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### MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Fairfield County Genealogy Society is to:

- Promote genealogy through education of its members and the public.
- Improve access to genealogical information in Fairfield County by maintaining an educational research center.
- Foster collaboration among members.
- Assist those researching their Fairfield County ancestors.
- Conduct periodic educational programs and conferences to explore cultural, genealogical, and historical topics.
- Disseminate cultural, genealogical, historical, and biographical information to members and to the public.

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### Message from the President

Hello everyone, I hope all of you are doing well.

Its fall, my favorite time of year! Around here, we will experience a lot of sky blue days with very nice temperatures; a welcome change from the summer heat. Many of us will be traveling, finishing up summer vacations, attending reunions and visiting family. We have had quite a few members and new members getting started or continuing to research their families and ancestral information. I have continued to keep up with emails and have attempted to handle research requests via email

in a timely manner. As well as continued to update the FCGS Members Only web pages; not as much time this quarter. It has been very busy times including reunions so far this quarter and I am sure for you as well. I have attended along with my family and cousins several reunions this quarter.



William Theron Hunter and Jessie Mae Adams Hunter

First time since 2006, Hunter and Adams Families' met for a reunion lunch. Attendees were mostly descendants who's families originally came from Chester and Lancaster Counties, South Carolina.



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AKDHA (Andreas Killian Descendants Historical Association), these are descendants of the pioneer Andreas Killian, born 1702 in Germany, arrived in North Hampton County, Pennsylvania (North Eastern Philadelphia area) in 1732, and after 15 years of Indentured servanthood obtained his freedom and received land grants in 1749 in old Tryon County, North Carolina at Killian Settlement on Killian's Creek.



Left: Andreas Killian Monument (Notice His Children Listed) AKDHA Vice-President Eddie Killian, Loretta (wife) and Rob (son) on Friday

Right: AKDHA President Bill Killian Placed 90<sup>th</sup> Reunion Memorial Wreath at Old St. Paul's Cemetery on Friday





Left: American Revolution Patriots Monument (Notice Leonard and Samuel C., Sons of Andreas Killian Listed)

Right: Distant Cousins Attended AKDHA 90th Annual Reunion Friday Night Pot Luck Dinner and Gospel Blue Grass Band, Workers in the Harvest





Left: Lunch Hamburgers & Hot Dogs cooked by the local BSA, young Killian's enjoyed bouncy house & Korn Hole, some Killian Descendants Listened to Luther Killian of Chatanooga, TN, Killian Collection from SE TN & NW GA (1 of 4)

Right: Aiden Killian & Family, AKDHA \$1,000 Scholarship Receipent (1 of 3)





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Left: After speakers Jimmy Price, Prices and More Prices, & Eddie Killian, DNA Doesn't Lie, John Smith the main speaker, Some Killian Records You Might Not Know About, Saturday

Right: Distant Cousins Attended AKDHA 90th Annual Reunion Saturday





Left: Some Killian Descendants at Supper at Local Mexican Resturant

Right: Distant Cousins Attended AKDHA 90th Annual Reunion Sunday



Claude Tresvan Killian, Sr. and Mary Isabell Taylor Killian and their family at 1969 reunion.

First, second and third cousins and families of Claude Tresvan Killian with roots in Chester County, South Carolina had Their 13<sup>th</sup> consecutive annual reunion.





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Coleman-Feaster-Mobley cousins had planned to meet for their 84<sup>th</sup> annual reunion, October 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> at historic Feasterville, Fairfield County, South Carolina. On Saturday night, FCGS was to sponsor a DNA Round Table DNA program and supper. However, Helene had other plans for all of us. The CFM Family Association decided to cancel all scheduled planned activities. Therefore, FCGS cancelled its planned activities at this Reunion also. The academy grounds will still be open for those that did not get the cancellation message or still plan to come anyway.



Now we have hurricane Milton ravaging Florida. My/Our heart goes out with thoughts and prayers to remember those who lost loved ones, lost power, their temporal possessions, and are under such great stress at this time.

I/We want to <u>welcome</u> our new and renewal members for 2024. Since FCGS membership run annually from January to January, late September memberships are processed after October 1<sup>st</sup> to count as 2025. Also, we want to welcome and thank, Suzanna E. Rawlins, #55, John Michael Hunter, #56, and Alva Moore, #57, for their membership support as our newest lifetime members.

FCGS had some great opportunities for members to get to know each other on a more personal level this past quarter with: **1)** July 18<sup>th</sup>, FCGS Full Board Meeting and afterwards DNA Genetic Genealogy Round Table with Nancy Hoy giving a presentation on Ancestry DNA Thru Lines; **2)** August 15<sup>th</sup>, FCGS Full Board Meeting;

**3)** July 28<sup>th</sup>, Annual FCGS Scholarship Award Presentation. (See next page.) **4)** September 19<sup>th</sup>, FCGS Full Board Meeting; **5)** October 5<sup>th</sup>, FCGS DNA Round Table Program and Sponsored Supper (cancelled). Upcoming October 17<sup>th</sup>, FCGS Board Meeting will be at Peace on Earth in Winnsboro, SC at 11:30 AM. **Make plans to come out and join us!** Remember to check back with us or check the announcement page on FCGS website for latest details or additional Information on Events and Meetings; our FCGS Website: www.fairfieldgenealogysociety.org

This past quarter, the foot traffic and email request have picked up some which is a good thing. I still had some time but not as much to update our FCGS Members Only pages: **Church Cemetery Information M:** Mizpah Presbyterian; **R:** Richmond Covenanter; **Family Cemetery Information: R:** Charles Rabb; Eber Rabb; Rabb; **Family Information: A:** Adams; **B:** Brice, Bryan; **C:** Cook, Cooke; **D:** Duke, Dukes; **G:** Gibson, Glazier, Grant; **H:** Hogan; **P:** Pannel, Pannell; **R:** Rabb, Reynolds, Ringer; **S:** Scott.

Thank you, for the continued giving of old, discarded library books, old Bibles, research materials and new publications that help enhance the research library collection and expedite research request resolution. These items are coming in from estates, libraries, member's collections, and other sources. We have received several private collections. We are a non-profit and can provide a receipt upon request. It is our goal and aim to assist researchers no matter where they are from; in connecting their families to their family tree. We, at FCGS thank each of our FCGS members for their membership support and volunteering their time and services to their society.



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Darling Jones (1759-1828)

Wife (either Jane Ross or Rebecca Belton)

Portraits given by Bill Lamar, in memory of Mr. and Mrs. William Francis Lamar & Family

I want to always thank every FCGS member for their membership support for this past quarter. Also, we want to thank FCGS Board members for their devotion and continued work for the society. Please consider helping us by volunteering to assist in cataloging and properly storing these invaluable resources or becoming a FCGS Board officer; in which currently we have an opening for the Vice-President (Program Director) and Newsletter Editor. We are most appreciative for our new and past volunteers for their assistance with programs, membership, donations, and support!

If you are considering submitting an article to the newsletter, please submit your information in MSWord or Notepad format to <a href="Eddie">Eddie</a>. The deadline will be the 16<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to distribution in March, June, September, and December. I have extended the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter newsletter submission deadline to 31<sup>st</sup> of October.

In your service,

Eddie Killian



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We are (I am) happy to announce this year's scholarship award to Matthew Lawrence Siewert. Matthew plans to attend North Carolina State University and obtain a Mechanical Engineering degree. He has submitted a very impressive application. I know his family is very proud of him for his accomplishments and his future looks very bright. He is the grandson of FCGS board members: Larry and Marsha Ulmer. Larry also is our current Treasurer and has served for the past 9 years.





Fairfield County Genealogy Society 2917 Woodway Lane Columbia, SC 29223-2039 2024

Date: July 28, 2024

Pay to the order of:

Matthew Lawrence Siewert -----One Thousand and 00/100 ------

\$1,000.00

-- Dollar

First Citizens Bank Raleigh, NC 27611-7131

For: 2024 FCGS Student Scholarship Award

2024 FCGS Executive Board of Directors

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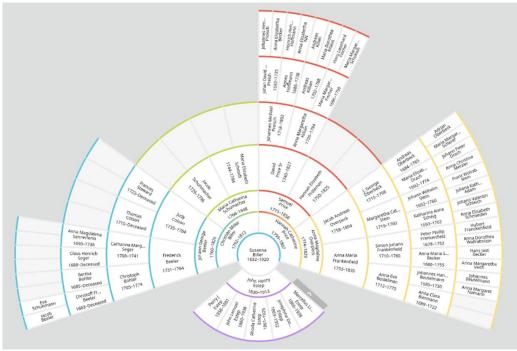
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### **Member Submissions**



James Henry Carlisle Home, 201 E. Washington St., Winnsboro, SC (Shared by Brad Steinecke)



Susanna Biller (1832–1920) | Fan Chart View

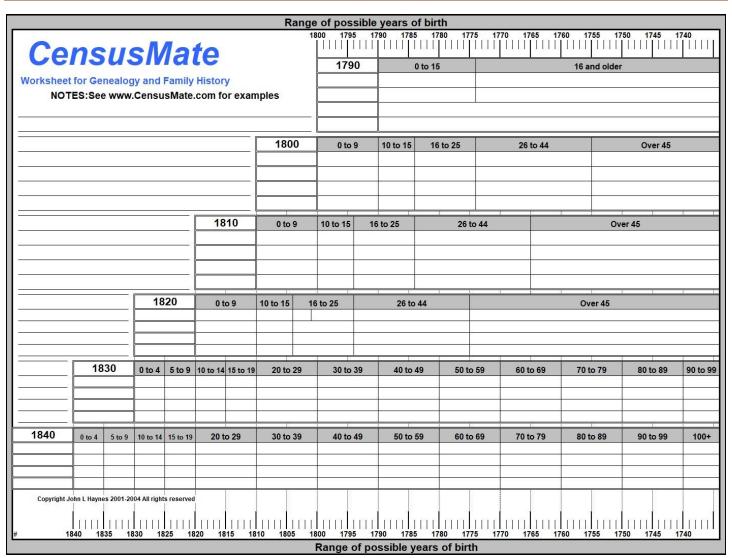
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(Shared by Nancy Hoy)



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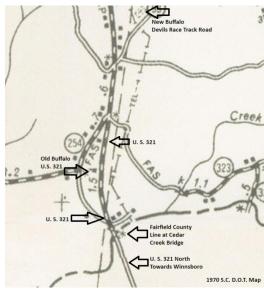
### (Q) queries / (A) answers / (I) information

The FCGS welcomes your assistance in solving the ongoing queries. Please email or contact Eddie Killian at 803-635-9811. If we were not able to find anything for your inquiry, perhaps one of our readers may be able to assist you. Also, at the end of the queries/answers/information section there will be a list of paid researchers from the SC Archives & History.

