DATA.010 THIS IS A RECORD OF JONATHAN HILL (WIFE MARGARET HALL, DAU. OF GEORGE HALL OF BERKLEY CO., S.C.)... JONATHAN HILL LATER MOVED TO CAMDEN DISTRICT. HIS SON THOMAS HILL (WIFE PATIENCE HARRISON) FOUGHT IN THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR WHILE LIVING IN CAMDEN DISTRICT, S.C., LATER MOVING TO CALDWELL COUNTY KENTUCKY, WHERE HE FILED AN APPLICATION TO RECEIVE PENSION BENEFITS FOR HIS WAR SERVICE.

Jonathan Hill, of Berkley County S.C. married Margaret Hall, the daughter of George Hall and his wife Miriam. (Reference will of George Hall dated 24th December 1753 and proven 15 April 1754 in Berkley County S.C.).

The will names wife Miriam, daughters MARGARET and Miriam and sons Joseph, George and Thomas Hall. The Executors were his wife Miriam, son in law JONATHAN HILL and a Dr. William Keith. It was witnessed by John Cannad, David Lafons and RICHARD HILL.

(NOTE: LDS Church Files, IGI INDEX, shows Jonathan & his wife with three sons: MOSES born 1748, Thomas born 1750 and Joseph born 1752. We have no evidence of Moses and Joseph BUT THOMAS was a son, but his birth date was not 1750 but 1758. Also shown is a Richard Hill in the same area (Berkley County S.C.). Could this really be the same Richard Hill (son of William) later found in Fairfield County S.C., and who had a land purchase that involved at one time a William Hill and his son Richard Hill)?

From the following information it is quite clear that Jonathan Hill moved into Camden District and he died there in 1772. (Reference "Journal of the Court of Ordinary for 1771-1775," by Brent Holcomb on page 72 Probate Records of S.C., 2:47) we find:

"Citation granted to Joseph Kershaw to administer on the estate & effects of Jonathan Hill, late of Camden, planter, deceased, as "great creditor," to be read in said Parish Church of St. Mark's. Dated November 10th 1772

In "Probate Records of S.C., VOL. I; Index to Inventories," by Brent Holcomb & Inventory Book Z, Pages 293-294, shows an Inventory of Jonathan Hill's Estate. (Provided by Mrs. Christopher and found by us in July 1986).

(Note by Robert Hill, The above was provided to me by Mr. Jonathan Butcher, a genealogist that was working for me. The following information furnished by Mrs. J. B. Christopher of Carlisle, S.C.).

Charleston S.C. Office of the Register of Mesne Conveyance DEED BOOK C-6, page 350...Thomas Hill, planter, of Fairfield County S.C.," to Joseph Kershaw of Camden District, S.C., lease and release for 10 shillings (lease) and 200 Pounds Sterling (release) current money of S.C., 415 acres in St. John's Parish, Berkley County, bounded by George Hall, Rene Ravenal, Peter Oliver, Samuel Edgar, John Pearse and John Richbourgh. Granted to George Hall 8th August 1753 by James Glen, Governor of S.C. and recorded in Grant Book OO, page 232. Tract was willed (in 1753) by George Hall "to his daughter Margaret who married Jonathan Hill and on demise of Jonathan and Margaret Hill devolved and became the property of THOMAS HILL, a party of these presents, as son and heir to said Jonathan and Margaret Hill." Wits: Joseph Kershaw Jr., and Jno. Craven. Proved by James Kershaw of Camden District, J.P. on 9th December 1789. Recorded in Charleston on 20th February 1790 by Thomas Greene, Deputy Registrar.

THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION BY MRS. CHRISTOPHER Charleston Deeds, BOOK S-4, page 145... March 11th, 1772...William Barefoot and Mellie (or Mollie) Barefutt, (Barefoot) his wife, to JONATHAN HILL, both of Craven County S.C., for 800 pounds, 200 acres, part of a 300 acre tract granted to William Newitt Bearfoot and Noah Barefutt, (Barefoot) brother on 9th January 1752. Located on Wateree River adjoining land surveyed for Nowil Gibs. Wits: Joseph Kershaw, John Chesnut, Richard Sutton. Parish of St. Marks, Craven Co.-William Newitt Barefoot reserved his 100 acres of the grant, dated 12 March 1772. Wits: Jonathan Hill and John Pain. Recorded in Charleston 28th June 1775. (Wateree River is Eastern Sections of Fairfield County, while Moses Hill lived on Little River in the Northwestern portions of the County).

