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The Society meets regularly at 6:30 pm on the third Monday of each month in the Community Meeting Room at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1680 Campbell Lane, Bowling Green, Kentucky. A cordial welcome is extended to all visitors and prospective new members.

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## Notice From the Editor:

I have been the editor of *The Longhunter* for the past five years. I have enjoyed putting each issue together and transcribing records which I thought members would enjoy and use. I am hoping that another member will step forward this next year with a willingness to take on the job. The Editor does not necessarily have to be from the Bowling Green area. If you have editing, transcribing, or writing skills and would like to serve the genealogical community in this way, please contact Chad Reagan. The new editor needs to be in place by the end of the year.

Gail Jackson Miller



## **The President's Page:**

Chad Bryan Reagan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ron Reagan will marry Elisabeth Amber Luallen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Luallen on the 25<sup>th</sup> of September 2004 in Florence, Mississippi.

**Congratulations Chad!**

## Kennerly's Chapel Meeting House and Campground, Logan County, Kentucky - A Pioneer Center of Methodism

By Elizabeth Sue Spurlock  
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In September of 1807, U. S. President Thomas Jefferson was in his second term of office when delegates of the Western Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church assembled for their annual meeting in Chillicothe, Ohio, a town of 2000 citizens. There, the delegates gathered in a thirty by forty foot brick church (or meeting house as church buildings were often referred to in that day), with galleries on both sides and across one end.<sup>1</sup>

The Western Conference was comprised of churches located on America's frontier, where religious camp meetings were rapidly bringing new members into the Methodist fold. Bishop Francis Asbury, who presided over the gathering, was pleased with the addition of 2200 new members in the frontier churches.<sup>2</sup>

One of the new churches added to the roll and assigned to the Red River district was a small congregation which had been organized in the wilderness of north Logan County, Kentucky - a church which become known as Kennerly's Chapel and a great center of Methodism in Logan County during the first half of the nineteenth center.<sup>3</sup>

Reverend Philip Kennerly (1769-1821), a gentleman who had served in earlier years as a circuit rider associated with the Baltimore Conference, had organized the church in his new location southwest of today's town of Lewisburg.<sup>4</sup> Other known charter members of Kennerly's Chapel were Rev. Kennerly's wife, Mr. and Mrs. John Groves, and Mr. and Mrs. John Hannah. Rev. Kennerly is said to have been assisted by Rev. Valentine Cook (1763-1822), a native of Pennsylvania and one of the first graduates of Cokesbury College, who had recently located in Logan County, Following eighteen years of labor as a circuit rider and presiding elder.<sup>5</sup> Kennerly's Chapel was the first Methodist Church established in Logan county to take hold and grow.<sup>6</sup> Today, this church is known as the Lewisburg United Methodist Church and is one of the oldest established churches existing in Logan County.

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<sup>4</sup>Bishop Roy Hunter Short, *Methodism in Kentucky* (Commissions on Archives & History of the Kentucky & Louisville Conferences The Methodist Church, 1979), page 146.

<sup>5</sup>Mrs. Hueston E. Eakins, *Kennerly's Chapel Methodist Church, Lewisburg, Kentucky* (Lewisburg, Kentucky: Kennerly's Chapel Methodist Church), page 5. Alex C. Finley, "History of Russellville & Logan County", Book 3, page 51, in *The Herald*, 1879. [Finley's history is a typed manuscript of five brief books published in Russellville, Kentucky newspapers.]

<sup>6</sup>Finley, "History of Russellville and Logan County," Book 3, pages 50-51. Here Finley stated that about the year 1806 Rev. Valentine Cook founded a Methodist church near his home on Mud River (approximately three miles northeast of Russellville on Proctor Mill Road); however, it failed to gain a membership.

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<sup>1</sup>William Warren Sweet, *Religion on the American Frontier - 1783-1840, Volume IV - The Methodists: A Collection of Source Materials* (New York: Cooper Square Publishers, Inc, 1964), pages 176-177.

<sup>2</sup>Ibid., page 176.

<sup>3</sup>Reverend A. H. Redford, D.D., *The History of Methodism in Kentucky, Volume III* (Nashville: Southern Methodist Publishing House, 1870), pages 253 and 279.



Following the erection of a log meeting house (in place by 1812), the church was referred to simply as "the new chapel," but in time became known as Kennerly's Chapel, in honor of Rev. Kennerly, who had donated a scenic three-acre knoll for the building and religious campground.<sup>7</sup> The log church measured approximately twenty six by forty two feet, with bench seating for approximately three hundred worshippers.<sup>8</sup>

In England, Methodist founder John Wesley (1703-1791) began reading reports of the early camp meetings in America and of the sometime robust shouting and demonstrative conduct of the converts. Being accustomed to a more dignified formality in religious worship, Wesley was greatly alarmed and sent word advising that the camp meetings be discouraged. Fortunately for American Methodism, Bishop Asbury viewed the gatherings as the finest hour of Methodism in the West. Overjoyed to experience the immense congregations and the church membership growing by the thousands, Asbury described the experience as being "near to heaven" and prayed for mor camp meetings, writing "I pray God that there may be twenty camp meetings a week! . . . I hear and see the great effects produced by them."<sup>9</sup>

This was the spirit in which Kennerly's Chapel and Campground were born and labored, and, where in the words of a famous old hymn, "many a lost sinner was saved." Large arbors were built on the campgrounds and covered with ample fresh tree branches to provide the worshippers shelter from the sun and rain. Then, from miles around, the families arrived in ox

carts, on foot, on horseback, or in covered wagons. Some arrived with one or two milk cows roped to the rear of their wagons and enough smoked meat dried vegetables and other provisions for several days camping. The people, varying in age from newborns to the very elderly, longed not only to receive the spiritual renewal the meetings provided but also hungered for the socialization the camp meetings provided on the lonely frontier. It was not unusual for several hundred people to be in attendance, with ministers of various faiths present and preaching. Though the converts did not always return home to join a church of the Methodist denomination, enough did that Bishop Asbury viewed the camp meetings as "harvest time" for the Methodist church.<sup>10</sup>

Following a large influx of new members, in the year 1812, the Western Methodist Conference was divided into two new conferences: the Ohio and the Tennessee. Kennerly's Chapel was assigned to the Tennessee Conference.

In September of 1814, the United States was still a very young nation of only eighteen states when delegates of the Tennessee Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church gathered at Kennerly's Chapel for their second annual conference, where "a camp meeting was conducted in connection with the sessions of the conference."<sup>11</sup> At this time, the Tennessee Conference took in all of western Kentucky, all of the state of Tennessee, a small part of North Carolina, the Indiana, Illinois, and Missouri territories, and the Mississippi District.<sup>12</sup>

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<sup>7</sup>Logan County, Kentucky Order Book 8, pages 242-243. Logan County, Kentucky Deed Book O, pages 413-414.

<sup>8</sup>Allen Logmire, M. A., R. P.A., "Report on Archaeological Investigations at Kennerly's Chapel Cemetery and Campground, Lewisburg, Kentucky," January 2002, page 9. Rev. M. H. Moore, *Sketches of the Pioneers* (Nashville: Southern Methodist Publishing House, 1884), page 25. This book tells of 150 people gathered in a log church measuring 25' x20'; Kennerly's Chapel was twice that size.

<sup>9</sup>Moore, *Sketches of the Pioneers*, page 247.

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<sup>10</sup>William Warren Sweet, *Virginia Methodism: A History* (Richmond, Virginia: Whittet & Shepperson, 1955), page 163.

<sup>11</sup>R. N. Price, *Holston Methodism: From Its Origin to the Present Time, Volume II* (Nashville: Publishing House of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1906), page 192. John B. M'Ferrin, D. D., *History of Methodism in Tennessee, Volume II* (Nashville: Southern Methodist Publishing House, 1871), page 329.

<sup>12</sup>Rev. A. H. Arnold, D. D., *History of Methodism in Kentucky, Volume I* (Nashville: Southern Methodist Publishing House, 1870), page 365.



Bishop Asbury (1745-1816), near age seventy and suffering greatly with rheumatism, managed to find his way to the "new chapel" and preside over the conference. He was accompanied and assisted by Bishop William McKendree, who was somewhat lame, having been thrown by his spirited horse earlier.<sup>13</sup> Bishop Asbury's visit to the campground was preceded by an over-night visit in the comfortable home of Major Richard Bibb (1751-1839), a wealthy and cultivated native of Goochland County, Virginia, who had been trained for the Episcopal ministry but had recently been converted to the Methodist faith.<sup>14</sup>

At the conference at Kennerly's Chapel, the famed pioneer preacher, Rev. Peter Cartwright, was present and serving as presiding elder of the Green River District. Other presiding elders present were James Axley of the Holston District, Thomas L. Douglass of the Nashville District, Jesse Alker of the Illinois District, Samuel H. Thompson of the Missouri District, Thomas Griffin of the Louisiana District, and Learner Blackman of the Cumberland District - the district encompassing Kennerly's.<sup>15</sup>

The conference at Kennerly's Chapel in 1814 would prove to be one of only two times the Tennessee Conference would meet outside the state of its namesake.<sup>16</sup> It was the first

conference held in the vicinity of the area later to become known as the Louisville Conference.<sup>17</sup> Many people converged onto the campground to greet Bishop Asbury, who by this date had endeared himself to American Methodists as the only English minister sent by Wesley who had not returned to England when America declared her independence.<sup>18</sup> Many of the pioneers had made Asbury's acquaintance in Virginia in earlier years, as he had spent much time in the Brunswick Circuit there, from where so many of the south-central Kentucky pioneers had emigrated.<sup>19</sup> The primitive table whereat the two bishops presided on this occasion has been on display at the headquarters of the Kentucky Methodist Episcopal Church in Louisville, Kentucky since about 1929.<sup>20</sup>

It has been written that the character of the people at Kennerly's Chapel set a standard for their ministry and vice versa.<sup>21</sup> In the first half of the nineteenth century, Kennerly's Chapel was blessed with the membership of several ministers and former circuit riders, who had purchased farms and settled their families near the church. Among these were the Revs. Philip

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<sup>17</sup>Dr. Harry R. Short, Conference Historian, *Francis Asbury in Kentucky, 1791-1816* (Commissions on Archives and History of the Kentucky and Louisville Conferences, The Methodist Churches, 1971), page 13.

<sup>18</sup>John M'Lean, *Sketch of Rev. Philip Gatch* (Cincinnati: Swormstedt & Poe for the Methodist Episcopal Church, 1854), page 59.

<sup>19</sup>Gay Weeks Neale, Henry L. Mtichell, and Brunswick County Bicentennial Committee, *Brunswick County, Virginia - 1720 - 1975* (Lawrenceville, Virginia: Brunswick County Bicentennial Committee, 1975), page 94. Alex C. Finley, *History of Russellville and Logan County*, Book 4, page 18 published in *The Herald - Enterprise*, 1890. M'Lean, *Sketch of Rev. Philip Gatch*, pages 22-23.

<sup>20</sup>Dr. Benton Marshall, "Methodism in the Kennerly's Chapel Area, Logan County, Kentucky" unpublished manuscript, 1942, page 4. Dr. Marshall (ca 1917-ca 2000) joined Kennerly's Chapel as a youth. He retired from a distinguished career in psychiatry in Philadelphia.

<sup>21</sup>Rev. A. H. Redford, D. D., *Western Cavaliers* (Nashville: Southern Methodist Publishing House, 1876), page 464.

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<sup>13</sup>Bishop Robert Paine, D. D., *Life and Times of William M'Kendree* (Nashville: Southern Methodist Publishing House, 1869), pages 296-297.

<sup>14</sup>Elmer T. Clark, Ed., *The Journal and Letters of Francis Asbury, Volume II* (Nashville: Abingdon Press, 1958), page 759. Major Bibb's birthplace is recorded on his tombstone. See *Logan County Kentucky Cemeteries 2000* compiled by Logan County Genealogical Society (Russellville, Kentucky: Logan County Genealogical Society, Inc, 2000), page 465. Edward Coffman, *The Story of Logan County* (Nashville: Parthenon Press, 1962) page 104.

