

(Part 1)

name of one girl (H. or K. ^{correct name Keziak Edwards per will, 1824.} ~~izziah~~). She married a Mr. Eddings on the Alabama river.

4/II Joseph Ferguson b. 1767 possibly married Emily ~~or~~ Dulce lived in Jackson, Ala. in 1800. ^{per Mr. E. Tyler}

^{Correct name Annes, per will of her brother Abraham dated 1824.}

5/II Anrice (or Anney) Ferguson, b. June 11, 1769.

Married man named A.H. (Lesterfield or Testerfield)
^{Correct name Jurbeville, per}
 were near Baton Rouge, La. above will dated 1824.

6/II Henderson Ferguson b. Aug. 19, 1770.

He went to Bahama Islands. He married, had one child, and died. The child, a daughter, married a man by the name of Butler.

(1772) 7/II James Ferguson, b. Sept. 30, 1772.

Married in S.C., went to Tenn., and died there leaving 6 or 7 children.

8/II Abraham Ferguson b. Jan. 11, 1775.

(1775) Died without heirs. - except a - B.
 (Anna who married a Mr. Hunter.)

9/II Isaac Ferguson, b. Jan. 24, 1778.

(1778) Married in S.C. to Isabell Cason.
 Went to Fla. and died, leaving 3

Children, David, Elizabeth, and Isaac.
Elizabeth married to Mr. Whiddon (or
Whiddom).

10/ → Correct name Myriana per her brother Abraham Well 1824.
11/ Myrum (or Marian) Ferguson - b;

Feb. 9, 1780. Married in S.C. to
Thomas Lumpkin (or Lumpkin) Correct name
Lumpkin
per above well
1824.
Had 4 children Troy, Abram,
Thomas & Sarah.

X
my family
B.D.

11/ Jacob Ferguson. b. March 26, 1782.
Married Elizabeth Dubose. Jan 16, 1810
at Millidgeville, Ga. They raised
15 children. The courthouse at
Millideville, Ga. burned down
in 1861. Their marriage certificate
was never returned to be recorded
at the new courthouse.

Jacob Ferguson record continued
above.

12/ Anna Henderson is a stepson of
old grandmother Ferguson (or Annie
Henderson & went to Ga.)

Records taken from old family Bibles
and letters are sent by Lydia (Ferguson)
Athins.

(Part 1)

Actives, 1999.

Old records verified and additional facts given by paper written by Elizabeth Ferguson, wife of Isaac Ferguson. Paper dated 1858.

Copies! This record made on May 27
1955 by Elizabeth Ferguson Koberson (?)
at 284 1/2 Olive Street, Porterville Calif.

Ferguson

Wife of Abraham + Joseph

- Ferguson in SC Roster of Resolutions
- " " Camden Dist Will & Adm
- " " Reuben Book
- " " Cemetery Records Camden Book
- " " Chester County Marriages 1778-1879
- " " Fairfield " " (women)
- " " Scole's Irish Migration

F E R G U S O N

The first white settlers in Chester County, or what is now Chester County, came here in the 1740's and settled in what is now called the Rocky Mount area. The first land grants known in that section were made ca. 1742, however, since it took at least a year or so to make the grants after the land was located and platted by the surveyor, it may have been that the earliest settlers were here by the late 1730's.

While the first settlers were few, Braddock's Defeat in Virginia in 1755 and the ensuing raids and massacres of the white settlers there brought streams of new people into the Piedmont from what is now West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Virginia.

In this very early period there was not a clear and definite boundary line between North and South Carolina. Many land grants which later fell into Lancaster, Chester and York Counties in South Carolina, were made by the Governor of North Carolina & at the time of the original grant, thought to be in North Carolina. The boundary was finally definitely set in 1771/1772, when the line between the two states was surveyed and the demarcation established by order of GEORGE III, King of England.

There are many deeds now of record in Chester and other counties which prove this, and many North Carolina deeds and wills, filed in N. C. which attest the same.

Item: ANSON COUNTY N. C. EARLY WILLS..

WILL of DAVID FERGUSON (Ferguson) which was signed 22 December 1761 names

Wife.. " if she has a child"

Sisters: MARY...SARAH...JANE.. Extrs are PETER KULP & SAMUEL NEELY
Wtns : ROBERT McCREARY & ROBERT WALKER

This document above shows FERGUSONS, CULPS, NEELEYS, etc. in this area as early as 1761.

Though this was filed in Anson County N. C. all the participants involved lived in Chester County and in the Fishing Creek area. I have further research if you should want it on this family (sisters) of DAVID.

DAR material states that SAMUEL FERGUSON was born in Ireland which is probably true. We know that his brother was JAMES FERGUSON, given a commission as Colonel in the British Army, and that he, COLONEL JAMES FERGUSON, was killed at the Battle of Williamson's Plantation, also called the Battle of HUCK'S DEFEAT... It is quite possible that SAMUEL had other family members living in this area...that they came down from Pennsylvania or Virginia, having come through Philadelphia or other ports .

I have searched in depth for father of SAMUEL FERGUSON but had no success.