**Q:** Frances Jolly, What can you tell me about the Buffalo Baptist Church and The Cemetery? There are graves on Devil Race Track Road the two tombstones that I saw are Brooms. Do you know how many graves are there? There are graves off of 321 before you get to Peach Road someone said there are grave there. I have never been. Is this the Buffalo Baptist Church Cemetery?

A: Buffalo Baptist Church is along U.S. 321 before Peach Road. There is a small portion of the church still standing. As you come up the hill on your left there is a small patch of pavement for driveway. There are a couple of tombstones still standing. New Buffalo Baptist Church was moved up to Devil's Trace Track where you saw the Broom gravestones. I will attach what we know at this time over several emails. Attached here are the photos we have of Old Buffalo Baptist Church on U.S. 321. It was an African American church.





**Q**: Alvino Durham, Do you have information on Issac Cooper Holmes? He was born 1857. I think he was a mixed race slaved owned by the Means family. He lived in Township 13 Fairfield County SC. I think he was married twice to Martha Means and Maggie Means. If you have any information I really appreciate it.

A: This picture was taken in the 1930s by the U.S. Forestry Service when they were purchasing all the property to develop the Sumter Nat. Forest. Isaac Means built this house and was the brother to the Gov. John Means. Isaac Means operated a store which was located near where Ashford Ferry Road and #215 split. You can see this indicated on the 1820 Mills map just above Salem Church. Isaac Holmes ended up with the house until it was destroyed by the U.S. Forestry Service. I think Isaac Holmes might have been a son of Isaac Means as he was known to have a second family of African-American offspring. Our County Councilor Shirley Means Green is a descendant of Isaac Means. There is a campsite off Cooper Holmes Road about where the house stood. Cheryl Free is a John Holmes descendant and can probably better explain the lineage of Cooper



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Holmes. FindAGrave.com: <u>John Hugh Means</u>. Isaac Means died before the common use of photography and I know of no images. Shirley or Cheryl may have knowledge of images of Isaac Holmes.



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Issac Means

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Issac Holmes

Q1: Mr. Maruss, I called earlier about help with research on an ancestor. His name was Cornelius R Means, born in 1849 in Ridgeway, Fairfield, SC. The 1870 and 1880 census places him in Township 8. He was married to Lucy James. I know he was involved in the colored Presbyterian church but I wasn't able to pinpoint which church that was and if it was still around today. I was curious if there might be any school records or any more information about his time as City Commissioner. Article 3 places him at Col. H. C. Davis's plantation pre-emancipation. Colonel Henry Campbell Davis was married to Isabelle Means, and my grandfather (Cornelius would be his great grandfather) took an ancestry test and matched with some descendants of hers. I was hoping to possibly identify who Cornelius's parents or siblings were and learn more about his origins.

Before he left the area, Cornelius was involved in a widely covered case after he committed an honor killing. I included the article on that which lists judges, lawyers and some information on Cornelius's life. I was curious if there might be any records available on this case that give further insight. The murder and trial happened in June 1889 and he left for Charlotte, North Carolina by Fall 1889. His house was sold to a person named F.H. McEachem. I'd be interested in whatever records, information or additional things you could find on Cornelius Means. Thanks for any help!



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### Article 1

(Ridgeway Items. October 12 1876, News and Herald)

"A strong case of political persecution took place a few days ago. Cornelius Mimms, colored, expressed his intention on last Saturday to draw out of political slavery, and be a free man. On Sunday he was publicly expelled from the colored Presbyterian church. Cornelius is about the only man in the church who really has any religious principles, and he has long enjoyed the confidence of white people. The Democracy will take good care of such deserving men."

### Article 2

(Democratic Ticket. July 17 1877. News and Herald)

"For the board of county commissioners, was first nominated, by acclamation, **Cornelius R. Means**, colored, of Ridgeway. This was a most commendable act, both as a stroke of fine policy in according representation to the colored people, and as a reward of patriotic devotion in this particular instance. Last year, when the fate of South Carolina was trembling in the balance, and while the lines were being drawn more strictly between decency and indecency, honesty and corruption, **Cornelius Means** joined the Democratic party. His connections and associates were all Radicals of the deepest dye, and after exhausting persuasion and appeals, resorted to threats and persecution. They expelled him from church, took his Sunday school class from him, ostracized him, and threatened him with direst consequences. He remained fixed in his purpose, attended meetings, rode in the procession after Hampton, and voted the entire Democratic ticket. During all the troubled times he was unshaken in his fidelity to the cause of honesty. The honor now accorded to him in just and befitting. He has educated himself, and is now successfully engaged in farming. With the counsel of the other members, he will make a good commissioner."

#### Article 3

(Our Ticket. July 21 1877, News and Herald)

"Cornelius Means, the colored candidate, was born and raised on the plantation of Col. H. C. Davis near Ridgeway, and was a house servant until the surrender. We mention this fact because it has been rumored that he is from the North. He has educated himself, and will make a good commissioner."

### Article 4

(An Unusual Homicide. June 12 1889, The Manning Times)

"ONE NEGRO KLLS ANOTHER TO AVENGE A PRIVATE WRONG.

Cornelius Means Lies in Wait for Alfred Prioleau, and Shoots Him to Death for Ruining His Daughter. The First Case of the Kind in South Carolina.

Ridgeway, S. C., June 6.--[Special to The Register.]--This little village was thrown into some excitement this morning by the killing of Alfred Prioleau by Cornelius Means, both colored, a little before 5 o'clock, as Prioleau walked from his house, on the sidewalk near the railroad track, to the street crossing the track. As he came on a line with a vacant store building about 15 feet from the track, he was fired upon by Means, who was standing just in front of the store. The weapon was a double-barrel shotgun. The charge struck Prioleau on the right arm near the shoulder, breaking the arm in three places, seven shot entering that member. Five shot were found in the body, having entered near the right armpit. Death was almost instantaneous. Means, immediately after his shot, stepped rapidly forward and struck the head of the dead man three times with the gun, breaking the weapon at the point where the end of the barrel joins the stock. Returning to the store, Means put up the gun and again approached the body with a pistol in his right hand. Standing over the body, he fired, but the bullet struck the wooden bridge upon which the corpse lay. The physician who made the examination preliminary to the inquest, is of the opinion that but for the blows with the gun Prioleau might have survived the shot about a half hour. After discharging his pistol, Means repaired to the residence of Mr. R. D. Bolick, the constable of Trial Justice Meares, surrendered himself and asked for protection--saying that he had killed Prioleau in defense of his family's honor.



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An inquest was promptly held by Trial Justice Meares. The jury rendered a verdict in the form prescribed by the statute of felonious homicide. Means was at once taken to Winnsboro and committed to jail. The cause of the killing is stated to be criminal conduct of Prioleau towards a daughter of Means. No doubt is entertained of Prioleau's guilt in this direction. Means is a mulatto, about 40 years old. He is among the most respectable colored men in this County. He bears a high character for honesty, and has long been a devout member of the Presbyterian church and a teacher in the Sunday school. He has been for years a consistent and outspoken Democrat. In 1876 he was active in his efforts for the Hampton ticket, and thus incurred the hostility of the Radical negroes of this section to such an extent that it was made known to the Radical bullies that any assault upon Means would be very promptly punished. In 1877 Means received the Democratic nomination for County Commissioner, and served his two years' term. He was then appointed for the fractional term expiring at the end of 1880. He made an excellent officer and did not offer for re-election. The sympathy of this section is very strongly with him, though the killing itself is much regretted. The act was a general surprise, though it was observed for a day or two past that Means was in great mental trouble. Prioleau was a black man about 25 years old, active, well-built and powerful. He was a "fussy" fellow, and had been engaged in several quarrels. He was frequently troublesome at negro frolics. But he was... (illegible ripped out section) regarded as a dangerous...recently married. W...in his pocket a five-sh...chamber....Some... cited...were foolish enough to talk a little about lynching. But there never was any danger of that. The negroes appear content to let the law take its course--seeming to assume, however, that Means will be severely dealt with. Much of the bitter talk has proceeded from the women, whose hostility to Means proceeds chiefly from his political course and from the friendship he enjoys from the white people."