(Note by Robert R. Hill Sr.) The following information was provided by Mrs. Charles Wilson, of Fredonia Kentucky, who was a great granddaughter of Thomas Hill. She states that the information comes from the Thomas Hill Bible. It supports information found in the LDS Church Records, to a certain degree and along with the application that Thomas Hill filed for "Revolutionary Pension Benefits," offers quite a genealogy for this family.

THOMAS HILL

Born: 6th March 1758 Where: Near Monk's Corner Berkley, Co., S.C. Died: 5th January 1837 Where: Caldwell County Kentucky WIFE: Patience Harrison (daughter of William Harrison & Ann Kirkland children Jaene (Jane?) Hill born November 18, 1754 believed to be a sister.

- 1. Mary Hill (dau.) born July 18th, 1777 Camden District S.C.
- 2. Thomas Harrison Hill (son)born April 29th, 1782 in Camden

District, S.C.

- 3. Christiana Hill (dau.) born Feb. 8th, 1784 in Camden District, S.C. (m. a Wilson)
- 4. Jonathan Hill (son) born Aug. 30th, 1786 in Camden District, S.C.
- 5. Nancy Hill (dau.) born Sept. 27th, 1789 in Camden District, S.C. (m. a Bennett).
- 6. Sarah Hill (dau.) born Aug. 20th, 1792 in Camden District, S.C.
- 7. William Hill (son) born Feb. 7th, 1795 in Camden District, S.C.

Note by Mrs. Wilson....the relationship of Jaene (Jane) is unclear but believe she was a sister of Thomas Hill...(Note by Robert Hill...her birthdate supports this fact instead of her being a child...it was 4 years before birth of Thomas Hill).

NOTE by Robert Hill: There is a Jonathan Hill with a son Moses in Georgia. I can't find the info or date right now, but I wonder if he is the son (Number 4??). Also The Harrison & Kirkland Families originally came from around Fairfax County Virginia.

Following information from Mrs. Jeannette B. Christopher of Carlisle S.C......Kirkland Genealogy shows that William Harrison married Ann Kirkland, who was the daughter of Captain Richard Kirkland. Captain Kirkland moved from Maryland to Fairfax County Virginia. About 1745 he removed from Fairfax County Virginia to Craven County S.C. (later known as Camden District).

S.C. part of the Kirkland record shows that Ann Kirkland married William Harrison and had a son Reuben Harrison and daughter Patience Harrison. Other children named in his will, (proved 15 April 1774 and recorded in Charleston) were:

daughter, Mary McKenny

son, James Harrison

son, Willibee Harrison

son, Reuben & daughter Patience received land adjoining Cager (Micajah) Pickett, whose daughter Elizabeth (Pickett) Whitehead m. Samuel Mobley.

(NOTE by Robert Hill: I have a copy of the land sale made by Thomas Hill and wife Patience to her brother Reuben Harrison. (Reference Fairfield Co. Deed Book K, pages 425-427). The sale was dated 1st September 1795. I suspect that it was just before they moved to Kentucky. Now Reuben Harrison is listed among Fairfield Court Records as having served on juries along with Moses Hill..he also was a neighbor of Moses Hill in 1800 Fairfield County Federal Census, on Page (machine stamped) 199. Reuben Harrison is listed just before Moses Hill. I also know there was a Reuben Harrison Jr., and I do not think this is Jr. I have been in touch with a descendent of Rueben Harrison and he shows that Junior was born just after 1800. I have previously had suspicions that it is Reuben Harrison Sr. that Moses named his daughter Elizabeth HARRISON Hill after...being a relative or good friend. Also James Hill, son of Moses, named a son William Henry Harrison Hill, and it was not after the President of that name... much too early. I now think the Harrison name was after Captain William Henry Harrison, an officer in the French-Indian War in Virginia. I have a suspucion of a James Hill (b. in New England) that was in the "Norfolk Draft in 1756," and was in his company. James Hill might be a very important clue for me. (End).

Reuben Harrison does not appear next to Moses on 1820 Census and I suspect he was dead and his family may have moved to Mississippi. That is where Rueben Harrison Jr. was later found residing).

