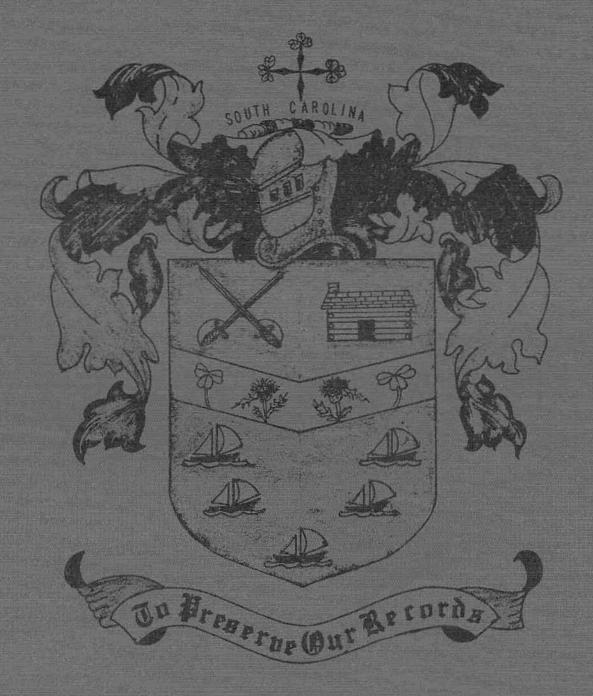
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Mrs. Mary M. White Mrs. Kathryn G. White What will our children wish we had done?

Could one of their wishes be - a written record of our heritage - a family tree - a clue to who their ancestors were - where these ancestors came from - where they worshipped - and where their remains now rest?

Maybe, we have all this tucked away neatly in the back of our minds but until we put it down on paper, it too, will fade away when we can no longer recall those precious memories.

As we enter another year, let us determine to put our genealogical house in order so our children and grandchildren will not wonder why we did not do for them what they will wish we had done.

- 1983 -

With this issue of the Bulletin, we bring to a close another great year for our Society. As of December 1, our membership has grown to 692 and will surely top 700 by December 31. In a little less than 5 years, we have become South Carolina's largest genealogical society - and we've made no little plans for 1983.

We have never before had to ask for an increase in membership dues because we have no paid employees, no officer or director has ever submitted an expense account, we pay no rent, light, heat or water bills. We are a non-profit organization and we intend to remain so. But we do have to pay for printing, typing, postage, postal permits, zeroxing, paper, stencils, miscellaneous supplies, and an occasional book we need in our library, all of which have increased considerable in price over these past 5 years.

All we want is to be able to pay our bills and to continue to do this, we must increase dues for individuals from \$6 to \$8, for couples from \$10 to \$12, and the membership-surname book from \$2 to \$3. We hope it will be another 5 years before we have to ask you for another increase.

A number of you have already sent your renewal for '83 at the former rate. We have accepted these checks but must ask you to send another \$2 for membership and another \$1 if you ordered the 1983 membership-surname book.

We are enclosing a form for you to list up to 8 surnames. This is free and we encourage all members to fill-out this form with your surnames whether you intend to order the membership book or not so those who do order the book will have a complete list.

Please - Please send your renewal promptly, so we can complete setting up our records within the next few weeks. We are all volunteers and with other duties just as you have, so please do not add to our work load and the society's expense by having us send renewal notices, etc., as we have had to do in past years - would not now be the surest way, to keep from overlooking this?

- A Great Event - Coming - Extraordinary!

We have contracted with Mrs. Mary B. Warren, owner of Heritage Papers of Danielsville, Ga., publisher of "Family Puzzlers", "Carolina" and "Georgia" Genealogy Magazines, as well as many other booklets, reprints, pamphlets, etc., to conduct a work shop for us on Saturday, April 9, 1983 at the South Carolina State Park, 4 miles from Chester on Route 72.

As with everything else we strive to do, we always want the best. That's why we have waited for Mrs. Warren who is recognized as one of the best qualified, experienced, and informed instructors in genealogy in the South today and she knows South Carolina like a book!

The date - Saturday April 9, 1983; the place - Chester State Park Lodge; the time - 9:30 to 10:15 A.M., registration and get acquainted time, with juice, ham biscuits, and coffee; 10:15 A.M. to 12:15 P.M. - Instruction, Mrs. Warren; Lunch - 12:30 to 1:15 P.M., Hot buffet - meat, vegetable, salad, dessert and drink. Price - \$10 includes everything.

The facility at the State Park can accommodate only 100 persons, therefore, reservations are an absolute must. Firm reservations may be made at anytime when accompanied with the \$10 fee which is refundable in case of cancellation up to March 1. Tentative reservations may be made now by those who think they might be able to come but are unable to commit at this time which will give them first priority on any space remaining, if any not taken by those who make firm commitments. To those on these two lists, we will send reminders as the date draws nearer, advise of space still available if any, the route to Chester State Park, and any other information that might be needed.

We take great pride in being able to bring Mrs. Warren to our mem-

bers and friends.

* * * * - Coming Soon -

A reproduction of Joseph G. Wardlaw's book, "Genealogy of the Witherspoon Family", published in 1910 with accounts of other families with which it is connected.

John Witherspoon, born near Glasgow, Scotland in 1670 with the blood of Robert Bruce and John Knox in his veins was forced in 1695 to flee from Scotland to Ireland and later in 1734 with kindred and friends came to America and settled near Kingstree in Williamsburg Township in South Carolina.

John Witherspoon was the father of 4 sons - David, James, Robert, and Gavin and 3 daughters, Janet, wife of John Fleming; Elizabeth, wife of William James; and Mary, wife of David Wilson. From these have descended many eminent jurists, educators, ministers, physicians, and soldiers.

Among the educators was Dr. John Witherspoon, President of Princeton. Among the jurist, Chancellor William Dobein James, Chief Justice Eugene B. Gary, Chief Justice Tim Ervin Cooper of Mississippi, Chancellor William Stuart Fleming of Tennessee, U. S. Senator William Bennett Fleming of Ga., and others of equal status. Among the many noteable physicians was Dr. James Ramsey Witherspoon, a grandson of John whose genealogy of this illustrious family is held invaluable by historians.

In the making of American history and the winning of American freedom, the descendants of this sturdy Scot have taken active part. The Revolutionary hero, Maj. John James, a grandson, who organized Marions Brigade and whose son William Dobein James served under Gen. Francis Marion with distinction though only a boy. There was Maj. Gen. Martin Witherspoon Gary of Edgefield whose record during the Confederate War was enviable and who during the days of reconstruction labored to make the Hampton campaign the success it was in 1876.

Wardlaw's Genealogy of the Witherspoon family holds for history much that would have been lost to succeeding generations in a new country beset by trials of war and dissention. It's long tables of genealogy beginning with Robert Bruce of Scotland and extending into the early nineteen hundreds embraces many, many families with surnames other than Witherspoon but in whose veins there flows Witherspoon blood.

It's with great pride we look forward to receiving this exact repro-

duction of Wardlaw's original manuscript from our printer at which time we will send each of you a notice of the books available.

- For Our Library -

There are many gifts that we have gratefully received, but because of space limitations must await our next issue.

ROBERT GASTON OF LITTLE LYNCHES CREEK By Mary Kell Wade

It was Tuesday, 12 May 1874 in Greene County, Tennessee. The Honorable Hamilton C. Smith was handing down his final decree in the case of the heirs of Joseph Gaston, deceased. Thomas L. Gaston was the

last to make a claim against said estate.

In closing the books on this issue, Judge Hamilton expounded, "Decay and death being the lot of all sublinary things--Chancery causes though remarkable for longivity are yet no exception to the universal laws. After having remained in this court for thirty-three years, three months, and one day--during which time it has been a source of vexation and trouble to all connected with it -- this cause has now reached its end and must soon be numbered with the things of the past. Therefore let it be remembered that this cause came on to be finally heard before the Honorable Hamilton C. Smith, Chancellor and C. on this 12th day of May, 1874, upon the original Bill filed on the 11th day of May, 1841, and the multifanous proceedings had there under and the consent of the Solicitors of all those now interested (there being none present except the counsel of John Gaston's heirs) from all which appears that those having funds in this cause are dead and their estates wound up or beyond the jurisdiction of this court in other states -- the Honorable Chancellor is pleased to order and adjudge and decree that this cause go off the Docket and that the papers be filed away in the archives of this court there to remain as a perpetual monument to man's insatiate thirst for money and as a beacon light and a warning to all in like situation of the intestate in this cause to obey that mandate in life prepare for death by making a will."

Robert Gaston, Little Lynches Creek, Lancaster District, South Carolina, Joseph's father, did prepare in life by making a will. However, it was destroyed in a fire set by Sherman's men in the Lancaster

County Courthouse.

A deed made on 2 October 1812 by John McCreary of Chester District and Thomas Gaston formerly of Lancaster District (at that time living in Spartanburg County, S. C.) executors of the will of Robert Gaston of Lancaster District, deceased, sold in accordance with his will his nine hundred and thirty-five acre plantation. Part of this land had been purchased from William Strain, a grant to Strain in 1762 for 150 acres. The other part was a grant to Robert Gaston on 6 August 1787 for eight hundred and thirty-five acres. (Lancaster Co. Deed Book H, p. 43)

This South Carolina Land Grant, recorded in Vol 21, page 201, 6 Aug. 1787, in the State Archives, Columbia, S. C., describes Robert Gaston's homeplace. "For 19 pounds sterling, paid by Robert Gaston, granted to Robert Gaston his heirs and assigns a Plantation or tract of land containing Eight hundred and thirty-five acres Situate in District of Camden on the drain Branches and on both sides of Little Lynches Creek Bounded on the S. E. by W. Cairns Land said Robert Gastons land, Wm. Strains land, Drury Campbells Land and James Ingrams Land N.E. by vacant land and Daniel Clarks Land. N. W. by John Murphys Land & land said to be surveyed to John Caston, Jun & also by Thomas Gastons Land, W. by land laid to be surveyed for Glass Caston & on S. W. by Joseph Barbers & Samuel McClures Land." Survey 1 Mar. 1787. Issued by Thomas Pinkney on 6 Aug. 1787.

While the deed for the sale of this land revealed two heirs, his son-in-law John McCreary and his son Thomas Gaston, other heirs were lost with his will. So what was a vexation to the judges in the case of Joseph Gaston, intestate, of the State of Tennessee, proved to be a boon for the genealogist seeking the descendants of Robert Gaston. For more than thirty years depositions poured into Tennessee claiming a

share of his large estate.

The deposition of William Gaston, grand-son of Robert Gaston, was made in Jefferson County, Illinois, 17 February 1858, before S. W. Carpenter, Justice of the Peace. He states that he is the son of William Gaston, deceased, late of Marion County, and the State of Illinois. His father came from Chester District and the state of South Carolina to Christian County, Kentucky about the year 1808 where he continued to live until 1829 when he removed to Marion County, Illinois. He further states that his father had night brothers and sisters: John Gaston, Thomas Gaston, James Gaston, Hugh Gaston, Joseph Gaston, Elizabeth Gaston, Martha Gaston, and Margaret Caston. He further states that his uncle Joseph Gaston moved from Chester District to Greene County, Tennessee, where he died intestate about the year 1839. He also says that he is informed that at the time of his death his uncle was the owner of considerable amounts of both real and personal properties and had no issue of his body to inherit the same. Of the whereabouts of his father's brothers and sisters he is informed: Hugh Gaston moved to Indiana where he died leaving issue but how many he does not know; Thomas Gaston remained in South Carolina until his death and had issue; John Gaston moved to Shelby County, Illinois where he died; James Gaston removed to Wayne County, Illinois; Margaret Gaston married a man by the name of McCreary by whom she had several children, rendered at last time in Chester District, South Carolina; Martha Gaston married a man named Dye and removed to Kentucky; Elizabeth married David Fullerton, moved to either St. Claire or Monroe County, Illinois, where she died. William Gaston, affiant's father moved aforesaid to Marion County, Illinois, and died leaving issue.

The following depositions were made in behalf of Robert Fullerton,

son of David Fullerton and Elizabeth Gaston Fullerton.

Robert Fullerton of Lincoln County, Tennessee, was the only child of David Fullerton and his first wife Elizabeth Gaston. They went to Illinois where she died about 1810. Shortly afterward David returned to Tennessee, settling in Lincoln County. He died about 1835. (Deposition of John Fullerton, brother of David Fullerton, dated 1861, Lincoln County, Tennessee.) John states that he was present at the marriage of David Fullerton and Elizabeth Gaston in Chester District. S. C. about 1796-97.

The deposition of Robert Carey, aged 80, 30 July 1861 states that he was well acquainted with Robert Fullerton, only child of Elizabeth Gaston and David Fullerton. Witness knew William and John Gaston, also

John McCreary and his wife Margaret.

