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The home of Mr. & Mrs. James Mitchell Ellis, 705 Leslie Avenue, Glasgow, Kentucky, is one of Barren County's most beautiful and interesting homes.

The structure was built circa 1867 by James G. Thompson, a bricklayer and contractor. Mr. Thompson also built the courthouse at Burksville, KY, and a college in Glasgow. Mr. & Mrs. Ellis did extensive remodeling in the 1950's. At this time an ell was added, making a library and bedroom. The original structure featured 3 bedrooms, a parlor, dining room, kitchen, and two large central passageways. The entire home is made of brick that was kilned on the property; the bricks have now been painted white.

Like many of the other Terry homes in Barren County, the home is a veritable depository of old records and memorabilia. Virtually all of these things have been passed down through the family for nearly a century and a half.

After the house was built, Mr. Thompson, due to complications, sold the home to H. H. Burks, who owned it until it was sold to John Alexander Hall & wife, Josephine J. Terry, daughter of Bennet W. Terry, an early pioneer of Barren County. When Mr. Hall died, the property was sold to John H. Yancy and wife, Dora Barlow, a daughter of John Smith Barlow, also a pioneer of Barren County. In 1882, the place was sold to Orlando & Cornelia Pace, only to be sold again in 1900 to Christopher C. Terry & wife, Jane Ellen (J. Nellie) Barlow. Josephine J. Terry Hall and C. C. Terry were brother and sister, while Dora Barlow Yancy and J. Nellie Barlow Terry were sisters.

After the deaths of C. C. & J. Nellie Terry, the place was turned over to their daughter Jennie Howard Terry Holman, widow of Wm. Haiden Holman. Mrs. Ellis, better known as Nelle Terry Holman, was born and reared in the house, as was her mother. At the death of Jennie P. Holman, the property became Nelle Terry Ellis'.

Persons desiring further information on the house may write to either of the following:

Mrs. J. Mitchell Ellis, 705 Leslie Ave.,
Glasgow, KY 42141

W. S. Terry, IV, Rt. 1, Box 272A, Cave City, KY 42127

The 4"x5" print of the Terry-Holman-Ellis house is a product of artist-doctor, C. Winston Snavely, and is one of a series of her sketches which will appear on our quarterly publications for 1981. Dr. Snavely has done this particular series in the form of note cards, which surely would be framed and treasured by the recipient.

For more information on the artist, and the notes, see the following page.
CHRISTEEN WINSTON SNAVELY

Christeen Winston Snavely, a native of Hart County, KY began her art work about 3 years ago. She became interested in the sketching of old buildings and homes while tracing her family tree; however, she also states that while on a visit to England, she was tremendously inspired by the old forms of architecture there.

Christeen's husband, Lyle, helps with this hobby, as he photographs the buildings for her to sketch. Photography is one of his favorite hobbies.

Under the direction of Mrs. Joseph Keart, of the U. of K. Extension Program, Christeen has wonderfully developed her artistic talent, and has released numerous prints.

Both Christeen and Lyle Snavely have earned the degree, Doctor of Chiropractic, and practice in Glasgow, KY, where they have made their home since 1949.

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MAIL TO: CHRISTEEN WINSTON SNAVELY
511 NORTH RACE STREET
GLASGOW, KENTUCKY 42141

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Please send me ______ box(es) of the Terry-Holman-Ellis House notecards @ $3.50 per box, plus 50¢ postage.

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## MEMBERSHIP & MEETINGS

Membership dues: $6.00/calendar year. One year subscription to quarterly magazine is included in the membership fee. As a member you will be entitled to have any number of queries you wish published without charge.

Regular meetings of the Society are held on the 4th Thursday of each month, at 7:00 P.M., in the Mary Wood Weldon Memorial Library, 107 West College Street, Glasgow, KY. The public is invited to attend any and/or all meetings and programs.
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A New Publication Committee

Sales of the Society’s new pictorial history, Barren County Heritage, have gone very well. Over 2,000 copies have been sold. If necessary, after the present stock is exhausted, an additional quantity will be printed.

The Society wishes to continue its publication program, and to this end a Publication Committee has been appointed consisting of Woodford L. Gardner, Jr., Chairman, Brice T. Leech and James M. Simmons. The committee will recommend historical material that should be published and will see to the publication of such material as has been approved.
GROWING INTEREST IN GENEALOGY

by Kenneth H. Lee

If you have been doing genealogical research very long, no doubt you have talked to many people about it and found their attitudes divided on the subject, some for and some against such investigation. Not long ago the majority of southern farmers took pride in their honesty and straightforwardness associated with the poverty and hard labor of their humble lives and preferred to claim no kin to the few elite and royal families of the colonial states and Europe, considering them snobbish hypocrites. The average American sneered that most Europeans had nothing but their decadent pedigrees to brag about, while the European returned the sneer with, "The average American doesn't know who his grandfather was".

One backwoods preacher declared, "Brothers and Sisters, I am an ignorant man and proud of it. I have never been on a college campus. I have never known anything but plowing and preaching and I thank God".

A certain congressman, when starting his speech, would remove his coat and when he turned to hang it up, the patches on his vest could be seen by everyone, convincing them that he was actually one of them, the common people.

However, in most areas now, after two hundred years of neglect or deliberate refusal to record family ties, thousands of people are starting research to learn whether just a little royal blood flows through their veins, or some of their genes may have been handed down from Charlemagne or Alexander the Great. We are no longer pioneers, and are becoming ancestor-conscious. In doing so we learn more about history, and it is good to learn that one of your ancestors did something outstanding to make this world a better place. Of course, there is also the other kind of ancestor which all of us have, but we do find more good people than bad ones in our family trees.

Many people today are joining various organizations such as the D.A.R. and S.A.R. and proving that their families go back to the heroes of the American Revolution. After all, that is practically the only American royalty we have, and just about as far back as most of us can go. To go any further many of us would learn that our heroes were far less than the elite in the countries from whence they came.

The driving force behind most family researchers is the desire to prove their unquestionable right to bear a certain Coat-of-Arms. Most of those records are frauds, because they have not been ascertained according to the strict laws of heraldry. Most of our ancestors were good common people, a part of the majority. Just having the same surname of a king or royal knight does not entitle you to bear the Arms of that name unless you can trace your ancestry back through the male descendants of that elite person. Many proud people have gladly paid, in ignorance, for their pedigrees being traced to such characters as King Arthur of the Roundtable, without knowing that actually there never was such a person.
You will find this family researching to be one of the most fascinating projects you have ever undertaken, if you will cheerfully accept the iron pyrite instead of pure gold. After all, in the forty-two generations between Jesus and his ancestor Abraham, there were two harlots, an adulteress and two Gentile women.

Kenneth H. Lee

POSTMASTERS OF LECTA, KENTUCKY (BARREN COUNTY)

Contributed by Mrs. Charlene Smith Lewis, 3604 Downing Way, Louisville, Kentucky 40218.

Lecta, Barren County, Kentucky
Established on July 3, 1900
Discontinued on August 31, 1955 (mail to Glasgow, Ky.)

Names of Postmasters

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The postal records give dates of postmasters' appointments but not the periods of their service.

* Lecta was named by Joseph Denton Smith (1870-1948). He named it after an old sweetheart, who lived in Barren County.

Anyone having additional information regarding Lecta, Ky. or the general store operated by my grandfather, Joe Denton Smith would be appreciated. Does anyone have a Lecta or Electa in their family tree?

Joseph D. Smith moved to Barren County at the age of 5 (1875) with his family from Clinton County, Ky. He married Mary Susan Cox in 1898 and lived there all their lives. Both are buried in the New Salem Cemetery, Salem Rd.
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Sarah A. 18 KY
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Malinda 21 KY
HICKMAN, Daniel 56 TN m. May 1870
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JARVIS, Samuel B. 19 KY m. Sept. 1869
Mary E. 18 KY
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Pherebe H. 18 TN
SAVAGE, John E. 21 KY m. Aug. 1869
Nancy 24 KY

WILL OF GREGORY DOYEL
Submitted by Vonnell Doyle Tingle
221 Franck Ave., Louisville, KY 40206

EXPLANATORY NOTE:
The attached will is that of Gregory Doyel (Doyle) who was married to Martha Gott in Orange Co., North Carolina in 1785. This family came into Kentucky about 1799, first settling in Shelby Co., Ky. However, they came shortly thereafter to the Green River country and settled there up the river from the present Mammoth Cave. Gregory and Martha had 8 children: Samuel, Margaret, Mary, Martha Elizabeth, Richard G., John, Hannah and Cassandra. I believe most of the Doyles in the area are descendants of Gregory through one of his sons, Samuel or Richard G. Evidence points to the fact that Gregory is buried in the presently-called "Holton Cemetery" within Mammoth Cave National Park on the south bank of the Green River.

This will is not only of interest to Doyel descendants but is also revealing of the lifestyle of the early settlers of this area.

I am interested in contacting any of the descendants of Gregory Doyel now living in the Edmonson-Barren-Hart-Warren Co. area.

Vonnell Doyle Tingle
Will of Gregory Doyel (Doyle) taken from Edmonson Co. Will Book #1, Page 41:

In the name of God Amen: I, Gregory Doyel, signer of the County of Edmonson, being sick and weak in body, but of sound mind and disposing memory, for which I thank God; and calling to mind the uncertainty of human life and being desirous to dispose of all such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with in the first place I do make this my last will and Testament in manner and form following, that is to say —

1st, I give to my wife, Martha Doyel, the only negro girl named Silvy and my only negro boy named Jonathan for and during the term of her natural life, and I also in addition I will to my wife the follow boundary of land, it being a part of the tract of land I now live on and including both woodland lotts and what is known by the name of the Cotton and turnip patches and apple and peach orchards and also cribs Barn and Gardin, and also the nine acres bit of ground betwixt the said orchards and the River from the now standing crop fences above and below said nine acre bit of ground together with the dwelling House, Kitchen and Meat House as above stated for and during her natural life; and also one Horse beast of her own choice and two cows & calves of her own choice, and ten head of Hogs of her own choice, and five head of sheep of her own choice and three Feather Beds and their furniture and three Bed steads and the Bureau and Cupboard and all the Cupboard ware, and the Clock and Table and one skillet and Brass Kettle and one oven, one cook pot & one Iron Kettle and one Hymn Book, Ewings Lectures and confession of Faith and the big Church Bible. The above mentioned items in addition to said negroes and land for to be for the use and benefit of my wife during her natural life as above stated —

2ndly, And at the death of my wife, Martha Doyel, I will and bequeath the before named negro girl named Sylva to my son, Samuel Doyel, and his heirs forever —

3rdly, And at the death of my wife, Martha Doyel, I will and bequeath the before named negro boy named Jonathan to my son, Richard G. Doyel and his heirs forever as a part of their legacy and the balance of my property that I have willed to my wife to be disposed at her death as I shall hereafter direct —

4thly, I will and bequeath to my son, Samuel Doyel, the following boundary of land by my said son, Samuel Doyel, relinquishing all the sum or terms of money or property he has paid me for said land, said boundary is as follows, to wit: Beginning at the mouth of the first big Spring branch above the mouth of Ugly Creek on the north side of Green River, running with said branch to the head of said Spring, and from thence a straight line to a little sugar orchard in the first hollow that mouths or leads into the Ugly Creek Plantation Valley including said sugar orchard, thence up said hollow to the head of the same and continuing a straight line up Green River passing a small clearning commonly known by the name of Trotters wheat patch and leaving said wheat patch at least one hundred yards outside of said bounds and continuing said line till it strikes the first hollow above said wheat patch, thence down the hollow to Green River, thence down said river with its meanders to the Beginning. The said boundary of land I will to my son, Samuel, as is above stated according to the conditions above stated, and also and further more if said boundary
of land is lost by any other titles or title than that by which I hold
the said land by, my son Samuel is not to have any recourse on my heirs
for the loss of said land.

