

## TITLED ANCESTORS

1. Robert II, King of Scotland, was born March 2, 1316, only child of Walter, High Steward of Scotland, by his wife, Marjory, daughter of Robert the Bruce. His son,
2. Robert, Earl of Fife and Monteith, afterwards Duke of Albany, in 1399 married Margaret, only daughter of Murdock, Earl of Monteith. Their son,
3. Murdoch, second Duke of Albany, Governor of Scotland until the restoration of his cousin, James I. of Scotland, when he and two sons, Walter and Alexander, were beheaded in Sterling, 1424. He married Isabel, daughter and co-heiress of Duncan, last Earl of Lennox. Their third son,
4. James Stewart, on the imprisonment of his father and brother, with the assistance of the Bishop of Argyle assaulted and burnt the town of Dumbarton and killed Sir James Stuart, the Governor of the Castle, 1424; proclaimed a traitor he sought refuge in Ireland, where he married a lady of the family of McDonald and died in 1441. They had two sons, Andrew Stuart, who was brought from Ireland by James II. and created Lord of Avondale, (he was also Lord High Chancellor of Scotland), and Walter Stuart of Murphie.
5. Walter Stuart of Murphie, married Elizabeth, daughter of Arnot of Arnot. Their son,
6. Andrew Stuart, second Lord Avondale, married Margaret Kenedy, daughter of Sir John Kenedy of Blairquhan in Ayrshire. Their son,

### EXPLANATION OF CHARACTERS.

The letters A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I denote the generations, commencing with John (A<sup>1</sup>).

The large figures indicate the heads of families, or those especially mentioned in their generation. Each generation begins with 1 and continues in regular sequence.

The small figures show number, according to birth, of children in each particular family.

Children dying in infancy or early youth, will not be mentioned again in line with their brothers and sisters.

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7. Andrew, third Lord Avondale, having made an excursion of the Lordship of Avondale with Sir James Hamilton of Finnart for the Barony of Ochiltree, was by act of Parliament, 1542, ordained to be called Lord Ochiltree. He married Lady Margaret Hamilton, daughter of James, first Earl of Arran—by Beatrice Drummond, his first wife. Their son,

8. Andrew, second Lord Ochiltree, commonly called the "Good", took a prominent part with the leaders of the Reformation; he married Agnes, daughter of John Cunningham of Caprington, by whom he had four sons and two daughters, of these the youngest was

(not born)

9. Lady Margaret Stuart, who became the second wife of the Reformer, John Knox in 1564. They had three daughters, Margaret, wife of Rev. Mr. Pont; Martha, wife of Rev. Mr. Fleming, and the third

10. Elizabeth Knox, was married to Rev. John Welch of Ayr; they had two sons and one daughter, Lucy. Mr. Welch died in London, 1622, and his wife moved to Ayr, where she died in 1625. Her will was confirmed by the commissary at Glasgow. Nothing seems to be known of the two sons, but the only daughter,

11. Lucy Welch, married Rev. Mr. Wotherspoon, or Witherspoon, one of the parish ministers of Scotland; they had two sons, David and James. The eldest son,

12. David Witherspoon, was born in Scotland. It is not known whom he married, but he had one son, John, the head of the family in America, of whom a full account will be found on page 26, and who is spoken of as "John<sup>A1</sup>", and recognized as our progenitor, from him the record is straight.

13. John Witherspoon<sup>A1</sup> son of David<sup>12</sup> and \_\_\_\_\_ was born in Scotland in 1670. He married Janet

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Witherspoon, daughter of James Witherspoon<sup>12</sup>, (son of Rev. — Wotherspoon, or Witherspoon, and Lucy Welch) in 1693, moved to Ireland in 1695, and landed in America in 1734. Now from John and Janet (or Jennette) it will be easy for all of those who are interested to trace their line of descent. My particular line, given as an example for those who may wish to "find themselves," is as follows, viz.:

14. James Witherspoon, son of John and Janet, born 1700, died 1768; married Elizabeth McQuoid in 1725, their second son,

15. Robert Witherspoon, born 1728, died 1788. Married Elizabeth Heathly, and their eldest son,

16. James Witherspoon, born 1759, died 1791. Married Nancy White in 1782, and their second son,

17. James Hervey Witherspoon, born 1784, died 1842, Married Jane Donnom, and their ninth child,

18. Mary Ann Witherspoon, born 1818, died 1890. Married Doctor Joseph James Wardlaw, and their ninth child, *Nelle's Great Grandmother*

19. Joseph George Wardlaw, born 1859, married Sarah F. Carroll in 1893, she died in 1894. Married second in 1900, Emmie D. Sams, who died in 1906.

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The record of the titled ancestry was furnished me by Mrs. Mary Stevens Witherspoon of Lancaster, a most intelligent genealogist, who received it from Rev. David Walker Woods, Jr., grandson of the youngest daughter of John Witherspoon the "Signer", and he in turn secured it from Miss Caroline Solomons.

Practically the same account of the titled family is given by Mr. Browning in his "Americans of Royal Descent," though there are some discrepancies.

*Capt. James Witherspoon*  
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On July 15, 1781, he was commissioned 1st Lieutenant of Captain John McBride's company, Colonel Archibald McDonald's regiment. The original commission is now in the possession of the family of his great-grandson, Captain Bartlett J. Witherspoon of Lancaster, S. C., a certified copy of which reads as follows, viz.:

"STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

To James Witherspoon, Esq.:

"By virtue of the authority in me vested by His Excellency, John Rutledge, Esq., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the said State, I do hereby commission, and by these presents constitute and appoint you, the aforesaid James Witherspoon, Esq., First Lieutenant of the Company of Captain John McBride, in the Regiment of Militia commanded by Col. Archibald McDonald.