Born in the 1720's in Ireland, Robert Gaston was the son of William Gaston and Olivet Lemon Gaston of Caranleigh, Coughwater, County Antrim, near Ballymena. Several Gaston family histories published before 1950 state that he married Margaret Logan (?) in Ireland and emigrated to Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, before 1757. However, the publishing of The Rev'd John Roan's Account Book, 1745-1775 in the North Carolina Genealogical Society Journal, Vol. VII, No I, Feb. 1981, clears this question. The Rev'd Roan, a Presbyterian minister in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, recorded in his record of marriages performed that of Robt. Gaston and Marg. Logan on 24 Aug. 1756. (p. 129 of his account book) A clue as to her relatives may be a payment made on 15 May 1746 per Thos. Loggan (p. 3 of same book).

Several children were born to Robert and Margaret Logan Gaston before they left Lancaster County, Pennsylvania: William b 10 July 1757 (Rev. Pension Papers); Thomas b 18 July 1759 (Ancestry and Descendants of Amzi Williford Gaston II, Mary Gaston Gee, 1944); James b 24 July 1761 (Rev. Pension Papers); Margaret d 1816 aged 52 years (tombstone inscription, Burnt Meeting House, Chester County, S. C.) The dates of

the other children are not presently known.

In applying for a Revolutionary War pension 6 Aug. 1837 in Wayne County, Illinois, James says that his father moved from Pennsylvania when he was six years of age to the State of South Carolina and settled 28 miles north of Camden and two miles east of Hanging Rock. This fits the description of land of Little Lynches Creek purchased from William Strain.

Robert Gaston, like his brothers and sisters in Chester County and his brother Dr. Alexander Gaston, killed in 1781 by the British and Tories in New Bern, N. C., was a patriot during the American Revolution. Documents in the State Archives in Columbia show that he furnished a horse for 70 days to Col. Henry Hampton's Light Dragoons and 280 pounds of beef to the State Commissary.

The three oldest sons of Robert served as soldiers in that war. In his application for a pension on 24 Sept. 1832, William Gaston then living in Marion County, Illinois, says that he entered the service of the United States first in the drafted militia in South Carolina, Chester County, in the year 1775. His first tour was under Capt. Marshall to rout some Tories who were encamped on Broad River some 50 or 60 miles from where he lived. The second tour was under the same captain to Charleston about 150 miles in 1776. The third tour in the same year was to Purinsburg on the Savannah River under the same captain

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After Charleston fell in 1780, he entered the service as a mounted volunteer under Capt. John McClure, Col. Lacey, and Gen. Sumpter. After several skirmishes, he fought in the battles of Rocky Mount, Hanging Rock, Huck's Defeat, and Kings Mountain. When Gen. Sumpter was surprised near McDonald's Ford on the Catawba River, his horse fell into the hands of the enemy (for which he was never compensated). Afterwards several scouting parties terminated his service of nearly two years as a mounted volunteer. He was dismounted by Capt. Steele who was his captain after Capt. McClure fell at Hanging Rock.

Mrs. Jane Gaston (Janet Knox Gaston, relict of John Gaston, age about 87) testified to William's service. She said that William, a young single man then, was living with her and her husband John Gaston in 1780. He was her husband's cousin. She remembered distinctly when he volunteered for service under Gen. Sumpter and that he remained away for about two years except when he returned for a few days on furlough.

James Gaston, applying for a pension on 6 Aug. 1837 in Wayne County, Illinois, gives this record of his service: He entered the service of the United States in the latter part of the summer of 1778 as a drafted man. He served in the regiment commanded by Col. Joseph Cashaw (Kershaw) in the company commanded by Capt. John Marshall. Gen. Benjamin Lincoln was the commanding general. In the Battle of Hanging Rock, he was taken prisoner and confined in jail in Camden for two months and nineteen days when he was paroled and returned home. He left John Adair, John Moore, and Alexander Brown in jail. On his arriving at home he found his father's farm and everything thereon destroyed. He threw his parole in the fire and turned volunteer in the company of Capt. William Ingram with whom he served until Christmas when he joined the company of Capt. William Nesbitt for three months.

Thomas Gaston died in 1832 and did not apply for a pension. Two documents in the South Carolina Department of Archives show that payment was due to him for service in 1779, 1781, and 1782 under the command of Col. John Marshall. These were filed on 22 July 1784 and 20 October 1786.

Thomas Gaston b 1759 d 1823 and Sarah Nickels Gaston d 1818 had nine children: Robert b 17 Sept. 1787 d 13 July 1848 m Ann Wakefield; James Nickels b 18 Jan. 1789 d 31 July 1876 m Mary Powers; Hugh b 29 Sept. 1790 m _____ McElrath; Elizabeth b 5 Feb. 1793 m Jesse Wakefield; William b 7 Jan. 1795 d 14 Dec. 1825; Joseph b 9 July 1796 d 13 July 1847 m Margaret Caldwell; Samuel b 4 Sept. 1798 d 12 Sept. 1857 m Sarah Wakefield;

Margaret Logan b 13 June 1800 d 22 July 1863; Thomas Logan b 7 Apr. 1805 d 24 Mar. 1854, (1) Prudence Doolen (2) Mrs. Margaret Walker. (Amzi Williford Gaston II, Gee)

A Bible record among James Gaston's pension papers gives dates for some of his family: James Gaston b 24 July 1761 d 7 Mar. 1840 m Catherine Creighton in Lancaster County, S. C. 20 Mar. 1783. Children: Jane b 11 July 1785 m _____ Bovee; Thomas b 4 May 1790 m 1 Feb. 1814 Elender Clark b 1792; grandson (son of Thomas) Jarret b 5 Dec. 1816.

Robert Gaston's son William b 10 July 1757 m Mary McClure. Their nine children were: Margaret b 1783 m Thomas Kee; Ann b 1784 m Matthew Rainey; William b 1786 m (1) Jane McMillan (2) Elizabeth Couch; Samuel b 1787 m Esther Gaston; John m Elizabeth Carson; Robert m Ann Carson; Sarah McClure b 1792 m Matthew Cunningham; Betsy m Andrew Carson; Mary m (1) Hugh White (2) Hillhouse. (DAR records)

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(The writer of this article is a descendant of William Gaston and had more information on that line than others. If any society members have other depositions of family members contained in the case of Joseph Gaston, intestate, State of Tennessee, or information on Hugh of Indiana, John of Illinois, and Martha Gaston Dye of Kentucky, please, send it to Mary Kell Wade, P. O. Box 6, Fort Lawn, S. C. 29714, for a follow up article.)

REVOLUTIONARY GRAVEYARD

The Revolutionary Graveyard is located in the Fort Mill section of York County. From an old surveyor's book compiled by Hugh White in 1788, you find a plat of land originally leased to Kanawha Spratt, then to Martha Elliott White, widow of Capt. Joseph White. On this plat, you will find a smaller plat of four and three-quarters acres, with a house drawn on it and the name "Meeting House". In front of the picture is one acre for a graveyard, "GY". This is believed to be the first plat of Unity Presbyterian Church and graveyard. Later it was known as the Revolutionary Graveyard. Most of the early gravestones were hand cut and carved. Listed below are names copied from the headstones:

Capt. Joe White, Dorcas White, Frances White, Sara White, Margaret White, William White, Anne White, Henry White, Dorcas Herron, Robert Herron, James T. Clark Harris, Robert Harris, Persilla Jane Harris, Margaret Harris, Brown Lee Harris, F. H. Harris, Mary Ann Merritt, Col. James Harris, Frances Harris, James Robert Savell, Mary Savell, Wallace Harris, Alfred Leroy Harris, James M. Harris, James Harris, Eleanor Henderson, Annie Cathey, Mary Springs, Richard Springs, James Moore, Richard Springs, Sophie Moore, Mary Springs, Sara Delea Springs, John L. Springs, Harriett B. Moore, Alfred Moore, John Moore, Andrew Moore, John Baxter, Eleanor Baxter, Richard Moore, James Davis, George Foster, William Baxter, Prudence Davis, James Poag, Anne Ross, Richard Ross, Robert Robbs, Anne Robbs, Carolina Cordan William Elliott, Susan B. Elliotte, Samuel Elliot, Mary Elliotte, William B. Elliott, Elizabeth Elliott, Jonathan Chillson, Martha Wallis, Sara Faris, William Faris, James M. Faris, Jesse Faris, Alexander Faris, Margaret Faris, Martha Faires, Margaret Faires, Margaret Garrison, M. S. Garrison, Samuel Dunsmore, Mary Stewart, William T. Stewart, Nancy Stewart, Jane Poag, James Crow, George Cathey, J. J. Watson, Toby Tyson, James G. Hayes, T. P. Matthews, J. B., 1793, Stephen Webb, George Webb, Hannah Webb, Elizabeth Webb, Eleanor Webb, Thomas Webb, William James Webb, Sara Webb, John Burns, Elizabeth Burns, Cynthia Burns, William Wilson, N. Watt, S. Hood, J. D. C. F. T. Hood, Annie Hood.

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A HISTORY OF CAPERS CHAPEL CHURCH By Arthur Cornwell.

Methodism was introduced into the State of South Carolina in 1785. The first convert was Edgar Wells on March 9, 1785. Bishop Asbury, Henry Willis and Jesse Lee were the factors in its introduction. On March 10, 1785 Asbury left Charleston and the state while Willis and Lee remained in the city. After Lee returned to his circuit in North Carolina the work continued and spread to the parishes around Charleston. In June, Beverly Allen came and he and John Mason labored in the state still further extending the church, particularly in the Pee Dee and Santee regions. Woolman Hickson and John Tunnel were also laboring in the state.

As early as 1786 an appointment on Sandy River is mentioned. Asbury preached there on January 29th of that year. The progress of Methodism in Chester and York was a little slow at first, because the ground was largely occupied by the Presbyterians, but Methodism steadily won its way and about the beginning of the Nineteenth Century its advancement was more rapid.

It is agreed that there was no house at Chester earlier than 1838, the Court House being used by then as a place of worksip until that date.

"The Methodists had no church nearer than Smith's (now Capers Chapel) Chapel; only a few members were in the village. Timothy R. Lipsey well represented the stalwart Methodism of that day. His emotional nature strong, and his sincerity beyond question. Robin Walker belonged to the ancient family of the name, noted as Charter Asburian Methodists on Sandy River, related to the Hardins, so long and so well known as good Christians. Modest and almost diffident was Robin Walker, but liberal as were all the Hardins. Samuel Mobley lived near in 1835 and was an active and liberal member. He moved to the West. Mrs. Susan Stokes, F. J. West and Mrs. Adeline Sledge were worthy members, "says Dr. A. M. Chreitzberg in his book on Early Methodism in the Carolinas.

As far back as 1830, and it is thought much farther, there was a Methodist church four miles from Chester--near the present site of the

Chester county farm.

The Old Smith Chapel was moved to the present site about 1855, and the name changed to Capers Chapel in honor of Bishop William Capers. He was considered the Magnus Apollo of the Conference, and is thus sketched by our venerable brother, Samuel Leard: "An ancient lady of Georgetown told me that she was present at his birth, when the physician directed all his attention to the mother, whose case was critical, and told the attendants to lay aside the newborn infant, as it was dead or would soon die." They thought differently, and soon succeeded in restoring the child to life, and then said to the doctor, "He will be a Methodist bishop some day." He laughed at their prediction, but all know that it was fulfilled. He was the orator par excellence of our Conference, and did more than any other man to give his beloved Methodism caste and power among the wealthy and refined classes of South Carolina. He sat mentally at the feet of Asbury and Lee and others of lesser note, and drank in the very spirit of the martyrs until he was prepared to sacrifice all he held dear in life for the cause of spiritual religion. The chaste monument in Washington street churchyard marks his grave."

Under the direction of William Capers in 1830, Methodist missions were extended to the slaves. Within the bounds of the Charleston District in South Carolina the effort began. Soon it was taken up by other Conferences and carried forward to success.

Dr. Capers was born on January 26, 1795, and died January 29, 1855. He was educated at the South Carolina college where he was prepared for the practice of law. He was, however, admitted to the South Carolina Conference in 1808. He was appointed Bishop at Louisville, Ky., in 1845.

The Capers family have long been distinguished for piety, fine personal presence, intelligence, and most of them as eloquent preachers of the gospel. They were descendants of Major William Capers of Revolutionary fame, who married Mary Singletary, daughter of John Singletary, of St. Thomas' parish, S. C.; another daughter, Anna, marrying Beverly Allen.

