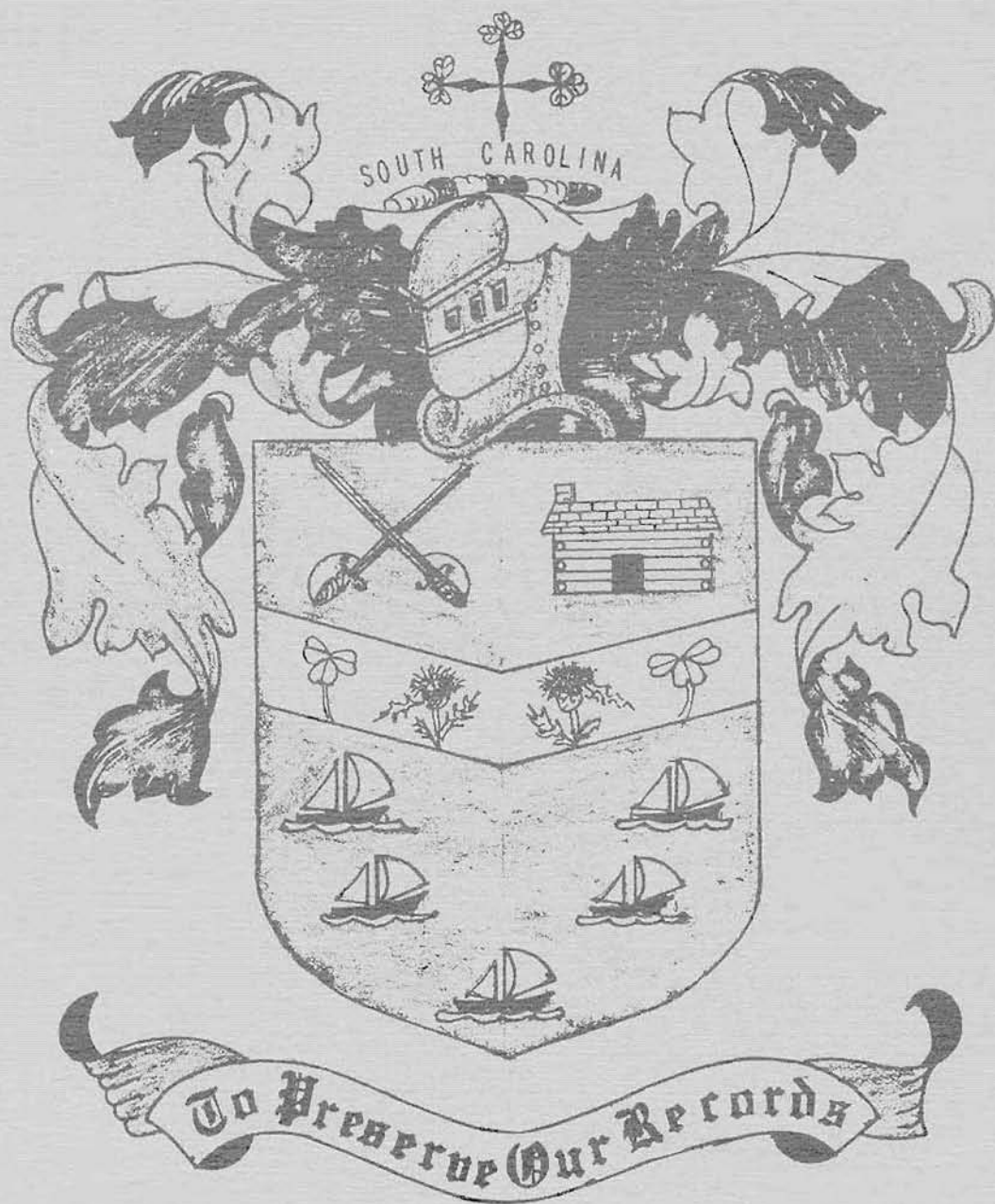


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The 1982 Membership-surname book has been mailed to those who ordered a little later than promised. Early reports tell us it is the finest we have produced. There are between 25 and 30 copies left over which are available so long as they last at \$3 postpaid.

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We're sorry - one member claimed the picture of Miss Anne Hamilton offered in the June Bulletin. We've misplaced your name and address so please try again.

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#### October Meeting

The first Sunday in October our annual fall regional meeting will be held at historic Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church which is located just west of Edgemoor in Chester County near the York County line.

Our speaker will be Retired Lt. General Harris W. Hollis of Columbia, S. C. This 3 star general was born and reared in the Rodman section of Chester County. He is a graduate of Clemson and the University of South Carolina Law School and a veteran of World War II, Korea, and the Vietnam War.

The public is cordially invited and we hope each member will invite friends and neighbors to come. Light refreshments and a period of fellowship will follow the program which will begin at 3 P.M.

Come early or stay afterwards to browse through Fishing Creek's interesting old cemetery.

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#### A Treasure - Hopewell's Cemetery Inscriptions

Hopewell Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church's well kept rock wall cemetery with readable stones dating back to 1790 contains the remains of many of Chester County's early settlers who established homes along Rocky Creek.

A great store of genealogical information is engraved in the stones standing there which have never before been published. The members of Hopewell have painstakingly copied the inscriptions from each marker and provided a map showing the approximate location of each grave. In addition, Mrs. J. Watt Weir has provided a history of the cemetery and Miss Jimmie Mills a brief history of the church and a list of its elders from 1787 to date.

The Chester County Genealogical Society is honored to have been selected by the Session of Hopewell to bring this useful and informative book to publication and distribution. It is offered at \$10 per copy postage paid.

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#### Another Treasure - Old Catholic's Minutes

There has been much information published over the years relating to Old Catholic Presbyterian Church - and well there should have been - for this is where many of our long ago ancestors worshipped and began their new life in America.

But the Minutes of Catholic for security reasons have been and continue to be kept in a bank vault and have never been published.

So far as is known the Minutes of Catholic prior to 1840 were not preserved or have become lost. The Minutes from 1840 to date have been carefully protected and the Chester County Genealogical Society is honored to be privileged by the Session to reproduce the Minutes from 1840 thru 1884. The greatest growth of Catholic occurred during this period when its membership at times exceeded 300 communicants. Likewise, the latter part of this period the issue of slavery and the hope for greater economic opportunities caused many of Catholics members to migrate westward.

In addition to the minutes of this period included is a register of communicants, register of baptisms white and colored, and a register of deacons and elders with the minute portion of this book indexed in alphabetical form.

We are pleased to be able to offer this "treasure" of genealogical information and history for \$11.00 per book postage paid.

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- HELP IN YORK COUNTY S.C. -

In a quiet grove of tall oaks and hickorys about 6 miles east of Clover in York County stands Bethel Presbyterian Church. It was organized in 1764 by Rev. Wm. Richardson "of the Waxhaws". The membership was large for the congregation covered an area of about 20 miles square.

In 1840 Rev. Samuel Watson, a son of Bethel, accepted a call to Bethel where he served for 29 years. He reported he received 803 members into the church and baptized 1,045. At one time the membership was close to 500 but by 1879 had reduced to 345 primarily because the negro members began to leave Bethel after the war to form their own churches.

Bethel Church, one of the ancient landmarks of upper South Carolina is still active. Beside it stands its stately cemetery with more than 1500 well marked and cared for graves within its bounds.

In November 1981 Messrs. J. T. Caldwell and J. E. Hart, Jr. of York copied the inscriptions on these stones and made them available to the Westmoreland Printing Co. from whom we have secured a supply and hereby offer them to our members and friends for \$8 per book postage paid. If you have ancestors in York County these inscriptions could very well be a great help to you.

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ROB'T HARPER - REV. SOLDIER 1742-1801

In the June Bulletin we reported Mrs. Troy Harper Reynolds 2025 Brentwood Dr. Houston TX 77019 had presented to our library "Descendants of Wm., Robt., Daniel, and Thomas Harper of S. C., Ala., Ark. and Texas.

Mrs. Reynolds has also sent a copy of her book "Robt Harper, Rev. Soldier of Catholic Pres. Church 1742-1801". The index contains close to 400 names of family and non family names which could be of great value to others in obtaining documentary proof their ancestors were in this area during these years. We are most grateful to Mrs. Harper for these additions to our library.

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- OTHER ADDITIONS TO OUR LIBRARY -

- 1 - From Mrs. K. C. Branton R 1 Bx 349 Leland Miss. 38756 "The Clements Family" - Dr. E. C. Clements (M-1) Julia Bugbee (M-2) Ann Foote.
- 2 - From B. H. McCormach 6959 Payte Ft. Worth, TX 76180 "The Walkers of Chester County and Erwin Lineage".
- 3 - From Robt. L. Kirkpatrick 6920 Portland Richfield, Minn. 55423 "A Directory, Business Mirror - Historical Sketches of Randolph Cty. Minn".
- 4 - From Mrs. Helen Mozelle Swenson 102 N.W. Dr. Round Rock TX 78664 " 28 Proven Generations of Helen M. (Smothers) Swenson", copies of some TX maps, 1870 Refugio Cty. TX, Index to 1890 census of the U.S. for 11 states, several copies of her newsletters "Raking for Garners". If you are related or connected to the Garner family you should contact Mrs. Swenson.

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CORRECTION

The March '82 issue of the Bulletin on Page 13 - 1st line under article "Chester County Probate Court" lists Edward Strange Sr. This should be Edmond Strange, Sr.

By Mary D. Boulware

Thomas Woodward, father of the Regulator was born and reared near Annapolis, Maryland. He was married in Maryland and he and his first wife had several children. After her death he went to Fairfax County, Virginia where he married Elizabeth Simpson. They had one son, Thomas Woodward, the Regulator. After the death of Thomas Woodward, Sr. his widow married William Robertson and had three sons, William, John, and Henry, and several daughters.

Thomas, the Regulator, married at an early age, Jemima Collins and had two sons, John and William, and four daughters. He was a soldier, serving as Captain in the French Wars. His wife died while he was in service. Sometime prior to 1760 he came to South Carolina, met and married the Widow May. Of this union there were six children, three sons and three daughters. After this marriage he brought his mother and three step-brothers, William, John, and Henry Robertson to South Carolina. (William was the father of Benoni Robertson of Fairfield Co.)

At this time Fairfield has been described as being fertile, with very little undergrowth. Wild peas grew in abundance, affording natural pasturage. The settlers engaged chiefly in stock raising.

When the Cherokee Indian War ended and peace was restored to the Back Country of S. C., there was an influx of settlers coming down from Pennsylvania, western Virginia, and North Carolina. With this wave of immigration also came an undesirable element, composed of horse thieves, Indian traders, drunkards, and immoral men. These outlaws banded together, maintained contact with their own kind in other colonies, and congregated into communities, terrorizing the scattered settlers, and becoming a scourge to the Back Country. They dwelled in their own settlements with their women and children. Often times young girls of respected families were abducted. In the summer of 1767 a wave of crime swept the back country.

The following was carried in the GAZETTE of July 27, 1767 - "The gang of villians from Virginia and North Carolina who have for some years past in small parties under particular leaders, infested the back parts of the Southern provinces, stealing horses from one and selling them to the next, notwithstanding the late public example made of several of them, we hear are more formidable then ever as to numbers, and more audacious and cruel in their outrages. Tis reported that they consist of more than 200, for a chain of communication with each other, and have places of general meeting, where in imitation of councils of war, they form plans of operation and defense, and alluding to their sevrency and fidelity to each other, call their places, "free mason lodges." Instances of their cruelty to the people in the back settlements where they rob or otherwise abuse, are so numerous and shocking that a narrative of them would fill a whole gazette, and every reader with horror. They at present range in the forks between the Broad, Saludy, and Savannah Rivers. Two of the gang were hanged last week at Savannah, viz, Lundy Hart and Obadiah Greenage. Two others, James Ferguson and James Hambersam were killed when these were taken."

Travel from the back country to Charleston was difficult. A trip from Fairfield County on the rough roads and trails required a week's

ride on horseback, or from two to three weeks by wagon. Thus the time and trouble involved in making a trip from the interior to the capitol left the back country virtually without courts or law enforcement. County Courts were non existant. Justices of the peace had only slight judicial power, criminal trials were held in Charleston.

Out of desparation, respected, law abiding men of the back country organized a Regulation. Small planters and leading men alike joined the movement to rid the country of the lawless. Between the Broad and Catawba Rivers the Regulators were activated by Thomas Woodward, Barnaby Pope, and Edward McGraw.

