

JANUARY 2001 MEETING

The January Meeting will be Tuesday 16th, 2001 at Pickens County Library, Central/Clemson Branch located on Hwy 93 in Central, SC. The Speaker will be, Donna Roper, from the Pendleton Historical Society.

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If 2001 is not on your mailing lable, this will be the last issue.

INFORMATION PAGE

PLEASE NOTE: The mailing address to order books has changed. Many thanks to Doris Foster for her years of service as Publication Director. She has really been an asset to Old Pendleton. Our new publication director, Wanda McCuen will be taking over January 2001. Please note the new address on the "Book Order Page."

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Old Pendleton Data on the Web: The Web page designs are by Charles Murphree and the material by Herman Geschwind. They both work together, on this site, quite often to up-grade the appearance and material. Looks really great. Also note the new address for the site on the front page of the Newsletter.

**If any of you would like to submit your family lines for publication in the Newsletter, please send to me. Thanks, Linda Gale Smith Cheek
E-Mail: LGCheek@Aol.com or 247 Cross Hill Road, Easley, SC 29640**

I wish to thank all of you who have mailed in your dues. This really helps me to receive these by 1 January. This will also insure that your name will be on the list to receive the Carolina Herald (State Publication, which is under new Editorship)

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QUERIES

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I am searching for the children of Richard ADAMS and Mary PARKER. They were born ca 1770 and lived in Marlboro and Marion Counties, South Carolina. I believe they may have multiple children. I need confirmation of names. Would like to know what happened to the children. Believe some may have lived in Oconee Co., SC and Rabun Co., GA. Believe the families of COBB, BARTON and CARNES may have been connected here, but I have no substantial evidence.

Any information on parents or siblings of Richard ADAMS also appreciated. Mary PARKER was the daughter of Moses PARKER b. 1744 and d. 1830 in McColl, SC. Please write or call me. I will reverse call and incur the expense or pay postage. Will share any info that I have.

Frankie S. Brandt, 270 Watervale Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29304

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Seeking information on descendents of John STEPHENS from Anderson County, SC. Abstract of will was published in the May 2000 Old Pendleton District Newsletter. Any help appreciated.

Hazel K. Chapman 243 Fuller Dr. Easley SC 29640-6751 Ph: 864-269-1454

I am trying to find where Sarah Jane QUARLES CARPENTER wife of Demascus CARPENTER is buried? Any help appreciated.

Marvin D. Crow, 25 Cumberland Ave., Greenville, SC 29607-2937

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I am looking for the father of Rolean PATTERSON b. about 1789-1795 at the Golden Creek area in Pickens County, SC died in Georgia. Rolean PATTERSON is my grandfather Asa David PATTERSON'S grandfather, names used are Rolean, Rowland, Roly, Rolly.

Rolean PATTERSON married 26 June 1808 to Nancy WILLIAMS as listed in Pendleton Messenger Issue: 9 July 1808.

1850 census--Chatooga Co., 700 Rowland PATTERSON age 60 M Farmer b. SC
Nancy WILLIAMS 55 F H-wife SC

1800 Patterson head of household with males under ten:
Alexander 4, James 2, John 3, John 2, John 5, Thomas 1.
Any help appreciated.

Dan W. Durham, 14573 Mustang Path, Glenwood, MD 21738

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I am searching for the person who submitted the file "Descendants of Thomas Durham" to the OPD database. The file begins with "Thomas Durham was born in 1660. He died in May 1714/14 in North Farnham Parish, Richmond Co., VA. He was married to Dorothy Smott in 1689."

The OPD Chapter records do not indicate who actually submitted it. I am trying to locate the submitter to ask them about several of the entries in the file.

Lida Childress Finley, 293 Louise Lake Road, Easley, SC 29640

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Seeking to contact anyone working on the ADDISON line in SC late 1700's to early 1800's.

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I am searching for primary documentation for the Hugh PORTER & Violet MACKEY PORTER family legend. Hugh Porter was born 7 Feb 1715 in Ireland died 5 Sept 1795 in Guilford County, NC married Violet MACKEY 2 May 1736 in Ireland. Violet MACKEY was born 2 May 1919 in Ireland and died 23 June 1791 in South Carolina.

Searching for the parents of William CLAYTON, wife Elizabeth. They were in Pendleton District SC on the 1790 census. He was born 4 Nov 1761 and died 24 Dec 1845, buried in the Clayton-Robinson Cemetery, near Norris, SC.

