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Please continue to submit articles for the newsletter:

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and any other items you feel will be helpful to others.

The following is a condensed version of a letter submitted by Ms. Mary Ann "Molly" Gilbert McLaughlin, 412 S. Willow St., Jesup GA 31545, in September 1994. I have the letter, RALPH JONES's 1811 will proved 12 Feb 1817 in Fairfield Dist., and Lynn McLaughlin pedigree chart if anyone is interested.

My husband descends from RALPH JONES and his wife, MARY FRANCE LEE GIBSON (early inhabitants of Fairfield Dist.) who held land adj. to a THOMAS WARIN (Warren?) and a RUTLAND in 1811 as recorded in his will. Their children were: sons: ELIJAH, ELISHA, JOHN, WILLIAM; and daus: SARA who md. (John?) WILLINGHAM and PHOEBE (my husband's ancestor) who md. NATHAN McGRAW. My husband's grandmother's first cousins found NATHAN McGRAW's bible records among their father's effects after his death. It has been published by the Mississippi Genealogical Society. It seems there were quite a few Fairfield Dist. settlers showing up in Pike Co., MS including a DAVID McGRAW SR who died about 1823.

NATHAN McGRAW went to MS by the time RALPH JONES' will was probated in 1817, and are both listed in Pike Co, MS tax digests in 1816. JOEL G HAMILTON, Nathan's grandson, stated his grandparents migrated from SC to Humboldt Co, TN and then to Mississippi. DAVID McGRAW was in Montgomery Co. and Dixon Co., TN where he bought slaves. The sale was contested shortly before his death and probate of his will in Pike Co., MS. I am sure this DAVID McGRAW SR is the same one who was security with RALPH JONES on the bond of L/A of MARY WILLINGHAM, widow of JOHN W WILLINGHAM in Fairfield Co.

We have the line of NATHAN McGRAW and PHOEBE JONES well documented, at least on the lines of two of their children (SARAH who md. JOHN HAMILTON; CATHERINE who md. JACOB GIBSON, my husband's decendent.) I have not been able to find any other children or anyone researching RALPH JONES.

Also, searching for descendants of THOMAS MALONE (1790 Fairfield Dist. census.) It is hinted in Landon's series of marriages implied by probate records that THOMAS LALONE's dau. md. ABRAHAM JONES. This confirms my belief that JONES-McGRAW-GIBSON of Fairfield Dist. heavily married within their group.

Also, JESSE FORT is reported as the grandfather of JACOB GIBSON. CATHERINE and JACOB GISON were md. in 1819 in Amite Co., MS and are considered First Families of Mississippi.

JENKINS, Want info on Joseph Galluchat JENKINS (b. 1818
MYERS Bishopville SC & s/o Rev. James JENKINS) who md.
1/5/1845 Mary Eliza MYERS (b. Fairfield Co, SC. MYERS
was supposed to be from Fairfield.) Six of his 11 children were
born in Longtown. He was a doctor and his 2nd son, Joseph
Galluchat JENKINS Jr was b. 2/13/1847 in Linden, Marengo Co., AL.
He and his family went to Cedar Key, FL in 1858 where he died in
1862. Mary E. M. JENKINS returned to Fairfield Co. with 10 of
her children. Comments welcomed.
Thomas J. Jenkins, 1154 Lynbrook St., NW, Palm Bay FL 32907-
7615 (tele: 407-724-9517)

BELL, Seeking birthplace, parents & siblings of Lucy LUMMUS
CHESNUT, (b. 1806) who md. John McCLELLAND (b. 1794.) Believe
GLADNEY, both are from Fairfield/Chester area.
LUMMUS, Also, seeking birthplace, parents & siblings of
McCLELLAND Martha HARMON (b. 1812 possibly in SC) who md. James
STEWART CHESNUT in Newton Co., GA in Dec. 1838. They are
buried at Hopewell ARP Cem. in Newton Co. James'
parents were Jane GLADNEY and David CHESNUT who came to GA from
Chester Co., SC in the late 1820s.
Also, seeking information on Mary STEWART (b. 1794) who md.
Thomas A. BELL (b. 1801.) All came to Newton County, GA in 1820s
and were charter members of Hopewell A R P Church.
Eleanor C Richardson, 3205 Linda's Circle, Conyers GA 30208

CHESNUT, My ggg grandfather was William R CHESNUT (b. 1805
GASTON, Fairfield Co.) His parents were Jane Gaston GLADNEY
GLADNEY, and David CHESNUT (II). This family migrated to GA.
MEEK, David's parents were Sarah MEEK and Alexander CHESNUT
SIMS who (I believe) resided in the Fairfield Co. area.
Alexander served in the Rev. War. Any info on CHESNUT,
GASTON, GLADNEY, MEEK & possibly SIMS. Will gladly share.
Sharon Dale, Rt 1 Box 372, Gower MO 64454-9777

FARRAR, Anyone working on the Robert & Elizabeth GORDON family
GLADNEY, who arrived in US c.1834-1840? The LDS library shows a
GORDON, Robert & Elizabeth GORDON had a son, William, born in
HANNAH Tyrone Co? Ireland in 1823. Family tradition states
that William came to America when he was 13 yrs. old,
and that there were 4 or 5 children when they left Ireland. One
died McLEOD, on the voyage and was buried at sea. The 1850
census of Fairfield Co. lists William GORDON as 25 yrs. old and
lists his wife, Elizabeth Jane FARRAR who was d/o William FARRAR
(d. age 48, buried Old Mobley Cem on Co. Rd. 302.) Cannot find
anything on Robert or other children. Williams & Elizabeth left
SC c.1852. Oldest son was born in SC. The 2nd son, Robert
Alexander GORDON (my g-grandfather) was b. 1853 in Winston Co.,
SC. Cannot find them in 1860 census. The children are listed in
1870 census in Winston Co., MS. What happened to Elizabeth
GORDON in the 20 yrs since 1850. Had she died or stayed in SC?
Would be glad to swap info or pay for it on Robert & Elizabeth
GORDON and the other children.
I have worked the GLANDEY line from 2 generations back in Ireland

down through my children. Also, the HANNAH line from 2 generations in Ireland. I only work in a straight line from my direct ancestor, but do put down the children if I can find them. Appreciate any info.

