

T H E      B R I C E      L I N E

The three original brices were born in Ballymena, County of Antrim Ireland. They came to this country about 1790. Their names are as follows:

- (Sons of William Brice and Jane McClure of County Antrim)
1. William Brice, Sr., Born 1760, died April 29th. 1849 (He is our Great Grand-father)
  2. John Brice, Died Oct. 20th. 1863
  3. James Brice

These three must have been grown men when they came to this country. We shall now take up their children:

1. WILLIAM BRICE:

William Brice was our great grand father, he being the father of Grace Jane Brice Douglas, the mother of our father, the mother of Rev. James Douglas, Alexander Brown Douglas and Charlie Douglas. William Brice was born in Ballymena, Antrim County, Ireland in 1760 and died in this country on April 29th. 1849. at the age of 89 years. He came to this country about 1790. We cannot say positively whom he married but think her name was Elizabeth Phillips. She died June 27th. 1838. The names of their children are as follows:

- James C. Brice, Born Oct. 3rd. 1791
- Grace Jane Brice Douglas, Born Dec. 24th. 1793 and died July 3rd. 1857. (Our Grand Mother).
- Jinet Brice Brice, Born Sept. 14th. 1796 Died July 19, 1869.
- Elizabeth Brice Stevenson, Born Feb. 18, 1800 Died Aug. 13th 1851.
- John and William Brice (Twins) born Feb. 1st. 1802
- Robert Brice, Born July 5th. 1809, died 1866.

2. JOHN BRICE:

We do not know who John Brice married. Their children (1758-1836) were: Mary Gardner (Garner)

were:

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| John Brice  | Peggy Brice |
| James Brice | Jinet Brice |

3. JAMES BRICE:

James Brice was a Tailor by trade and made a great deal of money, but this might be said about many others of his name, for it has been said that every Brice had the ability to make money and many of them were wealthy men. It has been said that James Brice frequently charges forty acres of land for making a suit of clothes and when drunk would boast of the amount of land he owned in both Chester and Fairfield County.

He married twice.		Their children were:
Robert Brice	}	First Marriage.
William Brice		
James Brice		
John Brice		
Nancy Brice Simonton		
Walter Brice		

Samuel Brice	}	Second Marriage
David Brice		
Jennie (Jinet) Brice		
Mary Brice Miller		
Janie Brice Gresham		

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

A. James C. Brice.

James C. Brice was born Oct. 3rd. 1891. He lived on Jackson Creek. He drank and did not get on well, don't know very much about him, think his wife was a Miss McVey, and they had a good many children. One was named Hohn Brice, don't know the names of the others.

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

B. Grace Jane Brice Douglas.

Grace Jane Brice Douglas, the mother of our father, Rev. James Douglas and the mother of Alexander Brown Douglas and the mother of Charlied Douglas was the daughter of William Brice. She was born Dec.

24th. 1793 and died July 3rd. 1857, in her sixty-fourth year. She married John Douglas, Feb. 11th. 1819. The names of their children are as follows:

William Douglas  
Alex Douglas  
John Douglas  
Grace Jane Douglas Sloan  
Charlie Douglas  
Elizabeth P. Douglas Irwin  
Robert L. Douglas

This same list can be found under the "Douglas", No. 1, John Douglas Family.

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

C. Jinet Brice Brice.

Jinet Brice was born Spet. 14th, 1796 and died July 19th. 1869. She married Robert Brice her first cousin, he was the son of James Brice. They had no children. They were married in old age, probably both were over sixty years old when they married. It is said that when they got ready to get married, they got in a buggy and rode to the preacher's house without letting him know what they were coming for, and the preacher not suspecting anything sat in the parlor and talked to them about the usual subjects of conversation, weather, crops, etc. till finally Robert Brice said to his prospective bride, "Well, Jane, we had better get the preacher to do what we came to have done" and thereupon the preacher proceeded to make them husband and wife.

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

D. Elizabeth Brice Stevenson.

Elizabeth Brice was born Feb. 18th. 1800 and died Aug. 13th. 1851. She married Robert Stevenson, the tallest man in the county. He was about seven feet tall. (Think he was called Long Robert). They never had any children.

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

E. John Brice:

John Brice was born Feb. 1st. 1802. He was known as "Partook" <sup>a twin</sup>

John. He married Miss Agnes Strong about 1860. their children are:

Christopher Brice.  
Johnnie Brice Chalmers.

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

F. William Brice. <sup>a twin</sup>

William Brice was born Feb. 1st. 1802. He married Martha Strong. They had a good many children, but as William Brice moved his family to Mississippi, nothing is known of them.