<sup>15</sup>Cullen T. Carter, *History of the Tennessee Conference and a Brief Summary of the General Conferences: The Methodist Church* (Nashville: no publisher listed, 1948), pages 58-59.

<sup>16</sup>The Tennessee Conference met at Hopkinsville, Kentucky in 18120.



Kennerly (1769-1821), Grigsby Rush (1781-1845), Joseph Foulks (1786-1863), and George Richardson (1801-1860). Men of this stature served not only as knowledgeable class leaders, but also filled the pulpit between visits of the circuit minister and played leading roles in the camp meetings. Rev. Albert H. Redford, who today is best remembered for his three-volume *History of Methodism in Kentucky*, served the circuit embracing Kennerly's Chapel from 1841 to 1846. In his writings, Rev. Redford cast much praise on the leadership in the Logan County Methodists churches during the early years of the nineteenth century. Regarding this group, he stated, "No portion of Kentucky was more highly favored with local preachers of intelligence and piety than Logan county at this period."<sup>22</sup>

In the 1870s, in writing of some of the older people he once knew, local historian George D. Blakey spoke of the exceptional character of the early membership at Kennerly's Chapel. He stated that although the people "were not of the wealthy class, they were recognized by all who knew them as being of the noblest work of God."<sup>23</sup> Rev. Redford further described the citizenry of Logan County during this period as "a community distinguished for their intelligence and culture."<sup>24</sup> By all accounts, it was a highly courageous and moralistic people who labored at Kennerly's Chapel and set the tone for courage, honor, and dignity in the area.

So successful was Kennerly's Chapel, in 1853, a handsome thirty-seven by fifty-five foot frame building was erected at the site,<sup>25</sup> and, in 1855,

Rev. Kennerly's son-in-law and a grandson donated three more acres of the late Rev. Kennerly's land to expand the campground site to six acres.<sup>26</sup> The additional acreage encompassed Rev. Kennerly's original gift of three acres. The entire tract was deeded to the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church South, thus protecting the original tract against the claims of the Methodist Episcopal Church, which by 1851 had filed claim to all church property, following the division of the Methodist Episcopal Church in 1844 over the issue of slavery.<sup>27</sup>

The year 1880 would bring another division within the congregation at Kennerly's Chapel, this time at the local level. By this date, there was much excitement in the community concerning a proposed new railroad through north Logan County. Approximately one and one-half miles northeast of the church grounds, a new business block had been surveyed fronting the railroad bed. Though the rails had yet to be laid, some stores were already in place and doing business at the new site.

The Civil War and its aftermath had brought tremendous change to the area. In December of 1865, with the signing of the 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution, all slaves in Kentucky were declared free. With no funds to hire labor or pay taxes, many of the church's traditionally able supporters were left in financial ruin. Many in the congregation saw the new business block and proposed railroad as the one bright hope for the future and made a proposal to move the church building to the new railroad town. Other members of the church could not bear the thought of leaving the grounds they considered

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<sup>22</sup>Redford, *History of Methodism in Kentucky*, Volume II, page 264.

<sup>23</sup>George Douglas Blakey, "Men Whom I Remember" A typed manuscript of essays regarding people Mr. Blakey had known in Logan County, circa 1870, page 1.

<sup>24</sup>Redford, *Western Cavaliers*, 1876, page 464.

<sup>25</sup>L. G. Richardson (1829-1906), undated letter to Rev. James A. Lewis, pastor at Kennerly's Chapel, 1905-1906. Copy in George Anna McKenzie collection, Manuscripts & Archives, Kentucky Building, Western Kentucky University, Bowling Green, Kentucky.

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<sup>26</sup>Logan County, Kentucky Deed Book 33, pages 553-554.

<sup>27</sup>R. Sutton, Special and Congressional Reporter, "Methodist Church Property Case" (Richmond, Virginia and Louisville, Kentucky: Methodist Episcopal Church, South, 1851). Heard before The Honorable Judges Nelson and Betts in the Circuit Court, United States, for the Southern District of New York, May 17-29, 1851.

sacred - which held the graves of their ancestors.<sup>28</sup>

Finally, in 1881, the frame church building was dismantled and hauled in mule-drawn wagons to the new town now known as Lewisburg where the building was reassembled and rededicated on September 4, 1881 - the first church established in the new railroad town.<sup>29</sup> Rev. George R. Browder, presiding elder of the Russellville District, was invited to preside over the ceremony. In his diary, he described the congregation that day as "jammed in & packed - all seats filled, many standing up - & many under the windows out of doors."<sup>30</sup>

Because of the rich history of Kennerly's Chapel grounds and the graves thereon, the six-acre tract remained a cherished site in the hearts of those in the community, and through the years the Church retained ownership of the property. Many of the graves honor the lives of the pioneers who made the trek from Virginia or North Carolina through the Cumberland Gap to find a better life and to play an intricate role in establishing Methodism on the frontier. In the late 1800s, one historian summarized his memories of the events at Kennerly's Chapel by stating, "Marvel not then that it has long been regards as a hallowed spot."<sup>31</sup>

In the spring of 2000, the Kennerly's Chapel Foundation was established, in order to preserve the site as a historical entity and to develop the grounds as a spiritual park. The following year, in order to assist with the historical preservation, the deed to the property was transferred by the Lewisburg United Methodist Church to The Kentucky Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church, Inc., with headquarter in Louisville, Kentucky. Today, thousands of people across America and other lands can trace their heritage to the great camp meetings at Kennerly's Chapel and Campground - a rustic site in a remote rural area which continues to attract many visitors year after year.

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<sup>28</sup>Traditional story as related by Noble Stuart (born 1917) to Sue William Spurlock. Stuarts Chapel and Epley Methodist Church were both founded at this time by members who did not favor moving the church to Lewisburg. Various ancestors of both Mr. Stuart and Mrs. Spurlock are found on the rolls of all three churches.

<sup>29</sup>Fredonia "Donia" Belle Stinnett Sutton, "History of Lewisburg" a manuscript, no date. In 1881, Donia (1860-1947) resided with her parents at the corner of Third and Stacker Streets in Lewisburg, across the street from the church lot in Lewisburg. She recalled it took twenty-one wagon loads to move the church to Lewisburg. In 1885, Donia married Dr. K. P. Sutton.

<sup>30</sup>Richard L. Troutman, Ed., *The Heavens are Weeping: The Diaries of George Richard Browder, 1852-1866* (Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan Publishing House, 1976), page 333.

<sup>31</sup>Blakey, "Men Whom I Remember," page 2.



## Selections from *The Glasgow Times*, Wednesday, 22 April 1891

We are authorized to announce Capt. James A. Hindman of Glasgow Junction, a candidate for State Senator from this the Nineteenth Senatorial District, composed of Barren, Metcalfe and Monroe counties; subject to the action of the Democratic party.

Rev. Arthur U. Boone will be married to Miss Eddie Belle Cooke in Bowling Green April 30<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Boone is pastor of the Smith's Grove Baptist Church, and preached some able and eloquent sermons at the Baptist Church, here, not long ago.

Mr. Charley Porter, formerly of Bowling Green, but latterly of Knoxville, Tennessee, has been pardoned by the Governor of Tennessee for the killing of Nathaniel Williams in Knoxville several years ago. Porter's pardon is owing to the unremitting efforts of his wife. Porter is known to a good many of our citizens, as he boarded here for some time, several summers ago.

Mr. Christopher Hayes, an old land-mark of the Gamaliel country, Monroe county, celebrated his eightieth birthday Monday of last week. He invited a number of guests and entertained after the old-fashioned Kentucky style. Mr. Hayes is unusually well preserved for a man of his years.

Mr. M. E. Witty, of Nobob, this county, and Miss Ada Jones, of Summer Shade, will be united in marriage at the latter place, Wednesday evening next, April 29. Mr. Witty, formerly of Summer Shade and for several years a Louisville drummer, is now a thriving merchant at Nobob. His bride is the charming daughter of Mr. S. H. Jones.

Rev. E. H. Brookshier has the first swarm of bees of the season. It was a large, healthy swarm, full-numbered and normal in every respect. These bees set up for themselves the 15<sup>th</sup> of this month, and are the earliest swarm *The Times* knows anything of.

Some time ago, a Negro by the name of Ben Skaggs went into Allen county near New Roe, and hired to work for a young man by the name of Denning, a son of Squire Denning, one of the most respected citizens of that section. One day last week, Skaggs became involved in a dispute with Denning and afterwards slipped up behind him and stabbed him. Skaggs then ran off going down into Warren county. This Negro went to a Negro cabin and was followed by a mob of masked men presumably from Allen county. They surrounded the house at night and as Skaggs ran out, fire was opened on him. He fell dead, shot twice through the breast, and once in the mouth. Denning, the young man stabbed, has since died of his wounds.

Dr. P. C. Sutphin is a physician of large experience and wide and fine reputation. He has been practicing in Kentucky since 1868, and for twenty-four years of that time in Hart county. In conjunction with a general practice, Dr. Sugphin will give special attention to diseases of the eye, and with that purpose in view, he last year took a special course of four months in Philadelphia and New York. He is fully qualified to treat all medical and surgical diseases of the eye and to glasses for all defects of sight.

## 1880 Warren County, Kentucky Mortality Schedule, Part 7

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*Mortality schedules were taken in conjunction with the population schedules for the 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880 census in Kentucky. They reported the names of persons who died during the twelve months preceding June 1 of the census year.*

Transcribed from FHL microcopy 0422427 retaining spelling from the original documents. Columns included: Number of the family as given in column numbered 2-Schedule 1; Names of the person deceased; Age at last birthday; Sex; Color; Civil Condition; Place of birth of this person; Where was the father born; Where was the Mother born; Profession, Occupation or Trade; Month in which the person died; Disease or cause of death; How long a resident of the county; If the disease was not contracted at place of death, state the place; Name of attending Physician.

Columns are separated by commas. A "-" means either that a line was drawn or the column was blank. Spelling in the document was retained. Information implied by dittos or added by the abstractor have been included in brackets.

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Supervisors District: 2.  
Enumeration District 237.  
Enumerator: J. W. Petty.

34, Lissy Carter, 18, F, B, single, Warren Ky, Warren Ky, Barren Ky, house keeper, Sept 8<sup>th</sup>, Consumption, years 18, Bristow, Dr. Pane.

10, E. W. Kimbrow, 7/30, M, W, single, Warren [Ky], [Warren Ky], [Warren], -, 2 July, cyanosis, 7/30, Bristow, Dr. R. Comic.

47, J. B. Gore, 6/12, F, W, single, Allen Co. Ky, Allen Co. Ky, Allen Co. Ky, -, Oct, Flux, 6/12, Allen, Dr. W. Shepard.

9, Frank Dun, 11/12, M, B, single, Warren, Warren, Warren, -, Sept, Fever, 10/12, Warren, Dr. Jones.

10, Malinda Dun, 4, F, B, single, [Warren], [Warren], [Warren], -, Sept, Dysentery, 4, [Warren], [Dr. Jones].

9 or 10, Ellen Dun, 7/12, F, W, single, [Warren], [Warren], [Warren], -, Oct, Croup, 7/12, [Warren], [Dr. Jones].

?, R. A. Stout, 24, F, W, single, Tenn, Tenn, Tenn, housekeeper, Aug, Congestive Chills, 7, Warren, Dr. Tucker.

?, Henry Smith, 1/12, M, B, single, Warren, Warren, Ky, -, Sept, Borne Dead, 1/12, [Warren], Dr. [Tucker].

28, Tilda Lucas, 1/12, F, W, single, [Warren], Warren], Baron, -, Feb, Borne Dead, 1/12, [Warren], Dr. Pane.

?, Ben Smith, 54, M, B, married, [Warren], [Warren], Warren, farmer, Dec, Newmony, 54, Warren, Dr. Andison.

?, W. H. Edwards, 43, M, W, married, Warren, Virginia, NC, farmer, March, newmony, 43, Warren, Dr. White.

18[?], Jinnie A. Cook, 20, F, B, married, Warren, Warren, Warren, housekeeper, Sep, Bowel consumption, 20, Warren, Dr. Tucker.