Note by Mrs. Christopher to me: It is possible that Thomas Hill (son of Jonathan) and MOSES HILL were cousins, rather than brothers. If so, maybe Jonathan had a brother Charles? But you come back to the fact that Moses named not a one of his sons either Jonathan or Charles. But there was a cousin CHARLES in the family somewhere! Remember the Bible Record?

Comment by Robert Hill...What Mrs. Christopher is referring to is that we have the remains of a page of the "Fly leaf" of Moses Hill's old Bible and on it is gives

"Littleton Hill son of Moses & Savilla"

"Nancy B. Hill was born 4th June 1806"

"Elizabeth Sophia Heyll was born on the 5th day of April 1827"

"COZ Mary Heyll departed this life on the 7th of June in the year of our Lord 1827-the wife of Charles C. Heyll."

(Note by Robert Hill See Book "Hill-Hill Mobley Connections of Fairfield County S.C." by G.A. Hill on page 114, last paragraph. Very Interesting and relates to the last item). (End)

It appears that William Barefoot might have received his part of the 300 acres grant from Noah Barefoot, and that William Newitt Barefoot did not wish to sell his part of the grant. (Two men named William Barefoot-one called just William, and the other Wm. Newitt.

(NOTE: Craven County S.C. was an early name for the area today of Fairfield, Chester, Union, Kerhsaw (and others). Later it became known as Camden District. Craven County was a huge county, stretched all the way from the coast north of Georgetown, to the above counties named. The Barefoots lived in the area until ca. 1791, and where they lived became later (known today as) Kershaw County, named after Joseph Kershaw).

END OF COMMENTS BY MRS CHRISTOPHER AND MYSELF.

Thomas Hill first moved to Green County Tennessee about 1797, (based on information in his application). He then moved into Logan County Kentucky. He moved again into Calaway County Kentucky and finally settling in Caldwell County Kentucky. It was here that he made out his application (which follows below) and died there in 1837.

THIS IS THE APPLICATION OF THOMAS HILL, SON OF JONATHAN HILL AND MARGARET HALL OF BERKLEY CO., S.C.(FILED BY HIMSELF IN KY., WHERE HE HAD MOVED) HE WAS FILING FOR BENEFITS FOR SERVICE IN REVOLUTION, AUTHORIZED BY ACT OF CONGRESS PASSED 7TH JUNE 1832.

General Information: Thomas Hill was the son of Jonathan Hill and Margaret hall of South Carolina. Thomas lived in S.C. at the time of his service, later moving to Tennessee and then Kentucky. The following is his statement....

STATE OF KENTUCKY) CALDWELL COUNTY)

On the 28th day of August 1832, personally appeared before me Burr Caldwell, one of the Justices of the County Court of said county and state, THOMAS HILL, age 74 years, who being first duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath, make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress, passed June7th, 1832: That he entered the service of the UNITED STATES under the following named officers and served as herein stated to wit: That he volunteered in the militia of South Carolina from Camden District (where he then lived) about the beginning of the Revolution, and at the time of the Snowy Camps (tho the precise times he does not remember as to the month or year): That at the commencement of his service, he entered as Lieutenant, but was not commissioned until afterwards, and as such had the command of a company which joined a Regiment of Volunteers under Col. Thomas Taylor and Major Robert Lyal, and that William Lang was the Captain of his company, but refusing to go, gives command to Lieutenant and Captain John Gordon took command of his and my company. That the regiment consisted of six or seven hundred men, and his company of something over 30 (300?) men. That the object of this expeditions was to support (against) a certain Col. Fletcher and Major Hobbs, who commanded a regiment of Tories at a place called the Big _____, and were committing depredations on the country: That we marched immediately to encounter these Tories, who fled to a large cave, where Fletcher and Hobbs were both taken prisoners and sent to