Billie L. Bowie, P O Box 146, St. Elmo AL 36568 (tele: 205-957-2681)

MONTGOMERY Need information on John MONTGOMERY who was in the 1850 census (SC) Blackstock community. Wife, Mary (51), children: Emmeline (28), Lydia (20), Elizabeth (18), William (13) and Martha (6). In the 1860 census, the mother and 4 daughters are listed in Chester Co., Chester P.O. I would like to find information on any of the children. Also where the parents came from, etc.

Clarendine Crumpton DeHart, 4349 Dunmore Ave. #2, Tampa FL 33611-2052

ALEXANDER, John SAXON (b.1797 SC d. 1862) md. 1818 Mary WALLIS SAXON, (WALLACE). He lived SC, GA, AL & MS prior to his WALLACE, death. Siblings said to be Alexander, Toliver, WALLIS William, Martin M., Betty, Synthia & Polly.

Documents indicate mother might have been Mary ALEXANDER prior to her marriage to _?_ SAXON. Will exchange SAXON data with interested parties.

Jackie Saxon, 419 Lavita Dr., Shreveport LA 71106-9518

MELTON, George Washington RUFF, Jr. (b. 1 Apr 1864 Chester/York REVELS, Co. d. 2 Aug 1934 Chester Co) md. Mary Susan REVELS ROOF, (b. 4 Nov 1866 D. 25 May 1948) RUFF Mike MELTON (b. 25 May 1825 d. 7 Aug 1908) Exchange/share info.

James Hall, 22 American Way, Asheville NC 28806

WALKER Col. William WALKER listed in 1860 census as hotel keeper in Chester Co & wife R. E. Her name? Parents of Col. Walker?

Jack D. James, 351 S. Ft. Christmas Rd., Christmas FL 32709

ATKINSON, Mary ATKINSON (b. 18 Jan 1802 Chester Dist.) md. 22 ESTES, Oct 1820 John Glover ESTES in Chester Dist. (b. 16 GLOVER, Jan 1801 d. 2 Feb 1857 Itawamba Co, MS) He was s/o TIMS William ESTES, Jr (b. 3 Jan 1768 VA d. 17 Jan 1853 Chester Dist.) & Sarah TIMS (b. 13 Nov 1776 d. 17 Apr 1849 SC) She was d/o Joseph TIMS & Mary GLOVER. Seeking info on ATKINSON family (parents, siblings)

Mrs. Mary Estes Beckham, Rt 1 Box 373, Philadelphia MS 39350

WINN, BEARDEN, LEWIS and WATSON families. Some items have been condensed. If anyone is interested in the complete document, please contact Mrs. Rose Parks, Rt. 1 Box 119-B, Avery TX 75554.

MINOR WINN (b. c1708 Wales d. c1725) married 1778 in Fauquier Co., VA
Margaret O'Connor (b. c1710 d. after 1778)

children: (all born Fauquier Co., VA)

1. William Winn, General (b. c1728 d. Fairfield Co., SC) married 1st Ann Ligan
2. James Winn, Capt. (b. c1730) married 3 Mar 1767 in Fauquier Co., VA Hannah Withers
3. Mary Winn (b. c1732 d. before 1778 Halifax Co., VA) married Benjamin Smith
4. John Winn, Col. (b. c1735) married c.1755 Fauquier Co., VA ? Dortehea Wright
5. Richard Winn, General (b. c1737 d. 8 Dec 1818 Duck River, Maury Co TN) married Priscilla McKinney
6. Elizabeth Winn (b. c1740) married Cato West ?
7. Susanna Winn (b. c1742) married Peter Grant
8. Thomas Winn (b. c1744)
9. Lettice Winn (b. c1745 d. SC?) married c1762 in VA John Bearden
10. Margaret Winn (b. c1747) married Moses Johnson
11. Minor Winn, Jr., Lt. (b. c1749) married Eleanor

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COL. JOHN WINN (b. c17350 Fauquier Co VA) 1st married c1755 Fauquier Co VA?
1st Dortehea Wright
2nd Penelope Kirkland

children:

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| 1. Anna Winn (b. c1757) | 5. James Winn (b. c1762) |
| 2. Minor Winn (b. c1758) | 6. Francis Winn (b. c1762) |
| 3. John Winn, Jr (b. c1758) | 7. Wright Winn (b. c1765) |
| 4. Richard (b. c1760) | |

#9 above

LETTICE WINN (b. c1745 d. SC?) married c1762 in VA
John Bearden (see John Bearden information to follow)

MINOR WINN 1708-1778

Beginning with the first of the name of authentic record in Virginia known to the compiler, A. Evans Wynn of SOUTHERN LINEAGES, RECORDS OF THIRTEEN FAMILIES, published in 1940, beginning page 353.

Minor Winn, of Caroline County appears in 1733 and 1734. Not many of the old records of that county survive, but in the few that do there is mention of him.

It is ordered that James Adkins pay Minor Winn 30 pounds of Tobacco for one days attendance at court for Carolina County April 12, 1733. Caroline records also show that the will of Richard Winn dated 9 December 1748 was presented by Benjamin Winn, Executor. Many of the same names used in the following families were used in this one too, but it is not known where they fit.

On 25 June 1737 between Francis Thornton, Gentlemen of St. Marie's Parish in Carolina County and Minor Winn of Parish of St. Margarets in same county, Minor paid 5 shilling for 202 acres of land in the fork of Rappahannock River on Potator Run. (This land is in Orange County,

MINOR WINN cont'd

Virginia.) Minor was later known a "Minor Winn of Fauquier County."

Col. Richard Henry Lee leased to Minor, John and wife Dorothy, a farm of 220 acres in Fauquier County detailing what was to be done. Minor Winn and his son John also were granted to keep an Ordinary at the courthouse, executed bond according to law, September 1763 Fauquier County.

Minor Winn and Margaret his wife of Leed's Parish, Fauquier deed to James Winn...25 April 1772.