The intestacy of COL. JAMES FERGUSON, brother to SAMUEL, is found in the old CAMDEN, DISTRICT records . It was not filed until 1785, and SAMUEL FERGUSON (presumably his brother) and ROBERT FERGUSON were Bondsmen to the administration to MARY (X) FERGUSON the widow. No other heirs are mentioned.

SAMUEL FERGUSON

Will

Sg. 31 May 1817

Proven 13 November 1817

SAMUEL FERGUSON, " of Big Rocky Creek, Chester District
and State of South Carolina.."

" very old and weak.."

File # 20-305

Names in his will:

ISABELLA ... " beloved wife..." negros..household goods..stock..etc."

SAMUEL.....Son...a minor.." till SAMUEL comes of age..."

MARGARET FERGUSON...a Daughter.." as Margaret is incapable of caring for herself"

JOSEPH FERGUSON...Son .. " negro named Tom.."

AGNES McKEOWN...Daughter.. " One negro named RATCHEL.." Daughter

MARY...No surname...One negro named ALY Jnr.

ISABELLA BAILEY...Grand daughter... Negro JEAN

JAMES FERGUSON...Son and Sole Executor

MALINDA MORGAN

MARY MORGAN

) Grand daughters " a bond for \$ 400 which I have on
) their father.."

Gard. Jamieson
Zach. Hicklin/
William Robertson

Papers in this file show that:

JOSEPH FERGUSON went to MERRIMETHER Co. Ga.

MARY FERGUSON wed WILLIAM FERGUSON and both are buried in HOPEWELL BAPTIST CHURCHYARD
in Chester County, S. C. Viz:

MARY FERGUSON/ wife of WILLIAM FERGUSON/ 22 January 1796/ 20 Sept. 1870

WILLIAM FERGUSON/ Died 22 Oct. 1874/ aged 80 years/ 8 mos/ 22 days/

ISABELLA BAILEY, the grand daughter/ wed by 11 Oct. 1819/ JOHN HEATH

GEORGE McKEOWN gave receipt for the share of AGNES McKEOWN

TURNER MORGAN, father to MARY & MALINDA MORGAN, gave receipt for their share.

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JAMES FERGUSON, son of SAMUEL, (other records prove he wed MARY STINSON)
JAMES FERGUSON according to his tombstone which is near his father's
in CATHOLIC PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHYARD, died 5 May 1850, aged 68 years/ 8 mos/ 5 days/
A Ruling Elder 30 years at this church /
This JAMES, born 1 January 1782, was the eldest child of his parents, who were
wed ca. late April or early May of 1780.

The Scotch-Irish pattern of nomenclature was to name the first son after the paternal
grandfather. Thus it is probable that the father of SAMUEL was named JAMES. However
here it might be well to remember that in 1780, at the Battle of HUCK's Defeat, SAMUEL
had lost his brother, who was also named JAMES, so this eldest son may have been
the namesake of his brother JAMES.

Also buried in CATHOLIC is MARY (STINSON) wife of JAMES FERGUSON

MARY FERGUSON/ Died 16 Dec. 1843/ aged 54 years/ 2 mos/ 1 day/

There is no will or estate file for this JAMES in Chester Court House, and
he may have divided his property prior to his death, thus have left nothing to
divide. I will check the deeds next week & see if he sold his land.

In the Mary Strange papers, there is given the following data:

MARY STINSON wed JAMES FERGUSON, son of SAMUEL FERGUSON & ISABELLA BARBER

To them were born nine children: 7 girls & 2 boys

Eldest daughter Isabella married JASON HICKLIN

2nd dtr. ELIZABETH married a MR. STERLING

3rd dtr. AGNES married a Mr. COLEMAN

4th dtr. KATE married a Mr. GRAFTON

5th daughter MARY ANN married a MR. HINDMAN

6th dtr. HEPZIBAH married DR. WM. STEVENSON

7th dtr. JANE married a Mr. HALL

WILLIAM, the first son of JAMES & MARY (STINSON) FERGUSON married a MR. WADE

BARBER FERGUSON, the second son & last child married three times but I have
no record of his wives or his family.

NOTE: LKC : The MARY STRANGE papers were records accumulated by the late mrs.
MARY (WYLIE) STRANGE, noted historian on Chester County history and families.

B A R B E R

The ship LORD DUNLUCE arrived from Ireland in the port of Charleston sometime in late December in the year 1772. On 6 January 1773 the passengers of the ship, who were a part of the REV. WILLIAM MARTIN's colony of COVENANTERS made their petitions for land :

COUNCIL JOURNAL 37, pp 15-25 -Meeting of 6 January 1773

Listed here were

SAMUEL BARBER200a land

JAMES BARBER100a land

ISABEL BARBER100a land

JOSEPH BARBER100a land

SAMUEL BARBER was the father of ISABELLA BARBER who wed SAMUEL FERGUSON (see the chart)

Land grants show us that SAMUEL BARBER , being granted 200a land, probably had himself (headright of 100a) a wife (50a) and a child (50a.)

ISABELLA (or ISABEL as shown above) was evidently a single girl of 16 years or over and was thus entitled to her own headright of 100a land . Dtr. of SAMUEL

JAMES BARBER (Son of SAMUEL) was, as his land grant shows, a single man 16 years old or above. He rec'd 100a land.