- 36, J. J. Hays, 9, M, B, single, Warren, [Warren], [Warren], -, Apl, Spinel Disease, 9, Warren, Dr. J. Pane.
- , J. A. Hays, 51, M, B, married, Warren, Ky, farmer, March, Liver Disease, 51, Warren, Dr. John Pane.
- , Katy Parker, 10/12, F, B, single, [Warren], Warren, Warren, -, Jan, Brain fever, 10/12, [Warren], Dr. Tucker.
- , Betty Brett, 30, F, W, married, Baron, Baron, housekeeper, Dec, congestion bowells, 2, Warren, Dr. Tucker.
- , C. C. Hicks, 2, M, B, single, Warren, Warren, Warren, -, March, fever, 2, Warren, Dr. [Tucker].
- , Charly Gossom, 1, M, B, single, Warren, [Warren], [Warren], -, Dec, fever, 1, [Warren], Dr. [Tucker].
- , July [Gossom], 6/12, F, B, single, [Warren], [Warren], [Warren], -, March, spasms, 6/12, [Warren], [Dr. Tucker].
- , Peter Gossom, 79, M, B, married, Virginia, Virginia, [Warren], farmer, April Consumtin, 60, Warren, -.
- , Alice Gossom, 20, F, B, single, Warren, [Virginia], [Warren], house keeper, Aug, Diarhea, 20, Warren, Dr. John Pane.
- , Jim Morehead, 103, M, B, married, Warren, Warren, Warren, farmer, Feb, old age, 103, Warren, Dr. Tucker.
- , J. J. Bracken, 79, M, W, married, Ten, Virginia, NC, farmer, Jan, Consumtin, 17, Warren, Dr. A. C. Wright.
- , Lethy Tygrett, 2/12, F, W, single, Warren, Warren, Warren, -, Feb, Bald hives, 2/12, Warren, Dr. [A. C. Wright].
- , Louis Carpenter, 16, F, B, single, Warren, Ky, KY, house keeper, Jan, Consumption, 16, Warren, Dr. E. Tucker.
- 22, L. D. Mansfield, 56, F, W, married, Warren, Ky, Virginia, house keeper, April Tumor Uterus, 56, Warren, -.
- , C. B. Edwards, 57, M, W, married, Warren, Warren, Warren, farmer, March, Newmony, 57, Warren, Dr. White.
- , Grasey Lewis, 2/12, F, W, single, Warren, Warren, Warren, -, March, yellow janders, 2/12, Warren, Dr. [White].
- , Babe King, 1/12, M, W, single, Warren, Tenn, Tenn, -, Jan, Borne dead, 1/12, Warren, Dr. White.
- 12, Etha Gott, 1, F, W, single, Warren, Warren, Warren, -, Aug, yellow thrash, 1, Warren, Dr. White.
- 12, S. P. Gott, 59, M, W, married, Warren, NC, NC, farmer, July, Dropsy, 59, Warren, Dr. White.
- 21, Persy Gott, 5/12, M, W, single, Warren, Warren, Barren, -, Feb, Bold hives, 5/12, Warren, -.
- , Baby Tygrett, 1/12, M, W, single, Warren, Warren, Warren, -, April Meningitis, 1/12, Warren, Dr. White.
- PR, Henry Gossom, 2, M, B, single, Ky, -, -, -, May, Convulsions, -, -, J. E. Tucker.
- PR, Hester Shobe, 29, F, B, married, [Ky], -, -, House Keeper, Nov, Consumption, -, -, [J. E. Tucker].
- P. R. Annie Hays, 10/12, F, B, single, Ky, -, -, -, Dec, Pneumonia, -, -, [J. E. Tucker].
- P. R., Mary [Hays], 1, F, B, single, Ky, -, -, -, Feb, Pneumonia, -, -, J. E. Tucker.

P. R., Mollie Blewitt, 19, F, B, single, [Ky], -, -, Servant, Dec, Rheumatism, -, -, [J. E. Tucker].

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Supervisor's District: 2.

Enumeration District: 238.

Enumerator: W. T. Jordan.

11, John M. Greer, 1,, M, B, single, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, -, Aug, Inflammation of brain, 1, -, Tho Ewing.

16, Martha Williams, 27, F, B, married, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kept house, Sept, Rheumatism, 4, -, No Physician.

36, Henry Potter, 19, M, W, single, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, Farmer, Feb, Pistol shot, 19, -, Drs. White and Laseur.

84, Narcissa Potter, 53, F, W, married, Tennessee, Virginia, Tenn, Kept house, Feb, Dropsey, 30, -, Larue T. B. and Scruggs.

105, Polly Shirrell, 68, F, W, widowed, Kentucky, Virginia, Virginia, Boarder, Nov, Obst. Bowels, 5, -, LaRue.

119, Thomas Dunn Infant, 0, M, W, single, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, -, March, Ward of institution, 0, -, None.

197, Elliott Washer, 14, F, W, single, Kentucky, Ky, Ky, No occupation, Aug, Malarial Fever, 14, -, Lesueur.

142, Charles H. Beckham, 22, M, W, single, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, Farmer, Nov, Cut by assissin, 22, -, Dr. Francis Laseur.

155, Daniel Rhoades, 79, M, W, married, New York, unknown, unknown, Stone Mason, Sept, Rheumatism, 12, Louisville, Lasseur.

162, Valentine Dickerson, 64, M, W, married, Kentucky, unknown, unknown, Farmer, Jan, Ulcerated Stomach, 60, -, LaRue & Laseur.

175, John Lawrence, 52, M, B, married, Kentucky, unknown, unknown, Farm laborer, July, Hypertrophy of heart, 20, -, Souther.

189, Samuel Fulke, (70), M, W, -, Virginia, (Va), (Va0, Farmer, Sept, Cancer on face, 26, -, None.

192, P. J. Beckham, 46, F, W, married, Tennessee, Tenn, Tenn, Kept house, June, Paralysis, 22, -, Laseuer.

197, Infant, 0, M, W, single, Kentucky, Ky, KY, -, Dec, Premature, -, -, -.

255, B. Grinstead, 85, M, W, -, Virginia, Virginia, Virginia, Farmer, Mar, Aneurism, 60, -, Dr. White.

272, Lottie Stone, 1, F, Mu, single, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, -, March, Asthma, 1, -, Dr. Souther,.

285, Infant born dead, SB, F, W, single, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, -, Dec, Fall from buggy, -, -, Dr. Souther.

288, Infant 5 days old, 5/30, M, W, single, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, March, Croup, -, -, -.

316, Thomas Woton, 24, M, B, married, Kentucky, Kentucky, Kentucky, farmer, Dec, Hermorrhage of lungs, 15, -, Dr. Geo Ewing.

Line 36. Death occurred in Warren County, Kentucky.

Remarks: "One lived 1 day the other about 1 week". [nothing more]

Form for the statement by attending physicians of the causes of death in the cases reported on the reverse side of this sheet.

Line 4. Primary cause of death: Correct. Attending physician, Geo. W. White.

Line 5. Primary cause of death: Ulceration of Womb. Immediate cause of death: Dropsy. Attending physician: A. R. Scruggs.



Line 20: Primary cause of death: Placental  
Poeria. Attending physician: T. B. LaRue.

Line 22, Primary cause of death: Endocarditis.  
Immediate cause of death: hypertrophy.  
Attending physician: J. H. Souther.

Line 27. Primary cause of death: Premature  
birth. Attending physician: T. B. LaRue.

Line 28. Primary cause of death: Intestinal  
Initiation. Immediate cause of death: Brain fever.  
Attending physician: J. H. Souther.

Line 30. Primary cause of death: Coma.  
Attending physician: Geo W. White.

Line 32. Primary cause of death: Bronchial  
irritation. Immediate cause of death: Asthma.  
Attending physician: J. H. Souther.

Line 33. Primary cause of death: fall. Immediate  
Cause of Death: Imitation. Attending physician:  
J. H. Souther.

Line 36. Primary cause of death: Pulmonary  
Trouble. Attending physician: G. T. Ewing.

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## Vital Statistics in the Muhlenberg County, Kentucky World War I Draft Registration Cards [Continued]

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Birth dates and some birth places are recorded on the cards for men registering for the draft in Muhlenberg County, Kentucky. The cards have been filmed by the National Archives and are available on microfilm through LDS Family History Centers. This information is continued from *The Longhunter*, Volume XXV, Issue 4. The name is listed first, then the birth date followed by the birthplace where available. Additional information can be found on the original cards.

Jim Copeland, 4 July 1877.

C. L. Corbitt, 7 March 1887, Madisonville,  
Kentucky.

Frank S. Corley, 27 June 1882.

Horace Corley, 14 March 1894, Muhlenberg  
County, Kentucky.

John Corley, 7 October 1890, Muhlenberg  
County, Kentucky.

John Henry Corley, 19 July 1880.

Marcellus Corley, 12 March 1892, Muhlenberg  
County, Kentucky.

Richard Berry Corley, 21 October 1884.

Ruben Corley, 27 November 1894, Muhlenberg  
County, Kentucky.

William Jesse Corley, 28 January 1878.

Reauel Walker Carneal, 2 January 1887,  
Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

James H. Cornelis, 27 June 1890, Elkton,  
Kentucky.

Charles Frank Cornell, 28 Feb 1897, Christian  
County, Kentucky.

Taskel Thornton Cornell, 1 May 1898.

- Arthur Cornett, 27 April 1899.
- Brand Slaton "Pete" Cornett, 7 July 1888, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Claud Cornett, 27 Feb 1894, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Clarence Cornett, 1 November 1878.
- Clifford Cornett, 21 August 1878.
- Edgar Neal Cornett, 1 November 1883.
- Elmer Alwyn Cornett, 31 October 1883.
- Frank Leslie Cornett, 19 January 1887, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Homer Henderson Cornett, 1 September 1898.
- Jack Cornett, 18 April 1897, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Jacob Cornett, 17 March 1895, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- James Clayton Cornett, 3 May 1895, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Lucius Alyn Cornett, 12 March 1873.
- Crawford Allen Cornette, 20 June 1894, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Earl Bennett Cornette, 3 August 1896, Greenville, Kentucky.
- Robert Burns Cornette, 16 December 1878.
- Rufus Cornette, 9 March 1896, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Harrison Durwood Cosby, 4 Feb 1876.
- James Stephen Cotton, 25 December 1883.
- Charlie Cotton, 4 February 1881.
- Joy Boy Cotton, 14 October 1895, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Otha Richard Cotton, 16 May 1898.
- Charley Cottrell, 7 March 1896, Rochester, Kentucky.
- James Alva Cottrell, 1 December 1884.
- Terry Willis Cottrell, 23 March 1898.
- Thomas Cottrell, 2 March 1891, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Virgil Courey, 14 February 1885.
- John Franklin Coursey, 29 March 1882.
- B. R. Courtney, 21 July 1879.
- Charles Thomas Covington, 16 October 1896, Bancroft, Kentucky.
- Christopher Denton Covington, 25 December 1897.
- John Franklin Covington, 2 July 1887, Greenville, Kentucky.
- Lee Covington, 7 March 1884.
- Mike Covington, 29 January 1888, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Prentis Covington, 1 June 1885.
- William Hobert Covington, 16 September 1898.
- Owen Cowan, 5 October 1884.
- Calvin Richard Cox, 15 October 1881.
- Harold Thomas Dabney, 8 March 1893, Springfield, Missouri.
- John F. Cox, 11 March 1893, Lowton, Lancashire, England.



John William Cox, 24 August 1891, Paradise, Kentucky.

Joseph Porter Cox, 4 November 1879.

Louie Young Cox, 26 February 1876.

Levi Cox, 11 September 1885.

John Will Coy, 31 October 1879.

Owen Coy, 15 February 1883.

James Albert Crabtree, 7 January 1877.

Fate Crafton, 27 January 1892, Russellville, Kentucky.

Henry Crafton, 4 October 1873.

Joseph Meddis Crafton, 1 February 1894, Lewisburg, Kentucky.

Simon O. Crafton, 20 August 1875.

Adlai Craig, 26 November 1893, Graham, Kentucky.

Arthur Young Craig, 4 March 1887, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

Bevard Craig, 30 May 1897, Logan County, Kentucky.

