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President's Page

Hello Friends,

It is that time of year when we turn our thoughts to digging in the soil and putting our favorite plants in and watching them grow. The time also that we wish for much luck in finding out about our heritage. There is much work to do, just as for the flowers. Digging in the old records, if you can find them, for just the right information.

We have had a strange winter with a few good springlike days thrown in for good measure. It has also been a busy time for us folks here at the "Bulletin". Many of you have already renewed and most of you will renew in the next few months. Thanks for your attention to this matter. It helps with the bookkeeping.

We have had several articles sent to us to be used in the Bulletin. Thank you for these. If anyone else has something they would like included, please let us know for we like to hear from you and about you.

We like to also thank those who have donated books to our genealogy library.

Remember to send your queries in. We will put them in the next issue of the Bulletin. However, if we have a great many sent in, they may be divided and be used later.



Good luck,

George Moore

If your mailing label does not show Exp 02 or Exp 2002 or later date this will be your last Bulletin unless you renew.

McCreary
Continued from December Bulletin

The State of South Carolina

By their honors, the chancellors of the court of Equity of the said State-

To Daniel G. Stinson, William Heath, James B. McCully, John Ferguson, Joseph Gaston, Esq.,

Whereas James Crain and Esther, his wife, daughter of John McCreary, deceased, John McCreary, Jr. and William McCreary, sons of said deceased lately filed their bill of complaint in the court of Equity against Sarah McCreary, Widow of John McCreary, deceased, James McCreary, A.J. McCreary, Malissa McCreary, and Martha McCreary, children of said deceased, by their Guardian, Sarah, widow of the deceased, and Elizabeth McCreary, Delilia McCreary: and Margaret McCreary, Children of Samuel McCreary, dec`d, who was the son of John McCreary, Sr., dec`d, who represent their father, , deceased and take in equal proportion the share which is coming to their father, deceased, from the estate of John McCreary dec`d. Praying amongst other things for partition, division of sale of the real estate of John McCreary, Sr., dec`d, amongst them. They thereon alledging that the said John McCreary died intestate leaving no will, and thereupon the said court ordered a writ of partition to be directed to you requiring you to make partition and division of the real estate of deceased according to the rights of the parties; that is you will lay off and assign to the widow one third part of all the real estate of her late husband dec`d , including the purchase of the real estate of Samuel McCreary, Sr., dec`d: and the balance you equally divide between and amongst the above named children , heirs of deceased except the children of Samuel McCreary, Jr., dec`d as to the real estate, as to the real estate of Samuel McCreary, Sr., dec`d. Whereas afterward to wit on the -----day of May 1836, as by the law directed the court of the Court of Equity appointed James Wood, guardian ad Litum, of Elizabeth McCreary, Delila McCreary and Margaret McCreary. Children of Samuel McCreary, Jr., dec`d, to manage, take care of and protect their rights in the premises. You are therefore hereby required (being first duly sworn fairly and impartially to discharge your duties in the execution of this writ) to proceed and make partition and division of the real estate as described and mentioned in the original Billin—as follows: One tract of one

hundred and twenty four acres in Chester District on the east said of Fishing Creek bounded by lands of -----on the north by lands of -----on the West; and by lands of-----on the south & by lands of ----on the East sold by – Sheriff of Chester District of John McCreary, Sr., dec`d Samuel McCreary Exhibit A---one other tract conveyed from Ann Biggins & J.J. Biggins (should be Higgins-J.A.) to John McCreary 20th May 1799 containing two hundred acres (except what was taken out by an older grant) which is hereby filed(exhibit B); Also a tract conveyed by James Kennedy to John McCreary the 15th September 1806 of fifty acres: which deed is herewith filed (Exhibit C) one other tract of Land by a grant for five hundred and twenty six acres which grant is hereby filed (Exhibit D). and also a tract conveyed by William Gaston & wife to Samuel McCreary, Sr., dec`d the 11th March 1796 containing one hundred acres reference to that deed which is filed (Exhibit E) will more clearly show it`s quantity and location- also which exhibits you will have special reference to, to assist you in appertaining the extent of the interest of the parties herein named from any portion of the lands contained in the deed (Exhibit E), they will represent their Father and take his interest in all lands contained in the above exhibits after taking out the widow`s part. If the same cannot in your opinion be fairly and equally divided between and amongst the parties, interested therein without manifest injure to them or some or one of these: then you are to make special return of the whole real estate: and the value thereof for the benefit of all the parties to deliver to one or more of these parties interested therein the lands which cannot be fairly divided: upon the payment of a sum of money to be assessed by: or to sell the same at public auction and have you this writ before the commissioners of the said court with a -----of your proceedings thereon fifteen days next before the sitting of the said court.

Witness S. McAliley, Esq., Commissioner of the said court at Chester Court House for Chester District, the twenty fourth of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six; and in the Sixtieth year of the sovereignty and Independence of the United States of America_

Eaves & Thomson, Com. Sol.

South Carolina Before me Joseph Gaston, one of the Justices of Peace for Chester District the district aforesaid personally appeared the commissioners to whom the within writ is directed and made oath they would fairly and impartially discharge their duty in the execution of the said writ. Sworn before me this 17th day of June 1836-----Joseph Gaston, J.Q

Personally appeared Joseph Gaston and on oath to the above as one of the Commissioners- Sworn to this 17 June 1836 D.G Stinson

In Equity

Chester June Term 1836 Writ of Partition of Lands

James Crain

Et al

Eaves & Thomson Con. Sol

VS

Sarah McCreary

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Et al.

The State of South Carolina

Know all men by these present that I, Thomas Steel (son of John Steel, dec'd) of the District of Chester in the state aforesaid & in consideration of the sum of thirteen hundred and two dollars to me in hand paid (and secured to be paid) by Edwin Edwards of the District and state aforesaid, have granted, bargained and sold & released and by these present do grant, bargain, sell and release unto the said Edwin Edwards all that Plantation or tract of land containing one hundred and twenty four acres situated in the district and state aforesaid on Fishing Creek; being part of a grant to Catherine Steel the 28th day of November 1771 for 400 acres and is the lower part of the tract that lies on the East side of the Creek as left to me by the last will and testament of my father the said John Steel (and more particularly in the contingency of the death of my Brother John, deceasing without an heir of his body begotten), beginning on the Creek at a Hickory and Sugar tree thence W 83 E 29 chains and 50 links to a stake on the old line in a Lane---thence with the old line S 78.43 chains & 05 links to a Spanish oak the dividing corner with Findley bounded by other land surveyed for said Catherine Steel now belonging to Alexander Carter. Thence the dividing line with Findley W 67 W 21 chains 85 links to a stake on the said line-thence N 68 W 11 61.10 links to where a W.O. old corner stood-bounded on land surveyed for John Leonard, thence N85 @ 2 chains to the creek; And thence the said-----courses thereof to the beginning. Together with all and Singular the Premises before mentioned unto the said Edwin Edwards his heirs Executors and Administrators to warrant and forever defend all and singular the said premises of one hundred twenty four

acres unto the said Edwin Edwards his heirs and assignees against myself and my heirs and against ever other person or persons whom so ever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof.

Witness my hand and seal this eighteenth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two and of American Independence the forty seventh.

Thomas Steel

J. McCreary
Cullen P. Powell

South Carolina Chester District

I, Joseph Gaston one of Justices of Quorum, do hereby certify unto all whom it may concern that Nancy Steel the wife of the within named Thomas Steel did this day appear before me and upon being privately and separately examined by me did declare that she does freely and voluntarily and without any compulsion dread or fear of any person or persons renounce release and forever relinquish unto them within named Edwin Edwards his-----interest and estate also all her right and claim of dower of in and to all and singular the premises within mentioned and released. Given under my hand and seal November 18th 1812?

Joseph Gaston

Nancy Steel

South Carolina Chester District-John McCreary appeared and made oath that he saw Thomas Steel sign seal and deliver the within Deed for the use and purposes therein-----that he with Cullen P. Powell in the presence of each other-----

Before me Joseph Gaston, J.Q. J McCreary

Thomas Steel to Edwin Edwards

Recorded in the Registers Office of Chester Distract in Deed Book U No 413 and pages 386 & 387 the 31st May 1823

A. Rosborough

South Carolina
Chester District

In Equity

James Wood, guardian ad Litem for his step children. heirs at law to their Father`s estate, Samuel McCreary, Dec`d the son of John McCreary and moving to himself for them all manner of Exceptions to the bill of Complaint answers in faith that he is well appraised of what complaints Bill----- and as complainants pray for a writ of partition and division of the real estate of John McCreary, Sr.-----such other relief as the court may give: This defendant as guardian ad litem of the above named children cannot show any good cause why a partition and division of the real estate of John McCreary, Se., dec`d should not be made. He therefore consents for and on their part that a writ of Partition do issue. This defendant would beg leave further to suggest that it would be better for the interest of the minor children that the whole of the lands set forth in Complainants Bill of Complaint----- and the portion which may be coming to them paid them in money. Invested in something more beneficial or take such direction as the commissioners may think more to the advantage or benefit of the above named

Eaves and Thomson by comment of James
Wood, Dept.

South Carolina

Chester District---Personally came before me, James Wood and on oath says the matter and things above stated are true so far as the same purports to be founded on his own knowledge and as far as the same purports to be founded on belief he believes it to be true.

James Wood

Sworn before me this 15th May 1836
Samuel McAliley

South Carolina

Chester District

In Equity, June Term 1836

Sarah McCreary, widow of John McCreary, Sen., dec`d, for herself and as guardian of her minor children, James M. McCreary, A. J. McCreary, Malissa McCreary and Martha McCreary saving and reserving to herself and for them all manner of exceptions to the Bill of Complainants. Answering saith that she is informed Complainants Bill if filed seeking a partition and

division of the real estate of her late husband, Dec'd John McCreary, Sen. And that she for her own part and as guardian of her above name children, on their part cannot show any good cause why partition and division of the real estate set out in complainants Bill as belonging to said deceased should not be made. She on her part and on the part of her children as above named as their guardian as aforesaid consents to a writ of partition do issue. And that the prayer of complainants by the Bill be granted and she hopes and trust her rights and the rights of her minor children will be protected by the court: and that such decree may be had of the premises to the consideration and guarding cause of the court.