JOSEPH BARBER was evidently married with one child when he came to South Carolina. He received 200a land, 100a for his own headright, and 50a additional for each dependent.

Mrs. ELLET, in her WOMEN of the AMERICAN REVOLUTION, Vol III, tells us that JOSEPH BARBER was taken prisoner by the BRITISH and starved to death in Camden jail. JAMES BARBER, along with WILLIAM ANDERSON, who was also in the COVENANTER group, was killed by the BRITISH " while crossing the bars at NEELY's " ISABELLA BARBER wed " a little before the fall of CHARLESTON " SAMUEL FERGUSON.

This would place their marriage in April or May 1780 as Charleston fell in May of 1780.

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There is no way of finding out the death date of SAMUEL BARBER, father of ISABELLA and none of the source material available gives us the name of his wife, not even the given name. We know that SAMUEL BARBER was alive in 1780, when JAMES FERGUSON, who had been made a Colonel in the British Army, came to his (SAMUEL BARBER's) home to attempt to recruit SAMUEL FERGUSON for the Loyalist (British) Army. But a search into the records of Chester County and also into the early Camden District records reveal no will or estate file for SAMUEL BARBER.

The records for Chester County were probably all kept in Camden 1776-1780. Prior to that time all the S. C. records were kept in Charleston but after the British forces overran the State of South Carolina in the early days of the Revolution, travel to Charleston became so dangerous for people in the Up-Country that legal documents such as wills, deeds, etc. were either filed in Camden or else held by the family involved.

When the two Battles (CAMDEN, 16 Aug. 1780 and HOBKIRK HILL 25 April 1781) were fought in the Camden area the commanders of the British Forces (Lord Cornwallis at CAMDEN & LORD RAWDON at Hobkirk Hill) order buildings to be razed. It is said that it was Lord Rawdon after the Battle of Hobkirk Hill who ordered the burning of what was at the time Camden Court House.

Early in 1782, records were again kept at Camden, which became the seat of Camden District, a judicial District. From 1782-1789 wills were filed and intestate estates were administered there. In 1785 the S. C. Counties were formed and beginning in that year, land records were recorded here in Chester Court House. In 1789 the Court of Ordinary was established in the individual counties and from that time until the present all records have been filed here.

Mrs. ELLET, in her chapter on ISABELLA BARBER says that ISABELLA died in 1820, and also states that she & her family are buried in old Catholic Burying Ground. I believe that SAMUEL BARBER is also buried there, and that he probably died soon after the Revolution. If he had a gravemarker, it is not there now.

Mrs. Ellet was somewhat in error about the date of Isabella Barber's death. Her gravestone reads :

ISABELLA FERGUSON / Died 9 October / 1823 / aged 69 years /

By her side her husband:

SAMUEL FERGUSON / Died 8 June 1817 / aged 62 years /

Thus we see that SAMUEL was born in 1755 and ISABELLA was born 1754.

SAMUEL FERGUSON did not actually serve on the American side during the American Revolution, but he rendered Patriot Service (aided on the American side) and his descendants are eligible for DAR membership on this service.

It is a proven DAR line.

We continue with FERGUSON

Dear Kathleen,

This is a copy of the Marriages, Births, Deaths listed in the old Bible I have:

(hand written in the front of the Bible)

J. B. Fergusons Book

Bought at Auction Price \$7.50

It was Published By J. B. Lippincott and Co. 1848--Philadelphia

I hope I read all of the spelling correctly. The style of writing has changed some since some of this was written and I may have mis: read some of the lettering.

I hope this will be of some help to you in putting to-gether the family tree. If there is any way I might help please let me know.

Sincerely,
John Ford.

MARRIAGES

J. B. Ferguson and
Sarah S. Rufsell were
Married Jan. 29, 1846.

J. B. Ferguson and
Nannie L. Buchanan were
Married Nov. 26, 1851.

J. B. Ferguson and
Mary E. Buchanan were
married May 28, 1857.

John L. Ford and
Sallie S. Ferguson
were Married January 27, 1870
By Rev. Jelle Boyd.

Robt. J. McIlwaine and
Anna M. Ford were Married
April 15, 1896 By Rev. R. A.
Yongie.

Barber Ferguson Ford
and Margaret Lee Glass were
Married December 22, 1909
By Rev. Yarbrough.

DEATHS

Sarah S. Ferguson wife
of J. B. Ferguson departed
this life April 20, 1850.

Nannie L. Ferguson wife
of J. B. Ferguson departed
this life June 22, 1855.

Jno. Rea Buchanan
son of J. B. and Nannie
L. Ferguson departed this
life Feb. 15, 1859.

July 23, 1855

Wm. Reuben Buchanan
son of J. B. and M. E.
Ferguson departed this
life Feb. 15, 1859

J. Barber Ferguson
departed this life Feb. 19, 1875

Georg Pierce Ferguson
departed thi life Sept. 1, 1875

DEATHS

Leslie H. Ford son
Of J. L. Ford and S. S. Ford
departed this life Jan. 27, 1898.

J. L. Ford husband of
S. S. Ford departed
this life August 1, 1911.

S. S. Ford departed
this life May. 31, 1916
wife of John L. Ford.

Susie G. Ford departed
this life Feb. 14, 1944.