Thomas H. Homan, 124-Walnut Street, Trussville, AL 37173

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Searching for information of Andrew Ike HOMAN b. 1817 Pendleton District, SC.

Jo Dean James, Route 1 Box 13AC, Tyrone, OK 73951 Ph: 580-854-6794 E-Mail: jdjok@ptsi.net

Searching for descendants of John and Elizabeth ALLEN MORGAN who came to Pendleton District SC in 1797 from Granville Co., NC. Their children were John, who left no descendants, Ridley, my ggg-grandfather, Susannah SCURRY, Amy SCURRY wife of Jesse SCURRY of Edgefield Co., SC, Rebecca HEAD wife of James HEAD, Mary MOORE wife of Elijah MOORE and Sarah MERRITT.

I have researched Pendleton District many years, but have not been able to locate the WATCHWELL MEETING HOUSE, which is mentioned in Susannah SCURRY'S probate file in Pendleton District in 1813. Does anyone know where this church was located. It would further help pin-point this MORGAN family's land. Any help appreciated.

Judith A. Knitter, 200 Salmonberry Court, Crescent City, CA 95531-9511 Ph: 707-458-3218

Searching for info on Verlinda Lamar JENKINS, widow of Col. Thomas JENKINS, who married a Matthew RUSSELL in 1776. Apparently, after Russell's death (1813) in Pendleton District, SC, Verlinda moved with several of her children (from both marriages) to Jackson Co., AL. Some time's local booklets have noted local residence (i.e. Jenkins or Russell). I would be interested if she is listed on the 1790 census, with possibly older children living in close proximity. (Son Thomas Jenkins born ca 1769 is of particular interest).

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Does anyone know the location of the originals of the Pickens District 1854 Tax List? Are they in the State Archives or are they still in Pickens? I did not find a reference to them in Columbia and the folk at the RMC and Treasurer's Office at the new Pickens Complex did not know about them.

It turns out that the names are not the only interesting part of the document. I have the list of names as edited by Ed Vedder and published by the OPGS, but very much want to see the property descriptions.

One specific question: Wesley Liles is listed as a "miller." Did his brother Joseph Miller have a mill on his property? If not, then who did?

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I am seeking to find info on Clarissa "Clary" PRINCE TURNER. She was listed in the household of William and Lurinda TURNER NORRIS. I am trying to establish the relationship between Lurinda and Clary. It is believed that her husband was Joseph TURNER? Any help would be much appreciated.

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In reading the obit. of the death of John P. CARROLL listed in the 22 July 1924 Tugaloo Tribue, I find that the undertaker in charge of the burial was Mr D.G. SHELDON. Would any of our members of the Old Pendleton District Newsletter know anything about him and if he could also have been a Justice of Peace? I am still looking for a Justice of Peace "Mr Sheldon" in the Westminster/Oakway SC area, who performed the marriage ceremony of my grandparents 19 February 1912. W. Tillman and Cora Louise Jaynes CARROLL. I only have her Bible records on this. Any help will be greatly appreciated.

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Searching for information on Temperance Ann WATKINS married John Calvin BOGGS, son of Thomas Gilliland BOGGS.

Regina Rogers, 110 S. Buffalo Street, Wendell, NC 27591

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Searching for any information on my ggrandmother, Essie Lee PACK, who is supposedly an Indian. Her father was Charlie PACK. Charlie and Elizabeth both died in Liberty, Pickens Co., SC. Essie was raised in Pickens Co and lived there all her life. Charlie lived near Pickens most of his life and may first settled in Laurens SC. Any help appreciated.

BIT'S and PIECE'S

WILEY-HARRIS BIBLE

Owner: Mrs. Jane S. Latta 4805 N. 7th Street, Arlington, Va. 22203

MARRIAGES:

James Wiley to Ann L. Harris 18 Apr 1824

BIRTHS:

John Gaston 25 Mar 1818	Ann L. Harris 27 Nov 1794
Alexander Gaston 8 July 1819	Jane Ann Wiley 25 May 1827
Jane Gaston 12 Sept 1825	Elizabeth Mary Wiley 9 Aug 1831
James Wiley 4 June 1794	

The ages of negroes:

Amey b. 21 Apr 1807	John b. 19 Apr 1852	Juda b. 16 Dec 1823
Mary b. 11 June 1855		
M., a negro boy, b. 25 May 1848	Nelson b. 31 Dec 1857	Sam b. 5 July 1850
Charles b. 12 July 1861		

DEATHS:

Jane Harris 8 July 1826 William Gaston 16 Apr 1832 John Harris 11 Apr 1830

Notes: "January 12 1843 Julius H. Alexander left N. C. 4 Feb 1843 with a heavy heart. After traveling through the lonesome countrys of N. and S. C. arrived at cousin Simpson's in Loundesville where and when I was very happy to meet with my friends. Signed, Julius II. Alexander.