5thly, The balance of my estate both real and personal lands as well as
goods and chattles of what nature or kind soever it may be, not having
before particularly disposed of, and at the same time not to include the
land or boundaries of lands that I have executed Bond or bonds to any
person or persons for a land title or deed of conveyance and such deed
or deeds not being made by me at my death, and also such other Bond or
Bonds as I may execute, if any, between this and my death, & not complied
with, is not to be sold by my Executors but I design and desire for my
Executors to make such conveyances according to contract in as full and
complete a manner as though I was still living to act, and the balance
as in above named in this the fifth section of my property I direct to
be sold by my Executor or Executors at such credits as they may think
advisable or proper by first making sale of as much of my property at
a six months credit as will pay my just debts and Funeral expenses, and
the balance of such other credits as my Executor or Executors as is above
directed may think proper.

6thly, And after the money is collected arising from said sales of the
above named property by my Executor or Executors and all lawful settlements
is made and all lawful expenses is paid, I do will and direct that the
money arising from the nett proceeds of said property be distributed in
the following manner that is to say:

7thly, My son, Samuel Doyel, and his heirs one child's part, of said money
in addition to what is above and before allowed to my said son Samuel.

8thly, I will to my Daughter, Mary McLain and the heirs of her body one
equal child's part of said money after my Executor does deduct and detain
the money that George McLain owes my son John Doyel for a judgment my
said son John brought on said George McLain in favor of Gibson Carter,
and also for a side saddle my said son John lent to said George McLain;
and further more I direct that my said Executor detain said sums of money
and to be by my Executor paid over to the Executor of my son John Doyel
for the benefit of my son Johns heirs the balance of said child's part
to go to my Daughter Mary and heirs as above stated.

9thly, I will to my son Richard G. Doyel and his heirs one equal child's part
of said money in addition to what is above or before allowed to my
said son Richard.

10thly, I will to my son John Doyels heirs one equal child's part to be
equally divided and paid to said heirs as they come of or to the age of
twenty one years old, of said money.

11thly, I will to my Daughter Hannah Garrisons heirs of her body one equal
half child's part of said money, said one half a share to be equally divided
between and betwixt said heirs as they come of age.

12thly, I will to my daughter Casandra Garrison and the heirs of her body
one equal child's part of said money.

13thly, I will to and bequeath unto my son-in-law Daniel J. Smith, One
Dollar and no more.
14thly, My will under this section is that my Executor detain One hundred Dollars out of the money above and before named for the use and benefit of my daughter Margaret Smith and to be paid to my said Daughter Margaret in case she should live longer than her husband Daniel J. Smith, but not to pay said money to my said Daughter Margaret without she should out live her said husband Daniel J. Smith, except it be in partial payments optionary with my Executor as he may see proper to apply said money when she my said Daughter might stand in need, but to be entirely optionary with my said Executor, and said partial payments to be applied to her own benefit and to no other person —

15thly, At the death of my wife Martha Doyel I direct and my will is that all such property as may then be found of my said wifes Dower right be sold by my Executor and distributed as above directed with the exception of the Land and negro Girl Sylva, which I directed in this my will to be alloted to my son Samuel, and also my negro boy named Jonathan that I have willed to my son Rich'd G. Doyel —

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons Richard G. Doyel & Samuel Doyel or either of them Executor or Executors to transact business to make Deeds of conveyances to such tracts or parcels of land or lands that I have given bond or bonds in my lifetime and is not complied with at my death, of this my last will and Testament, revoking and disannulling all other or former wills or Testaments by me heretofore made —

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the eighth day of February Eighteen hundred and thirty six — Signed sealed published and declaimed as and for the last will and testament of the above named Gregory Doyel, signer, in presence of us.

Test: Robert M. Davis
John (his "x" mark) Strange
Elizabeth (her "x" mark) Holten
Gregory Doyel [seal]

State of Kentucky

At a County court held for Edmondson County in the State of Kentucky on the 5th day of October last,

The last will and Testament of Gregory Doyel decd was presented in court by Richard G. Doyel Executor therein named and proven by the oaths of Robert M. Davis and John Strange two of the subscribing witnesses thereto to have been signed published and delivered by the decedant as his last will and Testament, and that at the time of so doing they believed him to have been of disposing mind and memory and ordered to be recorded—

Whereupon the same together with this certificate is truly recorded in my Office —

Given under my hand this 10th day of November, 1846 —

A.M. Barret C.E.C.C.
A BIOGRAPHY OF RICHARD G. DOYEL (DOYLE)

taken from the book,
History of Kentucky Baptists

[Submitted by Vonnell Doyle Tingle, g-g-granddaughter of Richard Doyle, and g-g-g-granddaughter of Gregory Doyel. Ms. Tingle is presently trying to compile a history of the descendants of Gregory Doyel/Doyle and would welcome any correspondence from other Doyle researchers.]

HISTORY OF KENTUCKY BAPTISTS, p. 526:

"RICHARD G. DOYLE was born in North Carolina, Sep. 4, 1794. He was brought by his parents, to Kentucky, when he was about ten years of age, and grew to manhood, in what is now Edmonson County. He was married to Sally Garrison, April 3, 1817. His parents were Cumberland Presbyterians, and educated him, with the hope that he would be a minister of their church; but, on his making a profession of religion, under the ministry of Jacob Lock, he united with the Baptist church at Mt. Tabor in Barren county. He taught school a few sessions, and afterwards served his county as justice of the peace. In 1838, he was licensed to preach, at Cedar Spring church in Edmonson county, where also he was ordained to the ministry, in June, 1839, by Frederick Meredith and John M. Chaudoin. When the split occurred in the Green River Association, Cedar Spring church adhered to the Antimissionaries. Mr. Doyle attempted to obtain a letter of dismission, but was refused, on the charge of having fraternized with Missionary preachers and allowed them to preach in his house. However, he finally succeeded in procuring a letter, with which he entered into the constitution of Little Hope church, which jointed Liberty Association, in 1842. Of this church, he was pastor the remainder of his life on earth. He was also pastor of New Hope, Little Jordan and Cane Spring churches, at the time of his death, which occurred, about 1864. His last labor was the preaching of a sermon at the funeral of a Mrs. Slemmons. He closed his discourse and turned to sit down, when he suddenly dropped on the floor, and was immediately taken up a corpse. Mr. Doyle was a good, plain, zealous preacher, and his labors were much blessed. He was twice married, and raised eight daughters and five sons, all of whom became Baptists."

EXPLANATORY NOTE:

Richard Gregory Doyel was the son of Gregory Doyel and his wife, Martha Gott, early settlers of the Mammoth Cave area. Richard was actually about 5 or 6 when his family came into Kentucky. His wife, Sarah Garrison, was the daughter of James Garrison, a Revolutionary War veteran, who also settled in the same area.

Any information as to the gravesite of Richard G. Doyel or to the location of New Hope Church and Cane Spring Church would be appreciated.
MINUTES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH SESSION OF THE GREEN RIVER ASSOCIATION OF THE UNITED BAPTISTS.

[Submitted by Kenneth H. Lee, 107 Indie Circle, Adairland Court, Glasgow, Kentucky 42141]

(Note: The badly damaged front cover of the booklet containing the following minutes, gives A. J. Snodgrass as moderator, F. Meredeth as clerk, and M. Hazelip as ? during this session. -Ed.)

MINUTES of the ONE HUNDREDTH SESSION of the Green River Association of the United Baptists, held with the Mount Liberty church, Ohio county, Kentucky, on the 3rd Saturday in August, 1899.

The Introductory discourse was delivered by Elder G. R. Davis, from the 4th chapter and 16th verse of 1st Timothy: "Take heed unto thyself, and unto the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this, thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee."

The Association then retired to the house for business, and after prayer by Elder B. F. Garr, the letters from the various churches were read and the messengers names enrolled as follows:

BEAVER DAM—Letter, but no messengers.
BEE SPRING—F. Merideth, Bedford Lamastus and S. M. Davis.
BEE SPRING—No letter or messengers
BIG REEDY—No letter or messengers
CEDAR SPRING—Elder W. M. Beckner and Ivey Whittle.
HILL GROVE—Solomon Woosley and Thomas Jones.
LOW GAP—Elder Mitchel Vincent and John Saling.
MOUNT ZION—No letter or messengers.
NOLIN—J. H. Hester and John Sanders.
OAK GROVE—No letter or messengers
PLEASANT UNION—Jesse Edwards and Ezron E. Bratcher.
POPLAR SPRING—No letter or messengers.
TEMPLE HILL—J. W. Webb.
HICKORY GROVE—Elder G. R. Davis and Henry Scott.
BEECH GROVE—Lewis Willis and William Preston.

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The Association then proceeded to elect a Moderator and Clerk by private ballot, whereupon Elder A. J. Snodgrass was chosen Moderator, and F. Merideth, Clerk.

The door of the Association was opened for the reception of churches and received none.
The names of messengers from Corresponding Associations were enrolled as follows:

STOCOTON VALLEY—No letter or messengers.
GOSHEN—No letter or messengers.
BARREN RIVER—No letter or messengers.
PANTHER CREEK—No letter or messengers.
LIBERTY—B. W. Garr.
EDMONSON—H. White.

The names of messengers from visiting Associations were enrolled as follows:

GASPER RIVER—Granville Keith, Joseph Wallis, W. T. Embry and M. M. Hampton.
DAVIS—D. F. Mathis.
BLACKFORD—H. V. Rogal.

The Committee on Divine Service report to dedicate the Mount Liberty church house to the Lord on Sunday, Lord's day, and that Elders D. F. Mathews and A. J. Snodgrass preach the dedication sermon. On Sunday Elder D. F. Mathews preached to a large congregation. After the sermon he taken up a contribution of $75. to finish paying for the church house, then a fine dinner was served on the ground to a large crowd. After dinner the crowd proceeded to the house, and after the dedication prayer by Elder A. J. Snodgrass, the house was then dedicated to the Lord in the presence of a large and orderly congregation, and we hope to good effect.

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MONDAY

Monday morning, August 21st, the Association met pursuant to adjournment, and after prayer by Elder D. F. Mathews, the Rules of Decorum were read, and a quorum being present, observance of the same was impressed by the moderator.

The Committee on Unfinished Business report as follows:

"We recommend that the next Association be held with the Hill Grove church, Butler county, Ky., 6 miles south of Caneyville, Ky., on the 3rd Saturday in August, 1900, and that Elder P. W. Farris preach the introductory discourse, with Elder A. J. Snodgrass his alternate."

The Committee appointed to settle with the Treasurer report $16.60 in the hands of the Treasurer, which is all he has in his hands.

The Committee on Correspondence made its report as follows:

"We, The Green River Association in her one hundredth session, with the Mount Liberty church, to her sister associations with whom we correspond: Very Dear Brethren:— We are passing a
very pleasant session with the Mount Liberty church, with most all of our churches represented, and from the reading of the let-
ters from the various churches, we have had but small ingather-
ings the last year. Brethren, we desire to keep up a friendly cor-
respondence with you. Brethren, let us visit each other more than we do, for in union there is strength. Let us sacrifice something for our master's cause. Brethren, pray for us that our increase may be greater the next year."

Our next Association will convene with the Hill Grove church, Butler county, Ky., 6 miles south of Caneyville, on the 3rd Sat-
urday in August, 1900, when and where we hope to meet many of our good brethren from each association.

F. Merideth, Clerk, Bee Spring, Ky.
A. J. Snodgrass, Moderator, Dexterville, Ky.

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Messengers to corresponding Associations were appointed as follows:

Stocton Valley—Elder J. H. Hester and Bro. F. Merideth.
Liberty—Elders W. M. Beckner, J. H. Hester and Ivey Whittle.
Barren River—F. Merideth and Elder J. H. Hester.
Edmonson—Elder W. M. Beckner and Ivey Whittle.

The Committee on Obituaries report as follows: "Elias San-
ders, a member of the Baptist church, and an Elder in it, was born September 20, 1828; professed religion and was baptized in the fall of 1849, and became a member of the Nolin church, and was set apart to the minister work April 3, 1869, by the Nolin church, to which he belonged until the day of his death which occurred June 20, 1899. He was pastor of the Nolin church from 1869, with some few years excepted, until 1896. He was 70 years and 9 months old when he fell asleep in Jesus, and was a minister of the gospel about 37 years. He was a strong believer in the doctrine of Jesus Christ and the church to which he belonged, and continued for it until death. Like all good baptists, he loved all good christi-
ans and the church to which he belonged. His family has lost a good member. His prospects for heaven were bright; he died in the triumph of a living faith. When his neighbors would gather around his bedside he would extend his hand to them often telling them of his bright prospects of heaven, and saying by his acts 'farewell to wife, sons and daughters and neighbors, until we shall meet in heaven.' and his last words saying 'watch and pray least ye enter into temptation.' His dust is the care of Christ; his spir-
it is resting pure and holy in His paradise. We tender our deep-
est sympathy to the bereaved family.