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

G. Robert Brice.

Robert Brice was born July 5th. 1809 and died in 1866. He

Never married.

(The foregoing in No. 1. are the descendants of William Brice. We shall now take up No. 2., the descendants of his brother John Brice.)

1. JOHN BRICE FAMILY.

A. John Brice.

John Brice married Jinet (or Jennie) Brice, his first cousin, the daughter of James Brice. Their children are:

John Brice  
Henry Brice  
Mary Brice Roddey Steele  
Sallie Brice  
William Brice  
Jane Brice Blain  
Nannie Brice  
Watt Brice  
Robert Brice  
Martha Brice  
David Brice

2. JOHN BRICE FAMILY.

B. James Brice.

James Brice married late in life a Miss Bolick. She was a young Girl. They had two children, a son and a daughter. The son went West James Brice was found dead hanging in the woods. There were different explanations as to how it might have happened, but it was commonly believed that he committed suicide.

2. JOHN BRICE FAMILY.

C. Peggy Brice,

Jinet Brice,

Neither of these ladies were married. They could tell every body's birthday in that country, both white and black. If persons got into a dispute about a date, they said well they could prove it by Miss Peggy or Miss Jinet.

( We shall now take up the descendants of James Brice No. 3 He is the third of the original Brice Brothers).

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

A. Robert Brice.

Robert Brice married a Miss Simonton. Their Children were:

Jane Brice Hemphill  
Margaret Brice McDonald  
John A Brice  
James Brice  
Robert Brice ( A Minister )  
Christopher Brice  
Walter Brice  
Martah Brice  
Charles Brice  
Armanda Brice  
Mary Brice  
Thomas Brice

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

B. William Brice,

William Brice married a Miss Simonton. Their Children are:

Margaret Brice Robinson  
Calvin Brice  
James Brice  
Jane Brice Young Brice  
William Brice  
Daughter married a Galloway  
Daughter married a Vinson  
Daughter married a Madden

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

C. James Brice. James Brice never married.

D. John Brice. John Brice never married.

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

E. Nancy Brice Simonton.

Nancy Brice married a Mr. Sington. Their children were:

Daughter died young.

James Simonton

Christopher Simonton

John Simonton

Charles Simonton

Walter Simonton ( One legged man, lived near New Hope)

Watt Simonton

Mary Simonton ( This may not be correct)

Margaret Simonton Boyce

Sarah Simonton Roddey

Martha Simonton Brice

Robert Simonton (Father of Bessie Simonton)

4. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

F. Walter Brice.

Walter Brice was a doctor. He married Emmiline Moore.  
Their children are:

Michael Brice (Killed in the War)

Scott Brice (Married Martha Simonton, First Cousin)

John Brice (Killed in the War)

Wade Brice, lives at Woodward

Thomas W. Brice, (Maj. Tom) lives at Woodward

Wilson Brice

Sam Brice

Lunsford Brice

Beckie Brice Roseborough Brice (Mother of Je nie and  
Rebie Brice of Rock Hill, S.C.)

5. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

G. Samuel Brice,

Samuel Brice married a Miss Price and they had several children  
but the children moved West. One daughter remained in the County and

married Robert Clowney. Some of the children of Robert Clowney and Margaret Brice Clowney are:

Sam Clowney Married Ella Blain  
Annie Clowney Married J.K. Johnson, Chester, S.C.  
Janie Clowney, married Dr. Charlie McLurkin, Chester, S.C.  
Maggie Clowney, married W.W. Brice, of Chester  
Ellen Clowney married a Crosby  
Lizzie Clowney married Dr. D. Coleman of Blackstock  
Roberta Clowney  
Robert Clowney

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

H. David Brice

David Brice married a Miss Young and some of their children are:

Young Brice  
David Brice  
Daughter married a Woodward  
Daughter married a Lumpkin  
Daughter married a Young and then a Mobley

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

I. Jinnie Brice Brice.

Jinnie Brice married John Brice, her first cousin, the oldest son of John Brice. If you will look under "No. 2 A." we shall find ~~the~~ these same children:

John Brice  
Henry Brice  
Mary Brice Roddey Steele  
Sallie Brice  
William Brice  
Janie Brice Blain  
Nannie Brice  
Watt Brice  
Robert Brice  
Mattha Brice  
David Brice

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

J. Mary Brice Miller.

Mary Brice married George Miller. Their Children were:

Eliza Miller Moore  
Gilland Miller, married Lizzie Sloan and lives in Winnsboro  
Sallie Miller  
David Miller  
Fannie Miller  
Mollie Miller Brice  
Sam Miller Lives in Chester, married a Hafner. He is a  
doctor.