Eaves and Thomson

South Carolina Chester District

Personally came before me Mrs. Sarah McCreary and on oath says the matters and things as above set forth are true so far as the purports to be founded on her own knowledge: and so far as-----same purports to be founded on belief she believes it to be true.

Sworn before me this 19th day of May 1836 Sarah McCreary

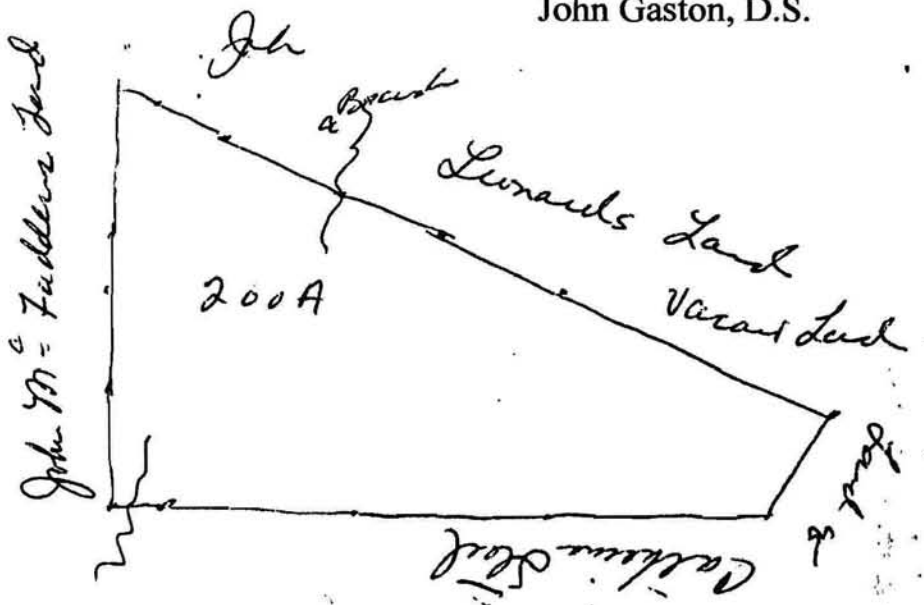
Joseph McMullan

South Carolina

Pursant to a precept from John Bremar, Esq. D.S.G. dated the second day of April A.D. 1771. I have admeasured and laid out unto Catherine Steel, a tract of land containing two hundred acres situated on the waters of Fishing Creek. Bounded on the N side with John McFaddens land and on the E side with John Leonard's land and part of the same line and the South end is bounded with vacant land and the W side is bounded with the said Catherine Steel's land, and hath such form shape and marks as the Plat below represents-

Certified by me on the twenty and third day of September A.D. 1771

John Gaston, D.S.



James Crain

El ux el al

In Equity, June Term 1836

Vs

Sarah McCreary

Bill for Partition of Real Estate

The Commissioner to whom a writ of partition was directed to make partition and division of all the real estate of which John McCreary, Sr. died seized and possessed—having made this return and having valued all the lands in question and returned a plat thereof: that part of the plat marked A contains 220 ½ acres at \$6.70 per acre; making the sum of \$1477.35; Plat B containing 311 acres valued at \$6.64 per acre, making the sum of \$2065.04-; Plat C containing 319 ½ acres valued at \$7.90 per acre making the sum \$2524.05—Plat D containing 132 acres valued at \$6.00 per acre making the sum of \$792.00- the whole making the sum total of 6858.44. In the annexed plat including in the red dotted lines (formerly belonging to the estate of Samuel McCreary, Sr., dec'd) containing 130 acres: the one half thereof having been purchased by the administrator of John McCreary, deceased for the benefit of the estate; out of the funds of said estate from the heirs of S. M. Talford; the other half falling to the estate since the death of John McCreary, the widow receiving no dower; the half valued being \$416 this sum substracted from the whole leaves a balance of \$6442.44, one third of which is \$2147.48. The recommend the plat marked C containing 319 ½ acres amounting to \$2524.05 be assigned to the widow Sarah McCreary, she paying the excess over her share being \$376.57. The further recommend that the Plats marked A-B-C be sold separately as laid down on the plat, on the premise on or about the second Monday in November next to the highest bidder, on a credit of one, two and three years with interest from the date of sale; that out of the sale the \$416 in which the heirs of Samuel McCreary, deceased has no interest, can be substracted and reserved for the other heirs, and the balance as collected equally distributed amongst the heirs at Law of the deceased.

On the motion of Eaves and Morrison, complaints Solicitors-

It is ordered that the Commissioners return together with the general plat accompanying the same be received, and necome the decree of this court, and Plat marked C containing 319 ½ acres of land be vested in Sarah McCreary (widow of John McCreary, Sr. deceased) and her heirs for ever but to stand pledged for the payment of \$376.57 (being the excess over the amount of her interest in the said land) to the other legatees. It is further ordered that the commissioner of the court do sell the plats marked A B & D which contain 672 acres in all; separately at Chester Court House on the

second Monday in November first or on some convenient day thereafter on a credit of one, two, and three years with interest from the date, taking bonds and approved security so much as will pay the expenses of this suit which he require to be paid down in cash.

William Harper

South Carolina

Pursant to the annexed writ of Partition, We, the undersigned Commissioners have made the following valuation, viz; that the part of the plat (annexed) marked A containing 220 ½ acres at \$6.70 per acre, making the sum of \$1477.35—Lot B containing 311 acres valued at \$6.64 per acre making the sum of \$2065.04—Lot C containing 319 ½ acres, valued at \$7.90 making the sum of 2525.05—Lot D containing 132 acres valued at \$6.00 per acre making the sum of \$792.00—The whole making the sum total of 6858.44. In the annexed plat—included in the red dotted lines (formerly belonging to the Estate of Samuel McCreary, Sr., dec'd) containing 130 acres, the one half thereof having been purchased by the Administrators for the benefit of the estate (from the heirs of S. M Talford) the other half falling to the estate, since the death of the deceased of which, the widow receiving no dower, the half value being \$416.00. This sum substracted from the whole leaves a balance of \$5442.44—one third of which is \$2147.48. We recommend that the part marked C containing 319 ½ acres amounting to \$2524.05 be assigned to the widow Sarah McCreary on the pay of a balance of #376.57. We further recommend that the part marked A, B, and D be sold separately as laid down in the plat on the premises on or about the 2nd Monday in November next to the highest bidder on a credit of one, two, & three years, with interest from the date, that out of the sales the \$416.00 in which the heirs of Samuel McCreary, Jr, deceased, have no interest, can be substracted and reserved for the other heirs, and the balance as collected equally distributed among the heirs at law of the dec'd. Given under our hands and seals this 23rd day of June 1836.

D.B. Stinson (Daniel Greene Stinson-J.A)

Joseph Gaston

John Ferguson

William Heath

J.B. McCully

Chester
James Crain Commissioner's Return
et al
VS
Sarah McCreary File 84
Widow, et al

James Crain
et al In Equity
VS
Sarah McCreary To
widow, et al

To Samuel McAliley, commissioner of the court of Equity for
Chester District-

The petition of James Wood, shows that Elizabeth McCreary, Delila
McCreary, and Margaret McCreary, children of Samuel McCreary, dec'd,
are minor children under the age of twenty one, and heirs at law of their
father, Samuel McCreary, Jr. dec'd, to his interest which would have fell to
him as heir at Law of a portion of the Land of his Father, John McCreary,
dec'd and they are entitled to his share of said estate amongst themselves
equally as there is no person to attend to their interest in said estate of John
McCreary, dec'd.

Your petitioner prays he may be appointed their guardian ad Litum to
attend to their interest in the premises according to the act of 1830 in such
cases made and provided.

James Wood

I accept of the guardianship ad Libum of Elizabeth McCreary, Delila
McCreary and Margaret McCreary, May 15, 1836

James Wood

On motion of Eaves and Thomson Complainants Sol, It is
ordered that James Wood be appointed guardian ad Litem of Elizabeth
McCreary, Delila McCreary, and Margaret McCreary, minor children of
Samuel McCreary, dec'd.

Samuel McAliley C.E. C.D.

James Crain

Et al

VS

Sarah McCreary

Et al

Bill for Partition

In obedience to a decutat(?) order of this court in the case to sell the land of which partition was prayed and which was ordered to be sold and sold the said as follows:

Sold tract plat D containing 132 acres to Captain Francis Ingram at \$22.00 per acre.

Tract plat A containing 220 ½ acres to same person at \$12.62 ½ per acre:
tract plat C containing 319 ½ acres to the same person at \$10.75 per acre-

The amount of the entire sale is seven thousand six hundred and seven dollars and forty three cents.

The Commissioner having complied recommends that the sale be con-

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Samuel McAliley

C. E.C.D.

June 22nd, 1837

On motion of Eaves and Thomson, Com Sol, it is ordered that the commissioners report be confirmed and become the judgement of the court

J. Whiston

June 27, 1837

The State of South Carolina

Know all men by these present that I, James Kennedy of the district of Fairfield, in the state aforesaid in consideration of the sum of fifty nine dollars to me paid by John McCreary of the district of Chester in the State aforesaid have granted sold and released, and by these present do grant, bargain, sell and release unto the said John McCreary all that tract of parcel of land containing fifty nine acres, situated in said district of Chester on the Rocky Mount Road between the waters of Fishing Creek and Rocky Creek bounded to the west and south west by north by land surveyed for Robert

Little and to Adam Trout which then runs nearly parallel with the road and on all other sides by the said McCreary's own land being part of a tract of land granted to me the said James Kennedy for four hundred and five acres the third day of April 1786- and also all my claim of right to about thirty three acres of the same grant contained in the lines of a part of a tract of land surveyed for James Higgans the 31st day of January A.D. 1770 for 200 acres and granted to John McCreary to the said John McCreary.