Charleston and there confined. That the capture of Fletcher and Hobbs broke up the Tories there for a time, and they never afterwards collected in so large a body in that quarter. That this expedition lasted about 6 weeks, after which we were permitted to return home for a short time, that in 2 or 3 weeks we were again called out, under the command of the same officers, except that John McKinney was Captain of my company, (myself still being non-commissioned) but commanding as Lieutenant of the company), that we rendezvous at Four Hole Bridge and marched to the Congree River to Ancum's Bluff (the British at this time in Charleston). That we marched from this place to MOTTS HILL, and at which the British surrendered and some prisoners were taken and paroled. After which we proceeded up the river to Congree Bridge, just below Columbia and at Granby, thence to a Dutch Settlement called SUMMARY SETTLEMENT, on Broad River, thence we marched to Ninety-Six in possession of Geiger. The British now at the Saluda Old Town, under Raudon, who advanced on us and where we were repulsed by Lord Raudon and Col. Geiger, who commanded the British at this place, and we were compelled to retreat back to ANCUM'S BLUFF, on the Congree. That from this place, officers were dispatched into the country to get recruits and reinforcements to join General Green, then on the Congree, that the said Thomas Hill was one of these who were sent out to collect a reinforcement, and went immediately into CAMDEN DISTRICT, where he had first entered the service, into his old company, and by his actions procured out of his old company 15 or 20 men and proceeded directly to Congree and joined the Regiment, still at the bluff. That as soon as the reinforcements arrived we marched immediately and joined General Green near Eutaw Springs, sometime in the afternoon of the day before the battle-that on the next day the battle of Eutaw Springs was fought, and in which he and his company fought. That in this engagement, Col. William Washington commanded the light horse and was taken prisoner, that Col. Lee commanded troops of light horse, but refused to do his part on that day-he refused to join Col. Washington in charging the enemy, which if he had done, the enemy would certainly have fallen into our hands. That the battle continued several hours, but having joined the army of Green but a short time before the action, he does not remember who commanded the regulars, nor does he suppose he ever knew, that as soon as the battle was ended, the enemy retreated to Charleston and we pursued as far as Monk's Corner, but owing to fatigue, we gave up the pursuit. That after a few days, we were again permitted to return home. That not long afterwards the British evacuated Charleston, which was in May 1780, an he thinks after which our services were not again required. That from the time he first entered the service as (acting?) Lieutenant, to the time of his discharge after the battle of Eutaw Springs, he was in constant service as much as 2 years, acting Lieutenant of his company. (He was) commissioned as such by Gov. Rutledge as he believes and which commission he kept until he left S.C.,

which was about 35 years ago (ca. 1797), but which is now lost or destroyed or worn out. (Apparently he is speaking of a paper?) That when we returned from Monk's Corner in the pursuit as aforesaid to Eutaw Springs, we were there discharged until our services were again required, but as the British soon afterwards left Charleston, we were not called for and that he supposes was the reason that no written discharge was given as he does not remember receiving one. That in the battle at Eutaw Springs there were Regulars from Virginia as well as he remembers but he does not recollect who commanded them That he does not know of any person living in the county who can prove his service and that he served with MASON DAVIS, ALLEN DAVIS, ALEX. STEWART and others, but he does not know that any of them are living, and to the proper interrogatories, as directed by the War Department, he answered as follows: he was born the 6th March 1758, near Monk's Corner. St. John's Parish, state of S.C., but moved from there to Camden and lived there till the war and afterwards: That he keeps a record of his age in a bible at home: That he was living in Camden when he entered the service and lived there till the war ended, and left there about 35 years ago and settled in Green Co., Tenn., then in Logan County Ky., where he lived several years, then in Calaway Co., Ky. he lived a few years and lastly in the county of Caldwell (KY) where he now lives and has for about 3 years: That he was a Volunteer in the service of the Revolution: That he has stated as much as he remembers about the names of the regular officers with whom he served and of the Continental Militia Regiments, with whom he served and of the general circumstances of the war: that he did receive a commission as a Lieutenant as he stated before, signed by Governor Rutledge, but is now lost: that the persons living in his neighborhood and who testified as to his validity and their beliefs of hid Revolutionary Services, are numerous and he supposes all would do so, not that they have any personal knowledge of my services, but as I flatter my self in my (Testimony?), that some of their names are Benjamin W. Flint, Arnold Jacob, James W. White, Chittenden Lyons, Burr Caldwell and many others. He hereby relinquishes every claim what ever to a pension or annuity, except the present, and declares that his name is not on the pension roll of the agency of any state.

SIGNED THO. HILL

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED THE DAY AND YEAR AFORESAID (28TH AUGUST 1832).

SIGNED B. CALDWELL J.P.