A. A. Demumbrum, Committee.
The Committee on Destitution made no report, and the Association then appointed Mitchell Vincent, Seldon R. Sanders and John H. Woosley, as a committee to superintend and have preaching done in the bounds of the association, and to make a report of the same at our next association.

M. Vincent, Chm.

The Committee on Temperance report as follows:

"Realizing the blighting influence of intemperance,—for there are few communities, churches or homes among us which have not directly or indirectly, felt the blighting power of this curse. On every side of us there examples which strikingly show that strong drink is the enemy of all good, and the promoter of all evil. The criminal records of the land have come to be regarded as but a history of the course of intemperance. Our prisons and asylums, which are a constant burden upon taxation, are living examples of the degradation to which this evil is bringing the boys and young men of the land. Why should we not be concerned about an agency all abroad in the country which sacrifices more lives, destroys more property, and entails more suffering than all the wars of the world? There is no discharge in the war waged by this sleepless enemy, but in all seasons, by day and by night, as one generation goes and another comes, its deadly work is carried on without truce or relaxation. We all feel that our cause is just and in the issue must have the approval of the God of nations.

Shall we remain silent and inactive while the enemy, strong drink, is working among us seeking to destroy the young men and boys of our homes? As soldiers of Jesus Christ, is it not our duty to go where the commander directs, to make his enemies ours, and to resist all that makes war upon the church and the home?

We would call upon our brethren to use all honorable means, both in public and private, to put an end to this wicked business, and urge upon our churches to instruct the young, to warn the tempted, to admonish those who are led astray; and, after using due discipline, to withdraw fellowship from members who may manufacture or sell, or who by money or service aids in the making or selling strong drink.

John W. Webb, Chm. of Com.

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Many times a day I realize how much my own outer and inner life is built upon the labors of my fellowmen, both living and dead, and how earnestly I must exert myself in order to give in return as much as I have received.

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CAPTAIN ELISHA WOODS AND THE LANES.

Submitted by Marilyn M. Fair, 3882 Esquire Place, Indianapolis, Indiana 46226.

Captain Woods was born in Henery Co. Ky. April 23, 1874. He was the son of Wakefield and Mary Hoskins Woods; an only child. He was the grandson of Thomas Woods, a native of Scotland. Upon arrival in the United States, Thomas Woods settled in Henery Co. and took up farming. Elisha Woods had a common school education and at the age of 14, started out to make his own way by getting a job as a dishwasher on a riverboat. Fortunately, during his early manhood, Elisha was befriended by the Barrett family, who encouraged him to follow a vocation on the river. During the first year of being a dishwasher, Elisha studied the navigational and inland river books needed to further his self-education. He was promoted to watchman at the age of 15, and to secondmate and steerman on the tow-boat Excel at the age of 18. At the age of 22, he was licensed as a Pilot for the Ohio and Kentucky rivers; one year later at the age of 23, he was promoted to Captain with the authority to pilot on all inland rivers flowing into the Gulf of Mexico. He served as Captain of the steamers John Barrett, Oscar Barrett, Slack-Barrett, Major Slack, and the tow boat Leander.

In 1908 he became a director of the Elevator Coal Company of Frankfort, Ky., and became Vice President & Treasurer in 1918. In 1919 he was also made Director of the Jet Coal & Transportation of Ky., all being subsidiaries of the Barrett Lines Inc. In 1920 he took charge of all river transportation on the Mississippi & Ohio Rivers. In the early 20's Captain Woods moved to Cairo, Ill. where he served on the Industrial Board; and also kept a permanent home at Milltown, Ind. till the 30's.


Mary E. Woods married Charles McKinley Lane, and Mr. Lane was a veteran of the first World War; he was shot in 1931 in Adair Co., Ky. The Lanes originating from Adair Co., Ky., Pike Co., and Texas. Charles McKinley Lane was the son of Ben A. Lane and Sarah Bell Smith (the daughter of Elijah and Sarah Butler Smith).

Alberta Lane, the daughter of Mary and Charles McKinley Lane was born March 30th, 1926 in Louisville, Ky. (now residing in Omstead, Ill.) married Raymond Roland McAllister, born April 9th, 1921 in Green Co. Ky., died Jan. 7th, 1979 in Greensburg, Ky. There is one child by this marriage, Marilyn McAllister Fair, born June 4th, 1944.

Charles Lane born 1928, died 1933.

Bennie Lee Lane, son, born 1929, married Mary Helen Carroll
of Louisville, Ky. There are 7 children by this marriage; Sandra, Helen Marie, Lisa, Kathy, Bennie Lee, Charles Joseph, and Sean Patrick. The family of Bennie Lee Lane now resides in Louisville, Ky.

Other children of the Ben A. Lane and Sarah Bell Smith marriage in 1896 were William bn. 1896-d. at 1 month., John A. bn. 1898-d. 1968, Nannie bn. 1899-d. 1902, Richard bn. 1902 residing in Louisville.

Above, my Grandfather, Charles McKinley Lane was born 1897 in Adair Co., Ky., as all the other children were.

The sisters and brothers of my great-grandmother, Sarah Bell Smith (all born in Adair Co., Ky.) were; William Newton Smith, John Elijah, George Toll, Suze Louveny (who married George Washington Wilson), Nanny (who married Dave Burress), Angeline, & James. There were fifteen children altogether.

Marilyn M. Fair.

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A DeWEES LINE OF BARREN COUNTY KENTUCKY

[The following letter was received by the Society from Mrs. Goldia Thomerson, Route 4, Box 85, Greensburg, IN 47240]

To Whomever this may concern:

Had I known sooner that this great work was being done (Sept. 3, 1980)—perhaps I could have added a small portion of my family history.

By invitation from "Squire" J. Winston Coleman, Jr., of Lexington, Ky. I was given the grand privilege of representing my family in Kentucky's Bicentennial Family Register. Which family appears on page 374, with a picture of my mother and her seven children. My father had passed on, as of 25 Apr. 1964.

I'm Dutch. My ancestors came from Holland, from the province of Friesland, landed in N. Y. in 1684-88 or earlier. By 1690 they were in Germantown, PA. My earliest proven ancestor is Lewis DeWees who added the final "e" - Leuse DeWeese and Mary Wheeler. Lewis was a weaver by trade and left Pennsylvania and settled in the state of Delaware, where he died in the Spring of 1743.

The first "DeWees Family" book was compiled by Harriette Bell Parker LaMungan, and after her death, her husband Philip LaMungan took her loose leaf notes and had it published into a book in 1905. The book is in many Libraries, and people all over the U.S.A. have a copy. Many do not realize the many errors it contains—especially in the Lewis DeWees lineage. Also, too many people are joining the D.A.R. and S.A.R. by mostly going by the "DeWees Book".

At the present I cannot claim my 6th great-grandparents, Garrett Hendricks DeWees and his wife Lytian Liewes, who married the 28 Sept. 1662 at Amsterdam, Holland, and was supposed to have come to America with children: Wilhelmina, b. 1673, Holland, m. Nicholas
"Claus" Rittenhouse, an atty.; William, b. 1677, Holland, m. Anna Christina Meels. Both died and are buried - Germantown, PA. The father of "Claus" Rittenhouse, William, built the first paper mill in America. William DeWees built the second paper mill in America 1710; Cornelius, b. ca. 1678, Holland, m. Margaret Koster; Lewis, supposed to be the youngest son, b. ca. 1680 to 85, m. Mary Wheeler, dau. of John.

Recent information has been discovered at the old Dutch Reformed Church in N.Y., whereby - Lytian signed the Baptism records of eight children, but there was no Baptism record signed for a Lewis DeWees. Until further documented proof is discovered, I must continue with Lewis and Mary Wheeler DeWeese as my earliest proven ancestors, who were the parents of five sons: William, b. 1707, Cornelius, Samuel, Hezekiah and Jonathan. Jonathan, b. ca. 1730-35, was a witness to his father Lewis in a land transaction to son Cornelius in the year 1746, Del.


Cornelius m. Elizabeth Walker Bell, Step-daughter of his brother Elisha. He was ordained a Baptist minister in Barren Co. in the year 1804. Enroute to Kentucky, Elisha and Cornelius paid taxes in 1797 in Mercer Co. Ky., where they stopped long enough to help their younger brother, Matthew, get settled in Mercer Co. In 1799 Elisha and Cornelius were on the tax list in Barren Co.

I have the book, The Times of Long Ago by Franklin Gorin, who mentioned Elisha and Cornelius DeWeese (or "Dueese" as mentioned in Kentucky Baptist by Spencer), but F. Gorin failed to mention my 3rd great-grandfather, Samuel, who appeared on the Barren Co. Tax list, 1809, and paid taxes to ab. 1823 when he died.

David d. 2 Sept. 1851. They are buried ab. 7 miles east of Glasgow, Ky., Highway 80, in the DeWeese or Mt. Olivet Cemetery, located on the farm of the late Jesse M. DeWeese & wife, Hadie Peden. John C. DeWeese built the home in 1848. He m. Martha Ann Eubank and reared several children. My 3rd great-grandparents lived on the DeWeese plantation, where the gravel road leads to Slick Rock, the P.O. for DeWeeses and others. The old home burned, with valuable records. David Virgil DeWeese, (Son of John C. DeWeese and Martha A. Eubank) and Roberta Broady later built a new home where the old DeWeese plantation home stood.

David V. was a Prof. of music, school trustee, and farmer; the father of Ada DeWeese Smith, who was a school teacher, as well as her sister, Bessie M. Coe (Milton A.).


David V. m. Arrestus O. McMillion, who died shortly after the birth of Ada DeWeese Smith (Alonzo), and Barren Hall DeWeese, son of David V. & Roberta Broady - and wife Lucy B. Edwards now reside at Cave City, Ky. R. # 1. "Hall" was with the Barren Co. Soil Conservation for many years. Both are active in church work.

My great-grandparents were Samuel H. DeWeese - son of David and Rhoda Chandler DeWeese - b. ca. 1812, Barren Co., Ky., m. 2 Nov. 1840 to Charlotte Dunaway, Glasgow, Barren Co., Ky., resided there until 1879. In a recent trip to Glasgow, I discovered they were on the 1880 census - Blythe Twp., Boone Co., Ark. - With children:

DeWeese, Samuel 68  
" Charlotte 56  
" Samuel 28  
" Ellen 20  
" Malissia J. 18  
" Eugene M. 14  
Sheppard, Leas 18

Barren Co. census, 1870, has Madison J. I am now making corrections on this error by obtaining marriage records of Boone Co., Ark.


Martha Elizabeth Richards DeWeese, b. 14 Jan. 1850 - d. 13 Jan. 1940 (Death Certificate). Martha was called "Aunt Matt" and was known for her fine needlework. She reared her children on a 42
acre farm. Raised hogs & corn. They are buried at Mt. Olivet Cemetery, or DeWeese Cem., on the late Jesse M. DeWeese farm where a church once stood. The ground being donated by my great-grandparents: Samuel H. DeWeese & wife Charlotte DeWeese; John C. DeWeese & wife Martha A. DeWeese. Record at Glasgow courthouse. I have the Certificate whereby, John Tyler DeWeese was sworn in as Second Lt. I did have his Civil War sword. My youngest brother, Ernest Russell DeWeese, of McFarland Dr., Glasgow, Ky. has it now. John Tyler DeWeese does not have a Civil War tombstone.

My parents were John Shaffer DeWeese - b. 18 Dec. 1883, d. 25 Apr. 1964, m. 2 Oct. 1907, Bessie Jewell Ferrell - b. 19 Aug. 1890, d. 11 Nov. 1976, the dau. of William Edward Ferrell - son of Jefferson and Elizabeth Groce Ferrell and Mary Ellen Carter - dau. of James O. and Mahalia Carter. The Ferrells and Carters came to Barren Co., Ky. from Clinton Co., Ky.

