

These Brice went from S. C. to Wilkinson Co. Miss., Miller Co. Ark.,
Louisiana & Texas. One.

In reference to the Preface in the "History of the Brice Family", Paternity of the three sons, William, Samuel, and James Brice, and the two daughters, Jane Brice Ambrose, and Dorcas Brice, had not been established with certainty, further research has been made with the following results:

There is no question, but that William Brice and Sarah Reid Brice are the parents of the above children.

1. The Claiborne Parish U.S. Census of 1840, lists the household of Sarah Brice as follows:

Sarah Brice: Males= 70 to 80= One; 60 to 70= One
Females=70 to 80=One; 30 to 40= One

2. The Obituary of James Brice (p.81 of the Brice History) indicated that he first settled in what was then known as the wilds of Natchitoches Parish, the earliest land transactions were consulted in Township, 18, North Range 6, West in the District of Natchitoches, which showed a land purchase by:

Sarah Brice, Tract 57 A, Page 138 by Act 1834
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Section 21, Township 18, Range 6 West
158.72 Acres @ \$1.25 per Acre; Purchase
Price \$198.40 on Sept. 25th 1835 by
William and Sarah Brice, Receipt No. 2235

Then on the same date, September 25, 1835,
Jane Reid and Dorcas Brice, Purchased by Act 1834
SE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 21, Township 18, Range 6 West
158.72 Acres of land @ \$1.25 per Acre;
Purchase Price \$198.40, No. of Receipt
and Certificate, 2233.

Then on November 19, 1835,
James and William Reid, By Act 1834, purchased
in NE $\frac{1}{4}$, Section 21, Township 18, Range 6 West
158.72 Acres of land @ \$1.25 per Acre;
Purchase Price, \$198.40; Certificate and
Purchase Receipt No. 2433.

It is interesting to note that the above properties purchased by Sarah and William Brice, Jane Reid and Dorcas Brice, and James and William Reid were all adjoining and located in Section 21, Township 18, R.6. West which is significant in itself.

County, North Carolina, 1746-1800, published in 1993 by Henryetta Walls Vanaman of Conway, Arkansas. The book contains the verbatim notes of Thomas McAdory Owen, who began the work in 1895, but never completed the genealogies.

Our sincere appreciation goes to Hope Coslett Pees of Aurora, Colorado, who furnished much of the material for this article. Mrs. Pees not only descends from the Williams, Hendersons and Jouetts, but also from the prominent Cherokee families of Foreman and Bushyhead.

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REVISITING THEIR ROOTS: SISTERS RETURN TO VISIT FAIRFIELD, OLD ALBION HOMESTEAD

Janet Brice Hardin and Nora Smith Hardin of Lakeland, Fla., recently spent several days in Winnsboro. While here, some friends from Lebanon Presbyterian Church took them sightseeing around Fairfield County and Sunday some friends took them to New Home ARP Church for service and out for lunch later. Monday, their first cousin, Laurie Brice and his wife, came from McCormick and another couple joined them for lunch. Then he took them to see his sister, Zelma Brice, and out to see New Hope Cemetery where the tombstones had recently been cleaned.

They also visited the Fairfield County Museum and donated four coin teaspoons and one serving spoon which had belonged to their great-grandparents, Alexander Douglass and Jennett Simonton Douglass, that were used at their home, Albion. The silver had "JD" on it and they saw identical silver on display. They always spelled their name Douglass, but later some of the families changed to Douglas.

Their grandmother, daughter of Alexander and Jennett Douglass, and her niece, Martha Bell, daughter of Edward and Martha Bell, had a double wedding, Mary married James Henry Brice and Martha married A.J. Hamilton. Martha did not live long after marriage and is buried in the Old Stone Presbyterian cemetery.

Children of Mary and Henry Brice were: Eugene Douglas Brice, Robert Henry Brice, Mary Janet Brice, Mattie Bell Brice and Lois Rebecca Brice. They lived at Woodward, and belonged to New Home ARP Church.