The lumber used in the erection of the first church on the present side of Capers Chapel was sold. It was used in the erection of Mount Pleasant Presbyterian church (it was at one time a Methodist church). The present building was erected in 1881. Mr. J. R. Simril was the contractor. The brick was made from clay, in the valley, near the church. The new building was erected largely through the efforts of L. A. Johnson, then the pastor of the church. The trustees of the church at that time were: Neely Hardin, J. O. Darby, J. M. Ferguson, Holmes Hardin, John Henry Hardin and perhaps others.

The Chester circuit was formerly embraced in what was called the Sandy River circuit. It extended from an appointment known as Smith's Chapel--located about four miles Northwest of Chester--near the County Farm to within some ten miles of Columbia. In 1834 the name of the circuit was changed from Sandy River to the Winnsboro circuit. In 1853 the Winnsboro Circuit was divided. The Chester Circuit was formed in 1859.

The first person buried in this graveyard was Mrs. E. G. West. She

was buried in 1857.

A list of the preachers, who have served this congregation, follows: beginning in 1832 (as this is as far back as we are able to secure information) we have, John Robinson, A. B. Gilroy, William S. Smith, Whiteford Smith, W. M. Kennedy, Joseph Holmes, Joseph H. Wheeler, J. W. Townsend, William R. Smith, Samuel W. Capers, A. M. Foster, William C. Patterson, Samuel Townsend, Daniel McDaniel, W. Barnes, D. G. McDowell, John Watts, John A. Porter, Payton G. Bowman, John Samuel Leard, J. W. J. Henis, J. S. Connor, E. J. Maynardie, William Martin, R. P. Franks, John A. Porter, William Smith, J. J. Fleming, James H. Ward, J. H. Robinson, James N. Cline, Miles Puckett, A. G. Stacy, John R. Pickett, J. E. Watson, P. G. Bowman, J. S. Nelson, J. G. Kilgo, J. W. Humbert, Thomas Mitchell, M. H. Pooser, L. A. Johnson (the father of the present church building at Capers Chapel), J. M. Boyd, D. D. Dantzler, J. C. Stoll, J. B. Traywick, N. B. Clarkson, G. H. Wardell, J. E. Mahaffey, G. M. Boyd, J. M. Friday, A. E. Holler, Dove Tiller, R. A. Young, J. H. Montgomery, W. G. Duncan, R. E. Sharpe, S. B. White, R. C. Boulware, the present pastor, F. G. Whitlock, and others.

Below is a partial list of the presiding elders: W. M. Kennedy, Bond English, M. McPherson, Hartwell Spain, Charles Betts, Nicholas Talley, Samuel W. Capers, R. J. Boyd, C. H. Prichard, S. H. Brown, William Marten, W. H. Fleming, E. J. Maynardie, A. M. Chrietzberg, A.

J. Cauthen, and divers others.

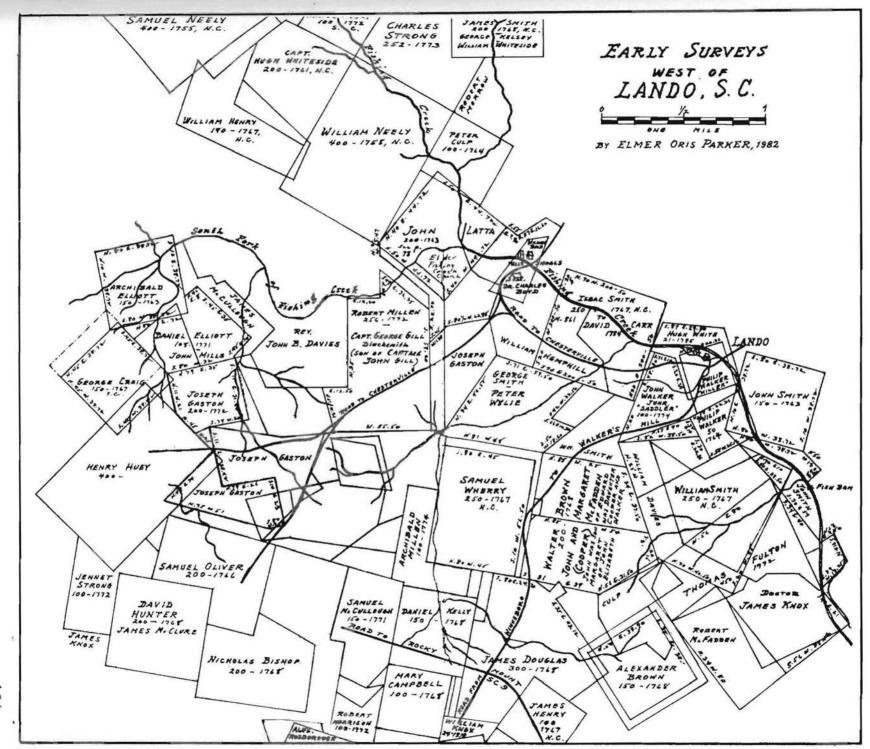
The following have been superintendents of the Sunday School at Capers Chapel: Robin Walker, Henry Hardin, Neely Hardin, John Harvey Hardin, Joe Neely Hardin, Adam W. Hardin, J. W. Ferguson, Dupre Anderson,

and I. Clarence Cross.

The three oldest ladies on the church roll were Mrs. W. Holmes Hardin, who was the oldest and was in her 87th year (this being in 1924), Mrs. John O. Darby and Mrs. Mary Simpson--both being over eighty years of age. They were very active in building the present new church. Mrs. J. B. Traywick and Mrs. Mary Williams were once members of this church. They were, also, over eighty.

References: Mrs. I. Clarence Cross, Mr. Robert W. Hardin and

Mr. Ainsley Grant.



LAND GRANTS ON BEAVER CREEK, FAIRFIELD COUNTY, S. C. Compiled by Mary D. Boulware

1752 Jonathan Christmas

1753 John George Straul Jonathan Christmas

1754 Ann M. Ginnick

1755
Andrew McKennie
Adam Diringer
George Andrew Beringer
James McGowan
John Donnen

1758 William Mobley Robert Alcorn

1759 Job Medder William Mobley Lewis Clark

1761 Job Medder Felix Frederick Warren Eleanor Adamson

1762 Abraham Hooper John Hutson

1764 James Miller

1765
William Mobley
Jerimiah Joyner
Richard Hill
Robert Goodwin
Samuel Mobley
Clement Mobley
William Mauberry

1766 Samuel Mobley

1767
Dennis Crossbey
Henry Funderburgh
Jacob Barker
George Miller
Robert Alcorn
Feorge Gyst
John Buchanan

1768 David Russell John Hilliary Dennis Crosby Frances Hodge Adam Luney William Johnston Micheal Hooper John Bell Sarah Bell John Finley Alexander Fleming Andrew Hannah Adam McCarty Adam Thompson Richard Hill

1769
John Mobley
James Douglass
Edward Mobley
Andrew McCelland
John Buchanan
Elizabeth Gouchier
Luke Petty
Druary Hutson
Druary Arrington

1770
Thomas Medder
David Miller
Henry Hudson
Edward Lovejoy
Clement Mobley
Walter Shropshire
Micheal Muckenfuss

1771
Edward Lovejoy
William McKee
John Bishop
James Williams
Edward Mobley
Clement Mobley
Eleazer Mobley
Peter Gyst
John Hill
William McKee
Dennis Guinlend
George Miller
William Coleman

1772
John Wyly exec. for
Samuel Wyly
William York
George Gyst
John Thompson

1772 (Cont'd.)
Edward Mobley
Joshua Coward
Robert Dumvill
William Coleman

1773
Clement Mobley
James Miller
John Gracy
William Mobley
James Young
Albert Beam
Benjamin Barker
Francis Coleman
Jacob Dove
John Powell
Ephriam Mitchell
Joseph Kirkland
Andrew Simpson

1774
Mary McMullan
Ann Thompson
Clement Mobley
William Sanders
Asnes Thompson
George Miller

1774 (Cont'd.)
Andrew Simpson
Albert Beam
William Thompson
Benjamin Barker

1775 Darcus Hill Hardy Flowers John Moberly Ann Thompson John Gracev William Miller Edward Moblev Johnathan Alexander Agnes Thompson David Hopkins William Miller Knowles Giles Andrew Nutt Lewis Shellers Joseph Hogg George Fleming Andrew Simpson David Hopkins Mary McMullen John Winn Thomas Crosbey

RECORDS OF THE SESSION OF FISHING CREEK CHURCH (Continued from September, 1982 Bulletin)

Session being convened, May 29, 1803.

James Means Junr. produced a certificate under the hand of the Rev. W. Williamson of Fair-Forest, stating that he was a young man of fair moral character & in full communion; he was received to membership.

Baptized in 1803 Feb. 27 July 3 Sam'l Mahood David Carr Thos. Latta Sam'l Mahood Thos. Jno. Gill of R. C. July 17 Mar. 13 Jas. Wallis Will Bradford K. Banian Margt. Eliza Sept. 10 J. H. Walker Jane Henry Will Clinton Hugh McClure Will Boyd Thomas William Malinda Will Walker reter Margaret
Elizabeth Taylor Elizabeth
Eliz. Hindman Wm. Elliott
Agnes Sept. 17 Jno. Hardin Jane Hopkins May 29 Total of 17 infants. Thos. Miller Thomas Wallis

Communicants Register received:

On Examination: Elizabeth McCulloch, Anne Porter, Samuel Mahood, Jane McCormick, Elizab. F. Davies.

On certificate: James Means, William Cunningham. Died: Samuel Neely, Elder, James H. Walker. Dismissed: Widow McCulloch, Mary Elliott. As per last year: 65+5+2-2=68 Total.

Sept. 5, 1804: Messrs. Josiah Porter, William Walker, Charles Brown and David Davis were ordained Elders in the congregation.

Register of Communicants received in 1804:

On examination: Susan Miller, Mary Gill, of E., Wid. Nelson, Elizabeth Armstrong, Agnes Mahood, James Bradford, Eleanor Gill, John Gaston, of H. James Steele, Mary Steele, Sam Lewis, James Wallis, Sarah Wallis. First 8 on examination, last 5 by certificate. Total 13.

Dismissed: Joseph Walker, Priscilla Buford and W. Cunningham.

Suspended: Thomas Porter.

As per last report: 68+8+5-3-1=77 Total.

Baptised in 1804 Oct. 26 Apr. 3 Oct. 1 Frances Janet
Margaret
Mary
Hugh McClure
Oct. 26

And. Wherry
Charles Boyles
Martha Heddleson
Milton
Oct. 21

Jas. Gill
Will Boyd
Total 10 infants. John B. Davies July 15 Will Thom Aug. 5 Chs. Brown Oct. 21 Aug. 19 ig. 19 Sam'l Gill Oct. 26 Oct. 1 John Neely Jno. Harper

Register Communicants received 1805.

On examination: Phillip Fox. Mary Fox. William Boyd, Keziah Boyd, Mrs. Jones, and a black woman.

On certificate: Mary Smith, Jas. E. McFadden, Susan McFadden.

Died: James Neely.

Dismissed: Wid. Bishop, James Means, and Susan Miller.

As per last: 77+6+3-1-3=82 Total.

Baptised in 1805 J. E. McFadden David David And. Bradford

And. Bradford

By. 24

Will Walker

Sam Mahood

Anne

J. E. McFadden

David Davis

David Davis

Jonathan

Eleanor Downing

Polly Buford

Cynthia Harland

James Steele

W. Whiteside

Jno. Gill of R.

Dec. 8

J. E. McFadden

David Davis

Cynthia Harland

John Latta

Total of

11 infants. May 19 Feb. 10 Feb. 24 Mar. 10 / Apr. 22

Register of communicants 1806.

On examination: Sarah of T., Sarah Banian, Martha Walker, restored

On certificate: Mary Bradford, John Wright --- Wright, and Lettice Hamilton.

Dismissed: Will Thom, Agnes Thom, Will Walker, Jane Walker, Sarah McHugh, A. Kennedy, Jas. Bradford, Eliz. Bradford, John Gaston, and Rose, a black woman.

Suspended: Anne P. Gaston. As last report: 82+3+4-10=78.

Baptised in 1806

Jan. 26, Jas. Wallis; Mar. 9, D. Cook; Mar. 30, Ch. Brown; Apr. 13, Jno. Gill, (R. C.), Sam Gill, Franky (?), Caroline, Delila Campbell, Archibald, Jno. Marshall, Jno. Alexander; May 3, Chs. Boyles, P'H Fox; Aug. 10, Peter Boyd, J. Hamilton, Jas. Neal, Susan Grove, Mary Cooper, John. Total 9 infants.

Register of Communicants 1807 to March 1808. On examination: Mary Gill, Margt. Carr. Readmitted: Jno. Neely, Rachel Neely, John Boyd, Mrs. D. Boyd, Mrs. R. Gill, Esther Buford, and Patience Stringfellow. Died: Sarah Neely, David Davis, Mrs. D. Boyd, Thos. Latta. Dismissed: John Porter, Sarah Porter, Rob. Neely, Margt. Neely, and Mary Porter of S. As per last report: 78+2+7-4-5=78.