BIRTHS

Jas. Osburn Ferguson
was born Nov. 12, 1848.

Sarah Susannah Ferguson
was born April 16, 1850.

John Rea Buchanan
was born June 15, 1855.

Wm. Reuben Buchanan
was born Sept. 16, 1858.

Nannie Rea Heath
was born Sept. 16, 1859.

Jen. Asbury Gamewell
was born July 30, 1861.

William Hicklin Buchanan
was born Feb. 21, 1864.

Reuben Hicklin
was born 5, March 1866.

Mary Charlotte
was born Sept. 17, 1868.

Jane Label
was born Jan. 7, 1872.

George Pierce
was born June 7, 1874.

Leslie H. Ford
was born 28, Nov. 1870.

Anna May Ford
was born 10, Dec. 1872.

Susie G. Ford
was born 9 March 1880.

Nannie Rea Ford
was born Aug. 27, 1882.

Barber Ferguson Ford
was born 16 April 1885.

BIRTHS OF THE CHILDREN OF MARGARET AND FERGUSON FORD

Edith Leslie Ford was
born January 5, 1911.

Burton Alexander Ford
was born June 7, 1916.

Lois Christine Ford was
born May 20, 1912.

Julian Long Ford
was born May 13, 1918.

John Ferguson Ford
was born March 16, 1914.

Dorothy May Ford was
born March 5, 1921.

BIRTHS

Sammie Porter born
March 17, 1942, son of
Edith and Sam Porter.

Margaret Ann Ford born
March 8, 1948 daughter
of John and Evelyn Ford.

Camille Ford and Wayne
Ford born 20, 1949, daugh-
ter and son of Julin and
Nanof Ford.

Marsh Dean Ford born June
9, 1950 Daughter of Burton
and Doris Ford.

MARRIAGES

Edith Ford and Sam Porter
were married June 25, 1937.

Burton Ford and Doris Harri-
son were married Sept. 1, 1946

Dorothy Ford and Russell
were married June 14, 1944.

John Ford and Evelyn Corwell
were married Feb. 14, 1947.

Julia Ford and Loyal
were married March 21, 1941.

Family Record

My father John R. Buchanan son of Wm. and Nancy Buchanan was born 17 Feb. 1797, in Antrim Co. Ireland. His father died in 1813, carrying the responsibility of providing for a widowed mother, and three sisters on him when a mere boy; unregretfully, his educational advantages were limited. At the suggestion of his uncle Capt. John Buchanan who previously emigrated to America, and settled in the town of Winnsboro, Fairfield District, South Carolina; the entire family left their native land and came to this country, in 1818. The names of the three sisters respectively, were Mary Ann, (afterward Mrs Carlisle) Rachel (Mrs McCreeght) and Nancy (Mrs Lewis) excellent women, of strong christian character. Their mother died 13 Nov. 1829. After my father's arrival in Winnsboro, and through the influence of Capt. Buchanan, he was elected to take office of **Ordinary of Fairfield District**, which place he filled with great satisfaction, the remainder of his life.

He and my mother Miss Charlotte N. Hicklin, daughter of Wm. and Sarah Hicklin of Chester District--were married 24 Nov. 1830. To them were born five children. Wm. Reuben, born Feb. 26, 1832. Nancy Sarah born Sep 15, 1833. Mary Elizabeth born Dec. 26, 1834. John Hicklin born Aug. 17, 1836. James Rae born Sep. 18, 1838. All lived to the age of maturity.

Nancy Buchanan was Nancy Ray Wilson
daughter of Nancy Ray Wilson &
Nancy M. William Buchanan

Family Record

Marriages

John R. Buchanan and Charlotte N. Hicklin were married Nov. 17th 1830, by Rev. Wm. M. Kennedy.

Marriages of Their Children

J Barber Ferguson and Nancy S. Buchanan were married Nov. 26th 1851, by Rev. E. G. Maynardie.

J. B. Ferguson and Mary E. Buchanan were married May 28th 1857, by Samuel Townsend.

John H. Buchanan and Mary A. Mobley were married Nov. 10th 1874, by Rev. W. P. Kramer.

Marriages of the Grand-Children Of J. R. and C. N. Buchanan

Nannie Rea Ferguson and James B. Stevenson were married Dec. 11th 1884, by Rev. A. J. Canthen.

William B. Ferguson and Ella S. Stevenson were married Nov. 24th 1886, by J. L. McLin.

M. Lottie Ferguson and W. G. Peebles were married Nov. 18th 1889, by Rev. H.F. Chreitzberg.

J. Gamewell Ferguson and Lizza Weaver were married May 8th 1894, by Rev. J. B. Loy.

Janie Belle Ferguson and J. G. Cunningham were married Dec. 28th 1893, by Rev. J. E. Grier

Family Record

Births

John R. Buchanan was born in County Antrim, Ireland, Feb. 17th 1797.

Births

Charlotte N. Buchanan, wife of John R. Buchanan and daughter of Wm. and Sarah Hicklin was born in Chester District, S. C. July 28, 1810.

Births of Their Children

Wm Reuben Buchanan was born in Fairfield District, S. C. Feb. 26, 1832.

