Indiana, to aid General Harrison to defend

the Northwest against the British and Indians, several of Captain Josiah Culberson's sons volunteered and joined the army and were with General Harrison in all his campaigns and hard fought battles during the war. Samuel was killed, and his brother Wm. D., from exposure during the war, was attacked with rheumatism. When the war closed and he returned home, he was unable to walk without a crutch. One Sabbath morning he mounted his horse and wended his way to a country church. He there met one of his female acquaintances and by her permission, promised to see her safe home. As they were riding along the road towards the home of the young lady, a big buck negro rode up between them and cut him out, as the saying is. No sooner done, than he dropped behind a little to give himself room to wield his crutch, when with both hands he clutched his crutch and with a herculean blow he struck the sable competitor across the burr of the ear, when he dropped from his horse like a beef that had been shot. Mr. Culberson left him lying in the road and escorted the young lady home in safety and then hastily made his way to his own home, where on his arrival, he was informed by a friend, that, the negro had recovered from the blow he gave him and had reported him to the authorities and that he would be arrested the next morning. Wm. D. Concluded that he would not stay to see it, so he mounted his horse after supper, crutch in hand, and when the sun arose the next morning he was beyond the limits of the county. He made his way back to South Carolina, where after he recovered from his rheumatic affection [sic], he married Narcissa R., daughter of Moses Wood, of Greenville, S. C. Colonel Thomas's old Welsh Bible and conch shell finally fell into the hands of Wm. D. Culberson, who after spending a few years in South Carolina, emigrated to Alabama and as they were moving thither, they camped one night at or near Pool's ferry, on the Hightower river in Ga., where their horses were stolen during the night by Indians. In looking around the next morning they discovered an Indian near their camp, watching their movements. They took him up and informed him that if he did not tell where their horses were, they would kill him. The Indian piloted them some twenty miles, where they recovered their horses. After spending a few years in Alabama, Mr. Culberson moved with his family to Winston county, Mississippi, and settled in the Southern part of the county, on the east side of Noxapater creek, where he died in 1863. Narcissa, his widow, who was born in 1795, is still living [1885] at their old homestead and has in her possession the old Welsh Bible and conch shell that was brought from Wales by Col. John Thomas and which was used during the revolutionary war as a signal to rally the Whigs, when Capt. Josiah Culberson's house were assailed by Tories.

Wm. T. Lewis, Louisville, Mississippi

A DEATH NOTICE FROM ABBEVILLE COUNTY IN 1870

Source: The Abbeville Press and Banner, Friday, Jan. 21, 1870, p. 2, Col. 4.

Obituary

A. R. Merriwether son of W. B. and Matilda Meriweather [sic] of Ninety Six, Abbeville County, accidentally shot himself on the 29th of December and died about 9 hours after. He had just past his twentieth birthday; — a young man of noble principle, affectionate and courteous to all. A sad blank is now in this afflicted family which none could witness death without shedding [sic] the sympathetic tear.

A. R. Merriwether had all the prospects of a long and useful life and the morning of the fatal accident was full of life and animation.

WILL (1795) OF JOHN MIDDLETON OF PENDLETON COUNTY, SC

Source: Anderson County, SC, Probate Office, Real Estate Book, 1793-1799, pp. 112, 113

WILL

In the name of God, Amen. July the twenty fifth day in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five— John Middleton Senior, of Pendleton County and State of S^c Carolina First on being sick and weak in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be unto God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that is appointed for all men to die, do make and ordain this my last will and Testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I give and recommend my Soul unto the hands of God who gave it, and concerning my body, I recommend it to the Earth to be buried in a decent manner at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but the General resurrection to obtain everlasting happiness in the life to come through the merits and mediations of my blessed redeemer JESUS CHRIST, and as touching such worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise, and dispose of the same in the manner and form following — **Imprimis.** I positively will & order that all my lawful debts be paid — **Item** — I give and bequeath to **Elizabeth my** dearly & well beloved **wife**, all my house hold furniture of every kind, and all my Plantation Tools of every kind, also two of my horse creatures to be of her choice, also all my stock [of] black cattle, also all my sheep and hogs. **Item** two of my Negroes, s^d Negroes to be at her choice **Item** one hundred acres of land with the improvements, said land to be enjoyed by her at her pleasure during her widowhood **Item** — I give and bequeath to **Elinor Patterson my** beloved **Daughter**, ten pounds. **Also** — I give and bequeath all my land to **my** beloved **Sons John & Richard** said land to be equally divided between John And Richard — **Item** I give and bequeath to **my three grandsons Samuel, John, and Richard Norwood** twenty pounds, said twenty pounds to be equally divided amongst the three. **Also** I will & bequeath all the remainder of my Estate of every kind to **my beloved Children Susannah Margaret Buchannon, Frances Patterson, Elizabeth buchannon, John Middleton, Richard Middleton, Ann Middleton, Arrabella Canty Middleton** the remainder to be equally divided amongst them; **also** I do make and appoint Elizabeth Middleton my beloved wife, Samuel Porter and Nathaniel Lusk to be my only and sole Executors of this my last will and Testament and I do hereby clearly revoke and disannul all & every other former Testament wills and Legacies and do ratify and confirm this & no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the day and year first above written — Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said John Middleton as his last will and Testament — in presence of us the subscribers — **John Middleton {Seal}**

Nathaniel Loosk, W^m McCurdy, Rob^t Bonds

Proven in open court by the oath of Nathaniel Loosk & William McCurdy & ordered to be recorded April 17th AD. 1797 B. Earle, clk (recorded the 17th April 1797)

DEATH OF AN ANDERSON DISTRICT OCTOGENARIAN IN 1846

Source: *Charleston Courier*, issue of Tuesday July 14, 1846, p. 2, col. 6

Obituary

Departed this life at Anderson C. H., on the 20th of June, SAMUEL CUNNINGHAM, Esq. in the eighty-second year of his age.

EARLY MEMBERS OF BUSH RIVER BAPTIST CHURCH IN NEWBERRY DISTRICT

Source: Bush River Church minutes on microfilm in the Special Baptist Collection at Furman University, Greenville, South Carolina

(Continued from Volume XX, Number 1, February 2006, p. 26)

Members Received by Experience and Baptism

Feb'y 12 th 1803	John Griffin	June 12 th 1807	Milly Teague
April 9 th 1803	David Motes	March 13 1808	Charles Devenport
	William Coat	Sept 10 th	Sarah Neel
	Elizabeth Eastland	November 12 th	Darke a woman of col. belonging to Col. John Simpson
May 7 th	Mary Coat		
	Betty a woman of color	April 8 1809	Daniel Mathis
	Mariah a woman of color	May 13	Cate a woman of color belonging to Steven McCraw
[The latter two belonged to T ^h Eastland]			
June 11 th	Job Castle	June 10	Mary Blackburn
June 19 th	Sarah Beeks	September 9	Isaac Leavell
	George Clack	November 11	Abner Young
	Catharine Gary	December 9	James Stedman
June 26 th	Charles Horton	May 12 th 1810	Charity Clark
	Debor a woman of color belonging to T ^h Eastland	August 12 th	Ann a woman of color belonging to Thomas Gary
July 9 th	Rebekah Hall	October 13 [1810]	Daniel Johnson
	Charles Griffin	November 9	James Garner
August 6 th	Winney a woman of color belonging to Rob ^t Maloney		John Teague
			Ann Johnson
Oct 7 th [1803]	Rebekah Pearson		Sary Smith
	Betty Castle		Mary Johnson
Oct 12 th 1805	William Mangrom	December 8 th [1810]	Jeny Rees

Members Received by Letter

May 12 th 1804	John Wood	August 18 [1808]	Levina Loveless
July 13 th 1805	Mary Thomas	September 10	John Cannon
January 11 1806	Charles Gary		Elender Cannon
December 12 1807	Robert Scot	April 8 1809	Mathew Jones
	Elizabeth Scot	Sept. 9	Daniel Gardner
March 13 1808	Robert Garner	February 9 1811	Jesse Davis
	Jemima Garner	March 9	Elizabeth Gogins
June 11	Nancy Right	May 11 1811	Ephraim Gary
July 9	Elizabeth Belton	June 8	Daniel Pitts
	James Liles		Susannah Pitts
	Susanner liles	December 7 th	Ezekiel Waldrop
July 10	Sarah Mittler		

Members Restored

Sept 13 1806	Jesse Belton	Sep' 7 1810	Charles Pitts
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Members Dismissed By Letter

Jan'y 7 th 1804	William Johnson	March 23 1805	Peggy Young, late Peggy Tinsley
Feb'y 11	Charles Pitts		Dick a man of color belonging to bro. Mitchell
	Robert Garner	April 13 th	Charles Gray
	Jemima Garner	May 11	John Cannon
March 11 th	Sarah Mattocks	August 10 th	Elenor Cannon
Sept 8 th	Robert Leavell		Job Castles
	Sarah Leavell, late Sarah Perry	Sept 7 th	Peggy Castles
	John Ward		Samuel Pearson
Oct 13 1804	Ephraim Perry		Rebekah Pearson
Feb'y 9 th 1805	Jeremiah Goggins	Oct 12 th	Elizabeth Belton
	Elizabeth Goggins	Jan. 10 1807	Susanna Majors, late Susanna Teague
	John Mangrom		Sarah Chaison
	Charles Scott		
	Elizabeth Scott		

Members Excommunicated

Mar. 12 th 1803	Lewis Mangrom		belonging to W ^m Hardin
Sept 10 th	Aaron Burton	Oct. 12 [1805]	James Pitts
Jan'y 7 1804	Foster Golden	Dec' 7 th	Lidia Johnson, late Lidia Gary
	Lurana Summers		Sarah Williams
March 11 th	Isaac Waldrop	Jan'y 11 1806	David Gary
April 7 th	John Fletcher	Feb. 8 th	John Demoney
Dec' 8 th	Joseph W. Tinsley		Henry Coal
Jan'y 12 th 1805	Bordwine Roberts	March 8 th	Jesse Johnson
Feb'y 9 th	Obed Roberts	April 12 th	Charles Horton
June 8 th	Rebecah Coat	May 12 th	Nancy Demoney
August 10 th	David Johnson	July 12	James Griffin
Sept 7	Andrew a man of color,	Nov'r	

Members Dead

December 1802	Larkin Shepherd	September 1804	Michael Landers
January 1803	Stephen Williams	September	Peggy Leavell
March	Rebekah Gary	September	Hannah Lewes
March	James Cole	March 1805	Martha Ryon
March	Lucy a woman of color, belonging to Doc. Harmon	March	Boice Prater
July	Henry Pitts	August 1806	John Gary
August	Daniel Goggins	August	Elizabeth Williams
September	Dorothy Teague	August	John Williams
April 1804	Lucy Eastland	August	Thomas Neel
April	William Coat	August 1806	Jesse Gary
			Marthy Gary

UPSTATE DEATH NOTICES IN 1803, 1804, AND 1805 FROM THE CHARLESTON COURIER

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

Contributor's Note: The first issue of the *Charleston Courier* newspaper appeared on Monday, January 10, 1803. The *Courier* was a daily, with Sunday being excepted, and soon grew to be a widely read and respected paper. Its inception and its early years in the beginning of the 1800s occurred during the era when there were only a couple of printing presses in the upstate. Only a few death and marriage notices from the upstate made their way to Charleston. Nonetheless, I have made the effort to search the *Courier* with the notion that half a loaf is better than none. With my results for these first three years presented below, I will lack the year 1807 having searched the *Courier* issues through 1817 for death notices and other news from the upstate.

1803

I found no death notices from the upstate districts for the year of 1803. My search yielded only one marriage in 1803; see p. 112 below for the marriage notices that I found for these three years.

1804

Issue of Friday, January 20, 1804, p. 3, col. 2

[Newberry District]

Died, on the 6th inst. At Newberry Court-House, in the 22d year of his age Mr. LEWIS M'CREELESS. The deceased, on the morning of the above day, went, in company with a party of young men, to pay a visit to a friend. At some distance from the court-house, it was agreed by Mr. M'Creeless and one of the party to run their horses; the lamentable consequence was, that owing to the narrowness of the road, and the closeness of the trees, the deceased's horse ran him with greatest violence against a tree, which threw him a considerable distance from his seat, and occasioned his death in a few hours.

Issue of Wednesday, October 31, 1804, p. 3, col. 1

[Pendleton District]

Died, on Saturday the 6th of October, after a short but painful illness, Miss PEGGY RICHARDS, aged thirty-two years, sister of Mr. William Richards, merchant of Pendleton District.

1805

Issue of Wednesday, February 20, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Pendleton District]

According to a proclamation of his Excellency the Governor, dated the 19th instant, a Mr. DANIEL DOUGHTY, of Pendleton district, has been murdered by his wife, his step-father, (LABAN OAKLEY), and a certain JOHN ANDREWS. It appears that the atrocious criminals effected the murder, by infusing poison into the food, medicines and drink of Mr. DOUGHTY, who at length died in excruciating tortures. The wife and Andrews are committed to jail; but Oakley, (who is considered to have been the first mover of the wicked conspiracy,) has escaped; and his Excellency has issued a proclamation, offering *Four Hundred Dollars* reward for his apprehension. [Contributor's Note: The Governor in 1805 was Paul Hamilton.]

