

R.068 RESEARCH ON THE MOBLEY-CHAPMAN-HILL FAMILIES OF
FAIRFIELD COUNTY, S.C.

Entered in July and August of 1994 by Robert R. Hill of
Brandon, Fla.

Source of Information: The book entitled "The Hill-Hill
Mobley Connections of Fairfield County, S.C.," By George A.
Hill (now deceased), dated April, 1961 as well as information
from the "Mobley Family Collection," provided to me by Mr.
Carl Mobley of Orlando, Fla. & Mr. Milton Mobley of Laurel,
Maryland & information from my own research on the Hill-
Mobley families.

Note: This document was prepared for the benefit of the
Chapman Family researchers. They may already have this
information, but if so, I have never seen it before.

Brief background: It seems that the Mobley family had it's
origins in Maryland, who's members later moved into the area
of Lunenburg and Bedford Counties of Virginia. The Richard
Hill family is also thought to have originated in the same
area of Virginia.

Based on land deeds, Edward Mobley 2/ (son of John 1/) was in
Virginia up until 1752 (Tithe (Tax) List) of Lunenburg
County. Between 1755 and 1760 the family moved to S.C. in
what was then known as Craven County, S.C. which occupied
most of upper Carolina. Later one of its subdivision became
Camden District and in 1785 Camden District was split into
other counties. The Mobleys and Hill lived in the area that
became known as Fairfield County, S.C.

Meanwhile, Richard Hill was born ca. 1748 in Virginia and on
the 18th of January 1765, he was in S.C. where he received a
land grant for 100 acres of land.

He married ca. 1766 Dorcas Mobley 3/, a daughter of Edward
Mobley 2/ and wife, Susannah DeRuel? (DeVall?), who now lived
in the same area of S.C.

Richard Hill Sr. was dead by 1772 and his wife, Dorcas Mobley
Hill received a land grant that year. S.C. laws show that
the only way she could obtain a land grant was for her to
have been a widow.

Following taken from Page 59 of Hill-Mobley Book by G. A.
Hill (deceased)

Edward Mobley 2/ & wife Susannah had 12 children. The

youngest was a daughter named Dorcas Mobley 3/, who married Richard Hill Sr.

Their son, Richard Hill Jr. married Dorcas Funderberg. Richard Hill Jr. was born ca. 1775 and died on the 28th of Oct. 1837. His wife, Dorcas Funderberg was b. ca. 1775 and she d. ca. 1852, and was a granddaughter of Henry & Mary Funderberg.

Richard Hill Jr. & Mary Funderberg had nine (9) children, including a daughter named Mary Hill, born ca. 1815-1820, who married WILLIAM CHAPMAN SR. sometime before 1840.

From Page 63 of Hill-Mobley Book:

"General Statement of Money received and paid by Asaph Hill, Administrator of the Estate of Richard Hill (Jr.), deceased."

Among this item, along with many other transactions was the following:

To William Chapman (Sr.) & Mary, his wife, one Negro girl named Eady, appraised at \$ 1,600.00

Subject to distribution:

Mary, wife of William Chapman \$ 542.93.5
(Mary was daughter of Richard Hill (Jr.), deceased.

The disposal of the landed estate of Richard Hill, Jr.:
Page 9 and 10, 1849 -Minutes- Fairfield District, S.C.
"Richard Hill died October 28, 1837... 297 and 1/2 acres of land on John's Creek, Waters of Sandy River in Fairfield County bounded by Jacob Stone, Solomon Coleman, John Stevenson, Et Al. Said Richard's heirs at Law, Asaph Hill, Henry Hill, William F. Hill, Elijah Hill, Matthew Hill, Reuben Hill, Mary Hill, now Chapman, WIFE OF WILLIAM CHAPMAN, SR., Dorcas Hill (now Dorcas Stevenson, wife of John Stevenson), Elizabeth Hill, now Elizabeth Achinson, wife of Nathaniel Achinson."

