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THE NEELEYS OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY SC

SEVENTH-DAY BAPTISTS IN EUROPE AND AMERICA, volume 11, pp 672-675:

The third church of this group was Nantmeal, in Chester County, PA. This church has generally been mentioned as French Creek and is supposed to be the same as Canoqocheaque, which name is given in some correspondence with the brethren in Piscataway, NJ.

In 1754 a church of this order of Baptists was begun on Broad River, in the parish of St. Mark, South Carolina, about 180 miles from Charleston. The leading members in it were THOMAS OWEN/S AND VICTOR NELLY, from French Creek Pennsylvania, and JOHN GREGORY and his sons Richard and John from Piscataway, NJ. *** (see notes)

THE SOUTH CAROLINA BAPTISTS, Early Back-Country Churches, pp 172-173, 292-293:

A group of Sabbatarians, also coming from Connecocheaque and from French Creek in Pennsylvania, settled near Broad River between 1745 and 1757. The leaders were THOMAS OWEN/S who arrived in South Carolina with his wife in 1752 or 1754, and VICTOR NALEY, who came with his wife in 1756 or 1757, both of whom had land on the east side of Broad River, the first on Conaway Creek and Wilkinson's Creek, the second on Little River and Rocky Creek of the Broad River. Membership was widely scattered between the Broad and Wateree near the rivers on each side, and a goodly number settled of the southwest side of Broad River along the Second and Cannons Creeks, whence John Pearson wrote his letters of exhortation.

"The history of the individual churches shows excessive drinking to have been the great sin of the times, with neglect of the church and its commands a close second. Amusement of every kind, but especially shooting matches and dancing, called forth severe condemnation and ex-communication. Harsh or erratic discipline occurred, and the hearing given to minority groups by associations or neighboring churches soon obviated the evil or isolated the erring church. In the main, the disciplinary measures of the churches were only expression of public indignation against cruelty, injustice, and immorality. In new communities, those little gatherings held in the houses of JOHN JONES or VICTOR NALEY or many others became dynamic nuclei of law and order. Public suspension and ex-communication were powerful weapons against the truly religious, and even among the irreligious. The action of the churches established the local norm of conduct." The way in which this society had a beginning in SC was by emigrants from Connecocheaque/Conococheague. PA. *** (see notes)

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PART 111

Treats of the Seventh-day-Baptists

In the Province of South Carolina

These are the same with their brethren in Pennsylvania both with respect to faith and order. One society is in this country, viz. at:

BROAD RIVER [1754 Sabbatarians]

So called from the water, near to which the people reside, in the parish of St. Mark and county of Craven, 180 miles WNW from Charleston and 762 miles from Philadelphia. No place of worship; the meeting is held alternately at the houses of THOMAS OWEN/S and VICTOR NELLY, Here [they keep the 7th day] the love feast, washing feet, [sing] are used. No estate; no fixed salary, but yet a clever man might live among them. They are Calvinistic in sentiments. ***(see notes)

THE NEELEYS OF FAIRFIELD COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA

***(1) WILLIAM FREDERICK "FRED" NEELEY** was born 4 Sep. 1917 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co.- 17 Sep. 1982 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. He married Dorothy "Virginia" Parker 22 Sep. 1938 in Winnsboro, SC, Fairfield Co. She was born 30 Sep. 1922 in Rock Hill, SC, York Co. - 12 Mar. 2008 in Sumter SC, Sumter Co. She married (2) Bryan Fred Blackmon. She was the daughter of Edward "Ed" Kell Parker and "Gerra" Eva (Adelsheimer) (Parker) Read of Chester, SC.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM FREDERICK "FRED" NEELEY AND DOROTHY "VIRGINIA" PARKER