Together with all singular rights, members, hereditaments and appurtenances to the said premises belonging, or in anywise incident of appertaining: to have and to hold all and singular the premises before mentioned unto the said John McCreary, his heirs and assigns forever: and I do hereby bind myself and my heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend all and singular the said premises unto the said John McCreary -----

John Barber	James Kennedy
Samuel McCreary, Jr.	
Sarah Strong	

John Barber proved Sept. 1826

State of South Carolina

Know all men by these present that we, William and Ann Gaston of the County of Chester and State of South Carolina in consideration for the sum of twenty pounds sterling to us paid by Samuel McCreary of the County and State aforesaid have granted, bargained, sold and released and by these present do grant bargain, sell and release unto Samuel McCreary all that tract of land containing one hundred acres (granted to William Gaston the---- of October A.D. 1767 by his Excellency Charles Greville Montague, Governor of South Carolina, situated in the County and State aforesaid on the waters of Fishing Creek: beginning at an Oak on the west side of said creek running thence S 70 E 31 chains 62 to a stake thence N 20 W 31 chains 62 to a stake thence N70 E 31 chains 62 to a stake thence S20 E 31 chains 62 to the beginning: together with all and singular the rights members, hereditaments and appertences to the said premises belonging or in anywise appertaining to have and to hold all and singular the premises before mentioned unto the said Samuel McCreary, his heirs and assignees forever. We do hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executor, and

administrators to warrant and forever defend all and singular the said premises unto the said Samuel McCreary, his heirs and assigns against ourselves and our heirs and against every other person whomsoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof----Witness our hands and seals this 11th day of March A.D. one thousand seven hundred and Ninety six and of the Independence of the United States of North America, the twentieth

Signed and delivered in the presence of:

James L. Gaston
Aaron Lockhart
John Williams

William Gaston
Ann B Gaston

State of S.C.

Chester, County

Personally appeared before me and made oath that the within release for the purposes therein mentioned and that he did see James L. Gaston and John Williams, set their names thereto as subscribing witnesses with himself-Sworn before me this 11th day of March 1786

Aaron Lockart

William Gaston J.C., C.

William Gaston, Esq

To John McCreary Deeds

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Recorded in the office of Chester County, S.C. in Deed Book E; Pages 228
this 14th day of September 1796

Test Samuel Lacey, Clerk

State of South Carolina

Know all men by these present that we, Ann Higgans and John James Higgans of the County of Spartanburg and State aforesaid for and in consideration of the sum of thirty two pounds ten shillings----to us in hand

paid by John McCreary of the County of Chester and State aforesaid have granted bargained sold and released and by these present do grant bargain sell and release unto the said John McCreary all that plantation of tract of land containing two hundred acres (except what is taken out by an older grant to John Leonard): situated on the West side of Fishing Creek in the said County of Chester: beginning at a Hickory on the bank of said creek at the mouth of a small drain, thence N 76 W 35 C to a stake, thence N 20 W 41 chains to a pine, thence S 50 W 19 Chains to a Black Oak bounded of said John McCreary's land then N 20 W 15 chains to a stake thence N 80 E 12 chains to a pine, thence N 50 E 15 chains to a stake bounded by James Kennedy's and said John McCreary's land: thence S 20 E 14 chains to a stake thence N 70 E 51 chains 62 L to an Ash bounded by lands granted to William Gaston and thence down to the creek, then meanders thereof to the beginning; being a tract of land granted to James Higgins, the 30th day of Sept. AD 1774—together will all and singular the rights, members, hereditaments, and appurtenances to the said property belonging or in anyway incident of appertaining: to have and to hold all and singular the premises before mentioned unto the said John McCreary, his heirs and assigns forever; and we hereby bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend and all and singular the said premises (with the above exception) unto the said John McCreary, his heirs and assigns against ourselves and our heirs and against any person whosoever lawfully claiming or to claim the same or any part thereof. Witness our hands and seal this twenty fourth day of May, one thousand seven hundred and ninety nine and of American Independence the twenty third.

Signed, sealed and delivered in

Presence of

J. Harrison
David Qualls
James Edington

her mark

X

Ann Higgans
John J. Higgans

State of S.C.

Personally appeared David Qualls before me and made oath as the law directs that he saw Anne Higgans and John James Higgans sign and deliver

the within Deed of Conveyance to John McCreary, Esq. For the use an purposes within mentioned—Also he saw the subscribing witnesses, witness the same-sworn and subscribed the 24th May 1799.

J Harrison, J S C
Ann Higgans etc

David Qualls

To John McCreary, Esq.

Recorded in Office of Chester County Deed Book G Page 109 & 110, this 16th day of August 1799

Test Samuel Lacey, Clerk

Exhibit B

Buried At Cedar Shoals Cemetery- Chester County, S.C. Highway

1. Dr. A J McCreary/died Feb. 9, 1864/aged 43 years-so born 1821
2. Martha J. McCreary/consort of Dr. A J McCreary/died November 30, 1866/age 41 years, so born 1825
3. Sarah Jane McCreary/wife of Thomas Peden/born Oct 27, 1847/died March 1, 1880
4. Thomas Peden/June 10, 1841/ died February 21, 1908/ member of 6th S C Infantry C S A
5. Lorick Ingram/son of Captain F P Ingram & MJ Ingram/born Jan 11, 1846/ d Aug 24 1864 C S A
6. Margaret Selina Ingram/daughter of F P & M J Ingram/ born July 19, 1844/ d Feb 17, 1865
7. Edward Young/son of F P and M J Ingram/ Born April 6, 1853/d Dec. 3, 1855
8. Mary Jane Ingram/wife of Francis P Ingram/ born Feb 14, 1822/ Died May 22, 1853 in the 32nd year of her age
9. Francis P Ingram/Born Aug. 11, 1813/ Died Nov 26, 1867/ was a Mason
10. Francis Ingram/ Died Nov 10, 1852/ in the 69th year of his age-so born 1783
11. Dorcas Montgomery/widow of Francis Ingram/ wife of G B Montgomery/died April 9, 1865/ aged 62 years, 4 months and 17 days ca 1803

- 12.G B Montgomery/ born Feb. 12, 1806/ Died March 14, 1884-Buried Old Union, ME near Fort Lawn
- 13.Martha Gaston Hicklin/sife of Dr. W J Hicklin/died Dec. 1846 in her 25th year- 1821
- 14.Malissa Atwood Hicklin/ wife of Dr. J.J. Hicklin/died 26 July 1844 aged 21 years 41 days – 1823-both Martha & Malissa were McCrearys

Old Burnt Meeting House Cemetery near Fishing Creek

John McCreary, Esquire/who died on the 4th of November 1833 in the 72nd year. He was the friend of the widow and the orphan. He was Sheriff of Chester District and for many years was Representative in both branches of the Legislature of South Carolina, and was a member of the House of Representatives of the United States.

Samuel McCreary/ who departed this life on the second day of March 1834 aged about 71 years/ He was among the first who constituted the Hopewell Baptist Church and was ordained pastor of said church on the 11th day of February, 1807. His first and last sermons were preached at the said church and his time was entirely devoted to the preaching of the gospel and it may truly be said of him, "Blessed are the Dead which die in the Lord for their works do follow them". The above is done by the Church in token of their love and esteem for the deceased.

Margaret McCreary/consort of John McCreary/died 6 March 1816-(chipped and therefore indecipherable) aged 52 years-

Ferrel, Ferrell

Anson County, NC deeds, Vol. 11: 1757-1766

Vol. 3, pp 215-216: 25 Feb. 1761, George Kenedy and William Ferrel and Phany and Elizabeth, their wives of Anson County, to John Green of same, for 20 pounds 100 acres on both sides of Camp Creek. George Kenedy (Seal), Phany Kenedy (X) (Seal), William Ferrel (Seal), Elizabeth Ferrell (X) (Seal). Wit: Robert McClenachan, David Kerr.

Vol. 6, p 88: 4 March 1760, Bartley White and Wife Lydia of Anson County, to George Kenedy and William Ferrell, both of same, for 15 pounds, 15 sterling, 100 acres on Camp Creek. Bartley White (Seal), Lydia White (X) (Seal). Wit: Robert Ramsey, Thomas Davis, Robert Salt.

Vol. 5, p 38: 5 May 1757, William Ferrall of Bladen Co. farmer to William Newberry of Anson, farmer, for 8 pounds proc. Money—1/2 of patent of 200 acres granted 9 Sept 1756, on N side Pee Dee, adj. William Coleman's line—William Ferall (seal), Wit: Thomas Underwood, Elizabeth Brown.

Vol. 3 p 250-251: 16 July 1765, William Newberry of Anson, to Joseph Dunham, for 40 pounds proc. Money—1/2 of 200 acres granted to William Ferrall, 27 Sept 1756, conveyed to sd. Newberry 5 May 1757—land N side of Pee Dee, on W side N fork of Mountain Creek, on the lower end of land patented to Joseph Dayson, formerly surveyed for William Coleman—William Newberry (seal), Wit: Samuel Williams, John Cartwright—Recorded according to law, Thomas Frohock, C.C.

Vol. 6, 0 427-428: 21 July 1759, Archibald Fisher, Ex of McCain Fisher and Thomas Steel, planters, to Stephen White, Blacksmith, all of Anson County, for 10 pounds proc. Money—265 acres—Archibald Fisher(seal), Thomas Steel(seal), Wit: Robert McClenachan, John Steel, Thomas Ferral.

