President's Page



We are planning to have our annual Party:

TIME:

1 P.M.

DATE:

5 AUGUST 1995

PLACE:

THE TAVERN IN WINNSBORO, S.C.

COST:

\$7.50 PER PERSON

The Tavern is part of Thespian Hall built long before the War between the States, was burned and reconstructed in 1873, on the same foundation. Here, well-known traveling entertainers appeared along with Mrs. Katherine Ladd's Drama Class, were the second oldest theatrics group in the state. Mrs. Ladd, painter, poet, well-known educator, born 1808, died 1899, had a school called "Mrs. Ladd's Seminary for Young Ladies" 1840-1865, at Winnsboro.

The Tavern is located one block off Main Street behind the Town Clock Building. The Society must have your reservation by 31 July 1995. Come enjoy some excellent food and a great speaker: Lipscomb. He has been with the South Carolina Department of Archives and History for twenty-seven years. He has edited and published four volumes in the Colonial Records of SC and has nearly completed a fifth. His historical works South Carolina Becomes a State (1976), a compendium of include "Bicentennial Minutes" tracing the states' road to independence; and South Carolina in 1791; George Washington's Southern Tour (1993), the first serious attempt to put Washington's South Carolina tour in its historical, political and geographical context.

We have made arrangements to have the Winnsboro Museum open for those who would like a tour after the meeting.

Some things about Washington's Southern Tour on 23 April 1789, George Washington was inaugurated as first President of the United States. Before three weeks of his first term had passed, the President told John Adams, Alexander Hamilton and John Jay that he was thinking of touring all thirteen states.

After Congress adjourned on 29 September 1789, Washington talked with Hamilton and Jay about plans for a visit to the northeastern states. Jay warned Washington that if he went north he would be obliged to go south as well. A successful tour of the northeastern states was completed by 13 November. Eight days later North Carolina ratified the constitution and the trip south opened up.

When Washington headed south in 1791, he had important and specific things:

- 1. He wanted to conduct a fact-finding mission
- 2. He wanted to promote the new federal union
- 3. He wanted to travel to restore his health
- 4. He wanted to assess the danger of a "whiskey rebellion"

Our speaker teased me with the above - I'm looking forward to his address and more information on Washington's trip to S. C.

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FROM THE EDITOR:

Look at your label. If it has "exp/Dec/94" this will be your last **Bulletin** if you do not renew your subscription.

We need help in several areas. We need your articles. We need your help locally in answering letters, working on The Bulletin, etc. Give Jean or George a call.

We need also those people who will do research free or for a fee. Please send us your name, area you will research, i.e. state, area, etc. We will then try to match the two together—the ones doing the research and the ones who need help.

The Society is now inviting authors and publishers to submit their book for review in **The Bulletin**. Note prices, postage and handling and any sales tax and ordering address. The book will be placed in the Society Library after review. For those ordering the book please cite CHESTER DISTRICT GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY.

1. Brent H. Holcomb and Elmer O. Parker, Early Records of Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church, Chester County, SC, 1799-1859, with appendices of the visitation list of Rev. John Simpson, 1774-1776 and the cemetery roster 1762-1979. Fishing Creek was organized about 1770 by Rev. John Simpson (1740-1808) was ordained and installed as pastor in 1774; he served the church until 1790 when he removed to Pendleton District, SC. Rev. Simpson visited every family and member of his church during his pastorate and the visitations list is a record of these visits. The records of sessions (1799-1859) list baptisms, marriages, deaths, and removals. Both the visitation list and the records of sessions are facsimiles of the originals. The cemetery roster is arranged by rows and gives, when known, the name of the deceased, birth and death dates, spouse or parents, age at death, military services, and position in the church. (1980) reprint, 191 pp., illus., map, index, paper \$16.50 #H541. No price was given on P&H or sales tax. Order from Heritage Books, Inc., 1540 E. Pointer Ridge Pl., Suite 300, Bowie, Md. 20716.

2. James Lyles Strain, Reminiscences of Western York County, Vol. 1, Feb. 1995. On the 25th of January, 1888, the Yorkville Enquirer began running a collection of twenty-one articles by James L. Strain. These articles discuss some of the history of that portion of York County and adjacent counties nearest to the Broad River. The value of the articles is soon apparent to anyone interested in the Broad River area because Strain identifies many long-forgotten people, communities, schools and events. His information also compliments materials about the same area as found in other sources, such as the diaries of Mary Davis Brown. James Strain was born April 22, 1841 and died April 16, 1916 and was interred in the Salem Presbyterian Church cemetery.

On December 17, 1861, James Strain enlisted in the Confederate Army as a Private, in Company B, Holcomb's Legion Cavalry of Gary's Brigade. He was appointed Corporal in 1863. After the war, he returned to Union County and married Martha Keziah Estes.

These articles, or as he called them, "letters" are extremely entertaining and give mention of many people and places in Union, York and Cherokee Counties. Being articulate and possessing a keen sense of humor, he cited the events of the day, aired the concern of the people, and openly voiced his opinion. He was widely read and appreciated by his fellow reporters; one of whom wrote for Gaffney Ledger, and in 1907, called him "The Son of Etta Jane". The articles were transcribed by Gerald L. West, 69 pp. Index, paper \$8.00 + \$1.50 P&H. Order from Broad River Basin Historical Society, P. O. Box 215, Hickory Grove, S. C. 29717.

3. Emily Anne Croom, The Genealogist's Companion & Sourcebook. A beyond-the-basics, hands-on guide to unpuzzling your past. "Where do I go from here? What do I do now?" Have you ever asked these questions when you ran into a brick wall in your research?

This book focuses on America (United States) research materials outside of private family sources, i.e. Bible entries, letters and interviews, etc. The book tries to guide the reader to records needed in their research, 228 pp. charts, index, paper ISBN 1-55870-331-4 \$16.99 + P&H \$3.00. Ohio residents add 5-1/2% sales tax. Order from Betterway Books, 1507 Dana Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45207.

4. Emily Anne Croom, <u>Unpuzzling Your Past</u>, a <u>Basic Guide to Genealogy</u>, 2d edition. If you've ever wanted to get in touch with your personal history and your family background, this guide is for you. You'll learn exactly how to go about investigating your roots and ancestry. 184pp. Index, paper \$12.95, P&H \$3.00, #70114, Ohio residents add 5-1/2% sales tax. Order from Betterway Books, 1507 Dana Ave., Cincinnati, Ohio 45207.

- 5. Chester County Heritage History, Vol. II is being published, will be available for sale December 1,1995. It is hardcover, dark blue with special Chester County gold seal, as used on Vol. I. It has all new material, 350 pp. hundreds of family histories, lots of rare pictures, roll of veterans of WWI, WWII, Korean, and Vietnam War, plus a general history section. Price is \$45.00 plus P&H \$5.00. Order from Chester County Heritage History Committee, P. O. Box 836, Chester, S. C. 29706.
- 6. Anne Pickens Collins, A Goodly Heritage, History of Chester County. A limited number of this publication is available from the author. 350 pp, pictures, hardcover. \$25.00 P&H \$3.50. Order from Anne P. Collins, 132 York Street, Chester, SC 29706.
- 7. Max Perry, <u>Descendants of John Workman</u>. <u>Captain James Hanna and Captain John E. McConnell</u>. This is a 25 year collection of a genealogical history of three related families that lived in York County, SC before the Revolutionary War and settled within a few miles of each other.

John Workman and his wife, Elizabeth, settled near the Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church in York County, SC. Many of his descendants were associated with this Chester County, SC church and contributed to the service of their country during the Revolutionary War.

Captain James Hanna and his wife served during the Revolutionary War with several of their sons and his son-in-law Captain John E. McConnell, that married his daughter, Mary Hanna. Many of the descendants lived near the Bethesda Presbyterian Church in York County, SC

Related families are: Barry, Boyd, Biggars, Comer, Davidson, Edwards, Roach, Hammett, Jackson, Latham, Moore, Steele, Sturgis, Walker, and others. 161 pp. fully indexed, soft binding, limited edition. \$15.00 + P&H \$2.00. Order from Max Perry, 2000 Harvard, Midland, Tx. 79701.

- 8. History Hopewell A.R.Presbyterian Church, Newton County, Ga., 1830-1917. Includes membership, baptism records and some death records. Many of the charter members came from Chester and Fairfield County, S.C. Most were Scotch-Irish. Order from Eleanor Richardson, 3205 Linda's Circle, Conyers, GA 30208. \$15.00. Make check payable to Hopewell ARP Church.
- 9. Brent H. Holcomb, Tryon County, North Carolina, Minutes of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions 1769-1779. Tryon County was formed in 1769 from the western portion of Mecklenburg County and abolished in 1779 to form Lincoln and Rutherford County. Prior to the border survey of 1772, it included all or portions of the SC

counties of York, Chester, Union, Spartanburg, Laurens, Greenville and Newberry.

The single most important record for any NC County is the minutes of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions. Lists of deeds proved and recorded are found in the court minutes, as well as lists of wills proved or administrations on intestate estates taken out. Example of entries in this volume:

On motion of Alexander Martin, Johnathan Kuykendal being an orphan son of James Kuykendal deceased and of the full age of fourteen years to choose his guardian came into Court and made choice of John Carrol Jun'r for his Guardian...on motion of Alexander Martin the will of William Moore being produced in Open Court was proved by the Oath of David Dicky Subscribing Witness with Joseph Hart and Samuel Gray.

234 pp. Index, hard cover. \$27.50 +P&H \$2.50. Order from SC Mar, P. O. Box 21766, Columbia, S. C. 29221.

10. Brent H. Holcomb, South Carolina Deed Abstracts, 1776-1783. This volume is a continuation of the abstracts prepared under Clara Langley of the Works Progress Administration in the 1930's (published in four volumes by Southern Historical Press) and the volume by Holcomb 1773-1778 (also \$35.00). Until the establishment of county courts in SC in 1785, all deeds were recorded in Charleston. While the deeds in these deed book (Y-4 through H-5) were recorded between 1776 and 1783, within these deed books are instruments dating from a much earlier time, some as early as 1722. After the border surveys between the two Carolinas in 1764 and 1772, many lands formerly deemed to be in NC fell into SC. For that reason some deeds refer to lands granted by NC, sometimes called "north patents". 300 pp, indexed, hard cover \$35.00 + P&H \$2.50 for first book. \$1.00 for each additional book. Order from SC Mar, P. O. Box 21766, Columbia, SC 29221.

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We like to thank the author and publisher for a copy of their book. We hope our members like this service. Please let us know.

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Also, we had several reunions that we received too late. We must have them at least six months ahead. Thanks.

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The Fairfield County Genealogical Society will have a mini workshop on June 25, 1995, at 3 PM at Bethel Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church in Winnsboro, SC. Mrs. Henrietta Morton will

lead the workshop. Everyone is invited.