1-1 Private

1-2 Private

***(2) WILLIAM WALTER NEELEY** was born 1 Jan. 1896 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. now the present site of Fort Jackson on "the range" *** (see # 1 in notes) – 22 Nov. 1969 in Augusta, GA, Richmond Co. He was the son of William W. Neeley and Elizabeth Blizzard. William Walter Neeley married (1) Elizabeth "Liz" Pneuma Welchel. She was born 10 Nov 1898, Greenville, SC, Greenville Co. – d. 22 May 1971 in Winnsboro, SC, Fairfield Co. He married (2) Annie Rushton. Elizabeth (Welchel) (Neeley) married (2) Hubert B. McGhee. He was born 12 Jun. 1889 in Iredale Co. NC – 27 Jan. 1956 in Winnsboro SC, Fairfield Co.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM WALTER NEELEY AND ELIZABETH "LIZ" PNEUMA WELCHEL/WHELCHER

***2-1 WILLIAM FREDERICK "FRED" NEELEY** was born 4 Sep. 1917, Columbia, SC, Richland Co. He died 17 Sep. 1982 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co.

***2-2 Hester Leona** was born 18 Sep. 1919 in Winnsboro, SC, Fairfield Co. – d. 20 Oct. 2003 in Fontana, CA, San Bernardino Co. She married (1) Henry Ott of Winnsboro. He was born 1919.

(2) Milton Edmund Carlson on 15 Jun. 1947 in Los Angeles Co. CA. He was born 30 Jun. 1921.

(3) Kenneth Smith on 7 Dec. 1963, Los Angeles Co. CA

CHILD OF HESTER LEONA NEELEY AND EDmund ROSS CARLSON

2-2-1 Ross Milton was born 2 Sep. 1945 in Los Angeles Co. CA – 17 Oct 2002 in Mohave, AZ (He was murdered and the murderer was never found).

2-3 Mary Catherine was born 5 Jun. 1922 in Winnsboro, SC, Fairfield Co - 5 Jun. 1922 in Winnsboro, SC

2-4 Mildred Eulalia was born 16 Feb. 1924 in Winnsboro, SC, Fairfield Co - 24 Jan. 1989, Paramount CA. She married (1) William Bethel Jenkins, born 7 Apr. 1921 in KY – 1 Nov. 1981, Los Angeles Co. CA (2) Stanley Glass

CHILDREN OF MILDRED EULALIA NEELEY AND WILLIAM BETHEL JENKINS

2-4-1 Private

2-4-2 Private

2-4-3 Private

2-4-4 Private

(3) WILLIAM W. NEELEY was born 17 Oct 1854 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co., now the present site of Fort Jackson on "the range" – 1 Dec. 1942 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. *death certificate shows year of birth as 1854, *(1870 Richland Co. census shows his age as 12 in which he would have been born in 1858). *I believe that he and his brother Farr are the sons of Richard Lawrence Neeley who married (1) _____ *** (see # 2 in notes) William W. Neeley married Elizabeth "Lizzie" Blizzard (see # 3 in notes) She was born about 1866 in Richland Co. SC – 22 Sep. 1950 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. Lizzie was the daughter of William Martin and Elizabeth Cobb.

CHILDREN OF WILLIAM W. NEELEY AND ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" BLIZZARD

3-1 Jesse S. was born about 1887, Richland Co. SC. He married Olive Miles

CHILDREN OF JESSE S. NEELEY AND OLIVE MILES

3-1-1 Alberta was born 12 Dec. 1908, Columbia, SC, Richland Co. She married Wally/Corbett Lee

3-1-2 Otis was born 15 Dec. 1911 – d. in Savannah, GA

3-2 Dora Belle was born about 1890 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. on "the range" on Fort Jackson Army Base in Columbia, SC Richland Co. She married (1) Edmund Emlyn (2) ____ Tuttle

CHILDREN OF DORA BELLE NEELEY AND EDMUND EMLYN

3-2-1 Woodrow

3-2-2 Jack

3-3-3 Coley

*3-3 William Walter was born 1 Jan. 1896, Columbia, SC, Richland Co. on Fort Jackson Army Base on "the range" – 22 Nov. 1969 in Augusta, GA, Richmond Co. William married Elizabeth Welchel/Whelchel.