John and Jewell DeWeese were the parents of 7 children - namely:
1. Elsie Mae - b. 1908, m. Otha Bray
5. Joe Harvey - b. 1916, m. 1st Rosie Reece, 2nd Repha Diane Hurt.
7. Ernest Russell - b. 1921, m. Lucy Evelyn Williams.

Elsie, Lee Owen, and Ernest all reside at Glasgow. Joe Harvey at Rt. # 1, Summer Shade, Ky.

Goldia & Raymond Thomerson had one dau. Marie, b. 15 Dec. 1938. m. 1 June 1958, Kenneth L. Gosnell, Decatur Co., Ind. Burney Bap. Church. Marie and Kenneth have two children:

i. Gary Lynn Gosnell - b. 17 July 1959, m. Jennifer Lynn Huneke - One son, Christopher Lynn Gosnell

P.S. ... It would take a book to do all the different lines of Deweeses - especially those who left Barren Co., Ky. and became great in their own fields.

I am a member of "The DeWeese National Team of Researchers of America" as Assistant Secretary. I have Wills of:
Jonathan DeWeese - 1777 - N.C.
Elisha De Weese - 1824 - Barren Co., Ky. - also Mary his wife.
Rev. Cornelius DeWeese - d. 1850 - Ill. - Will probated, Barren Co., Ky.
EARLY SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN BARREN COUNTY

The following material is now in the possession of Mrs. Lois Howard Gray, and was contributed by Mrs. Katie Sater Smith.

In the Glasgow Times, Thursday, May 14, 1936, "the following article was read by Mrs. C. C. Howard at a meeting of the Barren County Historical Society."

Foreword: To the President of the Barren County Historical Society, Mr. E. B. Terry, I desire to express my appreciation for the subject assigned me for study. The contact that I have had with many friends has been a source of much joy to me. To these friends I am indebted for the information I have collected. This paper is composed of their reminiscences. If there are any errors do not hesitate to correct them. Many have given me data rather hesitatingly lest it might not be accurate, hence many dates given, you will find are approximately.

Back of every great movement is a great man or great men. God has always produced men to take care of his work, thus it was with Barren County in her pioneer days.

The Sunday School as we know it today is the outgrowth of a movement that began late in the eighteenth century. Robert Raikes, a publisher and a Godly man born in Gloucester, England 1735, was moved by the distressing condition of the children of the poor people of his town. He conceived the idea of gathering them together on Sunday and hiring women to teach them at twenty-five cents a day. His first Sunday School was in "Sooty Alley" in his native city. This "Ragged School" was started in 1780. This was not at first connected with the Church.

The interest shown by the children and the visible good accomplished, more than justified the experiment. When John Wesley and George Whitefield and Queen Victoria gave their support, the movement gained momentum rapidly and in five years it is estimated that the churches of Great Britain had a quarter of a million children receiving instruction in her Sunday Schools. London's first school was formed in 1803. It was called the Sunday School Union of London.

Sunday Schools were then opened throughout Scotland and in Protestant portions of Ireland, France and America. In America the Methodist began the organization of Sunday Schools on a definite plan soon after the conclusion of the Revolutionary War. They were the first denomination to give free teaching. Others soon followed their example. In 1824 a voluntary Union of Christian workers of different denominations was organized in Philadelphia under the name of "American Sunday School Union". The missionaries [were] sent by this organization to all parts of the U.S., [and] thousands of Sunday Schools were established, especially in rural communities, and millions of dollars worth of Bibles and Testaments were placed by them.
The Standard Encyclopedia says: "New England was slow to take up the movement, considering it not only an improper use of Sunday but an infringement on the home rights".

In 1872 American Sunday Schools of all denominations began using a uniform system of lessons, designed to complete the study of the Bible in six years. This movement became international in 1875 and in 1889 it became world-wide (World Book).

In recent years many Bible Schools have adopted a graded system of lessons, and the schools are divided into different departments. Each department has then its own superintendents.

While Kentucky has been rather backward in an educational way we do not find her so far behind in this great spiritual awakening that came in the form of the "Bible School Movement".

Robert Raikes died in 1811. His statue is on the embankment of the Thames. He had builded for himself a living monument that the weathering storms of the centuries cannot cause to crumble. There were then at the time of his death about four hundred thousand children in Sunday Schools.

In this same year, 1811, there was born in Glasgow, Scotland a boy—John McCullugh, who was destined to follow up and carry on this great work, started by Robert Raikes. He is to add much to the monument just mentioned that has become a living testimony of this great work.

In 1834 John McCullugh, then 23 years old, found his way to the New World. After landing in New York he heard of the "American Sunday School Union". Being a foreigner he pondered over the name and then analyzed "American, that means national; Sunday School, that means spiritual, not secular; Union, that means united effort for Christ, I like every thing about it; I am a raw recruit; I know nothing of this country; I can be a volunteer; I'll work without pay; I'll enlist in this great cause for Christ, for life," he said. And so began the life work of another, one of the greatest apostles of the Bible School movement. His great strength of character and deep religious conviction inherited from his wonderful devout mother carried this "Sunday School Man of the South" through hazardous experiences, hardship and trials. He was a pioneer in a wilderness land. He contacted not only the poor and ignorant but the most distinguished men of the country. He married in Kentucky, a Kentucky girl and made Henderson, Ky. his home. He labored over the state for fifty years. We do not know whether he was in Barren County, but mention is made of his being in Bowling Green. He established Sunday Schools in destitute fields of the south, in southern Indiana, Illinois, Tennessee, North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and in seventy-five counties of Kentucky. He died in 1888, leaving a blessed memory.

Alex H. Stephens, one of the most remarkable and influential men in the South on account of his great intellectual powers and the unblemished character of his private life was a vice president of the American Sunday School Union. Extracts from an address
to a body of Sunday School teachers in 1874 said; "More than fifty years ago I became a pupil in the Union Sunday School at Old Power Creek log meeting house. The day I entered it was a great epoch in my life. I worked on the farm in the day and at night I studied by a pine knot fire light the lessons assigned me for the next Sunday. So deeply did I become engrossed that two o'clock found me poring over the chapters of the Bible set apart for my next lesson assignment. If there is anything worthy of emulation in my life it is due to that Sunday School.

Greensburg, Ky. gave to the world Jane Todd Crawford, "The famous Pioneer Heroine of surgery". Her implicit faith in her Master was shown when she repeated the twenty-third psalm on the operating table. After a few years she moved to Indiana where this same pioneer spirit manifested itself again. This time she embraced the cause of the Bible School movement and became the first woman Sunday School teacher in the state of Indiana. In the absence of her son, who was a minister, she upheld the cross. At the Bible School meetings she taught the youth—the future citizenship and bulwark of the church.

To Mr. John Demaree, of DeFoe, Ky. I am indebted for some splendid church history concerning the Low Dutch Reform Church of his section of the state, that I am reserving for future reference and for the following, concerning Sunday School movement as it was in Ky. just after the War of 1812.

The first Sunday School in the state was organized in Frankfort Ky. in March 1819, with from thirty to thirty-nine scholars, by Mrs. John Young Brown and Mrs. Elizabeth Love. (Collins History, Y, pp 244) (Johnsons History, F C, pp 751) This school was conducted in the Love Hotel. The lives of these women are so rich and colorful that I can not pass them without further notice. Mrs. Brown was one of the great Pioneer women of her day. She was the wife of U. S. Senator John Brown. She was an earnest church and social worker, with the highest ideals and the strictest sense of right and wrong.

Both Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Love, companions in life are buried close together, just south of the Boone monument. On the Brown monument is the following inscription, "Margareta Brown, wife of John Brown, daughter of Rev. John Mason and Catherine Vanwick, born in the city of New York on the 12th of Nov. 1772, died in Frankfort, Ky. on the 28th day of May, 1838." She was eminent for her talents, learning, piety, and all the virtues that adorn female character. It should be inscribed on her tomb that she organized the First Sabbath School in the Mississippi Valley (Johnsons History, F C, pp 283)

Mrs. Elizabeth Love was also one of the strong women of pioneer days. She was the wife, afterwards the widow of Major Thomas Love, one of the officers of Gen. Wayne. She was noted for her social and Christian virtues. Credit is given Mrs. Brown and Love for establishing this great institution.
These are records of early Sunday Schools at Frankfort for the year ending September 30, 1822. Those who distinguished themselves by their assiduity were: A. M. Crittenden, who memorized 2,851 Bible verses in twelve months; Cornelia Crittenden (six years of age), 2,177; Margaret R. Spraule, 2,022; Emery South, 1,908; Cordelia Price, 1,514; Maria Miles, 2,010; Elizabeth Todd, 1,373; Ann Price, 1,202; Ann Miles, 1,030; Jane Castleman, 742; and many more. All verses memorized by all scholars collectively were 36,640. One class during two years attendance read the Bible once entirely through, some books of it several times over; memorized from 5,000 to 7,000 verses each, were perfect in Brown and the Assembly's shorter catechism; each had searched out, transcribed, and memorized nearly 600 verses of scripture proof in support of the doctrine they had been taught and had drawn and studied maps of such parts of the world as are connected with scripture history (Collins History of Ky, pp 244) (Johnsons History, F C, pp 76).

Later in 1825 there was organized a Sunday School at Six Mile Church on the Old Frankfort and Madison Road, one and one-half mile east of the present site of N. Pleasureville. To this Sunday School says Mr. Demaree went his uncles and aunts trudging along with their Dutch companions three or four miles through the woods. The girls carried their shoes and stopped just before they reached the church to put them on. This was because of the necessity of the desperate economy of the times. I had until recently a number of catechisms used in this early Sunday School but they have been given out to visitors at a distance as souvenirs. Mr. Demaree says futher, "I have listed all the churches old and new in Henry County, and hope to gather much information concerning them in addition to what I already have". He extends greetings and best wishes for the success of the Barren County Historical Society.

Mrs. Fannie Cassady Duncan, Louisville nonagenarian writer of traditions of the south, is now preparing her sixth book for publication, it is on its way to the publisher. It is a biography of the old Southern negro. His life on the plantation during pre-emancipation days is steeped in the tradition of the South. This remarkable lady writes me, in her own long hand in answer to my request for her memories of early Bible Schools of Kentucky, "I am sorry you appealed to me when I am in a real crush of business, if your appeal had reached me earlier I would have been of use to your paper. Sunday School work is a fad of mine. I hold it above preaching if you can find consecrated teachers and leaders".

Mrs. Dixon tells us a most important story of how the hymn After the Storm and the Waters Mad Riot chanced to be written. The Rev. Mr. Hopkins, an apostle of the Bible School movement was on his way to Burkesville [KY] to conduct a Sunday School Institute. He was making the trip by boat down the Cumberland River. On the way they were overtaken by a severe storm in the night. Because of the Cumberland's being very narrow with rugged steep cliffs, the hearts of the passengers on board the boat were filled with terror. During this perilous hour Bro. Hopkins, a hymn writer,
a messenger of God, resting in the faith once delivered to the saints, sat quietly and composed the hymn mentioned. After reaching Burkesville safely "when the morn was shining clear" he went on to the Church to conduct the institute, went to the blackboard, wrote the hymn, *After the Storm and the Waters Mad Riot* and sang it with the children, then explained the scripture and taught the way of the Lord more perfectly.

With regard to the early Sunday Schools of Barren county, so far as I have been able to ascertain we have no definite data. As we said in the beginning, I have only reminiscences of friends to offer.

The origin of the Sunday Schools accredited to Robert Raikes in 1782, but:

a. Jesus taught children in synagogues
b. Early Christians
   Luther in Germany
   Knox in Scotland
   John Wesley—Savannah [GA] 1737

Kind of Early Sunday Schools Raikes example

In Gloucester, Time 8 A.M. till preaching, 5:30 P.M.
Teachers paid 25¢ a day
Taught reading, writing, catechism, cleanliness.
Held school on Sat. and Sun., because of child labor law.
Methodist Church was first to give free teaching.