"You are therefore carefully and diligently to observe and perform the duties of First Lieutenant of the said Company, and you are hereby to continue to hold this commission during pleasure and good behavior.

"Given under my hand at \_\_\_\_\_, St. John's Parish, this fifteenth day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty-one and in the sixth year of American Independence.

"FRANCIS MARION."

*Gene and The Swamp Fox*

See Books X, page 976 and Y, page 987, Rev. Records in office of Secretary of State, Columbia, S. C.

On April 16, 1782, he was promoted to be Captain of the Kingtree company. The original commission is also in the hands of the family of the late Captain B. J. Witherspoon, a faithful copy being as follows:

"State of South Carolina, by His Excellency John Mathews, Esqr., Governor and Commander-in-Chief of said State. To James Witherspoon, Esqr.:

"I, reposing special Trust and Confidence in your courage and good conduct, in your Fidelity and attachment to the United States of America, have commissioned and appointed, and by these Presents do commission and appoint

you the said James Witherspoon to be Captain of the King's Tree Company, to take rank from the date thereof, which said Company you are to Lead, Train, Muster and Exercise according to Military Discipline, and you are to follow and observe such Orders and Instructions as you shall from time to time receive from the Governor, the Commander-in-Chief for the time being, or from any of your Superior Officers according to the Rules and Discipline of War, pursuant to the Laws of the State. And all inferior officers and others belonging to the said Company are hereby required and commanded to obey you as their Captain. This commission to continue during pleasure.

"Given under my hand and seal. Jacksonboro, April 16th, A. D., 1782. Seventh year of the Independence of the United States of America.

"JOHN MATHEWS."

This latter commission, as Captain, was sent to James Witherspoon with the following letter from Gen. Marion:

"St. Stephens, April 14, 1782.

"Sir:

Inclosed is a commission to command the King's Tree Company, and hope you will accept of it and let no trifling matter induce you to refuse. In these times when our country calls for men of bravery and ability, such as you, no good man, well-wisher to his country ought to resign or shun the service, and it gives me great pleasure to see you at the head of a Company, which I know will be led on by a man whose conduct and spirit I have been an eye-witness of, whom I have always had the highest opinion of, and the highest regard for.

I am your obedient servant,

"FRANCIS MARION."

This autograph letter was for many years in the possession of the family, as well as a wine glass said to have been used by Captain Witherspoon and General Marion, but they were lost during the Confederate war.

A copy of the letter can be found on page 171 of "Gibbs'

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Documentary History 1776-1782," and reference is made to the young Captain in "James' Life of Marion," pages 153 and 161. He is said to have been one of the most popular officers from Williamsburg and had the confidence of his superior officers, Marion, Horry, Postel and James; he was engaged in most of the battles of the Revolution fought in South Carolina. He was interred in the old Meeting House graveyard, near his wife's family. He married Miss Nancy White on January 8, 1782; she was born at Kingstree in 1765 and died at Indiantown, August 31, 1797. After the death of her first husband, she married Colonel Alexander Calcleugh of Sumter, on January 12, 1793, by whom she had a son dying in infancy. It is greatly regretted that nothing can be determined about the family of Nancy White, wife of Captain James Witherspoon. In May, 1902, I made an effort to locate his grave in "The Old Meeting House graveyard," a few miles from Kingstree, but was unable to find any stone, or other evidence of the place of interment. It is possible that she was a daughter of George White, a descendant of the original family that settled at Waxhaw. (See White). James' children were:

1. Robert Lynn born in Williamsburg, Dec. 30, 1782, died Dec. 23, 1814.
2. James Hervey born in Williamsburg, Nov. 20, 1784, died June 27, 1842.
3. George White born in Williamsburg, March 20, 1787, died Jan. 3, 1834.
4. Martha Ann born in Williamsburg, Nov. 12, 1789, died Oct. 23, 1790.

## D.

16. Ann daughter of Robert<sup>C13</sup>, son of James<sup>B3</sup>, son John<sup>A1</sup>, was born in Williamsburg Dist., Jan. 4, 1763, died Oct. 31, 1786. She was married on Jan. 6, 1780, to her distant cousin James Fleming<sup>D1</sup>, son James Fleming<sup>C4</sup>, son Janet Witherspoon<sup>B1</sup> and John Fleming. She is said to have been a most estimable woman and died in the 25th year of her age under very sad circumstances, leaving twin daughters two days old. She was buried in the graveyard at old Williamsburg church. James Fleming after-

wards married Mary Frierson and died May 30, 1797. See (D1) page 51.

1. Robert born July 11, 1781, died June 11, 1785.
2. James born Aug. 25, 1783, died Aug. 13, 1786.
3. Janet Witherspoon born Oct. 29, 1786, died June 15, 1791. (Twin sister of Ann).
4. Ann born Oct. 29, 1786, died Jan. 12, 1816. (Twin sister of Janet Witherspoon. (See E1, page 76).

## D.

17. Robert son of Robert<sup>C13</sup>, son James<sup>B3</sup>, son John<sup>A1</sup>, was born in Williamsburg, Jan. 29, 1767, and died in Sumter county, S. C., Oct. 11, 1837. He was very intelligent, well read and quite literary in his tastes. Was elected Treasurer of the State of South Carolina in 1800, continuing in office for one term; was a member of the State legislature in 1806. In 1809 he was elected to Congress and ably represented his district until 1811, when he declined re-election and returned to his plantation, where he lived in easy circumstances. His influence was widespread, he was a leader in his section, being in touch with the prominent men of his day, and was noted for his intelligence, great integrity and piety. On Nov. 14, 1793, he was married to his distant cousin, Janet<sup>D33</sup> 1-2, daughter of the celebrated Major John James. She was born in 1776 and died in Columbia, May 10, 1800, eight days after the birth of a son, John Benoni. On Jan. 21, 1808, he married Elizabeth, daughter of Col. Thomas and Sarah McFadden, also his cousin, who was born in 1789 and died Dec. 10, 1858. It is probable that he served in the last part of the Revolutionary war, at the age of about 14 or 15 years. He was interred at Salem (Brick) church, near his home. "The Christian, the Patriot and the Gentleman, Respected and revered by all who knew him for his integrity, intelligence and virtue." He was violently opposed to Nullification in 1832.

