

The Turnipseeds

In compliance with a precept issued by John Troup, D.S.G., dated December 3, 1766, Ralph Humphries, D.S. laid out a tract of land containing 100 acres for Hans Rapeson, in Craven County, on a small branch of Little River: bound NW on the land of the Widow McFacen, and on all other sides by vacant land. The plat was certified on May 12, 1767.⁶

John Reapsamen made his will on August 22, 1787, and it was proven on July 5, 1797. His wife Catherine and the following children were named in the will: Bartholomew, Jacob, John, Herman, Barbara, Catherine and Christian. To his son, Jacob, he left 75 acres out of the tract of 150 acres (below his original land survey); to his son, Herman, he left the remaining 75 acres; to his son, John, he left 100 acres north of Broad River: bound on three sides by the land of Timothy Rives, and on the west by the land of Felix Reapsamen; to his son Bartholomew, he left the 100 acres that had been granted to John Reapsamen on Little River. He left the use of his spring to his sons Jacob and Herman. (This is probably the spring near the old Southern Railroad station of Montgomery) He named his son, John, and Adam Hamiter as executors of his will. Christian Schultze, Christian (X) Kennerly and William Hendricks witnessed the will.⁷

BARTHOLOMEW TURNIPSEED was the son of John Reapsamen (Turnipseed) and his wife Catherine. He died in Fairfield District early in the year 1810. The warrant for the appraisal of his estate was issued on February 1, 1810, to John Sims, James Elliott, John Chappell, Benjamin Scott and William Burriss. His son, Andrew, and his widow, Katherine, were appointed

6- C.P. Vol. 9, P. 34.

7-R.W.B. Vol. 1, Bk. C, P. 44, 1797; R.P.C. Box 25, Pkg. 625.