"That since Richard Hill's death, Elijah Hill has departed this life intestate, leaving heirs, his widow Margaret Hill and five children, namely: Edward Hill, Dorcas Hill, Savilla Hill, Mary Hill and Asaph Hill. Since the death of Richard Hill, Reuben Hill has departed this life intestate, leaving heirs, widow Ellen Hill, three children, John C. Hill, Susan Hill, and Henry Hill,"

"That William F. Hill, WILLIAM CHAPMAN (SR.) & wife Mary, John Stevenson and wife Dorcas; since Richard's death have conveyed their rights to the administrator (Asaph Hill) ... the parties all being of full age - agrees and deliver up 1/3 to Richard Hill's widow, Dorcas Hill."

Following information taken from pages 216, 217, 218, 219 & 220 of the Hill-Mobley Book, by G. A. Hill (now deceased).

Following in a letter from Mrs. Ida Thomas Page of Yazoo City, Mississippi dated 21st May 1841:

Henry Chapman was born _____ ? in S.C. and died in Macon Co., GA. (sic) on 21st May 1841. He married ca. 1789 in S.C. or GA. (His wife) Lavinia Mobley was born on the 16th of January 1775 in what is today's Fairfield County.

Note by R. Hill: this (was probably Camden District or Craven County, S.C. at that time). Lavinia died in Macon County, Alabama on 1st November 1839.

Their children:

1. Elizabeth Chapman, born 4th Nov. 1790, died 21 May 1797.
2. John M. Chapman, born 27th August 1792, died _____ ?
3. William Mandred Chapman, born 17th April 1796, died 13th Feb. 1856, married Mary Clough on 21st Dec. 1832 in Marengo County, Ala.
4. Levi C. Chapman, born 27th June 1798, lived in Macon Co., Ala.
5. Littleberry Chapman, born 22 June 1800 in Georgia and died 4th Feb. 1876 in Conecuh County, Ala. He married Matilda Golden Burford on 25th January 1827 in Conecuh Co., Ala.

Children of Littleberry Chapman & Matilda Golden Burford:

- a. Martha Levenia Chapman, born 31st Oct. 1828, died _____ ? married George Christian.
- b. Daniel Burford Chapman, born 16th Aug. 1830, died 24th March 1865 in Richmond, Va. from wounds received at Gettysburg. He married Margaret J. Mosley.
- c. Leonard A. B. Chapman, born 10th June 1832, died in Evergreen, Ala. ? during Civil War.
- d. Mary (Polly) Brown Chapman, born 18th March 1834, married Daniel Rigsby Thomas (His first wife).
- e. Nancy Caroline or Catherine Chapman, born 1st Feb. 1836, died 1919, married Daniel Rigsby Thomas (his 2nd wife) after death of her sister.
- f. Henry Mitchell Chapman, born 6th June 1838, died at Coleman, Texas on 9th July 1912. He married Permillia Scoggins Mosley.
- g. James M. Chapman, born 28th Feb. 1841, died 15th Jan. 1891, married Sarah Elizabeth Walker.
- h. John Berry Chapman (Littleberry John) born 9th Apr. 1843, died 16th Jan. 1922, married Nettie Callahan on 25th Jan. 1877.
- i. William Patsion S. Chapman, born 25th April 1845, died 19th July 1913, married Annie Elizabeth

Peterson.

- j. Charles Edward Chapman, born 1849, married Sarah Catherine Thomas, sister of Levi James Thomas and niece of Daniel R. Thomas.
- k. Reuben Golden Chapman, born 26th Apr. 1847, died as infant.
- l. Anna Matilda Chapman, born 7th Sept. 1851, died in Yazoo City, Miss. on 1st Sept. 1917. She married Levi James Thomas in Evergreen, Ala. on 30th Nov. 1869. Their children:
 1. John Berry Thomas.
 2. Alice Golden Thomas.
 3. Lollie Thomas.
 4. Levi James Thomas Jr.
 5. Frances Ann Thomas.
 6. Reuben Edward Thomas.
 7. Ida Mary Thomas, m. Walter Reed Page.
 8. William Chapman Thomas.