Charles Nathan Craig, 22 December 1875.

David Henry Craig, 11 December 1885.

Gavin Grundy Craig, 29 February 1896, Bremen, Kentucky.

George Dewey Craig, 14 September 1898.

George Townes Craig, 27 June 1897, Graham, Kentucky.

Henry Clay Craig, 3 April 1883.

Henry Maynard Craig, 2 December 1898.

Howard Craig, 9 March 1887, Graham, Kentucky.

James Thomas Craig, 17 May 1884.

Jessie Foster Craig, 16 January 1884.

Luther Craig, 25 October 1889, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

Odis Craig, 2 June 1895, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

Oscar Craig, 9 April 1881.

Ray[?] H. Craig, 31 May 1894, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

F. H. Cravor, 6 October 1886, Hopkins County, Kentucky.

Sonyon Crawford, 12 November 1897.

Thomas Crawford, 28 June 1889.

Walter Graves Crawford, 21 March 1884.

Charles Benjamin Craycroft, 12 March 1874.

George V. Creger, 23 December 1875.

Nace Creoger, 12 March 1879.

George Thomas Creasey, 22 February 1900.

James Thomas Creasey, 1 April 1874.

David Myers Creek, 16 August 1888, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

Oliver Creek, 7 July 1892, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

Urie Oscar Creek, 3 May 1891, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.

Byron F. Creel, 12 November 1893, Central City, Kentucky.

Charles Henry Creel, 27 January 1877.

- Milton Pierce Creel, 15 June 1900.
- William Benjamin Creel, 16 March 1881.
- James Crenshaw, 27 September 1892, Henderson, Kentucky.
- Luther Crenshaw, 10 September 1886, Henderson, Kentucky.
- Evan Estel Crews, 5 March 1888, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Ephraim Crick, 10 November 1879.
- James William Crick, 22 February 1880.
- John Henry Crick, 16 January 1884.
- John J. Crick, 19 July 1893, White Plains, Kentucky.
- LeRoy Crick, 25 September 1896, Christian County, Kentucky.
- Luther Crick, 27 March 1881.
- Rolley Huston Crick, 22 September 1898.
- William Everett Crick, 22 January 1894, Crofton, Kentucky.
- Amos Crist, 23 March 1892, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Owen Crist, 4 January 1896, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Harry Briggs Crittenden, 16 August 1880.
- Lewis Pryor Crittenden, 28 September 1895, Greenville, Kentucky.
- Charles Lee Croft, 23 June 1885.
- Isaac Morgan Croft, 29 January 1882.
- James William Croft, 9 June 1880.
- Urah Evert Croft, 14 March 1900.
- William Henry Croft, 7 August 1900.
- William Trousdale Croft, 10 December 1879.
- James Adam Crosby, 24 August 1879.
- Joseph Crosby, 2 June 1884.
- Joe Crossman, 30 July 1892, Fairfield Lees, County Denham, England.
- John W. Crossman, 14 October 1893, Stanley, County Denham, England.
- Chas. Garfield Crowder, 11 April 1880.
- Ion Bonor Crowe, 16 July 1882.
- John Crutcher, 16 February 1874.
- John Creek, 28 November 1886, Hotedrsiia, Austria, Austria.
- Harry Monace Culbertson, 15 October 1880.
- John Creel Culbertson, 11 April 1884.
- William R. Culbertson, 1 October 1890, Mercer, Kentucky.
- Ben J. Cundiff, 17 September 1891, Drakesboro, Kentucky.
- Bryan Young Cundiff, 3 May 1881.
- Christopher Columbus Cundiff, 27 February 1879.
- Clarence Cundiff, 20 February 1892, Muhlenberg County, Kentucky.
- Clarence Cundiff, 18 June 1894, Drakesboro, Kentucky.
- Claude Cundiff, 6 May 1888, Nelson, Kentucky.
- Ed Glenn Cundiff, 10 December 1898.
- Ezra Wilson Cundiff, 19 October 1872.

Henry Harrison Cundiff, 8 December 1881.

Henry Yost Cundiff, 30 July 1883.

Hershel Cundiff, 9 September 1893, Ohio County, Kentucky.

John Bart Cundiff, 20 August 1900.

John Robert Cundiff, 9 April 1877.

Raymond Cundiff, 7 October 1899.

Samuel Ambers Cundiff, 4 January 1895, Paradise, Kentucky.

Whorton Spurgeon Cundiff, 7 November 1886, Paradise, Kentucky.

William Slaton Cundiff, 6 October 1877.

Earnest Cunningham, 16 May 1893, Hanson, Kentucky.

Allie R. Cummings, 9 February 1881.

George Dewey Cummings, 22 May 1898.

Johny Covington, 10 August 1885.

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## Simpson County, Kentucky Families in 1850, Part 4

*Patricia Reid kept a card file, arranged alphabetically, with families that had been listed in the 1850 Simpson County, Kentucky census. She added to these cards information obtained from other sources. Even though the sources were not listed on the cards, the card information may serve as a valuable clue to additional research avenues for people working on these families. The following was typed from the original cards by Gail Jackson Miller. Notice that some later births and marriages have been added. The cards are now in the possession of Gail Jackson Miller and have been used with the permission of Pat Reid.*

Household 955. Lived with Jos Callahan.

**Chapman,**

Orville, b. 1833 in KY.

O.M. Chapman ward of Thos. S. Mahin.

April 1866 in Warren Co.

William T., b. 1843 in KY.

J. E., male, b. 1845 in KY.

G. K., male, b. 1847 in KY.

H. A., male, b. 1849 in KY.

Household 909. Lived with Francis Derrington.

**Chapman,**

Rebekah, b. 1829 in KY.

Household 73. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Chapman,**

David, b. 1795 in NC.

N., female, b. 1808, Unk.

Household 535. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Chapman,**

Thomas, b. 1809 in KY.

H., female, b. 1812 in KY.

A., male, b. 1834 in KY.

P., female, b. 1836 in KY.

E. A., male, b. 1840 in KY.

J. J., male, b. 1840 in KY.

Jos. A., male, b. 1841/1844 in KY,

father born Simpson, mother born

Warren. Married Julia Ann Phelps 18

**Trail,**

Mary, b. 1799, Unk.

Household 796. Sinking Creek.

**Chauvin,**

William, b. 1804 in GA, m2 Jane, b.

1820 in KY. Administrator of David

Buntin, decd.

M., female, b. 1811 in KY.

E., female, b. 1831 in KY.



J. B., male, b. 1834 in KY.  
William, b. 1835 in KY, m. Eliz. b.  
1843 in TN.  
Mary J., b. 1840 in KY.  
Edy F., female, b. 1843 in KY.  
Jesse, b. 1847 in KY.

**Mitchen,**

male, b. 1821, MUL.

**Burton,**

Sarah, b. 1783 in NC.

**Hays,**

John A., b. 1821 in TN.  
Sarah, b. 1829 in TN.

Household 818. Spring Creek

**Cherry,**

Alexander, b. 1772 in VA.  
M., female, b. 1790 in VA.  
E. J., female, b. 1828 in KY.  
S. C., male, b. 1850 in KY.

Household 1819. Lived with Rebekah Baird.

**Cherry,**

Rowland, b. 1824 in KY.  
C., female, b. 1827 in KY.  
M. E., female, b. 1844 in KY.  
M. A., female, b. 1847 in KY.  
J. N., male, b. 1848 in KY.

Household 860.

**Cherry,**

William, b. 1824 in KY.  
Charlotte, b. 1825 in VA (NC).  
Martha F., b. 1843 in KY.  
Rebekah A., b. 1846 in KY.  
Solina J. (Arlina J.), b. 1848 in KY.  
Thomas J., b. 1849 in KY.

Household 852.

**Chism (Chisholm)**

Walter Alvix, b. 26 May 1826 in TN, m.  
24 Nov. 1846 Calloway Co.  
Mary J. (Caudill), b. 25 Oct, 1825 in TN  
d/o Moses and Mary A. (Wood) of  
Robertson Co., TN.  
Mary F./J., b. 1848 in KY.  
Marg. C., b. 1850 in KY.

Household 392. Lived with Robt. P. Ragland.

**Chism (Chisholm),**

S., male, b. 1839 in TN.

Household 514.

**Christy,**

Henry, b. 1828 in KY, m. 30 Nov 1846  
in Sumner Co., TN.  
Martha J. (Jennings), b. 1830 in KY.  
J. W., male, b. 1848 in KY.  
G. R., male, b. 1849 in KY.

Household 354.

**Christy,**

Jacob, b. 1818 in KY.  
M. J., female, b. 1827 in KY.  
N. J., female, b. 1841 in KY.  
L., female, b. 1844 in KY.  
S. F., female, b. 1846 in KY.

Household 574.

**Christy,**

James, b. 1812 in VA.  
S., female, b. 1812 in VA.  
E. F., female, b. 1838 in KY.  
A. W., male, b. 1840 in KY.  
E. J., male, b. 1842 in KY.  
C., female, b. 1844 in KY.  
N., female, b. 1846 in KY.  
S., female, b. 1850 in KY.

Household 320. Lived with R. G. Young.

**Christey /Christy,**

M. J., female, b. 1831 in KY.

Household 879. Lived with Margaret Roberts.

**Civils,**

James W., b. 1837 in KY, m. Malinda,  
b. 1840.  
Amos, b. 1839 in KY.  
Franklin, b. 1841 in KY, m. Elender E.,  
b. 1836.

Household 476.

**Clack,**

Elizabeth, b. 1804 in NC.  
Mary, b. 1830 in TN.



Household 937. Lived with Jacob Tyre.

**Clardy,**

Martha, b. 1770 in VA.

Household 578.

**Clark,**

Abner D., b. 26 Dec 1811 in Warren Co., d. 3 May 1884, m. 12 July 1833 in Warren Co.

Sophia (Kirby) b. 30 Nov 1814 in KY, d. 29 Dec 1901.

E. J., female, b. 1836 in KY.

L. A., female, b. 1837 in KY.

Mary F., b. 1840 in KY, m. 13 Mar 1856 in Warren Co. to Big J. Herrington.

Emeline Sophia, b. 1843 in KY, m. 25 Jan 1869 in Warren Co. to Robt Moss.

S. V., female, b. 1846 in KY.

Jane E., b. 1850 in KY, d. 1865.

E. H., male, b. 1832 in KY.

E. T., male, b. 1835 in KY.

Household 120. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Clark,**

B. L., male, b. 1816 in VA. Lawyer.

N. K. O., female, b. 1837 in KY.

M. E., female, b. 1839 in KY.

G. W., male, b. 1841 in KY.

M. B., female, b. 1845 in KY.

Household 622. Land on Drake's Creek.

Lived with Rich Booker.

**Clark,**

Bennett M., b. 1812 in KY.

Household 551. Lived with Enoch Martin.

**Clark,**

C., female, b. 1832 in TN.

Household 380. Drake's creek.

**Clark,**

George W., b. 1789 in VA, d. 10 Dec 1854 at Chas. Clarke's.

F. Marion, male, b. 1826 in KY, d. 25 Nov 1853.

A. E., female, b. 1836 in KY.

C. N., male, clerk, b. 1830 in KY, m.

Frances E., b. 1836.

Household 387.

**Clark,**

Hector M., b. 1796 in VA.

C., female, b. 1826 in NC.

Jesse T., male, b. 1833 in KY, m.

Levina A., b. 1843.

E. C., female, b. 1835 in KY.

M. E., female, b. 1838 in KY.

W. B., male, b. 1840 in KY.

M. J., male, b. 1844 in KY.

L., female, b. 1849 in KY.

Household 143.

**Clark,**

J., male, b. 1825. John C. Clark m. Eliz. McGuire 27 Sept 1847 in Sumner Co., TN.

E., female, b. 1830 in KY.

William C., b. 1848 in KY.

S. G., female, b. 1850 in KY.

Household 864.

**Clark,**

John, b. 1825 in KY.

Melvina, b. 1825 in NC.

Julian, b. 1846 in KY.

Mary E., b. 1848 in KY.

Selinah, b. 1802 in VA.

**Clemons,**

Jane, b. 1842 in KY.