Thomas Woodward was a large man, of commanding presence, was very active, and possessed great physical strength, as verified by an incident related by his grandson, Hon. Joseph A. Woodward. Captain Woodward together with a part of his company were in pursuit of a band of Tories, who took refuge in a stoutly built log cabin on Little River. This presented a problem as to how to dislodge them. The Captain after consulting with his men as to the best plan of attack, ordered them to be ready. He rushed for the door, and with one powerful kick, broke it from its hinges, sending it into the middle of the floor. Shots were fired from outside and within. The affray ended with the surrender of the Tories.

Tradition says it was here that the old Regulator received his only wound prior to his death. His weapon was a rifle with the barrel sawed off so that it could be wielded with one hand. As he charged the door, he was holding it in front of his chest, a bullet fired from inside split on the barrel sending bits of lead into his chest.

Another demonstration of his daring courage and physical stamina - Thomas Woodward led five Regulator-Rangers on a grueling, fast paced scout, beginning in late December. He and his men reached Bethabara, North Carolina on Jan. 17, 1768. There they aided in the seige of the outlaws in the Hollow, crossed the border into Virginia, proceeded to Augusta County and took custody of four Negroes stolen in S. C. On Feb. 29, after riding hundreds of miles the Woodward party arrived in Charleston with the Negroes and two horse thieves.

Thomas Woodward's first house built in Fairfield County was at a place called the Muster Field Spring, the remains of which could still be seen in 1866. There was a racetrack near the old homesite. Major Benoni Robertson and Billy Simpson were the race riders.

Captain Woodward moved out on the public road near Anvil Rock. Here he constructed a frame house, which presented an imposing appearance in the days of the log cabin. People came from miles around to view it. It withstood the passage of Cornwallis and his troops through the county, but was laid waste by Sherman's torch.

He is said to have been the first subscriber to a newspaper in the District. Upon its arrival his neighbors would gather to hear the news read.

At the start of the Revolution, as he had done with the Regulators, he rallied the patriots of the Little River-Cedar Creek area, and was their leader. He and his men took part in the "Snow Campaign" against the Tories in 1775. He was elected to the 1st Provincial Congress of 1775.

Nearing the age of 60, he resigned his commission in January 1776, but later that year led volunteers against Indians and Tories. He was "a terror to evil-doers and the dry bones of Tories shook at the very name of Woodward." During the war he served as a justice of the peace.

On his final campaign, he had gathered together some men of his company who were at home, and was in hot pursuit of a band of Tories. In the

Tory party were some he was very anxious to catch. He ordered his men not to fire, but to strive to capture the entire party that they were following very closely. The old Captain rode at the head of his company, and had crossed Little Dutchman's Creek when a Tory turned in his saddle and fired. The bullet struck Thomas Woodward in the chest, and he fell from his horse, dead. He died as he had lived - a champion of justice.

At his death, his step-son, Benjamin May, took command of his old company. His sons, John and William, served their country in the Revolution.

The body of the gallant old Regulator rests in the Woodward family cemetery, near the Anvil Rock. His headstone is inscribed, "Thomas Woodward, the Regulator, killed by Tories, May 12, 1779."

References: The South Carolina Regulators - Richard M. Brown  
History of the Old Cheraws - Rev. Alexander Gregg, D. D.  
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#### FAIRFIELD COUNTY REGULATORS

William Ackary, Enoch Andrews, James Andrews, Sr., James Andrews, Jr., Alexander Daley, Mark Davis, Jacob Frazer, William Frazer, David Gibson, John Gray, John Grigg, William Hill, James Jones, Francis Kirkland, William Kirkland, George Lewey, George Lightner, David McGraw, Edward McGraw, Jr., Enoch McGraw, William McGraw, Moses Matthews, David Moore, Averheart Neates, William Nettles, James Owens, John Owens, Thomas Parrot, Barnaby Pope, John Roden, James Russell, Bryant Ryley, Phillip Shaver, Richard Taylor, Thomas Trapp, Henry Wimpey, John Woodward, Thomas Woodward.

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We would like to thank Mr. William F. Roberts, Route 4, 104 Hedgewood Terr., Greer, South Carolina 29651 for sharing the following article on the Roberts with us.

Genealogy is much like a disease, the main symptom being an intense, close to insatiable curiosity about your ancestors. How did they live? Why did they settle here? Where did they come from? What did they believe? My curiosity began after the death of my grandmother, Martha Clark Roberts (1892-1976). Who were the Roberts' of Chester and Fairfield Counties?

My father Talton Clark Roberts (1922-1964) had taken me to visit our Chester relatives, who we called Uncle Elbert (John Elbert Roberts, Sr.) and Aunt Jessie (Jessie Wages Roberts). Actually they were the brother and sister-in-law of my grandfather, James Wade Roberts (1890-1958). I remember as a small boy from the city of Greenville, South Carolina being amazed at the huge old unpainted house, with lights that hung from the ceiling by a cord; the animals; the watermelons; the wood cook stove; the outhouse; Uncle Elbert's chewing tobacco; his catfish stew; Aunt Jessie's cheerful greeting when we drove up; the pears that never seemed to get soft enough to eat; and the people, lots of people - it was a big family. I remember, too, when Aunt Jessie and Uncle Elbert moved into a new house, near the 'old home place'. This house had lights, an electric stove and plumbing, just like my house in the city. And I remember one very sad trip made by my father and me when my best Chester friend, Uncle Elbert's and Aunt Jessie's son Troy Wages Roberts, was killed in an automobile accident.

Troy had been a few years older than me, but I had liked him. More than that; I had respected and trusted him. I was young and naive, while Troy had been bold and he had known lots more than city boys.

When we would visit, there was always a time set aside to catch us up on family happenings. This bored the boy in me and I tried to find something more exciting to do, which was usually easy. Now, I wish I could remember some of those conversations.

When I started looking into Roberts' history, I discovered that I was blessed, or cursed, with having two great-great grandfathers with the Roberts surname. I also quickly learned that my Roberts ancestors left very little in the county and state records to mark their passing through this life and the memories of them were diminished in their descendents.

The manuscript that follows is an outline of the little that I know about my two great-great grandfathers, William Roberts and Elbert Roberts. It is incomplete and I'm sure it has errors. I hope, however, that it will be read by those who are interested and that maybe we can piece together a complete history of them. Not to glorify them or to increase our present status, but because we want to know.

### William Roberts

William Roberts was probably born around 1827 and he probably died in 1858 or 1859. He married on 4 March 1844 a girl named Jane Halsell. Jane was born on 16 November 1819, she was the daughter of Peter and Sarah Combest Halsell. (This is the family for whom the community of Halsellville is named.)

William and Jane had six children. Leroy, born 17 December 1844; Sobaski Combest, born 3 February 1847; Peter Albert, born 26 February 1849; Abigail, born 1 July 1853; Elizabeth, born 3 January 1856; Wade Oscar, born 19 May 1858.

These births were recorded in the Halsell family Bible, which is now lost, but which was kept by Miss Maggie Harris, who passed this information to relatives, in her own handwriting, prior to her death.

William and Jane struggled to raise their children. William was a farmer but he never owned land in Chester county. Jane, like most women of that time, was uneducated. Jane did inherit 1/17th share in the estate of her Aunt Mary Halsell in 1859, however, this was probably after William's death and the inheritance was not enough to help her greatly. On the 1860 census, she lists herself as a farmer, with \$100 in personal property. By 1870 only Abigail and Elizabeth were listed at home with her.

As an indication of the struggle this couple had, in 1846 William was arrested for trading a pair of shoes for a bushel of corn from a slave of Mr. Francis Land. William's grandfather-in-law, John Halsell, who was a shoe maker by trade, posted bond for him. William was found guilty and fined \$92.15 for his offense.

Both William and Jane may have been buried at Bethlehem Baptist Church near Blackstock in Chester county, South Carolina, but if they are there, there are no remaining markers for them.

My problem is finding the parents and brothers and sisters for William Roberts. On the 1850 census he stated that he was born in South Carolina. He may have been born in Chester or Fairfield counties, but I doubt it. There is a possibility that he was born in Edgefield county, but this is only a hypothesis. Jane Halsell Roberts' uncle was Thomas Halsell. Thomas had moved to Edgefield county and it is possible that Jane Halsell met



William Roberts while visiting her Uncle or that William moved to Chester county on the recommendation of Thomas Halsell.

William and Jane Halsell Roberts' son Wade Oscar was my great grandfather. He would marry Catherine Sara Roberts the daughter of Elbert and Mary Ann Long Roberts.

#### Elbert Roberts

Elbert Roberts, my great-great grandfather, was born in 1827; he died on 7 April 1914. He was married to Mary Ann Long (born 4 March 1834). They are buried at the New Hope Methodist Church in the Armenia Community of Chester county, South Carolina.

Elbert and Mary Ann had the following children: John, born ? ; Jane, born ? ; Catherine Sara, born 15 February 1858; Obediah, born 11 June 1860; Francis, born 1 October 1865; Margaret, born 1869; Laura, born 1870; Winifred Louise, born 13 May 1871; Robert W., born 9 March 1876.

There is a possibility that Elbert was married prior to his marriage to Mary Ann Long. The 1880 census list a granddaughter named Addie aged 12 years old. This child may be a daughter of a child from Elbert's first marriage.

Elbert was literate and that gave him an advantage. He chose farming as his occupation, and like all farmers his fortunes rose and fell based on the weather and insects and the fickle marketing systems that are a part of farming. He did have some land, but by the time of his death he had sold most of it or lost it when it was collateralized for a crop loan. In his later years he lived in a house built for him and Mary Ann by their son Robert. He was well liked and referred to by the nickname of "birdie" because he could make bird sounds.

Elbert had at least one brother named Moses. Moses, too, was a Chester county farmer; however, he did move for a time to the state of Georgia. Nothing else is known of Elbert's family. It has been reported, but not confirmed, that his mother's maiden name was Estes.

Elbert and Mary Ann Roberts' daughter Catherine Sara Roberts was my great grandmother.

#### Wade Oscar Roberts and Catherine Sara Roberts

Wade Oscar Roberts was born on 19 May 1858. He died on 20 May 1925. His parents were William and Jane Halsell Roberts.

Catherine Sara Roberts was born on 16 February 1860. She died on 17 November 1944. Her parents were Elbert and Mary Ann Long Roberts.

Wade Oscar and Catherine Sara were married in December 1878. They had 12 children. Peter Oscar, born 19 November 1879; Eunice, born 24 December 1880; Mary, born 26 January 1882; Martha, born ? ; Laura Viola, born 21 February 1888; James Wade, born 5 January 1890; John Elbert, born 5 March 1892; Lula Bethany, born 23 June 1895; Samuel Boroughs, born 15 April 1896; Margaret Evelyn, born ? ; Estelle, born 26 November 1900; Marion Douglas, born 19 August 1903.

Their son James Wade Roberts was my grandfather.

#### James Wade Roberts

On Christmas Day in 1912 James Wade Roberts married Martha Lee Clark. She was the daughter of Talton Elam Clark and Maggie Pamela Robinson. Their marriage was witnessed by Elbert and Mary Ann Long Roberts. It was performed at the Beaver Creek Baptist Church.

James Wade also started his married life with the intent of farming. Martha Clark Roberts had inherited some land on the Chester-Fairfield border and it was on this ground that they started. Somewhere around 1920 the family moved to Greenville, South Carolina, where James Wade started work for a tire recapper. It was likely that the family planned to return one day, because they never sold their land. However, Greenville became their home and the land in Chester became known as the 'old home place'. It was one of the sites we visited when I was a boy.

James Wade and Martha Clark Roberts had the following children: James Arthur, born in Fairfield/Chester; Margie Lee, born in Fairfield/Chester; Charles Franklin, born in Fairfield/Chester; William Morrison, born in Fairfield/Chester; Talton Clark, born in Greenville; Mary Halsel, born in Greenville; Eugene White, born in Greenville.

James Wade and Martha Clark Roberts' son Talton Clark Roberts was my father.

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Martha Hawkins, Monticello, Arkansas sent the following article for our files, but it contained so much information of interest to our members that we decided to print it in the Bulletin. Many thanks, Martha.

THE DUMAS CLARION, Wed. July 25, 1979 - 75th Anniversary Issue.

David Oscar Porter, a pioneer of Southeast Arkansas and a Dumas leader until his death Jan. 2, 1939, had a prominent role in the growth of this city.