Children of Henry Chapman & Lavinia Mobley continues:

6. David P. Chapman, born 9th May 1802, died 26th Aug. 1858.
7. Reuben M. Chapman, born 24th Oct. (1804-05) ?????, died 10th May 1838.
8. Rachael M. Chapman, born 9th Dec. 1806, died 6th June 1827 or 1829.
9. Henry Larkin Chapman, born 8th July 1808, died ____ ?, married Matilda A. McDonald in Dec. 1832 in Wilcox Co., Ala.
10. Ann Caroline (Nancy) Chapman, born 12th June 1811, died 26th April 1885, married William Drake Benson on 2nd Jan. 1832.
11. Edward M. Chapman, born 27th June 1813, died 3rd Nov. 1828.
12. Drucilla Mobley Chapman, born 16th Feb. 1816, died 7th Oct. 1881, married Henry Patrick Pou.
13. Louisa Levinia Chapman, born 10th March 1818, married John R. Cox in Macon County, Ala on 4th Feb. 1844.
14. James Alexander Chapman, born 4th Jan. 1821, died 1865. He married Emily Gleaton on 4th Jan. 1844 in Macon Co., Ala.

Ida Mary Thomas married Walter Reed Page on 16th Feb. 1910.

Children:

- a. Louise Matilda Page, married Donald Lee Meek on 4th July 1946. They had two daughters:
 - i. Marge Louise Meek, b. 28 June 1947.
 - ii. Mareed Page Meek, b. 6 Sept. 1955.
- b. Walter Reed Page (Jr.?) m. Elvin A. Smith on 11 June 1943.

The following "Family Register" was sent by Mrs. Ida Thomas Page, torn from a Bible, believed to have belonged to Lavinia Mobley Chapman, dau. of Edward Mobley Jr. and Drucilla Meador.

Edward Mobley Sr.	was born	December 25, 1735 (3?)
Drusilla Mobley his wife	" "	November 20, 1738
Elizabeth Rogers	was born	October 29, 1756
Wm. Mobley	" "	September 3, 1758**
Edward Mobley Jr.	" "	March 15, 1762
Susannah Mobley	" "	April 11, 1764
Levi Mobley	" "	November 25, 1766
Ruthea Mobley	" "	February 25, 1769
Reuben Mobley	" "	April 17, 1772
Lavinia Mobley	" "	January 16, 1775
Sarah Mobley	" "	May 13, 1777

DEATHS

Edward Mobley	Died	April 11, 1765 ***
Wm. Mobley, his son	"	December 20, 1766
Susanna Mobley	"	June 14, 1769 (60?)
Drucilla Mobley	"	October 7, 1781
Ruthea Mobley	"	October 9, 1781
Sarah Mobley	"	October 10, 1781
Edward Mobley	"	October 17, 1781 (3?)
Henry Rogers	"	August 27, 1824 (5?)
Levi Rogers	"	December 18, 1794
Jared? Rogers	"	November 10, 1796
Drucilla Riley	"	October 24, 1814
Lucinda Riley	"	January 19, 1815 (13?)
Elizabeth Rogers	"	January 13, 1815 (13?)
Elizabeth Riley	"	February 16, (14?) 1816
Wiley Mobley	"	August 23 (5?) 1827

End of Mobley Section but on same Page:

"DEATHS OF HENRY CHAPMAN FAMILY"

Elizabeth Chapman	died	October 2, 1797
Rachel M. Clough	"	June 6, 182(?)
Edward M. Chapman	"	November 3, 1828

"Lavinia Chapman departed this life on November 1st, 1839, age sixty four years, nine months & fifteen days" (Hand writing changed)

Reuben Chapman	died	May the 10th, 1838
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"Henry Chapman departed this life May the 21st, 1841."

State of Mississippi

County of Yazoo "I, Mrs. D.S. Shackelford, Chancery Clerk in and for the State and County aforesaid, do hereby certify that this copy was taken from a page of the James Alexander Chapman Family Bible. This on the 17th day of February 1959." Signed/ Mrs. D.S. Shackelford, Chancery Clerk.