Anson County, NC deeds-1749-1757

Vol. B, p 420: 30 August 1754, William Newberry, of Anson County, Carpenter, to Stephen Brown of same, planter, for 10 pounds Virginia money—100 acres granted to Newberry 17 Nov. 1753, on a branch of Cartledge's Branch—William Newberry (X) (seal), Witnesses- Morgan Brown, William Ferral.

Vol. C-1,073-74: 6 April 1754, John Haner of Anson County, Gentleman, to William Ferral of same, for 70 pounds sterling—land granted to John Newberry 8 Oct. 1747, 545 acres on south side of Mountain Creek—200 acres conveyed by John Newberry to John Hamer 10 June 1752—John Hamer (sear), Witnesses, Morgan Brown, Elizabeth Brown.

Vol. C0-1, p 75-76 19 April 1754, John Hamer to William Ferrall for 10 pounds—100 acres granted to Hamer 31 August 1753 on upper part of Mountain Creek—John Hamer (seal) Witnesses Morgan Brown, Stephen Brown

JVol. C-1 p 318-320: 23 July 1757, William Ferrall of Bladen County, to Morgan Brown of Anson, Surveyer, for 45 proclamation money---200 acres granted to John Newberry 6 Oct. 1747—on a branch of Mountain Creek—Sold by Newberry to John Hamer 19 June 1752—from Hager to Ferral 6 April 1754—William Ferrall(seal), Witnesses: John Hamer, Andrew Bieglan.

Vol. C-1, p358-361: 19 & 20 June 1758, John Anderson of Rowan County, planter, to John Dunn and William Cumming, of Rowan County, Attornies (lease 5 shillings release 50 pounds proclamation money)---300 acres on NE side of south fork of the Catawba, adjacent said Anderson's old line, Clark's Creek, deeded from estate of Granville 26 November 1757—John Anderson (seal)- Witnesses, John Ferrall, John Williams.

Vol. C-1 p 156-160: 28 Feb. 1755, Robert and Elizabeth McClanachan of Anson County to Thomas Williams of Chester County, Pennsylvania, for 45 pounds proclamation money, 408 acres, part of the plantation said McClanachan lives on---adjacent to Thomas Ferrel's—west side of the Catawba---Robert McClanachan (seal), Elizabeth McClanachan (seal): Witnesses, Andrew Pickens, James Patton.

JVol. C-1, p 431-432: 4 July 1754, Robert McClanachan, of Anson County, Gentleman, to Thomas Land of same, weaver, for 10 pounds money of Great Britain—213 acres on west side of the Catawba at Casper Culp's Corner, granted to McClenachan 25 Feb. 1754- Robert McClenachan(seal)- Witnesses, Charles Robinson, Jfames Patton, William Flemming.

Chester County, SC deeds

Thomas Ferrel to Henry Jordan:Deed book D p 127 Apr 1794, 300 acres.
David Ferrel to Thomas Neely: Deed Book K p 256, Nov 1804, mortgage.

David Ferrel to Capt. Isaac McFadden: Deed book N p 468 Aug. 1808, 2431/2 acres.

David Ferrel to Agnes Johnston: Deed book O. Oct 1809, 300 acres.
William Manson to Thomas Ferrel: Deed book D. p 123, Feb 1793, 150 acres.
John Millan to Matthew Ferrel: Deed B. ok BB p 42, Dec 1836, 158 acres

Abstracts

Deed Book K, p 256, Nov 1804: Agreement between David Farrell of Chester District, Wheelwright, and Thomas Neely, Saddler. David Farrell borrowed \$140 and gave stock of cattle as collateral.

Deed Book N, p 468, Aug 1808: David Farrell, planter, of Chester District to Captian Isaac McFadden \$660, 243 1/2 acres situated on each side of the dividing line between York and Chester Counties on Ferrel's Creek—being part of a tract of land granted to Thomas Farrell 31 March 1753 for 550 acres.

Deed Book O, p 170, 16 Oct 1806: David Farrell sold to Agnes Johnstone of Lancaster District that tract of land my 300 acres more or less being part of a grant to Thomas Ferrel on the west bank of the Catawba River. Jane (her mark) Farell, wife of David Farell signed her dower 17 Oct 1806. This was not recorded on the books until 1809.

Chester County Jury Lists

Thomas Ferrell served on jury duty at the following terms of court in Chester County, SC: January 1787, January 1789, June 1792. There are no estate papers for a Thomas Ferrel in either York or Chester Counties. In Fairfield County (which joins Chester County) there are estate papers for a Thomas S. Ferrel, William Robinson, William Robinson, EX—Appartment 48, p 736—Fairfield County Estate Records, SC State Archives, Columbia, SC.

On 14 November, 1825, William Robinson applied for letters of administration for the estate of Thomas S. Ferrel, dec'd. He was granted this. Appraisers of the estate appointed by probate court were: Thomas

Ferrel, John Wilson, John Robinson, James Robinson, and John Porter. The Estate Sale was 16 Dec. 1825.

Thomas Ferril, George Ferril, and David Ferril were purchasers at the sale, also several Robinsons. On 10 March 1828, Mr William Robinson, Administrator for the estate of Thomas S. Ferrell, was asked to give a list of the claims against the said estate to the court of Fairfield County.

William Robinson appeared before the court on 17 March to make full account of administration of the estate.

Lancaster County, SC Deeds

Book D- p 52-55: 1 May 1788, Henry Hunter Esq., Sheriff of the District of Camden to John Chestnut, of Camden, Esq., William Ferrel, late of the said State, deceased, was seized in his demesene as of Fee, of 350 acres on Hanging Rock Creek, known as Hanging Rock Plantation, at the time of his demise, in the hands of Elizabeth Ferrel, Extr. Of L.W.& T. of said William Ferrel, and said William Ferrel: being indebted to James Hacket—action in the Court of Common Pleas in the year 178- at Camden for 76 pounds 4 shillings 6 pence- Henry Hunter, Witnesses John Brevard, Daniel Brown- Proved by Joseph Brecard, 10 Jan. 1789 before I, Alexander, J.P.

Book F, p 52-54: 12 June 1777, John Ferrel, of St. Mark's Parrish, Craven County to Robert Stewart of Mecklinburg County, NC for 17 pounds 10 shillings part of the land William Patton now lives on purchased by Ferrel from Patton. John Ferrel (seal)

Witnesses: John Doulass—John Drennon, Proved in York County, SC by John Drennan before Hugh White, J.P. 8 Aug. 1897

Book C- p 193-194: John McMeen of Lancaster District, hatter, for \$621 to John Ferrel, land whereon said Ferrel now resides conveyed by William McMeen and his mother Elizabeth to Samuel Haggins, 7 May 1796, and conveyed 7 Sept, 1802 to my brother James & self, land on both sides of Bear Creek conveyed to me by my brother William McMeen 180-, 94 acres---1 Feb. 1908. John McMeen(seal)

Witnesses -James McMeen, Matt James Neely- John McMeen (seal) plat included, Mary Matilda McMeen, wife of John, relinquished dower, 19

April 1808. Proved James McMeen 2 Sept. 1808.

Book G, p 352-353- John Ferrel representative of James Cousar dead.

Book F, p 51-52: 10 June 1776, William Patton & wife Elizabeth of St. Mark's Parrish Craven County, to John Ferrell of same, for 100 pounds part of land where on said Patton now lives, adj. to William White 117 acres-

William Patton(seal) Elizabeth(seal)
Witnesses- Robert Stewart—John Johnson- Joseph McCulah, Proved by Joseph McCulah 12 June 1777 before Jno. Drennon, J.P.

Blaney Bible

James Blaney Sr. was born November 6, 1857.

Levania Elder Blaney was born Oct 26, 1863.

James E. Blaney was born May 4, 1882.

Maggie Jane Blaney was born Sept. 28, 1885

William Blaney was born Feb. 11, 1880

Bessie Blaney was born Nov. 23, 1893

John Blaney was born Aug. 30, 1898

Henry Wylie Blaney was born Oct. 30, 1903

James Blaney Sr, died Apr 4 1910 at 12:30

Joseph Wylie Anderson, Jr. ddied Jan 11, 1914 at 2 pm

Robert Barber Anderson died Apr 1, 1915

WE Blaney died July 31, 1937

Mrs. L M Blaney died April 8, 1941

REAnderson died March 15, 1946

James E. Blaney died March 17, 1952

WB Gladden died June 21, 1958

JW Anderson died Mar. 20, 1959

HW Blaney died Jan. 31, 1963

Mrs. JW (Maggie) Anderson died Oct 9, 1970

Thank you

We wish to thank everyone for renewing so promptly. It really makes our job much easier to get it all done almost at one time.

**SOME LETTERS FROM THE CONFEDERATE WAR ERA
WITH RELATED WILKES FAMILY HISTORY
PART ONE**

By Ellen Bramlett Clarke

DR. JOHN WESLEY WILKES, my great-great grandfather, was the son of Richard and Alice (Roden) Wilkes. He was born in the Baton Rouge section of Chester County, South Carolina, on April 14, 1809. He attended the Medical College in Charleston for about six months in late 1828 to March 1829 and was called "Doctor Wilkes" for the rest of his life--even though he never practiced medicine. Dr. Wilkes was a very prominent man in his community and in Chester County. After his marriage to CYNTHIA COLVIN CORNWELL on September 10, 1833, he lived near Baton Rouge on the old Asa Darby, Sr. place, which he inherited from his father, Richard. He and Cynthia became parents of eleven children - all of whom were born at this place. In 1855, he purchased a large tract of land from his wife's nephew, Obadiah Sealy, in the Halsellville Township of Chester County and moved there. Dr. John Wesley Wilkes died on his plantation March 12, 1868. His wife Cynthia, daughter of Eli and Rhoda (Colvin) Cornwell, was born August 28, 1810, and died January 10, 1873. Both husband and wife were buried in the cemetery of Calvary Baptist Church in Baton Rouge.