(History of First Presbyterian Church, by Mrs. [W.A.] Starr)

Capitol Hill Church and school also near where Allen, Barren and Monroe join. Church was in Barren County, but water supply was gotten from Allen County. Each county paid for its own children.

Preaching once a month. On those days when there was preaching they had Sunday School before preaching. There was no literature, but studied the Bible and memorized it.

Mrs. Starr mentioned that her parents belonged to the "old fogey" type of parents and they were taught to work, to obey their parents. So as you went about churning, cooking, washing dishes or on the way to the spring; pinned scripture to aprons and memorized as they worked, then recited at Sunday School, about 1865.

Mr. Billie Parrish was Supt. and Tolivar DeVasher was Mrs. Starr's teacher. He was one of the most patient teachers, made good talks and seemed to love them all. The spirit of brotherly love prevailed.

Mr. DeVasher lived in Allen County, had a wife and two children. The wife was homely but Heaven in voice, her beauty not seen but felt. She had a beautiful voice.

People who attended and sponsored Preacher Wm. Stearnals minister at this Baptist Church had two daughters who were gifted speakers (as lawyers are). Those sponsors were James Pardue, Jonathan Dorsey, Thompson Hunt, Joseph Shives, Eddy Bishop, George Britt, and Captain Bill Austin.
Then in the eighties a flourishing Sunday School was kept at this same church—Old Salem Baptist in North Barren. Clay Whitaker was Superintendent then. It was held only in summer. This was on account of roads and fires for heating. A good Sunday School is there today. In the nineties a school was organized not so far from Salem at Jefferson Seminary. This too was a summer school for some reason. This was kept up for several reasons.

Mrs. Fishback, formerly Miss Lou Kincheloe tells us of a Sunday School that met at Cedar Grove Baptist church about 1865, just after the close of the Civil War. Previous to this, during the war, they could not meet in the churches because they were more likely to be molested, but they did meet in the homes, but few were there to take part except women and children. Similar conditions prevailed all over this section I think. They studied the Bible then had song and prayer meetings. Distress and grief was abroad in the land. Mr. and Mrs. Kiah Gillock, Mr. Bob Gillock (grandfather of J. E. Clayton), Mr. and Mrs. Sneed Kinslow, Rev. John Baker and wife and probably others organized and built the church mentioned above, where they met every Sunday for Sunday School during summer or during good weather. (This church was on Skaggs Creek south of Glasgow) They had some help there, thus in form of leaflets and cards for children. Chief aim of the work was to teach children to memorize scripture. One leaflet contained this little memory gem which was often used as a help in discipling children.

"Since I am a little child, humble should I be and mild,
Always ready to be taught, and do the things I ought,
When I cannot have my own way, I must no ill will display."

There was a Sunday School at the old log schoolhouse at Park as early as 1866 or there about. This is in Northeast Barren County. This was a Union Sunday School, no literature was issued, tho there was a little library. Books were taken home and studied through the week, much scripture was memorized. Pious fathers and mothers of that time and at this place felt keenly the responsibility of teaching the Bible to their children.

Mrs. Mary E. Hitch Burks, Mrs. A. A. Grady, and Mrs. Fanny Burks Price were teachers. Mr. A. G. Thompson (nephew of Ed Porter Thompson) was Superintendent. Mrs. Grady's children, Lemon Lazarus' children, Dewie Richards' children, J. K. Lockett's children, George Jeff Wilcox's children and___Hutcherson's children were regular attendants at this Sunday School about 1870. There was a Sunday School at old Zion Christian Church, about two miles northeast of Coral Hill, this was a Union Sunday School, the leaders were Henry A. Crenshaw, Garland T. Franklin, Will Callahan, Reuben Hutch, James Hutchens, John Bagby, Joe Mayfield, W. W. Davis, Esq. T. M. Watkins and others. Later this Sunday School met at Beaver Creek Seminary. This School House stood near where Esq. W. M. Watkins now lives.
As early as 1850 there was a Sunday School as Old Beech Grove Church. This church was located east of the new church in a beautiful beech grove, hence the name, and near a branch. It had two doors in front, one for the men and one for the women, and a door at the rear which was for the negro slaves to enter, they sat in the back of the house, since they had no church for their own race.

This church was built of hewed logs. It was for all denominations, Presbyterian, Christian, and Baptists chiefly. Col. Gassaway was the leader of Superintendant for the Sunday School. Some of the teachers were Mrs. Mattie Edmunds Holman, wife of Sidney Holmes [Holman?], Mrs. Agnes Waller, Dollie and Lizzie Waller, Charles P. Edmunds was a leader in the church and Sunday school. Others were Wm. Waller; James Bates, a lawyer; John Clayton, father of a large family; Thea. Winlock and his mother, Mrs. Perkins; Dick Bridges, a freighter, the Grays, Captain John Matthews and Austin Foster.

This building was built for a church but during the Civil War it was used as a school house. Sunday school was held regularly during summer in the afternoon, except on preaching days. Then it was practically disbanded during the war. Only one person, so far as I know is living who attended that school, that is Mrs. Mary E. Russel who is near 88 years and can remember going there as far back as 1835 and who gave this information.

In the southern part of Barren County on Barren River and near Brown's Ford was located Capitol Hill Church. Mrs. W. A. Starr attended Sunday School at this Church in her early girlhood, probably in the beginning of the 1860's. They had preaching once a month and Sunday school in the afternoons, except on preaching days, when they had it in the morning. They used Bibles, Testaments and their common school readers according to age. The children were taught to work, to honor and obey their parents, as they went about their tasks, churning, cooking, washing dishes, going to the spring. Mrs. Starr says she pinned her Bible chapter to her dress and while memorizing it could glance down at it and so get it perfectly. Mr. Billy Parrish was superintendent. Mr. Toliver DeVasher was a teacher possessed of most remarkable patience. The families of Mr. DeVasher, James Pardue, Jonathan Dossey, Thompson Hunt, Joseph Shives, Eddy Bishop, George Britt and Captain Bill Austin were some of the people who attended these services. As a recognition of merit these children who did excellent memory work were permitted to recite whole chapters of the Bible before congregations. This was their donations.

We are not sure of a Sunday School held at Bear Wallow until March 1891. This was a Union Sunday School with Nathan Burks Superintendent. Mr. George Green and Mr. Baron were two of the teachers. Mrs. John M. White we understand took children into her home and taught them of afternoons before this. This was not an organized Sunday School and she taught them just as she thought best. This was not in connection with the church, this was a separate meeting. Mrs. Kate White Minor did quite an unusual thing.
when she gave the children an Easter [egg] hunt. Children had never heard any thing like it. The prize offered was a "goose egg".

Edward H. Smith, an organizer of Bear Wallow Church, where he preached for nearly fifty years, died March 27, 1891. He was endowed with a powerful mind, strong convictions and an iron will. In the resolutions as a tribute of honor to his memory, we find this statement, "Resolved that the Sunday School has lost one of its best friends". Those resolutions are signed by Miss Carrie Kirtley, Kate Wheat, R. E. Garnett, George Green, [&] J. D. Wilson.

About 1870 to 1875 we find Sunday Schools at old Siloam Baptist Church with Mr. Miller Moore, Mr. Chris Morrison, Mr. Gilliam Harlow, Mr. Pat Hamilton and Mr. Emery Hammer leading the work. Miss Kizzie Hammer was a teacher.

About 1880 at Boyd's Creek Methodist Church we find active workers. Mr. John Snoddy, Mr. Buford Snoddy, Mr. Carl Snoddy, Mr. Petrie and Mr. Harrison Marshall. Mr. Spencer taught a singing school here. Just here we must mention that the "Singing School" was quite an addition to the social as well as the spiritual side of life in this period. The "All day Singings" with dinner on the ground meant much to the "lads and lassies". They came from far and near and their influence at the singing school is not lost or forgotten.

Much interest was shown and Sunday School work flourished in rural sections it seems from 1875 to 1880. Bethel Methodist Church was one of these. The Bible study was beginning to be supplemented by Bible stories for children. These were well written and brought added interest for children. Books were small and bound in cheap cardboard and they were given out to be returned, but could be won by merit and kept by the pupil.

From 1875 to 1889 we learn there was a good Sunday School at a Poplar Grove School house. This was two and one half miles south east of Temple Hill, no literature but by the Bible. Mr. Wood Tudor was one Supt., Mr. Lewis Jones taught a ladies class part of the time. Mr. N. Wren Jones gave out at one time more than one hundred Testaments in the neighborhood. The Norvells, Durhams, Starrs, Raileys, Sherfeyes, Goodes, Joneses and Bacons were many among the number assisting in the work.

A Bible school of Hardshell Baptist, Christians and Methodist met at __________ near Freedom about 1875. Good men met and led in singing, prayer, scripture reading, discussion and study. More of a lecture form of instruction, this had gotten to be for adults as well as for children. Some of these were "Uncle" Ish Higdon, Uncle Billie Flowers, Jack Adwell, Uberta Wright, Ish Smith.

About the same time 1875, D. M. Taylor, John R. Mizell, George W. Scott, Jim Davis, John Lyons, Mack Douglas, Robert W. Bell and their families were meeting at Freedom in Bible study work.

About 1870 at Sinking Spring School House there was quite an interesting Bible school. This seemed to include much of South
Fork and Mr. Tabor and Browders Chapel neighborhood. Mr. Buford Snoddy who was a school teacher was Supt. of the Sunday School at Sinking Spring. Miss Ann Davidson was a teacher, Mr. Jim Gassoway led the singing. Mrs. Abb Lewis, Mr. Adam Winniger, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dallius and daughters, Misses Mary and Nora, The Milligans, Jo and Sally Hill, Mr. George Mayfield, Miss Addie and Miss Nannie Mayfield, Miss Rosa and Josephine Jackman, Jim and Joe Berry, Allan Shipley, Boone Denton, Minnie and Mollie Denton, Mary and Martha Winniger, Mr. L. W. Preston, Mr. Frank Riherd and Lou Riherd Beals, were the young people who met at this Sunday School sixty years ago.

With Mr. James Payne as teacher and Supt. later on.

In the early eighties we learn of a Union Sunday School held in the Presbyterian Church at Cave City. There each denomination had its own Sunday School. Miss Lee Jordon today has a Bible presented to her as a reward of merit, by Mr. Elkanah Dickey in 1883 when he was Supt. of the Baptist Sunday School there. Then Mr. Cope Walton was Supt. of the Methodist Sunday School. Then Miss Ada White, Ada Sublett, Clara Curd and Ada Jolly and Mrs. Lee Jordon were attendants at Methodist Church. Mr. B. Mills Parrish had four sons who added much to the spirit of the Christian Church song service because of their splendid voices. They were good singers.

We find no definite date with regard to Glasgow's earliest Sunday School. Some tell us in 1840 was our earliest and that this was a Union Sunday School and that it alternated at the various churches, following the preaching services, which was held one Sunday in each month by each church; Methodist, Presbyterian, Christian and Baptist. This was done so they might have a warm house in winter.

About 1850 Mr. Porter tells us that there was a Sunday School that met regularly at the old Christian Church. There were about fifty in attendance. Miss Anna Reynolds was a teacher. Miss Lizzie Richards, Mrs. Trabue wife of Dr. Trabue and Mrs. Porter were promoters of the work. Miss Helen Crenshaw was Mrs. Porter's teacher. She assigned so much scripture for memory work for the following Sunday. When this was recited from memory the next Sunday, then Miss Helen questioned and explained this scripture. The memory of this teacher and her work is an enviable heritage. Her father, B. Mills Crenshaw, afterwards Judge of the Court of Appeals attended Sunday School there and in the absence of the preacher often conducted the services. Dr. W. D. Jordon was a preacher as well as a doctor in this Church, but left Glasgow about 1860. The "War" then came on and disorganized Sunday School, and Churches and when they begin to meet again it is in Union Sunday Schools for awhile before churches are reorganized.