The Thomas Minor Society (TMS) will hold their bi-annual family reunion in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, 15-19 August, 1995. For information about the reunion, please contact: Phillip and Barbara Thorpe, 2220 Paliswood Place S.W., Calgary, Alberta, Canada, T2V 3R2 (Ph 403-281-3023). or W. Avery (Bill) Minter, 1084 Speegle Road, Waco, Texas 76712-2911.

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The Hemphill Historical Society reunion will be held June 9 & 10, 1995, in Greenwood, SC. The reunion subject this year is Rev. William Ramsey Hemphill, born 1806 in SC and his family. Wm. was the son of Rev. John Hemphill and Jannet Lind. It will be at The Days Inn, 919 Montague Ave. Intersection US 25 and SC 72 Bypass (Motel Phone-803-223-3297).

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If anyone has information that they can add to the article in the March, 1995 issue of **The Bulletin** on the Wear Family of Christian Co., Ky., please write Dr. Wear at his new address:

> Dr. Kyle Wear 180 Fox Hullow Drive Apt. 405 May Field Heights, Ohio 44124.

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To all of you that have been asking about Mrs. Mattie Plyler, following her surgery and long stay in the hospital, we are happy to report that she is now at her home in Lancaster. Hurry and get well - Mattie, we miss you!

Jean and Jean

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WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE THAT WE NOW HAVE A LADY THAT IS
WILLING TO DO RESEARCH IN CHESTER COUNTY COURTHOUSE RECORDS FOR US.
MRS. STELLA WISHERT IS VERY QUALIFIED AND HAS KNOWLEDGE OF THESE
RECORDS. YOU MAY WRITE TO HER AT OUR SOCIETY ADDRESS FOR HER FEE
IN WHATEVER RESEARCHING YOU REQUIRE.

Submitted by:

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STRANGER IN THE GRAVEYARD

by

Edwin S. James

Alone and announced, the stranger appeared in Chester County, South Carolina, in November 1871. He was searching for living relatives, the graves of family members, and the location near Fishing Creek of the old family homestead where his father, the Rev. Dr. Samuel Wylie Crawford, Sr., of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, had once lived.

By some local residents and family, the stranger was well received. Others shunned him with a bitter, stony silence.

On November 20, 1871, he wrote an almost endless letter to his father. I have known of and seen that letter for well over half a century. It was one of my mother-in-law's (Rosa Baskin Strait Guess, 1892-1988) prized possessions. How long she had it or from whence it came, I have no idea.

What I never knew until August of 1994, was the startling, fascinating tale behind that long communication from a son in Carolina to his father in Pennsylvania just six years after the Civil War.

The letter deals with the ancestry of a Crawford family (there are three entirely different Crawford lines in Lancaster, York, and Chester Counties), The Wylies (from whence comes the name Lake Wylie, S.C., and the origin of Bellevue Hospital in New York), the Straits (three generations of well-known Rock Hill physicians), the historic Gastons (who, though losing four sons in the Revolutionary War and three in the Civil War, multiplied like Israelites on the face of the earth and produced generations of medical doctors, one being the present, well-known Dr. Frank Patton Gaston of Rock Hill, who still practices heartily and effectively at an age of more than three scores and ten), and innumerable other present-day connections not only in South Carolina but across the continent.

As the stranger writes to his father in that letter of long ago about his search in the Fishing Creek Presbyterian graveyard (founded 1770): "...Suddenly I came upon an old, bent soapstone tablet; right in the middle of the Straight's (Strait's) space and judge my emotion when I found that underneath my feet lay Rosanna

Gray Wylie Strait (1786 -1812), the kind aunt who had sheltered Aunt Margaret during the early years of her orphanage..."

"Aunt Margaret" was the niece of Dr. Samuel Brown Wylie (1773-1852), the stranger's minister great-uncle who had adopted his father as a 10-year old child after the child's parents' death.

My eldest daughter today carries the name of that same "beloved Rosanna," the third wife of Christopher Strait (1739-1816), who migrated from New Jersey to Fishing Creek, S.C., in 1772, and founded the present-day Strait family line, containing numerous generations of well-known physicians in South Carolina. Like his father and grandfather before him, Dr. W. Frank Strait, III practiced in Rock Hill, S.C., until he retired in 1994.

That stranger-in-question was Samuel Wylie Crawford, Jr., M.D.

Interesting?

No, not very!

But if one puts "General" before the name, might it not be a tad more intriguing?

Perhaps?

Then, if it becomes apparent that Major General Samuel Wylie Crawford, Jr., was -- no, not a Confederate -- but a Yankee officer, wouldn't things take a curious turn?

The plot becomes even more extraordinary as one learns this Yankee major general was not only a highly decorated Union officer of considerable note, but also one of the leading heroes of the violent action at Little Round Top during the second day of the Battle of Gettysburg, crucial to the Union's victory in that historic, four day bloody engagement, so fatal to the Confederacy.

Today a statue of Major General Samuel Wylie Crawford, Jr., bearing a shot-and-shell-tattered Union flag snatched from a falling color guard during the Union flanking charge, stands at the end of present-day Crawford Avenue crossing the Gettysburg battlefield.

Of minor interest might be that, early on, Samuel Wylie Crawford, a career Union army officer and the military doctor at Fort Sumter in Charleston harbor, had, at the commencement of the bombardment of the Union fort by General Pierre Beauregard's Charleston batteries on 12 April 1861, requested active line command.

Crawford, along with Captain Abner Doubleday, who would later found American baseball, then supervised Fort Sumter's return cannon fire at the on-shore Confederate guns. This was the first action of the Civil War (1861-1865), excluding, of course, the previous shelling by Charleston's batteries of Fort Sumter's supply vessel, "Star of the West" on January 7, 1861.

But strangest of all, perhaps, is the bizarre circumstance of November 1871: there, in Confederate Carolina standing along among the graves of his kin (his grandparents, his uncles and his aunts), in the small, lonely graveyard of rural Chester County, South Carolina, stood this famed Yankee general, one of the heroes of Gettysburg.

You can imagine what the furor must have been in rural Chester County to have a Yankee major general, alone, searching the country for the graves of his grandparents and the location of what had once been his father's Crawford homestead.

Think of it. . . a great Yankee major general with deep roots in dear old Chester County, South Carolina! Improbably, but painfully true!

There he stood, the hated, recent, Yankee enemy, searching for his Crawford and Wylie ancestors, calling unannounced and uninvited, and accompanied only by an aged, though perhaps the best, historian of that era, Daniel Green Stinson. Another evidence of the tragedy of that insane Civil War, a war which the Wylies of Chester vehemently opposed.

I am reminded of what this Yankee's cousin, Hannah Wylie, said of a secession meeting in Chesterville (Chester) in 1860: "The people there didn't have any more sense than the animals that bought them there."

I don't think the full story has ever been told before, the complete details only recently having been documented by William B. White, Jr., local historian, retired teacher, and protege of the late Mrs. Rosa B. Guess (1892-1988), a Wylie descendant on both maternal and paternal sides.

Mrs. Guess had researched the line for over half a century, unaware before she died of the actual story behind the stranger's visit to Fishing Creek in 1871, and of his true identity.

The Wylies were Mrs. Guess' favorite family. She felt them a most worthy group, a people who prized learning and the arts more than merely making money on King Cotton. She had for them a strong attachment, an affection, for they were "her kind of people."

With this story came the realization (1) I am married to a cousin of Major General Samuel Wylie Crawford, Jr., and (2) that my older daughter carries the name of the General's "beloved Aunt Rosanna" who, in turn, was the third wife of Christopher Strait, which made General Crawford by marriage a great nephew of the Strait family.

Major General Crawford's grandparents (Nathan, 1770-1794), and Margaret, (1771-1794), whose graves General Crawford was searching for, both died the same year, leaving Crawford's father and Aunt Margaret orphans. Nathan, a post-Revolution Irish immigrant to Chester County, S. C., had married Margaret Wylie of a pioneer Chester family.

The first issue of this Crawford family (later on to be the father of General Crawford) would grow up to become the Reverend Dr. Samuel Wylie Crawford, Sr. (1793-1896), born in South Carolina. However, early on with both his parents dead in 1794, orphaned with his younger sister, Margaret, he had limited prospects for any sort of future.

In 1800, the orphaned Crawford boy's uncle, the Reverend Dr. Samuel Brown Wylie, D.D., a renowned Presbyterian minister, brother of Mrs. Nathan Crawford and founder of the historic Wylie Memorial Church in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, was concerned over the future education of his sister's orphan. In the spirit of learning the Wylies so esteemed, he adopted his nephew and saw to it that he got the best of educations. . . a Yankee education.

That's how General Crawford's father happened to leave the South and "go up the road" north to Philadelphia. . . to be afforded a proper education, provided by a Pennsylvania scholar.

Obtaining the knowledge so important to his adopted father, the boy followed in the uncle's footsteps to become the Reverend Samuel Wylie Crawford, Sr., D.D., of Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. He married Jane Agnew, who gave birth to a son, Samuel Wylie Crawford, Jr. (1829-1892), that baby destined to become the heroic Union major general who in November 1871, would be searching Chester County for his South Carolina ancestry.

This baby was born and reared at the Crawford family's beautiful 300 acre "Alandale" estate near Chambersburg. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1846, got his medical degree there in 1850, and, when examined by the U.S. Medical Board in New York, finished first in his class. He was appointed a military surgeon in 1851. He had certainly got the education the Wylies so admired.

Crawford served in the Union army in Mexico and the West for a decade before the war. As military surgeon on duty in Fort Sumter,

he was an eye witness to the turmoil surrounding South Carolina's secession. He eventually wrote of what he had experienced in THE GENESIS OF THE CIVIL WAR, the definitive work on the first days of the Civil War.

Major General Samuel Wylie Crawford, Jr., is today properly remembered by a statue at the end of Crawford Avenue leading to Little Round Top on the battlefield at Gettysburg. Historical records describe how Crawford became a hero during the second day of July, 1863, defending Gettysburg's high ground, Little Round Top, which, had it been lost, might well have cost the Union its victory in that most famous battle of the Civil War.

Previously, at the Battle of Antietam in 1862, on the bloodiest day of the Civil War, while rallying his troops for a charge near the Dunker Church, Crawford suffered a serious thigh wound. Recovering, he rejoined his troops at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, in June 1863.

Today, there, in the National Park on Crawford Avenue, leading over the battlefield of Gettysburg, stands the bronze statue of General Crawford, who rallied his troops in a murderous charge to victory. This flanking attack lead by Crawford's Pennsylvanians, along with the heroic frontal action of then Colonel Joshua L. Chamberlain's 20th Main Regiment, defeated General Robert E. Lee's attempt to take the high ground of Little Round Top during the second day of the battle.

All this from a man who, professionally, was but a medical doctor, happening to be on military duty.

