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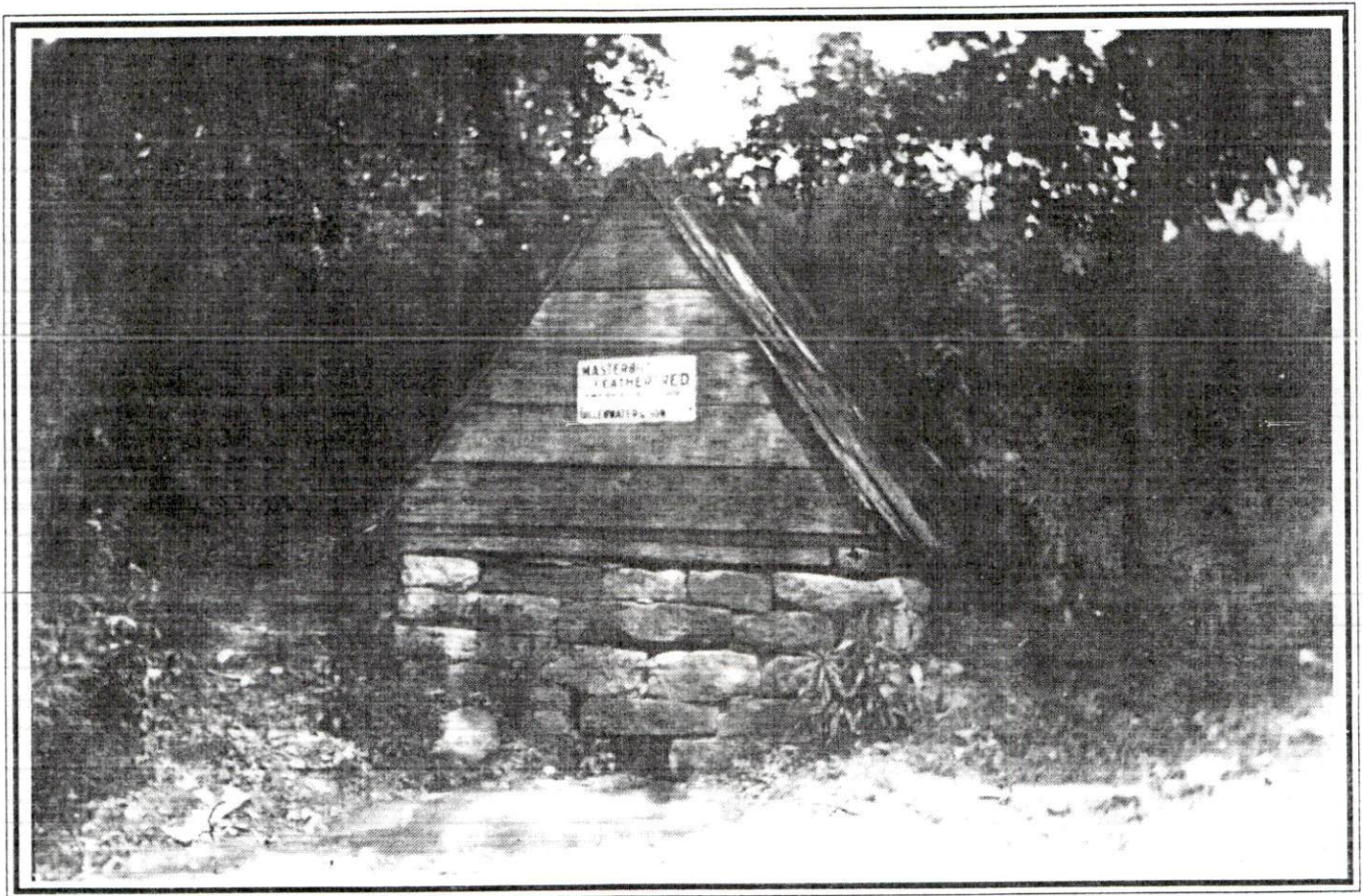
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# TRACTS



## Spring House at the home of Aunt Fannie Hall Harlow

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## ON THE COVER

The following photograph was among papers which were donated to the South Central KY Historical and Genealogical Society several years ago.

The notation accompanying the photograph said that it was the Spring House at the home of Aunt Fannie Hall Harlow.

Can any of our readers give us any information as to the exact location of this spring house and a little history surrounding the dates, people and stories about it?

## SOUTH CENTRAL KENTUCKY HISTORICAL & GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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### WELCOME!

We would like to welcome our new officers for the year 1995-1996. We are looking forward to an exciting year and invite all of our members to come be a part of our activities!

Our New President, Mr. W. Samuel Terry, IV is a Barren County native. He is the Executive Director of Historical Riverview at Hobson Grove, an historic house museum interpreting the 1860-1890 time period in Bowling Green, Ky. He currently serves as president of the Historical Confederation of Kentucky, the statewide umbrella organization of historical societies; museums and historic sites in the Commonwealth; he also is president of the Kentucky Association of Museums. In addition to his professional activities, Mr. Terry is currently consulting the Museum of the Barrens in Glasgow and works with a number of other local concerns.

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## IN MEMORIAM

Our Society has lost yet another of our dear Board members upon the passing of Virginia Ritter Thomerson on June 24, 1995. Virginia long held various offices in the Society and was a valued friend. She was a daughter of Glenn D. and Berchie Reid Ritter; wife of the late Floyd Tomerson. Virginia was active in many civic organizations including the Glasgow B&PW Club and the Mid-Kentucky Antique Auto Club. She was a former school teacher at Fairview and Etoile Schools. Our sympathies are extended to her family.

Mrs J. Wood Vance died at the age of 103 on June 7, 1995 in Glasgow. She was the former Lucie Akers who was born Oct 19, 1891, daughter of Samuel Dunn Akers and Mollie Duncan Akers, both members of pioneer families of Monroe Co. Mrs Vance attended the old Amity School; received a teaching certificate from Western Kentucky State Normal School and taught for many years. She married James Woodford Vance, a lawyer and State Legislator in Glasgow in 1916. She was known as a naturalist and conservationist; active in the Garden Club, local and state historical societies and the Glasgow's Womens Club. She was recognized as the oldest member of the State Democratic Women's Club in Kentucky. The sympathies of all her many friends in our historical society are extended to the family.

## MEMORIALS

The South Central KY Historical and Genealogical Society makes a contribution in the memory of our members who served as officers or on the Board of Directors for the Society. The contribution is made for the purchase of a historical or genealogical book and/or tape for placement with the holdings of the Society at the Mary Wood Weldon Library in Glasgow. The following donations have been made:

In memory of FRANCES YOUNG JONES. South Central KY Historical and Genealogical Society, J N Gray Construction Company and Ralph R. Garmon.

In memory of VIRGINIA RITTER THOMERSON. South Central KY Historical and Genealogical Society and Ralph R. Garmon.

In Memory of KATIE SATER SMITH. South Central KY Historical and Genealogical Society and Ralph R. Garmon

### ---PIONEER CERTIFICATE PROGRAM---

The following certificates have been awarded to descendants of the early pioneers of Barren County, KY. This program has temporarily ended.

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| 349 | Julian G Steenbergen, Yakima, Washington | John Grubb            |
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Read Any Good Books Lately and ...  
 found out that none of your family was in it? Have you some genealogical-historical books on your shelves that you no longer have use of? Would you consider making a donation of this book to our historical society? Every year, thousands of family researchers come to Glasgow looking for their roots. Perhaps that book that you don't need any longer might be one that someone else needs to see dearly. If you could make a book donation, you will be given full credit in upcoming issues of "Traces". Family papers that tie in to this area are also being sought - that old box up in the attic that you don't know what to do with! If you have something you'd like to donate, please send them to Martha P Reneau, Editor, % South Central Ky Historical and Genealogical Society, P O Box 157, Glasgow, KY 42142-0157. THANK YOU!

**Mabel Shelby Wells Winners**

We are pleased to present the first place essays in our annual Mary Shelby Wells program. This program is open to 6th graders in Barren County.

**The War Experiences of Captain James Simmons**  
 by Jenny Simmons, Temple Hill School

Many accounts of the Civil War are unforgettable. However, this essay consists of some of the experiences of James Simmons.

Jame's childhood and background: James had a paternal grandfather that moved from Chatham County, North Carolina to Fountain Run, Kentucky in 1807. Soon after his grandfather had settled, James' father was born and raised there. Later he married and started his own family in Fountain Run. James was born in 1839. As a young boy, James went to see his Grandfather Simmons a lot and enjoyed doing so. He especially liked to play with two slave boys about his age that his grandfather owned. But he did not yet know that someday he would grow up to fight in a war that was partly caused by slavery.

The Time of War: James was a 22 year-old school master when the Civil War began in 1861. He was named First Sergeant of a new company that formed in Fountain Run: Company K of the Ninth Infantry. It was February 1862 when a group of Union soldiers left Camp Boyle and headed to Glasgow, Kentucky. They would briefly stop there and then march on to Bowling Green to cut off some Confederate soldiers. It took two days to march from Camp Boyle, Columbia, to Glasgow. Marching in the cold rain and sleeping on the muddy ground made many take to death or severe illness. James had typhoid fever and pneumonia. He was very ill when he arrived in Glasgow with the soldiers. The sick were left behind in charge of the general while the others marched on. James sent word to his father about his illness so his father and a relative came to pick up James and take him home. They took a straw-filled wagon with blankets and quilts to carry him in. His family took care of him until he regained most of his strength, but James was never quite the same afterwards.

He returned to his company in April where the battle of Shiloh was being fought in Tennessee. But by the time he got there, the battle was over. The Union soldiers won, but 23,000 men were either dead or severely wounded. All of the officers of his company had

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been shot down. Being the only officer left, he was promoted from Sergeant to Lieutenant. Then he and what was left of the company marched on.

James served in Company K until the two-day battle of Stone River in Tennessee killed the Captain of Company G. James took his place and now takes place as Captain James Simmons.