Judge S. E. Jones said at prayer meeting one evening that when he came to Glasgow in 1869, the only Sunday School was at the Baptist Church which he attended. It was substantiated by Mr. and Mrs. Joe U. Rogers, Mr. L. T. Ganter and Col. James Evans. Uncle Teg Taylor was a teacher, Major McFerran was Judge Jones' teacher.
Just a little later about 1879 we find Major Cheek Supt. of the Baptist Sunday School. Mr. E. Dickey was an officer and teacher and literature was now made. Miss Josephine Saunders (Miss [Mrs.?] Matt Riggs) taught primary girls, Miss Fannie Dickey taught intermediate girls, Miss Sallie older young ladies. In a contest in Sunday School each who brought a new member to Sunday School was given a Chromas. Sallie (Mrs. Geo. Mayfield) and Bettie Crabbe had just moved to Glasgow and Carrie Preston (Mrs. Alexander) and Kate Preston took them and enrolled them at Sunday School and each received a Chromas (picture).

About 1874 we find a good Sunday School at the Methodist Church, supported by Major Brents, Mr. Jim Wright, a tailor who led in singing, Mr. John Shirley, a brother of Mrs. Dona [Dora?] Terry, and Mr. George Seivers family. Mr. Brent Day and Bob Dickinson and Mr. Lee Jordan were boys of about 8 or 10 years of age in Miss Mary Dickinson's class. Mr. Jordan has a handsome embossed leather bound Testament presented him by this teacher for excellence in class work. Dr. Breeding taught men's class. Mr. Samuel Brents taught intermediate boys, Mrs. George Snoddy and Miss Cornelious Anderson were other teachers. Mrs. Mike Dickinson, a teacher and mother of the late Mr. T. P. Dickinson, organized her Sunday School class into a sewing circle that met every Thursday. They accomplished much and became noted because of the beautiful artistic sewing and quilting they produced. They had many orders from other cities: Lexington, Frankfort, Louisville, and from Washington D.C. Needless to say, these meetings came to be notable social events as well. Mr. George Snoddy was Supt. for a number of years.

Mr. Charles Wood was Supt. of the Presbyterian Sunday school in about 1871, Mr. James B. Martin, County Clerk followed him as Supt. in about 1874. Which place he held until his death. Supporters of this Sunday school work were William Redding's family, Dr. Woods and family, Miss Elizabeth Woods, Mrs. Potter and Mrs. Ted Bagby, Miss Rose Barrick, Mrs. J. L. Bryan, Tomm Barrick, Children of Gen. James H. Lewis, Eliza, Jack, George, and Mrs. Sallie Hall, Misses Jennie and Betty Owsley, the last mentioned later became Mrs. Geo. Snoddy. Mrs. Hezzie Jordan and Mr. Jimmie Jordon families and Mr. Payne's family from the Oil City community came in to attend Presbyterian Church Sunday School.

One of the qualities of true greatness is gratitude. Any generation shows its greatness in part at least by being grateful for the legacy and heritage which has been given it by the preceding generation. May we appreciate the efforts and struggles made by our forefathers to carry on the Masters work in pioneer days. May we have that faith and desire to serve our fellow man as they did. May we possess the spirit of Kagawa, Asia's Robert Raikes who is now in America preaching the gospel of Co-operation. He says Louisville slums are similar to Japan's. After studying in America at Princeton Theological Seminary he went back to his work in the slums of his native country. Out of his work there in the slums
came a little book of heart searching poems, *Songs From the Slums*. My closing thought is his "Discovery":

I cannot invent new things
Like the airships which sail on silvery wings
But today a wonderful thought
In the dawn was given
And the stripes on my robe,
Shining from wear, were suddenly fair,
Bright with a light falling from Heaven—
Gold, silver and bronze
Lights from the window of Heaven
And the thought was this,
That a secret plan is hid in my hand,
That my hand is big,
Big, because of this plan.
That God, who dwells in my hand
Knows this secret plan
of the things he will do
for the world,
Using my hand.

One of the earliest memories given me of a Sunday School in Barren County, Glasgow, exception possibly is one at Salem when Mrs. C. C. Terry says she does not remember a Sunday School previous to 1858. This was a Union Meeting. Wm. Kidd was preacher at this place and time. John and Frank Willis attended and were good singers. Wm. Parrish and family were among those who were there. In a class of girls there were Lucy and Lizzie Willis, Martha Ann Waters, Cornelia Wilkins and Nellie Barlow. This class was taught by Miss Bettie Barlow later Mrs. Bettie Richie. A prize was offered to the one who memorized the most verses in the Bible in a certain length of time. Martha Ann Waters won the prize. She memorized 55 verses. When asked when she did it, she replied, "Going to and from the Spring". The prize was a book.

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- Mr. R. T. Crenshaw
- Miss Mildred Crenshaw
As I look over these names I only recognized a very few still living after only 45 years. Thanks to Lois Howard Gray for letting us use her mother's (Mrs. C. C. Howard) speech.
Katie Sater Smith

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**GENEALOGIST'S DISEASE**

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WARNING: Genealogy Pox (Very contagious to adults)

SYMPTOMS: Continual complaint as to need for names, dates and places. Patient has a blank expression, sometimes deaf to spouse and children. Has no taste for work of any kind, except feverishly looking through records at libraries and courthouses. Has compulsion to write letters. Swears at mailman when he doesn't leave mail. Frequents strange places such as cemeteries; ruins; and remote, desolate country areas. Makes secret night calls, hides phone bills from spouse and mumbles to self. Has strange, faraway look in eyes.

NO KNOWN CURE.

TREATMENT: Medication is useless. Disease is not fatal, but gets progressively worse. Patient should attend genealogy workshops, subscribe to genealogical magazines and be given a quiet corner in the house where he or she can be alone.

REMARKS: The unusual nature of this disease is—the sicker the patient gets, the more he or she enjoys it!
In the name of God Amen this third day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred ninety five, I, Obidiah Britt of the County of Albemarle, being of perfect mind and memory the maliy of the flesh and that it is appointed for man to die, I do make and ordain this my last will and testament. First I recommend my soul to God and my body I commit to the earth to be buried, and as to the worldly things I am blessed with I give and despouse in the form following. First of all that all lawful debts be paid in convenient time after my decease.

Item, the land that I now live on I lend to my beloved wife, ANN BRITT, during her life and after decease to be sold by my executors hereafter mentioned at proper credit and the money arising therefrom to be equally divided among my children and the children of ELIZABETH BAILEY, deceased, to have one child's part and not go into JOHN BAILEY'S hands.

Item, all the rest of my estate both real and personal to be inventoried by her and the discretion of my executors, except one brown man named Paul to my son ARCHILIES BRITT, all the rest to be sold and be divided among my children as above mentioned at my wife's decease.

I constitute and ordain my sons; - William Britt, Obidiah Britt, John Britt, Archilies Britt, Mecojah Wheeler and John Burter executors of my last will and testament. In wittness I have set my hand and seal the day and year above written.

Witness: Micojah Britt /s/ Obidiah Britt

Wm [X] Smith

At Albemarle Co Va October Court 1797 - The last will and testament of Obadiah Britt deceased was produced into court and proved by the oaths of John Burton and Micojah Wheeler, two of the witnesses, and ordered to be recorded. /s/ John Nicholas, C.C.

OBADIAH BRITT was born in Albemarle Co Va, married ANN THOMSON (THOMPSON) and died there in 1797. Early parish records of Goochland Co Va give the following births. [The Douglas Register].

1. Archilies Britt (named in will, not in parish records) 
   marriage bond Albemarle Co Va 21 Dec 1797 to Elizabeth Britt, bondsman Obidiah Britt

2. William Britt born 28 March 1753
3. Annie Britt born 19 March 1756 - married Charles Houchens
4. Lucy Britt born 12 Jan 1758
5. John Britt born 10 Sept 1759
7. Obediah Britt born 15 March 1763, died 1 August 1862 Barren
Co Ky, married Sarah Wheeler 10 Feb 1785 Albemarle Co Va, bondsman Obidiah Britt & Micajah Wheeler Jr

8. Patty Britt born 19 July 1765
9. Sally Britt born 2 Dec 1767


OBADIAH BRITT (child #7 above, son of Obadiah and Ann Thompson Britt) married Sarah Wheeler who was born ca 1763, daughter of Sarah ? and Michjah Wheeler. Sarah (Wheeler) Britt died in Barren Co Ky 15 July 1855; her husband Obadiah outlived her some seven years, dying at the ripe old age of 99 years, 4 months and 16 days, on the 1st day of August 1862. Sarah, too, was blessed with many years, as she lived past 90 years, probably about 92 years. It is thought that they are both buried in the Powell Cemetery, near Lucas, Barren Co Ky., as Obadiah Britt owned a large tract of land at Lucas, and had donated the land on which Peter's Creek Baptist Church was first built.

Barren Co Ky 1850 Census records give the following:
Household 653, family 671 - Britt, Obadiah, Sr, 87, born Va, Sarah 84, born Va, Powell, Eliza A 47 born Va, with the following Powell children, all born Ky - James A 15, Huldah A 13, Robert 12, Nelson T 10, William S 7, John V 5.

Just next door in the same census, is found son Joel William Nelson Britt who married Elizabeth Kinslow - household 654, family 672 - Britt, Nelson 42 born Va, [the rest born Ky], Elizabeth 38, Sarah J 15, Juliet A 13, Mary E 8, Joseph Ann 7, Milly S 5, Virgil A 3, Barbara E 2.

Again, not very far distant lives another son in household 684, family 702 - Britt, Obadiah Jr 51 born Va, wife Jane L [Powell] 42 born Va, [the rest born Ky], Sally 16, Isaac 14, Nelson 9, Jane 4, Ann Eliza 1.

In this very same locality - household 670, family 688, we find Britt, John N [is this John M in list of children??] 44 born Va, no wife listed, Micajah 19 born Ky (the rest also born Ky), Jane 17, John N 15, Obadiah S 13, Derastus W 10, Nancy R 7, Virginia 5, James R 3.

In the same neighborhood are located the Wheelers, daughter of Obadiah and Sarah Britt, household 674 family 691, Martha "Patsy" Wheeler 63 born Va, with husband Zachariah also age 63 and also born in Va, their family now small, the older ones having married and established their own homes, leaving only John 23 born Ky, Elizabeth 21 born Ky, and Zachariah 18 born Ky. Also living in the household is their daughter Ann Eliza age 32, born Ky with her daughter Ursula age 9 born in Ky. Ann Eliza Wheeler married Benjamin Britt [cousin?] 22 Feb 1840, Barren Co Ky, surety Zachariah Wheeler.

Frances Britt, daughter of Obadiah and Sarah, who married Robert
Houchens in Barren Co Ky, bond dated 10 June 1814, with the consent of her father Obadiah Britt who also was bondsman, was not content to live very far away from her parents, as they are found in household 607 family 623 - Robert Houchens 64 and Frances 54, both born Va, with Michjah 20, Samuel A 17, John R 14, and Benjamin F 10, still making a lively place of the old home.

Mary Ann Britt, one of the younger children of Obadiah and Sarah, was still increasing her family, as in the 1850 census she had a 5 month old daughter, also needed the helping hand of her mother and father, so she too, lived not far from them in household 633, family 651. She and Felix G Matthews had married in Barren Co Ky, obtaining their license on the 12th December 1829 with her father as surety on the bond. In 1850 census Felix G Matthews is listed as age 42 born in Ky, and Mary A 41 born Ky, with children all born Ky: Amanda F 19, Jasper 18, Jane 16, Felese male (Felix?) 14, Mary Ann 12, James 11, Sally 9, Justus male 7, Daniel 5, Nancy 3, and Elizabeth 5 months.