A Rebel victory at Gettysburg could well have resulted in a Northern peace movement that would have divided America into two separate nations. But this battle, July 1st through 4th, 1863, the high water mark of the Confederacy, ended, as Winston Churchill once wrote, with Lee retreating from Gettysburg, ". . . carrying his wounded with him, having lost but twenty seven cannon. . . and the Civil War!"

There is one other oddity to the tale of this Crawford name and the heroic Yankee major general looking for his ancestry in a Chester County graveyard. This Yankee General Crawford had a sister, Margaret, who married into yet another Crawford family, of Pennsylvania Crawfords, entirely different from any Crawford lines of South Carolina. She married Edward Crawford Washington, direct descendent of Lawrence Washington, grandfather of George Washington.

What might the Southern Wylies think of that enviable family connection?

THE FOUNDING OF A SOUTH CAROLINA BACKCOUNTRY SOCIETY UNION COUNTY, HISTORICAL AND GENEALOGICAL

By

ROBERT J. STEVENS and LINDA STEVENS CRISSINGER

CANE CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH [Now Salem Baptist Church]

There seems to have been no Baptist church near the settlement of Santuc before 1825. To the east, Sandy River Baptist Church was located across the Broad River in Chester County. To the west, Tinker Creek Baptist Church thrived. Both were too distant to be convenient for the Baptist families that had settled in and around Santuc with the coming of King Cotton around 1800. Consequently, Cane Creek Baptist Church was founded in 1825.

In a previous article, we presented the fact that, in their early period, Cane Creek Baptist Church shared the same building with Cane Creek Methodist Church and Cane Creek Presbyterian Church. That building was originally the Cane Creek Quaker Meeting House, built about 1787, located two miles south of what became Santuc village. King Cotton brought slave labor, obnoxious to the Quakers, and many of them left in mass to go to free northern states shortly after 1800.

For thirty-two years, the Baptists shared the old Quaker Meeting House with their denominational neighbors. In 1857, the Presbyterians gained exclusive control of the building, and the other denominations moved to new homes. Not only did Cane Creek Baptist Church move in 1857, but they changed their name to Salem Baptist Church that year.

According to what records we can find and interpret, Cane Creek Baptist Church entered the Bethel Baptist Association in 1825. At some unknown date after 1845, they entered the Salem Baptist Association. In 1863, they entered the newly formed Fairfield Baptist Association as a charter member. The Union Baptist Association was formed in 1876 and Salem was a charter member.

There are some few pages of early Minutes extant for the church, covering the period from 1835 to 1890, but we are fortunate that the first membership rolls survived. All are now housed at Furman University and are available on microfilm through interlibrary loan. The Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention offers a duplicate microfilm for sale at a very modest cost.

Joe M. King, A History of South Carolina Baptists, pub. by the General Board of the S.C. Baptist Convention, 1964.

Stevens and Crissinger, "The Quaker Smiths and the Padgett's Creek Meeting House Cemetery at Sedalia," Chester District Genealogical Society <u>Bulletin</u>, December 1994.

Stevens and Crissinger, "Gilliam's Chapel," Chester District Genealogical Society <u>Bulletin</u>, June 1994.

^{4.} King, op. cit.

^{5.} Ibid.

^{6.} S.C. Baptist Historical Society, Furman University, Greenville, S.C.

The Historical Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, 901 Commerce Street, Suite 400, Nashville, TN 37203-3630.

The following is presented verbatim, except for the data in brackets and the clarification of some abbreviations. The list footnotes are further data from the Minutes. Some of the records are very hard to read due to the handwriting and blotted ink. For that reason, we would advise any interested party to obtain the actual microfilm to verify our transcriptions.

1835 Names of Members Belonging to Cain Creek Baptist Church

Dismissed by letter 1835; dismissed 1844; excommunicated August; restored to fellowship

1.	L. Fant	Dismissed by letter April 1843.
2.	L.B. Jeter	Rec'd by experience.
3.	Jas. D. Skains	
4.	Henry Gibbs	By experience; dismissed by - 1844.
5.	Samull Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
6.	J.H. Harris	Dismissed by letter 1837.
7.	J.C. Jeter	Dead 12 Sept. 1845.
8.	Elder D. Duncan	Dismissed by letter 1846.
9.	M. Fuller	Excommunicated 1846.

again.

Females:

10. Denis Miller

11.	Rhachel Skains	Dead 1851.
12.	Gemima Fant	Dead October 2, 1841.
13.	Barbary Duncan	Dismissed by letter.
14.	Elizabeth Word	Dismissed by letter 1843.
15.	Elizabeth Smith	Dead 2 September 1844. [1841?]
16.	Elizabeth Jeter	
17.	Sarah Jeter	Rec'd. by experience; dead 1844.
18.	Rebeca Simeson	Dismissed by letter April 20, 1839.
19.	Nancy Gibbs	Rec'd by experience; dismissed by letter 1844.
20.	Anna Eubanks	Dismissed by letter 1836.
21.	Penelope Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
22.	Amey Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
23.	Darcus Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
24.	Mary Jeter	Dead 1844.
25.	Sarah Ashby	Dismissed by letter 1844.
26.	Mary Thomas	Dismissed by letter 1837.
27.	Sarah Tolison	Dead 1836.
28.	Amey Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
29.	Saley Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
30.	Penlope Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
31.	Hannah Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.
32.	Elizabeth Harris	Dismissed by letter 1849.

Lewis Fant, dismissed by letter 6/17/1843.

L.B. Jeter received 6/19/1835.

^{4.} Henry Gibbs received 6/19/1835, dismissed by letter.

^{5.} Samuel Harris dismissed Dec. 1849.

^{14.} Elizabeth Word dismissed 6/17/1843.

^{17.} Sarah Jeter received 6/19/1835.

^{18.} Rebeca Simeson removed to Indiana.

^{19.} Nancy Gibbs received 6/19/1835.

33. Dismissed by letter 16 Oct. 1847. Wineford Kingsley Mary Kingsley Dismissed by letter 16 Oct. 1847. 34. 35. Elizabeth Fant Dismissed by letter 1837. Nancy Skains Dismissed by letter 1837. 36. 37. Mary Skains 38. Rachel Willson Dead 1848. 39. Rachel Hunt Dead 1838. 40. Burshaba Burns By letter 1848. 41. Milley Crooks Dismissed by letter 1840. 42. Alley Porter Dead 1841; dismissed by letter 1835. 43. Francis Miller Excommunicated; restored; no fellowship again. 44. Jas. B. Fant Excommunicated; restored. 45. Nancy Smith By letter. By letter; Dismissed by letter 1837; returned 46. John Tate 1837. 47. Sarah Tate By letter; Dismissed by letter 1837.

1836 Names of Members Belonging to Cain Creek Baptist Church

August Thompson Morris By experience; dismissed by letter 1837. 48. 49. Nancy Morris By Experience; dismissed by letter 1837. 50. Ritchard C. Jeter By experience; excommunicated 1839. By experience; excommunicated 1838. 51. Simon Cromer By experience; excommunicated 1842. 52. Catherine Cromer 53. Mary Boyed Dead 1836. By experience; dead March 16, 1840. 54. James Jeter, Sr. 55. George Fant By experience; dismissed by letter 1847. 56. Alvin Fant Dead 1837. By experience; by letter 1847. 57. Susan May 58. Sarah Cain Dismissed by letter 1847. 59. Elizabeth Kingsley Dismissed by letter 16 Oct. 1847. 60. Susanah A. Ashby By letter; dismissed by letter 1843. 61. Lucy Gregory By letter; dismissed Sept. 1843. 62. Samuel Gordon 63. J.T. Jeter

- 33. Winnifred Kingsley and her four daughters, Mary, Elizabeth, Sarah, and Rhoda Kingsley, granted letters of dismission 10/16/1847. Winnifred returned her letter on 1/15/1848.
- Mary Kingsley returned letter 1/15/1848.
- 40. Burshaba Burns dismissed by letter April 1848.
- 45. Nancy Smith dismissed by letter Jan. 1850.
- 46. John Tate received 4/16/1836; excommunicated for drunkenness and disorderly conduct 10/16/1847.
- 47. Sarah Tate received 4/16/1836.
- 52. Catherine Cromer excommunicated 3/19/1842 for contempt and disorderly in church.
- 55. George Fant dismissed 11/20/1847.
- 58. Sarah Cain received 10/13/1847.
- 59. Elizabeth Kingsley received by experience 6/15/1839, returned letter 1/15/1848.
- 60. Susanah A. Ashby received 7/18/1840.
- 61. Lucy Gregory received 8/15/1840.
- 62. Samuel Gordon received by experience 9/23/1841.
- 63. J.T. Jeter received by experience 9/23/1841, excommunicated 12/19/1846.

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64. F.C. Jeter
65. Sarah Kingsley
                            Dismissed by letter 16 Oct. 1847.
66. Nancy Smith
                            Dismissed by letter 1849.
67. Caroline Smith
68. Jane Sartor
                            Dismissed by letter 19 Oct. 1844.
69. Col. F. Scaife
70. Mrs. Mary Scaife
                            Received by letter from Calvary, Chester
                            District.
71. John Carter
                            Dismissed by letter 1844.
72. George W. Lyles
                            Excommunicated; restored 1844.
73. B.J. Gregory
74. Wm. H. Gregory
75. A.S. Gregory
76. J.T. [?] Gregory
77. James R. Jeter
78. Steven T [?] Ashby
                            Dismissed 1843.
79. Hancock Porter
                            Dismissed 1843.
80. Henry Grady
                            Dismissed by letter 1844.
81. John Ewbanks
                            Excommunicated 1847.
82. Edward Cane
                           Dismissed by letter 1845.
83. John Duncan
                            Dismissed by letter 1846.
84. Mathew Striplin
                           Dead 1849.
85. Isaac Ewbanks
                            Excommunicated.
86. Craven Harris
                           By letter.
87. Rody Kingsley
                            Dismissed by letter Oct. 16, 1847; letter
                            returned.
88. Elizabeth Gregory
                            Dead.
89. Elizabeth Porter
                            Dismissed 1843.
90. Pertines [?] Gregory
91. Elizar Grady
92. Mary Duffey
93. Catherine Scott
                           Dead.
94. Jane Fuller
95. Lettice Lyles
                            Dismissed by letter 1846.
96. Jane Duncan
97. Elizabeth Jeter
98. Cecicely E. Jeter
99. Margaret Scaife
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Dead 1849.

100. Nancy Comer

^{64.} F.C. Jeter received by experience 9/23/1841.

^{65.} Sarah Kingsley received by experience 9/23/1841, returned letter 1/15/1848.

^{66.} Nancy Smith received by experience 9/23/1841.

^{67.} Caroline Smith received by experience 9/23/1841. 68. Jane Sartor received by experience 9/23/1841.

^{69.} F. Scaife received 4/16/1842; F. Scaife and family dismissed by letter Dec. 1854.

^{70.} Mrs. Mary Scaife received 4/16/1842.

^{81.} John Ewbanks excommunicated 4/19/1847.