### Article 5

(June 19 1889, Yorkville Enquirer)

"The trial of Cornelius Means, one of the most respectable negroes of Fairfield County, for the killing of Alf Prioleau, who had outraged his daughter, was held Thursday in Winnsboro, Judge Aldrich presiding. The interest in the trial was great, both among the whites and the negroes, and the court room was packed with eager listeners. Messrs. C. A. Douglass and H. A. Gaillard represented the defendant, and Solicitor McDonald the State. The evidence showed that Cornelius Means was a very respectable, peaceful and law-abiding citizen, who had ever striven to do his duty to his country and his God; while Alf Prioleau was shown to have been a base, unprincipled scoundrel with a desperate character. The result was that the jury returned a verdict of 'not guilty,' which was received with applause by the audience."

### Article 6

(Ridgeway. Jan 8 1890, Fairfield News and Herald)

"We welcome Mr. F.H. McEachem, of Aiken, who has purchased the Cornelius Means place near town, and has moved his family. We feel proud to have such men locate with us. The good health, water, and school of Ridgeway, has brought Mr. McEachem, and there are others looking for homes near us."

**A1:** The <u>Davis</u> and <u>Means</u> Families are on the FCGS website. Please review our information on these families and let me know if you still need additional assistance. I will expedite assistance once you have reviewed this information.

**Q2:** Thanks for the links. They did answer some questions but I was still looking to learn more about the Buckhead plantation and particularly David Coultar Means, David Harper Means and Thomas Means. I was wondering if you could direct me to any books, repositories or contacts that might give more insight on the Means family and Buckhead beyond what little I've found online and in newspaper archives. I read there's a Means family bible. Do you know if the original is kept in a repository? I also was wondering if you might know if there are any pictures that exist of the Fairfield county commissioners elected during the late 1870's?

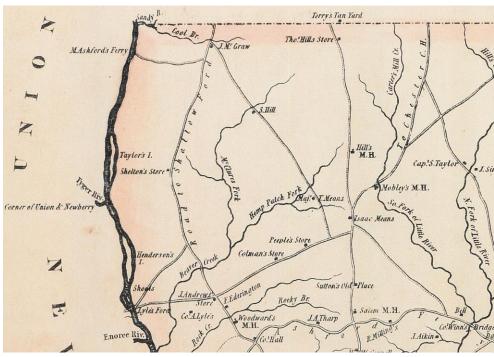
A2: Below are the 1820 (left), 1876 (right) and Means Graveyard (on 1876).

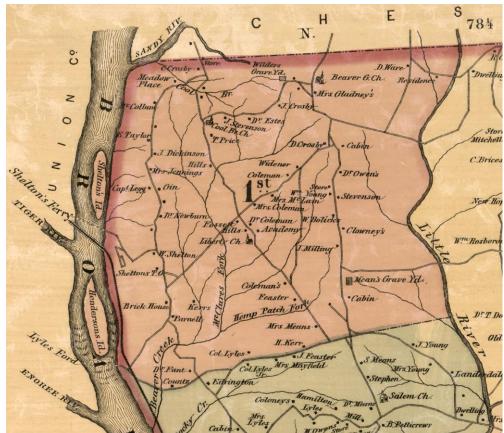


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I believe that Buckhead plantation and house (home of Gov. Means) was located across the Rd. (#18) from the Means cemetery. Val Green always said that his grandmother Crowder was born there, house long gone.

Tax Map Showing Means Grave Yard. Across the Rd. south diagonally is an early 20th century farmhouse that was rebuilt on the approximate site...as I remember. We do not have a Means bible. The old road to Buckhead area cut across to #217 and road #33 (Buckhead Rd.) on down to Lyles Ford community. Val used to talk about the origin of the word having to do with the Native American "Bucks" who often "hung around" settlement areas, post offices, etc.



Q: Megan Morris, I have been searching for information about my 3rd great grandfather in particular. Namely his parents. I have scoured all on line data bases that I can find. He was born in South Carolina in 1784, maybe in Spartanburg, maybe elsewhere. He married my 3rd great grandmother in Fairfield County in 1808, and she was born in the same county. My father is William Morris, DOB 06/27/1943, DOD 05/05/2019; he was born in Cortez, CO. My grandfather is Lee Henry Morris, DOB 02/28/1900, DOD 02/04/2001, he was born in Colorado. My great-grandfather is Thomas Morris, year of birth 1870, DOD 09/14/1926, born in Texas County MO. My 2nd great-grandfather is William Jasper Morris, DOB 12/16/1820, DOD 11/23/1891, born in Bedford County, TN. My 3rd great-grandfather is Samuel M. Morris, DOB 11/12/1784, DOD 02/21/1852, born in SC, maybe Spartanburg or Fairfield County. He died in Bedford County, TN. He married Mary Saint in Fairfield, SC in 1808. She was born in 1788 in Fairfield County and died 05/21/1884 in Jackson County Alabama. They also had several children born in Fairfield. And my trail seems to end with Samuel, so I would love to be able to locate his parents information, maybe from a birth certificate or his wedding license.

A: I have searched all of our digitized records and online records and had no success so far. I have also placed your query in our next newsletter; maybe someone will read it and know the answer. As far as wedding license or birth certificates, etc. during the late 1700's and early 1800's they did not exist or were very rare. Wedding and Birth announcements may have or not been published in newspaper sources. Family Bible's during this time period are one of the only sources for this information. In SC, wedding license were not required until 1910 and birth and death certificates, 1915. If one registered for Social Security, the SS administration (SSA) required a birth certificate. A birth certificate called a "delayed birth certificate" would have to be filled out and returned to SSA.

Q: Brooke Jordon, Do you have any information for the Ashford and Pearson families? <- I'm Here!

**A:** Here are links to the <u>Ashford</u> and <u>Pearson</u> family information in our digitized collection on our web site. We do have some other hard copy information; such as Funeral Bulletin containing obituary information.

**Q:** Nancy Hoy, Do you have this book, "Edgefield marriage records, Edgefield, S. C., from the late 18th century up through 1870"? I am looking for source of two marriage records cited from in both for a John Seigler, one marriage to a Martha Wash and another to Emmeline Ward. If you have the book could you send me a copy of the pages with these marriages cited?

A: Yes, pages sent to Nancy and shared below.



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### EDGEFIELD MARRIAGE RECORDS 143 SEIBELS, HENRY J. of Sandy Run and Mrs. AMANDA M. WOLFE, daughter of John Fox, February 29, 1868, at Lexington, by Rev. William Martin. (E.A.) SEIG, F. F., formerly of Baltimore, Maryland, and MARY ANN PARKS, daughter of Capt. Richard Parks, December 27, 1841. (F.R.) SEIGLER, EDMUND of Barnwell and LAURA S. HOLSTON, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Holston, of Edgefield, October 5, 1869, by Rev. E. W. Horne. (E.A.) SEIGLER, G. and MARTHA ZIMMERMAN, January 7, 1858, by Rev. D. D. Brunson. (E.A.) SEIGLER, HENRY and SUSAN HOLMES, daughter of Col. Wyatt Holmes, December 10, 1852, by Rev. David Bodie. (E.A.) SEIGLER, Capt. HENRY and Mrs. ELIZABETH MOSS, December 1, 1859, at the residence of the bride's mother, Mrs. Burress, by the Rev. D. D. Brunson. (E.A.) SEIGLER, JOHN and EMELINE WARD, November 20, 1833. SEIGLER, JOHN and MARTHA WASH, January 20 1853, by Rev. D. D. Brunson. (E.A.) SEIGLER, MARSHALL and ELLEN P. JOHNSON, second daughter of Rev. William Johnson, March 6, 1851, by Rev. A. P. Norris. (E.A.) SEIGLER, WILLIAM and SARAH SULLIVAN, daughter of Sampson Sullivan, July 15, 1862, by Rev. D. D. Brunson. SELF, DANIEL P. and HULDAH JENNINGS, daughter of Robert P. D. Brun-Robert Jennings, Esq. August 27, 1847, by Rev. D. D. Brunson. (E.A.) SENTELL, Capt. J. J. and HARRIETT McGUIRE of Columbia D. Peterson. (F.R.) umbia, December 17, 1839, by Rev. J. F. Peterson. (F.R.) SENTER, JAMES and SARAH ETHREDGE, November 20,

**Q:** John L Lovy Morris, I am a descendant of the Mobley family. I would like very much to find out as much as possible about my ancestors. Can you please assist me in this endeavor? I have been working on the Family Tree with The Church of Latter Day Saints.

- A: I have added access to the Mobley Family Cemeteries and Mobley families on our FCGS web pages.
- Q: Lucretia Alvarez, Send me a link to the Gladney photos on your website.
- A: Here is the link to FCGS Members Only website pages for the Gladney family digitized information.
- Q: James Walker Green III, add picture of Brooms on Maps in Mill's 1825 Atlas to website.
- A: I have updated the Broom-Broome family information on our FCGS Members website; adding the picture.

1865, by A. Hollingsworth, Esq. (E.A.)



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Q: Frank McKinney, I am researching and need information on the Bryan, Bryant and McKinney families.

A: These are the direct links to the family digitized information on the FCGS website: Briant/Bryant, Bryan and McKinney.

Q: Diane Taylor, Do you have anything on the Bobo families in Fairfield County?