Issue of Tuesday, September 10, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Newberry District]

Died, on the 17th of August last, at his plantation in Newberry district, in consequence of a fall from his horse, JACOB BROWN, Esq., for number of years past a representative from that district in the legislature of this state. He has left a widow and four children to lament his untimely end.

Issue of Tuesday, September 17, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Kershaw District]

Died, at Darlington College, on the 23d ult. [August 23, 1805], of a bilious remitting fever, Master DOUGLAS STARK, son of Reuben Stark, Esq. of Camden, aged 12 years and 2 months.

Issue of Monday, October 7, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Kershaw District]

Died, near Camden, on the 2d inst. [October 2, 1805] Mrs. REBECCA BOYKIN, amiable consort of Mr. Stephen Boykin, in the 30th year of her age. Her virtues and accomplishments were numerous, and the memory of which will long remain engraved upon the hearts of afflicted friends and acquaintances.

Issue of Wednesday, October 9, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Kershaw District]

Died, on Thursday the 3d instant, at Camden, S. C. In the 34th year of her age, Mrs ANN M'CAA, consort of Mr. Jehu M'CAA, merchant ...

Issue of Wednesday, October 9, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Chester District]

Died, at his residence in Chester district Friday the 20th ult. [September 20, 1805] of a violent fever, Mr. JAMES PAGAN, in the 56th year of his age, a respectable citizen of said district, for many years past.

Issue of Monday, October 14, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Kershaw District]

Died, at Camden, on the 7th of October, inst. In the 54th year of her age, Mrs. ELIZABETH ADAMSON, wife of John Adamson, Esquire of this place. ... Her remains were on Tuesday the 8th inst. deposited in the family burying ground, when an affecting address was delivered by the Rev. Mr. Smith ...

Issue of Tuesday, October 29, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Fairfield District]

Died, at Rocky-Mount, on the Catawba river, on the 6th ultimo [September 6, 1805], colonel FRANCIS MENTGES. He arrived there in the month of April last as an assistant to colonel Senf ... [See p. 113 below for the complete obituary.]

Issue of Wednesday, December 4, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Abbeville & Laurens District]

Died, on the 21st ult. [November 21, 1805], at his home near Cambridge, JOHN DUNLAP, Esq. attorney at law, a native of Laurens district, much regretted by all his friends and acquaintances.

Issue of Wednesday, December 18, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

[Union District]

Died, on the 16th October last, in Union district, on his return from a journey he had taken for his health, Mr. William Williams, late of this city, house-carpenter.

EPITAPH FOR JOHN FISH

Source: *Charleston Courier*, issue of Wednesday, June 27, 1804, p. 3, col. 1

EPITAPH

HERE lies JOHN FISH,
Who did earnestly wish
The baits of Satan to shun:
And if that he shou'd
Be caught in the mud,
To the net of salvation to run.
And when drawn by death's hook
From this turbulent brook,
The scene of his sorrow and strife,
That he might not be cramm'd
On the coals with the damn'd,
But swim in the waters of life.

UPSTATE MARRIAGE NOTICES IN 1803, 1804, AND 1805 FROM THE CHARLESTON COURIER

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

1803

Issue of Saturday, January 29, 1803, p.3, col. 2 [Greenville District]

Married, in Greenville[sic] District, on Sunday the 16 th inst. Mr. WILLIAM TONEY, to Miss[sic] JANE BENSON, relict of major Joseph Benson, deceased.

1804

Issue of Wednesday, August 29, 1804, p. 3, col. 2 [Laurens District]

Married, on the 2d inst. [August 2, 1804], by the Rev Dr. Kennedy, JOHN BOWEN, Esq. of Goose Creek, planter, to Miss REBECCA WITHERS, daughter of John Withers, Esq. of Laurens District.

Issue of Tuesday, October 16, 1804, p. 3, col. 2 [Newberry District]

Married, on the 20 th ult. [September 20, 1804], by Charles Griffin, esq., Mr. ISAAC WALDROP, to Miss JENNY DAVIDSON; both of Newberry district.

1805

Issue of Thursday, January 10, 1805, p. 3, col. 1 [Newberry District]

Married, at Liberty-Hill, Newberry District on the 28 th December last, Mr. JOHN BLAIR, of this city, merchant, to Miss SARAH C. EWELL, daughter of Mr. James Ewell, late of Lancaster county, Virginia.

Issue of Monday, January 23, 1805, p. 3, col. 1 [Union & Fairfield Districts]

Married, on the 16 inst. [January 16, 1805], Mr. DANIEL McMAHAN, of Pinckneyville [Union District], merchant, to Miss MARGARET KINCAID, of Fairfield District.

Issue of Wednesday, March 13, 1805, p. 3, col. 1 [Kershaw District]

Married, at Camden, (S. C.) On Thursday evening, the 7 th inst. [March 7, 1805] by the Rev. John M. Roberts, Mr. JONATHAN ECCLES, to the amiable Miss CATHARINE THORNTON, both of that place.

Issue of Friday, April 26, p. 3, col. 1 [Abbeville & Pendleton Districts]

Married, on the 10 th instant, by the Rev. Mr. Waddell, the Rev. Benjamin Montgomery, of Pendleton, to the amiable ELIZA NICHOLS, eldest daughter of Julius Nichols, esq. of Abbeville.

Issue of Friday, April 26, p. 3, col. 1 [Laurens District]

Married, on Thursday, the 14 th March last, by the Rev. Mr. Kelly, Mr. WILLIAM H. DAY, to the amiable and accomplished Miss POLLEY IZARD, both of Laurens district.

[Contributor's Note: I did not find another upstate marriage notice for the remainder of 1805 in the *Courier*.]

MORAGNE-RAMEY MARRIAGE IN ABBEVILLE COUNTY

Source: *The Abbeville Press and Banner*, issue of Friday, January 14, 1870, p. 2, col. 4

Marriage

Married, on the 4 th January, 1870, by the Rev. Manning Brown, Mr. J. A. MORAGNE to Miss SALLIE E. RAMEY, both of Abbeville District.

OBITUARY FOR A REVOLUTIONARY WAR OFFICER (FAIRFIELD DISTRICT, 1805)

Source: *Charleston Courier*, issue of Tuesday, October 29, 1805, p. 3, col. 1

Died, at Rocky-Mount [which was located in Fairfield District(*Quarterly* Ed.)], on the Catawba river, on the 6 th ultimo [September 6, 1805], colonel FRANCIS MENTGES. He arrived there in the month of April last, as an assistant of colonel Senf in the military establishment of the United States forming at that place.

Col. Mentjes served with honour and respectability throughout the American revolution. He rose from a lieutenant and adjutant to the rank of lieutenant-colonel, and for several years before the end of the war, he commanded a regiment in the Pennsylvania line, under general Wayne, and was deputy-inspector general of general Green's army, at the close of the war, in place of colonel Ternant.

After the war, he was for several years adjutant-general of the militia of Pennsylvania. He was afterwards agent of the fortifications of Fort Mifflin, under the direction of colonel Toussard. In this station he remained five or six years.

Col. Mentjes was a native of Deux-Points, (in German: Zweibrucker), now belonging to the French empire. His age is not exactly known; but it is supposed he was upward of sixty. He was well known to many officers of the line of this state, and was much respected by them. His cheerful disposition, his polite manners, and a well cultivated mind, made him a most welcome companion to those who enjoyed his friendship.

UPSTATE LANDS FOR SALE IN 1806

(Continued from Volume XX, Number 1, February 2006, p. 43.)

Source: *Charleston Courier*, issue of Saturday, March 15, 1806, p. 3, cols. 3 & 4

[Note: The notation "Do." stands for ditto for "Tract".]

One Tract in Edgefield District, on Road to Charleston, containing 541 acres, bounded by lands of James Ashbury, Parker, John Pryero, George Miller and Joseph Nicks.

One Do. in Edgefield District, on Savannah River, containing 130 acres, bounded by lands of Dawry Pace and John Pace.

One Do. in Edgefield District, on Cuffey town Creek, containing 557 acres, bounded by lands of Robert Belcher, Robert Anderson, Tuckers, Hacumbs, Halls.

One Do. in Laurens District, containing 508 acres, bounded by lands of John McKee, Mobley and Samuel Arnold.

One Do. in Spartanburg District, on Quin's Fork of Thickety, containing 600 acres, bounded by lands of Obediah Watson and Joseph Price.

One Do. in Spartanburg District, on waters of Island Creek, containing 330 acres, bounded by lands of Young and Murrey.

One Do. in Spartanburg District, on Island Creek, containing 305 acres, bounded by Gibbes land.

One Do. in Spartanburg District, on a branch of Abners Creek, containing 333 acres, bounded by lands of Newman Wilson, Ephraim Biseman and William Woodward.

One Do. in Spartanburg District, on a branch of Island Creek, containing 1008 acres, bounded by lands of Hopkins & Co. Brown and Ordright.

ATTRIBUTES OF A PROPOSED NEW COUNTY

Source: *The Gaffney Ledger*, issue of Thursday, November 5, 1896, p. 1, col. 4

[Editor's Note: As the population of the upstate counties increased, an urge to create new counties took hold in the latter part of the nineteenth century. The first formed was Saluda County, taken in 1895 from Edgefield County; see this *Quarterly*, issue of August 2004, p. 151. It was followed in 1897 by Greenwood County, which was carved out of Abbeville and Edgefield Counties. Cherokee County was also formed in 1897, mostly from the eastern part of Spartanburg County and from much smaller portions of Union and York Counties. The attributes of the area of this proposed new county is the subject of this article. The voters of the area were to choose between "Limestone" and "Cherokee" for the name of their new county. The article below was published before the voters chose the latter.]

LIMESTONE'S RESOURCES

What the New County will have Within its Borders

The proposed new county of Limestone embraces a portion [sic] of York, Union and Spartanburg counties. It will take in many historic spots. The battle field of Cowpens, Whig Hill with its revolutionary history, the murder of the original Nuckolls over on Broad River below Cherokee Falls and the camp of General Morgan at Grindall Shoals are all in this territory. Daniel Morgan retreated from Grindall Shoals and passed up on the West side of Thickety, perhaps, following the Green River road [sic] and went into camp at Cowpens. Tradition says that name was originally "Hanna's Cowpens," for a man by the name of Hanna, prior to the Revolution, kept cattle for people living farther South. The wild peavine, cane and fine grass were abundant in that region. He took care of cattle during the summer. Colonel Tarleton, who commanded [sic] the British at Cowpens, retreated by way of Gaffney, Cherokee Ford and Hamilton's Ford. Not far [sic] from the junction of Goucher Creek and Thickety was Fort Anderson, or Thickety Ford, built as protection against Indians. There sixty or seventy Tories [sic] were captured by some of Sumter's troops during the war. The British officers claimed that the surrender was made too easily, and that there was a very feeble effort to defend it. The body of Colonel Williams, who was mortally wounded at King's Mountain, was laid to rest in the upper part of York county [sic] not far from Blacksburg. The citizens of that flourishing town ought to mark his grave, if they can identify the place. So much for the Revolutionary history of the new county.

How the people lived and prospered for the first thirty years after the surrender at Yorktown, history is silent. Struggles for a living, the taking up of lands, the building of log houses, the quarrels between Whig and Tory families, the thousand incidents common to pioneer life are all buried in oblivion. The old story tellers [sic], who, fifty years ago, gave the early traditions to eager listeners, have all passed away and their stories were never recorded. Early in this century, or perhaps before the close of the last one, Michael Gaffney came to that section. He married a Miss Smith near Smith's Ford and settled at what was afterwards known as Gaffney's Cross Roads and then as Gaffney's Old Field, and now Gaffney. He was a thrifty man and soon started a store. In 1812 he raised a company for the war but they never got farther than Charleston. We hope to publish the names of his company very soon.