Minor Winn's will dated July 1, 1775 is recorded in Will Book 1, page 343; probated 5 July 1778. He mentions wife Margaret; sons Minor, Richard, William, James, and John; daughters Margaret Johnson, Mary Smith, Elizabeth, Susannah Grant and granddaughter Martha Ann Winn. Minor got his father's great Bible.

Instrument added to will: Purchased land of Martin Pickett on S. side of South River, right in this land to son Minor...whereas I had a partnership with son and we erected a still house on the said land and furnished same with necessary utensils for carrying on distilling business, profits to be divided between Margaret (wife) and Minor (son) to keep 1/2 what they shall be appraised. 5 July 1778

A positive assertion made by the descendants that Lettice Winn who married John Bearden was the sister of General Richard Winn, therefore the daughter of Minor Winn, Sr. of Fauquier County is not yet verified. There are many clues which prove kinship and origin in the same locality are strong. Lettice Bearden was a Winn before her marriage. Miss Minnie Smith of Glenn Springs, SC (deceased by 1940) had several letters which she felt proved that Lettice was a daughter of Minor, Sr

...Your letters received, and I assure you it will give me pleasure to reply to your questions, My grandmother was Mourning Bearden, dau. of John and Lettice. Lettice Gowen was my grandmother's sister. My Grandmother was annoyed by the Tories, in her husband's absence that she had to leave home and live with her sister Lettice Gowen during the later years of the war.

The Bearden's were Loyalist and bitter enemies of my father; therefore all intercourse between Smith's and Beardens ceased for a long time. My father said the Winns and Bearden's all came to S.C. together.

...In another letter. To the younger members of the Winn family the Bearden's were not known, possibly for the reason they were Tories. Two of the Bearden's, Richard and William were members of my Grandfather's Company. (In the Pinckney District Quarterly though there was a listing of British Regiment Commanded by Col. Benjamin Roebuck in which John Winn and Drury Bearden were members.)

I am quite positive of my great grandmother being a sister of Gen. Richard Winn for I have heard all my many older relatives say repeatedly that she was.

COLONEL JOHN WINN b. 1735 (4th child of Minor Winn and Margaret O'Connor)
and
GENERAL RICHARD WINN 1737-1818 (5th child of Minor Winn and Margaret O'Connor)

Winnsboro, Fairfield County, South Carolina was named for General Richard Winn and his brother Col. John Winn. The write-up I have about this was taken from the "History of Fairfied County" which was several

write-ups in newspapers in the early 1900's.

Col. John Winn was a high toned, honorable man, and owned most of the land around Winnsboro and lived at the south end of town where Dr. Hanahan now lives.

Gen. Richard Winn held the rank of Colonel in the Revolution. He was a true patriot, and perhaps fought as many battles in the war and with as firm a heart as any man living or dead. He filled a seat in Congress of the U. S. for many years.

Gen. Winn's family was not considered very smart. Mrs. Winn's maiden name was Blocker (?) an Edgefield family. One of their daughters caused some merriment among her young lady acquaintances, who ask where she got a fine shell comb she was wearing, by replying that "her father bought it in Congress."

Mills in his statistics of South Carolina, in writing of eminent men of Fairfield, says "General Richard Winn was also a native of Virginia." At the beginning of the revolutionary struggle, he entered into the regular service of this state. Having acquired glory in the battle of Fort Moultrie, he was sent to the Georgia frontier, and commanded a company at Fort St. Ilya. The service was a most perilous one and he was selected for his superior merit as an officer. Shortly after his arrival at the fort, he was attacked by a strong body of Tories and Indians. These fought for two succeeding days; on the third, he surrendered with honorable terms to Major General Prevost, at the head of a considerable regular force.

Gen. Winn returned to Fairfield after his defeat, if it can properly be called one, and to his command of a regiment of refugee militia. He was in several battles and the success of the affairs of Hook's defeat in York, and the Hanging Rock in Lancaster, greatly depended on his heroic exertions.

He was wounded and borne off the field about the time the enemy effected his retreat. On his recovery Gen. Winn continued to afford Gen. Sumpter his able support and ceased not to serve his country. He was a true patriot, and perhaps fought as many battles as any man living or dead.

Gen. Richard Winn moved to Ducktown, Tennessee in 1812 and died a short time later. Col. John Winn and his family moved to Georgia.

JOHN BEARDEN (b. 11 Mar 1743/44 Spotsylvania Co VA d. 1802 Bedford Co TN)
married c1762 Virginia
Lettice Winn 9th child of Minor Winn and Margaret O'Connor

children: (all born Spartanburg Co., SC)

1. Mourning Bearden (b. 15 Jun 1763 d. 2 Oct 1842 Bedford Co., TN)
married Maj. William R. Smith
2. Eli M. Bearden (b. c1765 d. 1830 Bedford Co., TN) married
Nancy Langston
3. Edmund Bearden (b. c1768) married Ann
4. Richard Bearden (b. c1770)
5. Mary Bearden (b. c1772 d. 1850) married Jacob Fuller
6. Benjamin Bearden (b. 1773 d. before 1860 Giles Co., TN) md c1792
in Spartanburg Co, SC Elizabeth Winn

JOHN BEARDEN cont'd

7. Isaac Bearden (b. c1776 d. 1834 Spartanburg Co., SC) married Sarah Trail
8. Lettice Bearden (b. c1782 d. before Aug 1809 Bedford Co., TN) married John Gowen
9. John Bearden, Jr (b. 18 Mar 1784 d. 22 Mar 1846) married c1804 in Spartanburg Co., SC Peggy Lee
10. William Bearden (b. 3 Oct 1786 d. 14 Nov 1876) md Patience Powers

JOHN BEARDEN 1744-1836

Served in the Revolutionary War in the S.C. line of Rangers or spies, from Spartanburg District when he enlisted in April 1777 and on his pension application said he was 33 at the time. In August of 1778 he stated he lived in Union District. Many times the enlistment was only for 3 months. He served at least one more term in service. Once under Capt. John Gowen and once under Capt. Blassingame. The date of his deposition for the pension was 15 May 1833, in Bedford County, Tennessee.

The records of Friendship Baptist Church in Pauline, S.C. 1802 lists the John Bearden family as members, also the Richard Bearden family, and the following individuals: Isaac Bearden, Benjamin and Elizabeth Bearden; and in 1803: Mary Bearden, John Bearden Jr, and Lettice Bearden were received.