Household 144. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Clark,**

John C., b. 1792 in VA son of John C., Sr. who was a Rev. War soldier, d. 1879. M. Benetee (Hughs), b. 1796 in VA dau of Reuben & Eliz (Durrant) Hughs, d. 1884.

Hartwell B., b. 1825 in TN.

Green L., b. 9 Jan 1827 in Smith Co., TN, m. 23 June 1853 to Mary E. (Steel) Atnip dau of Nath. G. & Eliz (Bozier) Steel & widow of Benjamin Atnip.

**Jenkins,**

Celetee L (Clark), b. 1821 in TN.

A. J. H., male, b. 1844 in KY.

G. T., male, b. 1845 in KY.

J. M., male, b. 1849 in TN.

**Morris,**

R. C., male, b. 1831 in TN.

**Dickson,**

N., female, b. 1838 in TN.

William, b. 1839 in TN.

Household 957. Lived at Huston Tavern House.

**Clark,**

William B., b. 1815 in VA.

Household 145.

**Clark,**

William F., b. 1826 in TN.

Household 858.

**Clary,**

Thomas, b. 1803 in IRE.

Mary, b. 1802 in NC.

**Winn,**

Nancy A., b. 1830 in NC.

John E., b. 1832 in NC.

Household 14.

**Clay,**

John D., b. 1804 in VA.

C. H., female, b. 1830 in KY.

M. I. F., male, b. 1840 in KY.

J. F., male, b. 1842 in KY.

E. P., female, b. 1847 in KY.

S. E., female, b. 1849 in KY.

E. M., female, b. 1782 in VA.

Household 13.

**Clay,**

Josiah D., b. 1822 in VA, m. 24 June  
1842 in Sumner Co., TN.

Clearsia M. (Hodges), b. 1831 in TN.

M. V., female, b. 1848 in TN.

Z., female, b. 1849 in KY.

**Hodges,**

S. A., female, b. 1790 in VA.

O. P., male, b. 1839 in TN.

Household 317. Lived with T. W. Ford.

**Clayton,**

Thomas, b. 1820 in VA.

Household 864. Lived with John Clark.

**Clemons,**

Jane, b. 1842 in KY.

Household 38. Lived with H. C. Williams.

**Clingman,**

Benjamin, b. 1824 in VA. Carpenter.

Household 382. Sharps Branch.

**Cockrill,**

Elijah M., b. 1819 in KY.

Melvina J. (Hail), b. 1826 in KY.

Lean E., female, b. 1843 in KY.

R. J., male, b. 1844 in KY.

John G., b. 1846 in KY.

Richard J., b. 1844 in KY, d. 10 Aug  
1853 in Allen Co.

S. G., male, b. 1846 in KY.

Benjamin D., b. 1849 in KY.

Household 620.

**Corcoran** [Cochran]

Erastus, b. 1824 in TN.

L., female, b. 1822 in KY.

Household 406.

**Cockrehan,**

F. /T., female, b. 1814 in KY.

M. J., female, b. 1834 in TN.

C. M., male, b. 1842 in KY.

Household 245.

**Cockrehan,**

H. K., male, b. 1810 in KY.

Nancy M. (Covington), b. 1814 in KY.

Sarah, b. 1832 in TN.

William P., b. 1833 in TN.

Martha J., b. 29 Oct 1838 in KY, m. 16

April 1857 in Logan Co. to John D.

Hughs.

Madison McKendra, b. 1840 in KY.

Household 405. Lived with J. R. Wilson.

**Cockrehan,**

Martha, b. 1787 in VA, d. 12 April  
1854.



Household 701. Lived with Jas J. Kendle.

**Cockran,**

William, b. 1837 in LA. Student.

Household 866. Spring Creek.

**Coghill,**

Thomas, Sr., b. 1789 in VA, m. abt

1817, d. aft 1865 in Logan Co.

Patsey (Gordon), b. 1795 in KY.

Thomas C., b. 1829 in KY.

Nancy, b. 1831 in KY.

Arlina A., b. 1849 in KY.

Household 524.

**Colbert,**

Thomas, b. 1804 in VA.

J., female, b. 1810 in TN.

George, b. 1829 in KY.

William W., b. 1830 in KY.

M. A., female, b. 1832 in KY.

M., female, b. 1834 in KY.

J., male, b. 1836 in KY.

B., male, b. 1838 in KY.

M., female, b. 1842 in KY.

M. J., female, b. 1840 in KY.

T. M., male, b. 1845 in KY.

Household 464. Lived with Hiram Kelley.

**Colley/ Collet,**

William, b. 1839 in TN.

Household 203. Sinking Creek.

**Compton,**

William S., b. 1800 in KY.

Nancy M., b. 1801 in NC.

Thomas A., b. 1829 in KY.

J. R., b. 1836 in KY.

Edmond H., b. 1837 in KY.

Robert W., b. 1841 in KY.

James F., b. 1843 in KY.

Matilda F., b. 1845 in KY.

Nancy A., b. 1847 in KY.

Steven H., male, b. 1850 in KY.

Household 408.

**Cook,**

Charles M., b. 1827 in KY, m. 8 Mar  
1849 in Sumner Co., TN.

Leoney (May), b. 1827 in KY.

J. V., female, b. 1850 in KY.

**Morgan,**

A., female, b. 1826 in KY.

M. J., female, b. 1848 in KY.

Household 477.

**Cook,**

James E., b. 1817 in KY.

S. A., female, b. 1821 in UNK.

E. H., female, b. 1837 in KY.

M., male, b. 1838 in KY.

A., male, b. 1840 in KY.

T., male, b. 1842 in KY.

J. K. P., male, b. 1844 in KY.

W. C., male, b. 1846 in KY.

B. L. C., male, b. 1849 in KY.

Household 407.

**Cook,**

Mary, b. 1775 in VA.

M., female, b. 1820 in KY.

S., female, b. 1822 in KY.

**Hunter,**

E., female, b. 1839 in KY.

Household 409. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Cook,**

William, b. 1795 in TN.

L., female, b. 1794 in SC.

C., female, b. 1825 in KY.

E., female, b. 1827 in KY.

S. M., male, b. 1830 in KY.

**Hunter,**

T. C., male, b. 1832 in TN.

Household 709. Drake's Creek. One town lot.

**Cooksey,**

A. B., male, b. 1821 in KY, m. 22 Sep

1843 in Sumner Co., TN. Tailor.

Georgia A. (Mahin), b. 1827 in KY.

L. B., female, b. 1845 in KY.

S. E., female, b. 1847 in KY.

A. B., male, b. 1848 in KY.

Thomas Scott, b. 24 April 1850 in KY,

d. 11 Aug 1851.

W. H., male, b. 1824 in KY. Tailor.

R., male, b. 1830 in KY. Tailor.

Household 206. Lived with John Gilbert.

**Cooper,**

J. E., female, b. 1833 in TN.

Household 134. Lived with Polly Butler.

**Cooper,**

J. L., male, b. 1839 in KY.

William R., b. 1840 in KY.

Household 844. Lived with Jas Garrett.

**Cooper,**

John B., b. 1830 in TN, m. 19 June 1850  
in Sumner Co., TN.

Almeda F. (Garrett), female, b. 1834 in  
NC.

Household 232.

**Cooper,**

Rebekah "Betty", b. 1810 in KY.

J. L., male, b. 1837 in KY.

Levnaliver, male, b. 1843 in KY.

Martha E., b. 1845 in KY.

Household 847.

**Cooper,**

Susan, b. 1822 in TN.

S. D., male, b. 1849 in KY.

Household 802. Gasper.

**Copeland,**

James, b. 1800 in SC.

Nancy, b. 1798 in KY.

M. J., female, b. 1840 in IN.

Household 671. Administrator for Soloman  
Standley.

**Copeland,**

John, b. 1785 in SC.

N., female, b. 1786 in NC.

J., male, b. 1826 in KY.

H., female, b. 1831 in KY.

A., female, b. 1835 in KY.

**Deatherage,**

Sarah J., b. 1824 in KY.

**Hendrick,**

Wesley, b. 1828 in KY.

Household 665. W. G. Copeland Bible.

Both William and Jane owned town lots.

**Copeland,**

William, b. 1820 in KY, m. 8 July 1840,  
d. 4 June 1883.

Eliza C. (Kenady), b. 1821, d. 8 Feb  
1879.

Laura Jane, b. 9 Feb 1842, d. 3 June [?].

Amanda Ellen, b. 19 May 1844, d. 3

May 1864, m. A. W. Harwell.

Sarah Ann, b. 11 April 1847, d. 7 Dec  
1850.

William Virgil, b. 18 April 1850, d. 31

Jan 1893, m. 27 April 1875 to Ella W.

Bottomley.

Jane, b. 1810 in KY.

**Deatherage,**

William, b. 1822 in KY.

Household 536.

**Copeland,**

William B., b. 1822 in TN.

L., female, b. 1823 in TN.

L. V., female, b. 1844 in TN.

P. A., female, b. 1846 in TN.

L. M., female, b. 1849 in TN.

T. G., male, b. 1831 in TN.

Household 851.

**Cordell,**

Aaron C., b. 1823 in KY.

S., female, b. 1824 in TN.

Thomas B., v. 1849 in KY.

Household 308.

**Cordell,**

J., male, b. 1811 in KY.

N., female, b. 1822 in TN.

J. H., male, b. 1835 in KY.

J. W., male, b. 1837 in KY.

T. J., female, b. 1839 in KY.

S. E., male, b. 1841 in KY.

S. D., female, b. 1844 in KY.

A. H., female, b. 1847 in KY.

N. D., female, b. 1848 in KY.

**Kirby,**

S. A., female, b. 1850 in KY.



**Haden,**

R. H., male, b. 1841 in KY.

Household 6. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Cornwell,**

Richard C., b. 1821 in TN.

Lucinda, b. 1817 in TN.

Nancy E., b. 1845 in TN.

Henry M., b. 1847 in TN.

Hannah F., b. 1849 in KY.

**Willis,**

H. P., male, b. 1840 in TN.

Household 857. Sinking Creek.

**Cornwell,**

Sally, b. 1818 in KY.

Charles, b. 1839 in KY.

Polk D., b. 1844 in KY.

William N., b. 1847 in KY.

Household 292. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Costilow,**

Edward, b. 1810 in KY.

D. A., female, b. 1821 in KY.

R. A., female, b. 1837 in KY.

S., female, b. 1843 in KY.

E., female, b. 1845 in KY.

N., female, b. 1846 in KY.

S., female, b. 1848 in KY.

J., female, b. 1850 in KY.

J., male, b. 1773 in VA.

Household 45. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Cotton,**

Jesse H., b. 1817 in TN.

R., female, b. 1825 in KY.

L. R., male, b. 1843 in KY.

F., female, b. 1845 in KY.

W., male, b. 1846 in KY.

C., male, b. 1847 in KY.

E., female, b. 1850 in KY.

**Lane,**

Eliza, b. 1827 in KY.

**Jennings,**

William, b. 1831 in KY.

Household 95.

**Covington,**

James M., b. 28 Feb 1818 m. 29 Dec 1842.

Mary W. (Wright), b. 4 May 1825 in KY, dau of Harbert & Arwin (Graham) Wright.

Harbert W., male, b. 1844 in KY.

Emma P., b. 1846 in KY.

Benjamin J., b. 1849 in KY.

Household 377. Lived with Simeon Bunch.

**Covington,**

L. J., female, b. 1846 in KY.

Household 534.

**Covington,**

Matilda, b. 1797 in NC.

M., female, b. 1820 in KY.

E., female, b. 1825 in KY.

S. A., female, b. 1830 in KY.

Household 823. Lived with Jas. W. Lawler.

**Cox,**

George, b. 1833 in KY.

Household 777.

**Cox,**

Granville, b. 1800 in VA, m2 19 Nov 1849 in Sumner Co., TN.

Mary Ann (Sutton), b. 1827 in KY.

M., female, b. 1831 in KY.

M. A., female, b. 1835 in KY.

A., female, b. 1837 in KY.

G. W., male, b. 1840 in KY.

G., male, b. 1841 in KY.