Months later, James was in a battle he would never soon forget - the Battle of Chickamauga, Georgia. It was September, 1863, when the Union soldiers were in a low-lying area in a corn field. The Confederate soldiers were attacking them from a ridge. The Confederate clearly had an advantage over the Union soldiers. The Unions were ordered to lie low in the field, but when James got up to check on his men he was shot in the leg. He quickly ran behind a corn-crib to check his wound. He was shot in the thigh, but the bullet luckily only skimmed by him and there was a blue welch where the bullet had hit. Something struck the Lieutenant standing next to him. The soldier was bleeding severely. So James took off his scarf to make a bandage and tied it with a hickory stick from a nearby fence row. Soon the bleeding had slowed and was under control. He would survive the war at least.

Unfortunately, the Confederate won. The wounded men were left behind in hope that help would soon be there.

James thought about his first close call as he marched on. He reached in his pocket to check its contents. He found a busted and shredded magazine and his pipe. He then realized that the entire stem of his pipe was gone. The bullet must have deflected from his pipe and saved him and probably his life. The bullet also must have ran through his magazine.

Later on he met with the Lieutenant that he'd helped. He showed James what the doctor had found in his wound: the missing stem of his pipe!

After the war ended James returned hom and married but soon became a widower. James married again and had a total of ten children in all. He became a very active citizen of Glasgow, Kentucky.

This war story was an unforgettable experience of James Simmons - my Great, Great, Great Grandfather. This information came fom Jimmy Simmons, a Civil War historian.

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THE OLD TWYMAN FORT  
By William L Spillman - Hiseville School

My grandfather and I sat down and talked about the Old Twyman Fort. My parents told me about the fort and said to go to my grandfather to learn more. My grandfather is H B Spillman. He is eighty-three (83) years old and has lived on a farm near Griderville for over sixty (60) years. He is a descendant of the Twyman family and attends the Twyman Reunion yearly. He has actually taken family members to the site of the Old Twyman Fort and he enjoys genealogy.



There were three (3) brothers who built and lived in the Old Twyman Fort. They were William, Joseph and Ely Twyman. Two of the brothers were married and one of them was single. They were Revolutionary War veterans. They were given a certain amount of land after the war. They had slaves that helped build the fort.

The Twyman Fort was the first to be built in this area and the only one that was made out of brick. The Twymans started to build the fort about 1790 and finished building the fort about 1820. The walls were made of brick right there on the premises. The roof was made from native lumber cut with the cross-cut saw.

They built the fort thirty-two (32) feet by thirty-two (32) feet. There were three floors. It had a basement, a ground floor and a top floor. The ground floor and the top floor had a parapet. A parapet is a short wall that comes about halfway up the wall. It was made so they could shoot over it.

The fort was built in the eastern part of Barren County near the Metcalfe County line close to Blue Springs Creek. The fort was built near the creek so the people could have water.

The fort was used mostly for protection and to have a roof over their heads. It was used for eating, sleeping and sometimes fighting.

The Twymans built the fort to keep the Indians out. It had "peep holes" so they could shoot at the Indians. The Twymans killed two Indians. They were buried next to Blue Springs Creek.

The remains of the Old Twyman Fort are still very visible today. The fort is located in a farmer's pasture field. The fort is hard to find. Very few people even know it is there, but it has a great historic importance to this area.

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#### **HENRY HAYS - PATRIOT**

Contributed by Dolores Towner, 754 Alberta Ave., Nyssa, OR 97913.

In 1853, at the age of 91 years, Henry Hays of Barren Co. Ky. applied for a pension for his service in the Revolutionary War. He entered into service in Luenburg Co. VA in 1781. His claim was suspended and in 1855 at age 93 years, he applied again. He stated "he would have applied earlier but did not wish to claim a reward for services rendered in defense of his country." But now that he has grown very old and the blood creeping more slowly through his veins he feels more keenly the occasional exactions of necessity." Henry further stated that he was in the battle of Guilford, SC and also present at the surrender of Lord Cornwallis. It is doubtful that Henry ever received his pension, since everyone who could have proved his service had died.

Henry was born probably in Luenburg Co. VA 2 May ca 1762, the son of Henry Hays and Ann ---. He came to Barren Co. in 1803. There are five Land Grants listed for Henry Hays, Barren Co: 121 acres, 2-25-1822, White Oak Creek; 7

acres, 3-3-1822, White Oak Creek; 53 acres, 3-23-1822; 39 acres, 3-40-1825, Barren River; and 200 acres, 12-24-1840, Little Barren River. In 1836 he was listed in the Barren Co tax records as owning 600 acres and 12 slaves, valued at \$5,400, which was quite well off for those times.

He married Elizabeth Cabiness, parents unknown, probably in VA. They had twelve known children. (The heirs of Henry filed suits against each other after his decease, Equity Bundle #2731, a wonderful source for the names of the children!) The first four were possibly born in VA.

Mary J. born ca 1800 married Thomas Slaughter 18 Apr 1821 as his second wife. Children: Oscar, Elias, Gabriel, Nancy, Eliza, Phillips, possibly more.

John R. born 1802, married Mary Herring, 7 Jan 1826. Children: John, Edmund, Marietta, Sanford, Martha, Wilson, Lucy.

Elizabeth born 25 Aug 1802, died 22 May 1876, Crawford Co KS, married Leonard Hall III, 27 May 1819. Children: James, Andrew, Richard, Ralph, Esther, D.F., Lucy.

Lucy born ca 1803, married William Thompson, 30 Aug 1827. Children: Tabitha, Elizabeth, Mary, Henry, John, James, Sarah.

William married Louisa Herring 15 Oct 1823. Children: Martha, William, Lucy Ann, Francis, Lavinia, Susan, John.

James born ca 1806 married Mariah Hardin 22 Oct 1834. Children: George, Harriett, Judie, Eugenia, Margaretta, Samantha, Maria, Laura.

Nancy born 3 May 1808, died 5 Aug 1878, married Bennett Watts 10 Apr 1833. Children: Elizabeth, Crenshaw, William, Sarah, John, Harriett.

Susannah born ca 1809, died 28 Aug 1852, married John F. Bowles 1836. Children: Francis, Melinda, Mary, Sarah, Nancy.

Richard H. born 25 Oct 1818, died 26 June 1893, married Mary Dale 24 Nov 1840. Children: Charles, Robert, George, Elizabeth, Isaac, Leanne, Sarah, John, Clarence, Molly, Lucy, James, Richard, Thomas.

Catherine married William T. Bowles. Children: William, John, Mary.

Patsy married Edward Dale 3 Nov 1829. Children: James, Henry, Reuben, Richard.

Henry probably died young.

Sources: Rev War Pension #S.30,455; Equity Bundle 2731, Barren Co Tax Records, Barren Co Marriage Records, Census of Barren Co 1810, 1820.

THE FINAL RESTING PLACE  
OF  
ALEXANDER EDWARDS and REBECCA NOBLETT EDWARDS,  
his first wife.

1791 Pioneer Settlers near Savoyard before Kentucky  
was a State.

ALEXANDER EDWARDS' PARENTAGE:

The original EDWARDS family immigrant to migrate to North America was Captain Cader EDWARDS, a Welsh merchant vessel captain who had been born in 1705 in a small village on the coast of Wales. True to his environment he went to sea and for about 30 years made it his career. He reportedly spoke 6 or 7 languages and was a very well educated man. When he was 49 years old (1754), in Baltimore, he returned his ship to its owners and quit the sea. At that time he was still unmarried.

About Christmas time 1754 the Captain married Mary GORDON in Baltimore. She was a daughter of the highlands of Scotland and lived with her mother who died in early 1755.

Over the ensuing years the Captain and Mary and their growing family migrated to where Greenbriar Co., WVA is now where they lived from 1755 to 1764; thence to where Smyth Co., VA is now where they lived from 1764 to 1777; and then to where Sullivan Co., TN is now, near Bristol, where they lived from 1777 till March 1782 when the Captain died.

Their children were Sally, Rachel, William, David, Alexander, Thomas, Ninian, John, Robert, and Cader E.. During the Revolutionary War, at King's Mountain in Oct 1780, the Captain was aide to Col. Isaac SHELBY who he knew well from the Holston Settlements. The position of aide was due to the Captain's known attitude as a patriot and in respect to his advanced age. Almost all of the Captain's sons and sons-in-law fought in the war and subsequent engagements.

The Captain, who was in his mid-70s when at Kings Mountain, was injured by a tree limb on the return trip to Holston Settlements. He never recovered from the injury and died in March 1782. While passing the time from Oct 1780 to Mar 1782 the Captain continued to discuss another migration....to the area to later become Kentucky.... with his friend and house-guest the Long Hunter Henry SKEGGS. The journey was agreed upon and SKEGGS had already chosen the land but the Captain's health declined and he died. However in the final days SKEGGS agreed to lead the family to the new area and after the Captain's death he did. The land was near where Lexington is today.. in the Woodford/Fayette Co. area.

## THE BARRENS:

Seven years had passed since the migration from Holston Settlements when Alexander EDWARDS and Henry SKEGGS, who still made his home with the EDWARDS family, decided to examine the land in the Barrens in anticipation of another migration. They made the journey in the spring of 1790 and Alexander, finding land that appealed to him, created a "tomahawk improvement" (a visible form of a log foundation for a cabin) to mark his claim. They returned to Woodford Co. for Alexander's family.