The children of John Wesley and Cynthia Wilkes were:

1. Eli Cornwell Wilkes, b. November 17, 1835; d. September 4, 1863
2. Richard Wilkes, b. August 23, 1837; d. June 6, 1864
3. William Thomas Wilkes, b. May 16, 1839; d. June 9, 1863
4. John Wesley Wilkes, Jr., b. March 4, 1841; d. January 1, 1928
5. Rhoda Elizabeth Wilkes, b. November 26, 1842; d. January 13, 1866
6. Jesse Cornwell Wilkes, b. May 10, 1844; d. March 2, 1859
7. Joseph Carter Wilkes, b. December 22, 1845; d. November 10, 1855
8. Martha Alice Wilkes, b. February 5, 1848; d. April 14, 1918
9. Benjamin Franklin Wilkes, b. December 20, 1849; d. May 28, 1937
10. George Washington Wilkes, b. March 29, 1852; d. May 3, 1852
11. Levi Roden Wilkes, b. June 12, 1853; d. August 6, 1893

After South Carolina seceded from the Union, the four older sons of John and Cynthia Wilkes responded quickly to the call to enlist in the Confederate Army. So committed to the cause were they that each furnished his own horse, saddle, and equipment. The equipment probably included cooking utensils, tents, bedding, and guns. The Wilkes brothers fought proudly and gallantly for the ideals in which they so staunchly believed. Of necessity, they endured many hardships in an army unprepared for lengthy conflict. Living conditions in the camps were not sanitary and there was no protection from deadly, contagious diseases. The latter were as much to be feared as wounds received from the weapons of the enemy. Food for both soldiers and horses was often scarce and the Virginia winter was much harsher than what they were accustomed to. Fighting for their noble cause extracted a deadly toll -- after the war, only one of the Wilkes sons returned alive.

Some insight into that historical era can be gained from letters written home from two of these young soldiers to their younger sister, MARTHA ALICE WILKES. A collection of these eloquently penned letters is presented in this article. Copies of the

letters were among the papers of my father, John Wesley Bramlett, Sr., grandson of John Wesley Wilkes, Jr. and son of Dr. John Wilson and Eva Wilkes Bramlett. After the untimely death of Dr. Bramlett, the widowed Eva and her two young children moved back to her father's home in Baton Rouge. John Wesley Bramlett (born November 29, 1904) grew up and lived there until he died December 16, 1982. His childhood was steeped in stories of the Confederacy and of those young patriots in the community who volunteered for the challenges of war. From both his grandfather and his mother, he learned much about the families in Chester County. In his later life, he developed an active and consuming interest in family history research and was a major contributor to the History and Genealogy of Thomas Wilkes and His Descendants by Ivan E. Bass in 1965. My father provided the three Wilkes letters published in the Bass book; this article includes those three and two others. One letter is from Eli and four are from Thomas; all were written while they were stationed in Virginia. Also included in this collection is a sixth letter from an older friend identified only as Sallie. Before these are presented, an introduction of Alice, the recipient of the letters, is in order.

MARTHA ALICE WILKES was nearing fifteen years of age when the first letters were written. She was a schoolgirl who, it seems, maintained an active correspondence with her brothers. Alice, as she was known, was born on February 5, 1848, the sixth child and second of two daughters, to Dr. John Wesley and Cynthia Colvin (Cornwell) Wilkes. On January 16, 1866, a few weeks before her eighteenth birthday, she married ALEXANDER WALKER WISE. Alex, born September 13, 1839, was a distinguished Confederate veteran. According to his obituary, he was one of two surviving members of the five companies- Calhoun Guards, Chester Blues, Catawba Guards, Pickens Guards, Chester Guards - that left Chester, South Carolina, on April 11, 1861, to serve in the Confederate Army. He saw the first gun fired at Fort Sumter and remained in active service until the end of the war on April 26, 1865. Noted for his courageous behavior on the battlefield, he was fortunate to escape serious injury. After the war, Judge Wise took over the cultivation and management of the old Wilkes plantation in the Halsellville Township of Chester County. For many years, he oversaw the annual planting and gathering of crops on the vast fields there and prospered. In 1912, he and Alice gave up country life and moved to Church Street in the city of Chester. Alex was elected Judge of Probate in 1915 and served in this position until he retired in 1927. He was widely respected for his counsel and administration of the duties of the office of probate. Alice died on April 14, 1918, and was buried in the cemetery of Calvary Baptist Church in Baton Rouge. Alex died June 11, 1929, and was buried at Calvary beside his wife.

The following children were born to Judge and Mrs. Wise:

1. John Brenton Wise, b. December 16, 1866. D. October 11, 1904.
2. Rhoda Luella Wise, b. September 29, 1868; d. October 18, 1870
3. Cynthia Ann Wise, b. August 3, 1870; d. March 10, 1953
4. Jane Isabelle Wise, b. October 5, 1872; d. September 5, 1951
5. May McLurkin Wise, b. May 1, 1875; d. October 7, 1961
6. Levi Thurman Wise, b. April 9, 1877; d. June 21, 1889
7. Alexander Clifton Wise, b. September 2, 1879; d. January 29, 1962
8. Margaret Alice Gertrude Wise, b. September 20, 1882; d. March 30, 1940
9. Wesley Wilkes Wise, b. November 27, 1886; d. January 17, 1977

The first letter to Alice from her brother ELI CORNWELL WILKES amply reflects not only the idealism prevalent in Southern soldiers but also the depressing realities of war.

Following the letter is some family information about Eli and his brothers, Frank, Levi, and Richard.

Camp Rapidan
Christmas Eve
Dec 24, 1862

My Dear Sister,

Your letter was received days since and I would have answered before but I've been so constantly moving that I could not with any satisfaction. Tomorrow is Christmas, a day which in the halcyon of boyhood, I hailed with the wildest demonstrations of joy those happy days of Christmas which are past and gone but still remembered. The rabbit hunts and various other innocent sports in which we were accustomed to revel are brought most vividly to my mind. In Imagination I can picture the old red hills of Chester where I've romped and played in happier days. We are far away from home now engaged in battling for the independence of our country and when the loud thunder of war is hushed and our country's flag triumphant, then our hearts will swell with pride, because we'll have the proud consciousness that we are numbered with the champions of liberty.

A great and most bloody battle has been fought at Fredericksburg, resulting in a glorious victory for our army. We did not lose as many men as our enemy, but sufficient to cast gloom and grief around many happy friends. We were near and heard the cannon distinctly, but it was our lot to be engaged as we had other important points to guard. We have a noble General and he has a gallant band of veterans to command. We give the Yankees little rest. At the hour of midnight when they think we are far away, Marion-like, with a yell, sufficient to awake the demons of perdition, we are charging these camps with flashing sabres and woe to the Yankee who offers resistance. But when the surrender quarter is given, no brave soldier will strike an enemy when he surrenders. At our picket post, I often talk to the Yankees and they have so far behaved like gentlemen and soldiers. One soldier will sympathize with another even if he is an enemy.

We all have very trying times but I feel as enthusiastic now as the day the war commenced. This time we are all tired of war, but I am willing and I know it to be the universal sentiment of the army to fight, ay, to the last ditch and mountain. Our land has been consumed with blood, battles have been fought which have startled the world but war still rages with unparalleled fury. They will never conquer us.

Tell Frank and Levi I wish them a good rabbit hunt tomorrow. Tell the rest, Pa and Ma and all our relations and friends, I wish them a Merry Christmas. Yes, I do wish them all pleasures. Tell them I'm more happy than might be expected. Yes, harnessed and equipped in my country's cause, I'm happy, proud that I'm a Confederate soldier. Who wouldn't be a soldier? I glory in the title of an humble private. In my heart is the cause. When the day of battle comes, I do not quake and tremble like a poltroon, but am proud to follow the headlong brave, to victory or death. What is death but parting breath, and where else would a SOUTHERN SOLDIER wish to die than on the proud and encrimsoned field of glory. Our brigade has become a terror to the Yankees. General Hampton, a perfect Gen., always leads the charge, and who's scared when he is not. He is a native South Carolinian, and is worshipped by his men, noble, magnanimous and fearlessly brave.

Give all my love. Tell them I would like to shake their hands tomorrow. Soon, write again and I'll try to write a better letter.

Yours,
E. C. Wilkes

ELI CORNWELL WILKES, oldest child of Dr. John Wesley and Cynthia Colvin (Cornwell) Wilkes, was born on November 17, 1835. On March 24, 1859, he married **MARY LOU HAWTHORNE**, daughter of Robert Hawthorne, in Chester County, South Carolina. They had one son, Eli Alston Wilkes (August 17, 1861- February 17, 1912).

Eli C. Wilkes enlisted in the Confederate Army at Chester, South Carolina, on July 28, 1862, under Captain W. A. Walker. He served as a private in Company D, First Regiment, South Carolina Cavalry. After the Battle of Gettysburg (it began July 1, 1863), Eli contracted typhoid fever during the retreat of the Confederate forces. He became so feverishly ill that he had to dismount his horse and lay down on the side of the road. Some hours later, he was rescued and taken to the home of Colonel Yancey on the Shenandoah River near McGaheysville, Rockingham County, Virginia. His devoted wife Lou was notified of his serious illness and traveled the hazardous route from South Carolina to reach his bedside. Despite the loving care he received, Eli died on September 4, 1863. His body was brought back home and buried at Calvary Baptist Church Cemetery in the Baton Rouge section of Chester County. The young widow and their two year-old son, Eli Alston, returned to live at her father's home in Fairfield County. Lou later married Colonel **RICHARD WOODS**.