It was, perhaps in the twenties, or even before that, the first furnace for the manufacture of iron was built at Cherokee Ford, afterwards called Coopersville. If any one knows the history of iron making at that place he will please give it. Wilson Nesbitt was perhaps one of the leading men who organized a company to make iron. On the other side of the river the King's Mountain iron works [sic] started up. The Blacks, we believe, were the men who started that enterprise. Dr. Black, an intelligent citizen of Blacksburg, will please give us a short sketch of old King's Mountain Iron Works and the Jake Moore gold mine. That all belongs to the new county. The Cowpens furnace also started up but more under the control of the Hurricane shoals [sic] Rolling mill [sic] than Cherokee Ford. At one time there was

a small furnace on Thickety, we believe, not far above Hugh Moore's farm. Limestone Springs first attracted attention between 1825 and 1830. Wilson Nesbitt, generally called Neasbitt in the old days, built the first house, which is now standing near the Northeast corner of Cooper-Limestone Institute. That was originally a double log cabin, used as his summer home, for Cherokee Ford was considered a great place for chills in these days. A joint stock company was formed in 1830 to 1832 to build a large hotel. That was a political project. For several years, prior to that time the low country and our country began their sharp contention. Then the great nullification excitement culminated in 1832. That separated our people and arrayed neighbor against neighbor. Some conservative patriotic [sic] men thought a large watering place in the up country would draw representative men from all parts of the State and that by eating at the same table, playing billiards together and drinking out of the same gourd at the big spring they would heal up the old wounds and restore harmony. For two or three years it flourished as a hotel. Crowds came from the lower counties. Of course all came in private conveyances and brought their servants with them. The famous race tracks [sic] at Gaffney grew out of the Limestone hotel organization. In 1845 Dr. Thomas Curtis, and his son, Rev. Wm. Curtis, bought the property and established their famous school, the first female college in the State, except the school of Dr. Marks near Columbia.

When the Washington Monument who [sic, was?] going up each State was requested to send one stone. South Carolina contributed a block of clouded marble from Limestone Springs. That was about 1854. It was sent in the rough and had to be hauled in a wagon to Chester or Charlotte. Any ascending the monument may see it, if he will take the trouble.

So far as we know only two men in this territory ever went to Congress. The first was William Nuckolls, with whom, it is reported, that Calhoun considered it a privilege to talk for a few hours. He was well informed on all national questions and his conversation was full of suggestions [sic] and information. The other representative came from the York side and some of the older people remember him. He was James Black, a brother of W. C. Black, who represented York county [sic] many years in the General Assembly. In mineral resources this new county is rich. Limestone and marble abound. A fine quality of granite may be found on Cherokee creek [sic]. It has never been developed but from our recollection of the surface rock it lies near the Clark place above Gaffney. A fair quality of soapstone is found below Gaffney in great abundance. That section is rich in monazite. Iron ore is very abundant. The magnetic ore is there found in perfection. Plumbago has been found in small quantities, and also lead. Gold is found in many places and years ago a "pocket," not far below Limestone Springs, yielded \$2,000 in a few days.

The water power [sic] of this section is most abundant. From the mouth of King's Creek to the North Carolina line Broad River affords power enough to run 200,000 spindles with an adequate number of looms.—*Carolina Spartan*.

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TWO PICKENS DISTRICT MARRIAGE NOTICES IN 1849

Source: *The Keowee Courier*, issue of Saturday, June 9, 1849, p. 3, col. 4

MARRIED

On the 31 st ult., by W. C. Lee, Mr William Bolles to Miss Elizabeth, daughter of Andrew Gordon of this District.

At Earle's Furnace, Cass Co., Ga. On the 10 th ult, by Rev. John W. Lewis, Col. E. M. FIELDS, of Canton, to Miss CORNELIA M. HARRISON, formerly of Greenville, S. C.

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INSCRIPTIONS FROM THE ISAAC BOGAN BURIAL PLOT (UNION COUNTY)

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

Contributor's Note: The Isaac Bogan burial plot is located in the cemetery at Bogansville Methodist Church on the left of SC Highway 215 in Union County, about two miles from the village of West Springs going toward the towns of Buffalo and Union. The family plot is enclosed by a massive stone wall about 20 ft by 20 ft square. I read the inscriptions on May 13, 2006, and I present them here to support the tabulation of Isaac Bogan's family presented below.

ISAAC BOGAN
SGT
BRANDON'S SC REG'T
REV. WAR
1805
1750 - 9, 1805
MARRIED
EASTER FARRAR
1775

(A memorial marker, not a tombstone)

OUR FATHER
M. B. BOGAN
Died
On the 16 th of Oct. 1851
Aged 56 years

JOHN C. BOGAN
Died
On the 4th of July 1833
Aged 4 years

JOHN BOGAN
CONTINENTAL LINE
REV. WAR
1720
1803

(A memorial marker erected in 1989 by
Mr. Mike Becknell)

OUR MOTHER
SARAH BOGAN
Died
On the 3 rd of July 1834
Aged 32 years

OUR INFANT BROTHER

WILL OF ISAAC BOGAN OF UNION DISTRICT

Contributed by Mrs. Helen Bogan Kelly, 103 Cardinal Drive, Taylors, SC 29687

Source: Union District, SC} Probate Court, Box 4, Package 10, Estate of Isaac Bogan, Deceased (1805), Thomas White, Executor. Editor's Note: The contents of this file have been transferred to a later estate file after the death of Isaac's widow: Union District, Probate Court, Box 15, Package 21, Estate of Isaac Bogan, Deceased, (1827), M. B. Bogan, Administrator. The file for Isaac's widow is Box 15, Package 20, Easter Bogan, Deceased (1827), Caswell Bogan, Administrator.

WILL OF ISAAC BOGAN

Be it remembered that I, Isaac Bogan of the district and state aforesaid, being weak in body but of perfect mind and disposing memory, Glory and praise be to God for the same calling to mind the shortness and uncertainty of human life have thought fit to make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following (that is to say) when it shall please the Lord to call me from this

transitory world, I recommend my soul to the mercy of God who gave it and my body to the Earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my executors herein after named and touching my worldly estate as it has pleased the Lord in his infinite mercy to bless me with, I have thought proper to dispose of in the following manner (Viz) my will and desire is that all my just debts and funeral charges shall be first satisfied, paid out of my personal estate and the remainder of my estate both real and personal I do dispose of as follows (Viz)

I lend unto my loving wife Easter, the house wherein I dwell during her natural life together with all the utensil of husbandry, also 50 acres of cultivated land. I also lend unto my loving wife, Easter, during her natural life two negroes, namely my negro, Harry and my negro wench Bell, together with 4 cows and calves, also 10 head of hogs, also one work horse, one bed and furniture.

I give and bequeth unto my grandson, Giles Sumner, one negro girl called Mary and in case the said Giles Sumner dies without heir the negro girl Mary to be sold and equally divided among my children.

I lend to my daughter, Hannah Jones, one negro girl named Phillis during her natural life and after her decease to the heirs of her body forever.

I give and bequeth unto my daughter Easter one negro girl named Dice, also 2 cows and calves and 20 dollars in cash, in a horse valued at 20 dollars, also one saddle and bridle, one feather bed and furniture.

I give and bequeth unto my son James Bogan, one mare and two colts, also one negro boy named Ned.

I give and bequeth unto my son Muckle Bogan, 200 acres of land more or less situated lying & being on Dutchmans Creek.

I give and bequeth unto my two sons Charles and Caswell the first tract of land whereon I now live containing 500 acres more or less.

I give and bequeth unto my son Isaac Bogan one negro boy named Lewis.

I give and bequeth unto my son William Bogan 225 acres of land lying and being on Shoally Creek, being a part of 450 acres tract whereon my father, John Bogan, now lives and my will and desire is that my son William Bogan should have that part of the land that lies on the east side of said creek —

I also give and bequeth to to my son William Bogan one bay horse now by the name of his property.

I give and bequeth unto my son, John Bogan, 225 acres of land more or less situated on the west side of the above mentioned Shoaly Creek, also I give and bequeth to my son John Bogan one bay mare now by the name of his property.

My Will and desire is that all the property that has not been given in legacies should remain on the premises in the possession of my executors untill such time as the youngest children come of age, then to be equally divided among my six sons: James [sic], William, John, Isaac, Jr., Muckle, Caswell, Charles and last of all I do hereby constitute, nominate and appoint my loving wife Easter Bogan, executrix and Thomas White, my executor to see this my last will and testament executed and hereby revoking and

making void and of none effect all other former wills and testaments by me heretofore made and declaring that this sheet of paper contains my last will and testament.

I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this **Twentyith Day of April, 1803**, signed, sealed and published and pronounced and declared by the said, Isaac Bogan.

John Lancaster

Isaac Bogan {L S}

Apsley (X, her mark) Lancaster William Bogan

Isaac Bogan Last Will & Testament probated the **21st Oct' 1805** [proven] by the oath of John Lancaster Recorded in Book A, page 79 & examined by David Johnson, Ordinary

FAMILY OF ISAAC BOGAN, REV. WAR SOLDIER, OF UNION DISTRICT

Contributed by Mrs. Helen Bogan Kelly, 103 Cardinal Drive, Taylors, SC 29687

Source: My extensive notebooks of Bogan family research

Isaac Bogan

Born: 1750, Pennsylvania

Died: September, 1805, Union District, South Carolina

Buried: Bogansville Methodist Church Cemetery, Union County, South Carolina

Isaac's father: **John Bogan**

Born: 1720, Edinburgh, Scotland

Died: 1803, Union District, South Carolina

Buried: Bogansville Methodist Church Cemetery, Union County, South Carolina

Isaac's mother: **Hannah Grist** (or Griest)

Born: 1731/1732, Ireland or Pennsylvania

Married: 21 May 1749 at Old Swedes Church, Wilmington, Delaware

Died: after 21 March 1793 (when she signed a deed) and before 1800 Union Co. census

Hanna's parents: Jacob and Hannah Grist

Buried: Union County, South Carolina

Isaac's paternal grandfather: **William Bogan**

Born: about 1700, Donegal, Ulster, Ireland

Died: March [probably] 1762, [old] Berkely District, South Carolina

Isaac's paternal grandmother: **Elenor Graham** [?] or **Ashmore** [?]

Married: 1775, Union County area, South Carolina

Easter Farrar

Born: ca. 1756

Died: 1827, Union District, South Carolina

Buried: Union District, South Carolina

Her father: Unknown

Her mother: Unknown

[Contributor's note: Some researchers conclude that Easter (sometimes Esther) was the daughter of James and Dinah McElroy and that she was not a Farrar as indicated by Isaac Bogan's memorial marker. See p. 134 below.]

Their children

1. **Hannah Bogan**
Born: 1776, Union County area of South Carolina
Died: May 1870 [per mortality schedule], Union County, SC
Buried: Bogansville Methodist Church Cem., Union County, SC
Husband: Stephen Jones
2. **Margaret Joan Bogan**
Born: 1778, Union County area of South Carolina
Died: Before April 12, 1803 (date of her father's will)
Buried: Burial site unknown, but probably in Union Co., SC
Husband 1: Mills Sumner
Husband 2: Mr. Thompson?
3. **James Bogan**
Born: September 21, 1780, Union County area of SC
Died: April 4, 1855, Union District, South Carolina
Buried: Bogansville Methodist Church Cem., Union County, SC
(Never married)
4. **William Bogan**
Born: ca 1782/84, Union County area of South Carolina
Died: January, 1830, Union District, South Carolina
Buried: Union District, South Carolina
Wife: Elizabeth Rogers
5. **John Bogan**
Born: May 1785, Union County area of South Carolina
Died: 9 June 1870 [per tombstone], Jasper County, Georgia
Buried: Providence Baptist Ch. Cem., Jasper County, Georgia
Wife: Rebecca Farrow
6. **Easter (Hester) Bogan**
Born: April 18, 1789, Union County, South Carolina
Died: July 15, 1869, Randolph County, Georgia
Buried: Martin Family cemetery, Randolph County, Georgia
Husband: James Martin
7. **Isaac Bogan**
Born: ca. 1790/91, Union County, South Carolina
Died: Unknown [Isaac is our problem child.]
Buried: Unknown
Wife: Unknown
8. **Muckle Berry Bogan**
Born: 1795, Union County, South Carolina
Died: October 16, 1851
Buried: Bogansville Methodist Church Cem., Union County, SC
Wife 1: Sarah Farrow
Wife 2: Sarah Jane Smith
9. **Caswell Bogan**
Born: 1797, Union County, South Carolina
Died: 20 Jan. 1889, Prairie Grove, Washington County, Ark.
Buried: Prairie Grove Cemetery, Washington County, Arkansas
Wife 1: Lucinda McDaniel [The 1850 Union census has Keziah.]
Wife 2: Melissa - ? -
10. **Charles Cotesworth Pinckney Bogan**
Born: January 22, 1799, Union County, South Carolina
Died: July 11, 1856, Union District, South Carolina
Buried: Bogansville Methodist Church Cem., Union County, SC
Wife: Martha Parham

A SKETCH OF DR. BERRYMAN BRYANT, NATIVE OF SPARTANBURG

Source: H. S. Foote, ed., *Pen Pictures From The Garden of The World or Santa Clara County, California, Illustrated* (Chicago, 1888, The Lewis Publishing Company), p. 333

Dr. BERRYMAN BRYANT, of Gilroy, is a native of Spartanburg District, South Carolina, and son of Reuben and Sarah (Whitby) Bryant. Both parents came of old Virginia families. The subject of this sketch was reared in his native district, and received the best advantages offered by its schools. He decided to adopt medicine as his profession, and going to Memphis, Tennessee, commenced attending at the Botanical Medical College, at which institution he graduated in 1848. He commenced practice at Camden, Alabama. On the breaking out of the California gold excitement he determined to risk his fortunes in this new but already far-famed region. Leaving Camden on the second day of February, he started for his destination, taking the Gulf route to Matamoras, thence by government wagon to Durango, by pack mules to Massacand [sic, Mazatlan, Mexico], and from there by sailing vessel to San Francisco, which port he reached June 17, 1849. He had brought with him five trunks of selected medicines, and going to Sacramento he erected a hospital. This he conducted for a time, then sold out and went to Marysville. From there he came to Gilroy in the fall of 1852, when the place was a mere attempt at a settlement. He practiced his profession in Gilroy until 1866, during which time he was the only representative of his profession there. He then removed to San Jose, but did not resume his practice until he returned to Gilroy to live, in 1878. He had made large purchases of land in 1853, and gone extensively into the sheep business, and at times had as many as 30,000 sheep. He now has 3,000 acres of land in Kern County, and 640 acres in Tulare County; also valuable property in Monterey, San Francisco, and Santa Clara County.