Alexander sold his Woodford County land and in March 1791 he and his wife, Rebecca NOBLETT EDWARDS, and their three children migrated to land near Savoyard. They were the only EDWARDS family to move at this time but some of the others followed later. In the Savoyard area Alexander and Rebecca proceeded to have 8 more children before Rebecca died on April 14 1810. The children of Alexander and Rebecca EDWARDS were

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|--------------------------|-----------|
| Thomas Joseph EDWARDS    | born 1787 |
| Susanne EDWARDS          | " 1788    |
| Cader King EDWARDS       | " 1790    |
| Elizabeth EDWARDS        | " 1793    |
| David EDWARDS            | " 1794    |
| William Hodgen EDWARDS   | " 1797    |
| John Wayne EDWARDS       | " 1799    |
| Isaac Noblett EDWARDS    | " 1801    |
| Martha "Patsy" EDWARDS   | " 1803    |
| Gideon Arthur EDWARDS    | " 1805    |
| Alexander Hervey EDWARDS | " 1807    |

On 5 August 1811 Alexander EDWARDS married his 2nd wife, Melissa Mildred MOORE, in Barren County KY. They had 4 children before Alexander died on 15 Sept 1816. They were

|                         |           |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Hervey EDWARDS          | born 1812 |
| Rebecca Noblett EDWARDS | " 1813    |
| Robert EDWARDS          | " 1814    |
| Sarah Moore EDWARDS     | " 1816    |

The most complete and accurate history of the EDWARDS family for over 60 years has been "The EDWARDS Family of Barren County KY" which was published in 1924 by Cyrus EDWARDS. Cyrus EDWARDS was born in March 1846 to Alexander EDWARDS (nephew of the subject of this paper) & Julian CHISM; his EDWARDS grandparents were Cader E EDWARDS & Elizabeth CRAIN; and his EDWARDS great grandparents were Captain Cader EDWARDS & Mary GORDON. Cyrus EDWARDS was a remarkable and intelligent individual of many talents... ....Union army officer, surveyor, mathematician, and author. He wrote many area historical articles and had a lifelong interest in family history and in area history. His book "The EDWARDS Family..." is widely accepted as the standard foundation for

in-depth EDWARDS research. His other writings are also highly respected for their authenticity and correctness.

Cyrus EDWARDS refers to Alexander EDWARDS (the pioneer) frequently in the above cited book. On pages 46 & 47 he summarizes Alexander's life and speaks of his death and burial thusly

"He was buried at his old home (where Whit Thompson formerly resided), in the field, about two or three hundred yards northward of his old mansion. The graveyard has been plowed over for many years and little remains to point out its' location except the gravestone of his first wife, with the initials of her name and date of death (R. E. 1810)."

Apparently all EDWARDS researchers (including myself...JER) accepted the above quote as completely correct and accurate because nothing to the contrary has been reported to date

HOWEVER .....

In early 1995 Mrs Remer & I decided to do some GOFF/EDWARDS family research in the Hart/Green/Barren County area and in late July we made the pilgrimage. We found much sincere interest in our efforts and in response to our questions re the location of the old Whit Thompson mansion (thanks to the personal efforts of Ms Christeen SNAVELY of the Museum of the Barrens in Glasgow and those of Ex-Governor Louie B NUNN and others) we headed for the area south of Park KY.

There we canvassed door-to-door. At the first home no one was home; the second resident had only lived there a short time; at the third no one was home; BUT AT THE FOURTH HOUSE A GENTLEMAN SAID.....(and I paraphrase and condense..JER)

"The Whit Thompson mansion?? Sure I know where it was.....right where that house (the one we had first stopped at..JER) now is. It was torn down quite a few years back."

And when I told him why we were interested he said

"An old cemetery?? Well there are a couple of old stones next to that tree in that field there..."

We were tired.....we were hot.....we were hungry.....and we were discouraged because as yet not much had gone right. We were not really in a good mood BUT THAT WOULD CHANGE.....

We went to the tree and looked and there in the field, in a 10' x 16' tear-drop shaped area with a tree in the center, covered

with fallen tree limbs and overgrown with grass and vines, were the stones the gentleman had pointed us toward. The area was shaped like a tear-drop because generations of farmers had, without knowing exactly why, paid respect to the tiny gravesite by consistantly not plowing it under. The present owner of the land, Mr Hermon POYNTER, voluntarily assured us that as long as his family owns the land the graves will not be plowed over. The gravesites are almost exactly halfway between Park and Savoyard.

THE TOMBSTONES:

Our initial examination of the area yielded a tombstone about 4" thick, 14" wide, and 16" above ground on which was engraved "Rebecca EDWARDS...". This alone would have made our day .....but further exploration yielded, about 4' away, a matching stone engraved "Alexander EDWARDS....".....WE WERE ECSTATIC.....

Both stones are in excellent condition and although they lean they are solidly implanted in the ground. Both are unbroken and totally readable.

REBECCA  
EDWARDS  
1700  
Apr. 14 1810

ALEXANDER  
EDWARDS  
1700  
Sept. 16 1816

Behind Rebecca's stone and firmly against it, also solidly in the ground, was an 8" wide stone that is pointed at the top. It is of the same material and thickness as Rebecca's and Alexander's stones. I (JER) was unable to separate the small stone from Rebecca's and did not want to risk breaking either so left them as they were. We are left to ponder whether it was a footstone for Rebecca (none was found for Alexander) or a child's stone?? Could Rebecca have died in childbirth?? Her age would not preclude it.....

Just as I have no explanation for the small stone above mentioned I have no explanation for the "1700" on both the larger stones. It certainly is not an accurate birthdate but might have been meant to imply they were born in the 1700s.....

Our original thought was to possibly locate the Whit Thompson farm/mansion, take a panoramic picture of same and caption it "This is where Alexander and Rebecca EDWARDS lived and died". We found much more than we had hoped for. Before we left we cleaned up the brush and overgrowth, took pictures as is our custom, said "Merci beaucoup mon Père", and continued our journey.

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EDWARDS lineage of James E Remer.....

|                       |      |                    |
|-----------------------|------|--------------------|
| Captain Cader EDWARDS | .... | Mary GORDON        |
| Alexander EDWARDS     | .... | Melissa M MOORE    |
| Sarah Moore EDWARDS   | .... | John R GOFF        |
| Edward Harvey GOFF    | .... | Sarah Ann TURLEY   |
| John William GOFF     | .... | Nancy Jane ALKIRE  |
| Lillie Evalina GOFF   | .... | James H REMER      |
| <u>James E REMER</u>  | .... | Mireille L JACQUET |

The above was contributed by James E Remer, 2900 W. 93rd Terrace, Leawood, KS 66202.

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The following article was contributed by Edward H. Bowles, 241 East Eleventy Place, Hobart, IN 46342. Mr. Bowles is also seeking information on Christopher C. Bowles after he left Barren Co. They moved to NY where he died in January 1865. Can you help him?

#### PERIERE/PURYEAR FAMILY OF VIRGINIA

While it is believed that the PURYEAR family arrived as part of the French Protestant Refugee emigration to Virginia which began in 1715, the family is not listed in the early group of Huguenot families to settle in Mannachin Town. One of the earliest known representative of the Periere family (later Americanized to Puryear) was Samuel Puryear who married Elizabeth \_\_\_\_\_ ca 1720 in Warwick County, VA. Based on his will (proved 1748 Warwick Co., VA) and her will (proved 1755 Warwick Co., VA); their children were:

#### JOHN PURYEAR

was born ca 1725 in Warwick County, VA and died in 1785 in Mecklenburg County, VA. He married Martha Norment who died in 1810. During the Revolutionary War he provided supplies to the Virginia militia. According to his will, he owned considerable land including "his own plantation of 330½ acres, a mill on Butcher's Creek, a plantation lent to his deceased son John, a parcel purchased from John Mayes totalling 710 acres, 450 acres purchased from the Rudds" all in Mecklenburg County; "400 acres in Henrico County, VA and 6½ lots in the Town and County of Warwick." He also owned 24 slaves. Issue:

John Puryear m Sarah \_\_\_\_\_. John died prior to his father's will in 1785. Issue:

John Puryear m 11 May 1806 Mrs. Nancy Bottoms, widow of Enos Bottoms.

**Seymour Puryear** m Sarah \_\_\_\_\_. His will proved in 1788 in Mecklenburg Co., VA names his children:  
 Elizabeth Puryear  
 Mary Amanda Puryear  
 Jane Puryear  
 John James Puryear  
 James Puryear  
 William Puryear  
 Samuel Puryear  
 baby yet to be born (Seymour?)

**Samuel Puryear** m 24 Nov 1775 Elizabeth Henley, daughter of Hezekiah Henley and Keturrah Farrar, in Goochland Co., VA. Issue:  
 John Puryear  
 Peter Puryear  
 Samuel Puryear  
 Sarah Puryear  
 Thomas Puryear

**Reuben Puryear**

**William Puryear** (ca 1763-1810/11) m 22 Sep 1785 Rebecca Carleton in Mecklenburg Co., VA. Issue:  
 John Puryear b 26 Dec 1786 d 22 Feb 1836 m 26 Sep 1809  
 Lucy Smith b 14 Sep 1790 d 24 Jul 1856. Issue:  
 Elizabeth Jackson Puryear b 12 Jun 1819 d 15 Apr 1900 m 12 Dec 1842 Judson Warlick b 31 Jan 1818 d 04 Apr 1895. Issue:

John Thomas Warlick b 22 Nov 1848 d 02 Feb 1921 m 13 Jun 1883 Jessie Scurry Ross b 14 Oct 1864.

**Hezekiah Puryear** under legal age in 1785.

**Rebecca Puryear** b 1725 m 1756 Capt. John Farrar (1730-1808) son of George Farrar and Judith Jefferson (aunt of President Jefferson) born in Mecklenburg Co., VA. He served in the French and Indian War (Queen Ann's War) prior to 1763. When the Rev War began, he enlisted and was made Captain of the Mecklenburg militia for the course of the war. In 1787 John and Rebecca moved to Wake Co., NC. His will dated 1808 names children:

Powell Farrar  
 Obediah Farrar m Elizabeth Graves  
 Edward Farrar  
 Lucy Farrar  
 Jefferson Farrar  
 William Farrar  
 Jenny Farrar  
 Samuel Farrar m Elizabeth Phillips.  
 Peter Farrar  
 John Farrar, Jr.  
 Elizabeth Farrar m John Finch.

**Jane Puryear** m 13 Mar 1775 Edward Finch in Mecklenburg Co., VA.

**Mary Puryear** m 15 Dec 1782 Daniel Burton in Henrico Co., VA.



SAMUEL PURYEAR

was born in Warwick Co., VA and died in 1810 in Mecklenburg Co., VA. His plantation adjoined the home of his brother John.

PETER PURYEAR

was born 1715 in Warwick Co., VA. He m Susanna Major.

WILLIAM PURYEAR

was born 1725 in Warwick Co., VA.

ROBERT PURYEAR

HEZEKIAH PURYEAR

was born ca 1735 in Warwick Co., VA and moved to Henrico Co., VA after inheriting lands from his father. He married three times and had issue by each wife. He died in 1796 in Goochland Co., VA. He married (1st) ca 1755-58 Milly Winn, daughter of John Winn and Mary Bowles of Hanover Co., VA. Issue:

Milly Winn Puryear m 17 Oct 1793 (bond) John Neaves (Neves) in Goochland Co., VA.