^{82.} Edward Cane dismissed 6/14/1845.

^{83.} John Duncan restored to fellowship Dec. 1844.

^{85.} Isaac Ewbanks excommunicated 9/20/1845.

^{87.} Rody Kingsley letter returned 1/15/1848.

101. Jane Gordon Return 1842. [?] 102. Martha Word By letter; Baptized May 1843. 103. Peter Skains By experience; dismissed by letter 1843. 104. Jane Edwards 105. B.F. Gregory 106. David Duncan By experience; excommunicated. 107. Edward Porter Dismissed by letter. 108. J.C.P. Jeter 109. Thomas Harris Dismissed by letter 1849. 110. Gustian Cane Dismissed Sept. 1843. 111. Lettice Ewbanks Dead Oct. 1844. 112. James Sandlin Dismissed by letter 1846. 113. Antoinett Jeter 114. Christianna Tate Dismissed by letter 1844. 115. Nancy Dickett Dismissed by letter 1844. 116. Martha Gibs Dismissed by letter 1844.

Returned the above to association 1843.

117. Mrs. Gustian Jeter Excommunicated May 17, 1845. 118. Mary Jeter By experience. 119. Catherine Jeter By experience. 120. Mary Skains By experience. 121. Elizabeth Sandlin By experience; dismissed by letter 1846. 122. James Duncan By experience; excommunicated 17 May 1845. 123. Lolland [?] Cain By experience; excommunicated 1845. 124. Richard Jeter, Jr.[?] By experience; dismissed by letter 19 April 1845; excommunicated. By experience; excommunicated. 125. Sary Jeter 126. Bobrry [?] Phillips By experience; dismissed by letter 1849. 127. Nancy Luaslin [?] By experience; excommunicated. 128. Jesse L. Jeter By experience. 129. Sarah Jeter By experience. 130. Elvirah Gregory By experience. By experience; dismissed by letter. 131. Sarah Harris Restored; excommunicated 19 July 1845. 132. Richard Jeter, Jr. Restored; excommunicated 1845. 133. G.W. Lyles 134. Rhoda Morris By letter; dismissed by letter. 135. Cicily Phillips By letter; dismissed by letter 1849. By letter; dismissed by letter 1845. 136. Nathan Gosset By letter; excommunicated. 137. Richard Jeter, Jr. By letter; excommunicated. 138. Sarah Jeter

^{101.} Jane Gordon received by experience 11/21/1841.

^{103.} Peter Skains received by experience 6/17/1843.

^{106.} David Duncan received by letter 6/17/1843,

^{117.} Gustain Jeter excomunicated for bad conduct with her family, charged by B.J. Gregory.

^{121.} Elizabeth Sandlin received by experience.

^{123.} Lolland Cain excommunicated Feb. 1845.

^{124.} Richard Jeter and wife granted letters of dismission 4/19/1845.

^{134.} Rhoda Morris received 11/16/1844.

^{135.} Cicily Phillips received 11/16/1844.

^{136.} Nathan Gosset received 5/17/1845.

139. Nancy Eubanks

[Duplicate number]

139. Elizabeth C. Jeter

140. Emily Gregory

By letter; wife of J.T.J.

141. Eliz. Jeter

Wife of F.C.J.

By letter.

By letter.

Dead.

[The following continued, but with no numbers.]

John Jeter

Elether [?] Jeter

Mary W. Scaife

Sarah A.E. Scaife

Laura A. Jeter

Jane Jeter

Adella Jeter

Lucinda Gossett

Lavica Gregory

William Jeter

Andrew Gregory

Andrew Gregory

Adolphus Gregory

John Gregory Lafayett Carter

Absolem Hollinsworth

Vandine Carter

Benjamin Baldwin and wife

Mrs. Word

Son of B.

Son of Jehu.

Excommunicated.

By letter.

Dismissed by letter 20 Sept. 1851.

White Members of Cain Creek Church [Date Unknown]

 L.B. Jeter Dead. Dead. James D. Skain Elizabeth Jeter Dead.

4. Sarah Jeter Dead. Mary Skains Dead.

Samuel Gordan Dead. 7. J.L. Jeter Dead

8. F.C. Jeter Dismissed by letter. 9. Carline Smith Dismissed by letter.

10. Jane Stephens Dead.

11. F. Scaife Dismissed by letter. 12. Mary Scaife Dismissed by letter.

13. B.J. Gregory Dead.

Dismissed by letter. 14. W.H. Gregory

15. A.S. Gregory Dead.

Lucinda Gossett excommunicated for bad conduct April 1855.

Adolphus Gregory excommunicated June 1851 for indulging in profane language.

^{139.} Nancy Eubanks applied for letter 12/16/1837, granted.

^{140.} Emily Gregory received 5/20/1848.

John Jeter dismissed by letter Oct. 1855.

16. J.T. Gregory Dismissed by letter. 17. James B. Jeter Dead. 18. Henry Grady Dead. 19. Eliza Grady Dead. 20. Poline Gregory Dismissed by letter. 21. Mary Duffy Dead. 22. Jane Fuller Dead. 23. Elizabeth Jeter Wife of J.B., dead. 24. Elizabeth Jeter Wife of J.T. 25. Elizabeth Jeter Wife of F.C., dismissed by letter. 26. Cicely Jeter 27. Margaret Gregory Dismissed by letter. 28. Jane Gordon Dead. 29. Peter Skain Dead. 30. B.F. Gregory Excommunicated. 31. Leah Gregory Dead. 32. J.C.P. Jeter Dismissed by letter. 33. Antonet Jeter Dismissed by letter. 34. Catherine Jeter Excommunicated. 35. Sarah Jeter Wife of J.L. Jeter, dead. 36. Mary Skain Sr. Dead. 37. Jesse L. Jeter Dead. 38. Ellevira Gregory Dismissed by letter. 39. Nancy Eubanks Dead. 40. Emily Gregory Dead. 41. Mary W. Scaife Dismissed. 42. S.A.E. Scaife By letter. 43. Laura Jeter 44. Jane [James?] Jeter Dead. 45. Adeller Jeter Excommunicated. 46. Lucinda Gosset Excommunicated. 47. Wm. Jeter Dead. 48. Andrew Jeter Son of Jehu, dead. 49. Lafayett Carter Excommunicated. 50. Absalom Hollingsworth Dead. 51. Benj. Baldwin Dismissed by letter. 52. James Baldwin By letter 53. Leah Gregory 54. Lydia C. Scaife Dismissed by letter. 55. David S. Jeter Dead. 56. Gorge Coon 57. Mrs. Caroline Coon 58. Jane Gregory 59. F.J. Harvy Dismissed by letter. 60. John Harvy 61. Samuel Comer Dismissed by letter. 62. James W. Busby Dead. 63. Thomas B. Jeter Excommunicated. 64. Miss S [?] Gregory

J.T. Gregory dismissed 9/17/1853.

^{25.} Elizabeth Jeter, wife of F.C., rejoined 12/21/1879.

^{55.} David S. Jeter joined by experience Sept. 1857.

65. Miss S.L. Jeter Dismissed by letter. 66. J.J. [?] Jeter Excommunicated. 67. Miss E.J. Vawn 68. Mrs. M.E. Edwards 69. Repse Edwards Excommunicated. 70. B.W. Savage Excommunicated. 71. G.W. Liles Restored, dead. 72. R.G.H. Jeter By letter. 73. George Harvy By letter, dead. 74. Nancy Harvy Dead. 75. Nancy Ann Harvy Dead. 76. John Inman By letter. 77. Minney A. Inman 78. Simpson Harvey 79. Love Berry Williard 80. Mrs. Emily Johns Dead. 81. J.C.P. Jeter Rec'd by letter. 82. Miss C.M. Jeter Dead. 83. Mrs. Naomy Austin 84. Mrs. Peggy Davis Dismissed by letter. 85. Nathan Gossett Dead. 86. Mrs. Margaret Atkinson Dead. 87. Miss Martha Watkins 88. Miss Sallie H [?] Jeter Dead. 89. Miss Kate M. McCrarey Mrs. Susan A. Thomas Rec'd by letter, dead. Luella C. Jeter Rec'd by letter. John Newberry Dead. J.W. Baldwin H.C. Jeter N.S. Jeter Jas. Vaughn

1835 Black Members in Cain Creek Church

1. Daniel Thomas Jim, dismissed by letter 1837. 2. Rebeca Sartors Tom, dead 1847. Daniel Colemans Jeff, dead 1845. 4. Wm. Rices Noe. Sam, dead 1838. 5. Wm. Hobsons 6. John B. Words George, excommunicated 1840. 7. David Thomas Cloe, dead June 1843. 8. Rebeca Sartors Pheoby, dead June 1840. 9. Wm. Hughes Rachel. 10. R. Gilliam Rachel. 11. Jess Jeters Juda, dead. 12. A.V. Jeters Peggy. 13. Louis Fants Juno, dead 1838. Sythey Colemans Sophia, dead 1843.

^{76.} John Imman received by letter 9/15/1860.

^{77.} Minney A. Inman, wife of John, received by letter 9/15/1860.

^{81.} J.C.P. Jeter received by letter from Baptist Church at Greenville, S.C., 5/18/1867.

15. L. Fants Mary, dead. 16. A.W. Thompsons Charlie. 17. Rices Eley, restored, excommunicated. 18. A.W. Thompsons Frank, dismissed by letter 1836. 1836 19. Rices Rachel, by experience. 1839 20. James Jeter, Jr. Hannah, by experience, dead. 21. Hughes Moses, dead Aug. 1839. 1840 22. Susan May Joe, dead. May 15, 1842 23. Baptised T. Bowkers Jack June 19, 1842 24. Est. of Rice Dick, by experience. 25. Mary, by experience; dismissed by letter 1848. 26. Clarisa, by experience. 27. Mary, by experience. 28. David Fants Eda Eda, returned 1842. 29. Wm. Kellys 1843 30. Joseph McJunkins Rachel. 31. Joseph McJunkins Abram. 32. George Fants Lisey. Dead. 33. Thomas Bowkers Syntha. 34. L.B. Jeters Renen, returned 1843. 35. G. Grayhams Alce, by letter, 1845. 36. Farrs Agnes, 1845. Barnet, by letter, dismissed by letter 1848. 37. 38. Mary, by letter, dismissed by letter 1848.

Names of Black Member [sic] of C. Creek Church [No date]

 Sartors Zach Hughes Rachel, dead. J.L. Jeters Juda, dead. 4. A.V. Jeters Peggy. 5. Rices Rachel. 6. A.W. Thompsons Sharlott. 7. Rices Clarrisa. 8. Rices Mary. 9. D. Fants Eda. 10. W. Kellys Eda. 11. T. Bowkers Jack. 12. J. McJunkins Abraham. 13. J. McJunkins Rachel, excommunicated.

^{22.} Susan May's Joe received by baptism 6/20/1840.