Frank and Levi were younger brothers of Eli and Alice and were but mere youngsters when the war began. Further information about them is provided below.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WILKES, ninth child of Dr. John Wesley and Cynthia Colvin (Cornwell) Wilkes, was born December 20, 1849, near Baton Rouge. Frank, as he was known, was a farmer in the Halsellville community of Chester County and also served as a constable for several years. He and **MARY JANE JOHNSON** of Landsford in Chester County, were married December 18, 1873. Mary Jane was born December 8, 1852, and died May 4, 1922; Frank died on May 28, 1937. Both were buried in the cemetery of Calvary Baptist Church. The children of Frank and Mary Jane Wilkes were:

1. John Wesley Wilkes, b. November 10, 1874; d. July 17, 1943
2. Ena Belle Wilkes, b. September 27, 1876; d. August 8, 1877
3. Emma Johnson Wilkes, b. June 4, 1878; d. October 15, 1951
4. Jessie Clyde Wilkes, b. November 19, 1880; D. April 13, 1963
5. Robert Cleveland Wilkes, b. March 6, 1884; d. November 4, 1958
6. Paul Hayne Wilkes, b. July 25, 1886; d. June 17, 1950
7. Sallie Alice Wilkes, b. October 5, 1889; d. January 24, 1967
8. Thomas Franklin Wilkes, b. February 4, 1894; d. January 29, 1990

LEVI RODEN WILKES, eleventh and youngest child of Dr. John Wesley and Cynthia Colvin (Cornwell) Wilkes, was born June 12, 1853. He married **NANCY HARDIN**, daughter of Captain Obadiah and Paulina (Worthy) Hardin, at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church February 27, 1878. He lived and farmed near Chester, South Carolina. Levi died at the age of forty on August 6, 1893, and was buried in the graveyard of Woodward Baptist Church, on S. C. Highway 16 (Ashford Road) south of Chester. Nancy (Nannie) was born about 1856 and died April 14, 1931. The children of Levi and Nancy Wilkes were:

1. Floyd Adin Wilkes, b. January 9, 1881; d. May 2, 1945.
2. Ashbel Hardin Wilkes, b. November 9, 1882; d. October 6, 1959
3. Carl Cornwell Wilkes, b. June 20, 1885; d. September 15, 1972
4. Vance Gordon Wilkes, b. November 22, 1888; d. July 26, 1930

5. Ethel Wilkes, b. September 20, 1891; d. July 5, 1973

Even though he wasn't named in the letters, it seems fitting to add some information about Richard Wilkes, another brother of Alice, who also served in the Confederate Army.

RICHARD WILKES, second son of Dr. John Wesley and Cynthia Colvin (Cornwell) Wilkes, was born near Baton Rouge, Chester County, South Carolina, on August 23, 1837. He married **MARY E. CLARK TIMS**, daughter of Joseph T. and Cicely (Simpson) Tims, April 10, 1856. Mary was born August 3, 1840. Richard enlisted in the Confederate Army and was a member of Company H, First South Carolina Infantry Regiment. While stationed in Virginia, Corporal Wilkes contracted a severe case of measles and died of complications at Jackson Hospital in Richmond on June 6, 1864. His body was brought home and buried in the Cornwell Cemetery, six miles southwest of Chester. Before he entered service, Richard and his family lived on a farm near Chester, South Carolina. The following children were born to Richard and Mary Wilkes:

1. Jesse Simpson Wilkes, b. February 1, 1857; d. January 9, 1910
2. Cynthia Cornwell Wilkes, b. January 15, 1859; d. June 24, 1864
3. John Wesley Wilkes, b. October 21, 1860; d. December 27, 1861
4. Richard Wilkes, Jr., b. September 27, 1862; d. December 7, 1934
5. Mary Elizabeth Clark Wilkes, b. March 18, 1864; d. May 10, 1958

This is the end of Part One. Part Two will contain additional letters and family data.

National Historical Registry

The Nicholas Colvin, Jr. house, located on Halsellville Road, is on the National Historical Registry. The house was built around 1832, for the Colvin family. One of the Colvin daughters married a Fant. One of the Fant daughters married into the Durham family. All of the above lived in the house.

It has recently been made into a bed and breakfast home. As you travel through our area and need a place to stay, this is an opportunity to see the house and visit the area.

For further information: contact George & Susan Mower, 999 Halsellville Road, Chester, SC 29706. Phone:1-803-581-9916

SHORT HISTORY

We wish to thank one of our members for sharing this short history of some of the men and women, who left the area that is covered by this society. The counties of Chester-Fairfield-Lancaster-Union and York have helped open up other parts of the country.

"The Bulletin" PEOPLE IN WEST TENNESSEE

The area covered by "The Bulletin" has sent out many people to develop new frontiers, some had an early influence in Tipton and Obion Counties and in the history of West Tennessee. It was not until 1818 that Tennessee acquired what is now west Tennessee from the Chickasaw Indians by a treaty headed by Andrew Jackson, which extended the state to the Mississippi River.

One of the reasons for the migration from the Chester area was political. "Nullification" which caused bitter feelings, so bitter was the hatred which the parties showed towards each other, that many good men preferred to take their families to the west where peace and social position could be enjoyed without having to side with semi-revolutionist. In December 1832, President Andrew Jackson issued a proclamation denouncing the doctrine.

This west Tennessee land was known by many names,"Territory South of the Ohio", "The hunting grounds of the Chickasaw Indians", "the far West", and "New West".

The most fertile land in Tennessee is to be found along the Mississippi River which forms the western boundary of Tipton and Obion counties. At the time most people from SC came to western Tennessee counties, they found it sparsely settled and almost an unbroken forest of magnificent timber, the valleys and creek bottoms were densely covered with cane and game abounded.

The people who came to these western Tennessee counties were mostly tillers of the soil. Usually they left their homes in SC around Christmas, allowing three months to reach their new homes. They traveled in wagons with provisions for a year and in groups called "caravan", they drove their livestock that they would need in their new homes. They were a closely integrated group of families, their lives and destiny would be closely woven for the next one hundred and seventy five years.

They were mostly of the Associate Reformed Presbyterian (ARP) faith, and this has made tracing the families easier. These early settlers formed the first two ARP churches in Tipton and Obion counties in western Tennessee. Troy ARP Church in Obion, county is the oldest of the two churches-Salem ARP Church near Atoka, in Tipton County has survived and has prospered, the Troy Church closed about ten years ago.

Troy ARP Church

In the fall of 1832, Reverend Eleazar Harris, organized the Troy Church with 12 or 13 members. This is the first ARP Church organized in Western Tennessee. Church history states that Rev. Harris was from Chester County, SC. Rev. Harris taught school at Ebenezer Academy, York County, SC. The Troy Church was formed by Harpers and Hutchinsons, who left the banks of the Catawba River in York County, SC, December 24, 1824 and arrived February 17, 1825 in Obion County Tennessee. Obion history states 43 persons- James Harper and family- Samuel Hutchinson and family- William Hutchinson and family with some slaves arrived in 1824.

Reverend William Blackstock, ARP, ordained and installed in 1794 at Steel Creek-Ebenezer and Neely's Creek in York County, SC came among these Troy people. He rode horseback, to find and report back what had become of them. He preached under a large tree. It is thought that this might have been the first sermon preached in the county.

Reverend Blackstock's wife died April 26, 1810 at age 45 years. Her name was Sarah Hutchison. (Could this have motivated his trip to west Tennessee?) Several dates exist as to when Reverend Blackstock made his trip to Obion County. 1828 is given in "The Bulletin" page 162 December 2001-Obion History gives 1825 and ARP history states that he made two trips west, appointed by general ARP Synod, one a 14 week trip in 1821. It is probably that on the second such journey in 1827, he preached the first sermon ever delivered in Obion. Reverend Blackstock died October 1831.

Later another caravan formed in Carolina to come to Obion County. These include the names of Reeves, Garrison, Polk, Wade, Mills, Moffatt, Wilson, Lathan, Erwin and others. The towns of Reeves and Polk bear the names of these people.

James Harper

James Harper and wife Nancy came from Lancaster, SC, one of their 8 children, Benk Harper married Margaret E. Smith. They came to Obion in 1832 and were extensive land owners.

John Polk

John Polk and wife Agnes came in 1833. The family records state that John Polk was the son of Ezekiel Polk, if correct, then he was an uncle of President James K. Polk.

James Strong Moffatt

James Strong Moffatt, born 1808 in Chester County, SC, the 3rd child of John Strong Moffatt and Elizabeth Moffatt. James Strong Moffatt married his cousin Martha Moffatt in 1829. In 1840 they left SC for Troy, Tennessee. He bought land and opened a store, which continued for 93 years. (The JS Moffatt Co.)

McGowen

The McGowen family were among the first people to come to Obion County. In this caravan to Troy, there were 47 people, some of which were slaves. They came from Clover, SC in Lancaster County. They left Clover in 1821-spent time in Alabama, reaching Obion County in 1824. Most of the McGowen family are buried in the Ebenezer Cemetery near Troy.

Lester B Barnett

Lester B Barnett, the son of W M Barnett came to Obion County from Chester County in 1841. The population of Obion County, Tennessee in 1830 was just over 2000. Obion county was divided in 1870 to create Lake County on the west side of Obion.

Salem ARP Church

As early as 1830, if not before, Gardener Miller brought his family to Tipton County, Tennessee to make his home. He came from Fairfield County, SC. He was of the ARP faith. In 1831, William Simonton and his family came and located on land adjoining that of Mr. Miller. William Simonton was a ruling elder of Hopewell ARP Church. The population of Tipton County, Tennessee was 5,317 in 1830, and sparsely settled. In 1835, Tipton County was divided and Lauderdale County was formed from the northern half of the county known as Tipton north of the Hatchie River.

In the year 1832 and 1833, other families came and many of their names are in the Salem community today. Alexander Moore, his brother, J N Moore, Abner Matthews, Lusk Davis, H.J. McCain, Esq., Dr. John Cooper, John Cooper, and John Irwin. These men were mostly farmers.