Frances Puryear m (1st) 27 Jan 1774 Samuel Jordan in Goochland Co., VA. Issue:

Milly Jordan m 10 May 1795 Leonard Henley, Jr.  
John Jordan

Hezekiah Jordan

Samuel Jordan b 03 Sep 1781 Albemarle Co., VA, m 13 Mar 1806 Polly Murrell b 09 Apr 1785 d 25 Jun 1865, dau Samuel Murrell and Susannah Puryear. Mr. Jordan was a brickmaker and mason, constructing many homes in Barren Co. and d 13 Aug 1827. Issue:

Susan F. Jordan m Preston.

Mary J. Jordan m Rodes.

Martha A. Jordan

Eliza Jordan m Rodes.

Samuel Jordan

Caroline Jordan m (1) Cockrill, (2) Payne.

John Jordan

James Jordan

Hezekiah A Jordan b 06 Sep 1824 m 19 Dec 1844

America Carden b 04 Aug 1824 dau James Carden and Frances E. Foster. A farmer, he owned 430 acres and was a member of the Old School Presbyterian Church. Issue:

Samuel J. Jordan

Christopher C. Jordan

William H. Jordan

Mary F. Jordan m Rogers.

Mattie B. Jordan m Fant.

Susan E. Jordan m Read.

m (2nd) 1783 Benjamin Woodson

**Sarah Puryear** m 20 Sep 1779 John Morris of Louisa Co., VA in Goochland Co., VA. Issue:.

Francis Morris b 17 Oct 1782.

Hezekiah Puryear Sr. m (2nd) 16 Aug 1764 Mary Ellis, daughter of Joseph Ellis in Henrico Co., VA. Issue:

**Ellis Puryear** b 15 Mar 1766 m (1st) 21 Dec 1784 Elizabeth Hughes, daughter of Benjamin Hughes in Goochland Co., VA. Issue:

Rebecca Puryear (ca 1786-1835/6) never married.

Benjamin Hughes Puryear (ca 1788-15 Oct 1838) was a soldier in the War of 1812. He m (1st) 13 Feb 1823 Nancy M. Webber. Following her death in 1830, he m (2nd) 26 Mar 1832 Mary (Polly) Rountree.

Ellis m (2nd) 31 Jan 1816 Mary Ellis, widow of John Ellis. No issue of record.

**Susannah Puryear** b 12 Mar 1766 d 20 Nov 1852 m 31 May 1784 in Goochland Co., VA Samuel Murrell b 24 May 1756 Albemarle Co., VA d 08 Sep 1836 in Barren Co., Ky.

He was an Ensign in the Rev War with the Albemarle VA militia and was present at the surrender of Cornwallis. In 1809 he moved his family to Kentucky where he entered a large military land grant at the falls of the Ohio, near the mouth of Bear Grass Creek, where a part of Louisville now stands. Murrell later abandoned the grant due to ill health and Indian depredations and moved to Barren Co. where he settled on other land 3½ miles south of Glasgow. He served as an officer for many years in the State militia and more than once represented Barren Co. in the State Legislature. Susannah was a native of Virginia and during the Indian troubles in that colony, her brother was captured by the savages who bound him to a tree and left him to starve. When found he had eaten the flesh from his shoulders as far as he could reach. Both Murrells were lifelong members of the Old School Presbyterian Church. Issue:

Polly Murrell b 9 Apr 1785.

George Murrell b 24 Oct 1786.

William C. Murrell b 18 Sep 1788 m Eliza Garnett.

Issue:

Helen Murrell b 1830 d 1905 m 11 Jun 1846 Dr.

James Wilson Gorin.

Samuel Murrell, Jr. b 17 Nov 1790 m 08 Mar 1825

Elizabeth Stirrett.

Jenney Murrell b 21 Nov 1792.

Hezekiah P. Murrell b 21 Jan 1795 d 21 Oct 1865 m

02 Oct 1822 Elizabeth Gorin, Barren County.

Betsey Murrell b 16 Apr 1797.

James Murrell b 10 Jun 1799, Albemarle Co., VA m

10 Nov 1832 Harriet F. Moss b 1812, Green Co., Ky.

It was here in Barren County that James was educated and married and engaged in farming and merchandising and the tobacco trade all his life. He twice represented Barren County in the Lower House of

the Kentucky Legislature and once in the State Senate. In 1846, with other gentlemen, he established a large tobacco warehouse at New Orleans. The firm being known as Hewett, Norton & Co., and for many years was extensively engaged in flatboating tobacco from the Barren River country to New Orleans. His death occurred in that city during the great cholera scourge of 1849. Issue:

Henry C. Murrell b 17 Jun 1832 m Emma Gorin.  
James Murrell b 05 Aug 1838 m (1) 22 Oct 1861  
Victoria Nuckols dau Hezekiah Nuckols and  
Susan J. Foster in Barren Co., KY. Following  
his fathers death he made his home with his  
grandfather Moss, a hotelkeeper in Glasgow.  
After attaining his majority, he received the  
contract to carry the US mail between Glasgow  
and Cave City after having previously being  
the subcontractor. In the early part of 1862  
he and the mail were captured by a squad of  
Confederates, but retaken by a detachment of  
Federals and brought to Glasgow where he was  
imprisoned by order of the provost-marshal  
J. W. Gorin. Three weeks later he was released  
by order of President Lincoln through Col.  
Haggard of the 5th US Cavalry. Shortly after  
his release, he enlisted in Company C, Second  
Kentucky Volunteer Calvary CSA and served under

Gen. John H. Morgan until the latter's raid  
through Ohio and Indiana. Mr Murrell having  
been left on the Kentucky side of the river,  
was not in the raid. Later he served on  
detached duty as special courier or escort  
until the close of the war. He participated  
in the battles of Stone River, Chicamauga,  
Missionary Ridge, Kenesaw Mountain, Atlanta  
and others. He surrendered at Weldon, NC;  
was paroled at Atlanta, GA on 08 May 1865 and  
set out for home making the journey mostly  
on foot. After his return he engaged in the  
stage business between Glasgow and Burkesville  
and after a few moths of success he embarked  
in the hotel business at Glasgow. From 1874-78  
Mr. Murrell was Barren Co. Sheriff and for  
many years served as Marshall of Glasgow.  
Following the death of his first wife 05 Apr  
1881, he m (2) Nov 1882 Mrs. Mary (Bohannon)  
Nuckols also a native of Barren Co. and dau  
of Judge Bohannon. Issue:

James Murrell b 1856, Barren Co. m 05 Dec  
1878 Barren Co. Mary Ellen Maxey, Monroe  
Co.

Susannah Murrell b 9 May 1802.

Schuyler Murrell b 11 Mar 1805.

Robert Murrell b. 1 Sep 1809 was for many years a prominent merchant of Louisville who later moved to New York where he amassed a large fortune and retired.

**Hezekiah Puryear, Jr.** ( /1833) m (1st) 3 Dec 1795 Jane Laprade, daughter of John and Susannah Laprade in Goochland Co., VA. Issue:

Susannah Puryear m Daniel G. Pleasants.

Mary Ann (Polly) Puryear m 8 Oct 1828 John N. Liggan.

He m (2nd) 20 Dec 1802 (bond) Eudisia Pleasants daughter of Joseph Pleasants and Mary Eudisia Guerrant.

**Joseph Puryear**

Hezekiah Puryear, Sr. m (3) 17 Dec 1773 Ann Ellis b 1753 d 25 Oct 1815, daughter of Joseph Ellis and sister of Mary Ellis in Henrico Co., VA. Issue:

**Martha (Patsey) Puryear** b 25 Oct 1777 d 19 Nov 1839 m 17 Jan 1801 Andrew Nuckols in Goochland, Co., VA. They later moved to Barren Co., KY.

**William Puryear** m 12 Jan 1805 Polly Linsy Webber, daughter of Rev William Webber and Mary Woolfork. Issue:

Susan Murrell Puryear m Jan 1830 (bond) Philip Webber, Amelia Co.

**Polly Puryear** m 17 Jan 1801 Patrick Henley, son of Leonard Henley and Elizabeth Jude, in Goochland Co., VA. They moved to Amelia Co., VA where she died 14 Apr 1815.

Issue:

Joseph Henley

John Henley b Oct 1806

William Henley

Thomas Henley

Elizabeth Henley

**Nancy Westly Puryear** (1788- ) m 25 Aug 1809 William Nuckols.

**Thomas Hull Puryear** (1789-23 Jun 1813). Never married.

**Noblin Puryear** ( -1815). Never married.

**Sarah Jane (Jenny) Puryear** (1794-31 Aug 1841) m 20 Jan 1812 Nathaniel V. Bowles, son of Thomas Bowles and Sarah Holman, in Goochland Co., VA. They moved to Barren Co., KY shortly after their marriage. Issue:

Sarah Ann Bowles b 7 Nov 1812.

Amanda F. Bowles b 27 Sep 1815.

Oscar F. Bowles 2 Oct 1817.

Elizabeth Virginia Bowles b 4 Sep 1820.

America S. Bowles b 27 Oct 1822.

Mary Francis Bowles b 21 Sep 1825.

Joseph Puryear Bowles b 8 Oct 1827.

Christopher Columbus Bowles b 27 Apr 1829.

Salina Jane Bowles b 6 Dec 1831.

(SEE BOWLES FAMILY HISTORY).

**Elizabeth Puryear** m 28 Dec 1802 Nathaniel Woodward.

THOMAS PURYEAR

married Margaret Bowles and died at a young age in 1762. After Thomas's death, Margaret's brother David Bowles was named guardian of the minor children.

Issue:

Samuel Puryear

Jesse Puryear m 1 Feb 1790 Jane Holman daughter of Nathaniel Holman and Ann Winn. Issue:

Jesse Puryear b 16 Mar 1803 d 06 Jul 1871 m 18 Dec 1827 Nancy Henley b 28 Nov 1805 d 09 Apr 1870.

Issue:

Sarah Jane Puryear b 22 Mar 1829 m 03 Oct 1849 William Garland Ellis, Henrico County.