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

K. Jane Brice Gresham.

Jane Brice Married a Mr. Gresham. Their children were:

Effie Gresham. Went to Brazil after the war.  
Other children.

The foregoing numbers 1,2 and 3 represent three original Brices, William, John and James. The capital letters under these numbers represent respectively their children, who are if not members of the same immediate family, first cousins. The children of the capital letters are grand children of the three original Brices. and it seems to me that they are either brothers , sisters, first cousins or second cousins. These children will nowbe represented by small letters and their families taken up.



1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

B. Jane Brice Douglas.

Jane Brice married John Douglas Feb. 11th, 1809. They had eight children. These children and their families have been taken up in the Douglas Line, under No. 1 and the letters A. to H. inclusively.

1. WILLIAM BRICE FAMILY.

E. John Brice

(a) Christopher Brice

Christopher Brice married Miss Mattie Bell. Their

children were:

Mark Brice  
Agnes Brice  
Charlie Brice  
and others

(b) Johnnie Brice married Rev. John Chalmers. Their children

were:

Agnes Chalmers  
Eva Chalmers and a son

2. JOHN BRICE FAMILY.

A. John Brice

(a) John Brice, never married.

(b) Henry Brice, married Mary Douglas, their children were:

Douglas Brice  
Janet Brice  
Mattie Brice  
Lois Brice  
Robert Brice

(c) William Brice, never married.

(d) Mary Brice, married first time Mr. Roddey. They had a daughter named Nettie Roddey. She married the second time Mr. Joe Steele. They had a daughter, Leila Steele. She lives in Rock Hill S.C.

(e) Sallie Brice, died while a young woman.

(f) William Brice, Never married

(g) Nannie Brice, Never married.

(h) Jane Brice, Married James Blain. Their children are:

Ella Blain Clowney  
Lula Blain Hicklin  
Carrie Blain  
J. Melville Blain  
Walter E. Blain  
Janie Blain  
Margaret Blain  
Nannie Blain

(j) Watt Brice. married the first time a Mrs. Young. I think she was a daughter of William Brice, who was the son of the original James Brice, and if so, she was a second cousin. There were no children. Watt Brice married the second time Carrie Caldwell. Their children are as follows:

Helen Brice

Kathryne Brice

Others died.

The family, parents and children live at Blackstock.

- (j) Robert Brice )  
(k) Martha Brice )  
(l) David Brice ( Don't know what became of these three.

### 3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

#### A. Robert Brice.

(a) Jane Brice Hemphill, Jane Brice married a Hemphill. Don't know much about the family. Think one daughter, Margaret Hemphill married a Gaston, an uncle of Arthur Gaston. She now lives in Chester with Judge Gage.

(b) Margaret Brice McDonald. Margaret Brice married a Minister named McDonald.

(c) John A. Brice. John A Brice married Beckie Brice, the daughter of Dr. Walter Brice, the second time. Don't know whom he married the first time. Their children are:

Jennie Brice )

Rebie Brice { They live near Rock Hill (See further)

(c) John A Brice married a Miss Bell the first time, the second time a Miss Caldwell, and the third time Mrs. Beckie Brice Roseborough. Their children were Clarence, Jennie, Rebie, Mrs. Kitchen and possibly others.

(d) James Brice. James Brice left the State.

(e) Robert Brice. Robert Brice was a Minister. He married a Miss \_\_\_\_\_ . Their children are:

Ashbell Brice of Chester  
Steele Brice of York S.C.  
Mrs. Brice-Caldwell of Chester.

(f) Christopher Brice. Christopher Brice married a Miss Couch. Think one daughter was named Ella Brice and married Rev. Mr. Morris of Atlanta, Ga. Am not sure whether this is correct or not.

(g) Walter Brice. I think Walter Brice was a doctor, but know nothing else about him.

(h) Charles Brice. Charles Brice married a Miss Hinton and their children are Charles Brice and possibly other.

(i) Thomas Brice. Thomas Brice known as <sup>Shanty Tom</sup> (~~SHANTY TOM~~) married Miss Adams. Their Children are:

Burton Brice  
Mamie Brice  
Leslie Brice  
and maybe more.

(j) Martha Brice )  
(k) Mary Brice )  
(l) Amanda Brice ) Know nothing about these.