Born in Chester, S. C. March 23, 1852, Mr. Porter was the third of a family of four children of W. A. Porter and Martha Cherry Porter, natives of South Carolina. Mr. Porter's father was a wheelright by trade and manufactured buggies, carriages in Landsford, S. C. He died in 1853. When he was nine years of age, David Oscar Porter came to Arkansas with his mother and family. He was educated in South Carolina and Monticello. He remained with his mother in Monticello until he was 25. She then moved to Arkansas City to make her home with her oldest daughter and her husband and lived there until her death in 1886.

At the age of 25, Mr. Porter became manager of a plantation for W. A. Blakemore somewhere near Old Arkansas Post. He managed the plantation for four years and then took charge of a plantation for Quilling and Goza for two years. After this, he rented a plantation for himself and ran it for a year and then became manager of Dr. Taylor's place at South Bend where he remained until going to Arkansas City for seven years, and during that time - in 1889 - he was elected as one of the aldermen of Arkansas City.

In 1893, Mr. Porter came to Dumas. He bought considerable amount of farming land and town property in and around Dumas. As the town grew, he sold some of the farm land and town property, dividing the town property into lots and opening up streets to the town. He retained most of his property on Main Street, and the first farm he bought west of Dumas which is still in operation. His home place is on the original site where he built his first home shortly after coming to Dumas. In the early years here, he served as Sheriff of Desha County. Later, together with his farming and business interests, he was associated with the late Gus Waterman in the Mercantile Business in Dumas.

So it was that David Oscar Porter took a very active part in the business life and building of Dumas, seeing it grow from a very small settlement to thriving business center. He was ill only two weeks before he died in 1939, at the age of 86.

Mr. Porter's widow, the former Miss Frances Ann Hall of Bastrop, La., to whom he was married May 25, 1899, died 1964.

The Porter's daughter, Beryl (Mrs. L. T. Sallee) still lives in the family home here. The Porters' son, D. O. (Bud) Porter, Jr., was in business on Main Street here until his death in 1956.

The Porter family business is carried on by David O. Porter, III, who is a longtime member of the Dumas City Council.

(N. B. Dumas is located in present day Desha County, Arkansas. Monticello is in Drew County. Arkansas City is county seat of Desha - and I believe in early Chicot County.)

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#### THE RECORDS OF THE SESSION OF FISHING CREEK CHURCH

The Records of the Session of Fishing Creek Church, with a brief statement of its origin and progress, compiled by its present pastor, John B. Davies, acting as the clerk for the said Session.

A brief historical sketch of the Church of Fishing Creek in Chester District, S. C.

This church was organized about the year 1770. Of its first bench of Elders were Samuel Neely, John Latta, Robert Walker, and Robert Lusk.

In the year 1773, this Church procured the labors of the Rev. John Simpson from New Jersey. He arrived at Fishing Creek on the 26th of November of that year. He was ordained and installed April 6, 1774, in the pastoral charge by the Presbytery of Orange, which embraced the states of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

Mr. Simpson sustained the relation of Pastor to this Church in connexion with Lower Fishing Creek, afterwards, Richardsons; but having withdrawn from that church, he continued the Pastor of this church until 1789, when this relation was dissolved. He however, served the church where he continued his ministerial labors until his death on February 4th, 1808.

The congregation remained vacant, with the exception of a few months in 1793, (when they were supplied by Mr. John Bowman, a Licentiate of Orange Presbytery) until 1795.

In September 1795, the church preferred their call to Mr. William G. Rosborough, a Licentiate of the Presbytery of S. C., (which was organized in 1785). He took their call under consideration and labored amongst them for two years under considerable infirmity of body, and at length was compelled to return their call.

In April 1798, this church gave an invitation to Mr. John B. Davies to labor amongst them, as a supply. He was a Licentiate of the Presbytery of South Carolina. His labors proved acceptable, this church in union with Richardsons presented their calls to Mr. Davies to become their pastor. Mr. Davies, having accepted their call, he was ordained and installed as the Pastor of the two churches May 14th, 1799. His labors were devoted to the two churches for the space of thirty-three years, when (1831), the pastoral charge of Richardson was resigned, but that of Fishing Creek retained and still continues (1839). When Mr. Davies became pastor of this church, its bench of Elders were: Samuel Neely, David Carr, David Neely, Thomas Neely, Thomas Latta, Hugh Gaston, Josiah Porter, Charles Brown, Wm. Walker, and D. Davis.

In 1808 T. Neely, H. Gaston, J. Porter, Ch. Boyd, J. Wallis, S. Lewis, Jas. E. McFadden, and John Boyd.

In 1820, H. Gaston, C. Boyd, S. Lewis, J. E. McFadden, J. Boyd, William Bradford, Edward Crawford, Dr. A. Rosborough, and John Neely.

In 1827, C. Boyd, S. Lewis, J. Boyd, J. Neely, E. Crawford, Wm. Stringfellow, Robert Miller, Alex Gaston, and Josiah H. Gill.

In 1835, C. Boyd, Superannuated, E. Crawford, W. Stringfellow, R. Miller, J. E. McFadden, Alex. Crawford, and Wm. Cowan.

In 1839, C. Boyd, Sup., E. Crawford, Robert Miller, J. E. McFadden, A. Crawford, Wm. Cowan, John Poage, and George H. Neely.

Rev. J. R. Gilland became pastor in 1842.

In 1846, Elders were Robert Miller, Alex Crawford, John Poag, Geo. H. Neely, John L. Chambers, J. Hervey Crawford, Robert Stringfellow.

Rev. A. W. Miller became Pastor in 1849.

In 1851, Elders were: Robert Miller, John Poag, Geo. H. Neely, John S. Chambers, J. Hervey Crawford, Robt. Stringfellow, Jas. F. Wherry, and Edwin Mills.

May 14th, 1799.

Mr. John B. Davies was on this day ordained by the Presbytery of South Carolina, to the whole of the gospel ministry, and installed as the Pastor of Fishing Creek and Richardson Congregations. It was unanimously agreed that Thomas Latta act as clerk for this Session and that a record of this transactions of the same be kept, and that other papers be preserved.

N. B. The members of this Session are: Samuel Neely, David Carr, David Neely, Thomas Neely, and Thomas Latta.

The only papers now to be found in the hands of this Session are:  
1. A certificate signed by Hugh Brooke V. D. M. (Note: The W. following the name of Brooke was written over a D, so am not sure of either letter) of Burt Ireland, stating that a Sarah Porter is a member of the church and was dismissed in good standing.

2. A certificate stating that William Brown and wife, Jane, Charles and Archibald, his sons, also Will Thom and his wife were in fair and good standing, when dismissed. Signed by the Rev. John Lewson and William Allen.

3. A certificate from Rev. W. Younge, Pastor of Lebanon, recommending as in good standing, Thomas Wright and Nancy, his wife.

The following is a register of the Communicants in Fishing Creek at this date, viz.:

Polly Davies	Thomas Wright	Sarah Boyd
Samuel Neely	Agnes Wright	Christopher Strait
David Carr (Elder)	Wm. Anderson	Rose Strait
David Neely (Elder)	Joseph Walker	John Mills
Thomas Neely (Elder)	Wid. Bishop	Sarah Gill
Thomas Latta (Elder)	Wid. M. Cullock	Josiah Porter
Sarah Neely	Mary Elliott	Rachel Porter
Margaret Carr	Jas. Armstrong	Total of 48
Agnes Neely	Jane Armstrong	Recieved on exami-
Prudence Neely	Charles Brown	nation in 1799.
Martha Latta	William Thom	Elizabeth Mills
John Latta	Agnes Thom	Elizabeth Neely

(List of those received in 1799 Cont'd.)

Margaret Latta  
Eliza Chambers  
Wid. McClure  
Martha Gaston  
Hugh McClure  
Jane McClure  
Mary Porter  
David Davis  
Jane Davis

John Walker  
Martha Walker  
Jane Walker  
Elijah Leman  
Wid. Knox  
David Boyd  
Margaret Boyd

Isabel Allen  
Sarah McHugh  
on certificate  
Thomas Miller  
Making a total of  
53 members.

Baptisms in 1799

May 19,  
Geo. Gill  
Mrs. G. Strait  
Wm. Walker  
Jas. Gill  
W. Armstrong  
June 16,  
Jas. Neely  
Thos. Gill  
Jos. Neely  
David Davis

Sarah Duncan  
Mary  
James  
John  
John  
Jane  
Archibald  
Naomi Reimer  
Jane

June 30, Jon. Jones  
Aug. 11, Rob. Smith  
Geo. Kelsey  
Bob Neely  
Sept. 8, Wm. Whiteside  
28, Agnes Jenkins  
Nov. 17, Jno. Anderson  
Dec. 1, Kim Banian  
Charles Boyles  
Janet Simpson  
Wm. Cooper, Narcissa,  
Robert, Simpson,  
William, Robert Reid,  
Martin

Communicants admitted in 1800.

On examination Joseph Neely, Margaret Neely, Robert Neely,  
Margaret Neely, Benj. Dunlap, Jane Dunlap, Thomas Gill, and Agnes Gill. = (8)  
Wid. Knox died. - (1)

Making 53 + 8 - 1 = 60, and baptized 22 infants, viz.:

Mar. 25,  
Josiah Porter  
May 4,  
Hugh McClure  
Chs. Brown  
June 15,  
Mrs. J. Strait  
June 29,  
And. Stinson  
July 13,  
And. Wherry  
Nov. 2,  
And. Neely  
Nov. 16,  
Jno. Silliman  
Thomas  
Hugh  
William  
Darcus

July 13,  
D. M. Cants  
Phillip Fox  
July 27,  
Will Boyd  
Aug. 21,  
Jas. Arthur  
Andrew  
Elizabeth  
Abigail  
Joseph  
Leonard  
John  
James  
Aug. 24,  
Jane Neely  
Oct. 19,  
Jas. Neely  
P. Hamilton

Oct. 19,  
W. Chambers  
Agnes Jenkins  
Nov. 30,  
Benj. Dunlap  
Wm. Harmon  
Elinor Gill  
John Porter  
Margaret  
Viney  
Thomas Carson  
Tarsus  
Wm. Absolam  
Thadeus Freshwater  
James Reid  
Agnes Neely

June 15, 1800.

This day, Mr. Andrew Stinson, late of the Convenanting Church, and a resident in the bounds of this congregation for some time past, produced certificates and expressed his desire to be admitted a member of this Church. One of these papers represented him as being from Clogh, Ireland, in 1771, and stated that he, (A. Stinson) was then a single man and had from his infancy lived in that congregation - that he had always behaved himself soberly and inoffensively, free from public scandal, and that as his intention was to remove to America, he might be safely received into any Christian Congregation. Signed, Joseph Douglas V. D. M. & W. Edmondson S. Clk. The other was a paper given on his removal from Pennsylvania, which represented him as a sober young man, free from any incumbrances of any kind or debt.

Whereupon the Session, taking these papers under consideration, and inasmuch as to their knowledge, the said Andrew Stinson has lived in the bounds of this congregation, nearly seven years; and to the best of their knowledge supported a sober and inoffensive conduct, it was therefore the unanimous opinion of the Session, that he be received as a member of this Society - that he become subject to the rules of this church and be admitted; when convenient, to the privileges of this church. Mr. Davies, January 8th, 1801.

The Church of Fishing Creek met at the call of the Moderator. Present: Rev. J. B. Davies, Moderator, Elders, David Carr, David Neely, Thomas Neely, and Thomas Latta, together with the corresponding members from Richardson, viz.: Walter Brown, Jas. Crawford, James Gaston, Issac McFadden, Joseph Gaston, and Felix Davies - Constituted with prayer. The Session being met July 26th, 1801.

Mr. Andrew Kennedy, late of Ebenezer congregation, produced a certificate of his having received privileges and recommending him for admission elsewhere.

Signed June 21st, 1801.

Wm. Akins, Elder

The Session being convened October 21st, 1801.

Mr. John Barr wishing to be connected with this church produced a certificate from Rev. John Lewson in Ireland, dated Sept. 28th, 1792, of freedom from public scandal or church censure & as he has resided in the congregation, he was considered as prepared to be admitted, provided he gave evidence of piety.

Baptisms up to Oct. 1801.