*3-4 Elizabeth "Lizzie" was born about 1898 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co., on the range. She married Thomas Alva McCoy

CHILDREN OF ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" NEELEY AND THOMAS ALVA MCCOY

3-4-1 William "Bill" – married Andale Crim – Children: Private

3-4-2 Ruby- married Douglas Brady – Children: Private

FROM THIS POINT FORWARD I AM CONFUSED ABOUT MY DESCENT, BUT THINK I DESCENDED FROM RICHARD BELOW.

(4) RICHARD LAWRENCE NEELEY was born 25 Jun. 1831 in Fairfield Co. SC – d. 3 May 1910, Richland Co. SC He married (1) _____ (2) Alice Elvira Roberts. He is buried in the N. D. Porter – Neeley Cemetery at Fort Jackson. He has a Confederate headstone.

It is believed that Richard Lawrence Neeley had a first wife who I think are the parents of my great grandfather William W. Neeley and his brother Farr.

CHILDREN OF RICHARD LAWRENCE NEELEY AND WIFE (1) _____

4-1 Farr was born about 1855 in Richland Co. SC. He married Minnie Marsh. Farr is not in any SC census records after 1870. I read on the Neeley forum that a Farr Neely died in 1880 in Maryville, TN but cannot prove it was the brother of William W. Neeley. It seems logical that he was since Farr is an unusual name. I think his first name is actually Farris. *** (see # 2 in notes).

4-2 WILLIAM W. NEELEY was born 17 Oct. 1854 in Richland Co. SC at Fort Jackson, on the range - 1 Dec. 1942 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. He married Elizabeth "Lizzie" Blizzard. She was born about 1866 – 22 Sep. 1950 in Columbia, SC Richland Co.

CHILDREN OF FARR NEELEY AND MINNIE MARSH

4-1-1 Johnnie

4-1-2 Willie

4-1-3 Minnie was born 4 Aug. 1880, Richland Co. SC. 22 Mar. 1960 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. She married Frank Taylor. His family owned Taylor's Chauffer Service in Columbia.

4-1-4 Susan Jane "Susie" was born about 1887, Richland Co. SC. She married Willie Crede/Creed

4-1-5 Lila was born 3 Jan. 1890 in Columbia, SC, Richland Co. – 15 Feb. 1965. She married Calvert "Skeets" McGregor. His father owned McGregor's Apothecary in Columbia.

I AM POSITIVE THAT I DESCENDED FROM VICTOR AND CHRISTINA *** (see #2 in notes).

(5) VICTOR NEELEY was born 16 Jan. 1796 in Fairfield Co. SC – 6 Mar. 1875, Richland Co. SC. He married Christina _____. She was born about 1796. She died 21 Apr. 1851 at age 55. (see # 4 in notes).

CHILDREN OF VICTOR NEELEY AND CHRISTINA _____

- 5-1 Jane was born about 1830 in Fairfield Co. SC. She married Jacob Shirah
- *5-2 RICHARD LAWRENCE NEELEY was born 25 Jun. 1831 in Fairfield Co. SC – 3 May 1910 in Richland Co. SC. He married (1) _____ (2) Alice Elvira Roberts.
- *5-3 Victor was born 9 Apr. 1833 in Fairfield Co., SC – 29 Dec. 1911, Richland Co. SC. He married Jane Rebecca Evans. She was born 23 Apr. 1834, Fairfield Co. SC – 25 Jul. 1914, Columbia, SC, Richland Co