A: We do have a little on the Bobo families in Fairfield County.

Thomas Byrd Bobo tombstone at Aimwell Presbyterian Cemetery, near Ridgeway, Fairfield County, SC.

#### **JULIA S. BOBO**

RIDGEWAY —Funeral services for Mrs. Julia Starnes Bobo, age 101, will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 12, 2014 at Aimwell Presbyterian Church with burial in Aimwell Cemetery. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service in the church fellowship hall.

Born in Ridgeway on February 8, 1913, Mrs. Bobo was the third daughter of Joseph Wesley Starnes and Sarah Coleman Starnes. Married on March 31, 1934 at the family home in Ridgeway, she was the beloved wife of Thomas Byrd Bobo, Sr. Together they had four children: Juliana Ott, Claudia Jean Jean Summers, Sarah Louis Swinn and Thomas Byrd Bobo, Jr.

Julia was a woman of many interests. She lived out her life through her faith and service to God. In her youthful 80's, she helped those in need by delivering of Meals on Wheels, She was a woman who gave unselfishiy and without accounting to those in need. She was active in leadership at Aimwell Presbyterian Church in Ridgeway. She was also a part of the new church development of Trinity. Presbyterian Church in Dallas, PA where she was a Deacon.

Her vitality was to be envied. She had a fine since of fashion and loved her chocolate. Her idea of a great meal out was a hamburger and a coke (in the bottle). She was an engaging storyteller, seamstress, knitter, and was always ready for a drive. Julia's travels were many but her favorite one was a cruise through the Panama Canal.

Julia was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and was interested in her family's heritage. She was valedictorian of her high school class in

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Ridgeway and loved to learn new things all hei life. She worked cross word puzzles daily and was a faithful Jeopardy viewer. In 1936, she and her husband were invited by South Carolina's governor to the steps of the capital in Columbia to hear President Franklin D. Roosevelt speak. Julia was part of administering Columbia's population the first social security cards. Mrs. Bobo is survived by three children; Juliana Ott of Lexington, SC, Sarah (Craig) Swinn of Gettysburg, Pa., and Thomas (Terry) Bobo of Las Vegas, NV, one brother; Wesley Joseph Starnes of Georgetown, twelve grandchildren, and twenty-one great grandchildren. She loved her

Starnes of Georgetown, twelve grandchildren, and twenty-one great grandchildren. She loved her family and she was loved dearly too. Julia leaves behind a beautiful legacy of faith, love, and service to her family and others.

In addition to her parents and husband, Julia is predeceased by one daughter; Claudia Jean Summers, and three sisters; Jean S. Bowen, Catherine Starnes, and Marion S. Garrison. Julia walked in faith and now is resting in the promise of life everlasting. Psalm 23:6 "Surely goodness and love will follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

Memorials may be sent in Julia's memory to Aimwell Presbyterian Church, P.O. Box 146, Ridgeway, SC 29130.

Pope Funeral Home is sassisting the Bobo family. Online condolences can be sent to the Bobo family at www.popefuneral-homesc.com.

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Q: Lanada Means, I am searching for information on the slaves of John Hugh Means, Governor of SC as well as the slaves of his family members. Particularly, I would like to know what happened to any the enslaved people after his death. I would also like a copy of his will and any pertinent details about his estate.

A: Here is a quick link to the digitized family information on our FCGS website: Means.



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Q: Katiera Davis, I would like to request that the Family Information that is available for surname: Watkins be uploaded.

A: This is a direct link to the family digitized information on the FCGS website: Watkins.

Q: John Withers, As I expand our family chronicles I came up with an idea on how to use resources like your Fairfield Historical group. In this Neil photo circa 1950 I believe the woman standing to the left is Margaret Sloan. Is there a way you

could confirm this.



Also does your group have photos of Oscar and Palma Brice?

**A:** I have forwarded this email to Sloan Dixon. I believe she is a part of this family. I asked Sloan if she knew Margaret Sloan. Let's give her a few days to respond. Brice Family Who Settled Fairfield, Page 34 mentions Palmer Brice family. (see website) Here are quick links for digitized family information on FCGS website: Brice-Bryce, and Broom-Broome. **IM HERE!** 

**Q:** Emily Baccomo, My mom, Donna Boulware, and I are looking for a piece of evidence to include with our Daughters of the American Revolution application. We are descendants of the patriot Thomas Crosby, and we need proof showing Sarah Crosby is a daughter of Allen Crosby and Mary Hughes. I was able to find a probate record in Chester county showing that Thomas Wilkes, Sarah's husband, received property from Allen Crosby by right of his wife Sarah, but I would like more definitive proof that Sarah is a daughter of Allen. Do you know of a possible Will or another record?

**A:** We have some information on the Crosby families of Chester and Fairfield Counties. I have provide a link to this information: <u>Crosby</u>. PDF file Crosby Descendants 4 has information on Sarah. You still might have to obtain the actual documents, but they are referenced.

**Q:** Laura Gibson, I am seeking a birth record or baptism record for James M Thompson, born Sept. 17, 1822, in Fairfield County, SC. Father was John B Thompson. Mother was likely Elizabeth (but possibly Sarah). Is this something you might be able to help me with or could you direct me somewhere to look?

A: Birth and death certificates in SC were not required until 1915; marriage 1910; therefore there would not be one for your ancestor born 1822. You would have to find a birth announcement in the newspaper or old family Bible; in most cases both hard to find nowadays. Here is a direct link to the FCGS Thompson families' web pages.

I: One may find a delayed birth certificate, if person received social security payments they were required to submit one.



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**Q1:** Joe Ravenell, I grew up in Cross, SC. My African American ancestors (Charles Ravenel and spouse Janetta/Ganetta) are linked to the Belmont Plantation. Oral tradition said, Charles was upstate SC when he was put on a train as he waved goodbye to mother and sister. I believe Charles maybe from Fairfield and was on the land owned by Abigail Ravenel. I need help proofing or disproving Charles was connected to Abigail Ravenel. Based on my limited information, how should I proceed and can you help in any manner? Thanks in advance for your consideration!

**A1**: We do not have family file information or family books for the Ravenel (I) families in Fairfield. This link is result of a search of our FCGS website for <u>Ravenel</u> of documents in entire collection. We do have hard back books that may have some information.

Q2: Joe Ravenell, I looked at each of the links and did not see anything noteworthy. Tell me more about the hard books?

**A2**: We have family books on bookshelves; here's a list <u>Family Book Collection</u>. I searched this PDF file of our collection of these books and found no reference to surname Ravenel. We have other books that we are in the process as time permits to catalog into a list. We have county history books, deed extract, plat extract, Fairfield families, grant, petition, all types of books that one would have to search the book or index if there is one.

Q1: Julie Hesler, you know I've been researching the Macons for years now. Well, thanks to the new full-text search feature on FamilySearch, I finally found a record of John Macon's death! William Woodward, Charlotte Woodward's father applied for letters of administration in Newberry County. I've taken the transcription there and tidied it up and PDF the whole thing. I thought that maybe you could post it with the Macon documents to save the next Macon researcher the trouble of reinventing the wheel. What I don't know is if you can OCR it before you do. By the way, what I've discovered over the years is that John Macon died in late 1806 or early 1807. Spencer Brummitt, Ann Macon's husband (John Macon's brother-in-law?) died in late 1806, and Francis Macon (Ann's and John's brother?) disappears from the records around the same time. Was there something going on in SC during that time period? Epidemic? Indian Wars? Dueling? A rash of horse racing accidents?

**A1**: Smallpox (started early 1700's, responsible for 70% of Indian deaths) and Yellow Fever (late 1700's) were two epidemic type diseases that were present during this time. The last big Indian War was in 1760. Indians had been pretty much removed to Oklahoma territory by late 1700's. By mid-1800's, Scarlet and Cholera appeared on the scene. Not sure about the deaths of these Macon's and Spencer Brummett. I did not find anything in the Death Notices we have from early newspapers, or <a href="Newspapers.com">Newspapers.com</a> or Chronicling American Digitized Searchable Historic Newspapers.

Q2: In Georgia and Florida, the Creek and Seminole wars were still going on during this time period. Creek lands in central,

West, and south Georgia opened up for land lotteries in the 1820s. I joined U.S. Daughters of 1812 on a Georgia Ancestor's service, so I haven't had a chance to research Carolina ancestors during that time. I think I have a great-great-great grandfather who was still in some sort of Indian Conflict into the 1820s or 1830s. When I went to the Archives last year, they pulled out a package of documents where Frank was involved in a riot in 1805, I think. I don't think I ever got around to transcribing those. I should do that. I don't think he was hurt, but it would be good to have the full context around that. Maybe I missed a nugget, like he was arrested and sent away somewhere. Speaking of being sent away...I think I found somewhere SCMAR that one of Henry Macon's sons was eventually found to be incompetent, but I can't remember if he was committed. Did SC have a mental institution in the 1800s?

**A2**: Here are a couple of maps showing Cherokee Indian lands; <u>SC-1769</u> then even less in <u>SC-1791-1799</u> and quick link to a PDF file (<u>SC Dept Mental Health Cemetery List</u>) showing SC Department of Mental Health Death and Cemetery where person is buried.