Notes: James Harris, son of John Harris and Grizzell Steel .. Elizabeth Harris, dau. of Col. Robert Harris and Frances Cunningham. John Harris, son of James and Elizabeth Harris, b. Cabarrus Co., N. C., m. Jane Leslie, dau. of Thomas and Jane Leslie in Abbeville District, S. C. 2 Sept 1784, Rev. Robert Hall officiating. He died Abbeville, S. C. 1 April 1830. Jane Leslie d. 8 July 1826. This Scott Family Bible belonged to John Harris and was given to his grandson, T. A. Harris, by him. The Ann Harris whose birth 27 Nov 1794 and marriage to James Wiley 16 Apr 1824 are recorded in this Bible, was the dau. of John and Jane Ceslie Harris. The DEATHS: of John and Jene Leslie Harris are also recorded in this Bible.

WYATT FAMILY: Wirtten by Leonardo Andrea, Easley Progress Issue: 10 Sept 1942

The Wyatts in England descend from an almost legendary Admiral Guyot which is the French spelling of Wyatt. After the Battle of Hasgins in 1066 William rewarded his followers by grants of land. To Admiral Guyot he gave a large estate in County Kent, England. This later became the seat of the Wyatt Family. Our generation begins with Adam Wiatt 1320-1385. His wife was Lady Agnes Wigton a d/o Sir Wigton de Norwoods. In 1621 the Rev. Haute Wyatt came to Jamestown VA. His oldest brother Sir Francis Wyatt, was twice the governor of Virginia. He brought the Rev. Haute to

Jamestown as his chaplain.

In the year 1800 Elijah Waytt 1774-1858 moved to Abbeville County SC from Fairfax Co VA and settled near Broadmouth Baptist Church where he and his wife are buried. In 1847 he took up a land grant of 947 acres near Shady Grove in Anderson Co SC where he died.

James Foster Wyatt 1801-1868, son of Elijah, and Nancy his wife the d/o Mary Rosemond and William Pyle are buried at Pisgah Church. Redmond Grigsby Wyatt 1806-1857, son of Elijah, and his second wife are buried at Pisgah Baptist Church His first wife was Elizabeth Richey 1810-1842 the d/o Elizabeth Agnew Dunn and James Richey.

John Newton Wyatt 1838-1914, Redmond Wyatts son, married Elizabeth McAlister Smith and is buried at Easley. Children: Dr. Edwards Franklin Waytt married Margaret Cox Findley, Dr Charles Newton m. Addis Sitton Pickens, Dr William Redmond Wyatt m. 1st Addis Ballentine Daniel 2nd Nancy Babb, Eva Elizabeth Waytt m. Edward Harleston Poore, Hattie Virginia Waytt m. William A. Mauldin, Joshua Kirby Wyatt died young.

Redmond Grigsby Wyatt m. 2nd Eleanor Ann "Nellie" Seawright d/o Margaret Stewart Richey and Col. Andrew Seawright.

Margaret Luani Wyatt 1844-1917, Redmond's daughter, m. John Henderson and is buried at Fairview Children: L. Ross m. Sarah Arial Craig, Redmond G. m. Laura Acker, James C. "Bud" m. Lelia Breazeale Pepper, Newton m. Mildred Cox Pinson, Samuel m. Maud Breazeale Pepper, William P. "Babe" died unmarried, Essie died unmarried, Jessie m. Oscar Breazeale Pepper, Zoe m. Keith Rogers Allgood.

Eugenia Ann Wyatt 1846-1892, Redmond's daughter, m. E.S. Pepper. Andrew Grigsby Wyatt 1848-1876, Redmonds son, m. Eveline Garrison Lenhardt, Children: Richard Garrison, Pearl m. James Alexander Robinson/ Robertson, Andrew Frank m. Launa Cobb, Sophia Garrison m. Iiola Ellen Thompson Childress. Nellie Jane, Mary Thompson Lenhardt m. Annie Reeves Youmans, Grace.