1. Robert Sydenham born 1794, Sept 18, died August 26, 1819.
2. James Edmunds born 1797, Aug. 3, died April 26, 1872.

Mrs. Louisa Gee, who was living in 1893, over 80 years  
age. He moved to Tennessee.

1. Thomas Scott born —, died.
2. Wm. Marcellus born 1827.
3. John J. born —, died 1866.
4. —, —.
5. Mary born —.
6. Frederick by second marriage, died early.
7. Watkins Leigh born —. Unmarried. Educated at University of Virginia.

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6. Moses son of Capt. David<sup>D<sup>r</sup></sup>, son of David<sup>C<sup>11</sup></sup>,  
David<sup>B<sup>2</sup></sup>, son of John<sup>A<sup>1</sup></sup>; born 1790, died  
Married Frances Ellis and second Harriet<sup>D<sup>67</sup></sup>, daughter  
Roger<sup>C<sup>34</sup></sup> Wilson, son of Robert Wilson. After his  
Harriet married Capt. Williams.

1. David Wilson born —, died 1878 or '79.
2. Elizabeth Ann born —, died.
3. Moses Elias born —, died.

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\* 7. Elizabeth Bradley, daughter of Capt. David<sup>D<sup>r</sup></sup>  
born 1793. Married Robt. Matthews  
son. He graduated at the South Carolina College  
Son of Robt. Wilson (and Mary Matthews) son of  
Wilson. *she married second Thomas*

1. Harrison.
2. Rebecca.
3. Matilda.
4. Mary.
5. *David Joseph (2<sup>nd</sup> marriage)*
6. *E. fills Jane*
7. *Susan Eugenia*
8. Matilda daughter David<sup>D<sup>r</sup></sup> &c., born 1798

*she had 6 sons & 2 daughters*  
ried David Durant and died

1. Sarah Ann.

E.

9. James Blakeley son of James<sup>D<sup>11</sup></sup>, son David<sup>D<sup>r</sup></sup>,  
David<sup>B<sup>2</sup></sup>, son John<sup>A<sup>1</sup></sup>, born  
Georgia and died 1832 in Tuscaloosa, Ala. Married

\* Elizabeth Bradley (E7) married second Thomas Winn  
Ireland; 3 children; David Joseph - married Caroline  
Britton, Oct. 12, 1849, their son David James Winn  
daughter Lillia Jane Susan Eugenia, born in Sumter,  
17, 1825, died Sept. 15, 1892 who married Geo. L.

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DR. JOSEPH JAMES WARDLAW.



*Matilda's Cousin and partner*

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Ann Frierson, daughter of Robt. Frierson and Elizabeth<sup>D19</sup> Witherspoon, who was born in 1796.

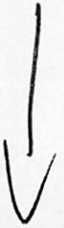
1. James Lafayette born 1825, died 1890.
  2. De Witt Canning born —, —, —.
  3. Robt. Frierson born —, —, —.
- E.

10. Robert Lynn son of Capt. James<sup>D15</sup>, son Robert<sup>C13</sup>, son James<sup>B3</sup>, son John<sup>A1</sup>, was born in Williamsburg County, S. C., Dec. 30, 1782, and died there Dec. 23, 1814. Tall, active, energetic, generous and very intelligent. Admitted to the bar at Columbia, his name appears second on the Roll of Attorneys now extant, under date of April 26, 1809. Practiced with success and was greatly respected for his integrity of character and fine sense, his early death ended a life that gave promise of great usefulness. Married Oct. 11, 1811, Jane, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth (Fleming) Cooper and granddaughter of James Fleming and Ann Witherspoon<sup>D19</sup>. She died Sept. 2, 1814.

1. James Van Tromp born Sept. 2, 1812, died —.
  2. Jane born Nov. 20, 1813, died —.
- E.

*Miss G. G. G. Grandson*

11. James Hervey son of Capt. James<sup>D15</sup>, son Robt.<sup>C13</sup>, son James<sup>B3</sup>, son John<sup>A1</sup>, was born at his father's home in Williamsburg County, near Kingstree, South Carolina, Nov. 20, 1784, and died of apoplexy, at his home in Lancaster, S. C., June 27, 1842. Was of medium height, rather stout, with dark hair and eyes, especially neat in his dress, very courteous and polished in manner, high-toned, manly and much given to hospitality. Was a man of fine sense, good judgment and universally esteemed. After attending school in his native District he was sent to a famous preparatory school in the Waxhaws, Lancaster Dist., taught by —, but before entering the S. C. College, then just opened, and for which he was being prepared, he fell in love with and married a lovely young woman, Jean Donnom, only daughter of Capt. Isaac and Sarah (Crawford) Donnom, the ceremony taking place on March 3, 1803. They lived very happily and comfortably



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in the Waxhaws, near the Catawba River, about ten miles from Lancaster C. H., where all of their children were born. He engaged extensively in planting and amassed considerable property. About 1831 he moved to Lancaster C. H. and entered upon the duties of District Ordinary, which office he held for about twenty years. He was Colonel of a militia regiment, being commissioned by Gov. Pinckney in 1818, and upon his resignation was succeeded by Col. Sims, father of the renowned surgeon, Dr. J. Marion Sims. In 1826 was elected Lieutenant Governor of South Carolina, Hon. John Taylor being Governor. At the time of his death he was a candidate for the U. S. Congress, and it is thought with every prospect of being elected. He was on the staff of Gov. Hayne in 1832. Was an ardent Nullifier. Greatly attached to the Presbyterian Church. Among his correspondence, letters are found from Andrew Jackson, Gov. Hayne, Gov. Taylor, Gov. Miller (his kinsman), John C. Calhoun, Gen. Blair, Gov. McDuffie and other distinguished men of his day and time. The following is a true copy of an autograph letter from Gen. Jackson, and would, it seems, decide the question as to Jackson's place of birth, therefore we give it in full just here.