CHILDREN OF VICTOR NEELEY AND JANE REBECCA EVANS

- 5-3-1 Thomas Marion Neeley was born 1855 in Lykesland, SC, Richland Co. – 20 Sep. 1930 in Blythewood, SC, Fairfield Co. He married Alice Raines. She was born 17 Oct. 1857, Fairfield Co. SC – 1934, Blythewood, SC, Fairfield Co.
 - 5-3-2 Julia Ann was born 17 Nov. 1856 in Richland Co. SC – 23 Jul. 1955 in English, SC, Richland Co. She married James Madison Tucker. He was born 14 Apr. 1859 – 14 May 1934, Richland Co. SC
 - 5-3-3 Martha Jane was born 20 Oct. 1862 in Lykesland, SC, Richland Co. – 20 Jan. 1940 in Lykesland, SC, Richland Co.
 - 5-3-4 no name
 - 5-3-5 Henry Franklin was born 10 Dec. 1867 in Richland Co. SC. – 19 Feb. 1933 in Richland Co. SC. He married (1) Sallie Goers – born 10 Dec. 1874, SC (2) Margaret Miles (3) Nezzie Davis. Henry lost an arm in a sawmill accident. His headstone has his last name as Nealy.
 - 5-3-6 Andrew D. was born about 1890 in Richland Co. SC – 21 Mar. 1951, Columbia, SC, Richland Co. He married Frances Ann Elders.
 - 5-3-7 Edward Vince was born 14 Dec. 1871 in Lykesland, SC, Richland Co. – 30 Dec. 1947 in Lykesland, SC. He married Minnie Augustus Roberts. She was born 18 Feb. 1879 in Richland Co. SC – 9 Jan. 1956, SC
 - 5-3-8 Victor Elcain was born about 1873 in Richland Co. SC. He married Minnie Williams. She was born 15 Feb. 1875 in Marion, SC – 22 Jun. 1933.
 - 5-3-9 Ruben Trezvant was born 4 Jun 1876 in Richland Co. SC – 9 Aug. 1943 in Richland Co. SC He married (1) Annie Tucker (2) _____ (3) Savora Sullivan
- I have a long lineage on Victor and Jane Rebecca but too long to submit.

*5-4 Charles Neeley was born about 1836 in Richland Co. SC, He married Clarkey E. _____

CHILDREN OF CHARLES NEELEY AND CLARKEY E. _____ (her maiden is possibly Evans).

- 5-4-1 George was born about 1860 in Richland Co. SC
- 5-4-2 Lawrence was born about 1862 in Richland Co. SC
- 5-4-3 Clarkey was born about 1857 in Richland Co. SC – 26 Jul. Columbia, SC Richland Co. She married (1) James Dolan, born about 1853 in Ireland. He died 9 May 1895 in Richland Co. SC
- (2) Charles Gates. (SEE # 5 IN NOTES)

I THINK I DESCENDED FROM THIS VICTOR AND MARTHA BUT CAN'T DETERMINE IF THEIR JOHN WHO MARRIED JANE AND JOHN WHO MARRIED JANE C. IS THE SAME MAN OR NOT.

(6) VICTOR NEELEY'S demise occurred by 24 Dec. 1794 in Fairfield Co. SC. It is believed that he was born in the early 1740's in PA. He married Martha "Patty" _____ John Nealy, Martha "Patty" Nealy and Samuel Clampitt applied for Administrators, the goods, chattels and credits of Victor Nealy, late of Fairfield Co., deceased, were granted by the Honorable _____ Judge of the said county unto _____ This Victor would have to have been born in the early 1740's because he was a brother of Richard Neeley who married Ann Mobley. Richard was born about 1742. Victor was also a road commissioner.

CHILDREN OF VICTOR NEELEY AND MARTHA "PATTY" _____

- 6-1 Richard was born in Fairfield Co. SC. He married Elizabeth

6-2 John was born in Fairfield Co. SC. He married Jane * is this Jane C.?

6-3 Victor was born in Fairfield Co. SC. He married Sarah

6-4 Jerusa was born in Fairfield Co. SC. She married Alexander Lester

CHILDREN OF JOHN NEELEY AND JANE C. _____

*1-1 Isaiah died in 1847 in Fairfield Co. SC, He married Mary Polly"

1-2 Elizabeth married James Raines

*1-3 Victor neeley was born 16 Jan. 1796 in Fairfield Co. SC – 6 Mar. 1875. He married Christina ____ She was born abut 1796 – 21 Apr. 1851 in Richland Co. SC., age 55 *** (see notes)

1-4 Abigail married Nathaniel Bullard Hood

1-5 Richard

1-6 Susan married Elias Hood

CHILDREN OF ISAIAH NEELEY AND MARY "POLLY"

1-1-1 Martha married James Walker

1-1-2 Mary married Edmund/Edmond D. Gilmore/Gillmore

1-1-3 Nancy married Wright Smith on 10 Sep. 1840

1-1-4 Jane married _____Hathcock/Haithcock

1-1-5 Susan

1-1-6 Richard

1-1-7 Thomas

1-1-8 Sarah

1-1-9 Isaiah

THE RICHARD NEELEY BELOW IS THE SON OF VICTOR NEELEY AND ANN DUNKLEY AND THE NEPHEW OF VICTOR NEELEY WHO MARRIED MARTHA "PATTY" _____.