Redmond Caldwell Wyatt 1860-1906, Redmonds son, m. Francis Josephine Sitton, Children: Annie died unmarried, Mildred Sitton m. Eugene Russell Bowie, Sue m. Andrew Cash Sitton.

MRS WYATT'S BIRTHDAY: On Tuesday 27 March Mrs Andrew Grigsby Wyatt of this city celebrated her 92nd birthday anniversary. Mrs Wyatt and her late husband were early settlers of Easley coming here following their marriage in 1876. She is the d/o Richard Lenhardt and Sara Jane Garrison Lenhardt of the Lenhardt Community and prior to her marriage was Miss Lucinda Eveline Lenhardt.

When Mrs Wyatt came to Easley as a bride it was just 2 years after Easley had received its charter in 1874. The town then embraced a district one mile square with the depot in the center. It has been her privilege to watch her home town grow from a small country village to a modern little city of nearly 6,000 inhabitants. The one community public school built the year she and her husband came

here has been replaced by one of the best small public school systems in the state.

The few scattered stores have disappeared with the years and in their stead stand many fine modern brick structures. Textile plants and industrial community houses have long ago uprooted the chinquapin bushes, broom sage, scrub oaks and pines that ran rampant over the unkept land that Mrs Wyatt well remembers. Old Dobbin has been replaced by many many horseless carriages and there has been quite a transition in everything in general since 1876, she declares...

She is content to rest in her comfortable old home on South First Street with its yards full of old old box wood, old-fashioned flowering shrubs and fine old trees. Easley Progress Issue: 3 April 1947

WYATT PAPERS: Miss Mary Hendricks and her brother Ralph of Allington Farm, Easley have given to the Historical Commission of South Carolina, Columbia, a collection of about one hundred interesting papers which were taken from a trunk which belonged to their grandfather, Redmond Grigsby Wyatt 1806-1857. Some of the papers date back to 1790 and consists of receipts, letters, deeds and family data. The collection has been placed in separate files and is given as a memorial to the late Mrs Rebecca Josephine Wyatt Hendricks, mother of the donors. Easley Progress Issue: 17 Aug 1944.

ELIJAH WYATT BIBLE

Owner: Miss Willie Wystt (decd), Nation, Alabama

Elijah Wyatt, son of William, b. 2 Feb 1774 Prince William Co., VA. d. 18 Feb 1858 Anderson District, SC. m. 15 Sept 1793 Fairfax Co., VA Mary Grigsby Foster b. 3 May 1773 Fairfax Co., Va. d. 5 March 1858 Anderson Co. SC.

BIRTHS of Their Children

Eliza Wyatt 7 Mar 1796-11Jan 1882 m. 28 Oct 1817 Villiam Mattison

Edna Esther Wyatt 20 Dec 1798- Aug 1851 m. 24 Nov 1817 Ephraim Mitchell

James Feater Wyatt 1 May 1801-10 Mar 1868 m. 30 June 1821 Nancy Rosamond Pyles

William Newton Wyatt 29 Aug 1803-10 Mar 1868 m. 26 Feb 1840 Eliza Miller

Redmond Grigsby Wyatt 22 May 1806-17 Oct 1857 m. 15 Sept 1829

Elizabeth Dunn Richey m. 30 Sept 1842 Eleanor Ann Seawright

Mildred Lunni Wyatt 16 Aug 1808-15 Nov 1893 m. 31 Aug 1844 Abner Cox (his 2nd wife)

Susan Cecile Wyatt 3 May 1811-10 Sept 1851 m. 30 July 1833

Elias Key Harriet Wyatt 15 Mar 1914--17 June 1874 m. 7 Nov 1839 John Mauldin

Malinda Wyatt 20 Sept 1817-27 Oct 1887 m. 8 Feb 1838 Hugh C. Alexander

NOTE: William Mattison was son of: James Mattison b. 20 Aug 1762 Culpepper VA and his wife (m. 30 June 1767) Frances Newton Wyatt Mattison b. 23 Dec 1767 Prince William Co VA d. 2 Feb 1846. Frances and Lettice Wyatt wife of Nimrod Smith were sisters and children of William Wyatt.