### 3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

#### B. William Brice.

(a) Margaret Brice Robinson. Margaret Brice married Rev. D.P. Robinson. Their children are:  
Springs Robinson  
Henry Robinson  
Lee Robinson and Maggie Robinson

(b) Calvin Brice. Calvin Brice married Miss Wallace. Their children are:

George Brice, lives in Charlotte, N.C.  
William Brice, dead  
Homer Brice Lives near Woodward  
Maek Brice Lives near York, S.C. at hi Grandfather  
Wallace's Old Home.  
Evis Brice Brice Lives near Woodward.  
Ruth Brice Lives with her father at Woodward  
Wallace Albert Brice lives at Woodward

(c) James Brice James Brice lives at Winnsboro, S.C. He married twice..Miss McDonald first and their children are:

Paul Brice  
Pressly Brice  
James Brice  
Charles Brice and Others  
Brice

(d) Jané Brice Young. Jane Brice married a Mr. Young first and Watt Brice second. Think there were no children by the second marriage. Of the first marriage there was Maggie Young and another daughter because two married Caldwells. Married Watt Brice second time. Their children are Helen and Katherine Brice.

(e) William Brice. William Brice married a Miss Vinson. Their children were:

Macie Brice and others. They went to Florida.

(f) \_\_\_\_\_ (Brice) Vinsons. This daughter married John Vinson. Children were:

Walter Vinson  
Lillian Vinson  
and others. They went to Texas.

(g) \_\_\_\_\_ (Brice) Madden. This daughter married Mr. Madden. Their children are:

Campbell Madden  
Mamie Madden  
and others.

3. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.

F. Walter Brice

(A) Scott Brice. Scott Brice married his first cousin Martha Simonton.

(b) Wade Brice. Wade Brice married Miss Watson. Their children are:

Ida Brice Waters	Dead
Dick Brice	Lives near Woodward
Lunsford Brice	
Wade Brice	Lives at Woodward
Michael Brice	
Wilson Brice	
One Dead	

~~(c)~~  
(c) Thomas Brice. Thomas Brice known as Maj. Tom married Nannie Boyce. Their children are:

John M. Brice.	Doctor lives at Shester
Robert Brice	
Thomas Brice.	Lives at Woodward
Lawrence Brice	Lives at Woodward
Sam Brice	Lives at Woodward
Jim and Jow Brice	(Twins)
Nannie Boyce Brice	

(d) Wilson Brice	)	
(e) Sam Brice	)	Don't know much about these three
(f) Lunsford Brice	)	

(g) Beckie Brice Roseborough Brice. Beckie Brice married first a Mr. Roseborough. They had one daughter, Emmie Roseborough, who married a Mr. McAfee.

Beckie Brice Roseborough married the second time John A. Brice, her first Cousin. Their children are Jennie Brice and Rebie Brice.

It seems to me that the children of those indicated by the small letters are all brothers, sisters, first, second or third cousins.

**B. JAMES BRICE FAMILY.**

F. Dr. We ... Family.

(c) The ... Brice family.

- (1) John M. Brice. A Doctor lives in Chester. Married Miss Bessie Hardin
- (2) Robert Brice, A Merchant at Woodward, S.C.
- (3) Thomas W. Brice, Jr. Farmer at Woodward. Married his second cousin, Evie Brice.
- (4) Lawrence Brice, Farmer at Woodward.
- (5) Sam Brice, Merchant at Woodward, married Elizabeth Daugherty.
- (6) Jim Brice Manager Packing House, Florida
- (7) Joe Brice Manager Packing House, Columbia, S.C.
- (8) Nannie Boyce Brice

The three original Brice Brothers who came over from Ireland had an older brother, named Walter Brice, who remained in Ireland on account of his rights as first born son. One of his sons came over, his name being John Brice. He dealt in cattle and was called "Cow John" and his children are:

- William Brice
- Mary Brice
- Elizabeth Brice (Married Mr. Elder, Lived in Winnsboro, S.C.)
- William Brice was known as "Billy Brice." He

married Peggy Hutchinson. Their Children are:

- John Brice, Doctor in Kentucky
- White W. Brice, Lives in Chester
- Maggie Brice, Married John Turner
- Walter Brice, Lives in Rock Hill, S.C. Married Willie Belle Reid.
- Nettie Brice, Lives in Chester with her brother Married John M. Wise
- White W. Brice.

The ancestors of the Douglas' and Brices' went from Scotland on account of religious persecutions, to Antrim County Ireland, and from there to this country. They did not like to be called Irish or have their name spelled with the double "S" as that implied to them that they were Irish Catholics, ~~while they were actually Scotch Presbyterians.~~

The foregoing was written October, 1904, by Robert L. Douglas, from notes dictated to him August 24th, 1904 by his uncle Charles Douglas of Wignsboro, South Carolina and from notes dictated by our father Rev. James Douglas about three years before this time, to my sister Margaret M. Douglas.

Signed R.L. Douglas.

(Some names have been added since the above date).