Mary Elizabeth Buchanan was born in Fairfield District, S. C. Dec. 26, 1834.

Nancy Sarah Buchana was born in Chester District, S. C. Sept. 15th 1833.

John Hicklin Buchanan was born in Fairfield District, S. C. Aug. 17, 1836

James Rae Buchanan was born in Fairfield District, S. C. Sept. 18th 1838.

Marriges of their Children

Nancy Sarah Buchanan and J. Barber Ferguson were married 26 Nov. 1851. Rev. E. J. Meynardie officiating Mary Elizabeth Buchanan and J. Barber Ferguson were married 28 May 1857. Rev. S. Townsend officiating John Hicklin Buchanan and Miss Araminta Mobley were married Nov. 10, 1874, Rev. W. P. Kramer officiating.

Deaths of Their Children

Wm. Reuben son of J. R. and C. N. Buchanan Died Dec. 5, 1852.
 Nannie S. Ferguson daughter of J. R. and C. N. Buchanan Died June 22, 1855.
 James Rae youngest son of J. R. and C. N. Buchanan Died 17 March 1864, in Virginia at Chimbaraza Hospital Richmond, of pneumonia.

Births, and marriages of their Grand-Children

John Rea Buchanan, infant son of Nannie S. and J. B. Ferguson born June 15, 1855.
 Wm. Reuben, so of M. E. and J. B. Ferguson born June 4, 1858.
 Nannie Rea Ferguson to J. B. Stevenson born Sep. 16, 1859, Married Dec. 11, 1884.
 John Gamewell Ferguson born July 30, 1861 Married to Lizzie Weaver Apr. 1894.
 Wm. Buchanan Ferguson born Feb. 21, 1864. Married Nov. 23, 1886 to Miss Ella S. Stevenson.
 Mary Lottie Ferguson born Sep. 17, 1868 Married Nov. 18, 1889 to W. G. Peebles.
 Reuben Hicklin Ferguson born March 5, 1866. Married Oct. 10, 1906 to Miss Allene Grier.
 Janie Bell Ferguson born Jan. 7, 1872. Married Dec. 28, 1898 to J. G. Cunningham.
 George Pierce Ferguson born June 7, 1874.
 Mary Moultrie Buchanan daughter of Araminta M. and J. H. Buchanan born June 28, 1876. Married Dec. 6, 1900 to W. A. Corkill.
 John Rea Buchanan born Sep. 20, 1877
 Charlotte Hicklin and Janie Kramer Buchanan-twins born July 21, 1881.

Deaths of Their Grand-Children

John Rea, infant of N. L. and J. B. Ferguson Died July 15, 1855.
 Wm. Reuben son of M. E. and J. B. Ferguson died Feb. 13, 1858.
 George Pierce Ferguson Died Sep. 1, 1875.
 Janie Bell Cunningham daughter of M. E. and J. B. Ferguson Died 21, July 1899.
 Charlotte Hicklin daughter of J. H. Buchanan Died Sep. 19, 1881.
 Janie Kramer daughter of J. H. Buchanan Died Sep. 23, 1881.
 John Rea son of J. H. Buchanan Died Aug. 27, 1901.

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Births of J.R. and C. N. Buchanan
Grand-Children

John Rea Buchanan Ferguson
was born in Chester District,
S. C. June 15th 1855.

Wm. Reuben Buchanan Ferguson
was born in Chester District,
S. C. June 4th 1858.

Nannie Rea Ferguson was
born in Chester District,
S. C. Sept. 16th 1859.

John Mbury Gamewell
Ferguson was born in
Chester District, S. C.
July 30th 1861.

George Pierce Ferguson was
born in Chester county, S. C.
June 7th 1874.

Mary Moultrie daughter of
John H. and Mary A. Buchanan
was born in Chester, S. C.
Wednesday, June 28th 1876, at
7 O'clock P. M.: Baptized at
St. Mark's Episcopal Church
August 9th 1877, by Rev. Bishop
Howie.

John Rea, son of John H. and
Mary A. Buchanan, was born in
Chester, S. C. Thursday, Sept.
20, 1877 at 7 O'clock, A. M.
baptized at St. Mark's Episcopal
Church, Sept. 26th 1878, by Rt.
Rev. Bishop Howe.

Family Record

Deaths.

John R. Buchanan
died April 30th 1847.

William R. Buchanan
died December 8th 1852.

Nancy S. Ferguson
died June 22rd 1855.

John Rea Buchanan
Ferguson died July
23rd 1855.

Wm. Reuben Buchanan
Ferguson died Feb.
3 or 13th 1859. (I could not read the date)

Charlotte N. Buchanan
died October 3rd. 1860.

Deaths

James Rea Buchanan
died in Hospital at
Richmond March 17, 1872.

J. Barber Ferguson
died Feb. 19th 1875.

George Pierce Ferguson
died September 1st 1875.

Janie Bell Cunningham wife
of J. G. Cunningham, and
daughter of M. E. Ferguson
died July 21st 1899.

William B. Ferguson died
Nov. 11, 1913.

John H. Buchanan
died Dec. 24, 1911.