William Wyatt Jr b. 22 Jan 1742 d. 28 Feb 1815 A Rev Soldier buried in Fairfax Co VA m. 25 Dec

1766 Frances Newton b. 2 Nov 1747 d. 15 June 1783 who is buried in Prince William Co VA. William Wyatt Jr m. 2nd 25 Dec 1788 Elizabeth Snow b. 18 Feb 1754 d. 21 May 1842 and buried in Davies Co, MO. From tombstone at Greenville Presbyterian Church, Greenwood Co SC near Abbeville Co line.

WIAT\WYATT: From one of my long time friends: Guy R. Smith Jr., 11407 Cloverlawn Drive, Brighton, MI 48116. He sent me three photos of these Wyatt cousins in England. They would not copy to use in the Newsletter, as they are too dark. Guy acquired these photos on one of his many visits to Lord Romney in England.

These photos were given to Guy by his Wyatt cousin, Lord Romney of England: Guy states that many of his Pendleton District, South Carolina Smith Clansmen and Women would be related to these three persons of "Olde."

Sir Henry Wyatt of Yorkshire, England later Allinton Castle, Kent Co., England. He had supported Henry VII against King Richard III and on the accession of Henry VII, was admitted to his privy council and later became one of Henry VII's executors and Henry VIII's guardian. Henry Wyatt later was admitted to Henry VIII's privy Council in 1509 and later became treasurer to the Kings Chamber in 1524.

Sir Thomas Wyatt, The Poet, Son of Sir Henry Wyatt and Anne Skinner of Pergate, Surrey, England, was admitted to St. John's College, Cambridge at 12 years of age. He graduated there with a B.A. in 1518 and an M.A. in 1520. He married Elizabeth, d/o Thomas Brooke, the Third Lord Cobham, sometime before 1520. He was Knighted on 18 March 1537 and thereafter his career was almost entirely diplomatic. The photo is of a plate by a famous artist, Lucas Cornelii.

George Wyatt, Esq., the son of Sir Thomas Wyatt, The younger, and Jane, d/o Sir William Hawte, of Bishopsbourne, Kent, England. George married Jane, d/o Sir Thomas Finch. They had five sons and four daughters. Only two sons lived a full span and left children of their own.

1. Francis the eldest married in 1618 Margaret the d/o Sir Samuel Sandys son and heir to Archbishop, Edwin Sandys. He later became the first Royal Governor of the Crown Colony of Virginia--this is the Earl of Romneys line.

2. The Rev. Hawte Wyatt named after the family of his maternal grandmother, was born in 1594. He attended Queens College, Oxford in 1611. He did not take a degree but was ordained sometime before 1621. He accompanied his brother Francis to Jamestown, VA as a Preacher. Rev. Hawte Wyatt had two sons, George and Edward who returned to Valrom, England. Edward is the forebearer of the Pendleton District, SC--Wyatt Smith line. Nimrod Smith married a Wyatt descendant, Lettice Wyatt and their daughter married Capt Aaron Smith.

I (Guy) might add that the Wyatts of England were cousins to Queen Anne Boleyn, to Queen Elizabeth 1st and to Queen Catherine Howard. Both Boleyn and Howard were the two Queens

beheaded by Henry VIII. Even the present Queen Elizabeth II can't tie lines this far back in English History.

Capt. Aaron Smith was the s/o Jonathan Smith and his first marriage to Margaret\Katherine Guyton. Captain Aaron Smith's line goes back to a rather famous personage of Western Virginia Colony fame Viz: Col. John Smith and Margaret of Augusta Co., VA.

ABNER CROSBY: Pickens Co SC Box 2 No. 13 1829

South Carolina, Pickens District by James H. Dendy Esq, Ordinary: Robert Anderson, Administrator of the estate of Abner Crosby, late of Pickens District deceased. Dated 2 Feb 1829

2 February 1829: Appraised by: William Saunders, Jarray Saunders, John Allen, Garvin Moore.

25 Feb 1830: Notes of estate of Abner Crosby unadministered by Col. Robert Anderson dec'd Bidwell Satterfield note dated 5 Oct 1831, Rowland Cobb note dated 9 June 1825, Andrew Furgeson note \$14.71 payable 8 Feb 1832. Annania Tolloson deed of Conveyance of tract land now belonging to the estate of Abner Crosby containing 202 acres situate in Carroll Co. GA. Sg: Benjamin D. DuPre Administrator.