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Q3: I'm traveling this weekend, so I'm going to spend some time chasing Francis Macon and transcribing the 1805 Riot documents. Using the full text search on FamilySearch, I found another document for Francis, selling land on the border of Fairfield and Chester Counties in 1811. It's so odd...every time I run a search, I get different results. That's okay...as long as I get more results and not fewer! I'll keep putting Hartwell Macon in there until I find his probate records...one of these days, I'll dig deeply into the land maps you've sent me before to see exactly where the various Macon's had property. That might help me understand why I'm finding them in Chester, Union, and Newberry in addition to Fairfield.

**A3**: Apparently at that time, there were a lot of activities along the Broad River and Train Whistle Stops in the area of West Chester and Fairfield counties; Eastern Newberry and Union counties. As transportation changed especially with the automobiles much later all of the activities move to the center of the counties; whereas after 1900 these little whistle stop towns started becoming ghost towns.

I: I pulled the microfilm for the probate packet for John Macon and found an explicit statement that Hartwell Macon was his father! I'll be sending you 40+ images to upload to the Macon page. I'm SO excited. I'm a little bit bummed that the probate records didn't include guardianship records to connect John Macon to Thomas Woodward Macon, but even that can't put a damper on my excitement! These were from Newberry County microfilm at the SC Archives, box 13 estate 4. From what I've seen so far, the most informative document, which explicitly links John Macon to his father Hartwell and his brother Henry I. Macon. (PDF has been added to website: Macon.)

Q: Roberta Morgan Diggs, I live in Oklahoma. My mother was Rachel Mobley Morgan. The youngest of Samuel and Fannie Mobley. This without saying makes me the youngest grandchild of Samuel and Fannie. I never had the opportunity to meet them but I have been to the graves in SC in 1980. So I have several subjects for you but I will stick to this for now. Do we have a museum or such for things that would be of interest to people? Because of helping with Sam and Marion I have the coco bean from Brazil. I have a large oval of Fannie in oval frame. I have many pictures that might be of interest. I'm 67 and my two grown daughters we adopted from China so I've come to the realization that they have no interest in these things. My other subject is that I'm trying to join the Daughters of the American Revolution. If you know any other women that would be in the DAR and descendants of mine that would be willing to help it would help me so much. According to Jackie Mobley-Jack and Peggy Mobley's daughter -we definitely had a descendant Hans Wagner that was in the revolution when it came to SC. My FB is Roberta Morgan Diggs. (recent phone number is available upon request)

**A**: Here is a quick link to the digitized family information on the FCGS website for Mobley and Wagener-Waggoner-Wagner. If you do not find or have information we do not have; please do share your information. Also, you mentioned pictures and/or portraits; we would love to have them in our Mobley family or Museum collection.

Q: Cathy Widener Day, here are the handwritten corrections for the attached document: Ancestors of Barbara Kay Widener.

I: Attached is a 33 page document of Widener family history. This was included in an email from Harold Widener that my sister, Barbara Kay Widener Del Angel, contacted about 15 years ago. I think she only recently read through it and realized how much family history was included. I will try and get more information from her about Harold. We have confirmed or corrected information relating to our immediate family. Our handwritten notes did not scan well, so I have listed the information below. As relates more specifically to the Fairfield area, I found the Widener/Beam family is mentioned on the following pages:

p3 Isaac Widener married Margaret Beam,

p5 more about Isaac born in Fairfield, son of Jacob and Mary,

p7 lots of Jacob Widener history, p8 story from Leslie McMullen,

p9 - 12 lots Beam family history with interesting story about Moses W war wounds and hiding gold

p14-16 Pennsylvania and Germany notes, Henry, Jacob, and Moses parents Peter and Catherine



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p 17 Henry W brothers settle on Lynches Creek, SC, mentions Henry owning land in Camden,

P 18 research from Anne McAllister, 1992 book Through Four Generations of the Widener Family

p 19 more about Henrich/Henry Widener in Catawba area of NC

p20 notes from a book The Pioneer Settlers of the Western Part of Catawba County

Final 13 pages I still haven't read through! Seems to be a variety of records, but many references to Fairfield and Chesterfield Co, SC and other related families.

Here are the handwritten corrections for the attached document: Ancestors of Barbara Kay Widener page 1:

The children of Perry and Geneva Widener were not adopted.

Perry Michael and Cathy Susan were born in Dilley, Frio Co, TX, Barbara Kay and Thomas David were born in Beeville, Bee Co, TX

Essie Perry was born May 15, 1899, in Her father was Judson Spurgeon Perry and Her Mother was Mary Beulah Elliot Granville Paul Widener died in Kerrville, Tx and buried in Sam Houston Natl Cemetery, San Antonio, Bexar Co, TX Thomas Perry Widener (Paul's twin brother, our father) died 29 Dec 2016, Kerrville, Kerr, TX

Earl Chambers was born in Palestine, Anderson, TX on 3 Aug 1903, he died 24 May 1981, Laredo, Webb, TX

Child of Earl and Ethel died at birth, Earl Chambers Jr, b 7 Oct 1925, d 20 Oct 1925

page 3: Judson Spurgeon Perry married Mary Beulah Elliot, Essie born 15 May 1899

page 4: Elijah Thomas died 14 April 1925

page 7: Henry and Moses are Isaac's brothers

page 8: Isaac (born in Fairfield) died 16 June 1860, Amity, Clark, AR

A check mark means we have the same information on our <u>ancestry.com</u> pages.

A: I have updated the Beam and Widener-Widner families on the FCGS website.

**Q1**: Mike Stewart, I would really like to buy a copy of this book... the Fords of Fairfield County South Carolina. Do you know where I could find one?

**A1**: We only have a reference copy in our library collection. The Fords of Fairfield County, South Carolina, A Documentary History, Volume I, By Sidney Ford Tatum, Printed by, The Amundsen Publishing Company, Decorah, Iowa 52101. You could contact the author Sidney Ford Tatum and inquiry about where you could obtain a copy or contact the publishing company.

**Q2:** There was an excerpt from one of the slave transactions (in the 24 page Ford history that is on your website) that include what I presume to be relatives of a good friend of mine. Ruben and Phebe. I'd like to try and get more of that information just in case there is any additional info. So if it's a lengthy boom i would be very interested in locating a copy.

A2: Book says Volume I with 306 pages. Here is a direct link to the digitized family collection on our FCGS website: Ford.

Q: Teresa Sims, messaged CFM (Coleman Feaster Mobley Family Association) Facebook page, Can someone please help me? I'm currently reading over the "Robert Coleman - Elizabeth Roe Family" PDF file, I think I originally saved it from the Coleman-Feaster-Mobley Family Association website. Page 4 states; "Elizabeth Roe is said to have had to blood of the Indian princess, Pocahontas in her veins. That consequently, the Roes were very dark of skin and hair, the Coleman's, blondes." /// So is Elizabeth actually related to Pocahontas?! I can't seem to find it again, but I thought I read somewhere that Pocahontas' son lived around the Colemans properties.

**A**: Pocahontas is mentioned eight times in the J.P. Coleman book on pages 40 and 450. This most likely the source of this claim. However, this book also states that this claim has not been verified. Here is a direct link to the book on our FCGS website: The Robert Coleman Family.



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Q1: Barkley Wolfe, I'm looking into the history of my tract of land on Old Camden or Horse Creek. At one time it was part of a larger tract (494 acres) owned by Dr. Caleb Clarke. He sold it to Jeremiah J. O'Connell in 1863. Then Sanders Ford bought the 494 acres from O'Connell in 1869. Sanders Ford died in 1873. After this point the 494 acres was divided into 4 tracts, A, B (mine), C and D on a survey by James M. Stewart September 1877. We have been unable to find this survey. The reason I'm looking into it is an access road issue, being that I'm landlocked by a 3rd party who wants to sell their land and deny me use of the road. At this point I'm also just having fun learning more about the history. If there's any info you can share with me, especially regarding the subdivision of the tract and the plat by JM Stewart (1877) it would be fantastic.

**A1**: It would help to have a little more to go on like your tax map id, so I can look backward. Most of our information is 1870 and older. Here is a list of Caleb Clarke's early land acquisitions.

Conveyee	from	Conveyer	Year	Book	Page	Comment	
Clarke, Caleb		Havis, Jesse	1819	AA	144	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Kelly, James	1819	AA	145	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Buchanan, John Jr.	1820	вв	296	Com. E. Title	
Clarke, Caleb		McMaster, James Jr.	1827	нні	274	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Henry, Hugh & Hood, John	1828	HHI	497	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Stevenson, James	1830	HH2	84	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Barkley, James	1835	LL	435	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Jones, Henry	1838	NN	62	Shff. Title	
Clarke, Caleb		Muse, James F.	1811	Т	332	Shff. Title	
Clarke, Caleb		Hall, Thomas & wife	1811	Т	334	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Hall, Thomas & wife	1811	Т	335	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Muse, James Fort	1811	Т	337	Shff. Title	
Clarke, Caleb		Winn, Richard	1811	т	338	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Barkley, John	1811	т	339	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Muse, James F.	1811	Т	340	Shff. Title	
Clarke, Caleb		Barkley, John	1814	w	178	Shff, Title	
Clarke, Caleb		Barkley, John	1814	w	180	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Bratton, William	1814	w	305	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Havis, Jesse	1814	w	306	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Crawford, Andrew	1815	w	397	Release	
Clarke, Caleb		Dellet, James (C.E.R.D.)	1817	Y	202	Com. E. Title	
Clarke, Caleb Jr.		Clarke, Caleb Sr.	1832	KK	282	Release	
Clarke, Caleb Jr.		Woodward, John J.	1836	MM	202	Release	

**Q2**: My parcel id is 146-00-00-001-000. I see on the list you sent that Caleb Clark bought the 494 acres from Henry Jones in 1838. After reading the deed, that purchase was based off a survey of plat in 1831 by MAM Leggo. And then there's the plat done by James Stewart in 1877 where the 494 acres was split into 4 tracts.