^{37.} Barnet, belonging to James Humphries, dismissed by letter 3/18/1848.

^{38.} Mary, belonging to James Humphries, dismissed by letter 3/18/1848.

^{11.} T. Bowker's Jack received by experience Dec. 1841.

^{13.} J. McJunkin's Rachel baptized May 1843.

14. T. Bowkers Sytha. 15. J.B. Jeters Renen. 16. G. Fants Lizza. 17. G. Grahams Alce. 18. G. Steen Agness. 19. T. Bowkers Dick. 20. D. Fants Ginny, excommunicated. 21. W. Dawkins Lucy. 22. J.T. Jeters Sim. 23. J.T. Jeters Nelly, dead. 24. J.B. Jeters Sophy, dead. 25. J.B. Jeters Sary, dead. 26. J.B. Jeters Anny, dead. 27. Wm. Dawkins Gleen

Other Names Found in Minutes

Brother James B. Fant produced a certificate from the Dorchester Church on 11/18/1837.

Elizabeth Crowmer received by experience 10/15/1840.

Brother Thompson Gregory restored to fellowship 4/19/1845.

John and Andrew Gregory received by experience Sept. 1849.

Brother Gossett received by letter Sept. 1849.

Sister Antoniet Night granted letter of dismission Feb. 1847. [Antoinette Jeter.]

Andrew Johns, Mrs. Laura Johns, Mrs. Pickens Kane, and Miss Gregory, joined by experience and baptized 7/17/1880.

Franklin Gregory excommunicated 9/15/1860.

Bolding Comer joined by letter from Unity Church 1/16/1881.

Mrs. Maggie Davis excluded for joining Methodist church 6/18/1882.

John Baldwin letter of dismission 7/20/1879.

Sister Jane McGowan joined by letter 6/24/1883.

Brother H.J. Harris and John C. Jeter licensed to preach 1/17/1835.

Brother John C. Jeter ordained 11/20/1835.

L.B. Jeter Clerk as of 12/17/1842.

Brother B. Phillips Singing Clerk as of 11/16/1845.

Rev. J.C. Jeter Pastor for 1845.

Rev. F.C. Jeter Pastor for 1846.

Margaret Kingsley excommunicated 11/16/1847 for leaving the neighborhood without obtaining a letter from the church.

Rev. J.T. Jeter Pastor for 1849.

Brother Sam Harris and family and daughter-in-law granted dismission Dec. 1849.

Mrs. Spencer restored to membership 10/20/1867.

John Kitchen and sister, Maggie, joined by profession of faith 10/19/1879.

James Busby dismissed by letter 4/18/1880.

Adeller Jeter excommunicated 8/14/1857.

Sarah Ashby applied for dismission 12/16/1843.

^{17.} G. Graham's Alce received by letter 11/17/1844, property of George Grayham.

^{21.} W. Dawkins' Lucy received by experience July 1857.

Mr. Walter Brewster of Virginia Beach, Va. thinks the "Fergusons" of Chester County, SC migrated there from Scotland, northern Ireland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina and then to Chester County.

The people who lived along the banks of Fishing Creek and Rocky Creek and lands to the east contributed a great deal to the development of the young towns of Chester and Rock Hill. Historians have overlooked much information by accident or by design. They were a clannish people and tended to cluster together in their moves. When they left the Chester District they lived in a small cluster on the southside of Rock Hill adjoining open pasture. For instance, in a two block area of Spruce Street there descendants of the McCammons, Dunlaps, Garrison, Fergusons, Sturgis, Williford, and possibly Pope. Turning up Chestnut Street were Fudges, Woods, Hueys, Blanks; on Academy or South Confederate were the Methodist minister who served Mt. Holly area, Nunns and Sibleys; on Flint, beginning near Spruce were Johnston, Randall, Lesslie, Williams, Steele, Fudge, Blanks, Clinton and possibly Edwards; on Orange Street were Fergusons and Simpsons.

The first family names found in the records of Goochland County, Virginia were Robert Adams who married Mourning Lewis as shown by Robert's will signed February 22, 1738 and recorded June 17, 1740. These were the parents of Agnes "Ann" Adams who married James S. Ferguson, Sr. Their children were: sons, James and Robert; daughters, Judith Clark, Mary Moreman, Elizabeth Moreman, Agnes Fargesson, Susan, Lucy, Anne, and Sally.

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This information was organized by J. Thomas Williams and his wife, the late Pearle O. Williams. We want to thank "Tommy" for sharing this with us and allowing us to print a copy of a letter he wrote to Ann Lipham which I'm sure will be of interest to our readers:

April 21, 1993

Ms. Anne M. Lipham 775 Wildwood Road, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30324

Dear Anne:

This is in reply to your request in the Easter Card received about April 7, 1993 regarding a Duncan Cemetery in the Bethesda area. Pearle and I appreciated your card very much.

Since this reply is going to be read by several people I want to say your great-grandmother, Margaret (or Mary) Elizabeth Kidd Duncan (Mrs. Archibald I. Duncan) is the person you are interested in obtaining information. Her parents, William Havilah (spelling) Kidd and Margaret Jane Rawls Kidd were also from this area. Margaret Rawls Kidd died near Lesslie 26 Dec. 1896 and is buried in Laurelwood Cemetery. Her grandparents were Andrew and Elizabeth Kidd. You will note I am basically quoting you.

I have placed a number of calls trying to get a line on a Duncan Family Cemetery. Nobody seems to have heard of one in our area. However, I did learn from Mrs. Jean Agee there is a Duncan-Wylie Family Cemetery located near Richburg, S.C. It will be a little difficult to find. By taking Highway No. 56 out of Richburg towards Chester, S. C. until you reach McDaniels Road. Turn left and go to the end. At this point you will have to ask some of the locals about location. (This will be in Chester County).

Continuing my search in this area I called Mrs. Frankie Roach Lowder, wife of Rayford F. Lowder, Sr., 990 Highway 324, Rock Hill, S. C. 29730. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Palmer Roach, both now deceased.

She told me her father during his lifetime did keep up a small cemetery across the road near where they live. She doesn't know much more except it is west on Hwy. 324 near Stoney Fork Creek.

Several days later I drove out and talked to Mr. Lowder, Sr. We rode up the road where he showed me how to reach the location. There is a wagon road into this Tract. About two hundred feet into the area is a grove of trees which that at some time a house stood. The fields have not been cultivated for some time and is over-grown. Before going into further directions I would like to mention anyone walking further should wait until winter time, wear boots, heavy denim jeans, carry insect repellant and a bid staff. There are hogs running loose as well as a dog or two. Now for directions. I contacted a friend of mine who is acquainted with this type of search and he consented to accompany me.

Going out McConnells Highway (No. 322) from Rock Hill, S.C. go to the intersection of Highway No. 324. Turn left on Highway No. 324 heading east toward Ogden and Highway No. 72 and travel approximately 1.6 mile. Turn to right on dirt wagon road mentioned and walk rest of way. Walk on dirt road mentioned earlier an additional two or three hundred feet. On the left will be another grove of trees with the ground covered over by vines, small and large saplings. Back from the road about fifty or sixty feet you will find the first stones. I will try to list the stones as we come to them but not necessarily in correct order. Sometime in the past there seems to have been a fence. I will, also, try to make some comments that may help.

WARNING TO THE READER: Milard D. Stafford, Jr. has graciously assisted in discovering and listing the names and dates on these stones. Many are very hard to read. We have tried to be accurate. However, we have tried to cross check our information with Max Perry's book titles "DESCENDANTS OF MARY REMER and REV. JOHN SIMPSON and THE REMER AND STRAIT FAMILIES". Also, we have checked some names and dates with the book titled "CAPTAIN BILL", by Robert J. Stevens.

We do not guarantee perfect accuracy. We will indicate when there is a variance.

The first two stones:

Eli Clark Wife Sara Clark died Oct. 12, 1843 Age 30 yrs., 9 mos., 10 days Age 33 yrs, 7 mos. 8 days

(Comment: These may be descendants of some of the Clark's who were associated with the Revolutionary War carried on in the area).

M.E. Steele
 consort of
S.E. Steele
died, Oct. 2, 1845
Age 31 yrs., 9 mos., 17 days

(Comment: Check Archibald Steele's Family History by Dr. Newton Chambers Steele) (Several Steele families lived in the Oakridge Community)

Thomas E. Rowell departed this life May 11, 1847 Age 24 yrs., 6 mos., rest not legible.

Mary A. Rowell departed this life April 28, 1861 Age 77 yrs., 6 mos., ? days

Nancy W. Rowell Died July (?) 1868 Age 58 yrs., 11 days

(Mrs. Jean Agee reminded us to check the Cemetery Directory of Bethesda Presbyterian Church). There are eight (8) members of the Rowell Family buried there. In addition, there is a small community named Rowell's located about halfway between Rock Hill, S.C. and Fort Lawns, S.C. Sid J. Cornwell operated a store located less than a mile from the Seaboard Railway Bridge and was kin to

the Rowells.

ANOTHER FAMILY GROUP:

Rufus L. Isom born, Aug. 1, 1862 Died, April 17, 1897 Wife Agnes E. Strait, daug of George E. Strait

Born May 16, 1858 Died Oct. 13, 1913

Mary Lou Strait daug. of William and Mary P. (Pagan) Strait Born April 27, 1859 Died July 15, 1927, unmarried

Moffatt Strait (Spelled Moffatte--Moffett in other placed)
Born July 7, 1886 wife Betty Rhine
Died July 7, 1901 they had six children
son of Hugh Drennan Strait and Jane Dorinda Crook.

(Comment: He was probably son of Christopher Strait and Mary Drennan. He was born in 1806, died 1855; she was born 1807, died 1855, the same day as her husband, both buried Fishing Creek Presbyterian Church, Chester County, S.C.)

Mary P. Strait
wife of
W. L. Strait
Born April 1, 1829
Died Nov. 20, 1909

Husband William Leonard Strait
Born 1830, died 1865
Petersburg, Va. during the
Civil War. Burial place not
shown.

Nancy Jane Bates wife of Tillotson S. Neely Born June 3, 1835 Died March 3, 1905

(Comment: There were several Neely Families who lived in this area. The date of his birth would indicate he was old enough to serve in the Civil War).

Albert Harry Campbell son of J. H. & N. R. Campbell Died May 4, (?) 1906 Age 1 yr. 10 mos.

Mrs. ? Neely Died Aug. 28, 1888 Age 51 yrs. ?

EXCERPTS FROM THE HOPEWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HISTORY

Hopewell Presbyterian Church was located on what is those days was called the Nations Ford Road, running from Charlotte to Columbia. The land on which the Church first stood was donated by William Wherry, who has been designated the Founder of the Church. The site contained originally 4-3/4 acres. A schoolhouse, constructed of logs, stood on the first site and was used as the place of worship. The ruins of the old schoolhouse are remembered by many persons now living (1938), and the site of it should be marked for future generations (it was diagonally across the road from the cemetery, to the right).