Feb. 22,	June 14,	July 12,	Sept. 20,
W. Walker	Jno. Workman	Jonathan	W. Neely of S
Mar. 8,	June 28,	Robert Patton	Thomas Miller
Jos. Neely	Alex. McConn	Jane	Eliz. Wells
Jas. Gill	Gahie	Jas. Bratton	Will Johnston
Mar. 22,	July 12,	July 26,	22 infants
John Harper	Jas. Hemphill	Abr. Whiteside	Will Jones
Chs. Boyles	Matilda	And. Kennedy	Eliza Jane
Apr. 30,	Polly	Sept. 6,	Priscilla
W. Armstrong	Nathan	Jno. Neely	Elizabeth
May 2,	Sarah	Leonard Jones	Mary
Jno. Hardin	Margaret	Abr. Gill	Alex. Pagan
May 17,	Eleanor	Mrs. J. Strait	Lucinda
Wm. Gill	John Sealy		Mary Cooper

(List of Baptisms up to 1801 Cont'd.)

Sept. 20,

John

John Letsinger

Hugh

Elizab. Patterson

Communicants Admitted Ch. 1801, 60+13+4-2-6-1=68.

On examination: William Walker, Marg. Gill, of Geo., Mary Poage, Elizabeth Brown, John Anderson, ----- Anderson, Jane Walker, Junr., James Neely, Mary Leman, Elizabeth Latta, Abram Whiteside, Jane Whiteside, Sarah Johnston.= (13)

On certificate: Jane Neely, James Arthur, Hugh Gaston, Martha Gaston.= (4)

Died: Widow McClure, Elizabeth Leman.= (2)

Dismissed: Jno. Mills, Eliz. Mills, Jos. Neely, Margt. Neely, Benj. Dunlap, and Jane Dunlap.= (6)

Suspended: David Carr.= (1)

Session being convened Jany. 24th, 1802.

Alexander McGahie from Bethesda produced a certificate signed by John Murphy, Elder, stating that he had received privileges & his character was good. He was received.

Session being convened May 30th, 1802.

Daniel Cook produced a letter from a Society in Kershaw District, relative to Delsey, his wife, formerly, Reese, stating that she had been received to the privilege of baptism for her child. She was examined as to her religious knowledge and religious experience, as well as that of Mr. Cook, and received satisfaction. They were admitted to enjoy the privilege of baptism for their children.

Baptised from Oct. 1801 to Dec. 1803.

Oct. 18,

Jno. Anderson

Jon. Jones

Jno. Barr

Nov. 1,

S. Lowrey

W. Thom

Nov. 15,

Rob. Neely

Jno. Burns

Dec. 13,

Chs. Brown

Dec. 27,

S. Mayhood

1802

Jan. 24,

W. Whiteside

Feb. 7,

Jas. White

Becky Craig

Sarah Carson

Mary Barkley

Feb. 7,

Jno. Drayton

Charles

Thos. McCulloch

Jane Henry

Nancy Anne

Martha Lusk

Joseph Jones

Jane Martin

24 infants

Mar. 21,

J. Chambers

May 16,

A. Neely

May 30,

Josiah Porter

Dan'l Cook

A. Wherry

June 13,

Thos. Davis

Jno. Porter

Mrs. J. Strait

Sept. 5,

Geo. Gill

Phillip Fox

Jas. Gill

Jno. Harper

Elizabeth

Elizabeth

Josiah

Mary

Janet

Mary Strait

John

Mary

Christopher Strait

Jenny

John

Margt. Miller

Communicants Register for 1802.

Received on examination: James & Mary Gill, John Gill, Elizabeth Gill, George Gill, James H. Walker, Abram Gill, Agnes Gill, Mary Porter, Andrew Kennedy, Thomas Porter, Agnes Boyd, Elizabeth Neely, of T, Florah B. Porter, Priscilla Buford, Andrew Bradford, John Neely, Mary Neely, John Porter, Sarah Porter, Charles Boyd, Will Hamilton.

Elizabeth Porter and D. Carr restored.= (24)

Died: Hugh McClure and John Walker.= (2)

Dismissed: Elizabeth Neely, of D., Isabel Allen, Eliz. Latta, Wm. Hamilton, David Carr, Margt. Carr, Eliz. Chambers, Thos. Wright, Agnes Wright, W. Anderson, David Neely, Agnes Neely, David Boyd, Margt. Boyd, Christopher Strait, Rose Strait, Thomas Miller, Abram Whiteside, Jane Whiteside, Sarah Johnston, Jno. Anderson, Mrs. Anderson, Jane Walker, & Jas. Arthur.= (24)

Suspended: Martha Walker= (1)

68+24-2-24-1=65.

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(Notes on those of North Carolina, South Carolina, and Ireland ancestry.)  
Ireland.

Page 218. Robert Brown, born County Downs, August 22, 1838, son of William and Eliza (Carruthers) Brown, came to America, 1855. Had brother in Pennsylvania. Married, Miss Margaret L. Kelly, born March 8, 1841, daughter, Thomas and Elizabeth (Anderson) Kelly; they came to America 1842. Natives of County Down, Ireland. In 1858, came to Liberty, Randolph County, Illinois, now known as Rockwood.

South Carolina.

Page 258. Elihu McGuire, (Father, Henry L. McGuire, born Chester District, South Carolina, 1805; where he lived until 1832, when he removed to Washington County, Illinois; and in 1866, moved to Sparta, Randolph County, Illinois, where he died 1875. Twice married, 1st, Eliza Campbell - 13 Children: among whom, Jane; Matilda-Mrs. Hugh Mathews; Nancy T.-Mrs. S. W. McKelvey; Eliza, deceased. 2nd, Mary Lyons, born County Antrim, Ireland, August 1, 1803 - dau. of James Lyons, who emigrated to South Carolina, 1805.)

Elihu McGuire, born in Washington County, Illinois, 1844; moved with family to Randolph County, Illinois.

Randolph County, Illinois. Ireland and So. Carolina.

Page 259. John B. Hamilton, born \_\_\_\_\_, son of John Hamilton, native of Ireland and Miss Isabel Boyd, of Ohio. Married October 1, 1868, Miss Sarah M. Burns, daughter of Stewart and Sarah (Gillespie) Burns, born April 19, 1841. Stewart, born in Ireland, County Antrim, June 22, 1793. Sarah, born Chester District, South



Carolina, August 3, 1802. They were married (Stewart and Sarah) March 7, 1820 in So. Carolina. They came to Illinois, Randolph County, 1830. 10 children.

#### South Carolina.

Page 260. Robert Boyd, born November 7, 1843, son of Samuel L. and Jane (Gibson) Boyd, natives of South Carolina. Married, Miss Marian Bicket, daughter of John Bicket. (Grandfather Boyd, born in Ireland, 1777; married in So. Car., Nancy Boyd; came to Illinois about 1825.) (Grandfather Robert Gibson, Washington County, Illinois.)

#### South Carolina.

Page 261. William H. Campbell, son of Samuel and Nancy (Glasgow) Campbell, natives of South Carolina. He died in 1856, and she 20 years later. William married, Miss Pauline Schuline of New York, Feb. 16, 1874. He became a member of the Catholic Church, 1887.

#### Ireland.

Page 240. H. O. Murphy, Pinckneyville. Born, December 6, 1862, son of Honorable William K. Murphy. The family of Irish origin, the great grandfather being born in North Ireland, and came to America prior to the American Revolution - served in that War. After the War, settled in Tennessee, and in 1818, came to Illinois, settling in Perry County, near what is known as Lost Prairie. He is a stone mason by trade.

The Hon. Wm. K. Murphy, father of H. O., was born in Perry County, Illinois in 1835; admitted to the Bar, 1859, and opened an office in Pinckneyville - raised a company in Civil War, elected Capt., it became Co. H. 110th Ill. Inf. He resigned April, 1863, returned home.

Mrs. Murphy, the mother of H. O., nee, Penina Ozburn, dau. of Honorable Hawkins A. Ozburn, native of Tennessee, a Capt. in Mexican War.

Two children: H. O. and Sadie V., wife of Joseph Crawford.

Richard G. Murphy, the grandfather, born in Tennessee, January 4, 1801, the youngest of five brothers. Served in Black Hawk War. In 1832, elected to State Legislature. In 1847, appointed by Pres. Polk, agent for Sioux Indians - spent 3 yrs. on their reservation in Minn. Returned to Ill., 1850 again elected to Legislature; and in 1854, again to Minnesota where he spent the remainder of his life; died 1874.

(Had brother, William C., who for many years was doorkeeper in the State Senate in the House of Representatives, Vandalia. When Perry County was organized, was appointed Sheriff.

H. O. Murphy married July --, 1889, Miss Minnie B. Lawson of Deadwood, South Dakota.

#### South Carolina.

Page 270. John Knox Blair, T. 5, R. 6, Randolph County, Illinois. Born February 6, 1828, in Tennessee, son of James and Jane (Wiley) Blair, natives of South Carolina. James Blair was born in So. Carolina, 1792, and accompanied his parents, William and Elizabeth Blair, to Tennessee, 1816. Wm. and Elizabeth were both natives of Ireland; Wm. died in Tennessee.

James and Jane Wiley, married in Tennessee, 1832, came to Randolph County; members of New Light Covenanter Church; he was an elder. He died February 25, 1860.

(The mother of John Knox Blair, born 1799; died, 1890 in the 91st yr. and was a member of the Covenanter Church.)

A family of 7 children: Samuel W.; William R.; Tirza M.; John Knox; James F.; Martha; and Louisa.

John Knox was 4 years old when he came to Randolph County.

He married, 1852, Miss Mary E. McCoughan, born, Randolph County, and removed to Perry County. The wife died, October 5, 1857. Children: Gilbert S., married, Miss Ida McGuire, lives, Parson, Kansas.

Lemuel, a physician, Edgerton, Kansas, married, Sabina Reed, of Cedarville, Ohio, deceased.

Mary E., now deceased.

The mother, Mrs. Mary Blair, was a member of the New Light Covenanter Church, in which her father was an elder.

Mr. Blair, married a second time, 1862 - Mrs. Mary Catherine (Brown) Wylie, widow of Samuel Wylie.

By this union has 3 children: Samuel L.; Junior; and John Riley.

Mrs. Blair, born, Randolph County, 1830, dau. of Joseph and Elizabeth (Morrow) Brown, natives of South Carolina, who emigrated to Kentucky, thence to Randolph County.

Mr. Brown, born 1797; married 4 times: 1st, Miss Steele - 1 child, deceased; 2nd, Miss Elizabeth Morrow; 3rd, Miss Chambers; and 4th, Miss Woodside.

Joseph and Elizabeth (Morrow) Brown had a large family: James, deceased; Elizabeth J.; David, deceased; Mary Catherine, (Mrs. Blair); Joseph; Alva A.; John B.; Nancy M.; William M. The parents, members of the Associate Reformed Church, the father, an elder.

#### South Carolina and Ireland.

Page 284. Samuel W. McKelvey, born, Randolph County, son of, Charles McKelvey, born, Chester District, South Carolina, November, 1789, the eldest son of Hugh McKelvey, a native of County Antrim, Ireland who came to America, 1787, located in South Carolina.

Hugh came to Illinois, 1818. Had 3 sons and 3 daus. - all deceased. He died, 1836.

Mrs. Mary Hunter McKelvey, mother of Samuel W., was a native of South Carolina, born, July 22, 1797, daughter of John Hunter, who lived and died in South Carolina.

The parents of Samuel W., married in South Carolina, March 26, 1817, came to Illinois, Fall of 1823. The father died, April 26, 1856; the mother, January 22, 1881. Ten children, 5 living - Alexander R.; James R.; Samuel W.; Sarah, Mrs. John C. Ritchie; and Amelia, Mrs. William Walker.

The parents were members of, Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Samuel W. McKelvey married Miss Nancy T. McGuire, dau. of Henry L. and Elizabeth (Campbell) McGuire, May 18, 1858. Elizabeth Campbell was a native of Washington County, Ill., born April 12, 1833. Henry L. was a native of South Carolina and his mother, born Erie, Pennsylvania.

#### South Carolina and Ireland.

Page 301. John C. Ritchie, farmer, Sec. 10, T. 4, R6, born, January 31, 1835, Fairfield District, South Carolina, son of Robert J. Ritchie, born, Derry County, Ireland, 1794, a son of, William Ritchie who married a Miss Hemphill. The maiden name of John C. Ritchie's mother was Jane

Marshall, a native of South Carolina, and daughter of James Marshall, who was married in that State.

On coming to Illinois, 1837, located 3 miles south of Eden, and 3 years later came to this township, entered land from the Government. He died, 1866; she died 1844.

Six children: living, Mary, Mrs. Moore Smith, Sec. 11, T.4, and Jane, Mrs. Coulter, in Arkansas.

John C. was two years old when the parents came to Illinois.

After the first wife's death he married, Miss Margaret Little, dau. of Samuel Little one of the earliest settlers in this section.