1 January 1836: Dear Dir, I have just received your note containing the request of Mrs Crosby. Although aware of the trouble and responsibility of an administrator I do not feel at liberty to decline it. The destitute orphan has a strong claim to the sympathies and services of the intilligent and prudent, on account of the children and only on their account can I get my consent to accept the office. I will see you Monday morning at Pickens when the requisite arrangements will be made. Yours Truly Benjamin D. DuPre

21 Nov 1836, Dear Sir, As administrator of the Estate of Abner Crosby deceased, I feel confident it will be much to the benefit of the legatees that the personal estate be sold on a credit of twelve months beginning of purchase with interest from the date. Mrs Crosby has given her consent freely and without the least constraint. You are therefore petitioned to grant and order of sale for the following negroes: Jack, Inda, Kate, Berryman, Jenny, Lucy. I am informed that by the appointment of Guardians by you for the children that the estate may be divided giving to the Guardian of each child his or her portion and that if the land is not worth more than a thousand dollars the widow may petition you its sale for partition and that the whole estate may be settled with the interception of the Court of Equity, I am inclined to think this will be the best thing that can be done both for the widow and children, she by special agreement with such guardian as she may select herself, she being a responsible indiviual, may still keep the children, and besides this she may buy the land and have her own share at her own disposal. She won't no longer be in bondage but free as air, to move, to marry or otherwise as she may think best? These views are given for her serious consideration and you will be so good as to communicate them. I have no doubt but that if she has her portion to herself and at command she won't marry directly and settle herself which is certainly desirable. You will send by the baren the order for sale on saleday in January next. Hope all are well. Yours Truly B.D. DuPre

3 Jan 1837 Sale of Negroes: Inda \$538.00, Kate \$621.00, Berryman \$713.00, Jenny \$722.00, Lucy \$413.00.

MARRIED: By the Rev. Wm Magee on Thursday the 20th inst 1842, Mr Joshua Burton of Abbeville District to Miss Louisa Jane, youngest daughter of Mr Levi Clinkscales of Anderson District, SC. Highland Sentinel Issue: 28 Jan 1842

CALEB MAYS: Pickens Co., SC Box 1 No 12.

12 Feb 1829--Note of Caleb Babbet who owes the estate of Caleb Mays \$250.00.

William Simpson applied for letters of administration of the estate of Caleb Mays.

7 Oct 1839 Twelve months after date we or either of us do promise to pay James H. Dendy, Ordinary of his successor one hundred and seventy two dollars. Signed: Martha M. Mays and Wm Simpson

Collected Moses Anderson \$512. 1/2

27 April 1833 paid to George Reid a pension allowed to his wife Elizabeth Richards by the state of SC as per his receipt. Proven 11 March 1834.

2 March 1829--Whereas Caleb Mays Esq late of Pickens District deceased died interstate having whilst he lived and at the time of his death divers goods rights and credits within the state. Administration granted to William Simpson, Esq, Planter.

MARRIED: by Rev. J.M. Murray at Pliny, SC Mr Julius Earle of Anderson District to Miss Lucy Brockman of this District. Southern Patriot Issue: 12 Feb 1852

MARRIED: By the Rev. J. Leland Kennedy on Wednesday evening the 5th inst, Mr James H. Johnston, Editor of the Keowee Courier and Miss Sallie Alexander, all of Pickens District, SC. Southern Patriot Issue: 20 Jan 1853

MARRIED: By Rev. J.M. Carlisle on the 27th ult, Mr James M. Cox of Anderson and Miss Mary H. Pickett of Greenville. Southern Enterprise Issue: 6 May 1858

DIED: Mrs Eliza Ann Willburn died on the 11 June 1859 in the 19th years of her age, consort of Robert Willburn at the residence of F.A. Willburn in Williamston, Anderson District, SC. Southern Enterprise Issue: 7 July 1859

HENDRICKS: Mr Van B. Hendricks a citizen of this County was shot and killed by Hubbard Garmany, fifteen miles above Greenville C.H. on Monday 12th inst. Garmany had broke out of Greenville jail, in which he has been confined for a violation of the internal revenue laws. W.F. Gary and Van B. Hendricks acting in the capacity of United States Marshalls went to arrest and return him back to jail. The Greenville News (Newspaper) learns that it was brought out at the Coroner's jury of inquest that Hendricks advanced on Garmany shooting at him twice saying "damn you I will take you or kill you," when Garmany shot him in the right breast killing him almost instantly. It is also said that Garmany had his child in his arms and that the child said "don't shoot pa." The remains of Mr

Hendricks were brought back to this County on Wednesday and entered in the family burying ground on the homestead near Liberty Station. Mr Hendricks is one of the gentlemen who was severely wounded by Redmond in a revenue difficulty in the lower section of this County a few weeks ago. Mr Hendricks was raised in this County. Pickens Sentinel Issue: 22 Feb 1877.