William, b. 1842 in KY.

L., female, b. 1846 in KY.

Household 780. Lived with Rich Odell.

**Cox,**

John, b. 1820 in KY.

Household 497. Lived with James Turner.

**Cranty,**

Julia, b. 1824 in VA.

Household 317. Lived with T. W. Ford.

**Creedson,**

J., male, b. 1832, UNK.

Household 741. Spring Creek.

**Creekmore,**

Richard, b. 29 Feb 1822 in KY, m. May 1844. Son of Wm M. and Martha (Ballance) Creekmore of Norfolk Co., VA.

Eliza (Gibbs), b. 2 March 1817 in Campbell Co., VA dau of Phillip and Mary (Jones) Gibbs.

Martha J., b. 1843 in KY, m. 2 Jan 1868 in Warren Co. to James Bush.

Lafayette, b. 1840 in KY.

Household 815. Tarr Creek

**Creekmore,**

William M., b. 1825 in KY.

E., female, b. 1837 in KY.

William, b. 1835 in KY.

J., male, b. 1839 in KY.

S., female, b. 1841 in KY.

M. S., female, b. 1843 in KY.

Household 956. Land of Drake's Creek.

**Crowdus,**

Frances B., b. 1810 in KY.

Ambrose E., b. 1830 in KY.

James M., b. 1835 in KY, m. Sarah J., b. 1838.

Susan L., b. 1838 in KY.

Fanny M., b. 1841 in KY.

Household 216. Lick Ford. John A. Crowdus Bible.

**Crowdus,**

Julia Emily (Stevenson), b. 1805 in KY, m. 9 September 1828 to John A.

Crowdus, MD, b. 1785, d. 25 Sept 1847.

Jane Douglas, b. 31 Dec 1832, m. 31 Aug 1854 to Alfred M. Watkins.

Julia E., b. 17 Dec 1835 in KY, m. 1

Nov 1866 to Edward F. Lee.

William Hugh, b. 12 Jan 1838, m. 4 Sep 1860 to Mary J. Hampton.

Vernon K. Stevenson, b. 15 July 1841, d. 31 Dec 1852.

John A., b. 22 Nov 1843 in KY.

Eugene, b. 12 Feb 1844, d. 2 Oct 1852.

Household 131. Lived with S. Barr.

**Crunk,**

D., female, b. 1818 in TN.

Household 30. Sharps Branch.

**Cummings,**

Asa, b. 12 Oct 1813 in KY, d. 14 Oct 1879, m. 1837 to Rachel E. House of Robertson Co., TN.

F., female b. 1822 in KY.

Mary E., b. 1834 in TN, m. 1857 to Joseph F. Meador

Robert Henry, b. 20 Sep 1840 in TN, d. 25 Aug 1926, m. May 1861 in Sumner Co., TN to Lavina Ray.

J. R., male, b. 1842 in TN.

Mary V., b. 1844 in KY, m. Burchett.

A. Martha, b. 1846 in KY.

**Arnold,**

Rubin, b. 1812 in TN.

Household 156.

**Cummings,**

Mordicah, b. 1813 in KY.

E., female, b. 1815 in KY.

William, b. 1839 in TN.

H., male, b. 1841 in TN.

A., male, b. 1843 in TN.

G., male, b. 1845 in TN.

L., female, b. 1847 in KY.

T., female, b. 1849 in KY.

Household 865. Spring Creek.

**Cushenbury,**

Elijah, b. 1814 in KY.

Nancy, b. 1815 in KY.

Amanda E., b. 1837 in KY.

Patsy A., b. 1839 in KY.

Margaret A., b. 1841 in KY.

Thomas A., b. 1843 in KY.

Malinda F., b. 1848 in KY.

Mary J., b. 1850 in KY.

Daniel B., b. 1852, d. 1 Aug 1853.

**Wickware,**

Vincent, b. 1830 in KY.



Household 189. Spring Creek.

**Cushenberry,**

Frances, female, b. 1802 in VA.  
 Thomas V., male, b. 1823 in KY.  
 Daniel R., b. 1825 in KY.  
 S. A., female, b. 1829 in KY.  
 Mary F., b. 1829 in KY.  
 M. C., female, b. 1832 in KY.  
 M. E., female, b. 1833 in KY.  
 N. M., female, b. 1838 in KY.  
 Mariah J., b. 1840 in KY.  
 James A., b. 1844 in KY.

Household 637. Lived with Samuel Smith.

**Dailey,**

James, b. 1828 in KY.  
 M., female, b. 1826 in KY.

Household 546. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Dalton,**

William, b. 1815 in KY, m2 16 Mar  
 1843 in Sumner Co., TN.  
 Mary (Brown), b. 1825 in KY.  
 E., male, b. 1837 in KY.  
 G. W., male, b. 1847 in KY.

**Dinning,**

M. M. M., female, b. 1840 in KY.

Household 361. Drake's Creek. Lived with  
 Clement Fisher.

**Damron,**

E. G., male, b. 1815 in VA.  
 A., female, b. 1823 in KY.  
 J. A., male, b. 1843 in KY.  
 J. W., male, b. 1845 in KY.  
 N. J., female, b. 1849 in KY.

Household 140. Land on Drake's Creek.

**Dance,**

Peter, b. 1792 in VA.  
 Lucy E. (Boisseau), b. 1792 in VA dau  
 of John and Nancy, d. 27 Mary 1854.  
 B., male, b. 1830 in KY.  
 William, b. 1833 in KY.  
 J. L., male, b. 1849 in KY.

**Foster,**

A. E., female, b. 1830 in KY.

**Hodges,**

Isam, b. 1829 in TN.

**Brewer,**

J., female, b. 1831 in TN.

Household 821. Four slaves.

**Darby,**

Denton, b. 1787 in MD.  
 M., female, b. 1826 in KY.  
 H., female, b. 1834 in KY.

Household 795. Guardian of Henrietta Darby.

**Darby,**

John, b. 1811 in MD.  
 M., female, b. 1816 in VA.  
 M. E., female, b. 1837 in KY.  
 J., female, b. 1838 in KY.  
 A. S., female, b. 1840 in KY.  
 A. M., female, b. 1842 in KY.  
 Nathan, b. 1819 in KY.

Household 785. Sinking Creek.

**Davidson,**

Hosea, b. 1805 in KY.  
 J. A., female, b. 1813 in KY.  
 R. N., male, b. 1835 in IL.  
 E. E., male, b. 1837 in IL.  
 L. E., female, b. 1839 in IL.  
 William H., b. 1844 in KY.  
 M. J., b. 1846 in TN.

Household 215. Administrator for J. Crowds.

**Dawson,**

A., male, b. 1801 in KY.  
 M. B., female, b. 1817 in Logan Co.,  
 KY, dau of Rowland., d. 24 Sept 1854.  
 A. W., male, b. 1826 in TN.  
 F. E., male, b. 1828 in TN.

Household 60. Sinking Creek.

**Dawson,**

Henry R., b. 1825 in TN.  
 Lucy C., b. 1826 in KY.  
 Susannah K., b. 1844 in KY.  
 Robert A., b. 1836 in KY.  
 Anak, male, b. 1847 in KY.  
 James M., b. 1850 in KY.

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[Decr], Slave, Female, [Alive], [Warren County Ky], [John B. Martin], Cresa, [Black], [Warren County], [Slave of John B. Martin.]

July [28], Thomas McFinn, Male, [Alive], Bowling Green, J. C. McFinn, Elizabeth Vance, White, Bowling Green, -.

Decr, Richard M. Smith, [Male], [Alive], [Bowling Green], Richard J. Smith, Caroline M. Beauchamp, [White], [Bowling Green], -.

Sept, Juliann Cox, Female, [Alive], [Bowling Green], John P.[?] Cox, Julia Underwood, [White], [Bowling Green], -.

June 1<sup>st</sup>, Henry, male, [alive], [Bowling Green], Isaac Reese, Stacia, Black, [Bowling Green], Slave of Isaac Reese.

Decr, Charles O. Randale, [male], [alve], [Bowling Green], Charles M. Ransdale, Pardine Burge, white, [Bowling Green], -.

Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, Infant, [male], Dead, Warren County, Washington Hocker, Rebecca McGill, [white], Warren County, Premature.

April 1<sup>st</sup>, Margaret, Female, Alive, [Warren County], Alexander Loving, Nancy, Black, [Warren County], Slave of Alexander Loving.

July 1, Andromica Loving, [Female], [Aive], [Warren County], Alexander Loving, Susan Ann Pleasants, White, [Warren County], -.

June, Slave, [Female], [Alive], Bowling Green, William V. Loving, Amy, Black, Bowling Green, Slave of Wm V. Loving.

Un, Slave, male, dead, Warren County, Pleasant Hines, Martha, [Black], [Bowling Green], Slave of P. Hines premature.

May 10, Rhoda A. Garrison, Female, Alive, Allen County, A. W. Garrison, Zarilda E. Bracken, White, Allen County, now residing in Bowling Green.

[May], Henrietta, [Female], [Alive], Warren County, Frank W. Jackson, Amanda, Black, Warren County, Slave of Frank W. Jackson.

Sept, Lizze C. Webb, [Female], [Alive], [Warren County], Amada D. Webb, Eliza M. Piper, White, Bowling Green, -.

Decr 24, Primms, male, [Alive], Bowling Green, Jacob Vanmeter, Cary, Black, [Bowling Green], Slave of J. Vanmeter.

April, Alexander, [male], [Alive], [Bowling Green], [Jacob Vanmeter], Agathy, [Black], [Bowling Green], [Slave of J. Vanmetr].



June 29, Sophia Westin Burnam, Female, [Bowling Green], Alexander Burnam, Sophia Woods, White, [Bowling Green], -.

Aug, Slave, Female, [Alive], Warren County, Phineas D. Hampton, Sally, Black, [Bowling Green], Slave of P. D. Hampton.

Feb 8, Silas Gentry Watt, Male, Warren County, Gentry F. Watt, Cornelia E. Lewis, White, [Bowling Green], -.

March 1<sup>st</sup>, Julias P. Barclay, [Male], Bowling Green, Samuel A. Barclay, Louisa B. Douglass, [White], Bowling Green, -.

April 15, Henry, [male], [alive], Bowling Green, Susan, Black, [Bowling Green], Slave of John Burnam.

July 5, Julia Ann Burnam, Female, [Alive], [Bowling Green], [John Burnam], America Jackson, White, [Bowling Green], -.

Feb, Slave Male, Male, [Alive], [Bowling Green], Wm S. Ragland, Hardinia, Black, [Bowling Green], Slave of Wm S. Ragland.

-, Elizabeth, Female, [Alive], [Bowling Green], Harrison Cooksey, Charity, [Black], [Bowling Green], Slave of Harrison Cooksey.

June 11, James Thomas Rayster, Male, [Alive], Warren County, William L. Rayster, Sarah F. Corbin, White, Warren County, -.

June, George W. Shanks, [Male], [Alive], [Warren County], Robert H. Shanks, Tabitha Easell, [White], [Warren County], -.

Sept, Eliza B. Adams, Female, [Alive], [Warren County], James G. Adams, Elizabeth Adams, [White], [Warren County], -.

Feb 22, Margaret McDonald, [Female], [Alive], [Warren County], Francis McDonald, Carolina McDonald, [white], [Warren County], -.

June 9, Joseph Norwood, male, [Warren County], Benjamin Norwood, Catharine Norwood, [White], [Warren County], -.

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May 3<sup>rd</sup> 1853 [*This seems to be a clerk's error in recording the date. The births for 1852 were returned to and recorded by the clerk in 1853*], Mary Susan Lowe, Female, Alive, Near Elk Spring, John H. Lowe, Artisha, white, Near Elk Spring, -.

May 12, Mariah Elizabeth McKinney, [Female], [Alive], Trigg Co. KY, Charles McKinney, Mary Catharine, [White], [Near Elk Spring], -.

July 23, Amanda Jane, [Female], dead, [Trigg Co. Ky], [Charles McKinney], Clarissa, Black, [Near Elk Spring], Slave of Chas McKinney.

July 4, George Washington Bratcher, Male, Alive, Warren Co Ky, Taswell Bratcher, Sarah Ann Minervia, White, Warren Co. Ky, -.