Family Record Ferguson

James Ferguson, son of Samuel and Isabella Ferguson was born in Chester District, South Carolina Aug. 10th 1781. His birth place was within a mile of where he afterward settled, reared a family, and died May 3rd 1850. He held the responsible office of elder in the Presbyterian Church at Catholic,-- the name of the church where he held his membership, and within whose bounds he always lived. His life was an upright one, and merited the highest applause. "Well done, good and faithful servant." His wife Mary Stinson, daughter of William and Elizabeth Stinson and the sister of the late Daniel G. Stinson was born Oct. 15th 1789. She lived a devout, christian life, worthy of imitation, died Dec. 15th 1843.

Births, Marriages and Deaths
of Their Children

Wm. Stinson son of James and Mary Ferguson, born Sep. 13, 1808. Married Eveline Wade of Columbia, S. C. Apr. 16, 1835. Moved to Florida shortly afterward, and has not been heard from since.

Isabella Ferguson born Oct. 21, 1810 Married Jason Hicklin Feb. 27, 1828.

Elizabeth Ferguson born Jan. 26, 1813 Married John W. Sterling, Jr. Feb. 27, 1834. Died (Night of Cycone) Feb. 19, 1884.

Agnes Ferguson born Dec. 10, 1815 Married D. G. Coleman Dec. 18, 1839. Died Nov. 4, 1849.

Catherine Ferguson born June 24, 1818 married Thomas Grafton Feb. 4, 1838. 2nd marriage William Alexander Jan. 9, 1850.

Mary Ann Ferguson born Jan. 1, 1821 married Alexander Hindman Mar. 21, 1842. Died July 8, 1849.

James Barber Ferguson born May 5, 1823 Died Feb. 19, 1875. " He was an exemplary christian, and lived in daily communion with God." (His Wife)

Esther Hepzibah Ferguson born Nov. 8, 1826 Married Dr. William J. Stevenson Feb. 25, 1847.

Jane P. Ferguson born Sep. 6, 1830 Married Mansel Hall in 1854. Died in Winnsboro May 10, 1857.

In Memoriam

My father, John R. Buchanan born 17 Feb. 1797.
He "walked in all the commandments and ordinances
of the Lord blameless", and died in the faith 30
Apr. 1847.

My mother Charlotte N. Buchanan born July 28, 1810.
She lived well "Her children arise up and call her
blessed." She died Oct. 3, 1860.

James Barber Ferguson born May 5, 1823, Died Feb.
19, 1875.

Araminta M. wife of J. H. Buchanan, born Sep. 15,
1845, Died July 21, 1881

Written by M. E. Ferguson
daughter of J. R. and C. N.
Buchanan

August 1907.

HUSBAND'S NAME

James Ferguson

When Born 1757 Where _____

(Husband's Full Name)

Christened _____ Where _____

When Died 1816 Where _____

(Wife's Maiden Name)

When Buried _____ Where _____

When Married _____ Where _____

Other Wives (if any)
Number (1) (2) etc. _____

His Father _____ His Mother's Maiden Name _____

This information obtained from
William W. Ferguson
600 Chad Ave.
Rocky Mt. 27803

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME

Elizabeth Fleming

When Born 1763 Where Iredell Co. N.C.

Christened _____ Where _____

When Died 1848 Where _____

When Buried _____ Where _____

Other Husb. (if any)
Number (1) (2) etc. _____

Her Father _____ Her Mother's Maiden Name _____

Date _____
Compiler _____
Address _____
City _____ State _____

Male or Female	CHILDREN (Arrange in order of birth)	WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN			WHEN DIED*			Married
		Day	Month	Year	Town or Place	County	State or Country	Day	Month	Year	
	1 <i>Ansel</i>										Date _____ To _____
	2 <i>Wm Jr</i>										Date _____ To _____
	3 <i>Joseph</i>										Date _____ To _____
	4 <i>Anderson</i>										Date _____ To _____
	5 <i>James</i>										Date _____ To _____
	6 <i>Isaac</i>										Date _____ To _____
	7 <i>Jacob</i>										Date _____ To _____
	8										Date _____ To _____
	9										Date _____ To _____
	10										Date _____ To _____
	11										Date _____ To _____
	12										Date _____ To _____
	13										Date _____ To _____
	14										Date _____ To _____

Family Group Sheet, Form F2
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*If burial date is known on children and not death date, write
burial date, prefix (Bur). Use reverse side for additional info.

These records are copied from James Barker Ferguson family Bible - A Mr. John Ford has the Bible but did not realize he was a descendant of James Barker Ferguson.

This John Ford is the grand son of John Long Ford who married the daughter of James Barker Ferguson and his first wife Sarah D. Russell (Russell) John Long ^{Ford} ~~Ferguson~~ wife was Sarah Susannah Ferguson.

John L. Ford was the brother of my grand mother Mary Malvina Ford Stevenson

Hope this makes sense to you.

HUSBAND'S NAME James Barber Ferguson
 When Born 5 May 1823 Where _____
 Christened _____ Where _____
 When Died 19 Feb. 1875 Where _____
 When Buried _____ Where _____
 When Married 29 Jan. 1846 Where _____
 Other Wives (if any) Nancy S. Buchanan
 His Father James Ferguson His Mother's Maiden Name Mary Stenson

(Husband's Full Name)

(Wife's Maiden Name)

This information obtained from
From: Mary Elizabeth Buchanan Ferguson Family Records
From James Barber Ferguson Family Bible
 Date Sept. 23, 1981
 Compiler Kathleen S. Brown
 Address 418 Hawley Ave
 City Belmont State N. C.