On October 30, 1802 Rhody Moore is baptised but shown in 1818 as Rhoda Moore along with Averilla Moore and Hannah Moore. Averialla and Rhody are later wives of some the Beardens.

Also included are some names that cannot be listed in a family: Rachel Bearden, Delilah Bearden, and Sarah Bearden; and in 1832, Mitchell Bearden. This church later became the Baptist Church of Bethel in Woodruff, S.C.

BIBLE RECORDS OF JAMES LEWIS FAMILY (beginning in South Carolina)

This Bible was the property of Mrs. Pam McWilliams of Winnsboro, Louisiana, a descendant of Lavinia Lewis and John Williams. She died between 1989-1994.

The pages were firmly attached in the Bible at the time the photocopy was made by Mrs. McWilliams and sent to Charles Germany who sent them to me.

Front page of Bible published Philadelphia: printed and published by Matthew ___ (corner torn); No. 122, Market Street; 1807.

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Family Record

Marriages

James Lewis and his wife Ann were married the 22nd of December 1803

James Lewis and his wife Sally was married the 22nd of June 1809

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Family Record

Births

Left column

Right column

James Lewis was borne the 10th Day of December 1781

Salley Coats was borne the 16th day of September 1793

Ann Watson was borne the 10th of February 1788

Mary Ann Lewis was born the 25th day of February in the year 1811

Charles Lewis was borne the 22nd of March 1805

October the 15 1812 Manervy Lewis was born

BIBLE RECORDS OF JAMES LEWIS FAMILY cont'd

William Middleton Lewis was borne the
2nd Day of March 1807

James Lewis Jr. was born 16 Nov
1814

Andrew Jackson Lewis was born
november 16th 1816

Sion Coats Lewis was bornd December
16, 1816

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Family Record

Left column

Thomas Lewis was bornd 17th May 1821
1816

Sarah Lewis was born 19th January 1824
February

Margaret Lewis was bornd May 31 1836

Thomas Lewis was bornd November the
2nd 1837

Sarah Virginia Lewis was born October
the 1 1851

Births

Right column

Catherine Lewis was born 18th March

William W. Lewis was born 13th

1835

Armanty Elizabeth Lewis was 30th
May 1836

Thomas Lewis was born the 2 day of
Noveber

frances Marion lewis was bornd
January the 21, 1840

Levenia Lewis was bornd October 30
1841

Charles M. McCarty was bornd June
the 4, 1854

Dorothy Lavinia McCarty was born
March 18th 1856

Olivia Catherine McCarty was born

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Family Record

Left column

Ann Lewis Departed this life the 20th
Day of September 1808

William middleton Lewis Departed this
life the 27th day of September 1807

James Lewis departed this life October
the 18 1842

Deaths

Right column

frances Marion Lewis departed this
life september 25 1841

Note by Ms. Parks:

There are 2 distinct handwritings here. The Bible was not bought until 1807 and maybe not until Sarah (Sally) Coats and James Lewis were married in June 1809. In a Land Deed in Fairfield County, SC in 1819 and 1820, Sarah in one and Sally in the other, made her mark, but James Lewis could write, so I am assuming it is his hand which wrote the first part. The latter hand- writing must be Catherine's, his last wife.

Note also that two of the known children of James Lewis mentioned in his will of 1842, Martha and George W. Lewis are not listed here. It is believed there was another wife Martha Evaline Flemming, married August 1827, and these are her two children. It is not known why this marriage and the children would not be listed.

None of the marriages for James' children are listed, although half were married by the time of his death.

JAMES LEWIS (b.10 Dec 1781 Fairfield Co SC d.18 Oct 1842 Tuscaloosa Co AL)

1st md 18 Oct 1842 SC Ann Watson (b. 10 Feb 1788 d. 20 Sept 1808 SC)
possibly dau. of James Alexander Watson and Ann ?

children (born SC):

1. Charles Alexander Lewis (b. 22 Mar 1805 d. 10 June 1890
Moundville, Tuscaloosa Co., AL)
2. William Middleton Lewis (b. 2 Mar 1807 d. 27 Sept 1807 SC)

2nd md Sarah (Sally) Coates (b. 16 Sept 1793 d. before 1826
Tuscaloosa Co., AL) possibly dau of Siona Coats and Sarah Perry

children (born Fairfield Co., SC except #9):

3. Mary Lewis (b. 25 Feb 1811) md 26 Nov 1837 in Tuscaloosa Co., AL
William Weatherford
4. Minerva Lewis (b. 15 Oct 1812 d. c1865 Noxubee Co MS) md 30 Nov
1832 Robert Steele Lyon
5. James Lewis Jr. (b. 16 Nov 1814 d. before 1870 Neshoba Co., MS)
Elinor (Ellen) Dalton
6. Andrew Jackson Lewis (b. 16 Nov 1816 d. 23 Feb 1891 Moundville,
Tuscaloosa Co., AL) married c1842 Dorothy Hollman Neville
7. Sion Coates Lewis (b. 16 Dec 1818 d. before 1842)
8. Thomas Lewis (b. 17 May 1821 d. before 1837)
9. Sarah Lewis (b. 19 Jan 1824 Tuscaloosa Co., AL) married 20 Nov 1839
Daniel G. Hudson

3rd md Martha Ervaline Flemming (d. before 1834 Tuscaloosa Co., AL)

children (all born Tuscaloosa Co., AL):

10. Martha Lewis (b. c1828) married c1845 Edmond Parker
11. George Wright Lewis (b. 1 Oct 1830 d. 30 Sept 1904 Old Waverly,
Walker Co TX) md 6 Oct 1849 Tuscaloosa Co., AL Jemima Skelton

4th married Catherine McDonald (b. 18 Mar 1816 Chesterfield Co., SC
d. 4 Jan 1886 Neshoba Co., MS) dau of Daniel McDonald and Flora
Douglass

children (all born Tuscaloosa Co., AL):