(7) RICHARD NEELY was born about 1742 in Fairfield Co. SC and died before 20 Oct. 1797. He married Ann Mobley. She was born about 1745 or 1749 in Bedford Co. VA. – about 1805 in Fairfield Co. SC

CHILDREN OF RICHARD NEELY AND ANN MOBLEY

7-1 Victor was born about 1780 in Fairfield Co. SC

7-2 Mary

7-3 Jane

7-4 John Neeley was born about ~~1748 in VA~~ – died before 20 Oct. 1797 in Fairfield Co. SC. He married Mariah E. Brooks. He wrote a letter to his brothers Richard and Clement in TN telling them he had a daughter since he had last seen them. Her name is Susannah who was born 9 Jan. 1809. A few researchers say John had a son Victor who was born in 1792 in Fairfield Co. – 1865 in Benton Co. AL. Victor had a son John Wood Neeley who was born 19 Jul 1902 in Rockwell, TX. It seems unlikely that John's son Victor (born 1792) is 17 years older than Susannah who was born in 1809. John and Mariah had two sons and three daughters.

7-5 Richard was born about 1785 in Fairfield Co. SC. He died before 13 Oct. 1813. He married Sarah "Sally" Parker. She was born 10 Apr. 1791 in Granville, NC. He sold 100 acres of land to John Boyd of Fairfield Co. and removed to Bedford Co. TN with brother Clement. Both carried letters of introduction signed by Gen. John Pearson. A letter for Richard was also signed by Gen. John Winn, apparently at a later date, read: Whereas the bearer hereof of Mr. Richard Neeley, a Native and inhabitant of this place being disposed to remove to the western county. These are therefore to certify for him, that I have known him from his infancy to the present date, during all which time never had heard of anything alleged disrespectful to his character that he generally considered a good citizen and an honest and industrious well-disposed

RICHARD WAS PROBABLY BORN IN VA, NEELEYS WERE STILL IN VA IN 1742

person. Given under my hands this 30 Apr. 1807. On 23 Jul. 1810, Richard was a Capt. In the 28th Regiment. In 1812 he was a Capt. of the Militia in Bedford Co. TN.

CHILDREN OF CAPTAIN RICHARD NEELEY AND SARAH "SALLY" PARKER

7-5-1 Elijah was born 11 Jul. 1809 in Granville Co. NC – 1862 in Madison Co. AR

7-5-2 Mary Ann was born 10 Jul. 1811 in Bedford Co. TN – 11 Jan. 1858 in Waynesboro, Wayne Co. TN

7-5-3 Martha died 10 Dec. 1813 in Bedford Co. TN (born after the death of Richard).

NOTE: It appears that Richard did not go to TN until after 1809 because his first child was born at that time in Granville Co. NC. It is believed that he was killed in the war.

7-6 Ann Nancy married John Brent who was born in Fairfield Co. SC – 22 Nov. 1822 in Pike Co. MS. He witnessed his father-in-law's will. Ann and John removed to MS in 1812.

7-7 Abigail was born about 1763 in Fairfield Co. SC – died after 1820 in Amite, MS. She married (1) Thomas Meredith by 1780. Thomas was born about 1760. He was killed by Indians 26 Apr. 1812 in Macon Co. AL in route to SC. Abigail married (2) William Cooper

7-8 Susannah

7-9 Sarah married John Pearson

7-10 Clement was born in Fairfield Co. SC. He died about 1865 in Clay Co. MO. He removed to Bedford Co. TN with his brother Richard and possibly Alexander about 1807. He married Susannah Harrington about 1810. She was born about 1788 in Rutherford, NC. A letter dated 7 Oct. 1809, from John Boyd to Clement's brother, Richard, includes the comment. "I suppose the next time I hear from you, Clement and Susannah will be in the same kind of know" [knot]? Clement was a Lt. in the 28th Regiment in Bedford Co. TN on 11 Jan. 1819. He removed from Bedford Co. TN to Clay Co. MO where he died.