WIFE'S MAIDEN NAME Sarah S. Russell (Russell)
 When Born _____ Where _____
 Christened _____ Where _____
 When Died 20 April 1850 Where _____
 When Buried _____ Where _____
 Other Husb. (if any) _____
 Her Father _____ Her Mother's Maiden Name _____

Male or Female	CHILDREN (Arrange in order of birth)	When Born			Where Born		State or	When Died*			Married
		Day	Month	Year	Town or Place	County	Country	Day	Month	Year	
1	<u>Jas. Osberson Ferguson</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>1848</u>							Date _____ To _____
2	<u>Sarah Susannah Ferguson</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>Apr.</u>	<u>1850</u>	<u>(Her family cen be found in the Ford History Books)</u>			<u>31</u>	<u>May</u>	<u>1916</u>	Date <u>27 January 1870</u> To <u>John Lang Ford</u>
3											Date _____ To _____
4											Date _____ To _____
5	<u>(James Barber Ferguson and 2nd wife</u>							<u>26</u>	<u>Nov.</u>	<u>1857</u>	Date _____ To _____
6	<u>Nancy Sarah Buchanan</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>Sept.</u>	<u>1833</u>			<u>d.</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>June</u>	Date _____ To _____
7	<u>Children:</u>										Date _____ To _____
8	<u>1. John Rae Buchanan Ferguson</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>1855</u>						Date _____ To _____
9								<u>d.</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>July</u>	Date _____ To _____
10											Date _____ To _____
11	<u>(I have an autograph book of Mary Luckie</u>										Date _____ To _____
12	<u>that James Osberson Ferguson wrote in</u>										Date _____ To _____
13	<u>was signed 8/18/1894)</u>										Date _____ To _____
14											Date _____ To _____

This information I got from Ernest Ferguson
of Asheville, N.C. He is the great-grandson
of ~~Barth~~ James Barber Ferguson. James
Barber Ferguson is the son of James Ferguson
and Mary Stinson.

James Barber Ferguson is the brother of my
great-grand mother Esther Hepzibah Ferguson
Stinson - He was married three times and
these records were kept by his third wife
Mary Elizabeth Buchanan Ferguson

Hathley D. Brown

South Carolina Women Patriots Of The American Revolution



FERGUSON, ISABELLA BARBER (Mrs. Samuel Ferguson)

Isabella Barber married Samuel Ferguson just before the fall of Charleston. Ferguson's brothers were Loyalists, one of them being Col. James Ferguson.

Isabella's brothers, Joseph and James, were with Sumter's men. Col. James Ferguson came to their home to ask Samuel to join the British. Isabella told Col. Ferguson, "I'm a rebel, my brothers are rebels and our dog 'Trip' is a rebel, too!". Then she told her husband that he could join the British if he wished, but if he did, she would no longer be his wife. Samuel declined his brothers offer, but neither of them joined the Whigs.

Isabella suggested that they assist the families in the neighborhood. The Ferguson home served as a refuge where their storehouses and a nearby cave housed provisions. By their joint activities the distress of the neighborhood was greatly relieved.

Isabella had her full share of trial and suffering but she was a blessing to her family and her neighbors.

Mrs. Ferguson died in 1820 and is buried in the Catholic Burial grounds in Charleston.



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(Kathleen)
The material from
the Chester stories
in this book was
furnished by Daniel
Green Stinson - (a
kinsman of yours, being
descended from William
Stinson - just as you
are). He was a
noted historian of this
area.

Daniel

THE WOMEN
OF THE
AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

BY ELIZABETH F. ELLET.

IN THREE VOLUMES.

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1850.

might have a proper effect upon that nest of Covenanters! He pleased himself with imagining the surprise of Isabella when she should see how much better he looked in a splendid uniform than in tow trowsers and hunting-shirt. In the afternoon of the first day's march, the cavalcade of New York regulars and South Carolina loyalists approached the house of old Barber. A messenger was despatched to say that Col. Ferguson of His Majesty's army wished to speak with Samuel. Samuel presently made his appearance, looking rather awkward, and his brother, in a formal address, invited him to join him, saying he had come for that special purpose. "It may be,"—he urged, "that I shall be made a lord; how then should I feel in hearing it said my brother was a rebel?"

Isabella was within hearing while the Colonel was endeavoring to persuade her husband, and came forward at the last word. "I am a rebel!" she said proudly—as glorying in the name:—"my brothers are rebels, and the dog Trip is a rebel too! Now, James, I would rather see you with a sheep on your back, than tricked out in all those fine clothes! Above all, I am told you have our minister chained by the foot like a felon! Rebel and be free! that is my creed!" Then turning to her husband, "we have often talked it over, Samuel," she said, "and you could never justify their unhallowed practices—coming here to make slaves of us who would die first, and plundering, stealing cows, and the like. Now, in the presence of the British army I tell you, if you go with

them you may stay with them—for I am no longer your wife! You know well if Joe or Jemmy should happen to see you in such company, they would pick you out as a mark not to be missed."