Baptised from Oct. 1806 until Apr. 1808 June 5
And. Wherry Oct. 7, 1806 Nov. 15 Sam Lewis Jno. Boyd of N. Smith Leman Silas Mary Adelite Nov. 9
A. Bradford
Rob. McCartney
Jan. 11, 1807
Will Boyd
Will Harvey Alex Pagan John Mills Dec. 13 Jno. Wallis Anne July 29 Wm. Dunlap Thos. Lysander Polly Terrisa Feb. 14, 1808 Jno. Jones Jonathan Jonat Aug. 9 Jno. Neely, Sr. Sam Mahood Will Clinton

Agnes

Ann Neely

Sarah Elliott

Aug. 30

James

D. Boyd of J.

Jas. Gill, Sr.

Janet Gill

Robert

Nov. 1

Rob Gill

Martha Neely

Jno. Wright

John Randolph

Agnes

Feb. 17

Aug. 30

Will Gaston

Leroy Buford

Jefferson

Feb. 28

J. E. McFadden

Isaac

Total 25 infants. Will Clinton June 7 June 14 John Randolph

June 1st 1808.

Messrs. Charles Boyd, James Steele, James Wallis, and Samuel Lewis were set apart to the office of Ruling Elder in the congregation. Register of Communicants to March 1809. Received on Examination: Samuel Neely, Mary Neely, Wm. Whiteside,

Jenny Porter, Juliett G. Porter, and John Boyd Sen.

Died: Lettice Hamilton, Thomas Gill, Margt. Gill, J. Boyd Sen.

Dismissed: John Gill. As per last report: 78+6-4-1=79 Total.

Baptised from March 1808 to March 1809 Apr. 3, 1808 Aug. 14 Wid. Jane Davis Hugh Collins Phillip Fox Margaret Aug. 28 William Ch. Brown Peter Boyd Nov. 6 Nov. 6
Nancy
Nancy
Aug. 31
Sarah Boyd
An adult
Jos. Boyd
Mary Anne
Sept. 3
Jenny Porter
Juliett Porter

Nov. 6
Wm. Clinton
Jno. Pinckney
Jas. Armstrong
Agnes
Dec. 4
Will Boyd
Susan Eliza
3 adults and
13 infants. Jno, Lewson Davies Apr. 10 Jno. Jones
Jno. Downing June 6 Eliza Gill Robt. Harvey Aug. 14 Chs. Boyles

Register of Communicants from March 1809 to 1810. On examination: John R. Buford, David Boyd, Mary Boyd, Mary Gaston. Suspended: George Gill.

Dismissed: M. Gill, Robinson, Elizab. Gill, Mary Bradford.

Last report: 79+4-4=79 Total.

Baptized from March 1809 to March 1810

Sept. 23 May 28 Mar. 12, 1809 Jas. Elliott W. Armstrong Sam Lewis Mary Boyd Jesse Will Linn Dan. Cook
Daniel Reese
Sam Gill
Joanna Elvira
Alex. Pagan
James
Aug. 6

Dan. Cook
Jno. Neely T
Prudence Sele
Nov. 19
Wm. Elliott
Jan. 14, 1810
J. R. Buford
Deidamia Jas. Gill Jno. Neely T Prudence Selena Agnes Jenkins Mar. 26 Sam Neely David Davis May 7 Jas. Wells Jas. LeRoy S. Mahood
Hugh
Sept. 17
Wm. Walker of P.
Mary Boyd

Deldamia
P. Stringfellow
Catherine Elvira
Total of
17 infants. May 22 Peter Wylie William Sept. 17 y 7 Geo. Gill S May 7 Nancy

Register for 1810 to April 1811.

Communicants received on examination: Hannah Wherry, Joseph Boyd,

Sarah Boyd, Alex. Gaston, and William Nelson.

On Certificate: Agnes Porter, Agnes McElhenney, Margt. Chambers. Dismissed: Chs. Brown, Eliz. Brown, John Neely, S. Mary Neely. Last report: 79+5+3-4=83 Total.

Baptized from March 1810 to April 1811

March 17, 1810

March 17, 1810

Alex. Gaston

Alex. Gaston

Jinsey Douglas

April 8

Jul. 8

Sept. 19

John Thompson

Chris Strait

John And James

And. Wherry

Peter Boyd

Peggy

Betsey Ferguson

Bob McFadden

Jos. Boyd

Jos. Boyd

Jos. Boyd

Jensey Clark

Rob. Gill

Harriet

Jas. Armstrong

Jas. Gill

Jas. Stewart

Jas. Armstrong

Jas. Gill

Jas. Stewart

Mary Keziah

Geo. Gill

June 2

R. McElhenney

Harriet Minerva

March 1810

A. Bradford

W. Bradford

W. Bradford

Wary Julilah

Sept. 19

John Thompson

John Nills

Sept. 23

Peter Boyd

Peter Boyd

Sept. 23

John Nov. 19

Jas. Mad. Neely

Nov. 19

Dvd. Boyd

Hugh Gaston

Hugh Gaston

Will Boyd

Hugh Gaston

Will Boyd

Jas. Gill

Jas. Stewart

Mary Keziah

Geo. Gill

John

Total 25 infants. Harriet Minerva

Register for 1811 to April 1812.

Communicants rec'd on Examination: John Chambers, Robert McFadden,

Sarah McFadden, Sarah Latta, Wm. Porter, Wm. Smith and Geo. Gill.

On certificate: Wm. McDaniel, Jane McDaniel, Sara Smith.

Died: James Steele, Elder.

Dismissed: Sarah Gill, James Gill, Mary Gill, Mary Fox, Wm. Whiteside.

Suspended: Phillip Fox.

Last report: 83+7+3-1-5-1=86 Total.

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The following are letters from Jane McKinney Lynn, wife of Thomas Lynn of Richburg, to her niece, Martha J. McKinney.

> Richburg, Chester County, S. C. March 15th 1880

Dear Niece:

Your letter came to hand on the 9th of March last, which we all were more than glad to receive. You state in your letter that you had written two or three letters since you received our last but we never received them. Not one of them ever came to hand. I concur with you in your disapproval of this way we have gotten into of scarcely corresponding with each other. I confess it is mere negligence on my part of not writing oftener. You addressed your letter to Thomas Lynn. Oh, Martha, if you knew how we all felt when we received that letter though you may imagine after he has been dead so long. Thomas died on the morning of the 18th of Dec. 1878. He has been dead one year and nearly three months. This goes to show we know little or nothing of each other. We all knew that you all did not know that he was gone. Thomas had ill health a number of years. His chief complaint being disorder of the liver, terminating in dyspepsia, Kidney disease and dropsy of which he died after a short confinement to his bed. He has gone to the upper Sanctuary, his sorrow and trouble and this lifes trials are unknown. It is really our fault that you all were not informed of Thomas's death before this time: however we were in so much trouble that we neglected I believe if I mistake not the second letter to the we received from you was addressed to Thomas too-that one he received before he died sometime he thought a great deal of you allbut he is gone to return no more. Another death I am pained to write you. Poor S. Henrietta McFadden is dead. She died on the 17th of March 1878 after a lingering illness of some years or more. She exposed herself in several ways which brought on her disease, consumption which took her away very rapidly. She died in peace and followed her lamented father who died shortly before. We were all glad to hear that you were all alive and well and happy. We were very sorry to hear of David's misfortune but hope he is or will entirely recover soon. Sister Mary sends her best respects to Brother Alex, sister Mary, David, you and all the rest of the family -----like myself but her health is tolerably ----she still weaves and can do it as well and fast almost as well as ever she could. Willie, my youngest son is seventeen years of age. He is going to school this year to Richburg, three miles distance across Fishing Creek. Brother Alex I guess recollects the old Muster Grounds known then as Dyes Mustering Grounds afterwards Cephas Kees and Henry Culp's then the place changed it's name to Rich Hill and now to Richburg. Alex I know you would not know the place it is built up so and is still building. It's inhabitants is about (132) both white and There is a good school, five stores, three blacksmiths shops, and three wood shops. Our preacher, the Rev. T. A. Clyde resides there also a good Doctor. We have the advantage of a railroad. It is complete from Chester to the River called the Chester to Cheraw Rail road. It is completed from Chester to the River a distance of 26 miles or more and will soon be finished to the old town of Lancaster from whence it will be pushed on toward the terminus Cheraw. It passes Richburg and runs within a mile and a quarter of us. We can see the smoke from the engine frequently from the house. It is something new to us all and of course almost everything is absorbed more or less in it. It is true it is a great advantage to us all. We have no trouble now in hauling our produce off or in having to haul any heavy freight any distance to or from home; we had a very severe drought last year, lasting some eight weeks or more which cut off the corn crop considerably and injured other

crops very materially, consequently corn and wheat has advanced a great deal. Corn finds a ready market at one dollar per Bushel while good flour is worth from \$5.00 to \$5.25. Bacon is worth 8 cents and other groceries corresponding; however some of us made enough to do us while other made a complete failure. You asked me Martha to write you all the news possibly you are already tired of my scribbling but I will drop a few lines to Brother Alex and Sister Nancy of some of their old friends and acquaintances who are dead. Our friend and family physician Dr. William J. Hicklin died 1st June last from dropsey of the chest aged about 60 years. He was a good man and doctor and his death was a public loss. Henry J. Culp died last May or June from a cholera morbus. left the second wife; John Collins died Jan. 1st 1879. His wife Betsy Ann died some 4 months afterwards. James Hanry Ferguson is lying now with no hope at all of recovering from asthma, he will soon be gone, I fear. Chappel Howze is dead. He died several years ago. Dr. Daniel G. Anderson is dead. He died some two or three years ago. Joshua Blake is dead. He died some 6 weeks ago. I must draw to a close. We are all very well at present except occassinally we have chills which is nothing uncommon with us. You must answer this letter Martha if you ever get it. Hereafter address all letters to Richburg, Chester Co., S. C. Yours Respectfully Jane Lynn

Richburg, Chester Co., S. C. January 3rd 1884

My Dear Niece:

Sometime ago I received a letter from you which I highly appreciated. I was glad indeed to hear from you all. I would have answered your letter before now but I could not get the opportunity. This leaves us all tolerably well at present except chills occasionally. We are more or less troubled with chills all year living as we do in a malaria district. Sister Polly has been suffering or rather annoyed with a cancer for seven or eight years and has tried every known remedy as well as having employed some very skillful doctors to treat her but all to no purpose until recently our family Physician Dr. T. B. Marion took her case in charge and has almost if not entirely cured her which is a great relief to her as well as a great satisfaction to us all. She is very well now except like myself she is growing old and feeble. Martha, I can write you something about your Uncle Jonathan Ferguson probably you don't know. He came out here about a week before Christmas and on Christmas Night was married to Mrs. Nancy Walter, his first wife's sister. We heard he expected to return west with his wife soon. And again, I heard he expected to go back west and make arrangements to remove back here to live really I don't know what he has decided upon. None of us have met him yet but may if he should stay long out here. It was quite a surprise to us all to hear that he was in and for the purpose of getting married. I would like very much to go out to see you all but I reckon my chances will be not so favorable. Our crops last year was very good considering the drouth we had though the dry weather cut us somewhat short we nevertheless made a plenty of corn and enough as well as pretty fair crop of cotton. We should not by any means complain for the drouth could have been worse. Sister Susy, her son Walker and family are all living within four or five hundred yards of us. Susy, is well and hardy for her age as you will generally find with the exception of nervousness a disease she has had a number of years but it does not seem to injure her much. You wrote me in your last letter that you actually neglected to answer my letter a year after you read it. But Martha if you should get this letter you must not wait so long before answering it.

We are too neglect generally in such matters anyhow, I am afraid. Martha I want you to ascertain if possible the exact distance from Warren or the nearest railroad station or boat landing near you to New Orleans La. and what would be the nearest route from N. O. to your house. My reason for asking you this is one of my sons Adolphus or Willie is expecting to visit New Orleans during the cotton centennial that is to be held there this year if nothing happens to disappoint them and while there if it is not too far they would like to go up and pay you all a short visit. I will close by asking you to answer this letter soon. I and we all send our best respects to you. Brother Alex and all the family.

Your Aunt Jane Lynn

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A ROMANTIC TALE By Jean Agee

Ogres, fairies, or other creatures found between the pages of "Grimms' Fairy Tales" had little importance to a child reared in a home with parents, grandparents, great aunts and uncles. Instead, the people of an older generation became the characters, who peopled my imagination. When family members had no time to tell stories, there was always Mr. Joe Anderson, across the street at his store, who knew many fascinating tales of earlier Richburg. Sherman never marched anywhere, to me as a child, but through Chester County, and Christian Huck was the impossible villain of the area, while Whigs were the good guys and Tories were fire eating dragons.