By Catherine Prewitt- D.C.,

Note:

** It is difficult to distinguish the threes and fives in this record.

*** Wm. Mobley, his son, could this have been Edward Mobley Sr., born 1700 and son of William Sr. ??

Family Historians say that Edward Mobley (Moberley) Sr. was born ca. 1700 in _____ ? and died in S.C. ca. 1782. This death date is considered by family researchers as being questionable. His wife is said to be Susannah DeRuel (DeVall?), born ca. 1702 and died in 1761 in what is today's Fairfield County, S.C. No record of her has been found and makes one wonder how her name was arrived at.

Page 202 of Hill-Mobley Book:

Their children were:

1. William Mobley, b. ca. 1725-1730, m. Ann Osborne before 1750. Their son Eliaser received a land grant in 1771, indicating that he was at 21 years of age at that time.
2. Clement Mobley m. Mary Fox.
3. Benjamin Mobley m. Mrs. Mary Price Hill.
4. Edward Mobley Jr., born 25 Dec. 1735? or 1741?, died 1781, married Drucilla Meador.
5. John Mobley, b. 1745 m. Mary Beam.
6. Samuel Mobley, born 1739? or 1748?, married 1st May 1761 to Mary (Polly) Wagner (Waggoner).
7. Mary (Polly) Mobley m. Thomas Halsell.
8. Susannah Mobley m. Lewis Meador.
9. Sarah (Sallie) Mobley m. Jason Meador.
10. Elizabeth Mobley m. Job (Jobe) Meador.
11. Keziah Mobley m. Thomas Meador.
12. Dorcus Mobley m. Richard Hill.

The above father and children number 3; 4; 5; and 6 are all buried at Feasterville, S.C.

From Page 205 of Hill-Mobley Book:

William Mobley Sr., son of Edward Mobley & wife Susannah DeRuel was born ca. 1725-1730. He left the area of Lunenburg-Bedford County, Va. and moved to S.C. where he received a land grant in 1758. According to the Historical Commission of S.C. both William Mobley Sr. and his son, William Jr., served in the S.C. Militia. However, there were a number of William Mobley's in S.C. at that time and the Bible record of Henry Chapman hinted that he may have been deceased before the outbreak of the American Revolution.

Another son of William Mobley Sr. was Edward Mobley (Jr.)

that married Druscilla Meador and they in turn had a daughter named Lavinia Mobley that married HENRY CHAPMAN.

Another child of William Mobley Sr. was Captain Thomas Mobley, who was the 6th child of William Mobley and his wife, Ann Osborne.

Fairfield County Wills, Vol 3, Sec. 5, Page 76 dated 27th August 1807:

Will of Captain Thomas Mobley:

To wife Mary Mobley, the plantation during her lifetime.

also named were sons: daughters named:

Daniel A. Mobley	Mary Mobley
John Mobley	Salvy Mobley
Ephiram Mobley	Rebekah Mobley
David Mobley	Nancy Funderburgh
Darcus Beam	

Salley's Stubs to Indents, Book Y, Page 79 shows: "Thomas Mobley, to pay for mare furnished state troops- ordered to pay to Capt. Anderson, Thomas, Aug. 26, 1786." /Signed/ Thomas Mobley. He is shown on one family listing as a Revolutionary Soldier.

Following taken from "Mobley Family Collection," furnished by Mr. Carl Mobley of Orlando, Fla.: (Disc Number 12)

0416 (Capt) Thomas T. Mobley, [b. ca 1764, Fairfield Co, SC %], d. by 8/27/1807, [Fairfield Co. %], Rev. War m. [ca 1786 %] Mary Funderburgh [b. ca 1766, Fairfield Co, SC, d. aft. 1807, Fairfield %]
[dau. of Henry/Mary Funderburgh]

[1790 census Fairfield Co., SC: 1 m\16, 1 m\16, 2 f]

04161 Daniel A. Mobley, [b. 12/27/1787, Fairfield Co., SC %], [d. 11/18/1852 %] [in Jersey, Walton Co., GA @] m. [ca 1810 %] Temperance (Tempsy) Chapman, [b. 1790, Fairfield Co., d. 5/11/1864, Jersey, Walton Co. GA %] Temperance Chapman was daughter of William Chapman & Sarah Coleman.