The Hardin's parents were Mattie Bell Brice and Joe Neely Hardin, Jr. They were married Feb. 17, 1904, and they lived at the Bell Place, one of the older of the pre-Revolutionary homes in Fairfield County. Janet was born in Woodward June 6, 1905. Not long after they moved to Chester and lived at the Hardin home in Capers Chapel Community a few miles out of Chester. Two sons and two daughters were born at the old home.

After her husband died the family lived a few years there and then moved into Chester. In 1925 they moved to Lakeland, Fla., to be near their father's brothers and families. Smith and Carter Hardin were Methodist ministers. Smith was minister at First Methodist Church in Lakeland from 1902 through 1905. The other brother, Clawson, was a railroad conductor for the old Atlantic Coast Line (now Seaboard Coastline Railroad).

One when Janet and her mother had visited their brother and uncle's family, the mother wanted to stop and see her uncle's home which had formerly been the Fairfield Inn, home of Alexander Scott Douglas. He bought the home from S. B. Clowney about 1878, and his family made this their home for many years, and the old place became known as the Douglas House, even after it was sold to Mary Kilgore in 1919, who, in turn sold it to the United Rubber Company in 1923.

Janet is a retired secretary and Nora is retired from General Telephone as head cashier. They like to travel and have been to Ballyman, County Antrim, Northern Ireland where the Brice families came from to Fairfield County.

MY HARDEN-HARDIN ANCESTORS OF CHESTER, S. C.

JANET HARDIN

1. GG GRANDPARENTS: John Harden b. Dec. 11, 1763 d. Feb. 28, 1816
 GG GRANDMOTHER: Hannah Boyd b. 1767 d. Oct. 5, 1839

Children: Henry Harden b. Sept. 19, 1789
 Nancy Boyd Harden b. Dec. 25, 1792
 William Harden b. May 10, 1794
 Charles Harden b. Aug. 25, 1796
 George Harden Twins b. Aug. 25, 1796
 Ralph McHarden b. Nov. 25, 1798
 John Sealy Harden b. Dec. 27, 1801
 Peter Harden b. Feb. 15, 1803
 Elizabeth Harden b. June 25, 1805
 * David Neely Harden b. Aug. 11, 1807
 d. Dec. 20, 1902
 Moses Smith Harden b. Dec. 25, 1810
 Mary Ann Harden b. Oct. 18, 1812
 Jincy Cloud Harden b. Dec. 27, 1815

* My ggg father

2. G Grandfather David Neely Harden b. Aug. 11, 1807
 G Grandmother Catherine Elizabeth Carter b. Sept. 2, 1819

Children Mary Ann Married G.W. Simpson
 Joe Neely was my grandfather

3. Grandfather: Joe Neely Hardin b. Aug. 11, 1846
 Grandmother Rhoda Anna Beam b. Sept. 18, 1846
 Married Dec. 25, 1868

Children: Smith b. Oct. 16, 1869
 Martha Catherine b. Nov. 1871
 * Joe Neely Hardin, Jr. b. Aug. 27, 1872
 Carrie Elizabeth b. June 7, 1874
 David Eli b. 1876
 Mary Lee b. Jan. 7, 1878
 Charles Clawson b. Dec. 18, 1879
 John Harvey b. Nov. 23, 1881
 Posy Carlisle b. July 18, 1882
 Sallie Lena b. May 1885
 Henry Carter b. July 24, 1887
 * My father Nellie Traywick b. Oct. 26, 1890

4. Father Joe Neely Hardin, Jr. b. Aug. 27, 1872
 d. Nov. 10, 1913
 Mother Mattie Bell Brice b. Nov. 27, 1875
 d. Oct. 26, 1959

Children: Janet Brice Hardin b. June 6, 1905
 Joe Neely Hardin, III b. March 21, 1907
 Harvey McConnell Hardin b. Jan. 24, 1909
 Nora Smith Hardin b. May 4, 1911
 Mattie Bell Hardin b. April 19, 1913