To this union one daughter, Martha, Mrs. George Marshall, in Arkansas.

The parents were members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

In 1858, Mr. Ritchie and Miss Sarah McKelvey were married, she a dau. of Charles and Mary (Hunter) McKelvey. (Sarah, born, Nov. 26, 1836).

9 children: Charles M., married, Jane Hemphill; Mary Ida, Mrs. Oliver Wiley; William S.; Jane Amelia, Mrs. Hugh McClure; James L.; John W.; Sidney Willis; Sarah Mabel, and Stella at home.

Oldest son, a minister at Oakdale; William S. attending Seminary, James and John, also preparing for the ministry.

#### Ireland.

Page 315. William P. McLaughlin, born Dec. 12, 1846, in business, Sparta, son of Mathew McLaughlin, native of Ireland, born, 1817, County Antrim - crossed the Atlantic 1833; made his way to Randolph County, purchased land, Sec. 36, T.5, R.6. Died on this farm, 1883. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church - and a Republican.

The grandparents, Michael and Jennie (Patton) McLaughlin, natives of Ireland, were well-to-do farmers, emigrated to United States, in company with son, 1833.

The maiden name of the subject's mother, Martha Kell, born South Carolina, accompanied her parents John and Nancy Kell, on their removal to Randolph County. She died in the 50's - mother of 4 children: William P.; John, deceased; John, the second, now deceased; Margaret, Mrs. James C. Wilson of Randolph Co.

William P., married, 1867, Miss Eliza Jane Ward, a native of Randolph County, and daughter of Josiah and Jane (Caldwell) Ward, she died, April 14, 1875, mother of 3 children: Martha J.; Charles A.; Eliza J., died, September 8, 1875.

In 1876, William P. married, Miss Margaret Russell, born in Randolph County, daughter of Alexander and Margaret (Anderson) Russell, natives of Ireland. 4 children: Margaret E., died, July 8, 1879; William L.; Martin Henry; and Ira G.

#### South Carolina.

Page 322. David A. Foster, Sec. 31, born, January 13, 1822, son of Robert Foster, native, Abigail District, South Carolina, born, February 13, 1785; died February 12, 1821.

Grandfather Samuel Foster, came from Ireland, located in Abigail District, So. Carolina, remained until death.

The mother of David A., nee, Susan McClinton, died, 1829, was a native of South Carolina, born, 1793; came to Illinois with her father, John McClinton, a native of So. Carolina, and after coming to Randolph

County made his home in the Old Irish Settlement near Preston.

The father, Robert Foster, came to Illinois, 1807, and the following year married. 9 children - 2 living - William, Sparta Precinct; and David A. The deceased: Samuel; John; James A.; Parmelia; Elizabeth Jane; Nancy; and one who died in infancy.

After the death of the first wife, the father of David A. married Sarah Kell.

In 1844, David A. married, Miss Rebecca M. Gault, born, January 17, 1823, Lincoln County, Tennessee; died, February 23, 1884. She was the daughter of Hugh C. and Nancy M. (Askins), natives of North Carolina and Virginia, respectively, married in Tennessee and came to Illinois, 1831.

#### South Carolina.

Page 401. Lafayette Warnock, J. P. of Monroe County, born Vandalia, Illinois, March 12, 1824, son of Judge John Warnock, who was the first Territorial Judge of the Southern District of the State of Illinois. He was born and reared, Charleston, South Carolina, and was a son of Joseph Warnock, who served under General Marion in the Revolutionary War. He studied Law under Governor Bennett of South Carolina, through whose influence he was appointed Territorial Judge.

In Harrisonville, Monroe County, he married Miss Jane McClure, daughter of John McClure, who was one of Washington's Life Guards in the struggle for Independence. Mr. Warnock continued to serve as Judge until the State was admitted to the Union, 1818, and, was Postmaster of Vandalia when that City was State Capital.

About 1828, he removed to St. Clair County, purchased land, but after a short time he bought a farm between Columbia and Waterloo, where he made his home for some years. Subsequently he removed to Texas. He died, December, 1858. He was a Whig.

Ten children, 1st marriage: 3 now living (8 grew to maturity), William C., farmer in Iowa; Mary Catherine, widow of Wm. Hersey, Monroe County; and Lafayette, of this sketch.

After the death of 1st wife, married again in Arkansas. Mr. Warnock married, February 7, 1849, Lucinda Moore, daughter of James B. Moore. Her father, Enoch Moore, who was the 1st white American child born in Illinois, 1781. James Moore, father of Enoch Moore, came from Virginia, settled, Monroe County, near Waterloo, where both he and his son spent their lives. James Moore lived to an advanced age in this community; then removed to Jersey County, Illinois, spent his last days, Brighton. Mrs. Warnock was born, Monroe County, March 13, 1826.

To our subject and wife were born 10 children, 8 yet living: James W.; stock dealer, Columbia; William H., real estate and loan dealer, Butler, Missouri; Samuel F., Cashier, 1st National Bank, Butler, Missouri; W. M., Attorney, this State; Emma A., Mrs. Dr. W. G. Nixon, of Columbia, also the Postmaster, Columbia; Nellie W., Mrs. Z. J. Williams, Butler, Mo.; Minnie M., and Lucy Jane. W. M. located, Edwardsville, Illinois.

#### South Carolina.

Page 553. James W. Weir, M. D., practicing since 1822, resides, Sparta, son of William Weir, born December 2, 1813, South Carolina. He was 8 years old when his parents came to this County, settling on Lively Prairie, 1821.

The parents of James W. married, December 31, 1835. He died, July 15, 1892; buried, Hill Prairie Cemetery. He was an elder in the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

Children: Robert, died, infancy; Joseph T.; Elizabeth, died, infancy; James W.

The mother was born, May 18, 1818, near Vincennes, Indiana.

The paternal grandparents of James W., Robert and Jane (Boyd) Weir, were natives of Ireland, emigrated to America about 1800, made their home in South Carolina. On coming to Randolph County, classed among its earliest pioneers. Here the grandfather died, 1869; grandmother, October, 1872.

He was a deacon and charter member of Old Bethel Reformed Presbyterian Church, His parents, Thomas and Mary (Withrow) Weir married, 1789 in County Antrim, Ireland.

Our subject was born, Randolph County, 1850, attended High School in Michigan and the University of Michigan; graduated in the Classical Courses Monmouth Illinois College, 1879, and returned to Sparta. Taught one year, entered Missouri Medical School, St. Louis, graduated, 1882.

September 7, 1881, married, M. Ella Foster of Belle fontaine, Ohio, daughter of Samuel M. and Rachael Joanna (Kyle) Foster.

Mrs. Weir has 3 brothers and 2 sisters: Rev. J. M. Foster, Boston; Rev. F. M. Foster, New York City; H. G. Foster, Allegheny, Pennsylvania; Mrs. Laura C. (Foster) Boyd, wife of Rev. P. P. Boyd, Belle Centre, Ohio; Mrs. Ada (Foster) Thompson, wife of Rev. D. G. Thompson, La Junta, Colo.

Subject and wife, 3 children: William Foster; Rachael Myra Foster; and Harold Ewing Foster.

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Notes From the Journal of James Lawrence Ferguson  
Contributed by Walter W. Brewster

In 1980, James E. Ferguson transcribed the journal of his great-grandfather, James Lawrence Ferguson a native of Chester County, South Carolina, who migrated to Arkansas in 1856.

During the Civil War, James Lawrence was the Sergeant of Parker's Company which was assigned to Turner's Arkansas Cavalry Regiment. In this capacity, he entered in his journal a roster which includes the physical description and occupation of forty-four members of the company. It is probable these were the original recruits. The company was commanded by Captain V. H. Parker.

Since many of the surnames in JLF's list occur in the early records of Chester County, we felt that perhaps other members of the society might be interested in this information. According to James E. Ferguson's description, the journal was kept in a 4"x6" leather-bound note book. Each of the following items of the company list is written across two pages:

<u>Names</u>	<u>Highth</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Color</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
			<u>hair</u>	<u>eyes</u>		
1. V. H. Parker	6-1	65	grey	grey	Arkansas	Minister
2. C. H. Seay	6	64	black	"	"	"
3. J. D. Singer	5-11	47	auburn	blue	"	Farmer
4. J. H. Crawford	5-9½	47	"	"	"	"
5. Jno M. Pagan	5-10	56	"	"	"	"
6. J. C. Clony	5-10	45	grey	yellow	"	"
7. A. A. Adams	5-8	46	auburn	blue	"	"
8. J. L. Ferguson	5-11	47	"	grey	"	"

<u>Names</u>	<u>Highth</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Color hair</u>	<u>Color eyes</u>	<u>Residence</u>	<u>Occupation</u>
9. J. W. Mann	6	47	grey	grey	Arkansas	Farmer
10. J. J. Chadwick	5-5	17	light	hazel	"	"
11. J. H. Parker	6	53	auburn	blue	"	"
12. A. B. Cowan	5-9	49	grey	hazel	"	Sheriff
13. Jno Jenkins	5-9	60	black	"	"	"
14. J. L. Neely	5-5	38	sandy	blue	"	Farmer
15. Jonathan Davis	5-8	63	white	grey	"	"
16. Jno Ramsey	5-11	53	dark	"	"	"
17. A. J. Nabors	5-8	46	sandy	"	"	"
18. J. H. Bond	5-6	30	auburn	hazel	"	Artist
19. J. W. Pennington	5-10	44	black	"	"	Farmer
20. B. C. Webb	5-10	50	auburn	blue	"	"
21. E. C. Dean	6	50	dark	"	"	"
22. Wm Gross	6	45	"	"	"	"
23. W. W. Kinmore	5-10	49	grey	"	"	"
24. Jno Kinmore	5-7	53	"	"	"	"
25. J. W. Blankenship	6	37	auburn	"	"	Attorney
26. J. W. Castleberry	6	17	"	hazel	"	Farmer
27. J. H. Adams	5-6	16	"	blue	"	"
28. S. P. Cobb	5-11	52	grey	hazel	"	"
29. Sol Gardner	5-10	39	sandy	blue	"	"
30. Riley Stewart	5-8	60	grey	hazel	"	"
31. R. H. Dyer	5-9	50	sandy	grey	"	"
32. A. S. Bailey	6	55	grey	black	"	"
33. L. Joy	6	50	"	hazel	"	"
34. Glen Ivey	6	47	"	"	"	"
35. E. Moseley	5-10	54	sandy	blue	"	Merchant
36. J. B. Edwards	6	46	auburn	"	"	Farmer
37. Jonathan Baker	6	57	grey	"	"	"
38. T. C. Martindale	6	51	black	black	"	"
39. D. W. Stephens	5-10	50	sandy	blue	"	"
40. Alex Pagan	5	13	"	"	"	"
41. Jno G. Martin	5-9	47	"	"	"	"
42. Elijah Carroway	6	60	"	"	"	"
43. Alf McClendon	5-5	16	"	"	"	"
44. W. Morgan	5-9	56	grey	"	"	"

In addition to his roster, James Lawrence included what appears to be daily duty rosters which include these names that are not mentioned in the numbered list: N. E. Kemp, John Wardlaw, W. J. Hickman, W. H. Green, W. C. Barn, Eli Ayres, Stanmore Timble, J. J. Clyatt, P. Stewart, D. Jackson, N. Sloane (sp), Jas. Cranjoy (sp), J. Hall, W. C. McDonald, H. Berry, C. Gaster, W. H. Slocum, W. Y. Duckworth, W. P. Williamson, W. C. Weir, N. Donaldson, Jas. Agee, J. T. Duke, S. J. Twitty, Thomas Dingler, John Drummond, J. S. Dunn, S. Alexander, W. A. Craig, L. Cobb, Jas. Crumpley (sp), N. Donaldson, C. E. Morris, J. J. Dewberry, J. H. Means, L. L. Griffith, Arkansas Andrews, David McKinney, Thomas McKinney, W. B. Curry, Jas. Curry, J. J. Shoemaker, H. Y. Sims, John Evans, J. Hartsfield, Lt., J. L. Latham, B. Gains, W. B. Huchison Sr., L. D. Fisher, Wm Nichols, T. Lyle, M. Sweeney, M. Bernley (sp), and A. B. Hall.

These names appear in groups of five or six per day, the list beginning December 26, 1863, with the heading "Detail Service". The dates are continued with a group for each of the following days: Dec. 27, 28, 29,

Dec 29 (obviously meant to be 30), 31, and Jan 1 1864. There follows twelve additional groups to assign the duty through Jan 13, though no date was entered for each of them. We can only conjecture that the men who appear on the duty roster, but not on the original list are replacements. Many of the names on the company roster do not appear on the duty assignments.