04162 Mary Mobley m. Berryman Chapman

04163 John Mobley [\16, 1790 census]
[Formerly believed to have married Lucretia Simkins; she now believed to have been wife of John Mobley [AB01226], b. 12/20/1779] [See his FGS]

[1820 census { may be this John }, Ffld. Co.: 1 m\10, 1 m10\16, 1 m26\45, 3 f\10, 1 f16\26]

04164 Ephraim [Wright %] Mobley, b. 1799, [d. Cobb Co. GA %] m. Mary [Ward %], b. 1796

[1850 GA census; Cobb Co.: Ephraim W., 51, SC, Mary, 54, GA;
Ephraim D.L., 15, GA;

04165 David [C. #] Mobley, b. 1805, SC. [d. Jackson
Co. GA %] m. Lucinda [Wright #], in SC, b.
1810, SC [Dau. of Bolin Wright]

[1850 GA census; Jackson Co.: David C., 45, SC [farmer],
Lucinda, 40, SC; Eveline R., 22, SC; Sarah J., 19, SC; Nancy
E, 17, GA, Ephraim D., 14, Daniel J., 12, GA, Mary J., 10,
GA; Milly H., 4, GA]

04166 Sallie/Salvy Mobley [unm.when will signed]
04167 Rebecca/Rebekah Mobley [unm. when will signed]
04168 Nancy Mobley, [b. 1790, d. 1850 \$] m. Henry
Funderberg, [b. 1782, d. 1860 \$](1st cousin),
nephew of Mary Funderberg, lvd, Walton-Jackson,
Gwinnett Co, GA area.

Following on page 220 of the Hill-Mobley Book by G.A. Hill
(now deceased).

A Register containing the births and deaths of Henry Chapman
Family copied from the old family Bible for Anne Caroline
Benson. (Furnished by Mrs. Ida Thomas Page).
(Copied exactly as listed)

THE BIRTHS OF HENRY CHAPMAN FAMILY

Henry Chapman	Age not known
Lavinia Chapman	was born Jan'y 16, 1775
Elizabeth Chapman	" " November the 4th, 1790
John M. Chapman	" " August the 27th A.D. 1792
William M. Chapman	" " April " 17th A.D. 1796
Levi C? Chapman	" " June " 27th A.D. 1798
Littleberry Chapman	" " June 22nd A.D. 1800
David P. Chapman	" " May 9th A.D. 1802
Reuben M. Chapman	" " October the 24th A.D. 1804
Rachael M. Chapman	" " December the 9th A.D. 1806
Henry L. Chapman	" " July the 8th A.D. 1808
Ann Caroline Chapman	" " January the 12th A.D. 1811
Edward M. Chapman	" " June the 27th A.D. 1813
Griscilla M. Chapman	" " February the 16th A.D. 1816
Louisa Levenia Chapman	" " March the 10th A.D. 1818
James Alexander Chapman	" " March the 4th A.D. 1821

THE DEATHS OF HENRY CHAPMANS FAMILY

Henry Chapman departed this life May the 21st 1841.
Lavenia Chapman departed this life November the 1st, 1839.
Elizabeth Chapman departed this life October the 2nd, 1797.
Rachael M. Clough departed this life June the 6th, 1829.
Reuben M. Chapman departed this life May the 10th, 1838.

Edward M. Chapman departed this life November 3rd, 1828.
William M. Chapman departed this life February 13th, 1856.
David P. Chapman departed this life August 26th, 1858.
Ann Caroline Benson departed this life April 26th, 1885.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
YAZOO COUNTY

I, D.S. Shackelford, Chancery Clerk in and for the above county and state, do hereby certify that the foregoing pages are true and correct photo-copies taken from the Ann C. Benson Birth Register Book, which book appears to be approximately 100 years old.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this 22nd day of January 1954.

(Seal) /signed/ Dave S. Shackelford

SKETCHES & REFERENCES TO MOBLEY-ALLIED FAMILIES

Page 231 & 232 of Hill-Mobley Book

CHAPMAN

Edrington's History states: "The Chapmans were a numerous & prominent family on McClures Creek. They have all left except Giles Chapman and the widow and children of John Chapman, who owned the old "Halselville Property, just beyond the line in Chester County." (adjacent to Fairfield County).