"Hermitage, June 2, 1828.

"Gentlemen: I have had the pleasure to receive your letter of the 12th ult., inviting me to celebrate with the citizens of my native District the approaching anniversary of our National Independence. For this pleasing testimonial of the esteem of the citizens of Lancaster, I beg you gentlemen to offer to them the assurance of my heartfelt thanks. If it were in my power, nothing would be more pleasing to my feelings than to comply with their request, but the distance to be travelled, and the various requisitions on my time at home, compel me to say that the pleasure must be postponed to some other period. Be pleased, gentlemen, to accept for yourselves individually and to convey to those you represent, my gratitude for your tender recollection of me as a citizen of Lancaster. This obligation is heightened by the consciousness on my

part that absence and time have not weakened the ardour of that sentiment which consecrates the memory of the place of my birth. I have the honor to be, gentlemen,

"Your obedient servant,

"ANDREW JACKSON."

"Messrs. James H. Witherspoon, John Nesbit, John Stewart, Nahomi Barber, Jackey Perry, Sam'l. Gibson, Bartlett Jones, H. Massey, Sr., I. Donnom, John McKenna." The envelope was postmarked "Nashville, Tenn., June 3, forwarded 25th, and directed to Messrs. James H. Witherspoon and others, Lancaster, S. C." Col. Witherspoon was married the second time to Mrs. Frances G. McCaw, of Bolton, Abbeville District, S. C. She was the daughter of ——— Todd, and widow of Dr. William McCaw, a dashing surgeon in the U. S. Army, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Mr. Martin on Jan. 11, 1838. His second wife, who was a most estimable woman and greatly respected by her husband's family, died about 1860. After his second marriage he was handsomely entertained for several days by Gov. McDuffie, Major Burt, Col. Tilman and others.

"Thornwell's Life and Letters," by Dr. B. M. Palmer, page 137, says:

"Col. Witherspoon was one of the leading men in the District and not without distinction in the State, having served as Lieutenant Governor and was a candidate for Congress, with every prospect of being elected, when he was stricken with paralysis, which terminated in death. He was a man of large views, of great energy and enthusiasm, and possessed an almost unbounded popularity." Jane Donnom, first wife of J. H. W., was born in the Waxhaws Nov. 19, 1786, and died January

1, 1834. It is said that she was a most lovely woman, of deep piety, of a quiet, sweet disposition, combining great firmness with gentleness and tenderness. Her portrait, long in possession of her grand-daughter, Jane Donnom Wardlaw, presents one of the sweetest faces imaginable. Both Col. W. and his wife, Jane, were buried at the old

and brothers were brave, gallant men. Aunt Eliza is now living (1909) in Lancaster at a very old age. She is the very last of her race, and is a beautiful example of resignation, piety and cheerfulness.

1. Jno. Crawford, born at Lancaster, Sept. 8, 1840, died at Rock Hill, Aug. 5, 1891.
2. James Gavin, born at Lancaster, Feb. 4, 1845, died at Lancaster, March 3, 1901.
3. Martin Robert, born at Lancaster, May, 11, 1847.
4. Ann Eliza, born at Lancaster, Jan. 23, 1850.
5. Geo. McCottry, born at Lancaster, July 12, 1852, killed by lightning, June 27, 1892.
6. Claude, born at Lancaster, July 27, 1856, died suddenly, April 23, 1905.
7. Donnóm, born at Lancaster, Feb. 10, 1858, died June 16, 1858.
8. Wardlaw Thornwell, born at Lancaster, May 25, 1861, died April 20, 1909.

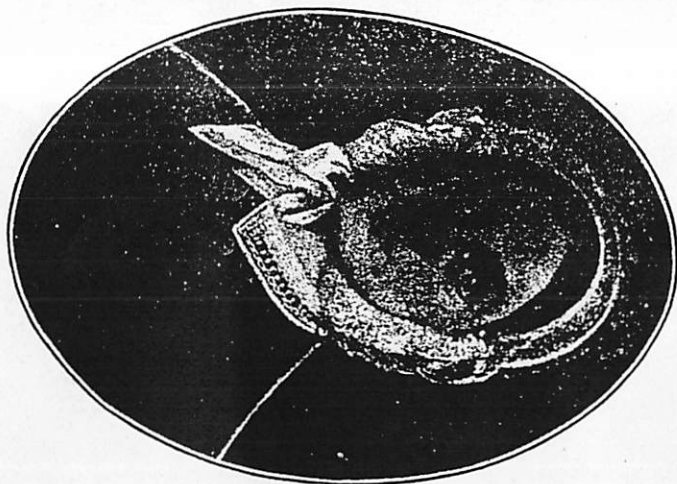
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22. Elizabeth Margaret, daughter of Col. Jas. Hervey<sup>211</sup> &c., was born in the Waxhaws Nov. 20, 1813. She is said to have been a very handsome woman in her young days. Rather above medium size, with dark hair and eyes; a kind-hearted, good woman, who suffered much disappointment and sorrow on account of her sons not reaching her ideal of noble manhood. She lived to a very old age, and like her brother, Geo. McCottry, was almost entirely blind for a number of years. She died July 27, 1899, and was perhaps the last member of the congregation that organized the Presbyterian church at Lancaster. On June 5, 1834, she married Benj. F. Sadler, a merchant at Lancaster, who died many years ago. She was always called "Betsy."