The Doctor has been twice married. His first wife was Nancy Whitby. They were married in Memphis, and her death occurred in Gilroy. By this marriage there were four children: Perry, who resides in Fresno County; David, whose home is in San Jose; William, who lives in San Francisco; and George, a resident of San Diego. Dr. Bryant married his present wife in Gilroy. Her maiden name was Henrietta Reeve. They have two children: Calhoun, a lawyer of San Francisco; and Edgar R., who will graduate from Hahnemann Medical College, of Philadelphia, class of 1889. The Doctor is a member of the Masonic Order. In politics he is a Democrat. He ranks among the pioneer physicians of this county, and among its ablest and most successful practitioners.

OBITUARY OF DR. BERRYMAN BRYANT

Source: San Jose Daily Mercury [California], Tuesday Morning, March 15, 1898.

DR. BRYANT DEAD.

He was father of David T. Bryant of This City

Special to the Mercury.

San Francisco, March 14. — Dr. Berryman Bryant, who was one of the pioneer physicians of the State, died this evening. He had been a continuous resident of the State since 1849, and in early days practiced medicine at Marysville, moving later to Gilroy and San Jose. He was a prominent Mason, and, aside from his professional duties, had been largely interested in stock-raising and manufacturing enterprises. According to his request his remains will be interred at Gilroy. David T. Bryant, his son, has long been a resident of Garden City.

GENEALOGICAL SKETCHES OF A COLLINS FAMILY

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Source: The booklet *The Collins and Allied Families*, ca 1958, by R. W. Collins (Col. Robert Wilbur Collins)

[Editor's note: Arabic numerals inclosed in parenthesis, e.g. (3), indicate the first generation of which we have knowledge for an entry. Example, Richard (3) Collins means he first appears in the record in the third generation from William Collins (1), counting William as the first generation. Succeeding generations will be numbered in sequence.

WILLIAM COLLINS (1)

The first of our branch of the family, of whom we have knowledge, is William Collins (1) of York, England who married Mary Campbell of Clan Campbell of Scotland. Their son, Thomas Collins (2) was born in York, England in 1729 and married Rosanah Dodd (2) who was born in York, England in 1728.

THOMAS COLLINS (2)

Thomas and Rosanah Collins emigrated to York, Pennsylvania prior to November, 1754. Their first child, John, was born there in November, 1754. They moved to Rockingham, North Carolina in 1760, and in 1761 they settled on Middle Tyger River, about three miles from where Nazareth Presbyterian Church stands and about four miles from what is now Welford, [sic: Wellford], Spartanburg County, South Carolina. Howe's History of the Presbyterian Church (Page 544, Vol. 1) states that: "Captain John Collins was born in Pennsylvania in the year 1754." He was the first child of Thomas and Rosanah Collins. They had seven children, four sons and three daughters, born during the years 1754-1768 or one might say just before the Revolutionary War. (Started in 1775). The four sons fought in that war and a daughter carried official dispatches for her brother (Capt. John) just before the Battle of Cowpens.

JOHN COLLINS (3)

John Collins (3), son of Thomas Collins (2), was 21 years old at the beginning of the Revolution. He rose to the rank of Captain in the South Carolina Militia. He served throughout the war, fighting the Indians, Tories and the British. He was in numerous skirmishes, the battles of Cowpens and King's Mountain and the Siege of Augusta. He was a Magistrate after the War. (A detailed account of Captain John Collins' Revolutionary War Service can be found in Howe's History of the Presbyterian Church, page 544, Vol. 1.)

RICHARD & WILLIAM COLLINS (3)

Little information has been found concerning Richard Collins (3) and William Collins (3). James W. Austin, in his book "The History of Austin and Allied Families" states that Richard served in Roebuck's Regiment and William served in the Second Regiment, both South Carolina Militia. Dr. Landrum, in his History of Spartanburg County referring to sons of Thomas Collins (2), says, "Richard and William Collins, second and third sons, went to Kentucky after the Revolution before it was admitted as a State. Some of their descendants are quite prominent there." The following amusing account of a tragic event in Richard's career is quoted from a "Collins Ancestral Sketch" by Annie Lee Hudson Hill, a Collins cousin: "Uncle Richard Collins went to Kentucky while it was still a frontier overrun by Indians and wild beasts. One night, surrounded by four or five companions, he was sleeping under a tree; the Indians surprised and killed all but Uncle Richard, who escaped naked, except a shirt,

to a Dutch settlement. The old Dutchman kindly entertained him and clothed him in his own wide blue britches and yellow jacket and as Uncle Richard was thin and tall and the Dutchman was fat and short, it was a source of great merriment to the old man's young daughters. However, this old settlers wife soon wove and made him a new suit."

JOSEPH A. COLLINS (3)

The fourth son of Thomas Collins (2), Joseph A. Collins (3) is claimed to be the first white child born in what is now Spartanburg County, South Carolina. He was 12 years old at the beginning of the Revolution but before the end he volunteered and served as a scout in his brother's (Capt. John's) Company of South Carolina Militia.

As evidence of the Revolutionary War services of these four Collins brothers we cite the following from James W. Austin's book, "The Austin and Allied Families," quote: "One book only of South Carolina's Revolutionary records escaped Sherman's torch when he burned Columbia. The Book of Indents alone was salvaged from the ruins, and these indents are the only original records in existence, at Columbia, or in Washington, to show the names, rank, and service of the South Carolina Patriots in the Revolution. The South Carolinians fought in Revolution as State Militia only. They were never enrolled as Units of General Washington's Continental Army. Under Marion, Sumter, Pickens and other leaders, the South Carolinians, alone and unaided, fought one hundred and three battles and engagements on the soil of their State against the British, Tories, and Indians in the Revolution. Congress and Washington sent troops from other States to aid them in twenty other battles. The South Carolinians thus fought one hundred twenty-three battles (and engagements) for Independence. They bore the brunt of the fighting for the Colonies during the last three years of the war. The historian Bancroft, says that the South Carolinians 'Dared more and achieved more than the men of any other State.' And one scant roll of honor - The Indents - is preserved to attest to their names and service.

And that roll is incomplete. It is the State's record of the names, rank and service of the patriots who received pay for military service and for supplies to the troops in the Revolution. Soldiers who never sought or accepted pay are not recorded. There is no official record left of their names. Joseph Collins' service is attested by the Indents and is thus certified:

"The State of South Carolina, Executive Department (By the Secretary of State)

I, J. F. Gantt, Secretary of the State of South Carolina, hereby certify that the records of this office show Joseph Collins to have been a soldier in the South Carolina Militia in the Revolutionary War. Given under my hand and the seal of the State this 2d day of April, A.D. 1904.

(Signed) J.F. Gantt Secretary of State

See stub entries to Indents for Revolutionary claims - books R*T published by Historical Commission of South Carolina."

Joseph Collins (3) lived to the age of 84 1/2 years. No detailed account of his Revolutionary War service in his brother's Company has been located.

JANE (JENNY) COLLINS (3)

Jane (Jenny) Collins, who married Colonel William Austin, was more fortunate than her brother Joseph in having her patriotism recorded. See page 35 of "The Austin and Allied Families." An extract of Austin's account of her exploit follows: Jennie Collins' first exploit in the war of the Revolution occurred just prior to the battle of Cowpens. Her soldier brother, Captain John Collins, after the battle of Musgrove's Mill, had taken British prisoners captured in that fight to North Carolina where he had joined General Daniel Morgan in camp at Grindal Shoals. The Patriot Army was then in desperate need of troops. Gen. Morgan sent Capt. Collins back home to Spartanburg District to raise more men. There

Capt. Collins soon had a fair prospect of marshaling fifty men. It was necessary to communicate the fact to and to get instructions from Gen. Morgan as to when and where he was to rejoin. Since the age of 12, Jennie Collins had been a superb horsewoman. She had traversed on horseback a great part of the Piedmont Section and was familiar with the trails and many of the river crossings. Capt. Collins, confiding in the pluck and intelligence of his 16-year-old sister, decided to entrust her with the hazardous enterprise of carrying the report to Gen. Morgan at his camp at Grindal Shoals. His dispatches were sewed in the lining of Jennie's saddle. About 11 Jan. 1781, mounted on a fleet horse, the young girl sped away alone on her forty-mile ride. She faced the icy winds of the January cold. She had to swim her horse over the two rivers she crossed. As she sped over the lonely forest trails she ran in imminent risk of capture at the hands of the British and Tories whose cruelty at this stage of the war was frightful and revolting. Tories had murdered defenseless patriot women in cold blood and the cruel British Gen. Tarleton had executed patriot prisoners of war. Jennie narrowly escaped a collision with Tarleton troops, for his force, moving to attack Gen. Morgan, crossed the path she had ridden the day after she had passed. But regardless of her peril, the brave girl found the camp of the Patriot Army and delivered her dispatches to the astonished Commander. With Gen. Morgan's orders to her brother, Capt. John Collins, concealed in her saddle, Jennie galloped back over the lonely trails, again swam her horse through the icy waters and safely rejoined her soldier brother at his camp after a gallop of 80 miles. Capt. Collins with his fresh forty-four men joined Gen. Morgan 16 Jan. 1781, the night before the battle of Cowpens.

THOMAS COLLINS (4)

Thomas Collins (4), son of Joseph (3), lived only 26 years (1807-1833). He left one son, James A. Collins (5) and four daughters.

JAMES A. COLLINS (5)

James A. Collins (5) first married Mary Caroline Bishop. They had two sons and four daughters. He served in the Confederate States Army throughout the War Between the States (1861-1865). He first served in Co. K, 1st S.C. Vols., as a First Sergeant and in Co. K, 5th Regt. (Bratton's Brigade). He fought in battles around Charleston, S.C., and in Virginia. He was with Lee's Army of Northern Virginia at the surrender at Appomattox. His second marriage was to his second cousin, Martha Ann Collins. They had one son. He lived in the Boiling Springs area of Spartanburg County, S.C., and died there in 1908, age 77.

THOMAS GEORGE COLLINS (6)

Thomas George Collins (6), son of James A. Collins (5), was 11 years old when the War Between the States started. He was the eldest child and being too young to enter the Confederate Army, his responsibilities in working the farm during his father's four years service in the war, has greatly increased by war's end. He later managed the large farm of his great Aunt Martha (Patsy) Collins Jackson, widow of Samuel Jackson, and married their granddaughter, Martha Ella Jackson, his second cousin. Of this union there were four sons. He died of typhoid fever 2 July 1892.

COLONEL ROBERT WILBUR COLLINS (7)

Colonel Robert Wilbur Collins, son of Thomas George Collins and Martha Ella Jackson Collins, was born 29 Nov. 1878. He attended elementary schools, Clemson College (1 1/2 years) and South Carolina Military Academy (3 years as Beneficiary Cadet). He resigned the State Scholarship at SCMA in 1898 to accept commission as First Lieutenant, 3d U.S. Volunteer Infantry which was part of the Army of Cuban Occupation during the war with Spain. In 1899 he served as Private and Battalion Sergeant-Major, 19th U.S. Inf. in the Philippines during the Insurrection. He entered the Regular Army

in 1901 as a 2d Lieutenant Artillery Corps. 15 August 1901 he married Anna Belle Pickens. They have one son, Brigadier General Samuel Pickens Collins, and one daughter, Mrs. Elise Collins Reynolds. Colonel Collins organized the first Anti-Aircraft Artillery Battalion the U.S. Army ever had and served as Chief of the Anti-Aircraft Service, First Army, American Expeditionary Force in France during the First World War. He retired as Colonel Coast Artillery Corps, 30 Nov. 1940. He was recalled to active duty three months later and served as Professor of Military Science and Tactic at Georgia School of Technology (Ga. Tech) for three years. He commanded the Georgia State Guard 1943-1947.

ALEXANDER CLINTON COLLINS (7)

Alexander Clinton Collins was born 20 Nov 1882. His interests have been varied. All the family considered him a confirmed bachelor but in 1945 he surprised them by marrying his first cousin, Annie McDowell (Camp). Since retirement from railroad work while living in El Paso, Texas, he still maintains varied interests.