12. William Wesley Lewis (b. 13 Feb 1835 d. 21 May 1901 Neshoba/Leake
Co., MS) married c1857 Mary Eliza McDonald
13. Margaret Lewis (b. 31 May 1836 d. 2 Jan 1864 Neshoba Co., MS)
md. 30 Nov 1852 Dr. Anderson McCarty
14. Thomas C. Lewis (b. 2 Nov 1837 d. 10 May 1909 Neshoba Co., MS)
md. 23 Oct 1856 Martha E. Davis
15. Francis Marion Lewis (b. 21 Feb 1840 d. 25 Sept 1841)
16. Lavinia Lewis (b. 30 Oct 1841 d. 28 Jan 1916 Meridian, MS) md 1861
John Williams

JAMES LEWIS 1781-1843

Fairfield Co., SC Deed Book AA, pages 324,325:

James Lewis buys 64 acres from Jesse Ellman for 124 (dollars/pounds ?)
on Hog Fork Branch of Wateree River in Fairfield Co., being part of a grant
of 200 acres to George Lott and the 64 acres left to Jesse Ellman by Geo.
Lott, his grandfather. Deed made 30 December 1816. Witnessed by John
Woodward and George Lott. John Woodward made oath in Chester Co., SC 4
June 1819 that he did witness the signing of this deed. This is probably
date of filing on record.

Fairfield Co., SC Deed Book AA, page 325:

James Lewis buys from Paul Anthony and wife Edy for \$642.00, 107 acres,
all excepting 1/4 acres which is family graveyard. The land originally

granted to John Tidwell 19 Nov. 1772, it being the place where our father bounded on the south and east by land belonging to John Watson, and on north west by Thomas McCullough. Signed 28 August 1815, and witnesses by John Woodward, Jr. and John Morris. Continued on page 327 for dower rights.

Fairfield Co., SC Deed Book AA, pages 327-329:

Fairfield District, SC, James Lewis sells for \$1200. to Thomas McCullough the tract of land of 107 acres and 40 acres of Ellmon tract which also had belonged to George Lott, description as above. Signed 8 February 1819, witnesses by George S. Coomb and Morris Graham.

Saray/Sarah Lewis made her mark releasing dower right and George Combs made oath to court 4 June 1819 that he did witness signing.

Fairfield District SC Deed Book BB, pages 216-217:

James Lewis sells to Thomas Nickey of Chester District for \$1000., 200 acres more or less, on deputation Branch waters of Rocky Creek butting and bending NE by land belonging to William Lewis, by James Picketts land, west by Alexr Roses land being part of land granted to William Sanders in 1772 to heir Sarah Baker, then to Moses Paul, to me. Signed 10 February 1820, witnesses by George L. Peay and Arthur Westbrook. Arthur Westbrook made oath he saw James Lewis and George Peay sign as described. Sally Lewis, wife of James Lewis, makes her mark to release dower right.

There must be an earlier deed for the land from Moses Paul. This land is not covered in the 2 deeds above which he bought except of the 40 acres noted.

This land was evidently sold in preparation to moving to Tuscaloosa Co., AL. This still leaves 2 years vacant before the same James Lewis buys land in Alabama (at least know know by me, 3-1994.)

Book pages 181-183 gives the will of James Lewis dated 15 October 1842, State of Alabama, Tuscaloosa County. Orphans Court Special Term Feb. 4, 1843.

To wife, Catherine Lewis: negro Big Jim and wife, Rose; negro boy, Lias; negro girl, Josephine; yellow girl, Harriett.

To son, Charles A. Lewis: 2 negroes in his possession - Jake and Joe; negroe, Jim, brother of Joe.

To son, James Lewis: 2 negroes in his possession - Orange and Isaac; negroe, Perry.

To son, Andrew Jackson Lewis: 2 negroes in his possession - George and William; negroe, Wiley.

To son, George W. Lewis: 6 negroes - Mase, Marcus, Noel, Charles, Abram, Sally.

To son, Wesley Lewis: 3 negroes - Lock, Shelby and March.

To son, Thomas Lewis: 2 negroe boys - Anderson and Henry; girl, Jude.

To daughter, Mary Weatherford: certain notes drawn by her husband William Weatherford and myself in favor of James Duncan for \$1,500.00 of which \$200.00 has been paid.

To daughter, Manerva Lyon: \$900.00 already received; \$600.00 from executor.

To daughter, Sarah Hudson: 3 cows and a mare in her possession; \$1.00.

To daughter, Martha Lewis: \$1,500.00.

To daughter, Margaret Lewis: \$1,500.00.

To daughter, Lavinia Lewis: \$1,500.00.

Remaining negroes not bequeathed shall be kept together until youngest children become twenty-one years old; proceeds arising from their

(negroes) labor shall be paid the several sums of money herein bequeathed to my daughters as soon as a sufficient amount shall have been received by executor.

Landed estate shall remain in possession of and use and benefit of his wife, Catherine, during her life. One tract of land only, known as McCain tract, shall be reserved from the above bequest to be sold if necessary for the payment of my debts.

At the death of Catherine, his wife, all landed estate and negroes bequeathed to her, etc. with the exception of named negroes shall be equally divided among sons - Charles, James, Andrew Jackson, George W., Wesley, Thomas.

Executors: sons, Charles A. and Andrew Jackson.

Witnesses: Josiah Hollis, A. P. Few, M. Quarles.

CODICIL: Son Andrew Jackson Lewis shall hold and have in his own right that certain tract of land whereon he now resides, containing 320 acres.

Witnesses: Josiah Hollis, A. P. Few, M. Quarles.

James Lewis died 2 days after his will is made according to family Bible.

There is a James Lewis on the 1820 Bibb Co., AL census and it's possible it is the same James. Have not checked as of 1 May 1993. He has a land record in Tuscaloosa Co., AL in the Tract Book and must write to Virginia, Eastern States Land office for copy of deeds but what is in the Tract Book is sufficient for my purpose at present.