1. Jas. Hervey Witherspoon, born at Lancaster, Sept. 17, 1835, died at Abbeville, 1854.
2. Benj. Franklin, born at Lancaster, March 11, 1837.
3. John Milton, born at Lancaster, Feb. 1, 1839.



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MRS. JEAN (DONNOM) WITHERSPOON.

*Mrs. Dr. Geo. Sadler*

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Waxhaw grave-yard. This old burying ground was one of the oldest in the upper part of the State, the church being organized about 1752. The children of Jas. H. W. and Jane (Donnom) were:

1. Isaac Donnom born in the Waxhaws December 6, 1803, died at White Sulphur Springs July 20, 1858.
2. Sarah Crawford born in the Waxhaws March 23, 1806, died at Waxhaws Sept. 23, 1832.
3. Nancy White born in the Waxhaws February 17, 1808, died at Morganton, N. C., June 11, 1891.
4. James Hervey born in the Waxhaws March 23, 1810, died at Lancaster, S. C., Oct. 3, 1865.
5. Geo. McCottry born in the Waxhaws March 22, 1812, died at Lancaster, S. C., Nov. 24, 1898.
6. Elizabeth Margaret born in the Waxhaws November, 20, 1813, died at Lancaster, S. C., July 27, 1899.
7. Mary Wilson born in the Waxhaws January 19, 1816, died at Waxhaws March 17, 1816.
8. Infant son born in the Waxhaws January 5, 1817, died at Waxhaws Jan. 28, 1817.
9. Mary Ann born in the Waxhaws February 26, 1818, died at Columbia, S. C., Dec. 4, 1890.
10. John Joyce born in the Waxhaws October 9, 1820, died at Waxhaws Oct. 14, 1822.
11. Andrew Jackson born in the Waxhaws July 10, 1824, died at Moss Point, Miss., Oct. 25, 1891.

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DONNOM.

This family was from England or Scotland, four brothers, James, Jonathan, Daniel and John came to America about 1740, settling in Colleton District, S. C.



CAPT. ISAAC DONNOM.

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Crawford*

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- 4. Jane Dunlap, born at Lancaster, June 28, 1843, died at Lancaster, 1880.
- 5. Mary Frances, born at Lancaster, 1845, died at Lancaster, 189—.

F. *Nelle's great grandmother*

23. Mary Ann, daughter of Col. Jas. Hervey<sup>B11</sup>, son of Capt. Jas.<sup>D15</sup>, son of Robert<sup>C13</sup>, son Jas.<sup>B3</sup>, son John<sup>A1</sup>, was born (perhaps at Cool Spring) in the Waxhaws, near Waxhaw Church, and the Catawba River, in Lancaster County, S. C., on February 26, 1818. In person she was slightly above medium height, with dark hair and blue eyes; her features were delicate, and her face bore a rather sad, sweet expression; her hands were small and exquisitely formed; her carriage unusually fine, and in her young days she must have been quite pretty and graceful. She had a fine mind, remarkable memory, and good judgment. Was noted for her delicate refinement, tenderness and gentleness, and yet her powers of endurance and heroism were wonderful. "The law of kindness was in her mouth and she made many friends by this simple, though effective, rule of right living." She attended school at Lancaster, Yorkville and Camden, boarding at the latter place with Rev. Dr. Jno. Witherspoon, grand-son of the "Signer." In 1837-8 she went over to Abbeville to be present at her father's marriage to Mrs. Frances G. McCaw, and on January 16, 1839, she was married at Bolton, her step-mother's elegant country home, by the Rev. Dr. Barr, to Dr. Joseph James Wardlaw, son of James Wardlaw, Esq., of Abbeville C. H., S. C. Her husband was a prominent physician, an honorable, Christian gentleman, of a high order of intelligence, and a man of influence and usefulness. He was born at Abbeville on October 29, 1814, graduated at the South Carolina College in 1833, and with distinction at Jefferson Medical College in 1836, was a member of the Legislature 1858-59. He died July 2, 1873, at Walhalla, S. C., from the effects of a fall, which broke his femur, and was interred at Long Cane, where sleep his distinguished kinsmen. A fuller account of my father and his family is to be found in

Mary Ann cont.

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my "Wardlaw" book. After my father's death my mother spent most of her time with her eldest daughter, Maria Moorman. She read a great deal and enjoyed many advantages, knowing personally most of the State's great men during the early part of the century. It was in her declining years that her religion, charity, usefulness, kindness and purity of heart manifested themselves so plainly to me. She died in Columbia, S. C., on December 4, 1890, after suffering great pain from facial neuralgia, and was buried at Long Cane cemetery, two miles from Abbeville, and where lie scores of her honored husband's kindred. Their children were:

1. James Witherspoon, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., Jan. 10, 1840, died at Columbia, July 6, 1860.
2. Clarke, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., April 12, 1841, died at Paducah, Ky., Nov. 9, 1888.
3. Thornwell, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., June 4, 1842, died at Abbeville, July 13, 1843.
4. Lewis Alfred, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., Jan. 4, 1844, died at Abbeville, July 6, 1863.
5. Mary Witherspoon, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., August 24, 1846, died at Columbia, August 2, 1888.
6. Nancy Thornwell, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., November 9, 1850.
7. Jane Donnom, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., August 2, 1853, died at Yorkville, Nov. 8, 1905.
8. Frances Elizabeth, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., February 26, 1856.
9. Joseph George, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., April 4, 1859.
10. Helen Margaret, born at Abbeville C. H., S. C., Aug. 15, 1863.