CHILDREN OF CLEMENT NEELY AND SUSANNAH HARRINGTON

*7-10-1 RICHARD ALEXANDER NEELY was born 6 Apr. 1815 In Bedford Co. TN – Nov. 1887 in Clay Co. MO. He married Mary Ann Harrington, born about 1822 in Rutherford, NC. In 1860,

AGES GIVEN IN CENSUS

Richard Nealey was living in Fishing River Township in Clay Co. MO. His mother Susan Nealey, age 72, was living next door to him. In 1870, Richard was living in Clay Co. MO. His mother Susan, age 82, was living with him.

7-10-2 Elizabeth F. was born about 1820 in MO. She married George Washington George

7-10-3 William L. was born about 1822 in MO. He married Matilda Ann Bell

7-10-4 Melissa Bloomfield was born about 1826. She married Joseph Henshaw.

7-10-5 Susan was born about 1829 in MO. She married Jonathan Hunt.

CHILDREN OF RICHARD ALEXANDER NEALEY AND MARY ANN HARRINGTON

7-10-1-1 CLEMENT NEALEY was born about 1855 in MO. He died after 1910 in Kansas City, MO.

AGES GIVEN IN CENSUS

It appears that Clement never married. No wife is mentioned in any census. In 1860 Richard is living in Fishing River Township, Clay Co. MO. His grandmother Susan Nealey, age 72, is living next door. In 1870, Richard's grandmother, Susan, age 82, is living with him. In 1900, Clement's mother Mary Ann, age 78, is living with him.

7-10-1-2 Margaret was born about 1857 in MO. It appears that Margaret never married. She is still living with Clement and their mother in 1910 in Kansas City, MO.

(8) VICTOR NEALY was born in Northern Ireland in the early 1700's and died in Fairfield Co. SC. He married Ann Dunkley of Philadelphia, PA. The marriage is verified by the signing of a land deed dated 30 Mar. 1748 by Victor Nealy and wife Ann Nealy. The deed was done by Benjamin Chambers of Cumberland (formed from Lancaster Co. PA) on 15 Oct. 1750. Description of neighboring lands in Lancaster Co PA seem to indicate that Victor owned land in Robeson Township on 26 Apr. 1751 but no longer show ownership on 29 May, 1751. This Victor is said to have had a brother Richard who married Mary Dunkley, sister of Ann.

ANN DUNLEY is believed to be the daughter of Richard Dunkley and Esther Savage of Amity, PA. Richard died IN 1734 where his estate was administered to his wife Esther of Amity. Their son, Oliver Dunkley, died intestate before Mar. 1748 in Philadelphia. A series of deeds traces ownership of 150 acres of land that link kinship to the names Savage, Dunkley, Neeley, Vanread and Ewule.

Fairfield County, South Carolina Deeds

Vol. PP - page 97:

Victor Neely of Fairfield County, SC for \$56 to E. D. Gillmore of Lexington District, SC....38 acres being my inheritance part of the land belonging to John Neely, deceased, situate on Twenty Five Mile Creek, bounded N. by Elias Hood, S. by Simon Hood, E. by Nathaniel Hood, W. by James Hood....18 Mar. 1846. S/ Victor Neeley. Dower Renounced by Christina, wife of Victor Neely.

Vol. PP - pages 14-15:

Isaiah Neely, James Raines and Elizabeth Rains, Victor Neely, Simon P. Hood, Zachariah Hood, Nathaniel B. Hood, Abigail Hood, Richard Neely, Elias Hood, Susan Hood, Jane Neely, the younger for \$384 in the settlement of the estate of John Neely, deceased, to Jane Neely.....156 1/2 acres being part of 4,450 acres granted to Quinton Craig 4 Jun. 1792, situate on Twenty Five Mile Creek, waters of Broad River....5 Nov. 1841.