29 Jan 1822	W1/2 of NE1/4	S10	T23	R5E	79.45 acres	#2636
29 Jan 1822	NE1/4	S9	T23	R5E	158.70 acres	#2637
2 Mar 1825	W1/2 of NW1/4	S9	T23	R5E	79.35 acres	#4562
12 Sept 1835	E1/2 of NE1/4	S10	T23	R5E	79.35 acres	#15915
21 May 1836	N1/2 of SE1/4	S9	T23	R5E	79.35 acres	#19314
13 June 1835	W1/2 of SW1/4	S4	T23	R5E	81.06 acres	#14876
8 Dec 1837	W1/2 of SE1/4	S10	T23	R5E	79.45 acres	#23294

Tuscaloosa Co., AL Deed Book A, pages 676-678:

John Harper sold to James Lewis on Feb 1826, for \$900.00:

E1/2 of SW1/4 of S3 T23 R5E

W1/2 of NW1/4 of S3 T23 R5E

E1/2 of SW1/4 of S4 T23 R5E for a total of 242.14 acres

Deed Book R, pages 85-87:

William Braly, Sheriff sold to James Lewis for \$392.00 on 1 Monday in July, 1840, the NW1/4 of S6 T23 R5E, known as the John McCain property.

(Note: This gives him a total in the tract books of 636.51 acres, from Deed Book A - 242.13 and from Deed Book R - 160 acres for a grand total of 1038.64 acres.)

Orphans Court Minutes Book 5 1850-1854. Several entries as to money paid out (but no listing as to whom)

Page 516 November 8, 1852:

William Weatherford in right of his wife, Mary vs James C. Spencer, Admr. of James Lewis who died in Sept 1842. Weatherford states that Lewis had around 30 slaves which are hired out and large real estate holdings. Filed in Court on Aug 19, 1852.

(Note: These 30 slaves mentioned do not include slaves mentioned in will. The land is located near the present town of Moundville near the middle of the county and top edge of present day Hale County.)

Catherine is listed as wife in will -- on 1830 census, oldest female is 20-30. Minerva's age from the 1850-1860 census would be about this, or this is Catherine. Either way she couldn't be mother to most of the children (unless census taker missed writing her age?) Found Catherine Lewis in the 1850 Neshoba Co., MS census and she is 35 years old, being born in 1815. Surely she did not marry till past 1830, so only last four children are hers.

Orphans Court Minutes Book 3, pages 311-312, dated 22 Dec. 1845:

Mentions Charles A., James, Mary Weatherford and Manerva Lyon as living in Mississippi and Sarah Williams and Andrew J. in Pickens, Alabama, and perhaps Mary Parker in Tuscaloosa and George W., William Lesley (Wesley), Margaret, Thomas and Lavinia as minors.

Orphans Court and Inventory book 1852-1854, page 119, dated 24 Nov. 1852:

James C. Spencer, Admr. Estate of James Lewis, descd.,

Cash collected for hire of the negroes for the year 1851	\$	717.05
Also remaining due on C. A. Lewis note for negro hire		107.45
Same	George W. Lewis	80.00
Same	Andrew J. Lewis	222.00
	Total	\$1,136.50
Interest on above notes from 28 Dec 1837 - 8 Nov 1852		28.17
		\$1,154.61
	Payments	- 822.34
	Total	\$ 332.27

Paid:

Minerva Lyon	\$100.00	Judge of Probate	\$ 9.50
Martha Parker	202.36	Martin & Son (printing)	5.00
Margaret Lewis	167.96	Edmond Parker, medicine	4.25
Lavinia Lewis	167.96	C. M. Cook	25.00
Estate A. Foster ?	91.81	Allowed Admr.	28.00
Dr. Reuben Searcy	1.50	Court cost	16.00
		Total	\$822.34

The \$1,500.00 due Martha Parker paid, \$600.00 due Minerva Mizzle paid. Mortgage for William and Mary Weatherford paid as of November 1852.

Orphans Court Minutes Book 6, pages 43-44, dated 28 Aug 1854:

On 12 July 1854, Admr. filed account and vouchers for annual settlement.

Admr. chargable with sum of	\$1,030.80
entitled to	159.20
Subject to distribution	871.60
Pay to Catherine Lewis (Moon ?) 1/5 part	\$174.32
Pay to each child of James Lewis before mentioned	58.10

Orphans Court Minutes BOok 6, pages 488-489, dated 27 Apr 1857:

Cont'd from 1st Monday in April Admr. filed vouchers & accounts...appear correct.

Admr. chargable	\$3,138.50	
Admr. account	393.97	
To be distributed	2,744.53	
Pay Catherine Lewis	248.91	
Remaining to distribute between 12 children		
Charles A. Lewis	\$182.96	
James Lewis Jr	182.96	receipt for \$125.00
Andrew J. Lewis	182.96	same
George W. Lewis	182.96	

JOHN LEWIS cont'd

Wiley Lewis	182.96	rec't from guardian, Hugh McDonald
Thomas Lewis	182.96	same
Mary Weatherford	182.96	receipt for \$125.00
Manerva Lyon	185.00	note excess of \$2.04
Sarah Williams	185.00	same
Martha Parker	185.00	same & received by husband, Edmond
Margaret McCarty	182.96	
Louisa (Lavinia) Lewis	182.96	rec't from guardian, Hugh McDonald

Evidently all the land owned by James Lewis was sold (except for the bequest to Andrew J. Lewis) at the time of final settlement to pay out distributions. Negroes given to sons and money to daughters, is all that's noted except these final amounts.

(Note: Minerva is listed in the 1860 Noxubee Co., MS census as Mrs. M. Lyon and later her children by Mizzell were known as Lyon other than this census)

Records received July 20, 1993 from a descendant's spouse Cathron Davis are from JOHN SKELTON OF GEORGIA by Retired Colonel John Skelton of Virginia and from THE NEVILL FAMILY by Ivan B. Nevill of Houston, TX. Also from family records of Mrs. John Clay Lewis, Mrs. Evelyn Lewis Robinson, and various county records in the county mentioned, also state census.

Received in Feb. 1994 from another descendant, Charles Germany who had additional information from the family Bible which had belonged to Mrs. Pam McWilliams of Winnsboro, LA who is now deceased since she sent him records in 1989.

There is a record of marriage of a James Lewis to Nancy Tralkill in Bibb Co., AL, 11 May 1826. There is a gap of 4 years between last child of James and Sarah till he married Martha E. Fleming in 1828, so it is possible this could be another wife. Evidently there were no children by her, as none listed in family Bible. Neither is the marriage of Martha Evaline Flemming and the birth of her two children, Martha and George Wright Lewis, but these two are mentioned in James Lewis' will.