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24. Andrew Jackson, son Col. Jas. Hervey<sup>211</sup>, son Capt. James<sup>217</sup> &c., was born in the Waxhaws July 10, 1824. Of medium height, stout man,



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to raise the first company from his county. Was made sergeant and then promoted to be first sergeant Co. B, Orr's regiment. All of the color bearers being shot down at Chancellorsville, he snatched up the colors of his regiment, ran forward, calling to the men to follow and was shot through the temple, losing both eyes, and dying about two weeks afterwards, July 6, 1863. He was voted a medal for distinguished bravery. His remains lie buried at Long Cane cemetery.

## G.

47. *just aunt* Mary Witherspoon (Wardlaw), daughter of Mary Ann<sup>F23</sup> &c., born at Abbeville, Aug. 24, 1846, and died at Columbia, S. C., Aug. 2, 1888. She was a magnificent character, a wonderful combination of gentleness and spirit. She was educated at Madame Sosnowski's famous school at Columbia. On December 21, 1871, she was married at Abbeville, by Rev. Jas. L. Martin, to Thomas S. Moorman, Esq., son of Col. Robert Moorman, of Newberry, S. C. He was born near Goshen Hill, Union County, S. C., March 25, 1842. Graduated at Wofford College in 1860. Served gallantly as Lieutenant in Company E, 3rd S. C. Regt. Wounded at battle of Wilderness. Admitted to the Bar in 1866, and practiced with success in Newberry. Moved to Columbia in 1887. Was made Librarian of Supreme Court in 1888. Magistrate a number of years. He annotated the revised Statutes of 1893, and was author of a digest of the Supreme Court of South Carolina. He died at Asheville, N. C., August 4, 1902, and was buried by side of first wife in Elmwood cemetery, Columbia, S. C.

1. Clarke Wardlaw, born at Newberry, S. C., Nov. 11, 1872.
2. Robert, born at Newberry, S. C., Nov. 14, 1873.
3. Thomas Samuel, born at Newberry, S. C., Feb. 7, 1875.
4. Reuben Sims Chick, born at Newberry, S. C., Oct. 11, 1876.
5. Mary Witherspoon, born at Newberry, S. C., Jan. 7, 1878.
6. Joseph James, born at Newberry, S. C., May 1, 1879.

## G.

48. Nancy Thornwell (Wardlaw), daughter Mary Ann<sup>F23</sup>, born at Abbeville, S. C., Nov. 9, 1850. Educated at Yorkville Female College. Noted for truthfulness and conscientiousness. Married at Newberry, by Rev. James Douglass, May 26, 1874, to James Glenn McCants, Esq., son of Jas. B. McCants, Esq., of Winnsboro, S. C., who was born —, 1850. Educated at South Carolina College and Yale College. Admitted to the Bar in 1871, and practiced law at Winnsboro, S. C. Has been a member of the Legislature.

1. Jas. Bartholomew, born March 16, 1875, died Sept. 17, 1880.
2. Joseph Wardlaw, born Dec. 25, 1876, died July 26, 1877.
3. James Glenn, born May 13, 1879, died Dec. 5, 1881.
4. Laura Glenn, born Jan. 10, 1881, died Oct. 5, 1881.
5. George Bailey, born April 19, 1882.
6. Marie Witherspoon, born Nov. 13, 1883.
7. Clarke Wardlaw, born Oct. 26, 1885.
8. Donnom Witherspoon, born Dec. 8, 1887.
9. Charles Spencer, born Jan. 14, 1890. *Nellie's father*
10. Robert Burton, born July 18, 1891.
11. Lewis Alfred Wardlaw, born Sept. 1, 1893.

## G.

49. Jean Donnom (Wardlaw), daughter Mary Ann<sup>F23</sup>, daughter Col. J. H. <sup>En1</sup>, son Capt. James<sup>D15</sup> &c., born at Abbeville, S. C., Aug. 2, 1853. Was educated at Yorkville Female College. Exceedingly popular and of lovely disposition. Married Thomas S. Moorman, Esq., (who first married her sister, Marie), Feb. 28, 1900, the ceremony being performed at home of her sister, Mrs. Helen Adickes, at Yorkville, S. C., by Rev. W. G. Neville. She died at home of her sister, Helen, at Yorkville, on Wednesday, Nov. 8, 1905, from after effect of typhoid fever, and was interred at Yorkville. She was peculiarly refined, saw the beautiful in everything, especially loving and loyal to her relatives and friends. "By her lips and life expressed the holy gospel she professed."

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delphia, in 1910.

Winnsboro, Oct. 26, 1885. Attended schools at Winnsboro and completed Sophomore Class at South Carolina College. Read law with father and was admitted to the Bar Dec. 5, 1907. Practices law at Winnsboro, also secretary Commercial Club.

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68. Donnom Witherspoon (McCants), son of Nannie T. (Wardlaw)<sup>G48</sup> &c., born at Winnsboro, Dec. 8, 1887.

*Nelle's father*

H.

69. Dr. Charles Spencer (McCants), son of N. T. (W.)<sup>G48</sup> &c., born at Winns-

*Nancy Thornwell (W. Witherspoon)*

boro, July 14, 1890. Quite bright. Assistant Cashier of Bank at Hartsville. Entered Freshman Class at Davidson, Sept., 1908.

*Graduated from Davidson 19 and Richmond Med. College 19 married Isabel Good*

H.