There were two houses in the area that completely fascinated me, for they had a common origin in a romantic tale, and what little girl is not fascinated by romance? Tradition has it that Mr. Turner Key was enamored of a Miss Barber and built two houses to try to persuade

her to marry him.

The first house was the John O. Harden house, which name was derived from the second owner. The only proof that can now be found is a deed from Mrs. Mary E. Kee, in which she sold to Mr. Turner Kee, for six hundred dollars a tract of land containing 126 acres on the waters of Fishing Creek, bounding on the land of James W. Kee, C. T. Kee, William Adams, and Isaac Cousar. "Being the land that I purchased from Samuel A. Thomas and Mary J. Guthrie. Signed Mary E. Kee, 17 Dec. 1885. Vol. 71, pages 216 and 217, Clerk of Courts Office, Chester, S. C.

Book 79, page 118, Mr. Turner Kee sold this land to John O. Harden near the town of Richburg--bounded south by Mrs. M. E. Kee, O. Barber, and the Estate of William Adams, bounded north by C. T. Kee, west by Mrs. T. D. Marion and Mrs. M. E. Kee, being the same tract conveyed to me by Mrs. M. E. Kee. Signed J. T. Kee, 1 Feb. 1895--The dower was signed by Claudia Kee. Witnesses: F. A. Marshall, J. L. Glenn.

Mr. Kee built a house that should have been a dream house for any young lady of the late 1880's, for the cottage type house had a piazza that extended partially across the front and down one side. This was decorated with the very finest gingerbread, and there was a bay window, just the height of fashion. What the lady's excuse was is not known, but she refused to marry him and move into this dream.

Mr. and Mrs. Harden moved in, and the tales of "Cousin" or "Aunt" Julia, as she was known to my generation, would fill a book. She was most talented, but more than peculiar. Mr. Harden was a veteran of the Confederate Army, who had returned with one arm. He was much respected, but the community sympathized with him over "Cousin" Julia's exploits. He was always "Dearest" to the lady, and could control her when he put his foot down. They had one son, Jay Harden, who died without issue.

There was also an adopted daughter, Marie, who moved to Charlotte, and had no children.

The second house was also built to please a young lady's fancy. One of the features is a full length window on the porch, which can be opened and used for a door when entertaining. It also has the bay window and the gingerbread is so intricate that it attracts attention of lovers of this craft, who visit our town. This house is called the Hicklin House after the third owner, James Roswell Hicklin, who came to Richburg from his farm at Knox's Station. This Hicklin family was one of the old families in the community.

The first tenant after the house was built was Dr. Isiah Simpson. He might well be called the first commuter in town. Dr. Simpson practiced denistry in York, S. C., and to get to Richburg, had to come by train. This was some trip, for he had to ride what was the Carolina-Northwestern train to Chester, change to the Lancaster and Chester railroad, all of which took several hours. Many of the people, who were elderly when I was a child, remembered Dr. Simpson, and while they spoke of him with respect, remembered that there was no pain killer, when a tooth was extracted. One of the tales was how the Negroes were frightened by the bullet-shaped cap Dr. Simpson put on the tooth of one of his patients.

This house was rented for a time by other families, one of which was the J. T. McCrorey family, but the renters who left the greatest impression were a group of Northern hunters. These men came for the hunting season. They were so solicitous of their dogs that they created a heat system in the hall. This house was like all old houses built in Chester County in that era, it has a hall that goes from front to back door, and built with no insulation, and on high pillars. It would have been cold in the hunting season; so a stove pipe was run from one chimney across the hall to a stove in the middle of the hall. in the wall where the pipe passed through can still be seen. The floor was covered with several feet of straw to protect the floor. The hunters became the friends of the children of town, and at Christmas time, a Christmas tree was held for the young ones. One of our town residents, who is eighty-six years old, can remember this with pleasure. hunter's name, that has come down to the present, was J. Phillip Sousa, who was the creator of "Sousa's March" and "The Marine Hymn", also was director of the National Marine Band. There are many things for which Sousa is remembered nationally, but to the community, he was the kind hunter that all of them knew.

The house had passed from Mr. Kee to the O. A. Wylie family, and on 2 March 1906, was sold by Kate N. Wylie, widow of O. A. Wylie to Mr. C. M. Sibley. Deed book 118, page 67, Kate N. Wylie to C. M. Sibley, for \$1,850. CBR, all that parcel of land together with improvements thereon--situated and lying within the corporate limits of Town of Richburg 1.7 acres bounded on east by property of mine, north by F. M. Gale, west by W. J. Reid, south by Lancaster St. signed Kate N. Wylie. Vol. 65, page 104-105, Jan. 8, 1897, Wm. A. Barber, Chester Dist. to Oscar R. and James T. Kee. Lot in town of Richburg known as Mill Lot, containing 3 1/10 acres. Signed Wm. A. Barber. Vol. 83, page 56, (recorded) Jan. 18, 1897, O. A. Wylie to Catherine N. Wylie, parcel of land in town of Richburg containing 62 3/4 acres, bounded on the north by lands of James Kee, south by public road, from Chester to Lancaster, west by lands of C. E. Nunnery in 1891, surveyed by J. C. Hicklin 11 Jan. 1883 and conveyed to me by J. T. Kee Jan. 1, 1891. Signed O. A. Wylie. Mr. C. M. Sibley was the local Rural Free Delivery Carrier and had married Aida Crook. They had five children when they moved to Richburg and four more were born while they resided in town. The oldest son was Cecil, and he with William DeKalb Wylie and Jake Clawson kept their

parents afraid of what they would invent next. There were at least, Gertrude, Juanita, Annie Faye, Alma, William P., Robert, Don and Marshall, in the family while in Richburg. Mr. Sibley needed a larger house, and when Mr. Jim Hicklin offered to swap the James Drennan, Jr. house, for the house now remembered by his name, Mr. Sibley was delighted to exchange. (James Drennan's wife, Louise McFadden, was a cousin of Mrs. Hicklin's.) It seems that Mrs. Hicklin liked the house built by Mr. Kee, more than the Drennan house, so the exchange was made.

The parents of the Hicklin children never studied modern methods of child-rearing; so when Mr. and Mrs. Hicklin decided it would be better to bring the children to Richburg for the school season, the matter was not discussed with them. They had been bringing a buggy to Richburg and going home by the same method. The first they learned of the move was when the Negro attendant at the livery stable told them Mr. Jim said they were not to go home, but come to the Sibley house. They obeyed, to find the family moved. The Hicklins never moved back to the farm, though this had been the original idea. Mr. Hicklin served as mayor of Richburg and was a respected man in the community.

To fill the pangs of a young man, who while he didn't achieve the lady of his fancy, built two outstanding houses of the time that still

remain, and furnished stories for the young ears.

OLD CEDAR SHOALS FACTORY - 1924

On the banks of Fishing Creek, between Bascomville and Fort Lawn, is the Old Cedar Shoals factory. It was built in 1882 and operated for about 10 years by O. Barber, who lived in Richburg. The factory was one of the first in Chester County. Another one was started in Lando about the same time by Ferguson Barber, a brother of O. Barber. Ferguson Barber built the house, now the residence of W. B. Gladden. O. Barber's home was across the street from Dr. Septimus Jordan.

Cotton was hauled to the factory in the seed and taken away as thread. The building was about 100 ft. by 50 ft., a two-story wood structure. It was on a hill with the side facing the creek about 15 ft. above the water. The second story was probably a storeroom.

To the right of the building are pieces of machinery partly on

To the right of the building are pieces of machinery partly on posts and partly on the ground. A big rock pillar covered with green moss is the only one of the huge pillars of rock that supported the building now left.

Between the factory and public highway was a two-room brick house. The roof, which is caving in, lets one see the deep cellar below. In this building the corn was ground and the farmer could have his thread and meal made while he waited.

Among the first white settlers who came to Chester County were those who settled here on the Fishing Creek in 1749. These were a proud and industrious people.

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Graves on old Peden plantation, Peden's Bridge road.

William Harrison, 1742-1782.

Ann Harbison, wife of William Harrison, d. Feb. 17, 1833, age 90 years, b. 1743.

Mary Elizabeth, daughter of J. C. and E. W. Harbison, d. 1828, age 2 years.

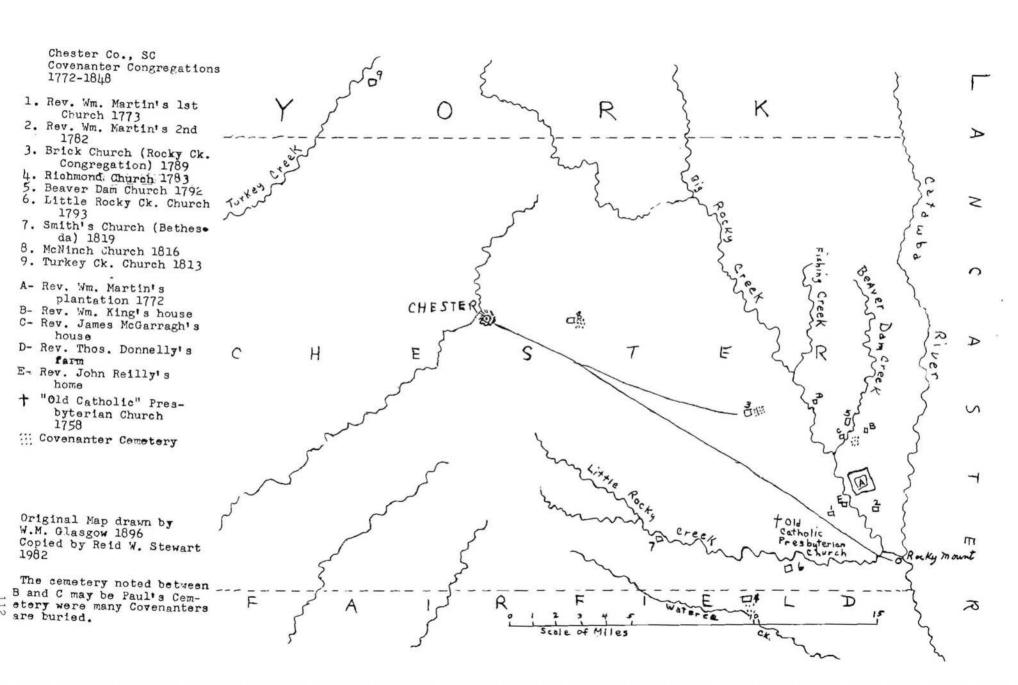
Nancy Johnston, 1794-1817.

Ann Johnston, 1791-1805, age 15 years.

Elizabeth Johnston, d. Dec. 31, 1825, age 68, b. 1757.

John Johnston, 1758-1806.

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The following items are more details of the Covenanter map on the facing page.

1. Rev. Wm. Martin's 1st church 1773; burnt by Tories 1780; on the main road to Rocky Mount, 2 miles east of "Catholic" Church.

2. Rev. Wm. Martin's 2nd church, 1782; 2 miles east of the 1st church, or 4 miles east of "Catholic" Church.

3. Brick Church or Edgar's, 1789 (Rocky Creek Congregation), 9 miles south-east of Chester, and half way between the road and Big Rocky Creek.

4. Richmond, or "Lower" Church, 1782, (Big Rocky Creek Congregation), 7 miles west of Catawba river, and one-half mile below county

line.

- 5. Beaver Dam Church, 1792, (Beaver Dam Creek, about 2 miles above its mouth.)
- 6. Little Rocky Creek Church, 1793, (Little Rocky Creek Congregation), south side of Little Rocky Creek, 5 miles west of Rocky Mount.
- 7. Smith's Church, 1819, (Bethesda Congregation), south side of Little Rocky Creek, 5 miles south-west of "Catholic" Church.
 - 8. McNinch Church 1816, (private), 3 miles east of Chester.

Finally reverted to Rocky Creek Congregation.

- 9. Turkey Creek Church, 1813; a small society in York County, 2 miles west of McConnellsville.
- A- Rev. Wm. Martin's plantation, 1772, one mile square, east side of Rocky Creek, about 5 miles above Rocky Mount.

B- Rev. Wm. King's home, south side of Beaver Dam Creek, 1 mile

from the Beaver Dam Church.

- C- Rev. James McGarragh's house, north side of Beaver Dam Creek, 1 mile from the Beaver Dam Church.
- D- Rev. Thos. Donnelly's farm, north side of Big Rocky Creek, about 4 miles east of the Brick Church.
- E- Rev. John Reilly's house, south side of Big Rocky Creek, 2 mile from Martin's 1st Church.
- t- "Old Catholic" Presbyterian or Union Church, 1758, near the road to Rocky Mount, about 15 miles south-east of Chester. * * *

THIS AND THAT

John Kidd - Will signed Oct. 4, 1791, probated April 21, 1794. Apt. No. 33, Pkg. No. 525, Chester County, S. C. Recorded Will Book A at page 155.