A2: This is a list of plats for Clark-Clarke. It looks like what you are looking for is Plat Book 7 Page 220.

Name	Book	Page
Clark, Caleb (Estate)	7	220
Clark, Carmen J.	DH	513
Clark, Emma Y.	ES	1117
Clark, Mrs. Steve G.	5	20
Clark, S. G. (Estate)	CZ	490
Clark, Thomas D.	DN	164
Clark, Virginia C.	EM	230
Clark, Virginia C.	EM	365
Clark, Virginia C.	EQ	377
Clarke, Mrs. L.	AC	288-1



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Q: Clint Reynolds, I am looking for the surname Reynolds. My GG grandfather is Samuel R. Reynolds. The initial R can be Rhodessa, Rhody, Rodessa, Rodestal or other variation. He was born, January 24, 1836, Fairfield County, SC. He married Elizabeth Arrington, Mar 6, 1867 in Bullock County, AL. He died in 1924 in Winnsboro, TX in Wood County. I have a confederate pension application that verifies his name and birthdate in South Carolina and place of residence here in Wood County, TX when the application was submitted. In the past 2 years, I found that he had a half-brother named Willis A. Reynolds, born in 1827, in either Fairfield or Kershaw County, SC. Both Willis and Samuel have children named Rodestal Reynolds. That would be evidence of a common father - Rodestal Reynolds. Samuel also has a son named William Shedric Reynolds, which leads me to believe that a Shedric Reynolds in South Carolina may be their father, because I have seen the name Shedric come up as a suggestion in Ancestry.com. That's who I am looking for - parents for my GG grandfather, a possible Shedric Rodestal Reynolds and his wife. A Penelope Gregg has been suggested as the GGG grandmother, but I can't verify that at all. I have found a Shadrach Reynolds in the 1820 Census in Kershaw County, SC. The date is August 7, 1820 and there are 2 males (under 15) and 3 females (under 10) in the house, all white. So I don't know if this is the Shadrach (or Shedric) I need. I have also found a Shadrack Reynolds in the 1830 Census in Fairfield County, SC. 6 white males under the age of 19, 4 white females under the age of 19. Based on a map of Fairfield County, SC I found online from 1799/1800 there is a Reynolds family located on the county line between Fairfield and Kershaw County. This Shadrach Reynolds may have been born in 1794 in South Carolina, but I have also seen Ohio as a place of birth. May have died in 1889 in South Carolina. But I don't know if Shadrach is the GGG grandfather. There are Joseph, Joshua, John, William and other Reynolds families in the area at the same time in the early 1800's and I can't verify them as being a relative or not. William Rodestal Reynolds is a possible name for my GGG grandfather also. The late 1700's and early 1800's are difficult to research online through Ancestry.com and other sources. It just seems like I need to be looking at official public records or books to make some sort of verifiable connection.

A: This is a direct link to what we have digitized and online for the Reynolds families.

Q: Kenneth Shelton, do you know if a map of Winnsboro exists for 1880 to 1900? I'm back on the Fortune Springs paper, and when I look at where "Fortune Springs" is today, it's off High Street and west of Vanderhorst Street. But on the original town plat from 1785, Winnsboro original plot allot map.jpg (2000×1476) (ken-shelton.com), that would put it on the west side of the original core of the town. I don't think that is consistent with the newspaper descriptions of the late 1800's that describe "Fortune Springs Wood" as being on the north boundary of then Winnsboro. I'm wondering if the name was just repurposed for the current "Fortune Springs Park", but is located in a physically different place than the original Fortune Springs Wood.

**A:** I'm not familiar with one in our collection. You may find one by contacting the South Carolina Map Library in the McKissick Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC.

**Q:** Deborah Dodson, Henry Ringer leaves in his will a plantation or tract of land containing eighty acres on Williamses Creek the waters of the Broad River to be equally divided at my MOTHER'S decease, to his 4 sons, Frederick, John, George and Henry. I am trying to find out where the land was and who is his Mother and Father where or any other information about their roots. In the past I have focused my search in Newberry County but can only find Ringers there starting in 1820. I do know Henry was in the 1790 census listed in St James Goose Creek.

A: I have added the digitized family files and other information to the FCGS Members Only website: Ringer.

**Q**: William Hurst, I am looking for something to prove that Johnston McKemie was the son of John McKemie. Both were in Fairfield County during the Revolution. I am also looking for the marriage of Frances Mooty and Rev. John McKemie (son of Johnston) about 1820. I am including a piece of a family tree that includes these individuals. My family tree is WMHurstJr.

A: They are mentioned in a book by Dr. William Frank McKemie, M.D., see FCGS website, McKemie-Documents.



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Q: Eric Tysinger, (1979- present): >son of Sue Hogan Tysinger (1955 - present) >daughter of Gilbert Scott Hogan (1924-1998) >son of William Sanders Hogan III (1903-1964) >son of William Sanders Hogan II (1873-1941) >son of William Sanders Hogan (1826-1907) >son of William Hogan, Jr (presumed) >son of William Hogan (1760-1836), I have been researching my mother's family (Hogan) since 2008 and last year finally hired who I thought were professional genealogists through Ancestry.com to break through a brick wall in the early 1800s, connecting my third great grandfather to my fifth. It has been a bad experience. As a result, I am seeking help in finding a local genealogist in SC. My maternal third great grandfather (William Sanders Hogan: 1826-1907) is buried at Lebanon Methodist Church in Eastover, SC but was originally from Kershaw where he worked as an overseer for Ham Boykin. His grandfather was the Rev War vet William Hogan (1760-1836) who married Jemima Sanders. Some of this family is buried at Smyrna Methodist in Elgin. There is missing documentation for the generation between them (William Hogan Jr who married Naomi -maiden name unknown). The brick wall is hard evidence connecting these generations.

**A:** I spoke with a Hogan descendant and she (Jon) is going to see if she can find her research. Jon said she is aware of this issue. Jon also said that there is a direct descendant from this line living in Camden. Jon is going to check on this also. Eric and I (Jon) are related through the Hogan family and had already shared info. Don't think I (Jon) have anything new to share on his line. Here is a direct link to the digitized online collection on the FCGS Members Only webpages for: Hogan.

Q: Ella Andrews, my name is Ella Andrews and I'm a direct descendant of the Coleman Family from Fairfield County. My great-great grandmother was Minnie Epps Coleman, whose mother was Asenyth Coleman and lived in the Century House in Ridgeway. I've started diving into our family history a bit more and I've come across a connection to the Lost Colony of Roanoke. It looks like my ancestors were Thomas and Robert Coleman who came over with Sir Walter Raleigh. I was wondering if you were able to help me confirm this information and I also wanted to see if you all had any more information about the connection in your archives. I've traced it back using the late Mississippi Gov. J. P. Coleman's research conducted in the 1960's: <a href="https://freepages.rootsweb.com/~nansemondcolemans/genealogy/chascity/index.htm">https://freepages.rootsweb.com/~nansemondcolemans/genealogy/chascity/index.htm</a>. Any information would help greatly. We are looking into contributing our DNA to the Lost Colony DNA project. We have a LOT of physical documentation pertaining to the Century House and the Coleman Family that I need to digitize and send over to you all one day.

**A**: We are always grateful for those who want to add to the Genealogy Library collection. If you find that we do not have articles or papers, please do send us a copy. Here is the digitized and online family information we have in our library collection for: Coleman. Also here is the information for: Ridgeway.

**Q**: Julius Duke, In reading the June 30,2024 FCGS newsletter I noted that on page 22 you had a query from Barbara Lyles-Anderson who was looking for information on the McClary, Duke/Dukes family of Williamsburg County, SC.

A: Emailed Barbara Lyles-Anderson that Julius Duke says he may be able to assist you.

**Q**: Angie Dye Nanney, I am looking for information on several branches of my family. There seems to have been a mass exodus from Fairfield S.C. to Mississippi. I live in a small community in Union County Mississippi called Fairfield as well. It definitely isn't a coincidence! I would love to have information on the following families: Duke, Pannell, Roberts, Adams, Cobb, Dye, Free, Grubbs, Kennedy. Any information would be greatly appreciated.

**A**: I have given you direct access to our FCGS Members Only web pages for the following families: <u>Adams</u>, <u>Cobb</u>, <u>Dye</u>, <u>Free</u>, <u>Grubbs</u>, <u>Kennedy</u>, <u>Roberts</u>. I will work on getting Duke and Pannell available as soon as possible.

**Q**: Annie Jenkins, Sarah is interested here in my father's time as one of the leaders of the local CCC camp. I wonder if the museum has any documents or photographs related to the CCC camp in Winnsboro. Gaillard was the camp name, according to some records I found online.

**A**: Annie, this is what has been found in our library and/or museum collection.



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### History of Company 441

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PARR, SOUTH CAROLINA
By James McCutchen.

THE men who made up this company came from a large group of men which arrived in Spartanburg very early on the morning of May 20, 1933, and came from all parts of South Carolina. These men stood their first physical examination in Spartanburg and after staying there all day the train was boarded and headed for Fort Moultrie. We got into Fort Moultrie about 6:00 a. m. on the morning of the 21st, and was it a hot day! Here we stood the final examination to see if we would be able to take what was coming.