Ann R. Puryear b 11 Dec 1830 d Aug 1831.

John S. Puryear b 15 Jun 1832 m 03 Dec 1857 Mary C. Nuckols, Henrico County.

William L. Puryear b 14 Feb 1835 d 25 Apr 1862 m 07 Mar 1861 E. A. Nuckold, Henrico County.

Susan Ann Puryear b 29 May 1836 d 1912 m \_\_\_\_\_ Ellis, Henrico County.

Benjamin F. Puryear b 03 Jul 1838 m 01 Jun 1873 Gertrude Henley, Henrico County.

Mary E. Puryear b 27 Apr 1842 m 01 Nov 1866 William H. Davis, Henrico County.

Edward C. Puryear b 27 Aug 1844 m 15 Oct 1874

Susan J. "Gennett" Waldrop, Henrico County.

Alpheous Hay Puryear b 16 Oct 1846 d 27 Sep 1870.

Thomas M. Puryear b 27 Dec 1849 m 06 Dec 1874

S. A. Johnson, Henrico County.

Jane Puryear m William H. Minter. Issue:

James Hundley Minter b 06 Dec 1842 m 06 Dec 1866

Rebecca Frances Bowles b 1843, Hanover County.

William Minter b 1843.

Thomas Puryear m 23 Apr 1785 Jane Johnson in Henrico Co., VA.

Ann Puryear m 7 Jun 1786 (bond) John Wright in Henrico Co., VA.

ELIZABETH PURYEAR

was born ca 1740 in Warwick Co., VA. She married before 1761 Peter Burton.

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**PETER PRIEST  
REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIER**

Submitted by Margaret Lester Hill, Route 2, Box 2112, White Stone, VA 22578-9766,  
great-great-great-granddaughter of Peter Priest.

Peter Priest was born late in the year 1757, in Virginia,<sup>i</sup> most likely in Prince William County. The names of his parents and siblings have not been proven, although it is thought he was the son of Thomas Priest (born circa 1699) of Prince William County. His brothers and sisters may have been William, Thomas, George, Richard, Mary, and Elizabeth, as named in the will of William Priest of Hamilton Parish, Fauquier County, Virginia, in 1781.<sup>ii</sup>

In the year of Peter's birth, George II was on the throne of England, Frederick the Great was fighting the Austrians in Europe, and the Marquis de Lafayette was born in France. There were fifty-one counties in the rapidly expanding Colony of Virginia, and the population had increased to more than half a million.<sup>iii</sup> Prince William County, situated on the southwest shore of the Potomac River, had been formed in 1731 from Stafford and King George counties.

Nothing is known about Peter Priest's childhood or schooling. He probably grew up in that part of Prince William County which became Fauquier County, or along the banks of Occoquan River, where Priests were known to own a mill. He could write his name, and his signature is found on several records. The earliest date that his name can be found in an official record was 11 February 1780, the date he enlisted in General George Rogers Clark's forces at the Falls of Ohio (now Louisville, Kentucky).<sup>iv</sup>

Peter served as a private and a mattross in Captain Robert George's Company. A mattross was "a soldier next in rank below the gunner in a train of artillery, who acted as a kind of assistant or mate. In the U.S., the term was synonymous with private of artillery."<sup>v</sup> Peter was undoubtedly stationed with Captain George's company at Fort Jefferson in the early months of 1781. He may also have been part of General Clark's detachment to Fort Nelson later that year. By his own account, he fought at the second battle of Piqua Plains in Ohio.<sup>vi</sup>

Peter Priest's name was listed on the payroll of the Illinois Regiment from 1 January 1782 until 15 February 1784, when he was discharged. For his Revolutionary War service in the western campaigns, he was allotted 108 acres in Clark's Grant, now Clark County, Indiana.<sup>vii</sup> As did many of his comrades, he probably sold his grant.

We do not know where Peter Priest lived between 1784 and 1790, immediately following his discharge from the Army. In 1790, he was in Shenandoah County, Virginia, long enough to meet Sarah McKay, obtain a marriage bond on 30 December 1790, and to marry her on 6 January 1791.<sup>viii</sup> It is believed that Sarah was the daughter of Lydia Whitson and Jeremiah McKay, a Quaker.<sup>ix</sup>

Peter Priest's name occurs on the personal property tax lists of Shenandoah County, Virginia, from 1791 to 1804, adjacent George Priest. To the best of our knowledge, George was Peter's brother. George later migrated to Montgomery County, Kentucky. From 1809 to 1812, Peter is listed on the tax rolls of Fayette County, Kentucky. His name first appeared on the Barren County, Kentucky, tax list in 1813.

There is no record that Peter Priest was the member of any church. His wife and daughters were members of Mt. Tabor Baptist Church in Barren County. Sarah McKay Priest joined the church by receipt of letter on the third Sunday in January 1813. She was later brought before the church on several occasions for her accusations against Sister Mustain. After being excluded from the congregation in October 1825, Sarah recanted and was restored to membership in April 1835, having apologized to Mrs. Mustain and the congregation.<sup>8</sup>

Because of their considerable age difference, it is presumed that Sarah McKay was Peter Priest's second wife. They had five known children: William, Elizabeth, Frances, Susan (or Susannah) and Lydia. Son Nathaniel Priest was born about 1788 and is thought to have been the child of an earlier marriage. Nathaniel served in the War of 1812 and married in September 1819, Barren County, Kentucky, Mary ("Polly") Wilson.<sup>9</sup> Nathaniel and Polly had at least three children before he died intestate in 1827, a daughter born about 1820 and sons, James and Nathan.<sup>10</sup> The widowed Polly Wilson Priest married Thomas Eubank in 1834, in Barren County.<sup>11</sup>

Little is known of William Priest other than the fact that he had left Barren County by 1815, when the sheriff noted on the tax list that William was "not found."<sup>12</sup> William Priest was still living, however, in February 1852.<sup>13</sup> Elizabeth Priest married John King on 31 December 1822, in Barren County.<sup>14</sup> They had seven children. Frances married Nathan Smith on 16 May 1820, in Barren County.<sup>15</sup> She died before February 1820.<sup>16</sup> Susan married Nicholas Gassaway on January 1827, in Barren County, and six years later migrated to Lewis County, Missouri.<sup>17</sup> They had five children. Lydia married Jacob Wright on September 1826, in Barren County.<sup>18</sup> They had at least four children, the majority of whom moved to Texas.

All seven children of Elizabeth Priest King remained in Kentucky, living in Barren and Hart counties. Nancy King, born about 1826, married first on 24 March 1846, at Glasgow, Kentucky, Benjamin R. Crenshaw. They had one child, Robert Crenshaw. Her second marriage was on 29 January 1854, Barren County, to Benjamin M. Lively. They had at least one child, Eugenia Lively. This family lived near Rowletts in Hart County.

Alexander Goldsmith King, second child of John and Elizabeth Priest King, was born 17 August 1828. He died 5 May 1900, and was buried at Walnut Hill Cemetery near Park City, Kentucky. His marriage bond to Ann Allen was dated 2 June 1868, Barren County. They had six children: Joe Blackburn, Mary, John B., Charles D., Elizabeth and John Allen.

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Thomas H. King, third child of John and Elizabeth Priest King, was born 7 January 1831. He died 15 January 1899, and was buried in the Caldwell Cemetery, in a lane 0.2 miles from Wilson Road (Route 685), about 1.3 miles east of the intersection of Routes 90 and 685, in Barren County. His marriage bond to Kittie A. Young was dated 15 October 1860, Barren County. They had five children: Asa, Mary Elizabeth, Ella, George Thomas and William.

John B. King, fourth child of John and Elizabeth Priest King, was born in 1825. He died 9 June 1911, at Kelleysville, Oklahoma, and was buried near Park City, Barren County. He married Mary Ann Lewis on 16 October 1851, Barren County. They had four children: Edgar, John B., Mary Belle and Henry Clay.

Elizabeth Carrington King, fifth child of John and Elizabeth Priest King, was born 15 September 1833. She died 16 December 1914, at Cave City and was buried on the Sanderson Farm on Route 685. She married Robert Moseley Sanderson on 20 July 1854, in Barren County. They had eight children, six of whom survived childhood: William Martin Wilson, Belinda Elizabeth, Edwin Breckenridge, Cattie Lee, Nathaniel Terry and John King.<sup>xxi</sup>

Caroline Breckenridge King, sixth child of John and Elizabeth Priest King, was born 4 May 1836. She died 4 December 1923, at Cave City, and was buried on the Sanderson Farm. She never married.

Frances King, seventh child of John and Elizabeth Priest King, was born 13 November 1838. She died 11 April 1917, at Munfordville, Hart County. On 18 March 1858, in Hart County, she married William Penn Carden. They had nine children, seven of whom survived childhood: Samuel P., Carter Robert, William Penn, Jr., Charles J., Nellie G., James T. and Elizabeth J.<sup>xxii</sup>

Peter Priest died on 6 January 1835, in Barren County, Kentucky. The place of his burial is unknown. Sarah McKay Priest died on 22 December 1839, at the Carden residence in Barren County attended by Dr. Isaac Westerfield.<sup>xxiii</sup> Undoubtedly, she was buried beside Peter. It is believed that they were buried on property near the Cardens.

Peter Priest was not a famous man, nor was he wealthy. His Revolutionary War pension record indicates that his exposure to the elements during his time of military service left him with lifelong disabilities and that he sold the land he was no longer able to farm in order to qualify for a military pension. He was an American patriot, one of the thousands of citizen soldiers who fought for the American Independence we enjoy today.

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<sup>i</sup> Revolutionary War pension record W8530, M804, roll 1977, The National Archives, Washington, DC

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- xx Marriage File 4.
- xxi John King Sanderson was my maternal grandfather.
- xxii Their son, Carter Robert "Cap" Carden, served in the U. S. House of Representatives.
- xxiii Pension record.

## JOHN HAMILTON 1775-1860

John Hamilton was born on 31 July 1775 in Virginia. He was the fifth of six children born to John and Sarah Arterburn? Hamilton. John moved with his parents to Kentucky from Greenbrier County, Virginia in about 1780. The family homesteaded for a short time at Crab Orchard, Lincoln County, Kentucky, thence to Barren County, locating about one mile from Apple Grove, in the northern part of the County.