It must have been soon after the last entry that James Lawrence Ferguson was captured by a Yankee raiding party while he was home on leave. One morning, while on that leave, he told his wife, Mary Ann (Polly) that he was going to ride through the fields to check the condition of his place. "If any enemy soldiers come by", he told her, "fire your pistol into the air and I won't come back to the house, but will ride back to my unit." When she saw the Union soldiers coming up the drive she went to the back porch, held her pistol up, and pulled the trigger - it misfired. A Negro woman, one of the kitchen help, ran out of the house and into the fields to warn her master. The soldiers followed her and captured James L. He died 10 December, 1864, in the Union Prison at Rock Island, Ill., Arsenal, of starvation according to his daughter, Mary A. J. Ferguson Brewster. I believe this accounts for there being no further entries in his journal.

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The following abstracts of Walker wills were made at the Fort Worth Public Library by B. H. McCormack, 6 March 1982.

Robert Walker w/d 19 December 1792  
Children named: Probated 14 August 1793  
Ester Book A pg. 135 Apt. 70  
Alexander Robert  
Jain son in law Abraham Gill  
Johanna son in law John Cooper  
exrs. Phil Walker, Rebecka Walker and Thomas Blair

Adam Walker Probated 17 September 1796  
Children named: Book A pg. 287 Apt. 72 Pkg. 1134  
Charles  
Elijah  
Jeremiah  
(mentions brothers Robert and Alexander, and brother in law John Terry)

Alexander Walker w/d 1 August 1799  
wife Eleanor  
Children named:  
Charles Adam  
John James  
Robert Agnes Cunningham  
William Ann  
Philip

Rody Walker w/d 8 November 1835  
Children named: Probated August 1837  
Charles Book O pg. 176 Apt. 68 Pkg. 1065  
Jeremiah Grand Daughter Rebecca Clark  
Sarah Stokes Grand Daughter Jeremiah Terry Clark

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Will of William Watson, Sr., Fishing Creek, York Co., S. C., 8-20-1798.

Wife - Violet

Hugh Berry

Sisters - Elizabeth and Alice Walker

Cousin - Watson Walker, son of Felix Walker

Executrix - wife Violet

Executors - Hugh Berry, Col. William Bratton and John McCan

Witnessed - Jos. Gabie, John Gable, Roger Barr (Barry)

Will of Joseph Steel, York Co., S. C., 8-14-1795.

Wife - Rebecca

Sons - John, William, Samuel, Alexander, and Archibald

Daughter - Jenny

Father - Archibald Steel

Executors - Rebecca Steel, William Steel, Samuel Anderson

Witnessed - Alexr. Moore, Samuel Williamson, Arthur Starr

Samuel Simmons

w/d 17 June 1824

Children:

Julia Crawford

Mary E. McClenham

June Daniel

Betsy Baxter

Holloway E. Simmons

Jesse Simmons

Deceased daughter, Margaret Christie, husband Abraham Christie

Madison M. Johnsey

w/d 22 March 1918

age 85

Children:

Mary Wallace

Jane Love

Margaret Woods

Quote from will: "As a matter of historical interest, I add that the paper on which my will is inscribed was taken by Co. B of Lucas' Battalion of which I was a member, from the boat Isaac P. Smith of the U. S. Navy, which boat we captured in Stono river in 1864, and with the boat 100 prisoners."

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MOORE

This prominent up-country family of South Carolina is identified with Camden in the person of one of its most estimable members.

ALBERTUS ADAIR MOORE, M. D., was born in York County in 1834. His father, James Moore, was a prominent planter of that section and had figured politically as a member of the State Legislature and of the Nullification Convention. His mother was Sophia Springs. There were ten sons and three daughters of this union.

Dr. Albertus Moore was educated at Ebenezer Academy and the University of Virginia, graduating in medicine at the University of New York in 1859. The next year he located in Camden to practice his profession, but the tocsin of war had sounded and in 1861 he enlisted as orderly sergeant, Co. C, 6th Regiment (the "Kershaw Troop"). In 1863 he became Assistant Surgeon of the 5th South Carolina Regiment and in this capacity served until the surrender at Appomattox.



Returning to Camden, he resumed his medical practice, which he continued until his death in 1910.

He was married, in 1865, to Sallie, daughter of James Dunlap; she died in 1867. In 1873, he married Carrie, daughter of Dr. Henry Clarke. Of the latter union there were two children, Dr. Albertus A. Moore, Jr. and Caleb C. Moore, both now residents of New York. The second Mrs. Moore died in 1914.

Their home in Camden was the old Bynum residence on Broad Street.

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Chester County South Carolina Deeds

Q-40 Dec. 16, 1812 Sarah Atteberry, Elisha Atteberry, Archibald Atteberry, Jesse Atteberry, Aimey Atteberry, Sarah Atteberry, Polly Atteberry, and Rebecca Atteberry to Allen DeGraffenreid, \$600, 197 ac., On Sealy Creek, a branch of Sandy River, adjacent to Thomas Bennett, Churchill Carter, Lofton Nunn, a corner of the James Tims 331 ac. grant of 1786, Christopher Loving, James Clark, Robert Frost, and Patrick McGriff. Wit: Jeremiah Thomas, John Carter, and Allen DeGraffenreid. (All Atterberrys listed signed with an X).

K-131 Oct. 18, 1802 Polly Atterberry, James Atterberry, Nathan Atterberry, Richard Lay, Moses Atterberry, and Elijah Atterberry, heirs of Nathan Atterberry, all of Chester District, for \$140, 145 ac., to Charles Aterberry, 145 ac. of a 500 ac. tract granted to Nathan Aterberry 07 Dec. 1789. On Welches fork and Coggan Spring Branch. Adjacent to Charles Aterberry & Abraham Wright. Wit: Isiah X Aterberry, Melchezedek Aterberry, Edward X Aterberry, Thomas Holsell, and Peter Holsell. Signed: Pattey X Aterberry, James Atterberry, Moses X Aterberry, Elijah Aterberry, & Elizabeth X Lay.

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Will of John Smith - dated June 8, 1793, proven June 29, 1795, showing he died between those two dates. Sons - Caleb, Abner, Moses, and Joshua. Daughters - Catherine, Culbird, and Mary Ann Land. Grand-daughters, Patience and Mary Land, grandson Richard Smith. Witnessed by Charles Boyd and Daniel Green. Appraisers were: William Steenson, Richard Gather, Daniel Green.

The names indicate that he was residing in the southeastern section of Chester Co. Do not locate any land deeds for John Smith, but find that Moses Smith bought a tract of land (100 acres) from John McFadden and wife Mary, which had been granted to McFadden on Oct. 7, 1762. This land was located on Rocky Creek, on the south side of Wateree. McFadden sold the land to Smith on Sept. 4, 1789.

Another deed dated Oct. 27, 1790, of John Smith, State of Georgia, Richmond Co., to Newman Milcollum, 100 acres "on a small branch of Sandy River called Brushy Fork." This deed was signed by John Smith and wife Elizabeth.

There was a Moses Smith that married Mary Boyd, sister of Hannah Boyd who married John Hardin. Some of this family is buried on a farm in the Baton Rouge section of Chester Co.

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A prominent family of Chester County years ago was the McCalla family. I find a deed from Richard C. McCalla and wife Margaret E. of Tuscaloosa, Ala. dated in the 1870's to Samuel Lewis as their "interest

in a tract of 332 acres on the waters of Fishing Creek being undivided third part, bounded by lands of William Drennan, James McFadden, Mary Walker, Estate of John Johnson, and William H. Hardin." Reference was made to a plat dated Nov. 17, 1847, "it being the identical land conveyed by F. M. Chisholm, Wm. L. Robinson and wife, Wm. S. Chisholm and Susan Chisholm to Narcissa Lewis, whose heirs and distributors we are".

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A deed of interest to people in East Chester County is that of David Hyatt, dated Jan. 23, 1878, to R. M. McFadden, Thomas Orr, and W. J. Dye, trustees to a "certain piece of land near Republic on Landsford road, bounded by lands of myself, Mrs. Jane Campbell, and said road containing one acre. The said school house to be open to all white children who now live or may hereafter live within reach of the same". This deed was witnessed by Henry Lee, W. P. Simpson, and attested to by R. S. Crook, Trial Justice.

Also the estate papers of Susannah Crook, dated Nov. 28, 1825, and that James Crook was the administrator and Alexander Crawford, Wylie Crook, and Elijah Hyatt were appraisers and the papers were probated by Peter Culp, J. P. This estate was divided into 7 shares, but those getting shares are not given.

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On Oct. 17, 1843, John Montgomery made a will leaving \$50 for repairing the Republican Meeting House and graveyard, according to the direction of James Lee. He had a grandchild, Margaret Elizabeth Montgomery. Witness to the will were Joseph Ferguson, Augustus Bridges, and James Daniel.

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Presented at the 51st National Assembly of the Huguenot Society of the Founders of Manakin in the Colony of Virginia at Knoxville, Tenn. on June 11, 1982 by Mary BonDurant Epling.

On February 18th, 1982, our Society suffered the loss of one of our most loved and valuable members, Louis N. Agee.

He served our organization in many capacities. We will enjoy his beautiful penmanship on hundreds of lineage papers that he so meticulously checked for approval as the National Registrar from 1971 to 1975. His service on numerous National Committees was extensive. During these years of serving the National Society, he also gave of his talents to the Virginia Branch, serving as Vice-President, Registrar and Advisor.

A Certificate of Appreciation was presented to Louis at the 47th National Assembly in 1978 by the then National President, Miss Madge Flourney.

Louis declined the National Registrar office in 1975 to resume his research and the compilation of an Agee Register. His dream to complete an up to date History of the Agee family was realized and he was able to make arrangements for its publication before his death.

His beloved wife, Elizabeth Francis Agee, daughter, Mrs. Susan Riggs, and son, Louis Byron Agee are fulfilling his ambitious dream. The Agee Register is available

Our Huguenot heritage has been enriched by the service and dream of Louis N. Agee.

We say, "Well done, Louis, and farewell until we meet again, God willing."

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The State vs. Madison McCammon and Others - Court of Equity  
(Intent to riot and assault)

The State of South Carolina) At a court of session begun and holden in  
Chester District ) and for the district of Chester, in the  
state of South Carolina at Chester Court House, in the district and  
state aforesaid, on the first Monday in April in the year of our Lord,  
one thousand eight hundred and forty eight, the jurors of and for the  
district of in the state aforesaid, that is to say -

Upon their oaths present, that Madison McCammon, Alexander Barber, Osmund Barber, Turner Barber, Charles Fudge, James S. G. W. Service, Wm. Y. McCammon, John A. Boyd, James L. Boyd, Charles Boyd, William Crook, McCriagh Chambers, Robert Chambers, James Thomas, John W. Thomas, George W. Jones, William White, C. J. Kee, James D. Adams, John Hudson, James F. McCammon, with others like disposed persons to the jurors unknown on the eight day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and forty eight, at Chester Court House, in the district of Chester and state aforesaid, with force and arms, some with guns, gunballs, horns, and sticks and other offensive weapons unlawfully, riotously, and routly did assemble and gather together to disturb the peace of said state, and being so there and assembled and gathered together around as last aforesaid did then and there unlawfully, riotously, and routly go to and near the house of one Katherine Eckles, situated in the district of Chester County, at Chester Court House aforesaid and did then and there make a great noise, riot, and disturbance by firing of guns, ringing of bells, and blowing of horns and making other riotous noises, riot and disturbance and did then and there remain and continue around as last aforesaid making such noise, riot and disturbance for the space of an hour or more, then next following to the great disturbance and terror not only of the said Katherine Eckles, her family and the people there, therein assembled, but of all the good people of this state residing in the neighborhood, but of all the other good people of this state then, previously and reprehensively in and along the common highway that runs in contempt of the laws of this state to the examples of all others in like case offering and against the dignity of the same state aforesaid and the jurors aforesaid upon their oaths aforesaid, further present that Madison McCammon, Alexander Barber, Osmund Barber, Turner Barber, James Service, Charles Fudge, Wm. Y. McCammon, John A. Boyd, James L. Boyd, Charles Boyd, William Crook, McCreight Chambers, Robert Chambers, James Thomas, John W. Thomas, George W. Jones, William White, C. J. Kee, James D. Adams, John Hudson, and James F. McCammon on the eight day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and forty eight at Chester Court House in the district of Chester and state aforesaid with force and arms in and upon David Simpson in the peace of God and this state, then and there being, did make and offend, and other wrongs and inovation to the said David Simpson then and there did against the person and dignity of the laws of state aforesaid.