The men who made up the company came mostly from the counties of Spartanburg, Anderson, Cherokee, Union, Pickens and Coonee. It was here that the meaning of the term "policing up" was learned. Most of the work done here was in the nature of cleaning and beautifying the post to the great delight of the regulars on the post. It was here also that the resultant of the time was spent on the beach and in learning all about that thing called "gold bricking" (you know, working yourself to death trying to get out of work).

After a couple of weeks there were rumors to the effect that we were to move in a very short time. To listen to the various tales one would think that there was a very good chance of our moving anywhere between the Rio Grande and the Gulf of Mexico on the South to Canada on the North.

And so we moved to Parr, S. C., getting here about 4:00 a. m. on the morning of June 13. We were then under the able command of Capt. W. L. Blanton who had under him 2nd Lt. T. B. Spratt, 1st Lt. J. E. McManaway. Under the direction of Mr. J. T. McAlister, superintendent of the forestry work, we began on the work projects before the camp had been completely built. During the ensuing months there was a built. During the ensuing months there was a marked improvement both in the quality and quantity of work done by the men. This was due partly to the addition of more and better tools and trucks. But it was also due to the fact that the group of men who came to Parr became more and more an organized group of men whose name began with efficiency and ended with "We can take it."

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ended with "We can take it."

Capt. Blanton left to engage in R. O. T. C. work at P. C. College. He was relieved by J. E. McManaway, 1st Lt. Inf.-Res. The work of beautifying the camp site now began in earnest. Long hours of overtime work, work that was done after the required eight hours had been accomplished, was a daily occurrence. This overtime work consisted mostly of hauling crushed rock over a distance of eighteen miles. This rock was used to spread over the camp area and the road to the camp. If it had not been for this rock the whole company would have had to live in red sticky mud and clay

during the past winter. Had it not been for all this work it would have been impossible for a motor propelled vehicle of any kind to go to ard from camp.

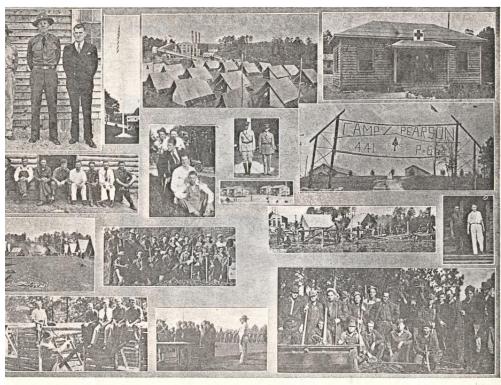
There were a number of changes in the officers connected with this company: Lt. D. H. Armstrong was with the company for a short time. He was in turn relieved by Lt. W. N. Henderson who was in turn relieved by Lt. J. T. Ellis. Lt. Spratt was relieved after being with the company for about two months. The company is now commanded by Lt. L. E. Marshall, who relieved Lt. McManaway on May 5th.

This camp is primarily a soil erosion camp, but it has, like the majority of camps, had the problem of building fire lanes, truck trails and fighting forest fires. This company has existed now over a year and the majority of boys still consist of the original company that left Fort Moultrie.

We may not be the best camp but just stat-ing facts and not boasting, let all the CCC com-panies line up and parade by and we will bow to none.

And in ending it would be appropriate to say even as Paul did in his Epistle to the Romans: "We have run a good race: We have finished our course."

It is up to the new men in this camp and all the other camps in the U.S. to carry on.



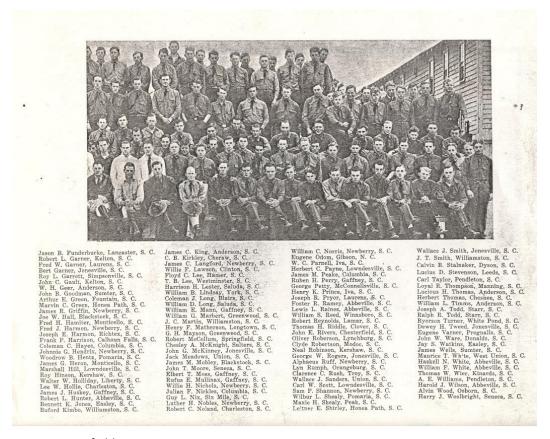
Men of Company 441 at Parr.



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### Email Chain for CCC Camps in Fairfield:

From: "Green Giebner" <gibby1940@outlook.com>
To: "Pelham Lyles" <fairfieldmus@truvista.net>
Sent: Saturday, February 20, 2021 8:38:37 PM

Subject: Winnsboro CCC Camp

### Pelham,

Have a question (but first some background for my question)...

For nearly the past year I have been working on reproducing and reprinting of CCC (Civilian Conservation Corp) newsletters from the Bishopville CCC camp which developed Lee State Park. Four years' worth of newsletters. This was just prior to WWII. Then I'll be working on the Pontiac camp in NE Columbia if there were any newsletters created there.

I found references to a Winnsboro CCC camp which I never knew about before. I found that it was called Camp GAILLARD, Company #4477, and identified also as SCS-12 (a Soil Conservation type camp). And was about 1 mile SW of town – that might put it about where hwy-213 begins, or in that general area.

I was just wondering if you know of any records or information or history about such a camp that might be at the museum there.

### Green,

Yes, I have heard of Camp Gaillard and wonder if Judge John McLeod, his sister Annie Jenkins, or their (and my) cousin Bill Haslett might be able to help on this. I believe John's and Annie's father may have come to Winnsboro with the CCC. I remember my father pointing out a small green building that stood in a field (where the Winnsboro IGA grocery store is now) as the CCC camp where people learned baking and other culinary arts. I imagine Camp Gaillard was named for that prominent family who had a



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plantation on the edge of South Winnsboro. David DuBose Gaillard was a famous member of the family: See <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/Gaillard-Cut.">https://www.britannica.com/topic/Gaillard-Cut.</a>

I took some notes once on the CCC camps and think there was also a camp down near Monticello/Jenkinsville.

Pelham, I trust that Johnny has given you what you wanted. I know Daddy came to Winnsboro with CCC and that he held a supervisory level position. That's about all I know. I do remember the green building/s outside of town that was part of the operation. Hope you got what you needed from other sources.

### Johnny,

Do you think that site on the Bypass was named Camp Gaillard? As David Gaillard died of malaria in 1913, resulting from his work at the Panama Canal site, I guess the name would have been an honorary tribute. I was wondering if one mile SW of Winnsboro would have indicated another site near the old Camden Rd. location of the Gaillard place. That would have been SE of town. Daddy told me all that property that the shopping center and adjacent businesses was McCants land.

#### Pelham.

An interesting document on the CCC camps building state parks. No mention of the Fairfield sites that I can find in it, however: <a href="https://digital.scetv.org/teachingAmerhistory/pdfs/Doc4CCCinSC.PDF">https://digital.scetv.org/teachingAmerhistory/pdfs/Doc4CCCinSC.PDF</a>. In another document online, Camp Gaillard is mentioned but no others. I remember the families whose roots come from the WPA / CCC training in masonry, so I wonder if there was a campsite for training construction skills.

### Green,

Here is the second Fairfield County CCC Camp in the Jenkinsville area. However, Parr is in Newberry County across the Broad River. Pearson is a family and road name on the Fairfield County side of the Broad River at that location.

**Q**: Larry Curry, This email has 2 attachments. One attachment is a copy of the original Petition in my first email. The other attachment pertains to the Little River Baptist Church. On page 2 of the Church attachment, under male members are the names John Morris and William Morris. Not sure if these Morris's are my ancestors. Do you know if there is any more information on this original Baptist Church?

A: I added the three attachments to the FCGS Members Only Little River Baptist Church web pages. Also here is the quick link to the FCGS Members Only Morris Families web pages. I have attached the FCGS Members Only link to our Maps web pages. Check out Fairfield County 1820 on the southwestern side and find Morris Creek. Just to the west you will see Little River and just to the east Gibson's Meeting House. Then check out the Fairfield County 1854 map for the same area along the Little River and you will see nothing has change yet. Then check out the Fairfield County 1876 map for the same area, northward and you will see Little River Baptist Church; where it is still today. The Morris Creek Baptist, St. Barnabas Episcopal and Old Little River are burials in these three cemeteries. You will see these three mentioned in the religion PDF. Not much documentation on Gibson's Meeting House being moved to Long Run Baptist and then Little River Baptist, but, check out the PDF file titled religion attached.