Dr. D.B. Clayton Sr. writes: "Robert Coleman Sr. (we call him Sr, though he should be number one as there were several Roberts) came to S.C. we know not when, but apparently after our Robert Coleman Jr., who married Elizabeth Roe and started our Fairfield family, and his brothers William & Charles, both of whom lived and died in Fairfield (County, S.C.). Robert Sr. had a large family and from Deed Book K, Page 123 we find the following deed of gift.

"Robert R. Coleman, Farmer, to daughter Mourning Coleman, a Negro girl---- 3/1/1795, Witnesses: Anderson Thomas and WILLIAM CHAPMAN."

Page 125. "Robert R. Coleman to son in law WILLIAM CHAPMAN, one Negro woman." 3/31/1795. In Robert R. Coleman's Will, dated 3/31/1795, the same day his deed of gift was made to William Chapman, proved January 20th, 1796, names among his children, Sarah Chapman. He names as Executors of his will, two sons in law, William Chapman and Isaiah Coleman. (Three of his daughters married Mobley's, one a Parker and one a Picket. Two youngest were single). Witnesses to the Will were Anderson Thomas and Thomas Coleman (Robert's son)."

Mr. Clayton continues: "I have tried to find a record of

William Chapman and his wife Sarah Coleman, but so far without success... William Chapman was evidently born around 1740-55. I thought this William below might be the son in law of Robert Coleman Sr., but unless he married twice, this could not be as William's wife named in his Will was Anne, and Robert's daughter was Sarah, who married a William (Chapman). It is possible that Robert's son in law, William Chapman, was the father of this William (Chapman) who married Anne."

WILLIAM CHAPMAN Will Signed Sept 1841, proved 9/11/1841

Heirs of the Estate

Anny (X) Chapman widow

Berryman Chapman deceased son

His children: William Chapman; Darlen Allen's wife;
Gilbert M. Chapman; Edward Taylor; M.P.
Meador.

Sukey (Susanna) (X) Thomas & Jonathan Thomas ...Daughter,
also known as Susannah Thomas.

Britton Chapman, deceased son ... his children:

John M. Chapman; William P. Ragsdale; Hugh
McKeown; E.M. Chapman; Wm. H. Chapman ... a minor; Mary A.
Chapman ... a minor; John Mobley, guardian of minors; Berry
Chapman .. ALL OF HENRY COUNTY, GEORGIA.

Sarah Chapman ... daughter.

Hardy Chapman ... deceased son ... his children:

Lucy Chapman, wife of John Curry
John Chapman

Robert Coleman son (probably son in law)

Tempsey (Temperance) Mobley, daughter and wife of Daniel
Mobley of Walton County, Georgia (page 207)

Others: Hugh McKeown and Lucinda McKeown of Fayette County,
Georgia.

Copy of Will to be sent to B.M. Chapman of Union County, S.C.

Lucy Chapman, relationship unknown ... of Pickens County,
Ala., 1844

Note: William Chapman's Will furnished by Mrs Ida Thomas
Page.

Will of Hardy Chapman- dated 3/29/1822 probated 7/5/1822.
Executors were William & Berryman Chapman.

Following from Page 216 of Hill-Mobley Book

Levi Mobley married Sarah Rabb in S.C. and later moved to
Jones County, Ga. and lived there between 1808-1818, then
moved to Greenville, Alabama where he died.

Mobley marriages in Jones Co., Ga. between 1811-1819:

Barbara Mobley married John Chapman (Levi Mobley performed the marriage ceremony).

Sukey Mobley married Edward Brooks.

James Mobley to Norcissa Burford.

Reuben Mobley to Grissela Burfore (sic).

Analysis of the above information:

It is very obvious that the Mobley and Chapman families were close and inter married with each other. Some of them moved into both Walton County and Jones county of Georgia. These Chapmans do not appear to be related to the members of David Chapman and wife Tabitha Hill of N.C, who's children (some) later moved into Warren County, Ga.

Robert R. Hill
Aug 5th, 1994