A large frame structure was erected and finished in 1845. A soapstone which was used as one of the pillars of the Church lay on the spot from 1845 until 1955, at which time it was moved, courtesy of W. Hall Spencer, Supervisor of York County, to the present church lot.

NOTE: Hopewell Church has now been moved again to a lot on Highway No. 21 south of Rock Hill, S. C.

(Another excerpt) John Shillinglaw was made an elder about this time and was active in the work of the Church.

When his house was burned about 1903, many of the records of Hopewell were destroyed.

James Brantley Rawls was next made an Elder. He moved into the community and married Martha Mary Hefley, daughter of Thomas Hefley. Mr. Rawls frequently attended Presbytery. He was a Confederate Soldier. He was Superintendent of the Sabbath School of Hopewell Church. His children are the following: Janie, Mary, and Bessie, all of whom married men by the name of Mozingo (Lee County); Callie Rawls who married Hoyle Charles; Annie Rawls who married W. J. Cornwell; Lillian Rawls who died in 1919; Dolph S. Rawls an officer of Hopewell Church. J. B. Rawls died on December 11, 1916 and is buried in Laurelwood Cemetery, Rock Hill, S. C.

Dolph S. Rawls was elected Deacon on September 9, 1917 and was ordained and installed on September 23, 1917. Later he was elected an Elder. Mr. Rawls has been one of the most faithful officers in the history of Hopewell.

(Writer's Note: These excerpts are very incomplete but will serve to give an idea about early Hopewell. The name of the road where the original church stood is now known as Neely's Creek Road; the second church was located in Lesslie Station; and the third on Highway No. 21).

BY: George Tucker, a Norfolk historian and columnist, is a former reporter and feature writer for The Virginian-Pilot:

SHATTERING ICONS: COLONIAL DAMES WERE

FRONTIER CONDITIONS NOT CONDUCIVE TO ARTIFICIAL GENTILITY

To hear most genealogical-minded Virginians talk you'd think their earliest colonial ancestresses all belonged to the prissier variety of females. But they were few and far between even during the morally-corsetted Victorian era when it was considered ladylike to affect la-de-da airs.

That being the case, and since February has been designated as National Women's History Month, it might be a good idea to highlight a few unusual early Virginia dames if for no other reason than to refute the unwarranted assertions of present day ancestral icon makers.

Frontier conditions (and it is well to remember that early Virginia was a large segment of the Wild West of its time) are never conducive to artificial gentility and refinement. As a consequence, it was a matter of expediency for a spirited woman to assert herself in a male dominated world. This resulted in many colonial dames of the Old Dominion being much more aggressive than their descendants like to picture them.

Surviving records prove conclusively that the assertions of the moonlight and magnolia school if Virginia ancestor worshipers who insist that their female forebears were "Southern ladies of the old school" are figments of overly romantic imaginations. It took more than refined and exaggerated sensibilities to survive during the early days of the Old Dominion. The ability to shoot a gun or to risk male displeasure by asserting one's rights was far more important to many robust pioneer women than flirting with a fan.

Take the case of Mistress Alice Proctor, who braved the Atlantic in 1621 to join her husband who had settled much earlier on the James River. When the first Indian massacre broke like a bloody wave over the Tidewater region in 1622, Mistress Proctor was alone on her frontier post. Although she is referred to in the old records as "a proper, civil, modest Gentlewoman," her social standing did not keep her from grabbing the first gun handy and giving the Indians such a hot reception that they beat a hasty retreat.

Dame Alice Clawson, who lived on the Eastern Shore of Virginia during the middle years of the 17th century, was another forthright character. Her wayward husband returned home after spending an overlong period with the Nanticoke Indians and refused to give up the redskin concubine he had brazenly brought home with him. His no-nonsense wife haled him before the justices and pleaded her case so eloquently that she wound up being the first Virginia woman to obtain a permanent legal separation from a two-timing spouse.

Then there was Mrs. Frances Jones, the ancestress of many prominent Southside Virginia families, who lived near the North Carolina border. An account of her strongarmed activities is included in the Boundary Line Proceedings of 1710, where the commissioners noted: "It is said of Mrs. Jones that she is a very civil woman and shews nothing of Immodesty in her carriage, yet she will carry a gun in the woods and kill deer, turkeys, etc., shoot down wild cattle, catch and tye hoggs, knock down beeves with an ax and perform the most manful Exercises as well as most men in those parts."

Unwed mothers and out-of-wedlock pregnancies were only too prevalent during Virginia's first century. Surviving court records contain considerable spice concerning the female transgressors and the Lotharios who got them into trouble. As a rule the guilty parties philosophically accepted the punishments handed down by the justices but there was one female black sheep who proved to be a damsel of spirit.

In September 1642, Edith Tooker of Lower Norfolk County was convicted of having a child out of wedlock and was ordered to do penance in the parish church the following Sunday at the time of divine service wearing nothing but a white sheet to cover her nakedness. Edith was further instructed to stand on a stool in full view of the congregation and to publicly acknowledge her fall from grace.

After having been led into the church and mounting the stool, the culprit was urged by the minister to repent the "foul sin" she had committed. But Edith Tooker was a woman of mettle. Turning a deaf ear to the parson's prosings, she "did like a most obstinate and graceless person, cut and mangle the sheet wherein she did penance." For these shenanigans, Edith was condemned to receive 20 lashes and was further commanded to appear again the a white sheet in the same church on "the following Sabbath fortnight."

This is amusing enough, but in the final analysis it was Sarah Harrison Blair, the first Virginia feminist, who refused to comply with the technicalities of the marriage ceremony, and thereby qualified as the most unusual Virginia colonial dame of her time.

One glance at her waspish portrait, painted after her marriage to the Rev. James Blair, commissary of the Bishop of London and the founder and first president of the College of William and Mary, is enough to convince even the most confirmed romantic that she was fully capable of any of the capriciousness that contemporary gossip attributes to her.

Born in 1670 at Wakefield, the home of her father, Benjamin Harrison, in Surry County, Sarah kept a low profile until 1687 when she put her signature to an agreement "cordially promising", not to marry anyone else but a certain William Roscow as long as he was alive. Two months later, however, she repudiated this agreement and married the Rev. James Blair. A contemporary account of the wedding not only reveals that it was performed with difficulty, but also shows that Sarah was the outspoken Virginia militant feminist of her day.

The old record says: "When Mr. James Blair was married to Mrs. (sic) Sarah Harrison, it was done by one Mr. Smith, when she was to say, obey, She said No obey, upon which He refused to proceed and the second time she said No Obey and then he refused again to proceed. The third time she said No Obey, yet the said Mr. Smith went on with the rest of the ceremony."

Sarah's obstinacy was only a prelude to what was to follow, for during the remainder of her life, she became a petticoat power in Colonial Virginia politics.

Toward the end, however, according to an entry in the diary of Col. William Byrd, II of Westover, she relaxed the reins because of an over-fondness for drink. The urbane colonel had been in Williamsburg on business. Dropping by the commissary's house on his way home, he discovered Mrs. Blair in a deplorable state for a clergyman's wife.

In a titillating entry in his diary dated March 2, 1709, Byrd wrote: "I was very much surprised to find Mrs. Blair drunk, which is growing pretty common with her, and her relatives disguise it under the name of consolation."

Four years late, Sarah Blair died and was buried in the churchyard at Jamestown, but the old records have kept her memory as green as the blown glass bottles that contained her favorite potations.

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2000 Harvard Midland, Texas 79701

Dear Jean:

I am sending this article to be published in **THE BULLETIN**. It was obtained in recent weeks after my 25 years of research. Very little of this was published in my Gaston book.

Sincerely,

Max Perry

DESCENDANTS OF JOHN GASTON, JR., JAMES GASTON AND ROBERT GASTON OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Compiled by: Max Perry

JUSTICE JOHN GASTON and ESTHER WAUGH, of Chester County, South Carolina, had eight sons that served in the Revolutionary War. These three sons, John Jr., James and Robert, left few records that proved their descendants. John, Jr. and James Gaston moved from Chester County, S. C. in 1801 to Tennessee and on to Illinois by 1812. Robert Gaston died of wounds in the Battle of Hanging Rock, Revolutionary War, leaving descendants. The compiler would like to obtain data on any other descendants.

- I. JOHN GASTON, JR., Revolutionary War, b. 24 June 1745, d. January 1808, m. 1768, January Knox, b. 1742, Glascow, Scotland, d. August 1839, Marion Co., Illinois, buried Gaston Cemetery, Rome Twp., Jefferson Co., Illinois, daughter of James Knox, Sr. and Lady Elizabeth Craig
 - A. William Gaston, b. 1 January 1779, d. 1804
 - B. James Gaston, b. 1 January 1777, d. 1802
 - C. Esther Waugh Gaston, b. 3 Mar 1792, d 2 Feb. 1854 m. 1806 (cousin) Samuel Gaston, b 16 Oct. 1787, S.C., d. 1 Mar 1826 S.C., son of William Gaston and Mary McClure
 - Margaret Ann Gaston, b. 13 July 1811, d. 27 Mar 1863, Salem, Ill., m. 1828, Joshua Pennington Huff, b. 1808, d. 1876.
 - Mary Ann Huff, b. 1833, d. 1912, m. 1857, John Easley, b. 1835, d. 1912.

- 1a. Robert Easley, b. 1851, m. 1881, Mary L. Burt, b. 1864
 - laa. Althea Agnes Easley, b. Decatur, Ill.
- b. Moriah L. Huff, b. 13 Dec. 1829, d. 2 Mar. 1911, m. Henderson Luttrell, b. 20 Feb. 1830, Salem, Ill., d. 13 Oct. 1889, Salem, Ill., both buried Mt. Moriah Cemetery, son of Michael Luttrell, Jr. and Elizabeth Shelton.
 - 1a. Ada Eldora Luttrell, b. 9 Sep. 1871, d. 2 Mar., 1958, m. 9 Aug. 1900, Estle Porter Mercer, b. 19 July 1880, d. 9 Feb. 1920, son of Robert David Mercer and Sarah Alice Kell.
 - 1aa. Berthold Henderson Mercer, b. 20 Jan.
 1910, Salem, Marion Co., Ill., d. 27
 Mar. 1995, Salem, Ill., m. 13 Oct.
 1928, Elma Louise Parker, b. 26 Dec.
 1906, Salem, Ill., d. 24 Apr. 1977,
 both buried Prairie Cemetery.
 - laaa. Janice Sue Mercer, b. 14 Mar. 1940, Salem, Marion Co., Ill., m. 1st. 28 Jan. 1961, Muskota, Kansas, Edgar William Dwire, m. 2nd. 3 Jun. 1988, Great Bend, Kansas, Charles Vernon Barker.
- c. Cynthia Jane Huff, m. John Hicklin
 - 1a. Margaret Ann Hicklin, b. 7 Sep. 1855, d. Oct. 1938, m. 1875, William F. Wilson, b. 1854, d. 31 Oct, 1878, Marion Co., Ill.
 - 2a. Eva R. Hicklin, b. & d. 6 Oct. 1858.
- William Gaston, b. 9 Aug. 1809, d. 8 Jun. 1898, m. Rachel Huff
 - a. Caroline Gaston, m. Silas Mercer 1s. Iva Mercer, b. Marion Co., Ill., m. George Habermeyer
- D. Elizabeth Gaston, b. 1 Jan. 1777, Camden District, S.C., d. 1853, m. 1797, Jonathan Ferguson, b. 1779, d. 1860, son of Paul and Elizabeth Ferguson.