### **Morris Creek Baptist**

ALSTON, ANNIE DAVIS	BELL, LONNIE	COOK, GENEVA BELL *	GATSON, JOHN D*	JETER, JOHN	MARSHALL, LOIS	ROSS, ISAIAH	WILLIAMS, HAYWARD *
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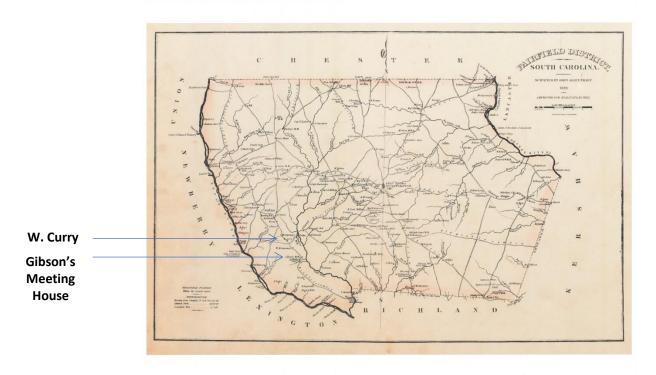
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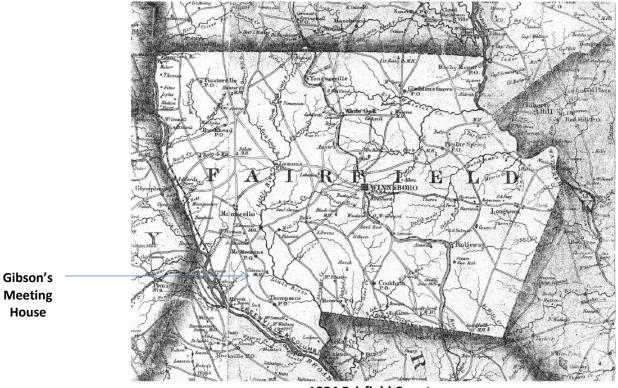
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### **1820 Fairfield County**



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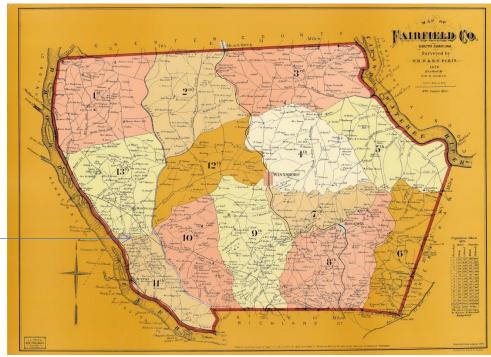
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1876 Fairfield County

Religion has always been the focal point in African American culture. The earliest meeting sites in Fairfield County were started as brush-arbors where slaves met to worship

A brush arbor was a log supported roof covered with brush for outdoor meetings. They traced their history back to the old Methodist outdoor revivals of Francis Asbury (1785-1816), who was a founder of Methodism.

The following is not intended to be a definitive list of those early religious sites but only those that the Fairfield County Historical Society has records of Blackjack Baptist (near the location of the old Furman University site) was first organized in the early 1820s. The brush arbor was located near the site of the present church. The name for the church, according to legend, is derived from the large blackberries which grew there. The land that the church sits on was deeded to them in the mid-1860s by the white officers and members of the Fairfield Baptist Church across the road. The original building was destroyed by fire in the early 1930s, and the present church dates from 1935.

Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church of Blackstock was originally called Tabor Presbyterian Church. It was founded by a white man named Alex Alder in 1864. It also served as a school after the Civil War. By 1870, Alex Alder had deeded the lot to the deacons of the church and Mount was added to the name. The present church building dates from the 1870s.

Saint Mark Baptist Church in Simpson was organized in 1871 by a man named Squirewell near old Homer Baptist Church, which had a white congregation. The church was moved to land donated by a white man named Ed Carter, upon which the members built the present church from an old school building donated by Homer Church.

Hassion Hill Baptist Church in Blair was first formed in 1836. The name is interesting, being a derivative of the word, Hessian. Hassion Hill Baptist Church was named for a hill that, since Revolutionary War days, has been known as Hessian Hill in Feasterville. Two Hessian (German) soldiers lived there long after the Revolutionary War. The land was owned by Andrew Feaster.

The first church building was built in the 1890s. The second church building was built on the opposite side of the road and destroyed by a storm in 1937. It was rebuilt on the same spot and stayed there for the next twenty-five years. In 1952, the fourth building was constructed on the same side of the road as the original church.

same spot and stayed there for the next twenty-free years. In 1925, the was constructed on the same side of the road as the original church.

Camp Welfare in northeastern Fairfield County was founded by the African Methodist Episcopal Church by 1876. The focal point is the brush arbor which is now a wooden shelter with wooden benches. The African Methodist Episcopal Zion Church was built circa 1930 to replace an earlier one. The property was acquired from L.G.H. McMaster in 1878 and consists of eleven acres. A legend has it that Camp Welfare is built on the site of a Union encampment of the Civil War era.

The following Black churches of note were constructed as church buildings after the Civil War.

White Hall A. M. E. Church in Jenkinsville was built in 1867 on land donated by Moses Martin. Originally they had met in an old government building known as the Origer. From this congregation the following churches grew: Rock Hill, St. Peter Friendship, and Little White Hall. The original building stood until 1918 when it was blown down by a

windstorm. The present church building dates from 1919 and has undergone many changes and improvements.

St. Paul Baptist Church in Winnsboro was organized in 1873 in a schoolhouse in the grove of woods then known as the Presbyterian Woods. Later the site became the county jail. The first building dated to 1876. The present church building dates from 1893, with major renovations after 1958, including the brick veneer.

Shiloh First United Presbyterian Church in Winnsboro was organized on October 4, 1879 at the Thompson place. On October 22, 1879, one acre of land was purchased from John F. Paul for \$25, and in the early 1880s, a church building was erected. It stood until 1943. The present church building, circa 1944-45 was built one-half mile from the old site with the help of the members.

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church in Jenkinsville (no date recorded) was organized by Walter O'neal. It stood on Highway 215 until the early 1920's when many families began attending other churches. During this time, Mr. O'neal inquired about the Long Run Church (which is known today as Little River Baptist Church), which was a white church no longer in use. Permission was given to Mr. O'neal to use Long Run as long as renovations were made. This was granted by Foster Yarborough, who was the head deacon. The church was used for one year. During that time, Mr. O'neal contacted the bishop of the Diocese of Upper South Carolina about purchasing the old McMeekin plantation for their new church. There was a large two-story house and two smaller ones. The first floor was used for the church and Sunday School with living quarters upstairs. In the early 1930s, an Episcopal church school was founded in the church building. Later, three other buildings were added for more classrooms.

In the early 1940s, a new church was built across the road and was given the name, St. Barnabas Episcopal Church. The old building continued to teach grades one through eight. Camp Liberty High School was added for grades nine through eleven. Since then, a new church building has been built (no date available), consisting of a parish house and a gym for community use.

It is hoped that other Black churches will contribute their histories to the Fairfield County Museum on 231 S. Congress St., Winnsboro.

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Q: Liz Johnson, I am the registrar of the Thomas Heyward Jr. DAR chapter in Beaufort. I have a prospective member that is descendant of Beat Turnipseed. He was formally an approved patriot but has been redlined because his previously approved service was actually performed by Pott Turnipseed. Records from the SC Archives were submitted with an application on Beat using the name Pott and the conclusion was drawn that these were separate individuals. In order to successfully submit an application for this prospective member I need to prove these two are the same person. In the family genealogy on the FCGS website on page 4 it states...The clerk made it out to Pott and later as Pottley but he signed it as Beat Reibsame. Can you point me in the direction of these records or any other that show this person used both names? I appreciate any help you can provide.

A: It seems to me that Beat and Potley (Pott) are different individuals. Beat Rebsamen 1720-1781, 5<sup>th</sup> child of Rudolph Rebsamen & Margaretha Thalmann Hans Beat Rebsamen (Turnipseed) 17XX-1832, 1st child of Beat Rebasamen Potley Turnipseed, 2<sup>nd</sup> child of Hans Beat Turnipseed and Mary Sybil Turnipseed

### **Generation 5:**

6. Rudolph Rebsamen \* 6-11-1682 + 11-7-1747 # 4-3-1713 Margaretha Thalmann

### Generation 6:

Beat Rebsamen \* Turbenthal, Switzerland 5-14-1720 + Camden District, South Carolina, will drawn 1-8-1781, proved 10-24-1782 [Ref: Book N 1, p 65 Probate Records Apt. 69, pkg. 2490, South Carolina]

### **Generation 7:**

Issue:

(all \* S. C.)

- Hans Beat Rebsamen (Turnipseed) # Mary Sybil
- 2. Jacob Turnipseed \* 12-25-1757 + 9-9-1819 # Katherine Vogt
- 3. Felix Turnipseed
- Mary Margareta Turnipseed

Hans Beat Turnipseed # Mary Sybil. They were residents of Richland District, South Carolina. Will written there 12-4-1832, naming the following children [Ref: Richland County Wills, V2, Bk. H, pp 167, 168 South Carolina Archives]



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### **Generation 8:**

G8 Issue: (all \* S. C.)

- 1. George Turnipseed (executor of his father's will)
- 2. Potley Turnipseed
- 3. John Turnipseed
- Elizabeth Turnipseed # George Lorick (also an executor of above will)
- 5. Miley Turnipseed # John Frishly
- 6. Nancy Turnipseed
- 7. Polly Turnipseed
- 8. John Nipper, Sr., (step-son)

Potley Turnipseed # Ann \_\_\_\_\_, was a resident of South Carolina during the American Revolution, Richland District, as evidenced by indents of South Carolina Archives AA 7967, pp 1Q, 6Q.

Series: Accounts Audited of Claims Growing Out of the Revolution (S108092)
Only for **Jacob, John** and **Pott** Turnipseed according to SC Dept. of History & Archives.

**Jacob** and **John** are only Turnipseed's mention in the book, "Roster of South Carolina Patriots in the American Revolution", by Bobby Gilmer Moss.

They may need to enter the DAR under an uncle. I have attached two PDF files from our Turnipseed family collection and a list of paid researchers from the SC Dept. of History & Archives.





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