THOMAS ELLA COLLINS (7)

Thomas Ella Collins was born 13 July 1885, at Collinsville, N.C. He married Polly (Mary) Goudelock his second cousin, 10 Feb. 1909. They have two children and two grandchildren.

Tom attended public schools in Spartanburg, S.C., and Clemson College, S.C. He entered the Engineering Department of the Grinnell Co. Inc., in 1905 at Charlotte, N.C. In 1908 he was transferred to Atlanta, Ga., as Department Engineer. ...

WILLIAM ELLIS COLLINS (6)

William Ellis Collins (6), son of James A. Collins (5) and Mary Caroline Bishop, was born in 1855. He married Nancy Bishop. They had four children, three daughters and a son.

When his brother, Thomas G., died (1892), he took in the two eldest boys, Wilbur (13), the author [of the source booklet], and Samuel (11) and treated them as members of his own family. Two or three years later, he similarly took the two youngest, Alexander (9) and Thomas (7) and kept them all until they were able to enter on their own careers. The feeling of deep gratitude for all the benefits we received, the author feels sure, is shared by all three survivors (Wilbur, Alex and Tom).

Though in moderate circumstances, he managed to put his three daughters (Leila, Cora and Ethel) through Winthrop College, South Carolina.

He had a wide acquaintance and was well liked by all who knew him.

JAMES A. COLLINS (7)

James A. Collins (7) married Della Reid Royston, 29 Sept. 1907. They had four sons and three daughters.

JAMES ELBERT COLLINS (6)

James Elbert Collins was born 10 Nov. 1880. He was the son of James A. Collins and his second wife. He married Lila Madge Finch 31 July 1910. They have one daughter and two sons. They live in Boiling Springs, Spartanburg County, S.C., where he is a successful peach grower.

[Editor's note: Colonel Collins' booklet has a total of five Collins entries of generations (7) and (8) which are omitted here because of privacy considerations. The booklet bears no publication date, but we can infer that it was being compiled in 1958. We plan to publish similar sketches of families related to this Collins clan in the next issue of this *Quarterly*.]

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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, individual words, or letters 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.

[Contributor's note: Under the same title as above I published in the November 2005 issue, pp. 179-184, of this *Quarterly* the Spartanburg District court records pertaining to Samuel Wilkins and his legal heirs, his widow being named as Susannah Wilkins. My objective here is of two parts: First, I will show that Susannah was the second wife of Samuel Wilkins from consideration of census information. Second, I will prove that Susannah was a daughter of Thomas and Hannah Brown by showing that the heirs of Thomas Brown in 1833 were the same as those for Susannah Wilkins in 1856 (excluding Susannah herself). In this process, we will discover that Susannah was first married to Jesse Hutchins.

EXCERPTS FROM SPARTANBURG DISTRICT FEDERAL CENSUSES

1850 Spartanburg District Census—Household 2097

Samuel Wilkins	18	SC
Susan	60	SC

(Our dyslexic enumerator probably interchanged the digits in Samuel's age; he was more likely 81, or older. Note that Susan/Susannah was listed at age 60. It is not known that Samuel was born in South Carolina, as indicated. However, Susan definitely was born in South Carolina.

1800, 1810, 1820 Spartanburg District Censuses

In the 1800 census of Spartanburg District both Samuel and his wife at that time were under the age of 45. In the 1810 census, Samuel was over the age of 45. In his 1810 household there were two females over the age of 45 and one female under 10. These circumstances are enough to rule out Susan as Samuel's first wife. The 1820 census shows the oldest female in Samuel's household still to be over 45. For Samuel's age to shift from under 45 in 1800 to over 45 in 1810 implies that he would need be at least 35 years old in 1800—or born about 1765. A similar deduction would hold for his first wife.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT

Spartanburg District, SC} Probate Court, File No. 396, Estate of Thomas Brown, Deceased (1831), Samuel Whitby, Administrator

[Contributor's note: I have omitted some of the documents in this file and have concentrated on those that are genealogically pertinent.]

Letters of Administration on The Estate of Thomas Brown (17 December 1831)

Spartanburg District, SC} By W^m Trimmier, Esquire, Ordinary of Spartanburg District *WHEREAS*, William Crocker hath applied to me for Letters of Administration on all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and chattels of Thomas Brown late of the district aforesaid, deceased.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular, the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, to be and appear before me, at our next Ordinary's Court for the said district, to be holden at Spartanburgh on the 26th day of December instant, to show cause if any, why administration should

not be granted. *GIVEN* under my hand and seal this 17th day of December in the year of our Lord one hundred and thirty one and in the fifty sixth year of American Independence. W^m Trimmier

This to certify that the within citation was read in public by me this 21st December 1831.

James Rainwater

[Contributor's note: Samuel Whitby was actually made the administrator of Thomas Brown's estate.]

Affidavit About A Gift Horse (no date)

William McAbee the son-in law of Thomas Brown dec'd Sworn to in Sept[?] gift to grandson, denied — Mannocho McBee, Sworn, had never given the horse ...

— Joseph Harmon had given the horse & has no claim himself horse given under a contract.

[Contributor's note: The names McAbee and McBee seem to be interchangeable.]

Joseph Harmon's Affidavit

Spartanburg District, SC} Personally came Joseph Harmon before me and made oath that the certain red heifer, this day appraised to five dollars, was given by Thomas Brown in his life time to **Susanna Hutchins** in his presence, telling her that he had no further claim to her, & that s^d has since been esteemed as her heifer— Sworn the 7th Jan^y 1832

Joseph (X) Harmon

D White J Q

Joseph Harmon's Disclaimer and Receipt

South Carolina} Know all men by these presents that I Joseph Harmon, a legatee of the estate of Thomas Brown dec'd, knowing that my mother in law **Hannah Brown** is very old & in narrow circumstances of life & by reason that she has conveyed certain property to my son Andrew Harmon, and also by diverse causes & circumstances me hereunto moving, I do hereby assign and make over in fee simple to the said Hannah Brown her heirs & assigns forever all my interest in the estate of the said Thomas Brown dec'd, this answering as my receipt in full of my distributive share of said estate both real and personal to the administrator of said estate or to whomsoever may be concerned in the premises. Witness my hand & Seal this Twenty sixth day of January eighteen hundred & thirty two

Joseph Harmon {Seal}

D White J. Q.

Executed in presence of Samuel M. Harmon [and] Wm Smith

Receipts of Four More of The Heirs at a Final Settlement

February the 28th 1833 Received of Samuel Whitby \$40 My Distributive share of the Estate of Thomas Brown Deceased

Isaac (X) Crocker

Test[ator] W^m McBee

February the 28th 1833 Received of Samuel Whitby one Dollar 25/100 My Distributive share of the personal property of Thomas Brown Dec'd

W^m McBee

March the 1st 1833 Received of Samuel Whitby Adm^r of Thomas Brown Dec'd fourteen dollars 73/100 My Distributive share of s^d Browns personal property—

Susannah Hutchins

Test[ator] James Brown

[Note: Susannah was a widow by this date; otherwise, her husband would have received her share.]

March the first 1833 Received of Samuel Whitby Adm^r of Thomas Brown Dec'd Thirty five Dollars 17/100 My third of the personal property of s^d Browns Estate

Hannah (X) Brown

Test[ator] James Brown

March the 1st 1833 Received of Samuel Whitby Adm^r of Thomas Brown Dec'd Fourteen Dollars 29/100 Joseph Harmon distributive share of the personal property of s^d Brown

Test[ator] James Brown

Hannah (X) Brown

A Complete List of The Heirs of Thomas and Hannah Brown

[A separate sheet of paper with the notation "Browns-Estate" in the estate file has the following list of names written on it:

Mrs. Hutchins

Isaac Brown refuses

James Brown refuses

Isaac Crocker [& wife]

W^m McBee & wife

Jos Harmon & wife

The 1800 Spartanburg census shows the household of Thomas Brown to be composed of himself and wife (both over 45), two males between 16 and 26 years of age, 1 female under 10, 1 female between 10 and 16, and 2 females between 16 and 26. I interpret the notation "refuses" following the names of Isaac Brown and James Brown in the list above to mean that they refused to accept their distributive share from the sale of personal property of their deceased father Thomas Brown. See page 130 below for a more complete reconstruction of the family of Thomas and Hannah Brown.

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT

Spartanburg District, SC} Probate Court, File No. 1070, Estate of Jesse Hutchins, Deceased (1826), James Brown, Administrator

Citation on the Estate of Jesse Hutchins (8 February 1826)

State of South Carolina, Spartanburg District} By Thomas Bomar Esquire, Ordinary of Spartanburg district. *WHEREAS* **Susannah Hutchins & James Brown** hath applied to me for *Letters of Administration*, on all and singular the goods and chattels, the rights and credits of **Jesse Hutchins** late of the district aforesaid, deceased

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular, the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, to be and appear before me, at our next Ordinary's Court for the said district, to be holden at Spartanburgh on the 13th day of February, to shew cause, if any, why administration should not be granted. *GIVEN* under my hand and seal this 8th day of February in the year of our Lord one hundred and twenty six and in the fiftieth year of American Independence.

Tho Bomar {Seal}

I certify that this citation was read in public at James Briants on the 12th February 1826 by me

Richard Green

Administration Bond (13 February 1826)

State of South Carolina, Spartanburg District} Know all men by these presents, That we Susannah Hutchins [and] James Brown are holden and firmly bound unto Thomas Bomar, Esquire, Ordinary for the District of Spartanburg in the full sum of **Four Hundred Dollars** ... Thirteenth day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six ... [The signers of this bond were Susannah (X) Hutchins, James Brown, John (X) Lee, and John (X) Harmon.]

[These two documents from this estate file are sufficient to show that Susannah Brown was the widow of Jesse Hutchins.]

SPARTANBURG DISTRICT

Spartanburg District, SC} Probate Court, File No. 1674, Estate of Susan Wilkins, Deceased (1854), B. F. Bates, Administrator

Petition For Letters of Administration on the Estate of Susan Wilkins (6 March 1854)

State of South Carolina, Spartanburg District}

To R Bowden Ordinary

The petition of B. F. Bates sheweth that Soozen Wilkins Dec'd died intestate Leaving at her death a small personal Estate subject to partition your petitioner ... for the purpose of preventing waste and having the Estate Legally Disposed of prays your court to grant him letters of administration on said Estate by his giving the usual Bond that a citation do issue by publication requiring the Kindred and creditors to show cause if any why such Letters should not be granted and your petitioner will Ever pray &c 6 March 1854

B. F. Bates

Administration Bond (24 March 1854)

State of South Carolina, Spartanburg District} Know all men by these presents, That we B. F. Bates are holden and firmly bound unto R Bowden, Esquire, Ordinary for the District of Spartanburg in the full sum of **Fifteen Hundred Dollars** ... Twenty fourth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and Fifty four ... [The signers of this bond were B. F. Bates, J. F. Lee, and Wm(?) Vandiver, and the witness was J. P. Miller.]

Petition And Order to Sell The Personal of Susan Wilkins (24 March 1854)

[B. F. Bates refers to Susan Wilkins as his ward: "... that since the death of ward dec'd your petitioner has been appointed administrator of said Estate ..." His petition is mistakenly dated March 24th 1853.]

Appraise Bill of The Estate of Susan Wilkins Dec'd (13 April 1854)

[The personal estate was appraised at \$13.65, and it consisted of a bedstead, quilts, sheets, pillow slips, a counterpane, and wearing apparel. The appraisers were J. F. Sloan, R. Elmore, and John M. King.]

Sale Bill of The Estate of Susan Wilkins (15 April 1854)

[The buyers at the sale were Joseph Harmon, Isaac Crocker and Thomas Mackaby. The sale netted a sum of \$12.25.]

Return on The Estate of Susan Wilkins Dec'd For 1854 (17 May 1855)

B. F. Bates Administrator of Soozen Wilkins Dec'd makes the following return Viz has not rec'd any thing since the last return - from said Estate Has paid out to R. Bryant three Dollars 75/100 on account for the Balance of the cost in the case of Dillard against the Estate, which was left out of the in the other settlement — the for going is sworn to & subscribed to this 17 may 1855

R Bowden Ord

B. F. Bates

Deposition by B. F. Bates on The Out of State Heirs of Susan Wilkins

Rich Hill Spartanburg District S. C.

To James [sic] Bowden, Esq

My dear sir I this morning give you a list of the names of the Heirs of the Estate of Soozan Wilkins Deceased that is out of the state that is not represented by a power of attorney viz —

Heirs of Isaac Brown Deceased which must represent him are all in Cherokee County Alabama —

Sarrow Brown — [B. F. Bates misspelled the name of **Sparrow Brown**, who in 1833 was the administrator of Isaac Brown's estate (Spartanburg District Probate Court, File No. 438). To compound this mistake the probate judge, or ordinary, Reuben Bowden had the name as Sarah Brown in the legal ad addressed to the out of state heirs. A check of the 1860 census of Cherokee County, Alabama confirms a Sparrow Brown from SC. Isaac Brown's real estate papers (Sptg Dist., Probate Court, Real Estate File No. 43) contains a final settlement, wherein his widow was identified as Jane and the three heirs named here by B. F. Bates.]