Dawkins, Clerk

True Bill against James McCammon, Alexander Barber, Turner Barber, Osmund Barber, J. A. Boyd, J. L. Boyd, Charles Boyd, J. W. Thomas, J. D. Adams.  
No Bill against C. Fudge, J. S. G. W. Service, Wm. Y. McCammon, Wm. Crook, McCriagh Chambers, Robert Chambers, J. L. Thomas, G. W. Jones, Wm. White, C. J. Kee, J. Hudson, J. F. McCammon.

F. W. Davis, foreman

Katherine Eckles, properitor, Joshua Blake, C. A. Beckham, James Forrest, Dr. Wm. Hicklin, Joseph Wood, John Adams, Jos. Strand, David Simpson.

We find Alexander Barber, J. A. Boyd, J. L. Boyd, J. W. Thomas, J. D. Adams - Guilty.

Wm. Archer, foreman  
Let Alexander Barber be imprisoned for four months and pay a fine of \$500. J. A. Boyd pay a fine of \$10. J. W. Thomas be imprisoned one month and pay a fine of \$20.

Docket No. 1 (1849)

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From Chester Reporter, Nov. 6, 1884:

Married at the Baptist Parsonage in Chester by Rev. R. W. Sanders, Oct. 30, 1884 at 10 a.m., Mr. Robert Castles and Miss Ethie Griffin, both of Chester County.

Married Oct. 28th by Rev. Frank Hallam, Mr. B. F. Castles of Chester County and Miss Amanda Dairs of Ridgeway, Fairfield County.

From Chester Reporter, Nov. 27, 1884:

Married at the Methodist Parsonage in Chester, Thursday, Nov. 20, 1884 by Rev. J. M. Carlisle, Mr. J. K. Jennings of Spartanburg and Miss Lilly Carlisle, only daughter of the officiating minister.

On the 20th of Nov., Mr. Moses McKeown and Miss Maggie Roberts by Trial Justice A. D. Darby, all of Chester County.

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Deed - Dec. 30, 1881:

R. L. Hicklin, Alice C. Hicklin, F. C. Cloud, J. H. Cloud, M. C. Cloud, Martha J. Cloud, of Chester Co., S. C. and J. I. Gibbons of Florida, Trustee for his children, viz.: Amelia P. Gibbons, Mary E. Gibbons, J. I. Gibbons, Jr., and Wm. M. Gibbons, sold 158 acres to Dr. Samuel T. Anderson, located on the waters of Beaver Dam Creek, being the north portion and part of the estate lands of Wm. Wall, deceased. Wit.: W. S. Brown - J. G. Barber.

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An Excerpt of the Minutes & Order Books of Chester Co., S. C.:

Order Book 1791-1793 -

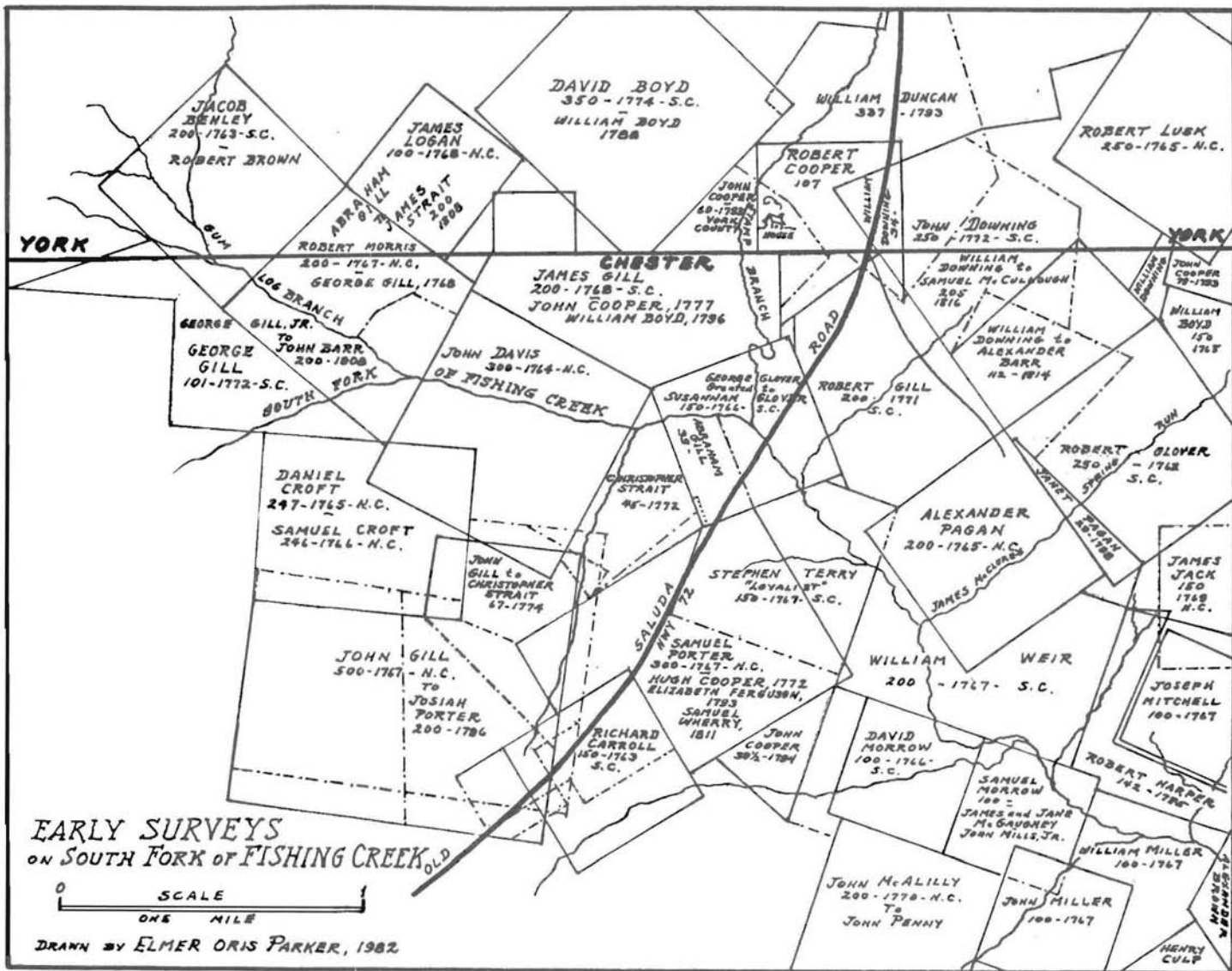
Jan. 28, 1793 Prospective jurors include Nathan Jagers, John Atterberry, John Self.

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SOUTH CAROLINA  
FAIRFIELD DISTRICT  
WILLIAM BARKER  
TO  
JAMES HOLENSHED

Know all men by these presents that I, William Barker, of the State and district....for and in consideration of \$420....sell and release unto James Holenshed, land containing 120 acres lying and being on Zeiglar's Branch waters of Broad River, bounded by lands of Elizabeth White, Henry Yarborough, William Matthews, Daniel Hughes, William Thornton, and vacant land.

July 28, 1827



Q U E R I E S

McKEOWN -- Don McKeown, P. O. Box 250, Chester, S. C. 29706 - Seeks any info on Moses T. McKeown, son of Samuel Mobley McKeown of Cornwell area of Chester County. Need date of birth, death, marriage, wife's maiden name, and where buried.

DAVIDSON -- Mrs. E. Loring D. R. Best, "Gillies' Garden, S.E.," 2126 White Hall Road, P. O. Box 98, White Hall, Maryland 211610098. Need record of birth of Capt. John Davidson, Rev. War, also parents and place lived. According to Register Meane Conveyance Vol. VI Page 327 (Granted to Samuel Davidson) the heirs of John Davidson were Joseph Davidson, James Parks, John Leeper, John Davidson, William Davidson, James Davidson, Gilbert Shaw and Samuel Davidson the youngest heir who was to maintain his mother by each giving their full share of land for that purpose.

In Bible of Capt. Samuel Davidson, his mother was Sarah buried at Bullock's Creek Cemetery C4 near grandson John G. Davidson (son of Capt. Samuel Davidson and Elizabeth Gillies of Gillies' Garden) lot No. C2.

Inf. - Mrs. Marion Bankhead - Union Deed B.K.U. page 15 Aug. 1812 - Samuel Davidson and dower by Elizabeth his wife to John David Thomas - 200 A on branch of Fair Forest Creek where Samuel Davidson now lives, being original grant of John Davidson in 1773.

Inf. Mr. Robert Williams - Mr. Robert Williams wrote Samuel Davidson of Union Dist. to John David Thomas of Spartanburg Dist., for \$300., 200 acs. originally granted to John Davidson in 1773, on Harris Branch of Fairforest Creek, bound by William Davitt, Geo. Thomson, Joseph Davidson, James Parks, James Means, Dated 15 Aug. 1812. Proved by Archibals on the same day before H. Means, J. Q., Elizabeth Davidson, wife of Samuel, and Tabitha Davidson, mother of Samuel, both released dower rights on 1 Oct. 1812 before Hugh Means J.Q. R. Was Capt. John married twice, 1st. Tabitha or was Sarah's name Sarah Tabitha? If so, where buried as Capt. John Davidson has no listing in Bullock's Creek Cemetery Roster?

HARDIN - LYLE -- Ms. Minta Harden Erbele, Rt. 2, Box 348, Groveland, Fla. 32736 - John Wyatt Hardin, born Oct. 22, 1833, Chester Co., S. C., m. Araminta Lyle, Mar. 9, 1855. Need info on Araminta Lyle. Who were her parents, brothers, sisters? Where was she born? Was she born in Fairfield or Chester Co.?

John Wyatt Hardin's parents, Ira Harris Hardin & Martha Hall Hardin, moved from Chester Co., S. C. to Lady Lake, Fla. in 1854. What year did John W. H. come to Fla.? Died Montverde, Fla. in 1899; Araminta in 1910.

MURPHY - SADLER -- James L. Murphy, 315 Woodland Drive, Henderson, Tenn. 38340 - I would like to locate old Murphy land in northern Chester Co. and southern York Co. around Brattonville. Part of land was located between points where "Clerk's Branch" and "Englishman's Branch" enter South Fork of Fishing Creek. Does anybody know the location of these two branches?

Three daughters of James Murphy (ca 1710-1795) married Sadler men. Rachel Murphy married Richard Sadler, Susanna Murphy married George Sadler (brother of Richard) and Mary Murphy married Isaac Sadler (cousin of other two). I would like to correspond with someone with knowledge of these families.

HARBISON - STEWART -- Tracy L. Forsythe, 725 East 7th St., Loveland, Colo. 80537 - This is the James Harbison, m. Elizabeth (Betsy) McElroy, Oct. 22, 1774. James was born in 1739 and Betsy in 1742. They came to Chester Co. about 1770-72. They had 4 children: Alexander (I have a lot on him), James Jr., John, and Elizabeth. Would like info on James Jr., John, and Elizabeth. Alexander Harbison married Elizabeth Stewart, dau. of William Stewart. This Stewart served in Rev. War. His father was in one account, William Stewart, and in another account was Alexander Stewart. Would like to correspond with anyone who has worked on these two.

SMITH - McCAW - JOHNSTON - WATSON - HENRY -- Bebe Beasley Ulrich, Box 731, Crockett, TX 75835 - Seeks info on the following: John McCaw Smith, born York County, 1811 left for Alabama, son of Robert Smith and Ann McCaw. Who was the father of James Smith who married Mary Henry and died York Co., 28 Aug. 1821? Who was the father of William McCaw who married Ann Watson and died in Chester Co., 1797? Who were the parents of Ann Watson?

WALKER - ESTES -- Luther W. Hampton, Jr., 8115 Greenbrook Rd., Columbia, SC 29204 - Coleman Crosby (1808-1860) married Adeline Walker. Their son, William Walker Crosby (1847-1927) married Elizabeth Estes. Coleman Crosby was the son of Stephen Crosby (1782-1856). I have Crosby family info to trade. I need info on Walker and Estes families.