Jane, my dearly beloved wife

my son James Kidd

my son John Kidd

my daughter Mary Write

Gr-daughter Jane Write

my son Andrew Kidd

my daughter Martha Dirben

Wife Jane, son James, and Edwd. Lacey named Executors. Witnesses: Jane Beird, Cate Beaird, Edwd, Lacev. *____*

Will Book, "A", page 56. John Flemming, of Bull Run, of Rocky Creek in Chester County in his will, dated July 28, 1790, made John Kell and executor, but in case of the death of John Kell he appointed another. He left seven (7) guineas for the use of the "Church of the Covenanted Dissenters" (Rocky Creek Meeting) and one of the three (3) overseers of the fund was John Kell.

Will Book, "A", page 99. In the will of Robert Raney of Sandy River he called his wife, "Jenat Kell otherwise Jenat Rainey". Another legatee was "Robert Kell, son of my brother Archibald Kell and Sister Janet". He mentions generally "the rest of Archbd. and Sister Jenat's children". The executors were William Rainey of Turkey Creek in York County and James Kell of Rocky Creek, and Jenat Rainey, "my beloved wife". This also appears on will: "If William Raney should die or move to too great a distance then I allow John Kell of Rocky Creek, in his place." This will is dated August 11, 1790.

John Hunter, John Kell, of Rocky Creek, and Archibald Kell, of Sandy River gave bond as executors of Joseph Walker, January 26, 1793. Walker's minor children were Jenat, Elizabeth, Martha, Margaret, and Rachel. John Kell made a return on this estate, January 25, 1793, so he was still living at that date. Ann Walker the widow remarried William Thomas. Judging from the executors and the names of her children she must have been a Kell and a sister of Robert Raney's wife, Janet.

John Galespy's Will. Filed in Book, "E", page 147. Dec. 1, 1808. Alexander Kell is mentioned as his son-in-law (and said Alexander Kell had a son named John Kell).

John Galespy's will mentions: Son, James Galispy, daughter Mary Rodmon (wife of John Rodmon); son-in-law, Alexander Kell; bequeth to John Galspy, son to Thomas Galespy, and to John Galespy, son to James Galespy, and to John Kell, son to Alexander Kell, and John Rodmon, son to John Rodmon, five pounds (Sterling), each. My granddaughter, Peggy Bigham, I leave \$89.00. If she dies before becoming of age her property goes to her mother. Jane Galespy, daughter of James Galespy, Mary Galespy, widow of my son, Thomas Galespy, \$2.00. My wife, Sarah, is mentioned. Thomas Bradshaw, John Coulter and John Orr, were appointed executors. The will was dated, December 1, 1808. It was filed for probate, March 6, 1812.

The State of South Carolina
Chester District
Jan. 14, 1808
John Hartness, wife Elizabeth; William Downing, wife Mary; John McFadden, wife Margaret; John Stephenson, wife Eleanor; and Jean Cooper of Chester and York Districts deeded to Patrict Fenney, one hundred fifty-one acres on the waters of Rocky Creek, being part of original grant to Alexr.
Walker, from him to son Philip Walker, thence to Samuel Walker, then to William Brown, then to John Cooper now dec'd. Above conveyors are heirs of John Cooper. Witnesses: John Kelsey, James Gill.

The State of South Carolina
Chester District
Jan. 28, 1820
Sarah Glaze, James Glaze, Zachariah Glaze, Abner Glaze, Warren Jackson and wife Esther of Chester District deeded to Hugh McMullan and Caleb Clarke two hundred acres on both sides of Fishing Creek originally granted to Gideon Glaze on 3 Apr. 1786, joining lands of James Cloud, Charles Thorn, and Hugh Hicklin. Witnesses: John Kidd, James Wilson, A. P. Butler, James Hunt.

South Carolina

Chester District

Will of Mary Barber - Heirs: grandson Samuel Anderson; three children,
Jane Anderson, Margaret Adams, Elizabeth Ferguson. It states: "Should
not the land on Lyches Creek originally granted to my husband Joseph
Barber for 200 acres be sold, I authorize my executors to sell and
make titles to my part." Executors: son-in-law Frances Adams and John
McCreary. Witnesses: Samuel McCreary, J. M. McCreary and John Pettygill or (Pettihall).

Dated 18 March 1850

South Carolina Chester District

Will of F. W. Davie - Heirs: wife Mary, William F. DeSaussure; nephew, B. Churchill Jones; niece, Sarah Rebecca Fraser, children of sister Rebecca Jones; nephew, William R. Davie Crocket; niece, Mary Fraser Davie daughter of brother Allen G. Davie; John Crocket and Thomas Whitesides. Executors: Frederic G. Fraser, William D. DeSaussure.

South Carolina

Chester District

Will of William Estes - Heirs: wife Elizabeth, sons - Liddal, Silvanus, William, John; daughters - Polly Carter, Peggy Gates, Betsey Lockhart, Sally Walker; grandson, William Clement. Executors: Liddal Estes and Silvanus Estes. Witnesses: John Walsh, Vinson Lee.

South Carolina Chester District Dated Jan. 12, 1812

Will of John McDonald - Heirs: daughters - Rebecca, wife of Timothy Irvine; Margaret, wife of John Todd; Elizabeth, Polly, and Agnes; sons - William, John, Young, James, and Washington. Wm. Rab and wife Sarah; son-in-law, Sam Wilson. Executors: Wm. Rab, John L. Young, and son John McDonald. Witnesses: Frances McDonald, James W. McCullough, John McCullough.

Anderson Co., S. C.
State of South Carolina
Pendleton District
Samuel Cherry, Elizabeth Weir, Samuel Tarbert, James Loggans, Wm. Hall, being the only persons having the only right to a tract of land surveyed for our father Saml. Tarbert, 2 June 1784, have granted, sold and released unto George Dillworth that plantation or tract of land containing 200 acres lying on the north fork of Brushy Creek, water of south side of Saluda River. Signed Saml. Cherry, Elizabeth Weir, Saml. Tarbert, James Loggans, William Hall. Witnesses: Thomas Cherry, Richard Addis. Jan. 24, 1803. Recorded Feb. 22, 1803 (Elizabeth Weir, daughter of Samuel Torbert/Tarbert and Susannah Lockhart).

Chester District

State of South Carolina

Will of Thomas Hughes, wife Rose, daughters: Jinny Bailey, Nancy,
Catherine, Mary. Thomas Hughes Reid, son of Frances Reid and daughter
Mary; Elizabeth, daughter of Nancy. Executors: Dr. John Douglass,
Capt. John Moore. Witnesses: James Ellison, John Pattence. Signed
Thomas Hughes.

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On January 10th, 1876 William H. Brawley deeded a tract of land to A. B. Douglas. The deed in part says: "I, Wm. H. Brawley in consideration of the sum of fifteen hundred dollars to me paid by A. B. Douglas, do grant, bargain and sell to said A. B. Douglas all that tract of land situate in the county aforesaid (Chester County), containing about 195 acres bounded north-east by Charlotte, Columbia and Augusta railroad; west by Richard DeBardelebein and south by E. F. Pagan and the dividing line between the counties of Chester and Fairfield, being lands formerly owned by Thomas Boulware, conveyed to me by John W. Walker, sheriff, November 30th, 1871."

On August 23rd, 1876, Robert Wylie deeded a tract of land to Robert A. Love. The consideration was \$3,725 and consisted of 249 acres composed of part of a tract purchased jointly by Wylie and Love of James Hemphill,

Receiver, and known as the Kennedy lands, lying on the waters of Sandy River, bounded on the north by lands of Robert Wylie; east by Miss Martha Walker and Estate of G. W. Melton; south by estate of John McNinch and west by R. A. Love. The deed was witnessed by Wm. F. Henry and J. K. Henry, and the dower was signed by Mrs. Lucinda Wylie. The notary public attesting to the signatures was Matthew White.

On December 18th, 1876 H. J. and J. R. Culp, as executors of the last will and testament of John Culp, Sr., deceased, for \$300, sold that tract of land on Fishing creek, bounded on the east by lands just conveyed to Joseph Nunnery, and lands of Asa Bradley; south by W. S. Culp; west by Fishing creek; and containing 67 3-4 acres.

November 20th, 1875 J. S. Clifton of Titus county, Texas, conveyed to his father, J. C. Clifton the use of a tract of land consisting of 262 acres, for his natural life. In a description of the land the deed says: "Beginning at the north-west corner of the McMullan tract on the public highway from Rock Hill to Brown's ferry, thence east with the road leading to Johnson's ford to the north-west corner of R. I. White's west bounding line to the north bounding line of W. L. Edwards; thence west to the public highway, being the same land conveyed to me by J. C. Clifton in the year 1867." The signature was witnessed by I. Cherry, clerk of District Court. An affidavit regarding Cherry holding the clerkship, was signed by J. G. W. Wood, Presiding Justice of Titus county, Texas.

EDWARDS FAMILY NOTES

John, Joseph and Stourton Edwards, three brothers, came from Edgecomb Co., N. C. John and Joseph settled in Chester County. Stourton settled on Taylor's Creek in York Co., but Joseph Poag and wife, Jane Weir sold a plantation on the waters of Fishing Creek in 1812 to Stourton Edwards. (Jane Weir was the daughter of William and Susannah Miller Weir.) A daughter of Stourton's married Archie Steele and had the following children: Edwards, Newton, John Milton, James, Amzi, Mack, Charlie, Mary Jane, and Ferrebie.

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Joseph had one son, Stourton, who moved west. His daughter Sarah married William Walker, who was killed at Rodman's Store by John Ferguson, who also killed John Rodman at the same time. He was hanged at Chester Courthouse for the crime. The Walker children were: William Milton, Franklin, Julia Ann, Jane, Washington, Sarah, Andrew Jackson, and Harriette Elizabeth, who married Samuel McCreary, Jr.

John had the following children: Axum, Edwin (King), Abner, Martha, Elizabeth, Mary, Henry, Joseph and Marmaduke. John's wife's maiden name was Axum, from North Carolina.

John's son "J. J." was born May 5, 1800 and died May 13, 1875 near Great Falls on the Catawba River. In 1812, his father sold his plantation on the river and bought a plantation at Bascomville, on land later owned by Miss Mary Howze and P. L. Hardin. In 1826, J. J. married Margaret McCammon, daughter of Capt. William McCammon. She was born July 29, 1810, died July 26, 1839, leaving the following children: Mary Ann, who married James L. Ferguson, and died in Arkansas. Nancy C., who married James A. Turner; Elizabeth Clementine, who married John E. Ford; W. H. Edwards, who married Margaret McFadden; Martha Jane, who married Isaac McFadden Hyatt; and Margaret J., who married H. B. Purdue.

Alexander Rosborough lived at Ballymena town, County Antrim, Ireland. He was married to Margaret Wallam by whom he had five children - three sons and two daughters: Alexander, Margaret, William, Jennet and Joseph.

Alexander Rosborough, son of Alexander and Margaret Wallam Rosborough, married Martha Gaston. They had the following children, William and Margaret, who were born in Ireland; Alexander, who was born on the Atlantic Ocean, October 7, 1768; Martha, who died when twelve years of age in Chester district; Joseph, who went to Indiana with his wife and children; John who was Clerk of Court of Chester district for fifty-four years, and Jennet, who married a Patton.

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John Rosborough, Clerk of court and subject of this sketch, was born in 1775 and died in 1854. He married Eleanor Key, who was a daughter of Daniel Key, who came to Chester district from Virginia. The children of John Rosborough and his wife, Eleanor Key (born 1792 and died 1883) were: William, who married a Williamson; John, who was killed in the Confederate war (January 30, 1862) near Richmond. He was never married: Ellen, who married a Connelly; Martha, who married a Hemphill; Sallie, who married a Clark; Cornelia, who married a Minter, and Eudocia, who died in young womanhood and while she was engaged be married.

John Rosborough is buried at Old Purity cemetery, several miles from Chester. He was one of Chester's leading citizens - a well-educated, big hearted and highly respected and admired gentleman.

Nathan Tims born March 24, 1802 in South Carolina, died July 29, 1872 at the home of his son, Joseph Sims Tims. Nathan married Sept. 10, 1824, Elizabeth Bowden (a descendant of William Bradford of Mass.), who was born Jan. 30, 1805 in South Carolina and died in Texas Oct. 27, 1880. She was the daughter of Tames and Mary Bradford Bowden. Nathan and Elizabeth are buried in the Old Buena Vista cemetery, four miles east of Timpson, Texas. Their graves are unmarked and several other relatives are buried in the same cemetery. Their children were: Jane, Amos, John, Frances, Simon, Thomas, William Chappell, Mary, James Bowden, Irene Elizabeth, Joseph Sims, Oliver and Martha (twins), Nancy, and Ann.