Drury James & wife Jenny

Fielder Norton & wife Hannah

Heirs of James Brown Dec'd out of the state

Thomas Brown he is in georgia Gwinnett county **James Brown** is in Benton Al

[Benton County, Alabama was soon to change its name to Calhoun County.]

The above is all that I can have off from the relations I do not suppose it apentiat [sic; appropriate?, pertinent?] to give the different places but not knowing positively I have sent the Hole information as I rec'd [it] you will there fore go own & publish as the law directs & I will call & get a notice & get those [heirs] the District to receipt. Your obedient

B. F. Bates

[We today certainly owe General Bates a lot thanks for his extra information on the location of these heirs.]

Citation to The In-State Heirs of Susan Wilkins (3 March 1856)

The State of South Carolina, Spartanburg District} In the Court of Ordinary

B. F. Bates Adm, Applicant vs Thomas Brown et al Defendants

Citation to have Estate Settled

To Fulton Brown Berry Pearce and Catharine his wife Isaac Brown Joseph Harmon and Elizabeth his wife You and each of you are hereby required to be and appear at the court of ordinary for said District to be held at Spartanburg Court House on the **30th day of May next** to show cause if any exist why the estate of Susan Wilkins should not be settled ... given under my hand and seal of office this **3rd March 1856**

R Bowden O S D

[Contributor's note: This list is incomplete. Space was left in the original document, but was left blank. See the signatures for acceptance of service of citation and receipts for the final settlement below.]

Signatures of Heirs or Representatives Accepting Service of Citation

we whose names are hereunto annexed do hereby accept the Legal service of this citation for the settlement to be made

Samuel Harmon as act[ing] under a power of attorney for Joseph Harmon & wife

Isaac Brown Fulton Brown Isaac (X) Crocker

Berry Pierse Catharine Pierse T. B. McBee, (probably a representative for William McBee and his wife)

Balance on Final Return of B. F. Bates Trustee For Susan Wilkins

Balance on final return of B. F. Bates Trustee for Susan Wilkins [\$] 581.58 Tho. O. P. Vernon CESD [CESD = Commissioner of Equity Spartanburg District] Deduct commission for paying over 2 1/2 percent [interest] from 1st Jan 1855 [\$] 13.03. [The estate was left with \$508.55 before other fees and deductions. The money involved here was from her one third part of the sale of the real estate of her late husband Samuel Wilkins.]

Final Settlement of Estate of Susan Wilkins and The Names of Her Heirs (30 May 1856)

B. F. Bates Dr [debtor/indebted] to the Heirs of Susan Wilkins Deceased on a full settlement before the Com. In Equity as Trustee of Deceased — \$508.55 with interest that accrued from 1st January 1855 [I will omit here the financial accounting of the final settlement. Suffice it to say that of the original sum of \$508.55 there was \$462.84 left to be divided by 5 distributees, each of whom was due \$92.56. They are named in the following decree.]

It is declared and decreed that B. F. Bates, adm'r of the Estate of Susannah Wilkins Dec'd, [pay] to **Samuel Harmon and wife & W^m McBee and wife** each the Sum of ninety Two Dollars & 56 [cents] and Sum of ninety Two Dollars & 56 cts be Distributed Equally between the children of **James Brown Dec'd** and also a like Sum to be Distributed between the children of **Isaac Brown Dec'd** and Likewise the Sum of ninety Two Dollars & 56 cents to be Divided amongst the children of **Hannah Brown Late Hannah Crocker Dec'd** Share and Share a Like with Int from 1st day of June 1856 this 30th May 1956

R Bowden O S D

[The names highlighted above by boldface just above were those named as Thomas Brown's heirs, Hannah Crocker not being explicitly named in 1832. See page 127 above. The unnamed wives and the others named

were siblings of Susannah Brown Hutchins Wilkins. My case is made. It is possible to make a reasonably accurate reconstruction of the family of Thomas and Hannah Brown from census records, using the court records above as a guide.]

The Family of Thomas And Hannah Brown Reconstructed

The 1800 Spartanburg census enumeration for Thomas Brown shows six children at home then. Since six heirs were named in his estate settlement in 1832, it is reasonable to assume that they were those same children in 1800. There may have been other children who died as children or as young adults without surviving heirs. I have used analyses of early censuses and other records to arrive at approximate dates of births or deaths.

Thomas Brown

b. 1755 or before — d. 1831, Spartanburg District, South Carolina

Hannah, his wife, maiden name unknown to me

b. 1755 or before—d. after her husband's death in 1831, probably in Spartanburg District, SC

Their known children

1. Isaac Brown b. 1780-1784, South Carolina—d. 1833, Spartanburg District, SC
Wife: Jane —?
2. James Brown b. 1780-1784, South Carolina—d. after 4 October 1846 (date of a deed he signed), Spartanburg District, South Carolina
Wife: No information
3. Susannah Brown b. about 1784 (was 26 or older in 1810 census), South Carolina
d. early 1854 (before 6 March), Spartanburg District, South Carolina
Husband 1: Jesse Hutchins b. about 1784 (was over 26 in 1810)
d. 1826, Spartanburg District, SC
Husband 2: Samuel Wilkins b. about 1765, place of birth unproven
d. 29 Nov 1851 (Gaucher Baptist Church record), Spartanburg District, SC
4. Frances Brown b. abt 1791 (age 69 in the 1860 Sptg census), Spartanburg Co., SC
d. after 1860 census, Spartanburg District, South Carolina
Husband: William McBee (or McAbee)
b. 1783 (age 77 in 1860 Spartanburg census)
d. after 1860 census
5. Elizabeth Brown b. abt 1792 (was 58 in 1850 Sptg census), Spartanburg Co., SC
d. after 30 May 1856 (final settlement of Susannah Wilkins' estate)
Husband: Joseph Harmon b. about 1794 (over 26 in 1820 census)
d. after 30 May 1856
6. Hannah Brown b. about 1799/1800 (from age of 50 in 1850 Sptg census)
d. before 30 May 1856 (final settlement of Susannah Wilkins' estate)
Husband: Isaac Crocker b. 6 Oct 1799 Spartanburg District, SC
d. 28 May 1860 Spartanburg District, SC

Known Children of Isaac Brown, Son of Thomas

1. Sparrow Brown b. 1809 (age 51 in 1860 census of Cherokee County, Alabama)
2. Hannah Brown b. 1810 (age 50 in 1860 census of Cherokee County, Alabama)
Husband: Fielder Norton, age 53 in 1860 census of Cherokee Co., Ala)
3. Jane/Jennie Brown b. 1818 (age 42 in 1860 census of Jefferson County, Alabama)
Husband: Drury James, age 51 in 1860 census of Jefferson Co., Ala.)

Known Children of James Brown, Son of Thomas

1. Catharine Brown b. 1804 (age 56 in 1860 census of Spartanburg County, SC)
Husband: Berry Pierce, age 50 in 1860 census of Spartanburg Co., SC)
2. Thomas Brown b. 1808 (age 52 in 1860 census of Gwinnett County, Ga.)
Wife: Mary, age 42, born SC in 1860 census of Gwinnett Co., Ga.
3. Fulton Brown 9 Feb. 1811-13 Feb. 1883 (from tombstone near Pacolet, Spbg Co., SC)
Wife: Nancy Caroline Bryant (23 Jan. 1823-28 Nov. 1903) Sptg Co., SC
4. James Brown b. 1813 (age 47 in 1860 census of Calhoun County, Alabama)
Wife: Elizabeth, age 47, born SC in 1860 census of Calhoun Co., Ala)
5. Isaac Brown b. 1816 (age 44 in 1860 census of Spartanburg County, SC)
Wife: Sarah E., age 34, born SC in 1860 census of Spartanburg Co., SC)

THE GREAT CANE BRAKE, ONLY REVOLUTIONARY WAR BATTLE WITHIN GREENVILLE COUNTY AREA

Source: *Greenville News*, Monday, October 26, 1970, Special South Carolina Tricentennial Edition, Section B, p. 26, col. 1

TORIES ROUTED AT CANE BRAKE

by

Laura Smith Ebaugh

The Battle of the Cane Brake was the only battle fought on Greenville territory at the beginning of the American Revolution. [Quarterly Editor's Note: It was the only Rev. War battle ever fought on Greenville territory.]

This battle, which occurred after the Battles of Lexington and Concord, was possibly as important to upper South Carolina as those battles were to the 13 original colonies, as it united the patriots of the Greenville area and routed the Tories and their Indian allies.

Greenville was not in the state as the boundary line set by the 1756 treaty divided the present Greenville County from Spartanburg County, which belonged to South Carolina. It was near the boundary line that the Battle of the Cane Brake was fought.

Greenville in that pre-revolutionary period was a wild unsettled country with numerous rivers whose banks were covered with cane brakes.

Before the 1777 treaty, when Greenville and Pendleton districts were annexed to South Carolina, many Indian traders, cowmen and herdsmen were familiar with the territory and were friendly with the Indians.

Then, according to Landrum's history, came "brave and noble pioneers," who made friends with the Indians and settled and farmed the land. Some received land grants from King George III and built homes in the wilderness.

There were conflicts and some massacres between these pioneers and the Indians, and the settlers built a row of stockades along the boundary line to protect themselves.

Most of these settlers were loyal to England and satisfied with the English rule, so conflicts developed between the Kingmen and the patriots. The patriots were constantly harassed not only by the Tories but also by the Indians.

To break up the "nest of the seditious and turbulent Tories and Indians in upper South Carolina," he dispatched 1300 cavalry and infantry, all volunteers under Col. William Thomason [sic, see below the inscription from the historical marker] to destroy their camp. [Quarterly Editor's Note: The foregoing sentence

is reproduced verbatim from the newspaper article. There is no antecedent to the pronoun "he". Did the author mean the Governor of South Carolina?

These soldiers marched north through snow and ice to the location of the insurgents in lower Greenville County. The weather was so bad the event is known in some histories as "the Snow Campaign." "The nest of Tories" had encamped in the fastnesses of the great cane brake on the Reedy River about three miles north of the present Fork Shoals; there they were making a last stand.

On Dec. 22, 1775, the patriots attacked the camp and completely routed the insurgents. Both sides fought valiantly. Patrick Cunningham, the insurgent leader, escaped, but five or six of his men were killed and about 130 captured with all of their baggage and ammunition. One of the patriots were [sic] injured, none killed.

As the snow was so deep, the army without tents and the insurgents crushed, Col. Richardson[sic] dismissed his command and in January 1776 made his report to the South Carolina Council of Safety. The patriots were now in command and unified. The Tories either fled or took the oath of allegiance to the cause. This ended the Battle of the Cane Brake in Greenville County.

In 1930 the Bethel and Butler Chapters [sic, see note below] of the American Revolution placed a marker on the road near the site of the battle. It can be seen easily by anyone who drives to the Fairview Church entrance and turns right on the Woodside Road. The marker is on the left, near the Simpsonville city limit.

[Quarterly Editor's Note: I think the author means the Bethel and Butler Chapter. A photograph of historical marker mentioned above appeared at the end of the article. The inscription thereon is reproduced below:]

S C BATTLE OF GREAT CANE BRAKE

—◆—

HERE ALONG THE SOUTH SIDE OF THE CREEK TO THE REEDY RIVER WAS FOUGHT, DEC. 22, 1775, THE BATTLE OF GREAT CANE BRAKE BETWEEN A FORCE OF SOUTH CAROLINIANS UNDER COLONEL WILLIAM THOMSON AND A BAND OF TORIES UNDER PATRICK CUNNINGHAM. THE TORIES WERE COMPLETELY ROUTED, AND CUNNINGHAM HIMSELF NARROWLY ESCAPED
ERECTED BY BENEATH AND BUTLER CHAPTER D. A. R.

DEATH OF MRS. MARIA HUFF OF GREENVILLE COUNTY 132

Source: *The Greenville Enterprise and Mountaineer*, issue of Wednesday, February 4, 1891, p. 2, col. 1

This lady, best known in the upper part of the County, died on Wednesday last, in this City, at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. J. S. Meeks. The deceased met with a serious accident on Tuesday the 20th of January, by a fall which broke her right hip. The accident proved fatal, as she suffered agonies from then to her death on the 28th. Mrs. Huff was seventy-six years old, and was the widow of Johnathan Huff. She leaves six children living: William, Kirksey, Bailey Huff and Mrs. Elizabeth Rigdon, Mrs. Nancy Rigdon, and Mrs. Dovy Meeks. The deceased was a consistent member of the Baptist Church. Her remains were buried at the Rowland graveyard, seven miles above Marietta.

DEATH IN YELL COUNTY, ARKANSAS OF DR. D. F. HUCKABY, A NATIVE OF UNION DISTRICT 133

Source: *The Weekly Union Times*, issue of Friday, August 12, 1892, p. 2, col. 7

Mr. Editor:—It is my sad duty to announce the death of Dr. D. F. Huckaby, which occurred on the 26th day of July, ult., at the residence of his only son, A. K. Huckaby, at Ranger, Yell County, Ark.