MCCROREY - CRAWFORD - McDOWELL - GAMBLE - YONGUE - MCKAIN - ARNETT -- Mrs. Verna M. Fitzpatrick, 4780 Kingsdown Rd., Dunwoody, Ga. 30338 - Would like to correspond with anyone connected to families: Margaret and William McCrorey (1793, Fairfield); Jane Crawford and James McCrorey (m. ca 1814, Fairfield); Martha Ann Gamble and James McDowell (m. ca 1829, Fairfield); Jean Yongue and John McDowell (1790, Fairfield); Agnes McKain and Robert Gamble (m. 1792, Fairfield); Jane Arnett and Alexander (?) McKain (m. ca 1774, Fairfield). Originally Co. Antrim, Ireland, John McDowell went to Starkeville, Miss.; the James McDowells, Gambles and McCroreys to Talbot Co., Ga. Other family name clues: Harper, Boyd, Bonner, Alexander, and Adger.

GRANT - JOHNSON -- Mrs. W. F. White, 145 Pinckney Street, Chester, SC 29706 - Searching for descendants of Francis Marion Grant, b. ca 1840, Chester Co., SC, married 8 Sept. 1859, Harris Co., Ga., Catherine Johnson, b. ca 1840, SC. Where? Who were her parents? Both buried Bascom, FL. F. M. Grant was living at age 94 in Bascom, FL.

HILL - DENMAN -- Mrs. Elliece Hill Hopkins, 7280 Dillon St., Houston, Texas 77061 - William S. Hill, husband of Mollie, died in Chester Co., SC 1804, children: Starkey, Hiram, William, Major, Amy, Rachel, Sally, Molly, Milly, Hepsabeth. Will in Chester Co. Tradition. Hiram born in NC. Any info appreciated. Have info to share. Parents of Christopher Denman, b. ca 1765, d. Franklin Co., Ga. in 1835. Early record in Wilkes Co., Ga., 1791.

SIMS - STARNES/STEARNES -- Ms. Frances Mauldin, 19 Rice St., Greenville, SC 29605 - Need parents of William Sims who was married to Rebecca Starnes (Stearnes)/ She, Rebecca, was the dau. of Ebenezer Starnes.

HILL - SHELTON -- Mrs. Rita Hill Pullum, 900 Lindsey, Denton, Texas 76201 - Need info on children of William Hill who died in Chester Co., SC, 1804. Hiram Hill, son of William and Molly Hill, born NC, 1779. Where? William Hill, Jr., born in Virginia, 1771. Where? Milly Hill Mitchell born in Maryland, 1760. Where? Other children of William and Molly Hill are: Hepsabeth Hill Mitchell, Molly Hill Atterberry, Sally Hill Atterberry, Amy Hill Clark, Rachel Hill, Starkey Hill, Major Hill. Who were the parents of Mildred Annette Shelton who married Hiram Hill, 1803? Will share information.

GILL -- Virginia Gill, 41 Ridgeview Drive, Chickasaw, Ala. 36611 - Need info on parents of our James Gill, b. 1792, SC, came to Clarke Co., Ala. where he married Catherine (Cathrena) Till, also born in SC. Indications are that James, son of Col. Archibald Gill is our James so if we could find the dates of birth for these it would help.

James was in service under Capt. Motts Co., Miss. Militia in 1815. Some info indicates that Robert (son of Archy) was said to have been in Miss. after leaving SC and before becoming Attorney Gen. of La. If this is our line, James could have been with his brother in Miss. after the death of their father. Any info to help clear up which James Gill is ours will be greatly appreciated.

WYLIE - HAWTHORN -- Mrs. Mike Lomas, Rt. 8, Box 725A, San Angelo, Texas 76901 - Desires any info on Peter and Ann (Hawthorn) Wylie who arrived 1767 from Co. Antrim, Ireland and settled at Big Springs in Chester Co., SC. Both are buried in Fishing Creek Cemetery. Their issues were Margaret, b. 1747 (m. David Boyd); James, b. 1749; Francis, b. 1750 (m. ---- Hamilton); Mary, b. 1754; and William, b. 1760/62 (m. Isabella Kelso). Also desire someone to photograph the grave sites of Peter and Ann Wylie.

PETER MOORE -- Dr. G. L. Irwin, Box 4262, Greenville, SC 29608 - Need parents of Peter Moore who married Polly McWaters, dau. of John McWaters and Priscilla Lott. Children of Peter/Polly Moore: Molly, Elihu, Benjamin C., Wm. A., and Elizabeth. Wm. A. Moore married Elizabeth Rains. Elizabeth Moore married Samuel Irwin, Jr.

Peter/Polly Moore - Fairfield Co., 1820, 1830, 1840. Chester Co., 1850, 1860. Woodward Baptist Church. Peter Moore b. ca 1795. Dr. Emmett Moore unknown relation.

LITTLE - SMITH - BEASLEY -- Elizabeth Mayes Westbury, 3819 Harry Wurzbach G-1, San Antonio, Tx. 78209 - Seeking info on the families of Charles Henry and Jane Smith, b. ca 1801, SC, moved in the 1830's to Ga.; a Joseph Little, b. in SC about 1770, moved to Jackson Co., Ga. in the 1800's; and Thomas and Patsy Beasley who were living in the Laurens Co., SC area in the early 1800's.

HOLLEY/HOLLY -- Mrs. T. M. Hetherington, 202 Glentower Drive, San Antonio, Tx. 78213 - Need info on any Holley/Holly. My ancestors, William Holley, Sr., wife Agness, William Holley, Jr., lived on Owens Mill Creek in Fairfield Co. before 1790, still there 1797. Wm., Jr. in Edgefield 1798, in Franklin Co., Ga. 1801. What were the names of other children of Wm., Sr. and maiden names of wives of the Wm.'s? Where were they before SC?



FOSTER - CLEMENT - MOSELEY - CUD -- Mrs. E. D. Whaley, Sr., 109 Merriman St., Union, SC 29379 - John and Sidney Foster's son, Enoch George Foster, married who? Need Sidney's maiden name. She and John were married in Va., he served in Rev. War from Va. Enoch's dau., Maria, married first a Clement, second, a Moseley. Please help.

Need maiden name of Jonathan Cud's wife and any other info on that family.

GILL - JENKINS -- J. L. Perry, 129 Pawnee Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29301 - Nancy Agnes Gill, m. Thomas Jenkins, lived in Chester Co. ca 1800. In 1799, Agnes Jenkins was attending adult at the baptism of William Jenkins at Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church. Who were the parents of Agnes Gill (or Nancy Agnes Gill)? Who were the parents of Thomas Jenkins? Would like to correspond with researchers on Robert and Elinor Cabeen Gill family.

MCCRORY -- Miss Anne C. Gibert, 925 Munson Springs Drive, Columbia, SC 29209 - Desire parents' names for Giles McCrory, born in either upstate SC or Mississippi ca 1830-35. Married Peggy Barrett; five sons including Neb McCrory, b. ca 1850-55. Neb's wife was Laura Paullett, who died 1912. Their four children included Benjamin Franklin McCrory, b. 1878; d. 1951, who married Mattie Mae Smith.

JOHNSON -- Douglas N. Simmons, 1629 South 10th St., Abilene, Texas 79602 - Need names of parents of James Johnson, b. ca 1788, Charlotte Co., Va. Served in Va. Militia, released 6 Dec. 1814, Norfolk, Va. Evidence he resided in Giles Co., Tenn. before and after. First wife, Martha (Davenport?), 2nd mge., info as to wills, deeds, that may have been processed.

MCCALLA - ADAIR - MOORE - IRION -- Randolph McCalla, 420 W. Magnolia, San Antonio, Texas 78212 - Interested in McCalla, Adair, Moore, Irion families of Chester, SC; Bolivar, Tenn.; Corinth, Miss.; and Cameron, Texas. Will exchange info.

POTTS - HICKLIN -- Mrs. Jean H. Nichols, Box 336, Richburg, SC 29729 - Will of Robert Potts of Chester Dist. names half-brother, William Hicklin, sole heir to his property, "said William about 50 yrs. old, and son of same mother", Aug. 29, 1818. Need parents of William Hicklin, especially mother. Which Potts did she marry?

HENRY - RUSSELL -- Mrs. Thomas M. Crawford, 625 S. Beltline Blvd., Columbia, SC 29205 - Need info on parents of William Henry, b. 1760-64?, married Jane Russell, dau. of Alexander and Jane Russell of Orange Co., NC. Jane, b. ca 1770. Know children of William and Jane: son, John Henry, b. 1792, NC; dau., Mirian Henry.

GUYTON -- Miss Julia Skinner, Presbyterian Home, CMR Box 126, Summerville, SC 29483 - Request info on Guyton family - John Guyton, d. Harford Co., Maryland, 1832, son Samuel, b. Nov. 6, 1727?; Joseph, b. Sept. 17, 1732; Nathaniel, b. March 29, 1835. Need info especially on Samuel, date of death, birthdate, wife, etc.

BROWN - TRACEY -- Mr. C. H. Brown, 3912 Margrave Rd., Columbia, SC 29203 - Desires info re family of Henry Brown, son Alonzo Brown. Henry Brown, b. 10-28-1815, m. Elizabeth Tracey.

SAYLORS - RASCO -- Mr. G. C. Saylor, 1603 W. Buchanan Drive, Columbia, SC 29206 - Need info on the Saylor and Rasco families of SC, especially Cynthia Saylor, John Rasco, and Christopher Saylor, Rev. soldier of SC.

CONN - SADLER -- W. G. Conn, 3909 Ohio Gardens Rd. #2, Fort Worth, Texas 76114 - Desire info: Was the John Sadler named in the following Land Transaction, the John Sadler the Grandfather of John Conn?

21 April 1772 Wm. McCulloh and wife Elizabeth for 1 Shilling and prroc. money and paternal love to our son-in-law John Sadler of same 70 ac. adj. James Keneday. Wm. McCulloh(w) seal Elizabeth(o) seal. Wit.: John McCord - David M. Keneday.

BENNETT - GRANT - JOHNSTON - LAY - LEA - LOVING - OWENS -- Daniel C. McCarthy, 1534 Foxridge Run S.W., Winter Haven, Fl. 33880 - Seeking info on the following persons of Chester Co., SC prior to 1810. Did John Lay, James Lay, and Alexander Johnston come from Loudoun Co., Va.? When? Who is James Loving? Where did he live? Did Bird Owens live in Chester Co.? When did James and Joseph Bennett arrive in Chester? Is anyone knowledgeable of Ambrose Lea or James Grant?

MONTGOMERY -- Mrs. H. W. Jaeger, Rt. 2, Box 82, Tyler, Texas 75704 - Hugh Montgomery was born Jan. 20, 1816, SC. Who were his parents and where was he born? He married Lydia?, ca 1835. She was also from SC. What was her maiden name and who were her parents? Any info of them would be appreciated.

DENTON - TILFORDS/TELFORDS - FRENCH -- Mary Denton Smith, 5134 King St., Covington, Ga. 30209 - Want to exchange additional info on descendants of Samuel Denton, Sr., d. York Co., SC, 1789. Will written 1786, names wife Elizabeth, sons Joshua, Benjamin, and my ggg John Denton, who m. dau. of William French, moved to Tenn. There are other sons.

Also would like to know more about all Tilfords and Telfords. Sally Tilford French; James and Joseph Denton; William, Samuel, Simon, Michael French, brothers listed in 1790 census.

WYLIE - BEARD - KILLIAN - MALONEY - LYNCH -- Faye Carter, 1359 Deas St., Rock Hill, SC 29730 - Need parents and lineage of: (1) Susan Elizabeth Wylie, 1817-1898, m. Nathaniel Ragan Halliday; (2) Nancy Ann Beard, b. ca 1827, SC, m. James Lawson; (3) Pinkney A. Killian, b. pos. NC, ca 1840-50, m. Susan Jane Jarrett; (4) Caroline Catherine Maloney, 1832-1898, m. Wm. Anderson Shillinglaw; (5) Arthur Lynch, wife Jessie Mitchell, had a son Cornelius Lynch, 1803-1895. Will reimburse postage and copying cost. Will exchange info.

GIBSON - PARK -- Mrs. W. H. Schlacks, 11603 Flint Forest, Houston, Texas 77024 - Seeking the parents of Robert Gibson, Junior (b. 1792 in Chester) and the date of their arrival in the U.S. Robert Gibson, Jr., m. Mary Glenn Park, dau. of Hugh Park and Jennet Glenn. Robert had a brother, Samuel Gibson, who married Molly McLurkin. The Gibsons owned land on the south side of Little Rocky Creek. They were Covenanters and moved to southern Illinois in 1833.

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