There were about a dozen families of the ARP faith and living near enough to meet in one place. They gathered on the 28th day of January, 1835 at the home of Abner Matthews, where a resolution was made to devise some way or means of having the gospel preached among them. William Simonton(spelled Simondon at that time) as moderator and William Ross McCain as clerk.

They secured Reverend John Wilson, born July 13, 1805 in Chester County, SC, the son of Archibald Wilson, as part time preacher and the Salem ARP Church was organized June 19, 1836. Two elders were added in 1836-1838, James McLerkin and Andrew J. McQuiston, both from Hopewell ARP Church in Chester County.

Hugh Johnson McCain

Hugh Johnson McCain at age 50 moved to Tipton County in 1834 with his family and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Margaret Nesbit Moore, McCain, who was also his step-mother. Hugh Johnson McCain, Born February 9, 1785-died September 21, 1870, married Martha Moore, born October 8, 1786, SC-died January 22, 1861, the daughter of James Moore and Margaret Nesbit. Margaret Nesbit, Moore was the 2nd wife of Hugh Johnson McCain's father, William S. McCain, born 1756-died April 6, 1823 the son of Hugh McCain born 1729-died 1821. Hugh Johnson McCain helped organize the Salem ARP Church-8 McCains were charter members and a slave named Pink was a charter member. Pink is referred to as the servant of Hugh Johnson McCain on church records.

William Wilson Simonton, Sr

William Wilson Simonton, Sr. was born February 3, 1790- d May 30, 1843 and his 3rd wife Catherin "Katie" Furguson, born 1806- Died Nov 9, 1869. They were charter members of the Salem ARP Church. William served as an elder in the church from 1836 until his death. He had been an elder in the Hopewell Church in Chester County, SC. At least four of his eleven children are buried at Salem.

William Ross McCain

William Ross McCain was born in 1807- died Nov. 10, 1860. He was the son of Hugh Johnson McCain. He married Margaret Strong Simonton, Born Oct 23, 1814- died Oct 1, 1854. She was the daughter of William Wilson Simonton, born Feb 3, 1790-d May 30, 1843. He is buried at Salem Cemetery. From Hopewell community- they came to Salem in 1831. William Ross McCain and Margaret Strong Simonton divorced and William Ross McCain married his 1st wife's cousin Mrs. Leticia or Letitie "Lotty" Strong, Simonton, born July 18, 1822d- Aug 23, 1877. She had previously married Archibald McQuiston Simonton, B Sept. 10, 1816-Died Nov 25, 1842.

Simonton (Simondon)

Simontons were connected with the New Hope ARP Church in northern part of Fairfield County, SC. Robert Simonton, b July 19, 1786- d Nov 12, 1862 and his brother William Wilson Simonton, b Feb. 3, 1790- d. May 30, 1843, The sons of John Simonton, Sr. b 1760- d Jan 31, 1841, a revolution war soldier (#AA-7015 and SE-L-415) and John Simonton's wife, Margaret Strong, b 1768-d 1828 the daughter of Charles Strong and Jenet Gaston. They came to Tipton County from Chester District, SC. They purchased 700 acres of land in the Salem community, and some of this land is still in the family. Robert Simonton married Margaret McQuiston, b June 6, 1795, the daughter of Archibald McQuiston. She died February 2, 1884, William Wilson Simonton, married three times, 1st Margaret Galloway, b 1792- d Oct 13, 1817- 2nd Mary McCill, b Jan 9, 1791- d Dec 6, 1825 and 3rd, Catherin "Katie" Furguson, b 1806-d Nov 9, 1869. The two brothers had large families. Robert had 10 children and William had 11 children. Many of these are buried in Salem Cemetery.

Alexander W. Smith

Alexander W. Smith, b 1796, County Antrim Ireland, d Aug. 13, 1870, Tipton County, Tennessee. His wife Esther Graham, b 1797- d April 30, 1864 in Tipton County Tennessee came to Salem with their son, James Graham Smith, b Sept. 18, 1828 Chester County SC- d Aug 5, 1905 in Troy, Obion County Tennessee, and Esther Graham Smith's father James Graham, son of David Graham, James Graham, b 1761 probably in County Antrim Ireland, he died 1837 in Salem, Tipton County, Tennessee- They came from Chester County, SC to Tipton County Tennessee spending a year in Alabama. They arrived in Salem in 1837.

James Graham, Esther's father had arrived on one of Rev. William Martins five ships the "Pennsylvania Farmer" Dec. 19, 1772. In early days he was a member of the Covenanters and he was a Revolutionary soldier (pension records_S 21786). They were members of the Hopewell ARP Church SC – all the above except James Graham Smith are buried at Salem, Tipton Count, Tennessee.

James Graham Smith married in 1854, Miss Sarah Eliza Allen, b May 1834- March 4, 1899, daughter of William Allen, b 1796- 1832 and Elizabeth ____ b 1802- d 1865.

James Graham Smith moved to Troy, Obion Co. TN and took charge of the Westbrook Academy, while teaching, he read law under Judge S W Cochran, and was admitted to the bar in 1857. He practiced law until his death.

When the Civil War began he espoused the Confederate cause, and when he was ordered to take the Federal Oath of Allegiance- for his refusal he was made a prisoner and confined to a military prison at St. Louis. All his family were members of the Troy ARP Church. They and their children are buried in the Smith Cemetery, Troy, TN.

Many of these early pioneers that came to West Tennessee, had family and friends back in SC., who I a short time came into the same part of the country, because they were coming to a place where they had a kindred relation with the people that were already settled.

These people were by their nature a close knit society, for the most part they were self-sufficient, willing to help their neighbors, strict in their religion, but not critical of other religions. Some have said they were of the belief that ARP's were born, not made.

In James M. Brice's book "I Had A Real Good Time", he (1862-1922) describes the churches of Troy, TN. When I was a young man, we went to the ARP church nearly every Sunday to hear Reverend Thomas Peden Pressly preach---There was no brilliance, no oratory, no influx of fresh thought, an eternal sameness,-----He had less enthusiasm than any other minister we ever heard. He felt, and deeply felt and plainly showed, an eternal interest in the spiritual welfare not only of his own church members, but of all the community. He was about the best and most pious man I ever knew. He was pastor of the church for over fifty years.

Again we wish to thank our member, Mr. James A. Smith, 2613 Portersville Rd. Atoka, Tennessee, 38004, for the above article.

Queries

- (02-01) **Bell**-Eva Walker Myer, 808 Treeline Drive, Brandon, MS 39042. E-mail; Emyer808@cs.com- I would like to share info with anyone working on Valentine Bell Family who left a will in 1799 in Chester Co. Children were: John, William, Sarah Powell, Mary Wilson, Nancy Boyd, Zephaniah Bell, Valentine Bell, and Fielder Atkinson. I am descended from the son, Valentine, who went to Madison Co. AL and later Maury Co. TN. It is believed that the older Valentine Bell had a father named Zephaniah, but not certain
- (02-02) **Lee, Anderson**-Sarah (Sally) Anderson, 145 Will Bomar Rd., Greer, SC, 29651-Henry Lee, daughter Nancy Lee. Looking for Wife and children. Also John A Anderson, b Kershaw Dist., m. Elizabeth Betsy Reid. Looking for John S. Parents, John B. ca 1763-1773- Will share info.
- (02-03) **Gettys**-Mamie Gettys Atkinson, 5845 Norton Circle, Flowery Branch, GA 30542-3808-John Gettys, b Co. Antrim, Ireland, is first seen in the 1790 census of Lancaster Co., SC. Among his children by his second wife, Ann Thompson, was John M Gettys, b February 7, 1802 in "The Washaws"-John M. Gettys wed Sarah ("Sally") McCue (also sp. McHugh). She was said to be from Chester County, and was a school teacher. They wed before 1830 and had issue. I need Their wedding date.-John M Gettys went off to the War with Mexico, died and Was buried there. Sally must have died in the 1840's. Need death date for her And location of her grave. Was she taken back to Chester Co. to be buried with Her people?
- (02-04) **Sincernee/St-Cerny, Yarborough**-Martha S. Barnes, 2992 Woodhaven Rd. Macon, GA 31204. E-mail-Stcerny@aol.com- Seeking info on marriage of Grandfather and grandmother, Joseph Sindernee/St-Cerny and Anna Elizabeth Yarborough, daughter of John Yarborough and Nancy Murphy. Anna Y. was Born 1857 in Ridgeway, SC. Joseph was born in Montreal, Canada in 1855 He was a butcher by trade.
- (02-05) **Schwartz**-Phillip J. Black, 930 Shirley Blvd. Arcata, CA. 95521-Info on two brothers named Schwartz. Came to SC from Alsacc-Lorraine-who changed their name to Black circa 1775
- (02-06) **Davis**- Roger Davis, 1187 N. Thompson Rd, Nipomo, CA 93444-9702-John Davis and his wife Mary A. Davis were both born in SC as were the children: Nancy, John George Lafayette, and Sarah J. The family was in Chambers County, AL in 1860 except for Nancy Davis who may have stayed