ANN WATSON 1788-1808

From records of Fairfield Co., SC

James Alexander Watson died and Administration Bond was made by Ann Watson, William Lewis, James Craig, Jesse Hovis and George Lott dated (not readable) October 1797. Ann Watson and William Lewis granted Letters of Administration.

On 31st Oct 1797 appraisers listed the goods and chattels as 458-14-10 1/10. Another document dated 4 September 1797 says Ann Watson and Jonathan Belton were granted letters of Admr.

In the 1810 Fairfield County census, page 197, a James Lewis is listed with 1 male under 4 (Charles Alexander), 1 male 26-45 (himself -age 29), 1 female 16-25 (Sarah -age 17), and 3 slaves. Next house is Ann Watson and another female over 45, 1 male age 10-16, 2 males 16-26, and 23 slaves.

ANN WATSON cont'd

After James Alexander Watson died Ann Watson married William Robertson of Fairfield County. She was his 3rd wife. Deed Book U-12 has their marriage agreement dated 18 December 1810. They were not married yet, but were married soon after.

Basically his property at marriage to his heirs and hers to her heirs. Witnessed by John Pickett, James Lewis and James McCrorey. Recorded April 11, 1811 pages 12 & 13, Record Book 1811-1812.

In Ann Watson Robertson's will (dated 17 Sept 1813 and proved 9 Nov 1813 in Will Book 6, page 196, Apt. 29, File 445) her son John Watson was Executor. Heirs mentioned, all sons: Ephriam Watson, William Alexander Watson, John Watson, James Watson, Richard Walker Watson, Hardy Davis Watson. She only names 8 slaves in her will.

There is a John and William Watson in the 1800 census.

In a paper from family researcher the following information is presented: May 1774 Alex Watson, age 35, from Strathspey bound for New York on George of Port Greenock.

William Alexander Watson married Elizabeth born about 1778-80 died 19 June 1857 Lowndes County, MS buried Bevill Hill Cemetery. Will date for Wm. Alex. 26 September 1823 Book 11 page 125. Children: Nancy, Jane, Ruthy, Charlotte, Elizabeth, Walker. These were later in Winston and Lowndes Co., MS and Greene, Sumpter and Tuscaloosa Co., AL. William was probably born about 1782. He died in Fairfield County, SC and his wife Elizabeth went to Alabama and Mississippi with her children. The 1820 census of SC shows these 5 daughters and 1 son.

William and John were the oldest (probably John) are listed in the 1800 SC census. Ephriam was next and was listed in 1810 SC census, but not the 1820 census. He had died, is missed or moved out of state. One John Watson died in Fairfield Co. and his will is recorded in Volume 1 (1787-1819) section 6 page 52, but this is probably the brother of James Alexander Watson, not his son.

One source lists Harley and one Hardy (Davis) for another son, a Hardway is listed in the 1820 Fairfield Co. census showing 2 sons and 2 daughters.

Richard Walker Watson was born about 1793 and died 1 September 1860 at his home in Fairfield County, SC at age 67. He married Harriett Spann and they had several daughters and 1 son. A Richard is listed in the 1820 Abbeville Co. census but lists 2 sons and 2 daughters.

There is another son James, which is the youngest, I assume, about which nothing is known at present.

I am now checking James Alexander Watson 1790 census and Ann Watson 1800 to see if she did not have daughters. (March 1, 1994)

Received 17 March 1994: 1800 Fairfield Co. SC census of Ann Watson: 3 males under 10; 3 males - 10-16; 3 males - 16-26; and 2 females - 26-45.

Ann was born 10 February 1788. This would make her 12 at time of this census.

The Bureau of Land Management Eastern States office in Springfield, VA (703-440-1600) has more than one million patents dated from the late 1700s to 1908 for the states of Arkansas, Florida, Louisiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Ohio, and Wisconsin. They are now on CD-Rom and are available to the public at \$15 each and can be used on properly equipped home computers. Records on other eastern public domain states will follow (there are 350,000 patents for Missouri alone.) 1994.

The address for birth, death, and marriage records for ENGLAND and WATES is: Postal Application Section, General Registrar Office, Smedley Hydro Trafalgar Road, Southport Merseyside PR8 2HH, United Kingdom. Be sure to ask that fees are stated in American currency. 1994.

If you American ancestor went to sea in the 1800s, he may have applied for a certificate to protect him from impressment by Great Britain and other foreign powers. The certificate program lasted from 1796-1897. For information write Archives Division, National Archives, Washington, DC 20408.

Administrator: Individual appointed by a court to oversee settlement of a deceased person's estate.

Aetatis: Years of life.

Assessment: A listing of persons and property subject to taxation, along with the value of the property.

Bequest: Gift of property (personal or real) declared in a will.

Bounty: Money paid by a local government to volunteers for military service. (Towns often were required to meet quotas set by the national government.)

B.L.W.: A gift of bounty land due a person or his heirs entitled by military service.

Bounty land warrant: A grant of land given by the government as reward for military service.

Codicil: An addition to a last will and testament. At one time, the codicil was actually physically attached to the will.

Consanguinity: Relationship by blood. Genealogists sometimes refer to "degree of consanguinity" when speaking of relationships.

Consort: The spouse was still living when the husband/wife died.

Decedent: A person who has died. Often abbreviated in old documents, e.g. "decd" or "dcdt."

Declaration of Intention: A sworn statement made by an alien that he/she intends to become a citizen.

Preceded actual naturalization.

Deposition: The written testimony of a witness to some legal action.

An affidavit.

Devisee: A person who is to receive real property according to a will. Also, a legatee.

Devisor: A testator who, in his will, makes a devise.
Dower: A legal right in the real property of her husband, which a wife gains through marriage.
Freeman: A person entitled to the rights of a citizen, to vote and conduct business.
Issue: Offspring of progeny.
Landgrave: A title or rank in early S. C. that was an early attempt to establish a titled nobility in the American colonies. A Landgrave owned 48,000 acres of land.
Legatee: A person who is to receive real property according to a will. Also, a devisee.
Ordinary: In Georgia, a probate judge.
Orphan: Old documents and court records often referred to someone under 21 whose father had died, even though the mother was still living, as an orphan.
Relict: The spouse is already deceased.
Vicar: Clergyman.
Surrogate: In N.J. and N.Y., a judicial officer presiding over probate.
Yeoman: An independent farmer; especially a member of a former class of small freeholding farmers in England.