John married Polly White on the 17th of January 1815 in Barren County. Polly was born 3 May 1790, probably in North Carolina. Polly was the daughter of Thomas and Margaret Sympson White. Their marriage license is on file in the Barren County Courthouse in Glasgow, Kentucky. The license is a very yellowed hand written document found in a loose bundle in file number two. The license reads:

" A license was granted upon the personal consent of Thos White, the father of the within named Polly White- Jan'y 17th, 1815.

signed John W. Davis.

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 " Know all men by there presents that we Jno Hamilton and Thomas White---  
 are held and firmly bound unto the Commonwealth of Kentucky in the sum of  
 fifty pounds current money which payment will and truly to be made we bind  
 ourselves and our heirs by their presents sealed and dated this 17th day of  
 January 1815---

The conditions of the above obligation is such that if there be no lawful cause to  
 prevent a marriage intended between the above bound Jno Hamilton and Polly  
 White---for which a marriage license has [been] issued then this obligation to be  
 void else to remain in full force and virtue.

John Hamilton        seal  
 Thomas White        seal

John and Polly were the parents of nine children. All were born in Barren County and  
 Monroe County. The local of their birth did not change, for in 1820, the area of Barren  
 County where the Hamilton homestead was located became part of the newly formed  
 Monroe County. They were as follows: William L., born 5 September 1815; Robert S.,  
 born 29 April 1817; John A., born 31 July 1819; Elsie, born 4 July 1821; Thomas  
 Jefferson, born 10 Apr 1824; James A., born 8 August 1826; Nancy, born 14 Mar 1829;  
 Joel Y., born 14 September 1831 and Richard M. J., born 2 November 1835.

The Barren County Court records dated 25 March 1800, "orderd[sic] that John Bibee,  
 John Hambleton[sic], Allen Bibee and David Ally or any three being sworn do view the  
 nearest and best way for a road from Mud Lick on Skeggs Creek so as to intersect the  
 Green Town road near the Sinks of Beaver Creek and make report to the May court  
 next." NOTE: There was no record in the May 1800 Court minutes of a report being  
 made.

The Barren County Court records dated 27 September 1802, states " on the motion  
 of John Hamilton Junr. Executor named in the last will and testament of John  
 Hamelton[sic] decd. who was sworn entered into bond in the sum of 400 L (Pounds)  
 with William Courts amd Thomas White his Securities." Also recorded at the same  
 Court session was the "Certification of land claim, [for] John Hamilton [for] 200 acres  
 as p[er] entry filed." Recorded following this entry was a similar land grant for John's  
 future father-in-law, Thomas White.

Polly White Hamilton died 13 March 1846, presumably at home in Monroe County,  
 Kentucky. John died on the 19th of January 1860, in Monroe County. The exact  
 location of their burial site is not known.

## JOHN HAMILTON 1726-1801

John Hamilton was born January 1st, 1726, probably in Ireland. His parentage is not known. He is believed to have emigrated to America in the 1750's and first settled in the Virginia Colony. He is believed to have emigrated from Virginia, with his brother, Robert, to Crab Orchard, Lincoln County, Kentucky, at an early age. It is believed that they belonged to that branch of the Hamilton family who espoused the cause of the Covenanters so ardently that they lost their estate, as a result of religious persecution during the reign of King James and King Charles, and were obliged to flee from Scotland to a protestant community in the north of Ireland. The given names, James, John, Robert, and Jean, which appear in the family of Sir Robert Hamilton, are carried down in the family of John Hamilton Sr.

John's first known residence in America was in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, where his first son, James, was born on December 24th, 1758. John married his wife, Sarah, presumably, about 1756 in Virginia. Sarah was born in March of 1733. Nothing is known of his wife's forebears.

John and his family eventually moved to Greenbrier County, Virginia. Eventually leaving that area in about 1780 for Lincoln County, Kentucky. They lived for a few years at a place known as Crab Orchard before moving onto a place known as Apple Grove in Barren County, Kentucky.

Fayette Hamilton, who resided at Summer Shade, Metcalfe County, Kentucky for many years, and was the great great grandson of John Hamilton Sr., related that his grandmother Hamilton had told him of many Indian attacks made on the station or settlement where the early Hamiltons lived near Crab Orchard, Lincoln County, Kentucky. On one occasion, Robert Hamilton, referred to as Uncle Robert by his mother, presumably the brother of John Hamilton Sr., killed an Indian who was hiding [behind] the "ash hopper" at their home. Fayette Hamilton, while he was living, was in possession of a silver trinket, of odd design, [which was] removed from the clothing of this Indian. The silver trinket was presented to him by his grandmother, who requested that it be handed down from generation to generation, with the information of its origin. She also told him of a hand to hand encounter by a negro slave and an Indian during this same attack. It appears that the Indian was the stronger of the two, and was getting the best of the fray, which took place on the floor in one of the cabins. In some manner the negro was able to hold the "savage" on the floor while one of the women of the settlement obtained an axe and struck the indian on his back. She then asked the negro if she had killed him, on being advised that the Indian was still alive, she obtained the fire poker and struck him in the head, ( this attack is given in detail in Vol. II, p. 477, Collins History of Kentucky).

The land on which he located on in Barren County, Kentucky, one thousand acres, was originally issued to James Quarles, a Revolutionary War soldier. The land lied on the North side of Skagg's Creek, about two miles from the Sulphur Lick Post Office. this

land grant, which is yellowed with age, was last in the possession of George [W.] Hamilton [who married Ambrosia Gentry], who resided on a portion of the land originally owned by his great grandfather. It is stated by older members of the family that John Hamilton Sr. purchased the 1000 acres of land at Apple Grove for 25 cents per acre. This section was on the frontier at the time; remote from the older and more populous communities in central Kentucky and devoid of everything that made for ease and comfort. It is apparent that the family followed the Thomas White family to this part of the wilderness after both families resided in Crab Orchard at the same time. Their lands adjoined each other in Barren County, Kentucky, and the families later intermarried.

John Hamilton Sr., advanced in years, being about seventy, [thus] the burden of clearing the land where once had all been savage waste, tenanted only by the wild beast and the wandering redman, fell on his children. The women no less brave than the men, gladly shared the unending labor- toiled to extend their area of cultivation, increase their products, and win few scant comforts for the future years. The household necessities were very limited; all cooking was done on the open fire, with skillet and lid pots and other utensils."

John's will was executed on July 30th, 1801 and is recorded in Book No. 1 in the County Clerks Office at Glasgow. His will was one of the first made in Barren County. In this will he mentions his children, James, Rebecca, Jean, Robert, and John.

It is estimated that John died in 1801. His will was proved on January 25th, 1802. On that occasion John is listed as deceased. John's will was probated in July 1803, in which he lists his heirs as: wife, Sarah, sons James, Robert, and John, and daughters Eals (Elsie) and Jean. It is not known when Sarah died, but she was alive on July 1803 when John's will was probated.

A letter from Clyde Clayton Simmons, to Mrs. Arthur Rose (Mae Gentry), dated 5 November 1939, states that in a previous conversation with "Uncle Bob Hamilton", it was stated that John Hamilton, who had emigrated to Barren County, KY in about 1790, is buried between the John Gentry old house and the home formerly owned by Tom Bell, near the Holly Hill school house. He stated that he accompanied his father there some sixty years ago and erected limestone monuments to the graves of he [John] and his wife [Sarah], that his father chiseled proper inscriptions on the stones. Mr. Simmons stated in the letter that he had visited this point on three occasions during the last six months (1939), but could not locate the graves. He stated that he had found two stones which appeared to have been shaped as grave markers, but there were no inscriptions on them. They were near the point described by "Uncle Bob", and were almost covered by leaves and dirt.

The early Hamiltons were said, according to C. C. Simmons, to be typical Scotchmen. They were tall, many six feet or over, erect, and in most instances, becoming gray [haired] in early manhood. They were trustworthy, amiable, temperate, and as charitable as could be expected of the Scotch.

CUMBERLAND CO KY - WAR OF 1812  
PENSION APPLICATIONS

On this 9th day of Sepr. A.D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy one personally appeared before me, L. A. Waggener Clerk of the County Court, a Court of Record within and for the County and State aforesaid, THOMAS ELLISON, aged 74 years, a resident of Cumberland County, who being duly sworn according to law, declares tht he is married; that his wife's name was Tabitha J. Ellison, to whom he was married at Burkesville, Kentucky, on the 10th day of July, 1843; that he served the full period of sixty days in the (1) Military service of the United States in the war of 1812; that he is the identical THOMAS ELLISON who (2) volunteered in Captain James Tubbs company, near Carthage Smith County, Tennessee, on or about 15th day of February 1815; that (3) he served in the capacity of Private, was in the Battle of Pensacola. He received both of his land warrants. His Discharge was left with a merchant in Carthage, Tenn but its whereabouts is unknown-reference is made to the records of the Land Office at Washington, D.C. that he, at no time during the late rebellion against the authority of the United States, adhered to the cause of the enemies of the Government, giving them aid or comfort, or exercised the functions of any office whatever under any authority, or pretended authority, in hostility to the United States; and that he will support the Constitution of the United States; that he is not in receipt of a pension under any previous act; that he makes this declaration for the purpose of being placed on the pension roll of the United States, under the provision of the act approved February 14, 1871, and he hereby constitutes and appoints, with full power of substitution and revocation, Mr. A. J. Woodward of Louisville, KY. his true and lawful attorney to prosecute his claim and obtain the pension certificate that may be issued; that his post office is at Burkesville County of Cumberland State of Kentucky and that his domicile or place of abode is in Burkesville, Ky. /s/ Thomas Ellison, Applicant. Attest: Scott Walker, Jas. Haggard.