In 1924, Dr. H. D. Stewart, of Waxhaw, N. C. and a party of friends visited the old Waxhaw cemetery in Lancaster County and while on their rounds went into Chester County to visit Mr. and Mrs. Jno. G. Cousar at Ft. Lawn. This is his account of his trip:

First we visited the Cousar-Wrenn graveyard in the big woods two miles from the Wrenn place. There are two nice monuments that were erected forty-one years ago by the Wrenn's from Tennessee. In this graveyard is buried Richard Cousar and his wife, Mary Reeves. This Richard Cousar was a grandson of Richard Cousar, who was born at sea while his mother was enroute to America.

Then we went to the Old Waxhaw cemetery on the Old Landsford road near the Catawba River. It is about 250 years old, same age as Charleston, S. C. Many were buried long before the Revolution. At this portion there was a Military Hospital during the Revolution. The cemetery gives the resting place of many Cousars, Dunlaps, Blairs, Lathans, Crawfords, etc.

At the home of John Cousar, we got some valuable family history from the Cousar family Bible. The Cousars, Heaths, and Crows are all related.

The following items were taken from "The Pulaski Citizen," Pulaski, Giles County, Tennessee, and were sent to us by Donald Simmons.

Miss Maggie Anderson of South Carolina, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Anderson of Pulaski, will return home in a few days. Oct. 28, 1880.

Miss Lorena Anderson of Haywood County is visiting her sister, Mrs. Brooks Alexander (under heading "Lynnville Items"). Nov. 4, 1880.

"Marriage" - James Johnson and Rebecca Johnson. Nov. 11, 1880.

"Brick Church" Mrs. George Anderson has been lying at the point of death for three days. She is thought to be a little better. By skillful treatment and good nursing, she may recover yet. Robert Anderson, one of the young men who left the neighborhood for Texas two months ago, has returned. He had chills out there and must have concluded there was no place like home. Dec. 2, 1880.

Mrs. George Witt, of near Pulaski, who has been sick at the residence of her father, Mr. J. C. Johnston, for the two weeks past, was able to leave for home Saturday last. "Lynnville Items". Dec. 23, 1880.

Mr. B. J. Anderson has been appointed Deputy Sheriff for Brick Church country and has entered upon his duties. Mr. Anderson also will act as agent for the Citizen, and will be glad if both his friends and ours about Brick Church will favor him with a long list of subscribers. Feb. 9, 1871.

We are gratified to learn from Mr. W. G. S. Anderson, the owner of "Muggins", that this thoroughbred race horse, whose performances upon the turf were so brilliant, will hereafter remain in Giles. Feb. 3, 1871.

Captain John R. Johnson is a candidate for sheriff. If elected, he will make an efficient and popular officer. Mrs. Sam Johnson sent us some very fine beets last Monday, one of which measured 19 inches in diameter. Aug. 24, 1871.

"Marriages" - Sept. 7, 1871. Richard Grigsby to Jane B. Johnson. Wm. C. Fletcher to Rose Johnson.

Nov. 3, 1871 - John H. Johnson to Elizabeth Holland.

Died near Wales Station in this county, on Wednesday, April 10, 1872, of heart disease, Mr. Jas. Johnson, aged 84 years, an old citizen and one highly respected by all who knew him.

Died on Sunday morning, June 2, 1872, at his residence on Pidgeon Coast Creek, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles north of town, Mr. Thomas Johnson, aged about fifty years.

Died in this county on Monday morning last, Mrs. Mary Anderson, consort of the late Samuel Anderson, and mother of fellow townsman, W. G. S. Anderson, aged about 60 years. April 29, 1859.

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METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH, SOUTH ROCKY MOUNT CIRCUIT

The name "Rocky Mount" was changed to "East Chester" Circuit at the session of conference in Charleston, S. C., Dec., 1870. Appointments for Rocky Mount Circuit:
W. A. Gamewell 1860 A. J. Cauthen 1860 1861 Rev. R. J. Boyd, M. D. A. J. Cauthen 1861 E. T. R. Fripp 1861 Junior preacher left the circuit in April of this year. 1862 R. J. Bovd C. H. Prichard 1863 A. J. Cauthen 1864 C. H. Prichard 1866 R. P. Franks 1866 J. L. Shuford 1867, 1868 J. Marion Boyd 1870 Sidi H. Browne 1870 Now East Chester Circuit: J. Marion Boyd 1871-1872-1873 E. J. Maynardie 1874-1875 J. W. Kelly 1875 Thos. J. Clyde Register of Bethel Church: 1878 Dr. Wm. C. Wall from Probationer list April 1836, died in peace, 1864. James Wall from Probationer list 1836, died 1860. 1869 Samuel Hall, Sarah Hall, Sarah A. Hall. 1869 Bethesda Church This society was transferred by Bishop Kawanangh to the Winnsboro Circuit at the conference held in Cheraw in Dec. 1869. 1869 Ebenezer Church Amelia F. Wall, married ? Anderson. Lucy J. Wall died 1864. Mary Barber. Alice Barber, by letter from Providence, 1859. Sarah Stroud, transferred from Mt. Prospect, 1839, died in peace 1868. Joseph Stroud, from Probationer list, Feb. 1860 - withdrawn. Judith Stevenson, married ? Lackie. Amelia F. Wall received into full communion. 1862 Cornelia Wall recieved Aug. 1866, married ? Cloud. Amelia L. Barber received Sept. 24, 1866. James Wall removed Oct. 1866. Cuthbert Harrison removed Oct. 1866. Robert Barber. Hepzata Stevenson received by letter, Sept. 1870. W. Gramewell Ferguson received Sept. 1871. Margaret Russell by certificate from Presbyterian Church Aug. 23, 1874. Frank Caldwell received Oct. 25, 1874. 1860 Mt. Miriah Church James Barber Sr., Malinda Barber, Sarah Barber, Caroline Barber, Nancy Barber. This society was transferred by Bishop Payne to the Broad River Mission at the conference held in Columbia Dec. 1860. Mt. Prospect Church

A. J. Cloud, died 1865.

Amelia Wall transferred to Ebenezer.

Mary J. Barber removed to Pleasant Grove.

Mt. Prospect Church cont'd. Martha Jane Cloud, received. Douglas Cloud, received Oct. 1866. John Hillard Cloud, received Sept. 1872. 1864 El Bethel Church Thomas Lynn, Jane Lynn, Thomas C. Beckham, Elizabeth M. Beckham, Harriette M. Beckham. Pleasant Grove Church Elizabeth R. Strait received Feb. 1871. William R. Strait received March 1871. John R. Strait received Aug. 1871. David Wylie received Aug. 1871. Anna Arsonia Strait Kee received April 1873. 1876 Bethesda Church Daniel Hall, W. S. Hall, Sarah J. Hall, Eva Hall. Mt. Prospect Church Douglas B. Cloud Ebenezer Church
James F. Barber, Robert C. Caldwell, Frank Caldwell.
Martha Caldwell, Mary Barber, Alice Barber, Cornelia Cloud. Register of Probationers Joseph Stroud Sept. 1839, received in full communion Feb. 1860. James R. P. Wall, Sept. 1839 removed. Charles Wall, Sept. 1839 died in Fla. March 1860. Amelia F. Wall received Nov. 1862. Margaret C. Wall received Sept. 1839. Wm. Wall admitted April 1860. Mt. Prospect Jane G. Barber admitted Sept. 1860. Mary Jane Barber, July 1861, received Nov. 1862. Julia Stroud, July 1861. Record of Marriages Married by Rev. J. M. Boyd, Jan. 18, 1870, Mr. D. B. Cloud and Miss Cornelia Wall. By same pastor - Mr. A. M. H. Russell and Miss Maggie Stevenson, Nov. 8, 1870. Mr. Taylor Marion and Miss Jannie A. Hardin, Nov. 7, 1871. Robert B. Anderson and Miss Emma Bradley, Jan. 1872. 1871 Record of Baptism of Children Hattie Caroline Moore - Feb. 9, 1871, parents R. C. & Mattie Caldwell. Mary Elizabeth - Aug. 6, 1871, parents J. G. and Mary Barber. Mary Amelia - April 11, 1872, parents Dr. Sam and Amelia Anderson. William Stevenson - Aug. 9, 1873, parents J. G. and M. J. Barber. Mary Heath Russell - 1877. 1911 Richburg members D. A. Phillips Wm. DeK. Wylie died June 25, 1912. Eliza Wylie, William Wylie Revised to Dec. 2, 1912. Jno. Hardin died Sept. 3, 1914. Mrs. Julia Hardin, Miss Marie Faschnat, Mrs. Jane Wylie, John O.

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Mrs. Julia Hardin, Miss Marie Faschnat, Mrs. Jane Wylie, John O.

Wylie, Mrs. Elizabeth Bigham, Miss Emoline Boyd, Miss Minerva Bigham,
John B. McWaters, Mrs. Nannie McWaters, James Rogers, Miss Peggy Rogers,
Miss Caroline Rogers, John G. Bigham, Mrs. Mary E. Bigham, Miss Anna
Bigham, Miss Martha Bigham, Mrs. Rebecca L. Hardin, P. Lawrence Hardin,
Mrs. Mattie E. Kennedy, Frank M. Hicklin, Mrs. Hattie R. Hicklin,
Frank Hicklin, Jr., Mrs. J. Atwood Hicklin, Frank J. Smith, Mrs. Eliza
J. Smith, Mrs. Sallie McCulley, George W. Varnadore, Mrs. Priscilla
Varnadore, Mrs. Lidia Ross, Miss Ida Moore, Thomas Coke Houze, Adolphus
C. Lynn, Mrs. L. Josephine Lynn, John G. Cousar and Mrs. Lizzie Cousar
dismissed by certificate; Miss Anne E. Webster, George W. Kirkpatrick,

Mrs. Sarah Kirkpatrick, James M. Kirkpatrick, Miss Ella Kirkpatrick, Davis Kirkpatrick, George Kirkpatrick Jr., Miss Sallie Kirkpatrick, Wm. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Margaret Kirkpatrick, Thomas J. Orr, Mrs. Sallie J. Orr, Miss Susan Bigham, Mrs. Sarah Bigham, George Bigham, Thomas L. Bigham, James Bigham, Mrs. Mary A. Ferguson.

J. L. Pittman - by certificate Dec. 1896. Agnes Leonara - by certificate Dec. 1896.

Mrs. Betty Bigham transferred to Pleasant Grove.

John O. Hardin by certificate Feb. 1897.

Mrs. Julia S. Hardin by certificate Feb. 1897.

J. Jay Hardin by certificate Feb. 1897.

Chas. Huggins by baptism Feb. 1897. Jethro Huggins by baptism June 1897.

Mary L. Stoll, Phillip H. Stoll, Sue E. Stoll, Mai P. Stoll, Alice W. Stoll (Pastor's Family), John Cotton, Sallie Cotton, Lavina V. Clarkson, Anna R. Clarkson, Fred R. Marshall, Lumlu Marshall, Kate Marshall, Love A. Marshall.

Pastors Roll - Richburg Church 1896 Mrs. F. A. Anderson died in the faith.

Miss Lillian Anderson by certificate.

W. Ernest Anderson dismissed to Blacksburg.

D. Gober Anders dismissed to East Chester. Mrs. Lucy C. Backstrom.

John G. Backstrom.

Edward T. Backstrom,

Miss Pauline E. Backstrom married a Steele of Rock Hill.

James A. Barber dismissed by certificate.

Mrs. Manest Barber dismissed by Feb. 1898.

Mrs. Sallie T. Barber.

Judson Collins, Mrs. Bill Collins, Henry Collins, J. A. Huggins, Mrs. Susannah Huggins, Miss Effie Huggins, Edward Huggins, Charlie W. Huggins, Henry McFadden, Mrs. Mary J. McFadden, Martin E. McFadden, Mrs. Sallie E. McFadden, Miss Janie McFadden, Miss Kate McFadden, Mrs. Mary S. Nunnery, Tommy H. Nunnery, Charlie W. Nunnery, Gregg W. Roddey, Mrs. Nannie Roddey, Banks Roddey, Wade Roddey, Pernell F. Sponholtz, Mrs. Jane Sponholtz, Henry W. Westbrook, John H. McGarity.

Office Roll 1897 - Richburg Church

P. L. Hardin, Wm. DeK. Wylie, F. M. Hicklin, J. M. McGarity - Stewards.

P. L. Hardin, D. G. Anderson, J. G. Cousar, F. M. Hicklin, W. Kirkpatrick - Trustees.

Judson and Henry Collins removed by certificate to Lancaster. Susanna Huggins died 1909.