Dr. Huckaby was born in Union County, S. C. in the year 1813 and was in his 79th year at the time of his death. He leaves a wife, one son and five daughters to mourn his loss. He had a brother, Thomas Huckaby, who resided in Spartanburg County, when last heard from, and a sister, Mahaley, wife of the old man Thomas Pridmore, who died in Union County many years ago.

Dr. Huckaby was a member of the Congregational Methodist church; also a member of Bellville Lodge, F. and A. Masons. His remains were interred in the Spring street cemetery, with full Masonic honors. He was a valuable representative in the State legislature from Yell County. He was an intelligent, well-posted man on all matters interesting and edifying to any one seeking sound information. He was a christian gentleman, a good and useful citizen, a kind father, a loving husband, and a true Democrat. *Spartan please copy.*

W. C. Scott

SOME EDGEFIELD MARRIAGE NOTICES IN 1857

Source: *The Edgefield Advertiser*

issue of Wednesday, December 2, 1857, p. 3, col. 1

MARRIED, on the 24th inst. [sic], by Wiley Timmerman, Esq., Mr. WYETT HOGAN and Miss HARTER, all of Shatterfield, S. C.

MARRIED, in Hamberg, on Thursday the 12th Nov., by B. Baird Esq., Mr. WM CORLEY and Miss ANGELINE HARRIS, all of this District.

MARRIED, at her Mother's residence on the 11th of November, by the Rev. J. Trapp, Mr. J. B. OUTZ to Miss D. ANN, daughter of the late David Harling, dec'd, all of this District.

issue of Wednesday, December 3, 1857, p. 4, col. 5

MARRIED, on the 20th Nov., by Rev. S. P. Getzen, Mr. T. S. HUDSON of Tennessee, and Miss CHARITY E. daughter of T. B. Reese Esq., of this District.

MARRIED, on the 20th ult., by A. Hollingsworth Esq., Mr. JAMES SENTER and Miss ETHEREDNE[sic], all of this District.

MARRIED, on the 27th ult., by the same, Mr. W. SMITH and Miss MARTHA NORRIS, all of this District.

issue of Wednesday, December 16, 1857, p. 4, col. 6

MARRIED, on the 26th of Nov. at her Father's residence, by the Rev. J. Peterson, Mr. J. F. FREE to Miss NANCY E. HEARN, all of this District.

MARRIED, on the 29th Nov. by J. Quattlebum, Esq., at the residence of her Father, Mr. FRANKLIN WATSON and Miss ANN, youngest daughter of Mr. Joseph Parkman, all of this District.

MARRIED, in Augusta, Ga., on Monday evening the 7th last, by the Rev. W. M. Crumley, Mr. M. DIVINE and Miss EMMA J. MARSHALL.

MARRIED, on the 15th November by M. B. Whittle, Esq., in Edgefield District, Lieutenant ELMORE F. HARTLEY, of Lexington District, to Miss LOUISA HARTLEY, of Campbell County, Ga.

MARRIED, in Tallapoosa County, Alabama, on the 4th inst., by J. Cosby, Esq., Mr. D. E. CLARKE and Miss E. B. PRIOR.

WILL OF JAMES McELROY IN 1780

Contributed by Helen Bogan Kelly, 103 Cardinal Drive, Taylors, SC 29687

Source: South Carolina, Ninety Six District, Probate Court Records, Box 64, Package 1539, Estate of James McElroy (1783) [Ninety Six District probate court records are filed with those of Abbeville County.]

Will

[The spelling and punctuation are faithful to the original.]

In the name of God Amen: Be it Remerred that I James McElroy of Ninety six District in the Providence of South Carolina, Being weak in Body But of sound and Disposing mind and memory (The Lord be Praised Therefore) & calling to mind The shortness and uncertainty of human Life, have Thought fit to make & publish this my Last Will and Testament and Testament in manner and form following (That is to say) When it shall Please the Lord to Take me from this Transitory world I recommend my soul to the mercy of God who gave it, and my Body to the Earth to be Buried in a Decent and Christian like manner at the Discretion of my Executors herein after named : and as Touching such Worldly Effects as it has Pleased the Lord to Bless me with I have Thought Proper to Dispose of it in the following manner Viz :

First It is my Will and Desire that all my Lawful Debts, Doctors bill shall be first Paid & satisfied by my Executors out of my Personal Estate and the remainder Disposed of as follows Viz :

Item I give and Bequeath unto My Loving Wife Dinah The Third Part of my Personal Estate During her Natival Life ; and in case she shall remain my Widdow untill my youngest Child shall Come of age Then all my Estate shall remain in her Possession with the Profits Thereof to Enable her to Support and Educate our helpless famely and when my youngest son shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years then it is my will that my Estate shall be Divided as herein after mentioned But if my said Wife should Die or marry again then my will is that my Estate shall be Disposed of as follows in Case of her Death my other Executor shall Take my Estate into his Care and with Profits thereof support my famely untill the youngest shall come to the age above mentioned : and if she should marry again then she shall have her Thirds and my other Executor shall Take our Children and the other Two thirds under his care

Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Rachel Blassingham & my Daughter Frances Blassingham & my Daughter Abigail Beardin & my Daughter Mary Rentfro & my Daughter Sarah Bratcher and my Daughter Comfort Cleaton ; and my Daughter **Esther Bogan** : & my son James : the sum of one shilling sterling Each To be Paid to them when my youngest son shall Come to the age of Twenty one

Item I give and Bequeath unto my son William and to his Heirs & assigns forever all my Plantation & tract of one Hundred & fifty acres of Land being Part of a Tract of six Hundred acres which I purchased of John Duly : And Likewise my Negro Boy Sam : And my Negro wench Dinah To be put in Possession of them when his Brother shall come to the age of Twenty one years

Item I give and Bequeath unto my youngest son Archibald The one half of The remainder of my Negroes and to his Heirs & Assigns and the other half to his Brother William, his Heirs & Assigns To be Equally Divided between them with their offspring when the said Archibald shall arrive at the age of Twenty one years : and Lastly I do hereby Nominate Constitute and appoint my well Beloved Wife Dinah and My Trusty Friend Archer Smith to be my Executors to see this my Last Will and Testament Executed : Hereby revoking and making Voyd all other and former Wills and Testaments by me [made] In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal **This Twenty second day of September in the year of our Lord one Thousand seven Hundred and Eighty**

Signed Sealed Published Pronounced and Declared by
the said James McElroy to be his Last Will & Testament

In the Presence of us -----
Thomas Davis John Pearson

James (H) McElroy
(His Mark)

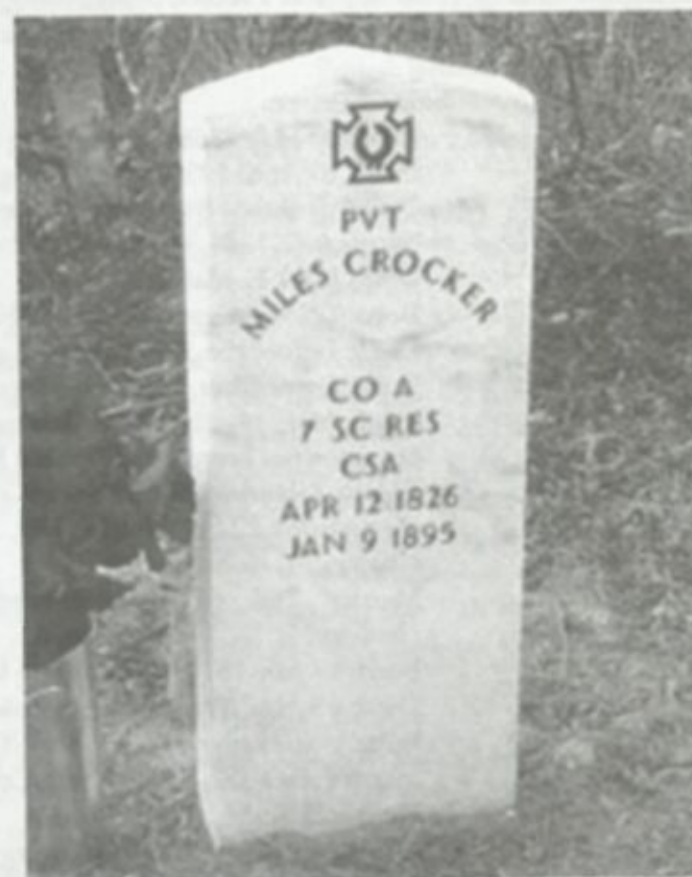
James McElroy's Will Proven

South Carolina, Ninety Six District} By John Thomas Junr Esquire Ordinary of Said District
Personally appeared John Pearson Esquire one of the subscribing witnesses to the within Will : before me and made affirmation that he saw James McElroy sign seal pronounce & declare the same to be his last Will and testament that he was then of sound disposing mind memory & understanding to the best of the disponents knowledge & belief and that Thomas Davis along with this deponent signed his name as a witness thereto at the Request of the testator & in his presence & in the presence of each other --
Given under my hand 3 rd may 1783 -----
John Thomas Junr

At the same time Qualified Dinah McElroy & Archer Smith Executors to the said Will -----

THE CSA TOMBSTONE OF PRIVATE MILES CROCKER

Contributed by Evelyn Crocker, 159 CR 430, Mississippi 38949 <texanmusa36@yahoo.com>



Miles Crocker's grave is located in the Crocker family graveyard near Paris in Lafayette County, Mississippi. He resided in Spartanburg District before and during the Civil War. See this *Quarterly* issue of May 2005 for his family record. The family record of his brother Thomas Marshall Crocker follows on page 136, over.

FAMILY RECORD OF THOMAS MARSHALL CROCKER

Sources: Spartanburg County census records, tombstone inscriptions, death certificates, and obituaries

Thomas Marshall Crocker

Born: 23 July 1843, Spartanburg District, SC—Died: 19 October 1917, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Baptist Church Cemetery near Pacolet, Spartanburg County, SC

His parents: John and Clara Crocker

[See this *Quarterly*, Volume 7, No. 3, August 1998, p. 150 for the Bible record of John and Clara Crocker.]

Married: ca 1866-67, Spartanburg District, SC

Susan E. Hawkins

Born: 30 March 1845, Rutherford County, NC—Died: 28 February 1911, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Baptist Church Cemetery near Pacolet, Spartanburg County, SC

Her parents: Daniel Hawkins and Margaret (Peggy) Dobbins Hawkins

Their Children

1. John Daniel "Jack" Crocker Born: 30 May 1868, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: 10 April 1932, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Bapt. Church Cemetery near Pacolet, SC
Married: ca 1884/1885, Spartanburg County, SC
Wife: Anna L. Mabry
2. Nancy Crocker Born: 1869 (one years old in 1870 census)
Died: before the 1880 Spartanburg County, SC
3. Glendora "Glennie" Crocker Born: September 1870, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: Mar. 18, 1933 (Her obituary and her SC death certificate has her name as Glennie Hopper.)
Buried: Glendale, Spartanburg County, SC
Married 1st: 22 September 1889, Spartanburg Co., SC
Husband 1: John R. Jones
Married 2nd: ca 1907, Spartanburg County, SC
Husband 2: W. Clayton Harper
4. Mary I. Crocker Born: 17 July 1871, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: 15 Nov 1966, Charlotte, Mecklenburg Co., NC
Buried: probably in Charlotte, NC
Married: ca 1897, Spartanburg County, SC
Husband: Rufus E. Williams
5. Miles Thomas Crocker Born: 14 April 1873, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: 25 December 1886, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Bapt. Church Cemetery near Pacolet, SC
6. James Roland Crocker Born: 14 September 1875, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: 12 August 1898, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Bapt. Church Cemetery near Pacolet, SC

7. George Walter Crocker Born: 18 September 1877, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: 13 April 1937, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Bapt. Church Cemetery near Pacolet, SC
Married 1st: ca 1899, Spartanburg County, SC
Wife 1: Mary Madora Bagwell
Married 2nd: 30 January 1813, Spartanburg County, SC
Wife 2: Clara Bagwell
8. Robert W. "Dock" Crocker Born: 30 August 1880, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: 15 May 1955, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Bapt. Church Cemetery near Pacolet, SC
Married 1st: 1904, Spartanburg County, SC
Wife 1: Annie Mae Bagwell
Married 2nd: after 25 May 1925 (death date of first wife)
Wife 2: Mrs. Evvie Walker
9. Charles Clifford Crocker Born: 28 August 1887, Spartanburg County, SC
Died: 18 February 1963, Spartanburg County, SC
Buried: Bethesda Bapt. Church Cemetery near Pacolet, SC
Married: ca 1908/1909, Spartanburg County, SC
Wife: Era Louise Worthy

SOME MARRIAGE NOTICES IN 1854 FROM THE CHESTER STANDARD

Issue of Thursday, January 19, 1854, p. 4, col. 5

MARRIED

On Thursday, the 29 th ult., by the Rev. Jesse T. Jeter, Mr. WILLIAM ESTES, of Chester, to Miss FRANCES, youngest daughter of Capt. Thomas Gregory of Union.