- II. JAMES GASTON, Revolutionary War, b. 15 Apr. 1747, Penn., d. 1824, Randolph Co., Ill., m. Margaret Harvey, died before 1824, Randolph Co., Ill. This family moved in 1801 to Smith Co., Tenn. from Fishing Creek, Chester Co., S.C., then to Randolph Co., Ill. by 1812. James drew his will, 22 September 1824, Randolph Co., Ill., he only named his son Stephen Gaston and that he be buried beside his wife and other son (no name) and that the estate properties named be divided by other heirs. (Other research material stated he had several daughters). This will was probated at Kaskaskia, Randolph Co., Ill. on 3 January 1825.
 - A. Robert Gaston, b. Chester Co., S.C., d. 1817, Randolph Co., Ill., never married.
 - B. Stephen Gaston, b. 1774, Chester Co., S.C., d. 1837, Washington Co., Ill., m. 1801, Mary Davidson, b. 1778, d. 1858, Washington Co., Ill., buried Grand Prairie Township, Randolph Co., Ill.
 - Esther Gaston, b. 12 Nov. 1802, Chester Co., S. C., d. 27 Mar. 1853, El Monte, Calif., m. 1 Dec. 1823, Washington Co., Ill., Wesley Maddux, b. 28 Dec. 1803, Christian Co., Ky., d. 8 Feb. 1885, Woodland, Calif.
 - a. Stephen Wingate Maddux, b. 1826, Wash. Co., Ill.
 - b. Washington C. Maddux, b. 1828
 - c. Sarah Jane Maddux, b. 1830
 - d. Wm. Alexander Maddux, b. 1832
 - e. Agnes Harriet Maddux, m. Robert Rankin Dunlap
 - f. James Harvey Maddux, m. Mary Peck
 - g. Mary Eliza Maddux, m. Mr. ____ Ruggles
 - h. Linda Ann Maddux, m. Mr. Willett
 - Margaret Gaston, b. 1804, Tenn., m. 3 Mar 1823, Randolph Co., Ill., Jacob B. House, b. 1802, Tenn. (other children not listed)
 - a. Stephen J. House, b. 1831, Ill.
 - b. John House, b. 1833, Ill.
 - c. David House, b. 1834, Ill.
 - d. Francis M. House, b. 1841, Ill.
 - e. Columbus H. House, b. 1843, Ill. f. Elizabeth A. House, b. 1842, Ill.
 - 3. William Davidson Gaston, b. 22 Feb. 1808, Randolph Co., Ill., d. 26 Aug. 1854, Jefferson Co., Ill., m. 4 Jan. 1832, Washington Co., Ill., Lucinda White, b. 3 Oct. 1807, Ga., d. 25 May, 1884, both buried Grand Prairie Twp., Jefferson Co., Ill.

- a. Mary Ann Gaston, b. 1832, d. 1872, never married
- b. John D. Gaston, b. 1836, d. 1840
- c. Stephen Harvey Gaston, b. 1837, d. 1812, never married
- d. Joseph W. Gaston, b. 1839, d. 1841
- e. Wm. A. Gaston, b. 1843, d. 1911, never married
- f. Margaret Jane Gaston, b. 1844, d. 1910, m. Adam
 Carrell
- g. Samuel J. Gaston, b. 1846, d. 1881, m. Martha Harris
- h. Martha E. Gaston, b. 1847, d. 1874
- i. Sarah B. Gaston, b. 1848, d. 1928
- j. James H. Gaston, b. 1853, m. Mary J. Harvey
- Agnes Gaston, b. 1814, Randolph Co., Ill., m. 7 Jan. 1825, Washington Co., Ill., Thomas S. Dennis, b. 1814, Tenn. d. 1860.
 - a. Mary S. Dennis, d. 1841
 - b. Joseph C. Dennis, b. 1838, m. Eliza, b. 1843
 - c. Esther E. Dennis, b. 1841 (Other children not named).
- 5. Stephen Harvey Gaston, b. 30 Nov. 1818, Randolph Co., Ill., d. 7 July 1851, Jefferson Co., Ill., m. 1st 25 Feb. 1842, Jefferson Co., Ill., Margaret "Peggy" McConnell, b. 4 Nov. 1821, d. 11 Aug. 1843, m. 2nd. 3 Mar. 1847, Cynthia E. Casey, b. 1828, d. 1908, daughter of Thomas Casey and Harriet Maxey.
 - a. Susan Laura Gaston, b. 1848
 - b. Melintha E. Gaston, b. 1849
 - c. Julia Arabella Gaston, b. _____ d. 1859
- Elizabeth Gaston

- Samuel Gaston, b. 1820, Randolph Co., Ill., m. Lucinda _____, b. 1828, Ky. (other children not listed)
 - a. Jane Gaston, b. 1846, Randolph Co., Ill.
 - b. Wm. Gaston, b. 1848, Randolph Co., Ill.
 - c. Angeline Gaston, b. 1849, Randolph Co., Ill.
- III. ROBERT GASTON, Lt. Revolutionary War, b. 11 Mar 1749, Penn., d. 7 May 1780, killed in Battle of Hanging Rock, S. C., m. 1st., Jannett _____, two children, m. 2nd. 1774, Chester Co., S. C., Ann David, b. 1755, d. 1810
 - A. Robert Gaston, Jr.
 - B. John Gaston, b. 1778, d. 1840, m. 1804, Sara Brown, b. 1786, d. 1843.
 - Frances Elizabeth Gaston, b. 1820, d. 1860, m. 1840 William Francis Dansby, b. 1812, d. 1899, LaGrange, Troup Co., Ga.
 - a. Sara Elizabeth Gaston Dansby, b. 1842, LaGrange, Troup Co., Ga., d. 1892, Handley, Texas, m. 30 Mar. 1864, Robert Lock Cowan, b. 1840, d. 1890.
 - 1a. Cora Elizabeth Cowan (D.A.R. #199693), b. 24 Oct. 1864, LaGrange, Troup Co., Ga., d. 31 May 1943, San Antonio, Bexar Co., Texas, m. 26 Dec. 1886, Anthony Williamson Smith, b. 21 Jan. 1858, Acworth, Ga., d. 12 April 1920, San Antonio, Bexar Co., Texas.
 - laa. Blanche Smith, (D.A.R. #357519), b. 12
 Aug. 1897, Fort Worth, Tarrant Co., Texas,
 m. 16 June 1924, San Antonio, Bexar Co.,
 Texas, Walter Arthur Ouhrabka, b. 12 Dec.
 1894. In 1946 this family lived, 725 N.E.
 1th, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.
 - C. Jane Gaston
 - D. Margaret Gaston
 - E. Alexander Gaston

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PROM--SOUTHSIDE VIRGINIA FAMILIES, JOHN BENNETT BODDIE

P. 237. HAMBLIN - HAMLIN of Price George Co., Va.

The children of STEPHEN HAMBLYN 1 appear to be (1) STEPHEN; 2: who was deceased by 1687 when Capt. Thomas Cocke, gdn. of the orphan sued JAMES BISSE. (The orphan *insert here* of Stephen Hamblyn" which I omitted, LKC) Bk. 1687 - 1695, page 110.

This orphan was CHARLES HAMBLYN for later in 1690 "CHARLES, orphan of STEPHEN HAMBLIN, late in care of Abraham Hinton, was given to JOHN JONES" 1689-90 p. 417.

page 238, Same family.

"(4) JOHN Q. HAMLIN, evidently a son of STEPHEN 1., in Dec. 1687 together with THOMAS GOOD, was appointed to arbitrate the case of JOHN BRAINE vs. REBECCA HINTON, executrix of CHRISTOPHER HINTON."

page 183, EATON FAMILY of Granville Co., N. C.

"THOS. EATON, b. ca. 1740, member of the Provincial Congress, Councilor of State Brigadier Gen in Army of the Rev...Col. Recs. X; XIV; XX; XIII) He lived at EATONS FERRY on the Roanoke; in the Eastern section of Warren Co. where his will was ag. 1807 and admitted to probate 1809. Married 1, ANNA BLAND; dau. of THEODORICK BLAND of "CAWSONS" Prince George Co., Va. and sister to FRANCES BLAND RANDOLPH TUCKER, mother of JOHN of Roanoke."

page 72, CHAPPELL of Surry Co.

LUCRETIA TUCKER CHAPPELL, dau. of Thomas Chappell & Elizabeth Tucker Malone, m. Nov. 8, 1801, GEORGE RANDOLPH

From LOST LINKS page 388

SARAH POSEY's will, Alabama. 13 July 1840.

Niece: SARAH ANN H. RANDOLPH

Nephew: JOHN RANDOLPH

Note. LKC. In this connection see THORNTON -- POSSEY -- RANDOLPH recs. from Va. and Edgefield Cos., S. C.

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Will of: ALLEN HINTON Edgefield Co. S. C. Book A. page 105

sg. 16 July, 1794 pr. Jan Crt. 1795

ALLEN HINTON

Names in his will: Wife...None Named.

AMY THORN...Daughter
MARGARET THORN...Daughter
GATEWOOD HINTON..."..My only son.."
CATHERINE HINTON..Daughter "When she comes of age or is married.."
REBECCAH HINTON...Daughter

HIGHTOWER THORN...Executor.

Charles Banks John X Lee Shadrack X Lee.

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Will of: JOSEPH HIGHTOWER Ibid, page 300 ag. pr.

JOSEPH HIGHTOWER

Names in his will

WIFE: ELIZABETH..Ex. children

HARRIOTT...Daughter..no surname
LEWIS BONA HIGHTOWER...Son
BENJAMIN HIGHTOWER...Son..under age..Ex. "when he comes of age.."
Children of Susannah Pardue, relationship not stated.

Lucinda H. Pardue Willis Pardue Charlotte Pardue Wylie Pardue Gideon Pardue

BENJAMIN PARDUE...Brother...Ex.

Wm. T. Taylor...Peter Morrison...I. Gray, Jr. Witns.