CHILDREN OF OBADIAH AND SARAH BRITT ARE:
1. Susannah Britt born 6 Nov 1794 died 26 Nov 1881, married John Jefferson Grayson 16 July 1812
2. Obadiah F Britt born 13 April 1799 died 4 Oct 1872, married Jane Powell 11 Feb 1828 [bond date]
4. John M Britt
5. Mildred "Milly" Britt - died Bov 1844
6. Frances Britt, married Robert Houchens bond date 10 June 1814
8. Mary Ann Britt married Felix Matthews bond date 12 Dec 1829
9. Sarah Britt, married Wood, died 1 Feb 1845
10. Martha "Patsy" Britt married Zachariah Wheeler son of Benjamin

BRITT BIBLE
Published by the American Bible Society, New York, 1850 - now in the possession of Garland Daris Powell, Glasgow, Ky. On the fly leaf is the following: Rebecka Britt's Book this June the 7th 1866. Thomas H B Britt this Jan 13, 1861

BIRTHS
William N Britt and Martha Britt's first child Nancy Mary Britt was born December 5th 1856
Lathonia H White was born January the 30, 1869
William Henry N White was born Aug 14, 1870
Sarah Catherine White was born November the 15, 1872
O J H Coalman was born January the 15, 1876
J GUstavus Wheeler was born Nov 9, 1875
Obediah Wheeler was born May the 18, 1815
Sarah Wheeler was born May the 18, 1820
Jesse M Wheeler was born July the 15, 1840

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Na(n)cy J Wheeler was born January the 13, 1842
Sarah M Wheeler was born Oct the 1, 1844
Wm J Wheeler was born August the 29, 18__ (torn) [Note: 1850 census gives Wm Joseph Wheeler age 3]
John N Wheeler was born Aug the 14, 1850
Elizabeth M Wheeler was born June the ___ (illegible)
Catharine Wheeler was born August the 4, 1855
Ided Dell Wheeler was born August the 24, 1873

DEATHS
John Britt the Father of William Britt Deceased this life April 22, 1823
Nancy Britt the wife of William Britt departed this life Feb 9th, 1846
Thomas H B Britt a son of William Britt departed this life Jan 10, 1862
William N Britt son of William Britt Sr departed this life Mar 8, 1863
William Britt departed this life the 17th (month illegible) 1864

MARriages
John N Wheeler and Elizabeth Elmore was married March the 11, 1872
Nancy J Wheeler and K T White was married December the 25, 1866
N J Wheeler and Catherine Williams was married Sept 2, 1872
H M Wheeler was born August 17, 1897
William Britt and Nancy Waller was married on Kindricks Creek, Washington County Tennessee on the 18th December 18&16
Their offspring Elizabeth Britt their first Child was born on Kindricks Creek December 18th, 1817

BIRTHS
Sarah Britt Second Child was born May the 18th, 1820
Nancy Britt Third Child was born February the 22, 1824
William Nelson Britt Fourth Child was born August the 10, 1830
Mary Jan(e) Britt Fifth Child was born February the 6, 1834
Margret Catherine Britt sixt Child was born 6 August 1837
Thomas Henderson Barnhall Britt Seventh Child was born the 29th May 1840

MARriages
Sarah Britt Daughter of William Britt and Nancy his wife was married to Obedia Wheeler Sept 26th 1839
Nancy Britt Daughter of William Britt and Nancy his wife was married to Anderson T Woods the 23 July 1846
William Britt was married to Rebeckah Baley October the 29th 1846
Mary Jane Britt Daughter of William & Nancy Britt his wife was married to Leanson Kinslow the 11th Jan 1854
__ Britt, son (illegible)

BIRTHS
William Britt son of John & Nancy Britt was born in the County of Albemarle Virginia State on April seventh One thousand seven-hundred & ninety three (1793)
Nancy Waller Daughter of John & Sally Waller was born on the waters of Holston called Kindricks Creek Sullivan CountyTenes State May twentieth One thousand eight hundred & one 1801
Catherine Wheeler departed this life October the 25 Wednesday 1876
Catherine Wheeler departed this life Wednesday 25, 1876 (entered twice)
Hervert Wheeler was born December the 2, 1889
On top of page: __________(illegible) borned Aug the 29, 1847.
OBADIAH BRITT - WILL

In the name of God Amen. I, Obediah Britt of the County of Barren and State of Kentucky being of sound mind & memory do make this my last will & testament, revoking all others heretofore made by me.

To my wife Sarah Britt I give during her natural life the farm on which I live, also one of my negro men, Wilson Osbourne or Carrol, which ever she may choose, also two negro women Caroline & Jane, also three head of horses to be selected by her, my waggon and gear, also as many cattle, sheep & hogs as she may need, also as much of my household & Kitchen furniture as she may need & as many farming tools & provisions & grain as my executors may think she may require - & at her death that all the property given my wife be sold & the money to be equally divided among my children as herein after directed. -

To the heirs of my daughter Sarah Woods, they ranking as one legatee, & to my children Patsy Wheeler, Susan Greyson, Eliza Powell, Mary Ann Mathews, Francis Houchens, Obediah Britt, John M Britt, & Joel W N Britt, I give & bequeath my estate both real & personal after deducting what I have heretofore given some of them so as to make their portions equal, as is hereinafter mentioned. -

To the heirs of my daughter Sarah Woods I have heretofore given a negro girl Grace worth two hundred & fifty dollars, to Susan Greyson I have heretofore given a negro girl Mary worth three hundred dollars, to Patsy Wheeler I have heretofore give one hundred & twenty acres of land worth four hundred & eighty dollars, to Eliza Powell I have heretofore given a negro girl Angeline worth five hundred dollars, To Francis Houchins I have heretofore given a girl Ellen worth two hundred & fifty dollars, to my son Obediah Britt I have heretofore given fifty acres of land worth two hundred dollars & a boy George worth five hundred dollars, to J M Britt I have heretofore given two hundred & ten acres of land worth Six hundred & thirty dollars, & to Joel W N Britt I have heretofore given a negro boy Tom worth four hundred & fifty dollars & I also give him half of the tract of land on which I now live & the other half to Eliza Powell to be equally divided between them according to quantity & quality, for which they are to be charged each four hundred dollars in the division of my estate.

If I give to my grand daughter Sarah Barrack a negro Boy in my lifetime it is all I intend for her, & if I do not give her a negro boy I give & bequeath her three hundred dollars.

If I give to my daughter Mary A Mathews a negro in my lifetime I will a take a receipt for it expressing how much She is to be charged therefor. - It is my will that my estate be equally divided as above mentioned each one being charged in the division with what they have heretofore received, & as to make their portions all equal, & that at the death of my wife that they receive an equal portion of what I have given*her during her natural life except the land, which I have specifically devised - & it is further my will that if any of my children attempt to set aside the disposition that I have made of the children of the negro woman Susan that they are to receive only their distributable part of Susan & her children & that they refund
back all that they have received of my estate to my executors & that they are not to have any portion of my estate but their portion of Susan & her children.

I nominate & appoint Obadiah Britt, John M Britt & Joel W N Britt the executors of this my last will & testament.

/s/ Obadiah Britt /SEAL/

Signed Sealed & acknowledged in the presence of: J T Rogers , A P Lewis, Olivia Rogers April 12th 1849

I, Obadiah Britt, Sejnior (Senior) being of sound mind make this codicil to the foregoing will & testament. It is my will that the heirs of my daughter Sarah Woods receive nothing more of my estate & that the negro girl Grace heretofore given be all that they ever receive from me except the wife of Jessee Bewley to whom my executors are to give one hundred dollars provided I do not give it to her in my life time. Jan 4th 1858. /s/ Obadiah Britt /SEAL/

Signed&Sealed in the presence of
Jno T Rogers, James W Green

Barren County Sct - Aug 5th Call Term 1862 - The foregoing writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Obadiah Britt dec'd was produced in Court and proven in due form of law by the oaths of John T Rogers & Olivia Rogers two of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who also proved the attestation of the other subscribing witnesses to have been in the presence and at the instance of the testator. Whereupon the same was ordered to be recorded as the true last will & testament of said Testator. Att: /s/ Travis Cockrill CBCC

OBADIAH BRITT - WILL - Probated 19th Oct 1872, Barren Co

I, Obadiah Britt , Sejr. do make this my last will & testament I give to my son Nelson Britt all of my tract of land on this side of the creek including my residence also the bottom field on the other side of the creek next to John Devasher to have the land to the top of the bluff. Also I give him the interest I won in the Dower land of Mrs Carver, reserving to my wife her dower in same & to my daughter Sally the room of my house which I now occupy & a support out of the land given to my son during her life & at her death to go to my Son Nelson Britt. To my grandson John W Woodcock I give sixty acres of of the tract over the creek to be laid of (off) next to Sam Huchens' land to my daughter Elizabeth Houchen & Jane Bewly I give each four hundred dollars in the land over the creek & if the land should be purchased by my son he is to have his own time in paying for it & is not to be harrassed by law. To my grand daughter Artela Britt I give a cow & Bed & bed clothing. I also give my wife during her life my household & Kitchen furniture - & if there should be a Surplus of my personal property after paying my debts & also a surplus arising from the sale of the land over the creek - S'd surplus is to be divided between my son Nelson Britt, Elizabeth Hutchen, Jane Bewly & my daughter Sally Britt.

I hereby appoint my daughter Jane Bewly executrix of this my last will & testament this the 15 day of October 1872. I want no appraise-ment of my property. /s/ Obadiah Britt /SEAL/

Teste: Jno T Rogers, John W Britt

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"Benjamin Wheeler was one of the early patentees of land within the present limits of Albemarle. In 1734 he obtained the grant of six hundred acres on Mechunk, and in 1740 two hundred on Moore's Creek. He conveyed three hundred acres of his Mechunk land to Giles Allegre in 1748, and the remainder in 1768 to his grandson Benjamin Burgher. In 1764 he conveyed his land on Moore's Creek to his son-in-law, Micajah Spradling. His children were Benjamin, Micajah, and the wives of Micajah Spradling and Manus Burgher. Micajah married Susan, daughter of John Woodson, and died about 1832. His children were John, Robert who married Frances, daughter of Callum Bailey, the wife of John Woodson, and Mary the wife of Tucker Page.

Benjamin Dod Wheeler was contemporaneous with the first Benjamin; whether he was the son of that name, is not known. He became the owner of more than eight hundred acres on the upper waters of Moore's Creek, the greater portion of which he and his wife Ann sold to George Nicholas in 1788. He appears then to have removed from the county. A daughter Elizabeth became the wife of John Old Jr., in 1785.

Micajah Wheeler, probably a brother of the first Benjaunin, also bought land on Moore's Creek. He died in 1809. His wife's name was Sarah, and his children were Joshua, John, Micajah, Benjamin, Joel, Elizabeth, Sarah the wife of Obadiah Britt, and Ann the wife of Hezekiah Collins. John in 1814 purchased from Stephen Hughes the mill now known as Maury's, which he and his wife sold in 1820 to John M Perry and Reuben Maury. Micajah married Mary Emerson, bought in 1800 a parcel of land on Mechum's, west of Batesville, which in 1815 he sold to Ralph Field, and died in 1836. Benjamin also died in 1836. His children were Sarah, Susan the wife of a Holson, Mary the wife of Overton Lowry, Mildred the wife of a Wood, and a son, who was the father of Bennett and Joel. Joshua died in 1838. His wife's name was Mary and his children were John D, who died in 1844, Micajah who married Julia daughter of Benjamin Martin and died in 1841, Joshua N who married Rebecca Pollock and died in 1858, Sarah the wife of John Bailey, Eliza the wife of Goodrich Garland, Matilda the wife of John Martin, and James."