S/ Isaiah Neely, James Raines, (x) , Elizabeth Raines, Victor Neely, Simon P. Hood, Zachariah Hood, Nathaniel Hood, Abigail Hood, Richard Neeley, Elias Hood, Susan Hood, Jane C. Neeley

Estate of John Neely settled for \$5,000.00: Citation for Fairfield Co. SC, 1841, Box FA 30, File 73, Pkg. 45. Isaiah Neely was Administrator.

Estate of Victor Neely: File 6, Pkg. 172 and 16 Apr. 1795 Administration Bond, Patty Neely John Neely and Samuel Clampitt Administrators. William McMorris and James Henning Securities. Also 24 Dec. 1794 Citation.

Vol. NN – pages 305-306:

Martha Neeley, Richard Neeley, John Neeley, Victor Neeley, Alexander Lester all of Fairfield District for \$1,998 to Thomas McMeekin of the same place....111 acres being the west half of two tracts, one for 100 acres granted Victor Neely 3 Nov. 1762, the other for 150 acres granted to Alexander Neeley 18 May 1771, situate on Neeley's Creek, waters of Little River bounded E. by John Neeley, Victor Neeley, and Alexander Lester (two of the grantors) N. & NW by James Davis, W. by the grantee, S. by William and Joseph Holmes....1819. S/ Martha Neeley (x), Richard Neeley, John Neeley, Victor Neeley, Alexander Lester. Dower Renounced by Elizabeth Neeley, wife of Richard Neeley, Jane Neeley, wife of John Neeley, Sarah Neeley, wife of Victor Neeley.

Vol. M – pages 72-73:

Martha Neely of Fairfield District, widow of Victor Neely, deceased, for the love and affection which I have and bear towards my four children, Richard, John, Victor and Jerusa Neely.....100 acres originally granted to Victor Neely 3 Nov. 1762 on a branch of Broad River called Little River, also 150 acres granted to Alex. Neely 18 May 1771 on the N. side of Broad River on a branch thereof called McCray's Creek bounded NW by Victor Neely, E. by Jacob Gibson.....9 Mar, 1799. S/ Martha Neely. Witnessed by Richard Neely, Howard Robinson, W. Yarborough. Proved 30 May 1799 by Wm. Yarborough before Burrell Cook, JP.

NOTES

(1) **THE RANGE:** The Neeley and allied families owned and farmed land on the present site of Fort Jackson. Their homes were located near what is now the firing range. I was told when the government came to build the fort, they told the families to get off the property or else they would burn them off. The fort was built in 1917 but most of my Neeley family had left the range by then. It is to my knowledge that people were not monetarily compensated for property in those days. I also have copies of 23 family cemeteries located on Fort Jackson.

(2) **RICHARD LAWRENCE NEELEY:** It is a mystery as to why my great grandfather William W. Neeley and his brother Farr are living with another family in Gadsden, SC, Lower Richland Co. I believe Richard had a first wife who may have died or else he just left the family. I think there were more children but they were scattered by whatever transpired. The time frame is right for Richard to be William W. and Farr's father. My grandfather's sister said Ruben Trezvant Neeley was a cousin to her father William W. Neeley. Ruben is the son of Victor Neeley and Jane Rebecca ~~Jane~~ Evans. Richard Lawrence Neeley was Victor's brother. Therefore, I am a descendant of Victor and Christina, parents of Victor and Richard Lawrence Neeley. Likewise, a genealogist, now deceased, told me I had to be a descendant of Richard L., Victor, or Charles. I have the names of all of their children and Richard seems to be the one.

(3) **ELIZABETH "LIZZIE" (BLIZZARD) NEELEY:** The 1920 Richland Co. SC census shows "Lizzie" as a widow and a proprietor of a grocery store [located on the corner of Gervais and Huger Streets in Columbia]. The 1920 Fairfield Co. SC census shows her husband, William W. Neeley, as widowed and living with my grandparents Will and Lizzie Neeley. William was a Seventh - day Adventist.