Effie Huggins Hindman removed to Lancaster.

Edward B. and Charley W. Huggins removed to Chester.

W. Henry McFadden, Mary J. McFadden, Martin E. McFadden, Sallie E. McFadden, M. Jane McFadden, and Kate McFadden Ford joined Union A.R.P. Church.

Mary S. Nunnery died May 14, 1900.

Tommy S. Nunnery.

Charlie W. Nunnery.

Powel F. Sponholtz died 1908. Jane Sponholtz died Oct. 1907.

John H. Thrailkill, Barbara Thrailkill, and Sadie Thrailkill removed by certificate.

QUERIES

TIMMS (TIMS) - MINTON -- Dorothy Timms Cooper, 415 N. Nottingham Rd., Columbia, SC 29210 - Need info on Leighton (Litton) Timms (Tims), ca 1790-1850, married to Sarah Minton, lived near Jefferson, SC close to Lynch's River. Leighton had two children I know of - Charles, b. 1810 who settled in Fairfield Co., and Mossie (Mary) who married a Gladdin from Chester and moved there. What relation was Leighton Timms to Amos, Hollis, James, and Joseph Timms from Chester County?

SUTTON -- Mrs. Mike Lomas, Rt. 8, Box 725A, San Angelo, TX 76901 - Jacob Sutton was born ca 1757 and died 25 May 1836 in Walker Co., AL. He married in Chester Co., SC, 1 Jan. 1784, Ann Knox, daughter of James and Elizabeth Craig Knox. Need help on Jacob - place of birth, parents, siblings, just anything.

YARBROUGH -- Mrs. Pauline Gray, P. O. Box 428, Kingston, Oklahoma 73439 - Searching for info on Joshua Yarbrough who was in Chester Co., SC by 1810 and moved to Georgia ca 1830. Left will in Campbell Co., Ga. which was proved 5 Nov. 1844. Need his parents and place of birth.

MAYO - WHITE - CRUBBS -- Reva Mayo White, Rt. 1, Box 73, Fountain Hill, Ark. 71642 - Searching for parents of Daniel Christopher and Hardy P. Mayo, b. in Ga. in 1840 and 1835 to parents b. in SC - possibly Chester or Fairfield Cos. Am interested in exchanging Mayo data with anyone working this surname.

Want to correspond with descendants of Zedekiah White, b. ca 1758 in Anson Co., NC - or any White families that the given name Zedekiah

might be found.

Does anyone have access to a publication, GRUBBS FAMILIES OF AMERICA, (don't know the author)? It is no longer in print and I would like to correspond with someone who has knowledge of this book.

STOKES - SMALLWOOD -- Dean Vaughn, Rt. 2, Box 576, Winfield, Ala. 35594 - Littleton Stokes was born in Chester Co., SC ca 1812-13. Came to Marion Co., Ala. by 1850, married Espy Smallwood in Fayette Co., Ga., 1838. She was the daughter of Mark Smallwood. Mark was the son of Elish Smallwood, Sr. Need parents of Littleton Stokes, Mark Smallwood's wife, and Elish Smallwood's wife.

SMITH - TORBIT/TORBET - MAPLES - HIGGINS -- Mina S. Torbett, Rt. 1, Box 566, Forsyth, Georgia 31029 - Seeks info on Robert Smith and wife, Ferguson Wilson Smith, also Hugh Smith of Fairfield Co., SC; Robert Torbit, Francis Torbit/Torbet, and William Maples of Chester and Fairfield Cos.; and William Higgins, Sr. of Laurens Co., SC.

In Chester County, in 1808 what churches and cemeteries were located in the vicinity of Bull Skin Creek, a branch of Rocky Creek?

HENRY -- Dallas E. Henry, Rt. 1, Box 82, Jonesboro, La. 71251 - Needs info on Henry Standhope Henry, b. Sept. 20, 1897 in Lincoln Co., NC, married Lovey Burnum, July 19, 1825 in Polk Co., Ark., moved to Claiborne Parish, La. in 1827. Parents of 11 sons and 1 daughter, especially interested in youngest son, Davis Lafayette Henry.

TAYLOR - CILLHAM -- Mrs. Frances Coulter, R 2, Box 73, Coulterville, IL 62237 - Need ancestors of Eli Taylor, b. ca 1794, d. 1884, Evans, Weld Co., Colo., married 6 July 1815 in Lincoln Co., TN, Mary Gillham. Lived in Randolph Co., IL 1835-1848, Eli was in the War of 1812. Also need names of their children.

GASTON - CORNETT - HAMILTON -- Vernon Gaston, 939 Coast Blvd., Apt. LB, La Jolla, Cal. 92037 - William M. Gaston (b. in 1818 in So. Car.) m. Elizabeth Jane Hamilton (b. 1818 in Virginia); married in Butler Co., Ky. in 1840. He was farmer, Mason, and part-time Methodist minister. Lived in Logan Co., then Butler Co., Ky. until he died in 1895. Raised large family. One son, Robt. Baxter Gaston (b. 1845), married Susan Cornett in Muelenberg Co. in 1869. These were my grandparents. Need names of Wm. M. Gaston's parents. Will exchange info.

COWLEY - MEADOR/MEADOW -- W. D. Jones, 3309 Chisholm Trail, Temple, Texas 76501 - Robert Cowley died in Chester Co., SC, 13 Sept. 1846, age 95. Moses Cowley, b. Chester Co. 4 Jan. 1788, moved to Miss. ca 1847, married Grizzy? Robert Cowley, b. Chester Co. 30 June 1818, married Rebecca Meador/Meadow ca 1845, moved to Miss. ca 1847. Will exchange info.

YONGUE - McDOWELL - McKAIN - GAMBLE -- Mrs. Verna M. Fitzpatrick, 4780 Kingsdown Rd., Dunwoody, Ga. 30338 - Would like info on families of Jean Yongue and John McDowell who married in Fairfield ca 1803. John moved to Starkeville, Miss. 1832 and son James and wife (Martha A. Gamble) moved to Talbot Co., Ga. Can exchange info on James' family. John's daughters married Andrew Boyd and Hugh (?) Bell, and went to Miss., too.

Would like info on Jamilies of Agnes McKain and Robert Gamble wno married in Fairfield 1792, and moved to Talbot Co., Ga. in 1832. Daughter Jane m. John Bonner and daughter Martha Anne m. James McDowell. Can exchange Ga. info.

McDONALD - DAVIS -- Earl McDoanld, 2120-96B, Robins Lane S.E., Salem, Or. 97306 - Searching for info on William McDonald who married E. Davis ca 1826 and had 7 children: Frances E. m. Wm. Allnon; Wash. B. m. Catherine Moore; Martha L. m. Prentice; Jocephis F.; Ebanezar M. m. Eliz. Preston; Amanda G. m. Caskey/Chriskley; Sterling B. m. Martha Hunt. William possible brother or relative of Col. Henry B. McDonald, attorney at Chester and after 1850 in Carthage, Tenn. William died at Carthage, Tenn., in 1856.

KING - NISBET -- J. Lon King, Jr., M. D., 2789 Sheffield Rd., Macon, Ga. 31204 - Need info on John Kirk, b. SC 1779, parents unknown, m. Ellen Nisbet, d/o James Nisbet and Sarah Frew of Chester Co., SC, moved to Monroe Co., Ga. between 1821 and 1828; moved to Newton Co., Ga. between 1834 and 1837. Children: John C. b. SC 1813, m. Susann Taylor in Monroe Co., Ga. 1836; Sarah J. b. 1818, SC, unmarried; Samuel Asbury b. 1820, SC, m. Frances Mercer in Newton Co., Ga. in 1843; and William Alexander, b. 1831 in Monroe Co., Ga., m. Eliza Jane Burns in Newton Co., Ga. in 1850.

MILLER - WHITE -- Fay Henry Cunningham, 10402 Redlawn, San Antonio, Texas 78230 - Seeks info on Robert Miller and Jennet White. He is son of Josiah. Need other children of Josiah Miller, possibly a William who married Drusilla Rountree, Mannen Co., Ky. in June 1800. He appears on 1810 and 1820 Caldwell Co., Ky. census. He was not Robert's son William, but could have been a younger brother.

BLACKSTOCK - SKELLY - BOYD -- Mrs. Frances Coulter, Rt. 2, Box 73, Coultersville, IL 62237 - Need ancestors of Jane Blackstock, b. SC, d. 1849, Randolph Co., IL and her husband William Skelly, b. SC, d. 1823 SC, their daughter Margaret, b. 1802, SC, d. 1880, Randolph Co., IL, m. Samual Boyd, b. 1777, Ire., d. 1855 IL, as his 2nd wife.

CANN - DRENNAN -- Robert V. Drennan, 5321 Gordon Ave., Ft. Worth, Tx. 76115 - David G. Drennan, b. Feb. 7, 1807, in SC, his wife, Sarah G. Cann, b. Oct. 30, 1812. They married Feb. 18, 1829. Their children were Jesse Obediah, William Cann, Nancy E., Eleanor Rebecca, and Frances G. This family appears on the 1840 census of Abbeville, SC but spelled Drenon. The family moved to Walker Co., Georgia where they appear on the 1850 census. Who were the parents of David G. Drennan and where did they reside? Any info on the Cann-Drennan lineage would be appreciated.

DAVIS - LOVELESS - ABERCROMBIE - FLOYD - HORTON -- Mrs. Jane Davis Phillips, 1518 W. Waterview, Portland, Tex. 78374 - Seeking info on parents, siblings, children of Richard Davis, b. 7 July 1764, m. Amy Loveless, b. 23/25 April 1764. Known children were: William; Asenith, m. Spencer Horton; Gary (?); James. James Loveless Davis, b. 7 Aug. 1803, SC, m. (1824, Hall Co., Ga.) Nancy Floyd, daughter of Garland/Gallant and Nancy (Abercrombie) Floyd. James, a Baptist minister, and Nancy moved from Cobb Co., Ga. to Austin Co., Texas in 1838.

EDGAR - MORRISON -- Mrs. Ruth E. Kintz, 2287 Swarthmore Dr., Sacramento, Ca. 95825 - Would like info on Adam Edgar, reportedly b. 1745-55, Penn. d. ca 1799, Chester Co., SC. Two acres from his farmland used for "Edgar's Meeting House" and "Old Covenanter Cemetery," Chester Co., SC. Like info re his wife and children: William (m. Mary Morrison in SC), John, James, Margaret, Abigail, poss. others. After parents' deaths, some children moved to Tenn. ca 1810. Wm. later to Randolph Co., Ill., where he died ca 9/1839. Would like info about Mary Morrison.

WILLIAMS - BREEDEN -- Mrs. J. M. Hacksma, 1815 Grant Rd., Wenatchee, Wa. 98801 - Who were the parents of John Williams and his wife, Hannah (_?), who received a grant of land dated Feb. 5, 1787 on branches of Tyger River (of 96th Dist.), now Spartanburg Co., SC. In 1792 they sold land to Samuel Cawley (land on S. Tyger River). In 1787 they sold 311 acres to Wm. Reeves (land on Williams Creek, of Spartanburg Co., SC). Where did these go to, and what children did they have?

Who has the book by Pauline Young, on Abstracts of Old 96, and Abbeville Dist. Wills and Bonds and would copy data on John Williams of Spartanburg Co., SC, also page 38, on the Breeden family?

HAMILTON - SMITH - STEPHENSON - BROWN - BELL - MILLER -- Edith C. Todd, 3600 Canterbury Lane, Pueblo, Co. 81005 - I have 2 lines of Hamiltons, Robert Hamilton's line came to Chester Co. in 1791. Alexander Hamilton went to Preble Co., Ohio ca 1803/1810. He is in records of Preble Co. as a soldier of the R. W. from SC, along with his brother Andrew. Alexander's children were: Samuel, b. 1773, m. Jane Smith; Israel, b. 1775, m. Jane Stephenson; John, b. 1782, m. Elizabeth Brown; Jane, b. 1784, m. Samuel Bell; dau. m. John Miller. They were all members of the Hopewell A.R.P. Church in Preble Co., Ohio, whose mother church was Hopewell A.R.P. Church of Chester Co., SC. Did Alexander and his family live in Chester Co. before going to Ohio? Who was Alexander's wife? I will gladly exchange info.

GILLESPIE - IRBY - LANEY -- Mrs. E. E. Pigford, RFD 3, Box 54-6, New Albany, MS 38652 - Need info on the following: Temperance Gillespie, lived on Indian Lands between Camden, SC and Charlotte, NC; William Shannon Gillespie, b. 1759 in 96th District; Benjamin F. Irby, b. 1828, Anderson Co., SC; and Roland William Laney, b. 1823 or 1824 in probably Union Co., NC.

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