BARREN COUNTY KY MARRIAGES - MALE 1799 to 1849

Wheeler, Benjamin to Mary Jane Buley bond 30 April 1849, married 3 May 1849 by Rev Seth Bradshaw

" David to Catherine Coleman 14 Jan 1817, surety James Matthews
Catherine 21 by oath of James Matthews

" James to Elizabeth Button 8 Feb, suraty Marten Button

" Joel to Nancy Bird 21 June 1832, surety Elisha Spradling, consent father Thomas Bird, witnessed by Elisha Spradling

" John to Eliza Ann Simmons bond 23 Dec 1837 surety Euclid G Simmons, consent father Wm Simmons witnessed by Jubal Board & Euclid G Simmons. Married 27 Oct 1837 by Rev Seth Bradshaw
Wheeler, John H to Jane Ellis bond dated 20 Dec 1833, surety Asa Ellis
" Joshua to Rachel Kinslow bond 14 Sept 1822, surety Ambrose Kinslow, consent her father who was present, married 18 Sept 1822 by Rev Zacharias Emmerson
" Micajah to Nancy Puckett 17 Dec 1830, surety Wm Puckett, consent Francis Puckett witnessed by Elisha Spradling
" Micajah B to Mary Emerson bond 28 July 1847 surety Z Emerson, married 1 Aug 1847 by Rev Wm B Edmunds
" Micajah to Hannah Furlong bond 30 Jan 1837, surety John Matthews, consent mother Martha Furlong witnessed by John Matthews & S H Murrell
" Nathaniel to Matilda Hudson bond 30 June 1847 surety Henry C Helm, Matilda wrote her own consent witnessed by John Herid? married 1 July 1847 by Rev James Brooks
" Obadiah to Sarah Britt bond 25 Sept 1839, surety William Britt, married 26 Sept 1839 by Rev Seth Bradshaw
" Wm E to Judy Emerson bond 4 March 1833, surety Zachariah Emerson
" Frances Ann to George B Ellis bond 29 Dec 1830 surety Samuel Furlong
" Malinda Jane to John Elmore 20 Jan 1841 surety John Wheeler
" Polly to Pleasant Emmerson 24 May 1814 surety Wm Grayson, Polly 21 by path of Wm Grayson
" Jane to Wm Emmerson bond 6 May 1835 surety Micajah Wheeler Spradling, Edward to Eliza Greer, bond 2 Oct 1839 surety Jeffry G Robertson married 28 Oct by Rev Seth Bradshaw
" Elisha to Mary Hampton 27 July 1840 surety Joshua Hampton
" James to Nancy Z Hawkins, bond 27 Nov 1837 surety Robert W Hawkins, consent mother Elizabeth Hawkins witnessed by Robt Hawkins and M Spradling
" John to Malinda Jones 2 Aug 1830, surety Elisha Jones
" Wm to Polly Wheeler, bond 17 Dec 1830 surety Wm Spradling

GENEALOGY OF THE WHEELER FAMILY - by a Mr Wheeler of Bowling Green, Warren Co, Ky. To "Editor of the Times".

There is nothing very remarkable about this family except fecundity. From the way they have multiplied and replenished the earth I am inclined to believe they descended from Adam and Eve. The first account I have of these two brothers, Micajah and Ben emigrated from England about 200 years ago and settled in Albemarle County, Virginia. A part of Ben Wheeler's Family moved to what was then called the Northwest Territory, embracing the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Michigan. It is probable that all the Wheelers in that section including the "Sweet Singer", Mrs Ella Wheeler Wilcox, are his descendants. He had one son known as "Fiddler Micajah", who remained in Virginia, and his descendants are there, or some of them are.
Micajah Wheeler, his brother, had three sons and two daughters that I know of. His daughters married and moved to Kentucky about one hundred years ago. His sons were Micajah (known as Baptist), Joel and Joshua. The latter lived and died in Virginia where his descendants are probably living now. Baptist Micajah married Molly Emerson, whose parents were Natives of Portugal. She had four brothers, Zachariah, Pleasant, Henry and Jesse, and one or two sisters who moved to Kentucky at an early date. The Emersons now in Kentucky are their descendants. I mention this because the Emersons and Wheelers were so interwoven it is impossible to separate them.

Baptist Michjah Wheeler had 3 sons, Joshua, Micajah E and Joel, the latter died in Virginia having no male descendants named Wheeler. Joshua, known as "Captain Joshua", moved to Kentucky in 1816 and married Rachel Kinslow. He died near Rocky Hill [Barren Co Ky], in 1882, leaving no male descendants bearing his name.

Micajah E Wheeler moved to Kentucky 1836. He was twice married and died in 1851 leaving 7 daughters and 5 sons - 2 of his sons and 1 daughter live in Kentucky and 1 son in North Carolina, Charles M Wheeler in Texas. (Added by Emma Bradshaw).

Joel Wheeler, brother of "Baptist Micajah" married a Miss Burnett and moved to Kentucky at an early date. He had 6 sons that I remember of, Joel, Zachariah, David, Billie, Bond, Micajah and John, and 3 daughters, Molly, Jennie and Betsey. Joel married Ankie Furlong, John married Betsey Emerson, Zachariah married Patsy Britt, David married a Miss Colman, sister of the late Wyatt Coleman. Don't remember whom Billie married, but I think the family moved to Missouri. Bond married a Miss Carpenter, sister of Andrew Carpenter. Micajah Jackson married Hannah Furlong. The Furlongs, like the Emersons, were Portuguese. Bond Wheeler's family moved to Illinois.

From this on the family is too numerous to mention. The Wheelers, Emersons, Britts, and Furlongs have intermarried and it is doubtful if one of them can tell his exact relations to one another; they are united in some way to nearly every old family in the Southern and Western portions of Barren County, Kentucky. They are a quite unostentatious family, as but one of the name ever was known to hold office in Kentucky. Some of them in other states are more prominent, (U S Senator Burton K Wheeler, for instance.

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Other members who would like to research for a fee should inform our Corresponding Secretary. We need you!
PETTY-COOK-BRISCOE-YORK: Looking for parents or any relatives of Harvey Petty, b. ca. 1825 in KY, m. in Chariton Co., MO, Oct. 13, 1847 to Lydia Cook. Was in the 1860 census in Cass Co., MO. Issue: John; Jasper; Susan, m. John Briscoe; Bell, m. Jonathan Albert York. -- Virginia Thompson, 5151 E. Vassar Ave., Denver, CO 80222

WITHERS-MAUZEY-FITZPATRICK-SHEPPARD: Joseph Withers (Weathers), possibly known as Thomas Joseph Withers, b. 1761 – d. 1825; m. Lydia Mauzev, Jan. 24, 1791, Fauquier Co., VA; Left VA about 1798; on Warren Co., KY 1810 census with 3 children & wife. Also on same census was William, Mary and Daniel. Family Legend: Joseph Withers had four children: Nancy, Horace, Elizabeth, Susan. Horace, b. 1809 (TN?) – d. Feb. 17, 1860, Pulaski Co., KY, m. Margaret Fitzpatrick, Mar. 21, 1832, Pulaski Co., KY. Horace had one boy and two girls: Elizabeth Jane and Schuyler. Elizabeth Jane m. Fountain Fox Sheppard March 2, 1847. She died Dec. 23, 1915, Pulaski Co., KY. Please write if you know about this family. All letters answered and postage returned. -- Mrs. Clara Leiblie, Rt. # 1, Box 1106, Napoleon, MO 64074

BLACK-WELLS-LOYD-AUSTIN: Will exchange information on James Black, b. KY 1783 or 84. Had 3 sons: Joseph, Jerseiah and William T. born in Ohio. William T. m. 1847, Juliana Wells. Issue: James, Nancy & Felin (maybe more). Jerseiah m. 1852, Matilda Loyd in Polk Co., MO. Issue: James W. & John A. John A. m. 1874, Eliza Austin in Barren Co., KY. -- Mrs. Doris Crawford, Rt. # 1, Box 337, Pittsburg, MO 65724

HOLT-DICE-POWELL-GRIDER-FORD: Need info on Wm. B. Holt, b. ca. 1804 Wilkes Co., NC, son of Benjamin and Sarah Holt. Does anyone know his brothers and sisters? Married Elizabeth Dice in Adair Co., KY in 1838. Was he the same William Holt who m. Dicy Powell in 1818? Children were: Mary (m. Charles Grider), Jeremiah, Charlotte (m. Thomas O. Holt), Martha J. (m. Benjamin F. Powell), Benjamin F., George O. and Amanda E. (m. Samuel R. Ford, Jr.) -- Mrs. June Powell Orton, 1020 Richmond, Yukon, OK 73099

JAMES-READY: Looking for Martha James, who was listed in Barren Co., KY census 1860, was 85 yrs. old. The Ready and James families were in Barren before 1854. They were some of the founders of Mr. Zion Meth. Church in Barren, and, also, Mt. Zion in Denton Co., TX. Robert Henry Ready m. Angeline Blaines James ca. 1849. Would like to share info. -- Frances H. Pickard, 519 E. Babb Dr., Midwest City, OK 73110

CARTER-HOLLINGSWORTH-ARNETT-WILLIAMS: Would like to exchange info with anyone working on Carter-Hollingsworth lines of Monroe Co., KY. Also, Arnett-Williams lines of Barren Co., KY. -- Helen W. Bishop, 3585 Edgewood Circle N.W., Cleveland, TN 37311
JONES: William Huston Jones, 1845-1909, m. Arintha Jane Jones. She was born 1841 & died 1911, lived at Etoile, KY, buried there. Who were their parents, etc. Need any information I can get. -- Earl M. Jones, 1301 N. Gilbert St., Danville, IL 61832

TODD: Wish to correspond with anyone knowing of Benjamin B. Todd, a Rev. War veteran. Drew pension and land; settled around Bourbon Co., KY; died there ca. 1816-1820. Was he born in VA or Carolinas? Who were wife and children? All letters appreciated and answered. -- Mrs. Aleny A. Norell, 939 Arcadia Ave., Apt. U, Arcadia, CA 91006

BOWEN (BOEN)-JAMES-WEST: George W. James, b. 1812, m. #1 Elizabeth West, in Bedford Co., VA. The 1850 census shows them in Clinton Co., KY. I have lost them until Geo. W. James appears on land records in Fayette Co., MO. Married # 2 Martha (Patsy) Bowen/Boen in 1855. Any information will be appreciated and all letters answered. -- Bonnie Hipp, 4680 W. Coldspring Rd., Greenfield, WS 53220

FRANKLIN-STONE-GLASS: Lewis Franklin, b. Norfolk, VA 1755, m. Millie Stone in Orange Co., VA 1775. Two sons Jeremiah and Geo. H. Franklin who came to Cumberland Co., KY. Susannah Franklin m. Benjamin Glass in Henry Co., VA 1775. They also came to KY. Would appreciate any info and gladly exchange. All letters answered. -- Katie Sater Smith, Rt. # 5, Box 271, Glasgow, KY 42141

HANDY-HALL: Need death dates and burial places for Jesse Handy and wife Elizabeth Hall. They were married 1797, Green Co., KY. Also need death dates and burial places of their son, Cleyburn Handy and his wife, Ruth Hall, m. Jan. 1835, Barren Co., KY. Like to hear from any descendants. -- Norma Christensen, P. O. Box 114, Douglas City, CA 96024


WILLIAMS: Need parents of James Williams, born in VA, died in Barren Co., KY in 1831. Issue: Matthew, John R., Robert, Allen (my line), Sarah & Martha. Will answer all correspondence. -- John Allen Williams, R.R, # 6, Lyddane Bridge Rd., Owensboro, KY 42301

SMITH: Seeking information on John Smith, supposedly b. Germany, lived Barren Co., KY, 2 sons positive: (1.) Hugh, v. 1804, m. Mary Elizabeth Johnson, dau. of Reuben & Martha Hall Johnson. (2.) Greenup (my g.g.grandfather), b. 27 Nov. 1806, m. Sarah Ann Johnson,
dau. of Reuben & Martha Hall Johnson, in Aug. 1829 by Rev. Caleb
Weidin in Barren Co., KY. Greenup & Hugh with families moved to
Morgan/Fulton Cos. IL, then on to Jefferson Co., IA. Need more
on JOHN SMITH, his wife, when came to U.S.A. from Germany, etc.
Will answer all corres. promptly. -- Marian SMITH Posey, 12709
Dorina Place, Granada Hills, CA 91344

WINN-ELLIS: Need parents, brothers (one was probably Jesse B.) &
sisters of Thomas Winn, b. 20 Aug. 1774 - d. 24 Dec. 1835, who m.#1
[Martha] Anne Ellis, dau. of John, and came to KY from Hanover Co.,
VA. Appears on 1810 census of Barren Co., KY with six children.
1820 census shows him with no wife, but seven children. I don't
know when the info for the census was collected, since Thomas m.#2
Elizabeth Depp 17 Jan. 1820. Does anyone have the names of the
children by Thomas' first marriage? One of them was John Ellis Winn
who m. Ann B. Montague. Another was Mary B. Winn who m. Jacob Ellis
Davidson. What about the other 4 or 5? I have the children by the
second marriage and will exchange information. -- Marjorie Ralston,
Route # 8, Box 58, Glasgow, KY 42141

HARRIS, KEYS, HAGEN, LYON, PORTER, CHAPMAN, FERGUSON, BIGGERSTAFF,
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