STATE OF KENTUCKY CUMBERLAND COUNTY KY. On this 12th day of May A.D. One thousand Eight hundred and 55 personally appeared before me S. H. Boles Presiding Judge within and for the County and State aforesaid THOMAS ELLISON aged 57 years a resident of Cumberland Co. in the State of Kentucky who being duly sworn according to law declares that he is the identical THOMAS ELLISON who was a Private in the Company commanded by Capts JAMES TUBBS in the Tennessee Militia regiment of --- commanded by Col. Hart in the war with Great Britian declared by the United States on the 18th day of June 1812 for the term of Six months and continued in actual service in said war for six months that he has heretofore made application for bounty land under the act of September 28, 1850 and received a land warrant No --- for 80 acres, which he has since legally disposed of and cannot now return. He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the additional bounty land to which he may be entitled under the act approved 3rd day of March 1855. He also declares that he has never applied for nor received under this or any other act of Congress, any bounty land Warrant except the one above mentioned. /s/ Thos. S. Ellison.

We, F. W. Alexander and N. B. Cheatham residents of Cumberland County in the State of Kentucky upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by Thos. Ellison in our presence and that we believe from the appearance and statement of the applicant that he is the identical person he represents himself to be.

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written and I do cerfy (certify) that I know the affiant to be a credible person that the claimant is the person he represents himself to be and that I have no interest in this claim. /s/ S. H. Boles, J.C.C.C.

Kentucky Cumberland County Court Sct. I, James Haggard, Clerk of the Cumberland County Court do certify that S. H. Boles whose name appears to the foregoing Certificate is and was at the time of signing the same was Judge of the Cumberland County Court duly elected Commissioned and qualified and that his signature is genuine.

Given under my hand and seal of office in the Town of Burkesville this 12th day of May 1855. /s/ James Haggard, Clk, by N. B. Cheatham, D. C.

State of Kentucky, County of Cumberland, SS. On this the 14th day of November A.D. One thousand eight hundred and fifty personally appeared before me a justice of the peace within and for the County and State aforesaid THOMAS P. ELLISON aged fifty two years a resident of Cumberland County in the State of Kentucky, who being duly sworn according to law declares that he is the identical THOMAS P. ELLISON who was a private soldier in the company commanded by Captain JAMES TUBBS in the --- regiment Tennessee infantry commanded by Colo. Hart in the war with Great Britian declared by the United States on the 18th day of June a.D. 1812, that he volunteered in the Smith County, Tennessee (but went in a drafted company) sometime in the month of September AD 1814 for the term of six months, and continued in actual service in said war for the term of six months, and was honorably discharged at Fayetteville (he thinks) in Tennessee sometime in the month of March or April (he does not now remember which) in the year A.D. 1815 as will appear by the muster rolls of said Company (he states that his original certificate of discharge has been lost or destroyed and cannot now be had).

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which he may be entitled under the act granting bounty land to certain officers and Soldiers who have been engaged in the military service of the United States passed Seprtr 285h 1850. /s/ THOS. ELLISON. Witness: John E. King.

State of Kentucky; County of Cumberland. On this Ninth day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and Seventy Eight, personally appeared before me Clerk County Court, the same being a court of record within and for the County and State aforesaid, (1) Tabitha J. Ellison, aged 50 years, a resident of Barren Co., in the State of Kentucky, who being duly sworn according to law, declares that she is the widow of (2) Thomas S. Ellison deceased, who was the identical (3) Thomas S. Ellison, who served under the name of (4) THOMAS ELLISON and as a (5) Fifer in the Company commanded by Captain James Tubbs in the Tennessee Militia, commanded by --- in the war of (6) 1812; that her said husband (7) volunteered at or near Carthage, Tenn. on or about the 15th day of July A.D. 1814 and continued in actual service in said war for the term of (8) several months and whose services termindated by reason of (9) discharge at Fayetteville, Tenn. on the 5th day of February A.D. 1815. She further states that the following is a full description of her said husband at the time of his enlistment, viz: (1) he was about 5 feet 6 inches high light complexion, light hair, brown eyes. She further states that she was married to the said THOMAS ELLISON, at the city (or town) of --- in the county of Cumberland, and in the state of Kentucky, on the 9th day of July A.D. 1843 by one (11) Joel Owsley, who was a (12) minister of the Gospel; and that her name before her said marriage was TABITHA J

BOLES; and she further states that (13) she had never been married but that her husband had been married & divorced from his former wife to wit Feby 24, 1836 in act Ky Legislature filed herewith and that her husband (14) THOMAS ELLISON died at Burksville, in the State of Kentucky on the 26th day of March A.D. 1876; and she further declares that the following have been the places of residence of herself and her husband since the date of his discharge from the Army, ivx: (15) in Cumberland County, KY for herself & husband and since his death, for a very short time she has been in Barren County Ky. She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the Pension to which she may be entitled under Sections 4736 and 4740, inclusive, Revised Statutes, and the Act of March 9, 1878, and hereby appoints J. L. McFarland, of Washington, D.C. her true and lawful attorney, to prosecute her claim.

And she further declares that she has heretofore made no application for (16) Pension or Bounty Land Warrant and that her residence is in the county of Barren State of Kentucky and that her post office address is Burksville, Ky. /s/ Tabitha J. Ellison. Witnesses: Scott Walker, Jas. Haggard.

Also personally appeared A. G. Waggoner, aged 79 years residing in Burkesville, Cumberland Co., Ky. and W. E. Paull aged 59 years residing at Burkesville in Cumberland Co. Ky. persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit and who being duly sworn, say that they have known the said Tabitha J. Ellison for 46 years and 50 years, respectively; that they were present and saw her sign her name to the foregoing declaration; that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said claimant and their acquaintance with her, that she is the identical person she represents herself to be; and they further say that they are able to identify her as the person who was the wife of the identical THOMAS ELLISON, who rendered the service alleged in the above application in the Company of Captain Tubbs, in the war of 1812 by the following named facts and circumstances, viz, (18) From the fact that said Tabitha & Thomas Ellison lived an Cohabitated together as man & wife since the year 1836 they having known them since that time and that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim. /s/ A. G. Waggoner, W. E. Paull. Sworn to and subscribed before me this Ninth day of May 1878. /s/ L. A. Waggoner, Clerk, Cumberland Co.

Her pension was Eight dollars, commencing March 9, 1878. Certificate dated Dec. 12, 1878.

No. 3015 WAR OF 1812, U. S. Pension Agency, Louisville, Ky. Aug. 19, 1898. Hon. H. Clay Evans, Commissioner of Pensions. Sir: I hereby report that the name of TABITHA J. ELLISON, Widow of Thos who was a pensioner on the rolls of this Agency, under Certificate No. 13157 and who was last paid at \$12. to 4 Aug. 1898, has been dropped because of death. /s/ Leslie Combs, U.S. Pension Agent.

JOINT AFFADAVIT. We, Henry C. Rogers and Lewis A. Waggoner each of lawful age and residents of the County of Cumberland in the State of Kentucky upon our oaths declare that we were personally acquainted with TABITHA J. ELLISON the widow of Thomas Ellison decd late a soldier in Capt. James Tubbs Tennessee Malitia in the War of 1812. That said Tabitha J. Ellison has remained a widow since the death of her husband the said THOMAS ELLISON. We have known her intimately since his death and if she had remarried we would have known it. We have no interest in this matter. Aug. 31, 1878. /s/ N. B. Cheatham Clerk Cumberland Co.

JOINT AFFADAVIT. We, W. E. Paul and H. M. Alexander each of lawful age and residents of Co Cumberland in the State of Kentucky, upon our oaths declare that we were personally acquainted with THOMAS ELLISON late a soldier in the War of 1812 Tennessee troops. That he died in Burkesville Cumberland Co., Ky. on or about the 26th of March 1876. That we were present at the funeral, & assisted in burying him. Affiant Paull states that he was present & saw him draw his last breath, & helped to dress him for the grave. We have no interest in this claim & our post Office address is Burksville, Cumberland Co., Ky. /s/ H. M. Alexander, W. E. Paull.

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QUERIES

ATTERBURY: Need death date of THOMAS ATTERBURY who died ca 1840. Md. LURANEY --- & had daughter SARAH ATTERBURY who md. NATHAN JAGGERS. Also need their dates. Janet Lee Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Road, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

BLANKENSHIP: HENRY BLANKENSHIP lived near Elkton, KY; born Chesterfield Co VA Mar 1776; to KY and died 1896 age 120. Had 15 children, 11 still living at his death. Does anyone have a list of his wife and children or know anyone who can exchange info? A William Blankenship, sounding like the same man, called himself the "oldest man in KY" was noted in the Owensboro Messenger 1878 as having been married 3 times & had a large number of children. Can anyone help with this line or others in Hardin, Breckinridge & Meade Co? My EDWARD BLANKENSHIP and bro JAMES lived in Hardin Co, born ca 1823 & before. Edward died ca 1907. Janet Lee Jensen, 2216 W. Cheery Lynn Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

BRATCHER: Will exchange info on any Bratcher line. Need especially info on DAVID, AMOS, ASA & others. David lived Barren Co; md SUSAN MIDDLETON there & died Hart Co. Janet Lee Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

CARTER: Interested in corresponding with anyone with knowledge of the family of JOHN CARTER (parents, siblings, etc.). Lived Barren Co early 1800's, born VA ca 1798 & probably taken to KY as a child. There were Carters living in Barren Co from formatjion. John md ELIZABETH (PATSY) MOORE, dau JEREMIAH in Barren Co 13 Apr 1813; moved to IL ca 1817-18. A James Carter appears to have lived near the Moores & may be related. Margarett Davis, 1616 Buena Vista Ave, Spring Valley, CA 91977 (E-Mail Prodigy SCCW12A).

CARTER-COSBY-TOTTY: Seeking info re ancestors of ELIZABETH "BETTIE" (CARTER) TOTTY, d/o JOHN W & MARTHA (COSBY) CARTER. Believe Martha was d/o of JOHN COSBY, Rev War vet who moved from VA to Barren Co. Bettie & parents born in VA. Siblings: FANNIE, ADDIE, HELEN, possibly others. Bettie & Samuel are buried Hays Cem in Warren Co. Any help appreciated. Bettie D. Flener, 1122 Highland Way, Bowling Green, KY 42104-3863.