- (02-07) **Ferguson**-Jon and Nadine C Ferguson, 1278 Wolfe St., Jacksonville, FL 32205-8306-E-mail-jonadineferguson@aol.com- My ancestors came to Chester District about 1754. I need help on a generation before that. A John Ferguson (1685-1769) lived in Essex Co., VA. He married a Sarah Gatewood and/or a Sarah Bridgforth. If any one has proof of either of these marriages to my John Ferguson, Son of John Ferguson and Ann Stubbleson, I would love to Have contact with you.
- (02-08) **Mobley**- Marge J. Gentry, P O Box 14, McCalla, AL, 35111-0014- E-mail mjgentry@bellsouth.com- William Mobley, b 1795 in SC, d AL. Son of Ledford Mobley, b 1776, SC-Rev. Sol., son of William Mobley and Fannie Rogers . back to William Mobley, Sr. and Ann Osborne and to Edward Mobley and Susannah DeRuel-Need more information on Ledford Mobley, siblings and other information,
- (02-09) **Young, Rosborough**- Carolyn Gladney Powell, P O Box 129, Lake Lure, NC E-mail powell@blueridge.net-I am still seeking burial sites of Hugh Young and Jean(Jane) Rosborough, his daughter, wife of James Rosborough.
- (02-10) **Huey**- Evelyn C. Murray, 22 Howard Hill Road, Foster, RI 02825-Marshall M. Huey and wife, Margaret; Dates of death, burial place(Fairfield Co.?) Marshall b 1831, alive in March 1898, Winnsboro. Margaret b 1831, joins Bethel ARP Church, Winnsboro, May 1881, (with Marshall). 2. James Edward Huey, b 1867 NY, m Joanna Pope, dau of John and Mary A. All buried Lebanon Pres Church Hgwy 34, Fairfield Co. Any other children besides Marjorie Ann 1897-1900? 3. Jeanette Moore Huey, b 1869 NY. Marriage? Death? Sister Adelaide Cathcart Huey, b 1871 NY. Marriage? Death? Both join Bethel ARP, August 1885.
- (02-11) **Land**, Albert Land Welch-15711 Clearcrest Dr., Houston, TX 77059: E-mail-albertwelch@aol.net; Any information of country of origin of Thomas Land, c 1720, Possibly Ireland. Probably member of Catholic Pres. Church.
- (02-12) **Pennsylvania settlers**-Col. Wiliam F and Peggie Hartness Harris, 102 Redcoat Drive, Fort Mill, SC 29715;E-mail-billharriss@yahoo.com- I would like to Correspond with anyone with information on the Pennsylvania settlers that migrated to Union County, SC about 1750 and formed the Fairforest Presbyterian Church.
- (02-13) **Pagan**, Eleanor H. Howard, 3615 E Indian River Dr., Vero Beach, FL 32963 E-mail-howie@digital.net- Who did Cicely Atkinson Pagan marry after the Death of her husband, Archibald Gill Pagan? I need to know who raised the 4 year old son, James Atkinson Pagan. Any information appreciated.

- (02-14) **Baptist Seminary in Fairfield County:** Anita Rolling Lay, 1101 Lexington Ave Schenectady, NY 12309-e-mail anitaken@mindspring.com- Does anyone have Any information about a Baptist Seminary in Fairfield County in the mid 1800? The Fairfield 1850 census shows my g g grandfather, William W. Rollings, as A Baptist minister heading a household which includes a number of young male students and the adjacent properties in the census tract are headed by Professors of Theology
- (02-15) **McCoslin, Mitchell**-Leon Dwayne McCoslin, 1622 CR797, Brazoria, TX 77422; Descendants of John McCoslin, Census 1800 SC: Andrew McCoslin census 1810, Chester, SC. 1830, York Co., SC. Descendants of Thomas Mitchell, Chester Dist., SC 1819, 1820,1830,1840. He lived near Henry McCoslin and Henry Mitchell. Did he marry Henry McCoslin's sister?
- (02-16) **Ross, Torbit**-Dr. John H. Miller, 305 East Vine Street, Bartow, FL 33830 E-mail-jhamiltonmiller@juno.com- In a conversation in about 1955, with Elizabeth Moffatt Simpson McConnell, I learned that she and I were both DESCENDANTS OF Mary Hare & John Torbit, of Chester County, SC. They were from the vicinity of Hopewell A R P Church. Elizabeth M S <cConnell is a daughter of Rev. John Hemphil Simpson. She died Dec. 12, 1964. From her, I was able to explain why there were so many Whites Moffatts, and Henrys at the same reunion. One daughter, Jane Dickey Torbit Married Rev David McCaw. They moved to Tennessee. Then there was a Dughter Eliza, who married a Ross. They were apparently in the family "dog-House". For none of them ever came to reunions. Any information about Rosses Would be welcome. There were also two sons, Hugh and John. I have no Information on these three. I have considerable information about the other Lines on the Torbit family. Mostly I have flow sheets, showing how all are kin. I would be willing to share this information.
- (02-17) **Davis, Gaston:** Louise Hardin Parker, 1801 SE 24th Rd. Apt 133, Ocala, FL. 34471-6066; John L. Davis (1781-1837) was of Liberty Baptist Church, Sandy River section, Chester County. Need names of his parents and Descendants. 2. Jane Gaston, daughter of William Gaston and Janet (Jane) Love, Chester County, m ----- Davis. Does anyone know the name of this Davis? Married possibly around 1775-1780.
- (02-18) **Roberts-** John Ed Roberts, 56 SE Roberts Rd. Covington, TN, 38019 E-mail-johnedr@bellsouth.net- I am searching for the ancestors of Nicholas, William, and Lewis Roberts.
- (02-19) **McGuire, Jerry C.** Spain, 1507 Vincent St., Brownwood, TX 76801-3521 Seeking parents of Isabelle/Isabel McGuire (b 7th Oct. 1830) in Chester County, SC. d. 1896 in Mills County, Texas. Married ca. 1847 in Chester County, SC to Jesse Jackson Egger, b 21st Feb. 1828 in Chester Co, SC d. 4th Oct. 1911 in Mills County, Texas.

- (02-20) **Hamilton,-**Nancy A Sicotte, 2047 Byron St., Palo Alto, CA, 94301-4004
 Seeking parents of John Hamilton (b 1770) who married ca 1799 Martha Greer (b ca 1780). Children: 1. Susannah, b 1800, m David Reads(Reid). 2. William Greer, b 1802, m Elizabeth Greer. 3. Ann b 1804 m William Blair. 4 Nancy B 1806, m Hugh Taylor. 5. David Montgomery, b 1809 m Elizabeth Jane Morton 6. Margaret Greer, b 1811, m John Blair Wyatt. Family moved to Lincoln Co. Tennessee in 1810. John Hamilton killed by a falling tree. In 1812.
- (02-21) **Smith-Wallace** Harden Smith, II.MD, 4740 Belle Drive, Metairie, LA, 7006-2270; E-mail-Ingleswood2@prodigy.net- My great grandfather, John M. Smith, (born 21 July 1824, d 3 March 1905) married Dorinda Hardin (b 9 May 1838, d 3 March 1892.) They lived in the Baton Rouge Community of Chester County, SC. Both are buried at Liberty Baptist Church Cemetery, Chester County, SC. Dorinda was a member of the Chester County Harden family, And a great granddaughter of Henry Wilkins Harden and Elizabeth Sealey Harden. Am searching for parents, siblings of John M. Smith. Have been Unable to tie him to any of the Smith families in Chester District. Of their Children, Victoria Smith married a Quay Allen, Frazier McC Smith married Rachel McGuire and remained in Chester County. Holmes H Smith married Annie?, a cousin, moved away. James Hamilton Smith, Thomas, Will Smith and Walker Smith emigrated to Louisiana and remained there. Any connections, Hints? Please e-mail me at the address above. Thanks.
- (02-22) **Wilson, Cameron, Johnston,-** Jack & Boots (John H) Walton, 6300 Thelo Drive, Charlotte, NC, 28212. E-mail-swjwalton@aol.com- Need information On parents of the following: James Wilson- born ?-d 1862, married Mary Cameron, born about 1850, d 1866: James Theophilus Johnston, b ? died 1861 In prison of war camp. Washington, DC.
- (02-23) **Gaston-** Mrs. E D Whaley, 109 Merrian Ave., Union, SC. Sidney Gaston married John Foster- Can you give me any information on Sidney's parents?
- (02-24) **Bigham, Lumpkin, McGarity, Lyles, Barfield-**Jill King Lyles, 325 Kingston Dr., McBee, SC 29101-9567- Seeking proof that Newton Bigham was son of Isaac Bigham and Rachel Weir Newton, b 1823, d 1907. m Margaret Elizabeth ____? Was he married twice? Isaac and Rachel moved to Perry Co, Illinois, ca 1850. Also seeking information on Rachel Weir. Newton Bigham buried Union ARP Church, Richburg, SC. 2. Seeking information on Clarissa (Clary) Lumpkin, b ca 1790, NC, d 1872, Chester, wife of William McGarity, Jr. 3. Seeking information on Mary____, wife of William McGarity, Sr. Mary b 1758, d 1830. Buried at Union ARP Church, Richburg, SC. Was she a Bigham? 4. Seeking information on James Lyles, b ca 1812, m Mary Adams, living in Hickory Head PO (Lancaster Co.) in 1860. Was he connected to the Fairfield Co. Lyles family? 5. Seeking information on David Barfield, b ca 1815, Probably NC. m Eveline __. Moved to Kershaw Co. by 1850. Believed To be related to a Lewis Barfield.

(02-25) **Goins, Goyne-** Joan Harvey, 454 Oak Ridge Place, Grand Prairie, TX, 75052.
E-mail-joanharv@aol.com- Jesse Goins married two Boyds. Listed once as Goyne and Goings of Camden District of Chester in 1840.

(02-26) **Kirkpatrick-**Martha Avery, 1425 W Termino St. Tampa, FL, 33612-
E-mail: marthaavery@msn.com. Am looking for information on the parents
And relatives of my great great grandfather Samuel Kirkpatrick born circa 1790,
Married Elizabeth _____, born circa 1800. They had 2 children (1) my great
Grandfather William A. born 1838 in Chester District. SC married Susan
Donaldson in 1865, and (2) Eliza, who was born in 1835. Samuel and Elizabeth
moved their family to Monroe County, MS about 1847. William A and Susan
had three children, John William, Mattie and Evangeline. Any information
would be appreciated.

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