In Edgefield District, on the 20 th ult., by Rev. D. D. Brunson, Capt. SAM'L G. EARLY, Junior, Editor of the *Anderson Gazette*, and Miss KATE P. HOBBS of Edgefield District.

In York District, on Thursday the 5 th inst., by Rev. P. E. Bishop, Maj. J. FELIX WALKER, Senior Editor of the *Yorkville Remedy*, and Miss ELIZABETH, daughter of Mrs. Harriett Bratton.

Issue of Thursday, February 23, 1854, p. 4, col. 7

MARRIED

At Due West, Abbeville District, on Tuesday, the 7 th inst., by the Rev. J. I. Bonner, IBZAN J. RICE, Esq., Editor of the *Southern Rights Advocate*, to Miss C. M. PRESSLEY, daughter of Dr. E. E. Pressley.

In Yorkville, on Tuesday, the 14 th inst., by Rev. Mr. Millen, Mr. J. B. EDDINS, of Cherokee County, Ga., to Miss ADELAIDE A. WILLIAMS, daughter of G. W. Williams, Esq.

In this District, on Thursday, the 2 nd inst., by Rev. L. McDonald, Mr. GEORGE GILL, to Miss SUSAN NEELY, both of Fishing Creek.

In this District, on Thursday, the 17 th inst., by Rev. L. McDonald, Mr. STEPHEN KEENAN to Miss NANCY M. CHERRY.

In this District, on Tuesday, the 7 th inst., by Rev. L. McDonald, DR. WALTER BRICE, Jr. to Miss MARY ANDERSON, daughter of D. G. Anderson, Esq. — *Due West Telescope* will please copy.

In this District, on the 9 th inst., by John P. Lathan, Esq., Mr. SAMUEL REED to Mrs. — Hughes.

HEIRS OF ROBERT KIMBRELL OF SPARTANBURG DISTRICT

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

Source: Spartanburg Co., SC Probate Court, Real Estate File 211, Robert Kimbrell's Estate (1843)

Contributor's note: This contribution is in honor of Robert Earl Kimbrell, my brother-in-law, who died August 1, 2005. Bob was a direct descendant of the Robert Kimbrell named above.

Petition of Archibald Kimbrell (4 December 1843)

South Carolina, Spartanburg District} To R. C. Poole, Ordinary
The Humble Petition of Archibald Kimbrell Sheweth that his father Robert Kimbrell, deceased, died some eight or ten years since and at the time of his death left no will and left a small Real Estate said to contain one hundred acres more or less within said district on the waters of Tyger River bounded by lands of W. W. Harris and John Tucker & Shands Golikely and others. Said one hundred acres are subject to partition and division among the following legatees, viz, W^m Kimbrell, Thomas Kimbrell, John Kimbrell, the heirs of Polly Kimbrell deceased, W^m Farmer & wife Elizabeth, Job Wadkins & wife Clarinda, Aggy Kimbrell, Bartlett Davis and wife Nancy, Thomas Davis & wife Matta & your petitioner. Your petitioner therefore prays your Court that proceedings be taken to bring said land to sale as soon as practicable & your petitioner will ever pray etc 4th Dec'r 1843
wit. A. Nolen Archibald (X) Kimbrell

Oath as to Value (15 December 1843)

South Carolina, Spartanburg District} Personally came before me Col. W. W. Harris & Jesse Mason & proves that In their opinion that 100 Acres of Land Lying where the real Estate of Robert Kimbrell is said to be Adjoining John Tucker, W. W. Harris & Shands Golikelys Lands in said District is not worth more than one Thousand dollars & in their opinion the said Hundred Acres could not be divided among ten Legatees consistent with their Interest— Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 15th December 1843

W. W. Harris
Jesse Mason

R C Poole J Q Ex officio

Writ in Summons to Heirs Living Within District (4 March 1844)

South Carolina, Spartanburg District} Summons in Partition Writ
To Polly Kimbrell's Heirs, Thomas Davis & wife Mattie, Bartlett Davis & wife Nancy legal heirs & representatives of Robert Kimbrell deceased, who died intestate, Greeting: you are hereby required to appear at the Court of Ordinary to be holden at Spartanburg Courthouse on Monday 11th March instant to shew cause if any you can why the real Estate of said deceased should not be ordered to be sold and divided among the heirs of the said Deceased according to their interest in said real Estate containing one hundred acres more or less situate in in said district on the waters of Tyger River bounded by lands of John Tucker & the heirs of Shands Golikely.

Given under my hand and seal this 4th of March 1844 R C Poole

Service Accepted (4 March 1844)

We accept the Service [of the] within Summons:

Thomas (X) Davis Matty (X) Davis Attest: Sam'l Turner
Thomas Kimbrell son of Polly - Eliza Kimbrell
B (X) Davis Nancy (X) Davis - W. T. Floyd - Fielding (X) Kimbrell
Samuel (X) Kimbrell Elizabeth (X) Kimbrell Test[ator:] J. H. Roberts

[Mattie Davis and Nancy Davis would be daughters of Robert Kimbrell. Thomas, Eliza, Fielding, Samuel, and Elizabeth Kimbrell would be children of Polly Kimbrell, deceased. Though not indicated, W. T. Floyd was probably the person who witnessed the signs of Thomas Kimbrell, Eliza Kimbrell, B[artlett] and Nancy Davis. Archibald Kimbrell did not sign the summons; but he lived in the District.]

Notice to Out of State Heirs (18 December 1843)

[The following notice appeared in an attached clipping from the Carolina Spartan.]

It appearing to my satisfaction that William Kimbrell, Thomas Kimbrell, John Kimbrell, W^m Farmer & wife Elizabeth, Job Wadkins & wife Clarinda, and Aggy Kimbrell six of the defendants to reside without this State, it is therefore ordered that they do appear and object to the division or sale of the real Estate of Robert Kimbrell on or before the 10th day of March next or their consent to the same will be entered of Record[re]. 18th December 1843 R.C Poole O. S. D.

Order for Sale (11 March 1844)

Archibald Kimbrell, applicant vs. Thomas Kimbrell & others, Defendants
On due Examination it is ordered and decreed that the lands described in the Summons in Partition in this case be sold by the Sheriff of Spartanburg District on the first Monday in April next, or on such other sale day as will be more advantageous to the parties in interest, on a credit of 12 months, except for cost which must be paid down at the time of sale, the purchaser giving note and good security and a Mortgage of the premises, if deemed necessary, to the ordinary for the payment of the purchase money. March 11th 1844 R C Poole O. S. D.

Robert Kimbrell's Land Acquired by His Son Archibald Kimbrell (1 April 1844)

[To] Mag^r G. Nicholls Shff Sir you can make M^r A Kimbrell titles for the real Estate of Robert Kimbrell de^d as he has paid the cost to me 1st April R C Poole

Additional Information on Robert Kimbrell by The Contributor

From the earliest deed record (Sept. 18, 1788, Spartanburg County Deed Book B, pp. 193, 194, Deed No. 191) to the latest (August 5, 1830, Spartanburg District Deed Book U, pp. 503-504), Robert Kimbrell's wife was named Frances. Her maiden name remains unknown to me. Robert appears in the 1790 Spartanburg census with two males under 16 years of age and with three females. In the 1800 Spartanburg census Robert was between 26 & 45, as was Frances. Robert was listed in the 1810 census in the age category of over 45; an age slot for Frances was not marked. There were four sons and five daughters indicated in 1810. With the help of additional census information, I offer the following compilation of the family of Robert and Frances Kimbrell. It is subject to revision and refinement.

1. William Kimbrell, b. before 1790 [He was in age group 40-50 in 1830 Spartanburg Dist. census.]
2. Polly Kimbrell, b. before 1790 [She was in age group 40-50 in 1830 Spartanburg Dist. census. Her son Thomas was listed at age 50 in 1850 Spartanburg census; was 58 in 1860 Spartanburg census.]
3. Elizabeth Kimbrell Farmer, b. ca 1785 [She was 75 years old in the 1860 Habersham, Ga census.]
4. Thomas Kimbrell, b. 1794/1795 [He was 65 in the 1860 Wayne County, Illinois census.]
5. Clarinda Kimbrell Wadkins, b. ca 1795 [She was 55 in 1850 Habersham, Ga census.]
6. John Kimbrell, b. 1799/1800 [There was a John Kimbrell in 1840 Habersham, Ga between 40&50.]
7. Aggy Kimbrell, b. 1800 [Agness Kimbrell was 50 years old in 1850 Habersham, Ga census.]
8. Nancy Kimbrell Davis, b. between 1800 and 1810 Spartanburg censuses
9. Matta/Mattie Kimbrell Davis, b. between 1800 and 1810 Spartanburg censuses
10. Archibald Kimbrell, b. 1809-d. Sept. 1849 at age 40 [per 1850 Sptg Dist. Mortality Schedule]

FAMILY OF JOHN S. BOLT OF LAURENS DISTRICT 140

Contributed by Bobby Ridgeway, P. O. Box 286, Donalds, SC 29638

James S. Bolt

Born: March 15, 1822, Laurens District, SC – Died: January 23, 1906, Laurens County, SC

His father: John Bolt

His mother: Nancy E. – ? –

Married: abt. 1838, Laurens District, SC to

Mary Nell Lindley

Born: December 4, 1821, Laurens District, SC – Died: September 12, 1912, Laurens County, SC

Her father: John Lindley

Her mother: Frances Henderson

Children (all born in Laurens District, SC)

1. John "Shanghai" Bolt Born: January 29, 1840 – Died: December 6, 1899 (CSA)
Wife: Josephine Phillips (b. Oct. 29, 1859 - d. March 5, 1947)
2. Isabella Bolt Born: May 31, 1842 – Died: October 29, 1877
Husband: Andrew "Drew" Pitts
3. Eli Bolt Born: December 31, 1844 – Died: October 27, 1864
Single (Killed at Burgess Mill, Petersburg, Virginia)
4. Nancy Caroline Bolt Born: March 10, 1846 – Died: July 15, 1887
Husband: Reuben Pitts
5. Mary Frances Bolt Born: January 10, 1848 – Died: March 12, 1876
Single
6. Abraham Bolt Born: October 25, 1849 – Died: November 27, 1896
Single
7. Lauracny Melvenia Bolt Born: September 5, 1851 – Died: January 13, 1901
Husband: Pink Tumblin
8. Kisire Hasseltine Bolt Born: October 1, 1853 – Died: October 5, 1869
Single
9. Amy Josephine Bolt Born: October 9, 1855 – Died: September 13, 1932
Single (She was called "Aunt Phine".)
10. Newton Bolin Bolt Born: June 28, 1857 – Died: June 12, 1935
Wife: Eliza Josephine Pitts (b. Feb. 20, 1853 - d. Dec. 18, 1930)
11. James Dunklin Bolt Born: May 16, 1859 – Died: December 8, 1895
Married: September 7, 1880
Wife: Dora Lindley (b. 1856 - January 18, 1903)
12. George Hampton "Bud" Bolt Born: June 6, 1861 – Died: October 19, 1939
Wife: Mrs. Josephine Phillips Bolt
(Josephine was the widow of John "Shanghai" Bolt above.)

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QUERIES

(Please send queries to the Editor, whose addresses appear on the inside front cover.)

RICHARDSON CHAPMAN HAMMETT HAWKINS

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I am interested in the family of Moses Richardson and his wife Elizabeth "Betsy" Chapman, who were early residents of Spartanburg County/District. Their adopted daughter was Lucy Richardson (born 11/17/1807). She married Thomas Hammett. They are my great-great-grandparents. Thomas was the son of William and his wife Martha "Patsy", whose maiden name is unknown to me. I would like to hear from anyone who might know what was Lucy Richardson's real maiden name, who her birth parents were, and how she relates to Moses Richardson and wife Elizabeth.

A son of Thomas Hammett was James Tillman Hammett, who married Adeline Hawkins. I would appreciate any information on this couple and their family.

Lastly, would anyone know the maiden name of Martha "Patsy", wife of William Hammett? She was born about 1784 and died 2/14/1863. She is buried at Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Spartanburg County.

OTTS MASON STEADING

John H. Steading, <HSTEADING@AOL.COM>

Looking for information on Martin Otts and James Mason, both having been born about 1800 in Spartanburg County, SC. They were guardians for Steading sibling.

CROCKER (A CORRECTION)

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In the compilation of names being researched by PHS members that appeared on page 90 of the May 2006 issue of this quarterly, my name of interest was listed incorrectly implied as Hopkins and Crocker. I am researching the family and descendants of one man whose name was Hopkins Crocker, who is assumed to be the youngest brother of Solomon Crocker. Hopkins Crocker resided in Union County, SC. See below.

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The Hopkins Crocker family, Union County, SC

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