ABBREVIATIONS:

A, a = acre or acres
abt = about
acct = account
admr = administrator or administratrix
A.D.S. = autographed, document signed
ae = of age
AE, Aetatis = years of life
alias = an assumed name, or the married (or maiden) name of a woman
ante = before or prior to
anti = against
ap = son of
A.R., Anno Regni = the year of the reign of
as, aet = age or aged
b = born, birth
bap, bapt = baptize or baptized
bef = before
bet = between
B.L.W., B.L.Wt. = Bounty Land Grant
bpl = birthplace
bro = brother
bur = buried, burial
C = copyright
C.W. = Civil War
Ca = about
cert = certificate
ch = children

chris = christened
cn = census
co = county
Conf = Confederate
Ct = court
csn = cousin
cous = cousin
d = died, death
D.S. = document signed
D.S.P. = died with issue
D.V.P. = died in father's lifetime
de = from
decd = decedent
dect = decedent
desc = descendant
dd = deed
dist = district
div = divorced
doc = document
dpl = deathplace
d.w.i. = died without issue
d.y. = died young
e = east, eastern
e.g. = for example
est = estate
et al = and others
et ux = and wife
f = father
f.e. = for example
fam = family
ff = following pages
f.i. = for instance
fid = fiduciary; held or founded in trust
fil = father-in-law
GAR = Grand Army of the Republic
G.ch. = grand children
geb = birth
gest = death
gf = grandfather
ggf = great grandfather
gm = grandmother
gp = grandparent
gs = gravestone
h = husband
ibed = in same place
i.e. = that is
Inst = immediate month
int = interest, intention
inf = inventory
ipso facto = by the act itself
issue = children
l = lives or lives
ll = lines
L.C. = Library of Congress

LDS = Latter Day Saints
m = marriage, married
1/m = 1st marriage
2/m = 2nd marriage
md = married
mil = mother-in-law
mo = mother
mov = moved.
mss = manuscript
N.A. = Noational Arcgives
nd = no date
N.E. = New England
nee = maiden name, born
nm = name
obit = obituary
OSP = died without issue
p = parent
pl = probate
pro = probate
prob = probable
q.v. = which see
R.W. = Revolutionary War
RE = regarding
rec = record
s = son
SASE = stamped, self-address envelope
sch = exchange
sic = same, as copied
s/o = son of
sol = soldier
tp = title page
tpm = tile page mutilated
ts = tombstone
twp = township
unm = unmarried
unk = unknown
ux = wife
var = various
vet = veteran
vix = namely
VLT = last month
VR = vital record
VS = vital statistics
w = will
1/w = 1st wife
wid = widow, widower
wit = wtinessed
x = christian

SALEM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Date joined cont'd

10-21-1866 Evans, Mrs Mary [died 1894]
 5-19-1883 Miss Minnie L (married an Elliott)
 8-26-1864 Farr, Miss Sue
 5-18-1958 Faucette, Julia Elizabeth
 1-10-1959 Mary Isabelle
 9-19-1948 Fee, Catherine Wilkes (married a Wolfe)
 8-19-1915 Frank Fant
 9-19-1948 Joan (married 1st Bowman; 2nd LeGrand; 3rd ?)
 9-19-1948 Joe N
 8-19-1915 Trezevant
 1938 Folk, Mary Francis
 1830 Foote, Mrs Isabella (dismissed 3-1831)
 1830 Mary L (dismissed 3-1831)
 1830 Sarah K (dismissed 3-1831)
 11-28-1965 Frazier, Barry Jean
 4- 4-1960 Betty Scott
 10- 9-1938 F Marion
 3-14-1915 Mrs Frances (Copeland) (Mrs J B Jr)
 10-25-1931 J B III
 5-15-1913 James B Jr
 1- 7-1883 James Blair Sr [died 1950]
 10-25-1931 John Rhett
 11-11-1905 Marion May (married G K Craig)
 9-23-1861 Mrs Mary [died 1915]
 7-23-1893 Mrs Minnie W [died 1949]
 10-23-1853 Gelston, Hugh (dismissed 8-14-1859...Charlotte, NC)
 10-23-1853 Isabella (dismissed 8-14-1859...Charlotte, NC)
 3-27-1853 John (Durham, England) (dismissed 11-26-1854)
 8-18-1853 Mrs John
 8-19-1888 John P
 3-23-1862 Mrs Mildred [died 1896]
 8- 3-1952 George, Barry Blair
 8- 3-1952 Wallace Erby
 12-26-1965 Gibbs, Hester (Drew) (Mrs J D)
 12-26-1965 J D
 5-13-1854 Gilbert, Miss Isabella
 5-13-1854 Miss Jane
 5-13-1854 Joseph (dismissed 6-14-1854...Horeb)
 5-13-1854 Mrs Martha (dismissed 6-14-1857...Horeb)
 5-13-1854 William (dismissed 6-14-1857...Horeb)
 5-13-1854 William R (dismissed 6-14-1857...Horeb)
 10- 2-1892 Gladney, Aiken [died 1935]
 11-11-1905 Carrie Eugenia (married Preston B Roberts) [died 1950]
 7-23-1893 Frank M
 5-23-1875 H Y [died 1883]
 9-10-1860 Mrs Harriet L [died 1908]
 7-23-1893 J H
 7-23-1893 Jim Bunyan [died 1913]
 7-23-1893 Joseph [died 1895]
 8-18-1853 Mrs Jane P (Davis) (from Lebanon) [died 1868]
 9-19-1948 Goodlet, Hazel
 2- -1932 Mrs Minnie Bell (Weeks) (Mrs S D)
 9-24-1933 Goodson, George
 4-23-1847 Gordon, Miss Ann Eliza
 4-30-1911 Clyde W
 11-14-1912 Eunice
 8-21-1915 Eura