Nov 17, John Wm Pierce Arnold, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co Ky], John F. Arnold, America, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug 28, Mary Abbigel Fulks, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John S. Fulks, Permelia Ann Grinstead, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June 1, Mary Ellen Grimsley, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Shelton Grimsley, Nancy, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

April 28, John Wm Owens, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John Owens, Nancy Jane, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

March, Lucettas Susan Howard, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Jarrett Howard, Abigail, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

April, Novid[?], [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co., Ky], [Jarrett Howard], Sapirh[?], Black, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of Jarrett Howard.

June, Sarah, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], [Jarrett Howard], Cynthia, [Black], [Warren Co. Ky], [Slave of Jarrett Howard].

Nov., Not named, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Micajah Sanson, Susan, [Black], [Warren Co. Ky], [Slave of Jarrett Howard].

July, Rebecca Ann Meeks, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Samuel Meeks, Nancy, White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

July, Mary Ellen Grinsley, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], James Grinsley, Mary, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

April 26, Caroline Lanb, [Female], [Alive], Louisville Ky, B. Lanb, Sopiah, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Nove 9, Zilla Catharine Hains, [Female], [Alive], Warren Co. Ky, James W. Hains, Hetty Ann, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

March 14, Nancy Ann McKay, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Strother McKay, Martha, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June 8, Thirzy Whitten, [Female], dead, [Warren Co. Ky], Wyatt Whiten, Thurzy [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

July, Penelope Sanders, [Female], Alive, [Warren Co. Ky], L. Z. Sanders, Elizabeth, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June, Thomas Jefferson, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Bennett Wolf, Mary, Mulatto, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of Bennett Wolf.

Nov. Frances Carter, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Carlton Carter, Nancy, White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June, Winchester, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. KY], John C. Smith, Nancy, Mulatto, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of John C. Smith.

July 14, Charles Drake, [Male], [Alive], Bowling Green, Philander W. Drake, Nancy Elizabeth Payne, White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug 28, Rufus Calvin Lucas, [Male], [Alive], Warren Co. Ky, William N. Lucas, Harrett, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Nov 17, Catharine Downey Atkinson, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John Atkinson, Martha, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Sept, Nancy Elizabeth Hendrick, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], William J. Hendrick, Nancy, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

April 2, Lewis Hains, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], William Haines, Frances Potter, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Jany 17, Sarah Elizabeth Gott, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John F. Gott, Rutha Satterfield, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug, Thos Wesley Rickman, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John Rickman, Lucinda, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June 6, Jesse Washington Thomas, [Male], [Aliv], [Warren Co. Ky], John S. Thomas, Martha Jane Patillin[?], [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug 20, John Washington Thomas, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John D. Thomas, Louisa, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Jany 23, Nancy Ellen Gordon, Female, [Warren Co. Ky], Squire Gordon, Louisa, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

May 31, James Henry Recter, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], William R. Recter, Martha Jane, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug 27, Mary Ellen Recter, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Lewis S. Recter, Sarah Jane, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.



March 6, Sarah Elizabeth Philips, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John T. Philips, Virginia, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Decr 25, Sarah, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Isaac Goodnight, Mary, Black, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of Isaac Goodnight.

June, Mary Virginia Goodnight, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Isaac S. Goodnight, Parmelia Jane Curry, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug, Samuel, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Urias Rasdale, Mary, Black, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of Urias Rasdale.

Feb 1, Salvarado Doherty, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John Doherty, Susan Elizabeth, White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June, Joseph Cox, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John Cox, Ann Eliza, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Sept 1, Henry dead, [Male], dead, [Warren Co. Ky], W. W. Murry, Judia, Black, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of W. W. Murry.

May, Lucetta, Female, Alive, [Warren Co. Ky], Gideon McDaniel, Perlina, Mulatto, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of G. McDaniel.

Jany 6, Curren Hough, Male, [Alive], Indiana, G. L. Hough, Mahala P. White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Sept, George Ann, Female, [Alive], Warren County Ky, William W. Wright, Adaline, Black, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of Wm. W. Wright.

May 20, George Nathaniel Washer, Male, [Alive], [Warren County Ky], William E. Washer, Sarah Ann, White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Decr 15, William, Male, [Alive], [Warren County Ky], Josiah Claypool, Winney, Black, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of Josiah Claypool.

June 17, Oliver Lowrey, Female, [Alive], [Warren County Ky], Stephen O. Lowrey, Elizabeth, White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Oct 30, Levi Lawrence, Male, [Alive], [Warren County Ky], William Lawrence Jr., Pheba, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

March, Luther F. Dunn, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Col Ky], Woodford Dunn, Mary C., [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Sept 20, James Harvey Parks, [Male], [Alive], [Warren County Ky], William Parks, Mary Ann, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Feb 18, John Franklin Moats, [Male], [Alive], Elliot Moats, Eliza Jane Hood, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug 16, Thomas Martin Glenn, [Male], [Alive], [Warren County Ky], Joseph F. Glenn, Lavina Jane Bunch, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

July 26, James Washington Turpin, [Male], [Alive], [Warren County Ky], William Turpin, Martha Ann, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June 10, Lucy, Female, [Alive], [Warren County Ky], John M. Sharp, Diana, Black, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of John M. Sharp.

July 1, Milly, [Female], [Alive], [Warren County Ky], [John M. Sharp], Juda, [Black], [Warren Co. Ky], [Slave of John M. Sharp].

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April 24 [1852], Jesse Grider Jenkins, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], James Jenkins, Mary Jane Mitchell, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Nov. 22, Not named, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Williams H. Blewett, Mary Collett, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Aug 25, William Alonzo Hack, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Hartford Hack, Eliza Jane, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Oct 13, Henry, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Joseph Lewis, Julia, Mullato, [Warren Co. Ky], Slave of Joseph Lewis.

Oct 15, Margaret Jane Gill, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], James Henry Gill, Sarah Ann, White, [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Oct 13, Fidiller Newton Cowle, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], William N. Cowle, Martha, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Decr 22, George W. Wilson, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Bluford Wilson, Ruth, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Feb 15, Mildred Ann Lewis, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], Lorenzo Dan Lewis, Julia

Ann, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

April 28, Emily Frances Lucas, [Female] [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

October 4, Jane Elizabeth Carter, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], James A. Carter, Mary Frances Vance, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

March 11, Nancy Hack, [Female], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], William A. Hack, Mary Ann, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

March 2, George Covington Hack, Male, [Alive], [Warren Co. KY], Samuel Hack, Sally Ann, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

June 14, Lewis Jefferson Hess, [Male], [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], John A. Hess, Elizabeth Hood, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

Octr 13, Malissa M. Roberts, Female, [Alive], [Warren Co. Ky], A. D. Roberts, Elizabeth Keel, [White], [Warren Co. Ky], -.

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## Some Newspaper Articles Associated with the History of Logan County, Kentucky

The following newspaper articles were filmed at the Filson Club in Louisville in 1952 by the Genealogical Society of Utah to accompany the filming of Alexander C. Finley's *History of Russellville and Logan County, Kentucky*, Russellville: O. C. Rhea Publisher, 1878. The book and newspaper articles are on FHL film 0156801.

### **A Bit of Early Logan County History** From *The Russellville Messenger*, 9 June 1922.

Mr. Marmaduke Morton, a grandson of Major William Stewart says: About 1790 the settlers in reach of Fort Nashboro were gathering into the fort for protection against a threatened Indian raid. Major Stewart and a man named Cook and his wife traveled north along the buffalo trail into the uninhabited forest, that they might be free from fort restraint and beyond the range of the Indians. When they reached the big spring, since known as Barclay's spring, the valley being filled with canebrakes, they decided that this would be a safe retreat and a good hunting ground. Here they struck camp and spent some time hunting and making little excursions, as best they could, among the most impenetrable canebrakes, as told him by his aunt, Major Stewart's daughter.

After being located here for a few weeks, they followed the creek down to its mouth at Mud river. Near the mouth of the creek they were surprised to spy a wigwam made of canes, hid in the canebrake. They had thought no Indians were near; but the best must be made of it, so they stealthily approached from opposite sides so that they might come upon the occupants unprepared for attack. The enemy was surprised and they likewise, when a white man raised up from a buffalo robe and demanded to know whence and why they came. The man who had probably, like many of these pioneers, sought the solitude in hiding from the wrath of his fellow man, said: "Well this country is getting too d\_\_n crowded for me: I'll move to Missouri", and into the Missouri territory he went. However, he returned later in life to

Russellville and died there and was buried on Maulding's Hill, where the courthouse now (1922) stands. His name, Gasper Butcher, and that of Stewart, is found in the early court house records of Logan County. There were a few other settlers in Logan county when Stewart went there, but none in Russellville.

Finley says, "When Logan County was first, visited and settled, and several years after, there was a thick growth of cane, which at some places was impassable by persons, much less by horses, except in paths made by large herds of buffalos. These traces led generally from lick to lick, but sometimes to springs." These later became roads, in some instances. To go from one end of what is now Russellville to the other, sometimes required travel of several miles, following one cane brake to the intersection of another, then back.

### **Rhea H. Page Died Suddenly** From *The Russellville Messenger*, Friday, June 9, 1922.

The citizens of Russellville were shocked Thursday morning when they learned of the sudden death of Rhea H. Page, who passed away near midnight Wednesday.

Mr. Page had been confined to his bed only two or three days. Death was due to heart failure. About two years ago Mr. Page suffered a nervous collapse and continuous risings in the head. For weeks his life was despaired of. Eventually he was restored to sufficient health to permit him to resume business. He was one of the most energetic young men in the city and every day overtaxed his strength.



Recently, accompanied by his family physician, he went to Louisville for X-ray examination but this did not give satisfaction. Last week another abscess formed, causing Mr. Page great suffering. He also had developed a deep cold.

Mr. Page was a son of Francis M. Page, this county, who died about 10 years ago. His mother died when he was only 16 years of age. He married Miss Bessie Gilbert, also of this county. They made Russellville their home. For many years Mr Page has dealt in real estate and insurance. He had the district agency for Western Kentucky, covering many lines and this was one of the largest insurance businesses in this end of the state.

Rhea Page knew most every person in Logan County. His acquaintanceship was wide. Possibly there was never a young man in the county who was so popular and who was highly esteemed as he. He was of magnetic personality. His manner was gentle, extremely sunshiny and friendly. He bore his sufferings without complaint. In his home, at his place of business or wherever one met him, he was a prince and was loved by his fellow man.

Mr. Page was a member of the Baptist church, and had served several years as deacon. He contributed largely to all church work and calls of charity. He was a booster for every enterprise started in this city. He was a most remarkable man, and indeed shall be much missed in his home town.

Funeral services were held at the residence this morning, conducted by a favorite friend of the deceased, the aged and beloved Rev. J. H. Burnett. Interment took place in Maple Grove in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends. The pall bearers were: Frank Morton, Ed Markham, Dr. S. P. Alderson, Duncan Morgan, A. P. Perry, Henry Trimble, Walter Leedon, Gratz Morgan.

Mr. Page is survived by his grief-stricken wife and his stepmother, Mrs. Mollie E. Page.

**Alex C. Finley Logan County's Historian.  
By W. Warren Morton.**

From *The News-Democrat*, 30 September 1926, p. 1, Russellville, Kentucky.

The purpose of this brief sketch of the life and work of Alexander C. Finley is to furnish the reader a biography of the only man, so far, that has attempted to perpetuate in memory the early history of Logan County, Kentucky, and it is hoped that this may be preserved in the county's archives, so that future generations may know something of him who battled against great odds in his research for facts and laborious efforts to uncover long forgotten bits of history from the musty volumes of Logan's early court records, as well as from the tombstones of its early citizens, or even from carvings found on the giant beech trees of its primeval forests.

It is presumed that he first conceived the idea of writing a history of Logan County while serving as a clerk in the court house, obtaining there much data from the old records to build his story on. His book was published in pamphlet form consisting of five or six volumes. He wrote them in his own hand and as fast as one was completed, set up the type himself (being a practical printer) and printed the book. Probably he was the only historian that did all the work on a volume himself, then marketed it.