OUERIES

JOHN WILSON - Mary R. Laird, 115 Lexington Rd., Bel Air, MD 21014-5505 seeking information JOHN WILSON, born about 1795 SC, married 1823 in Morgan Co., Alabama, Sarah/Sally FORD, daughter of John [died 1827] and Sarah (BOOTH) FORD, who lived on Rocky Creek, Hagues Branch, Chester Dist., SC. Sarah's brother Middleton FORD married Jane RIVES/REAVES, daughter of William and Mary YOUNG) RIVES. John and Sarah (FORD) WILSON were in Bedford Co., TN., in 1850, near Archibald REAVES' widow Elizabeth, age 63, and next door to their son Tarleton J. REAVES' widow Mary.

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GEORGE WASHINGTON DYE - Bill Wood, P. O. Box 307, Lott, Texas 76656 looking for parents and ancestors of GEORGE WASHINGTON DYE (b. 1828 Fairfield Co., SC) and his second wife, NANCY EUARKIE ROBINSON (b. 1839 Fairfield Co., SC). GEORGE WASHINGTON DYE moved to Louisiana in 1853 with his then father-in-law WILLIAM H. COLVIN. Children of GEORGE WASHINGTON DYE include: WILLIAM HARDWICK (b. 1856), MARGARITE (b. 1852), JOHN YOUNG (b. 1870), VIRGINIA (b.1867), ANNIE JANE (b. 1872), WILLIE R. (b. 1875), MARY (b. 1877), and GEORGE WASHINGTON, JR. (b. 1868).

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MIDDLETON HOLLIS - Patrick D. Hollis, 116 Campbell Dr. #8, Canyon Lake, Tx 7813_, seeking info on the parents and grandparents of MIDDLETON HOLLIS, born in Chester, SC in 1816. He moved to Chattooga Co., GA about 1843.

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WORTHY - Venita Worthy Spring, 921 Cr. 913 Joshua, TX 76058 would like to hear from anyone who has any knowledge of this WORTHY line: My 5G Grandfather was Thomas (Sr. (b 1700 in Henrico, Va. D 1778 in Charlotte, Co. Va. wife? My 4G grandfather was MARTIN WORTHY b 1732--? D 1819 in Chester Co., SC m Phoebe --? My 3G grandfather was MARTIN b 1799 in SC? m SARAH --? b 1800 in SC. they were in the 1850 census in Chester Co., SC Their children were: (F) N.E. Worthy b 1831 in SC. My 2G Grandfather JOHN WORTHY b 1833 in SC m MARY b 1834 (F) S.P. WORTHY b 1835 in SC, (M) I.T. WORTHY b 1837 in SC (F) M.S. WORTHY B 1842 in SC Where did they go after the 1850 census? MARTIN, THOMAS JR. AND WILLIAM name their children the same names, that's why it has been hard to find my line. Will be happy to exchange info with anyone working on the WORHTY FAMILY.

DULANEY - LEWIS - CHAMPION - Mary B. Smith, 2091 High St., Greenwood, MS 38930 seeking info: 1850 census Clarke Co., AL was RACHEL LEWIS 35 b S.C. (widow of John Lewis) Florence age 4, John age 2 also C. Champion male age 53 b. S.C. 1855 in Clarke Co., AL Rachel Dulaney Lewis married a Mr. Painter. What was Claiborne Champion to Rachel Dulaney, to John Lewis? Was Claiborne's first wife a Dulaney or a Lewis?

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GUTTERY, GUTTREY/JOHNSTON FAMILIES - Beulah G. Bausch, 1615 Sheba Drive, Columbus, GA 31904 seeking info on ROBERT GUTTERY, born about 1750, and wife, ELIZABETH JOHNSTON, who lived in Laurens Co, SC before 1785, in fact, was reported to be living there in 1778 when their son WILLIAM was born. ELIZABETH was the daughter of WILLIAM and SALLEY JOHNSTON of Laurens Co., SC. Any info will be appreciated. Will gladly pay for postage and copies.

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WELLS - Kathy G. Wells, 425 Evergreen Dr., Hurst, TX 76054 seeking info JOHN WELLS married Nancy?, (possibly John D. Wells married Nancy Andrews). John died 1845, his Will names wife, Nancy and children: Jerome, John Thomas Wells, Daniel James Wells, Amanda, Nancy E. (Married S.M. McWatters) and Eliz. J. (married John F. McWatters). The wife, Nancy A. Wells, died 1876, dividing up property in Fairfield Co. which bordered the McCulloughs, A. McDonald, and the Graftons. Need parents and definite identity of which John Wells (d. 1845).

WELLS - JOHN THOMAS WELLS married Sarah Eliz. SANDERS ca 1858/59, Fairfield Co., SC Need parents of Sarah Eliz. Sanders. Kathyt G. Wells, 425 Evergreen Dr., Hurst, TX 76054

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ROBERT DALE - Richard Dale, 704 Ponca Drive, Independence, MO 64056 seeking info: My great-grandfather, ROBERT DALE, and his wife Jane William Boyd Dale were members of Pleasant Grove Presbyterian Church in Chester County. Do you know if there are records of this church from 1840 - 1849? I am attempting to find their date of marriage and Robert's date of birth. Robert's father was James Dale and his mother was Margaret Dennis Dale, both of whom are buried in Smyrna Cemetery.

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STEWART - AIKEN - BARRON - INGRAM - Eleanor C. Richardson, 3205 Linda's Circle, Conyers, GA 30208-2237, 404-388-7080 seeks info on ARCHIBALD STEWART and RACHEL AIKEN, parents of MARY STEWART, b. 1794. Did they come to Newton County, GA, in 1820s from Fairfield and Chester Co., SC? I believe Archibald Stewart's parents were ELIZABETH BARRON and ALEXANDER STEWART. Elizabeth Barron's parents may have been ELIZABETH INGRAM and ARCHIBALD BARRON.

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BLAKE - HORNSBY - Brian P.T. Blake, 43 Peach Farm Road, Oxford, CT 06478, seeks parents of WILLIAM BLAKE "of Virginia," born about 1750. He came as a child with his family to Chester, Chester County, S. C., ca. 1760, and married 1770-1772, PHANUEL HORNSBY, "Ann" or "Fanny," born in Chester County on 5 Feb. 1743, a daughter of LEONARD HORNSBY (1700-1771). WILLIAM BLAKE, age 30, died at his home in Chester on 22 Jan. 1781. He may have been a militiaman wounded in the patriot attack on the British fort at Ninety Six in early January, 1781.

WILLIAM'S parents may have been JOHN BLAKE and his wife MOURNING (sic); possibly ELIZABETH? of Tidewater Virginia but otherwise unknown Her maiden name may have been EARLY. Three of JOHN and MOURNING's children, FANNY, BETTY, and THOMAS BLAKE, married in Christ Church, Middlesex County, Virginia, in December, 1774.

JOHN BLAKE and MOURNING were also the parents of THEODOCIA BLAKE (1761-1841), who married in Fairfield County, SC on 18 Oct. 1779, HENRY SANDERS, and her twin brother JOHN BLAKE (1761-c.1849), a Continental Army veteran, who married first, FRANCES TIDWELL, and second, SARAH (ENOCHS?). These children may be WILLIAM BLAKE's brothers and sisters.

WILLIAM and PHANUEL (HORNSBY) BLAKE had five children: PATRICIA, b. 1773?; LEAH, b. 1775; THOMAS EARLY, b. 1776, married ELIZABETH OWEN; JOSHUA, b. 1778, married CHARLOTTE VAUGHN; and JOHN WILLIAM, b. 1781, married REBECCA HENSON?. We have a lot of material on this BLAKE branch, and would be happy to correspond with any other researchers.

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HOLIFIELD FAMILY HISTORY - Nell G. Holifield, 7301 E. Brainerd Rd., Apt. F-15, Chattanooga, TN 37421 Ph # 1-615-490-0868, need your help in my effort to complete a HOLIFIELD family history. My ancestors are DANIEL, born 1754 and MARY PYE HOLIFIELD b. Feb. 2, 1761. Their children are:

Alsa (or Alcey) b. about 1780 m. Milley Frey, Jan. 7, 1799 in Oglethorpe County, Ga. Willis b. 1799 and m. Alice Childers April 3, 1824.

Wiley married Mary Saffold, Dec. 3, 1807.

Jesse married Pherily Lacy, Aug. 31, 1815

John married Elizabeth Kilgore, Feb. 6, 1806 in Clarke Co., GA William P. born 1795 m. Rebecca Clark, Nov. 33, 1815 in Jasper Co., GA Celia (Cecelia) married Zackariah Estes, Sept. 23, 1803. Minervia?

Some of Willis and Alice Holifield's children are: Henry, James Bell, Thomas, Jr., Wiley W., Mary J. and Margafet

This family originated in Surry, Wake and Rowan Counties, North Carolina. Moved into Chester and Chesterfield districts in S. C. and then to Georgia, Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Florida, Texas and other states. They were in Wilkes, Oglethorpe, Jasper and Butts counties in Georgia.

If you have or know anyone who has records on this family prior to 1754, I would appreciate hearing from you. My sur-name has been spelled many ways-such as Holderfield, Hallifield, Hollifield, Holyfield, etc. Any help you can give me on this sur-name will be greatly appreciated and if you can put me in touch with someone who is researching the sur-name I will gladly share what I have with them.

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HARDIN FAMILY - JOHN MICHAEL HARDIN, RT. 4, BOX 182-C, SAVANNAH, TENN. 38372 PH 901-925-7114 SEEKS INFO ON THE hardin family OF CHESTER COUNTY. THERE IS A JOSHUA HARDIN MY LINE WHO DIED 1846 IN LAUDERDALE CO., AL. HE HAD THREE CHILDREN, SIMON PETER B. 1812 SC, JOSHUA B. 1817, SC., AND RHODA HARDIN LAMB B. 1813, SC. I notice in the 1860 SC census index there is a Rhoda and Peter Hardin. These are not my family but it makes me think they may be related. Anhthing you have on Hardins in SC I'll be very greatful for and I'll share anything I have.

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MOORE - GARNER - Norman Cox, 6306 Sylvan Dr., Columbia, SC 29206 seeks info on wife of JOHN MOORE, MARY GARNER. They were married in Chester Co. in late 1700s early 1800s. Children: John, Elizabeth, Wm. Garner and James McC.

HAMILTON-WILEY - Norman Cox, 6306 Sylvan Dr., Columbia, SC 29206: Daughters of Thomas Wiley, Margery married James Stewart and Nancy married Robert Drennen about 1820. Both daughters named sons John Hamilton. Assume wife of T. Wiley was daughters of John Hamilton.

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DON'T FORGET

OUR BIRTHDAY PARTY
WILL BE HELD AUGUST 5, 1995
1:00 P.M. AT
THE TAVERN IN WINNSBORO, SC
THE PRICE WILL BE \$7.50 PER PERSON

OUR SPEAKER WILL BE TERRY W. LIPSCOMB

PLEASE COME AND HAVE A GREAT TIME!

(REMEMBER, WE MUST HAVE YOUR RESERVATION BY JULY 31, 1995.)

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