Samuel was unable to withstand this determination of his bonny Isabel, whom he loved the better for her spirit. He requested his brother to excuse his going at this time; he might report him a true subject of the King, but his wife being rather on the wrong side, he would content himself with doing what he could at home to serve His Majesty and bring back the rebels. Could Isabel but be convinced, he might be able to turn the whole clan of Covenanters; "for she is never afraid to speak her mind." Thus he spoke while in his heart he felt sure that his wife would stand firm, and doubted if after all she were not in the right. His brothers shook hands with him, and the Colonel bade him be faithful and have courage, and he would no doubt obtain a commission for him.

The party scoured the country round about, punishing rebel men and women, sending prisoners to Rocky Mount, enlisting loyalists, and thrashing out wheat at different farms, to be sent to White's Mills for grinding. After Huck was slain in the action at Williamson's, another of the officers, mounted his horse, which became restive, the new rider's legs being much longer than the Dutch Captain's, and threw him against a stump. He died afterwards of the injuries received in the fall. Col. Ferguson was to be seen every where

endeavoring to rally the scattered force. A fatal shot brought him from his horse—his head striking the ground, and one of his brothers had his hand torn to pieces. The brothers scattered with the rest of the men and were hid for weeks in the woods—their wives bringing them food in the dead hours of night. It was particularly observed that the brothers Barber and William Anderson, who were excellent shots, fought that morning more like wild beasts than conscientious Covenanters. Henry, a red-headed Irishman of Huck's party, had insulted Mrs. Bratton with opprobrious epithets, striking her with his sword, and driving her before him into the house. He was wounded when taken prisoner by the whigs, and fortunately not recognised by Col. Bratton, who would have killed him for his outrage to his wife. Her generosity saved him, while her husband was searching every where for the offender. Adamson, who had treated her and her children with respect and kindness, driving the rude soldiers from her room, and seeing that nothing was taken from her, was nursed by her with the tenderness of a sister, and her cheeks were bathed in tears when she saw his sufferings.

This victory proved of advantage to the wives and widows of the patriots of Rocky Creek. Samuel Ferguson, on his part, when he heard of the result of the expedition, the Colonel's death and the miserable situation of his remaining brothers, never looked on the bonny face of Isabella without a feeling of thankfulness that he had escaped a similar fate. Her words

that day, respecting Joe's and Jemmy's shooting, he had thought sounded like a prediction. When the prospect seemed darkest, other movements were working out for the widows and orphans made by this unnatural strife, a deliverance from starvation. Isabella was earnest in schemes for the alleviation of the misery around them, while her husband, whose confidence in her judgment and good sense was stronger than ever, listened to her plans with approval, and sought her counsel as to the manner of assisting his unfortunate brothers. She exhorted him to gain the confidence of their neighbors by deeds of kindness to the defenceless and destitute, and thus deserve their good offices in turn. "Your brothers," she would say, "went to their undoing, leaving their own people to join themselves to the alien; but if they repent, there is forgiveness for the greatest transgressor. You and they too might have work to do in helping those who have lost all by the war, and then the whigs would call you friends."

About three quarters of a mile north of Rossville, at the bend of Rocky Creek, is a deep ravine, the sides of which are precipitous, but may be descended by grasping the bushes along the path. In the depths of this ravine was a cave, excavated by human labor, about ten feet deep and as many in width. This place at the present day is a marvel to the country people, who are unable to conjecture at what period, or for what purpose, the cave was originally constructed. It was here that Samuel Ferguson deposited the articles

entrusted to his care by the benevolent Isabella, she receiving the goods from the women, for fear of involving her husband, should the royalists discover that whig property had been secreted. The corn brought to him for safe keeping Ferguson put into his own crib, and assisted the poor women by milking for them, and by various needful services. It was understood, for prudence' sake, that he leaned to the loyalist side of the controversy, while his wife was a firm whig; though in reality he had been won over, in heart, to her opinions. By their joint exertions the distresses of the neighborhood were much relieved, and his brothers found advantage in adopting the same course, deserving the good offices of the women by the kindly assistance thus rendered them. All this was brought about by the efforts of a woman, who well merited to be called, as she was by all who knew her, "the good Isabella Ferguson." Her prudence so restored good feeling between the people and the Ferguson family, that they came to be regarded rather as benefactors than enemies, and at the close of the war were almost the only loyalists permitted to remain in that part of the country. Their descendants are among the most worthy citizens of Chester District.

Isabella had her full share of trial and suffering. Her father's grey hairs were brought to the grave by the untimely death of her brothers, and the horrors enacted around them from time to time, with the blame thrown upon her husband's family, often wrung her kind heart. She was a blessing to her family and

her neighbors, both in adverse and prosperous circumstances; but few knew the energy of character, concealed under her quiet and unassuming manner. Samuel was for many years a ruling elder in the Presbyterian Church to which he belonged, under the pastoral care of the Rev. Robert M'Culloch, the last classical teacher of Gen. Andrew Jackson.

Mrs. Ferguson ended her days in 1820, upon the plantation on which her father settled when he first came to the country in 1773. The graves of her household are in Catholic burial ground.