Many volumes were sold over the county and copies of the same are greatly after now, being out of print. But, shameful to say, most of them were destroyed or lost, probably because the purchasers were old men, now passed away, who did not fully appreciate the worth of this history to future generations because they were already conversant with the facts disclosed in the books, which occurred during the period of their lives. It is doubtful whether a complete set of this history can be obtained. An effort is being made by the D.A.R., organization here, to obtain a full set to file in their archives.

While these small volumes do not deal in flights of rhetoric, they consist of a lot of boiled



down facts and dependable chronological events that are invaluable to some future historian that cares to elaborate more fully on Logan County's history.

Alexander C. Finley's father was a tailor by trade, but for a number of years was the Postmaster of Russellville. Alex, from the best information, was born in Russellville during the early thirties of the last century, and died during the teens of this century, living out his three score and ten years, or a few years more. He was never married.

Judge Finley, as he was affectionately called by his host of friends, lived most of his life in Russellville. He first learned the tailor's trade in his father's shop. But, thirsting for the current literature, which was only to be found in profusion around the printing offices, he took up the printer's trade, to be in a congenial atmosphere.

During his service as a printer he set type for the old *Louisville Supply Journal*, of which George D. Prentice was the editor. Also worked on the old *Frankfort Yeoman*, then published by Judge Tanner, and a powerful influence in State politics. Also with the *Danville Advocate*.

As the years rolled on, Judge Finley studied law and in due time was admitted to the bar, and in his younger days was both lawyer and politician of some note.

He was appointed by his party and filled the position of delegate from this Congressional District to a national political convention, held at Chicago, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for President. But the lure of filthy lucre and the taste for strong drink held no attraction for him, and early in the game, he retired to private life, and for many years boasted that he was "no voter".

He was a vocalist of some local note and for many years a member and regular attendant of the Methodist church choir, though he never united with the church. Often the writer

enjoyed hearing him change the old familiar song, "The Rock That Is Higher Than I."

The writer can also vouch that Finley never touched strong drink, and an oath of any kind never passed his lips. He spoke evil of no man and cherished no old grudge. He was fond of children and loved his fellow men.

But this story would not be complete without mentioning the fact that Judge Finley, as with other men, possessed his idiosyncrasies.

Judge Finley owned a whole town block only two blocks from Main Street. Upon this grew and thrived all the shrubbery and trees of a temperate climate; in fact, a regular jungle. A small path leading from the street through the jungle to a small log house in the center was his only means of ingress or egress. After the death of his mother, to whom he was most devoted and considerate, he lived here a solitary life. His one-roomed cabin was stored with goods boxes, and he had only room to reach his bed and fireplace, between the wedged-in boxes.

Finley's idiosyncrasies harmed no one and were usually in pursuit of science. In the tallest tree west of town he constructed a look-out on its top-most branches, reached from the ground by a ladder. Here he made his astronomical observations, particularly of the moon.

He purposed to build a giant cannon, one that would propel a series of hollow projectiles with such force as to reach the moon. On the interior of the inside one, provided with shock absorbers, he proposed to ensconce himself, and make a safe landing on the old satellite. But, alas, and alock! He failed to find enough public-spirited citizens to finance his project.

On another occasion, he had constructed, at the forks of the Bowling Green road, a huge furnace of brick and stone, and placed therein a block of steel into which the hole was bored to the center. Into this block of steel he placed a base metal and chemicals, and plugged up the whole with a screw. After getting this block of steel heated to a white heat, a sudden terrific



explosion took place, hurling debris in very direction of the compass.

Several bystanders narrowly escaped with their lives. Finley afterwards found particles of the base metal scattered over the hillsides, that to his fancy appeared to be like fused gold.

Becoming incapacitated from age, and unable to make a living for himself, he spent his declining years with his numerous friends scattered over the county, making a point, however, to never stay but one night at any home consecutively, returning to Russellville early the next morning to begin another visit to some friend.

It takes a lot of different characters to make up a world. Judge Alex C. Finley was different.

### **Alexander C. Finley**

From *The Courier-Journal*, magazine section 20 March 1921 by Mrs. A. M. Herndon.

Development of airplanes and long-range guns in the last few years brings to mind the fact that away back in the sixties there lived in the old town of Russellville a man who believed flights could be made through the air.

In that dim past this man made a long and continuous study of the moon and stars and because of his persistent effort to produce this effect, Alex C. Finley, a man of letters, was called a crank and looked upon by many as a crazy man.

Alex was born in Russellville and spent his life here. It is said his parents possessed many peculiarities and it was no wonder that Alex was singled at the little schoolhouse as being that "quare chap." He took advantage of the poor opportunities for learning that were offered him and often when his playmates were about their sport, Alex was hiding out in some sequestered place, reading or studying a book, supposed to be far to deep for a chap of his years.

In his early teens, regardless of the protests of his parents, Alex frequently sat up all night out in the little yard of his home, studying the moon and stars. Sometimes Alex would play truant from school and when interrogated by his parents it was learned he possibly had walked a mile or more across town or into the country to make an investigation of the rocks and clays. He loved the study of geology and in later years wrote a book on geology, and in which he claimed all of Logan County was once a sea.

When Alex was quite young his father was postmaster at Russellville. At that time this was a red-hot Whig town. There were only four Democrats and Alex's father was among the number. One day the old man accidentally drank poison and died, leaving a widow and three sons.

The eldest, named William, made a successful Methodist Protestant preacher. The youngest son, Howard, practiced law in Texas and had a wonderful career. Alex had no desire to leave Russellville. All of his time was absorbed in studying out a method for passage through the air. He remained at home with his aged mother, who grieved daily over the loss of her companion. As "Time rolled its ceaseless court" the little earnings that his father had saved had been spent and Alex and his mother could no longer rent a place in which to live.

Circumstances were written to Howard, who responded immediately with a check and letter, advising Alex and the mother to buy a lot and have a comfortable little home built. Alex, absorbed in his studies of the moon and contemplated trip to that planet, realized he needed money to further his plans, so economized in the erection of the place to be called home. He bought a lot, built a one-room house with no aid except his hands and a few old tools. Logs were cut in the woods and only one at a time was dragged to town by an old horse Alex had borrowed. After spending much time securing building material in this manner log house, much resembling the shape of a jug, was erected. It had one door and no windows.



It was neither pointed nor chinked. The large cracks were left open all summer for ventilation. In the winter they were filled with all of the winter clothes Alex could call his own and he was compelled to wear linen clothes in the severest wether. He never wore socks.

When asked sometimes if he was cold, he would shrug his shoulders and say: "There is no suck thing as cold - 'tis merely just an absence of heat. It's all more or less in the mind. I'm comfortable!"

The one little room in which Alex and his mother lived, cooked, ate, and slept was located on what is now known as East Fifth Street and where the new Negro Baptist Church is being erected. This room was crowded with books. These sometimes were stacked three or four feet high on the floor in winding avenues. Alex was peculiar, but he was highly intelligent. He studied and read most of the time when at home. He was a fine Greek and Latin student, and in those years there never lived in Logan County a man more learned than he. The children sought him for advice, and often he aided them in their studies.

Alex was gentle and loving in disposition. He had a great fondness for young folks. He often went to their schools and sang for them. About his little home fruit trees grew and he often gave them the choicest the trees bore.

One day life did not seem so bright to Alex. The morning chorus of the birds had lost its usual sweetness and the skies seemed gray instead of blue; Alex's step was slower - and sorrow weighted upon his heart - because in the shadow of the night an angel had come and borne his mother way - and out yonder under spreading elms on Bowden's Knob lies "dust to dust."

After her death Alex disposed of his mother's meager belongings, took the money he received from them and furthered the plans of his great ambition - that of sailing through the air.

Alex had several places where he went to study the elements. In a very tall tree on a farm near town was one of his favorite places. About the tree he had a scaffold placed and built a platform away up in the body of the tree. There he spent days and days, and nights and nights in the interest of his work. During the time he never returned to earth, except to secure food. 'Twas in this tree Alex found the model for a machine, which was the American buzzard. He studied the movements of this large bird, and away back in the seventies Alex began the construction of a device, made of the rough, thin lumber and tin, but was sadly disappointed when he realized his lack of power to make it leave the earth. This construction had parts representing the wings of the bird and Alex called the apparatus, "The Buzzard."

Failing in his efforts to fly he was not to be daunted. Russellville nestles in a valley, surrounded by a chain of knobs. Alex sought out the highest know and built a mortar thereon. He had conceived the idea that he could build an enormous bomb and shoot himself to the moon. This bomb would be composed of a series of bombs and within the inner bomb Alex planned to place himself. To the series of bombs he would attach a fuse. His ideas was then to have some friend light the fuse to the outside bomb, each series exploding continuously until the inner bond (in which he sat) exploded, propelling him a certain distance, and so on until the last bond exploded, which would land him on the moon. He gave several years trying to accomplish the building of this immense bomb.

Again failure was stamped upon his efforts. Then Alex conceived the idea he could make gold. Upon another knob he built a large furnace. He secured a cylinder about three feet long, drilled a hole in one end and made a metal top for it. Within this cylinder he placed many kinds of chemicals, then screwed the top on securely, placed the cylinder in the hot furnace and cooked the steel for several weeks. His efforts to succeed proved futile and thus it was, Alex Finley was all the while experimenting and eventually old age came upon him. He had



accumulated debts of many kinds. Especially had he become involved from buying materials trying to invent some means of travel through the air. He had placed mortgages on the little home and lot (which is now termed a city block) and this one day was sold for debts.

Alex had failed in his ambitions. His money was gone. His home sold. Adversities stared him in the face. Feeble from age, sickened in mind, discouraged, heart sore, this man of letters was called crank, a fit subject for the asylum.

Having given his entire life to experimenting in things he felt sure could be accomplished, he neglected his clothing and in later years rather resembled a beggar. He wandered about over the country, spending a week or more with acquaintances on farms, and many he had. During his visits he did up the chores and assisted in the light housework. Alex kept himself immaculately clean though his clothes were worn and ragged. In the summer time he would go to some nearby pond or stream, remove his clothing, wash it, hang it on bushes to dry. In the meantime he took a bath and remained in the woods nude until his clothing dried. Sometimes Alex slept in country churches and secured food in the neighborhoods thereabout.

No one was ever harsh or unkind to Alex. Regardless of the disappointments and distasteful things that had come to Alex, his faith never wavered in his God. Alex's disposition remained gentle and sweet and his friends held him in high esteem.

But in the life of this interesting man we recall an incident told us recently, and which also shows Alex's peculiarities. "When Alex was about 13 years old his father called to him one day and said: Alex bring in a log for the fire and be seven years doing it. (Alex's action was

slow.) Alex picked up his cap and walked out of the house, away from home, and did not return until seven years had come to a close. In the meantime Alex wandered to Louisville and became a printer in the office of the old Journal which was then edited by Mr. Haldeman. When seven years were ending Alex returned to his home (it being winter), came by the log pile, gathered one up in his arms, entered the home and laid it on the fire." This act greatly surprised his aged parents, who were sitting by the fireside.

In connection with the great ambition of Alex's life he studied the growth of trees and soil conditions. He wrote the only history of Logan County. It was printed in Russellville by the Herald Enterprising Company in 1890, with A. J. Casey president and J. Guthrie Coke (grandfather of J. G. Coke of Auburn) as secretary and treasure of this publishing company. These books sold for 50 cents each.

Pity 'tis that Alex Finley could not have lived to this age and have experienced the realization of his ideas of a flying machine and a long range gun put into action.

Having ample respect for hoary hairs and for a man disappointed in ambitions and desires, we, who never knew him, have a great feeling of compassion for him. Even to this good day no harsh words should be spoken of him who might have proved a world genius. Therefore, in speaking of his last days, we shall not say they were spent at the poorhouse. Nay! Let us kindly say the county farm, where God's sun shone warmly and brightly, where the bird sang sweetly, where flowers grew in profusion, where harvest yields were abundant, where willing hands soothed, where Alex Finley was cared for tenderly, and from where, in 1910, his soul took its flight to the God who gave it.



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