70. Lewis Alfred W. (McCants), son of N. T. (W.)<sup>G48</sup> &c., born at Winnsboro, Sept. 1, 1893.

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71. Clarke Wardlaw (Adickes), son of Helen M. (Wardlaw)<sup>G52</sup>, daughter Mary Ann<sup>F23</sup>, daughter of Col. J. H.<sup>F11</sup>, son of Capt. James<sup>D15</sup>, son of Robt.<sup>C18</sup> &c., born at Yorkville, S. C., Jan. 1, 1889. Completed Graded School at Yorkville. Attended Davidson College and South Carolina College, leaving latter institution while in Junior Class, in order to assume charge of his deceased father's business.

H.

72. John Wilson (McKay), son of Sallie K.<sup>F31</sup> and W. J. McKay<sup>G113</sup>, born Sept. 18, 1881, died Jan. 21, 1906. Educated at Davidson College. Married Miss Helen Sparrow.

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73. Hamilton Witherspoon (McKay), son of Sallie K.<sup>F31</sup> and W. J. McKay<sup>G113</sup>, born in

Sarah (Crawford) died March 3, 1805, and Isaac married second, Mary McCree Barnett, on Sept. 22, 1807. She died March 22, 1809, without issue. He then married third, Mrs. Jean McGee on Feb. 5, 1815. He died Feb. 27, 1830, and was buried at Waxhaw. He left a considerable property. Mrs. McGee had a son by her first husband from whom is descended Hall McGee, of Charleston, S. C. Sarah Donnom, sister of Isaac, born Nov. 26, 1771, and died April 5, 1790. She married Andrew Herron March 5, 1789, and their only child, Sarah Donnom Herron, married Jesse Brumfield July 21, 1807, but I can learn nothing more of her.

### CRAWFORD.

Ardlock or Crawford-land in Ayrshire, Scotland, was the castellated seat of the great house of Crawford, which for centuries was associated with the chief events of Scottish history. Crawford is supposed, by antiquarians, to signify the road or passage—a crossing of blood—a bloody pass. Crawford castle stands on the right bank of the river Clyde, where it is supposed many bloody conflicts took place between the Romans and Britons. This castle was built at a remote period of antiquity and was the scene of one of the noble exploits of Sir William Wallace. According to George Crawford, author of the "Peerage of Scotland." 1716, the Crawfords were Caledonians and derived their lineage from the old Earls of Richmond. Reginald, the youngest son of Allan, the fourth Earl of Richmond, was the extreme ancestor of the Crawfords, this Reginald de Crawford was surnamed "The Good" and was heritable Sheriff of Ayr. The office of High Sheriff of Ayr was long held by his family. Sir Reginald is sometimes called Sir Ronald de Crawford. He inherited Ardlock or Crawford-land in Ayrshire, and from being distinguished as Reginald de Crawford it became in time Reginald Crawford, thus from his land came the surname. They were barons in those days and for centuries bore a

conspicuous part in all the prominent events of Scottish history. When Scotland was a separate kingdom the nobility, who were dukes, marquises, earls and lords were by the King made hereditary barons of parliament. Such were the Crawfords, who from this time on until the union with England, continued to be members of the Council of Barons who ruled Scotland. At the union, when James II of Scotland, became James I of England, they were still associated with the rulers of the Kingdom. Reginald de Crawford, surnamed "The Good," was great grand-father of Margaret Crawford, who married Malcolm Wallace and became the mother of Scotland's immortal hero, Sir William Wallace. It was Reginald, the brother of Margaret, who was, with so many of the brave barons of the council, treacherously murdered under Edward at Ayr on the 15th of June 1297. Thomas Crawford, on 2nd April, 1578, took the Castle of Dumbarton, then held by Sir James Fleming, and at that time deemed impregnable. Sir James and his wife were the only ones who made their escape from the Castle. The ancient family crest was in Dumbarton Castle with the motto *Ex Pugnavi*, as a distinction commemorative of the event. Kilburnie Castle and Kirk were ancient possessions of the family. The former was destroyed by fire in 1757. One of the Earls of Crawford had it repaired. On the front of the gallery there are emblazoned the armorial bearings of twelve families with whom that of Crawford was allied. Kilburnie Kirk attracts the curious in heraldry and antiquities, and is a fair specimen of an humble Scottish Kirk. The above is according to Sir Henry Teetor. The ancestors of Col. Jno. Crawford, who came direct from Ayrshire to Pennsylvania, lie buried in this Kirk-yard. The three sons of Col. Crawford moved from Pennsylvania to South Carolina with a number of Scotch-Irish, among whom were the Whites, Jacksons and Dunlaps. This branch of the Crawford family did not move to the Northern part of Ireland and sail from some port in that country, but remained in their native land until they came direct from Scotland to Pennsylvania. There was a Col. Jno. Crawford who went

to Ireland and afterwards formed a Scotch-Irish settlement in America, but he settled on the Hudson River. Robert, James and Joseph, sons of Col. Crawford, of Pennsylvania, moved to the Waxhaws, now Lancaster County, S. C., about 1760, where the two former lived and died. Joseph is supposed to be the same as Joel, who settled first in Edgefield, S. C., and then moved to Georgia and became the father of the great William H. Crawford, so distinguished in the affairs of Georgia. Robert Crawford was born in Pennsylvania in 1728, and died in the Waxhaws Oct. 5, 1801, being interred in the old Waxhaw grave-yard, his tombstone bearing on one side the inscription, "Major Robert Crawford, died Oct. 5, 1801, was born 1728." He was a gallant and distinguished officer in the Revolutionary War and is said to have furnished a company at his own expense. His commission was preserved for many years by his granddaughter, Mrs. Judge G. McC. Witherspoon, but was finally lost during Sherman's raid in 1865. "History of the Presbyterian Church of South Carolina, Rev. Geo. Howe, D. D.," Vol. I, page 540, says: "Many of the Waxhaw men were numbered among the patriots of the Revolution. Besides Major, afterwards General and subsequently Governor, William R. Davie, there were Major Robert Crawford, etc." Again, in Vol. II, page 694, Dr. Howe mentions Major Crawford as being "conspicuous in time of Revolution, etc." He is mentioned on page 348 of "Johnson's Traditions," quoting from a letter from Jas. F. White, says, "Maj. Crawford was with Sumter at the time of his defeat." He is also mentioned in "Wheeler's History of North Carolina," page 190, and there are also records, etc. in the office of the Historical Commission at Columbia which show conclusively that he was a Captain and then a Major in the Revolutionary War.