(4) **VICTOR NEELEY WHO MARRIED CHRISTINA:** Victor and Christina are buried on Russ Brown Road on private property in Blythewood, SC, Fairfield Co. along with his father John. Victor was born 16 Jan. 1796 – 6 Mar. 1875, age 79. Christina's headstone does not show a birth date but it shows she died 21 Apr. 1851, age 55, so she would have been born about 1796. John's headstone does not show a birth date but shows that he died 7 Jul. 1841 as age 73 so he must have been born about 1768. He married Jane C. _____. *The DAR and all researches accept that John Neeley was born in 1758 in VA and married Lucretia Jane Broom/e. Research was done by Oliver Joyner, deceased, of Blythewood, SC. His research is in possession of a woman in Blythewood.

(5) **CLARKEY (NEELEY) (DOLAN) (GATES):** Her death certificate shows date of birth as 1868. The 1860 Richland Co. SC census shows her as age 3. The 1880 Richland Co. SC census shows her as age 21. It appears that 1857 is closer to the correct date of birth rather than 1868. Clarkey's 1st husband died and left her 40 acres of land. Clarkey died intestate and the land went to her next of kin....her 1st cousins. Victor E. Neeley was a recipient of a parcel of that land. He sold it to Johnnie Caldwell Neeley who donated it to Columbia Collage. I have made no connection to Johnnie Caldwell Neeley except that he is related to the Neeley family in Denmark, SC.

I read the book entitled A FAIRFIELD SKETCHBOOK by Julian Stevenson Bolic in which he names a number of Monticello-Jenkinsville settlers. The Neeley family was not included. As you can see by the articles I quoted on Seventh-Day Baptists and Sabbatarian Baptists, the Neeleys were an integral and unequivocal part of the settlement in the Monticello-Jenkinsville area, and they were definitely instrumental in forming the churches Bolic refers to.

Victor Neeley was one of the leaders of a group of Sabbatarian Baptists in Fairfield Co. They arrived before the Gibson family. Victor, Richard and Alexander Neeley's land was adjacent to Jacob Gibson's vacant lot. Burley's original land plats show a Neckley's Creek. There is a possibility that it is Neeley's Creek because it is located below Victor's land. Likewise two creeks ran through his property. I don't think there were any Neckleys in St. Marks Parish, Craven or Fairfield or any area of SC that I am aware of. REFERENCE FOR NEELEY'S CREEK: See Vol. NN, pages 305-306 on Fairfield Co. SC Deeds

THE CHILDREN OF RICHARD NEELEY AND ANN MOBLEY AND THE DUNKLEY FAMILY WAS EXTRACTED FROM STEVE LAWSON'S DATA. I INITIALLY CONTRIBUTED DATA TO STEVE IN 1987 WHEN HE WAS SEARCHING FOR NEELEYS OF BROAD RIVER. I ALSO CONTRIBUTED DATA TO LEE ANN GEREHART AND DEBBIE (DUNKLEY) (ROWE) WILLIAMS. THE CHILDREN OF VICTOR NEELEY AND JANE REBECCA EVANS WAS EXTRACTED FROM THE RESEARH OF MR.OLIVER JOYNER, DECEASED, OF BLYTHEWOOD, SC. HIS MATERIAL WAS GIVEN TO ME BY A WOMAN IN BLYTHEWOOD, SC.

There is a connection to the Fairfield and York County Neeleys. Cynthia Ann Neely was born Feb. 1836 in Boon Co. MO. – Aug. 1913 in Camden Co. MO. She was the daughter of Robert Neely and Elizabeth Russell of Rock Hill, SC. Cynthia married Greenberry/Green Berry Scott who was born about 1834 in Indiana. Simon Scott, son of Greenberry/Green Berry, gave a shaving mug to his son George H. Scott. The mug has the name of Victor Neely on it. The Scott family of Linn Creek, Buckner MO said they were not aware that there was a Victor Neely in their family but assumed so since they have his mug.

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