Mr. James W. Mansfield, a clergyman, residing in the county of Caldwell and state of Kentucky, and Arnold Jacob, James W. White and A.F. Jacob residing in the same county and state certify that we are all well acquainted with Thomas Hill who has subscribed and sworn to the above declaration: that we believe him to be 74 years of age: that he is reported and believed in the neighborhood where he resides, to have been a soldier of the Revolution and that we concurred in that opinion.

SIGNED JAMES W. MANSFIELD, clergy; A. JACOBS, JAMES WHITE, A.F. JACOBS SWORN, SUBSCRIBED THE DAY AND YEAR AFORESAID. SIGNED B. CALDWELL J.P.

And said Burr Caldwell, Justice of the County Court of Caldwell Co., state aforesaid, do hereby declare my opinion, after the investigation of the matter and after putting the interrogatories prescribed by the War Department, that the above applicant was a Revolutionary Soldier and served as he stated-and I further certify that it appears to me that James W. Mansfield, who signed the persons certificate, is a clergyman, resident in the said county of Caldwell, and that the said Arnold Jacob, James W. White, A.F. Jacob, who have all signed the same, are residents of the same county and are reliable persons and that their statement is to credit. And I do certify that the said Thomas Hill, from bodily infirmity, is unable to attend personally in court. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I HEREUNTO SET MY AS JUSTICE OF THE AMTY COURT OF SAID COUNTY, THE DAY AND YEAR AFORESAID. SIGNED B. CALDWELL J.P.

STATE OF KENTUCKY, CALDWELL CO.) I Nathan S. Dallane, Clerk of the County Court for said county, do hereby certify that B. Caldwell ESQ., who's name is subscribed to the proceeding certificate, is now and was at the time of signing the same, on of the Justices of said court, duly commissioned and qualified and that full faith and credit are due to him and ought to be given to all his official acts both in and out of court and his signature to said certificate is his genuine signature. In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and offer the seal of said court and office, the 27th day of September 1832, 41st year of the Commonwealth. SIGNED N.S. Dallane

Thomas Hill died on the 5th of January 1837, and apparently did not receive any of his benefits. (This statement based on Application of his daughter, Nancy Hill Bennett, which follows).

General information: After the death of Thomas Hill, his daughter Nancy Hill Bennett applied to the government asking for the right to receive the benefits that her deceased father, Thomas Hill was entitled to but had never received. A copy of that application follows:

THIS IS AN ATTEMPT BY THE DAUGHTER OF THOMAS HILL (NANCY HILL), WHO MARRIED A BENNETT TO OBTAIN BENEFITS FOR HER FATHER'S SERVICE IN THE REVOLUTION...filed 9th May 1851 in Kentucky. THIS THOMAS HILL WAS SON OF JONATHAN HILL AND MARGARET HALL, OF BERKLEY CO., S.C.

STATE OF KENTUCKY

CRITDENTEN COUNTY On the 9th day of May 1851 Personally appeared before me, Samuel McMasters, an acting Justice of the Peace in and for the County and State aforesaid, duly authorized by law to administer oath, Nancy Bennett, aged 62 years, who being duly sworn according to law, doth on her own oath make the following Declaration, in order to obtain the benefit of the ACT of CONGRESS, passed the 7th June 1832, TO WIT: That she is the daughter and heir at law of Thomas Hill, deceased, who was as she verily believes, a Lieutenant in the "War of the Revolution " for several years. That he served under Captain Gordon, Colonel Taylor and others, for which service he was NEVER allowed a pension under the above act of the 7th of June 1832. She most respectfully asks the Honorable Commissioner of Pensions, to cure it, to be allowed to her, and that the Certificate evidencing the same maybe enclosed to her attorney, of Frankfort Kentucky, and with him only, and such others as may direct, does he wish correspondence holding in reference to her aforesaid claim. That her aforesaid father (Thomas Hill) died on the 5th day of January 1837 in Caldwell County Kentucky, and left five living children, whose names are as follows, Nancy Bennett (the declarant) Mary Hill, who was the oldest child and aged upwards of seventy, Betsy McDonald, Thomas H. (Harrison) Hill and Crissy Wilson. She hereby revokes all authority here to have given to presents here aforesaid claim or claims or any other instrument that she may be entitled to, for the service of her aforesaid father in the army of the Revolution.

SIGNED: Nancy x Bennett (her mark)

SWORN to and subscribed before me the day and year aforesaid, (9 May 1851) SIGNED Samuel McMasters J.P.

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