CRUSE-CREWS: JAMES CREWS b 1780 VA was in 1850 Warren Co KY census. His wife was CLOAH ---, b 1783 VA. In 1860 CLoah was on Warren Co census as a pauper. A land record in Butler Co KY 1835 noted JAMES CREWS & wife CLOAH of Butler Co & SARAH MILLER had land on Big Creek. I have other Crews-Cruise info to share. Also need info on GIDEON CRUSE b 1832, wife ELIZABETH, b 1833, with child REBECCA, all in 1860 Grayson Co Ky. There were several Gideon Crews. Can anyone provide dates, siblings, parents on him. They lived at Short Creek. Janet Lee Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Road, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

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**CRUSE:** Looking for photo of PROSSER CRUSE b 1810 VA; died 1865 Hammonsville, Hart Co KY. He md FANNIE FERGUSON & had a large family. Janet Cruse Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

**CURLE:** CLAYTON, PORTLAND, RANSOM and WILLIAM CURLE - apparently in KY ca 1800. Portland is in Marshall Co TN 1820; md MILLA MARSHALL. Clayton Curl came or gave P of A to William in assisting Portland in court; later on Wartrace Fork. But, Clayton seemed to have md & raised his family in KY. The KY LDS IGI shows a William as Clayton's father. Were they kin to NANCY CURL that md JAMES WHITSON ca 1800? Am also looking for info on STEVE WHITSON, s/o JOHN who lived & died KY and SUSAN WINN - kin to the CLYBORN'S in Allen Co? Marvine (Whitson) Curl, 118E 1st St, Addieville, IL 62214.

**CURRY:** Need info on ROBERT CURRY b ca 1765 or earlier who was in Henderson Co KY by 1809 in the area that became part of Union Co in 1811. He died 1829 Union Co leaving four known children: MARY RAGSDALE BROWN (b ca 1801); WILLIAM, ROBERT & ANDREW JACKSON CURRY. Was his widow ELIZABETH who died 1840 in Union Co? Need info on her. Help appreciated & will exchange. Nova A Lemons, 12206 Brisbane Ave, Dallas, TX 7234-6528; FAX: 214-620-1416.

**DUNAGAN-WEST-CHRISMAN:** Research focuses on DUNAGAN of all spellings, especially in NC, KY & IN; WEST and CHRISMAN. Dunagans apparently came with the Wests from NC to Wayne Co KY bef 1800. ISAAC DUNAGAN stayed in Wayne Co & SOLOMON DUNAGAN I moved on & paid taxes in Barren Co 1800. He later moved to IN and MO. Any info appreciated! Dick and Val Dunagan, 1969 Pioneer Dr, Beloit, WI 52511-3015.

**EDWARD-MASTERS:** Need info on children of JOHNATHAN EDWARDS b 15 Apr 1750; d 13 Sept 1803, Twiggs Co GA; md ANNAH MASTERS 28 Mar 1778. Children were: MARY ANN, b 5 Nov 1778, d 1 Nov 1834; LOUISE, b 6 Jan 1785, d 9 Mar 1882; HENERY, b 27 June 1788, d 11 June 1802; TEMPRANCE, b 3 June 1790, d 5 Apr 1872; SARAH, b 10 June 1793, d 9 Feb 1832, md GIDEON COMMINGS; and JOHN, b 6 June 1799, d 13 May 1856. Did any of these children live in southern KY? William J McCallum, P O Box 2357, Huntsville, AL 35804.

**EVANS:** Interested in contacting anyone with knowledge of the THOMAS EVANS family of early Barren Co. There were 2 shown on the 1810 census - possibly father and son; came from VA at an early date. The elder Thomas had son WILLIAM EVANS b 1788 who md ANNA DALE, Barren Co, 1817. They had children WILLIAM H, JAMES R, THOMAS E, AMANDA F, JOHN C, SAMUEL & 2 others names unknown. The younger Thomas is believed to also have had a son named Thomas b 1796 who went to IL and several other children, names unknown. Margarette Davis, 1616 Buena Vista Ave, Spring Valley, CA 91988 (E-Mail Prodigy SCCW12A).

JAGGERS: Am looking for someone who has tintype or other photo of NIMROD PORTER JAGGERS of Hart & Grayson Co KY. Would like a copy & some proof it is him. Will exchange Jaggers info or pay for photo. Janet Cruse Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

KELLY-WILSON-KINGERY-BYBEE-RITTER-MARSHALL: ELVIRA KELLY b 1814, d 1885, d/o ELIZABETH WILSON who died 1855. Was Elizabeth the 2nd wife of JOSHUA WILSON? She had a sister LEAH KINGERY. Who was Elvira's father and her husband? Elvira had several children but is said not all were Kelly's. W. J. Payne, 1101 Forest Park Road, Louisville, KY 40223.

KIRKPATRICK-VIBBERT-VIBART-VIBBART: Need info on origins of MOSES KIRKPATRICK & GEORGE VIBBERT. Moses came to KY ca 1794 & settled Monroe Co. George came to KY ca 1792 & eventually settled in Monroe Co. Believe George md CATHERINE MATTHEWS in 1792 in Nelson Co KY & came thru Mercer Co. Am willing to exchange research. Suzanne Brecht, 4243 Montevallo Rd, Birmingham, AL 35213.

LOYD-ROWSEY: Would like to corres with descendants of THOMAS & JEMIMA LOYD or THOMAS & ELIZABETH ROWSEY who were in Barren Co by 1799. Children of Thomas & Jemima were: SARAH, md MITCHEL CRAWLEY, 1803; ELIZABETH, md. ROBERT DENESTON, 1803; JAMES b ca 1788, md SUSAN BAILEY, 1820, died after 1866 in Barren Co; THOMAS, b ca 1789, md SALLY ROWSEY, 1815, d 1838 Shelby Co TN; WILLIAM, b 1 Nov 1797, md MARTHA WYATT, 1824 Perry Co TN, d 25 Feb 1878 Coryell Co TX; STEPHEN, md POLLY BAILEY 1822; MARGARET, md a MARTIN; JEMIMA, md a MADISON. Children of Thomas & Elizabeth Rowsey were: SALLY, md THOMAS LOYD; DELILAH, b ca 1792, md ABNER WELLS, 1816, d 10 Sept 1855 Barren Co. Kathryn Loyd McCall, 4 Sunset Court, Forney, TX 75126-9342 (294) 564-2727.

MIDDLETON: Need birth & death dates on THOMAS MIDDLETON who md 1801 Warren Co KY DICEY MITCHELL. Much land record activity in Barren & Warren for the family. Who were his siblings & parents: Janet Lee Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

MOORE: MILLEY MOORE was d/o JEREMIAH MOORE & md ALEXANDER EDWARDS Barren Co 5 Aug 1811. She was underage, born ca 1796. Have been able to locate she & Alexander in the Barren Co 1820 census, but a MILLEY EDWARDS appears 1830. There was more than one Alexander Edwards in early Barren; unable to determine who this one belonged to. Margarett Davis, 1616 Buena Vista Ave, Spring Valley, CA 91977 (E-Mail Prodigy SCCW12A).

MOORE-GARVIN: ROBERT MOORE md SALLY GARVIN 14 Oct 1817. It is believed that he was s/o JEREMIAH MOORE who lived in Barren Co at that time. Would appreciate any info on Moores or Garvins; prents, siblings, etc. Margaret Davis, 1616 Buena Vista Ave, Spring Valley, CA 91977 (E-Mail Prodigy SCCW12A).

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NICHOLS-ROWNTREE-RICHARDSON: WILLIAM FRANKLIN NICHOLS, b 1 Aug 1794 VA, s/o JOHN & NANCY (BURCH) NICHOLS, md 25 June 1823, MARY A ROWNTREE. She b ca 1808, d/o SAMUEL & SUSANNAH (RICHARDSON) ROWNTREE. Need parents, siblings, info on Susannah Richardson. All among early settlers of Barren, later Hart Co. Judy Husman, 1 Bailen Lane, Brunswick, ME 04011. (Or JUDY.HUSMAN@NEO.MAINE.COM (Internet))

PRIEST: Have gr-grandmother, MARY ANN PRIEST b ca 1833 KY, prob Breckenridge or Hardin Co. She md ca 1850 ED BLANKENSHIP. Need any siblings or family connections. She died 1862-3 Hardin Co. Is SOPHIA PRIEST & TEMPLE PRIEST any relation to her? Sophia was divorced 1842 Louisville, KY but lived with her children in Hardin & Breckinridge Co in 1850-60 census. Once used the surname of FORD. Will exchange info. Janet Cruse Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

RAGSDALE: Seeking parents, siblings & any info on ANTHONY RAGSDALE who was in Union Co KY by 1811 (tax list). He is likely the father of GABRIEL RAGSDALE (b ca 1799 or earlier, died 1824). Anthony died intestate 1814 Union Co. Help appreciated & will exchange. Nova A Lemons, 12206 Brisbane Ave, Dallas, TX 75234-6528 (Fax: 214-620-1416).

SIKES/SYKES-WADE: Need parents & other info on NANCY SYKES/SIKES, b 1804, possibly VA; md DAVID WADE 30 Jan 1825 in Allen Co KY. He was born 1804 (where?) Both believed to have died in Hart Co; she by 1880 and he unknown. They had 14 children between 1826-1846. Census records shown them to reside in Barren Co in 1850 and 1850. Mrs Betty J Christiansen, 3621 George NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110-1434.

THOMPSON-HOWARD: Need death date for HANNAH HOWARD who md WILLIAM THOMPSON. She died ca 1846 Warren Co. Have info to share. Janet Lee Jensen, 2216 W Cheery Lynn Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85015-5705.

WILLIAMS-JONES-TARTER-BAKER: WILLIAM (BUCK) WILLIAMS, b 29 May 1831 KY; md ca 1858 PERLINA JONES (b 14 Feb 1835 KY). Their 3 children all born Edmonson Co: MILLARD THOMAS WILLIAMS, b 15 Aug 1859; WILLIAM WOODFORD WILLIAMS, b Oct 1862, and ELLA LEE WILLIAMS, b 25 May 1876. Williams family migrated to Fannin Co TX after 1880 census. William Woodford Williams md JENNIE B TARTER there 2 Dec 1886. Ella Lee md WALTER GRIER BAKER same loction 4 Sept 1891. Need help with parentage of William & Perlina; will supply much research I have on them after moving to TX. Ed Baker, Bakers Akers, Rt 1, Box 36R, Tolar, TX 76476.



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