"See Wheeler's Reminiscences," page 286.

Major Crawford was granted 620 acres of land in the Waxhaws under date of Feb. 9, 1775. It seems that this tract had formerly been granted to Andrew Pickens by the Governor of North Carolina. See Vol. II, page 240, State Records in office of Secretary of State. Referring

again to Col. Jno. Crawford, Judge G. McC. Witherspoon was of the opinion that he came from Ireland, and that Major Robert was born in Ireland.

Major Robt. Crawford married Jean White, daughter of William and Sarah White (see White). She is doubtless buried by his side at Waxhaw, but I could not find any stone to mark the place. Their children were:

1. Sarah, born June 27, 1764, and died March 3, 1805. She was married on March 2, 1784, to Capt. Isaac Donnom, (see Donnom). Issue:
  1. Jean, born Nov. 19, 1786, died Jan. 1, 1834, married Col. J. H. Witherspoon
  2. Elizabeth, born Nov. 17, 1787, died Nov. 25, 1787.
  2. Mary, born June 26, 1767, married Dr. Samuel F. Dunlap, son of Samuel Dunlap, one of the original settlers of Waxhaw (see Dunlap). She is said to have rejected Andrew Jackson. See account of this romance on pages 93-94. Dr. Dunlap was an Elder at Waxhaw. Issue:
    1. Eliza Jane, born Nov. 6, 1791, died Oct. 6, 1853, in Georgia, married in 1810, Dr. Bartlett Jones (see Jones).
    2. Sarah, born —, died early.
    3. Emily, born — died unmarried.
    4. George Washington, born —, died —, married Elizabeth Harris, second Mrs. Delia Harris and moved to Texas.
  5. Samuel F., born Dec. 28, 1799, died Aug. 17, 1834, married Sarah Crawford Witherspoon (see F. 18).
  3. James, born July 8, 1769, married Agnes Cousar, who was born March 6, 1771, and died Aug. 14, 1838. Issue:
    1. Robt. Donnom.
    2. Chas. Pinckney.
    3. Mary J.
    4. Harriet.

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returning to Waxhaw, and he could not have seen Jean after she was four to six years of age. Mary was about his own age and persons now living remember her and always understood that she confessed to the soft impeachment of having refused the hero of New Orleans. Again, Governor Miller writing to his daughter, Mary B. Miller, of Camden, says:

"White Sulphur Springs, July 23, 1835.

"Dear Daughter:

"Jane Crawford (nee White) left a large family. Her eldest daughter, Sarah, married Isaac Donn timer and died, leaving an only child, Jane, who married Col. Witherspoon, of Lancaster, and is now dead. The second daughter of Jane Crawford, now Mrs. Dunlap, is the oldest of my relatives alive. She was a belle when Gen. Jackson lived with her father, and is said to have rejected him as a suitor. She married Dr. Samuel Dunlap afterwards.

"Your father,  
"STEPHEN D. MILLER."

Again, Jackson wrote to Mary (Mrs. Dunlap), and sent her a handsome silver lined snuff box, as a souvenir of their young days, when they were schoolmates, &c. The snuff box was the property of Mrs. Dr. J. Marion Sims of New York, who was the grand-daughter of Mrs. Dunlap, and is now doubtless in possession of some member of the Sims family. The snuff box was presented to Jackson by D. M. Stokes. This seems to settle the question as to which of the daughters was entitled to the honor.

James Crawford, the second son of Col. Jno. Crawford, of Pennsylvania and Scotland, married Miss Hutchinson, whose sister was the mother of Jackson. We learn that one of his sons, James, Jr., married Christiana White, thereby becoming the brother-in-law of his own uncle, Maj. Robt. Crawford.

## WHITE.

### A.

Moses White and his wife, Mary Campbell, with their family, emigrated from Ireland to America about the year, 1742. They were originally from the West of Scotland. It is thought there were seven sons of this union, who settled first in Lancaster County Penn., from thence they came South, some of them halting in North Carolina, and others pushing on to the Waxhaws in Lancaster County, S. C. The settlement in the Waxhaws was probably made about 1750 to 1756. Members of the White family were active in settling the upper part of South Carolina, and Gov. Stephen D. Miller, whose mother was Margaret Mary White, says: "I thought them the smartest people in the world." As far as can be determined the names of the sons of Moses White and Mary Campbell were William, George, Joseph, Stephen, Hugh, Henry and Moses.

### B.

1. William, son of Moses, settled in the Waxhaws about 1755 to 1760, and died there about 1790. He married Sarah —, who died —, Ramsay, the Historian, says in 1806, aged 98 years. Gov. Miller says about 1798, aged about 90 years. Their children were:
  1. Jean, who married Maj. Robert Crawford, whose eldest daughter, Sarah, married Capt. Isaac Donn timer and became the mother of Jean Donn timer, who married Col. Jas. H. Witherspoon (see details in Crawford and Donn timer).