MARRIED: by Rev. S. Gibson on Tuesday evening the 18th ult, Capt John P. Sutherland of Pickens District and Miss Mary Hunt of Greenville District, SC. Southern Patriot Issue: 4 Dec 1851

MARRIED: By Rev. J. Dean on the 2nd inst, Mr Willis C. Watkins and Miss Lucinda Trnum, daughter of Mr Lazarus Trnum of Anderson District, SC. Southern Patriot Issue: 11 Dec 1851

DIED: Mr Thomas Harbin an old and respectable inhabitant of this District died suddenly on Friday the 5th inst. Pendleton Messenger Issue: 13 Feb 1808

DIED: Mrs Mary Ann Webb of Henry County, GA died 4th July, wife of Charles Webb., deceased of this District, aged near seventy years. Highland Sentinel Anderson SC Issue: 22 July 1842

MAULDIN-HESTER: Had Lucetia Mauldin Hester lived till the 27th of November she would have been 88 years and three months of age, having been born on the 27th Aug 1843 in a house that stood about where the dwelling of Mrs Harry Snider now stands. She was the daughter of the late Milton Mauldin and his wife Sarah O'Dell Mauldin of this, Pickens County. Soon after her birth her father moved to his farm on Golden Creek, about two or three miles west of Pickensville where he was engaged in farming, milling and the manufacture of wagons for a number of years. At the age of 16 years or to be more exact she was happily married to Mr James B. Hester who was a widower with three children. They settled at his home on the Oolenoy River, whre he owned a farm of find bottom land, and when the War Between the State began, he like many of his neighbors was called to the front and until the surrender in 1865, his young wife had to care for his children and manage the farm. she was equal to the emergency and when he returned home from the war he found plenty of corn in his crib and bacon in the smokehouse. In 1884 Mr Hester moved to Easley to secure the advantages of the schools here for his children. The family had increased, Mrs Hester was the mother of ten children, nine sons and one daughter. One of the sons died in infancy and the daughter Sallie a beautiful and lovely young girl also became a victim of the grim reaper just as she was budding into young womanhood. The eight sons all of whom survive their mother are Balus M. Hester of Calhoun GA. James B. of Tryon NC, Elbert and Robert M. of Oklahoma, William B. and E.J. of Easley and Ralph M. of Texas. Easley Progress Issue: 3 Dec 1931

MARRIED: William H. Pilgram born Pickens age 30, Mechanic, s/o William Pilgram married 2 Dec 1860 Amanda E. McKinney age 27 born Anderson SC d/o James McKinney.
Probate Court Pickens Co SC

MARRIED: George W. Ellenburg born Pickens age 20, Farmer, s/o William Ellenburg married 12 May 1860 Winney A. Bolding age 20 d/o William Bolding. Probate Court Pickens Co SC

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OOLENCY CHURCHYARD
Pickens County, nearest Highway #183.

By Mrs. Frank McFall, Fort Prince George Chapter D.A.R.

B. LARKIN HENDRICKS/ Born/ Oct. 2, 1849 Died/ April 5, 1910/
Gone but not forgotten. /

SUSANNAH/ wife of B. L. HENDRICKS/ Born/ June 6, 1852/ Died
Nov. 26, 1894./ Gone but not forgotten./

JOEL BERRY RIGDON/ 2 S.C. Rifles. C.S.A./ July 8, 1838/ Nov. 26,
1911/ Thy soul sleepeth./

Mrs. LENA MAE CLARK/ Died/ July 16, 1934/ Aged 45 yrs. 9 mo. & 13 da.

EDENS/ SILAS FRAZIER/ Oct. 25, 1881/ Aug. 27, 1926./

B. E. BURGESS/ Born/ Aug. 16, 1870/ Died July 14, 1894./

(Adult grave unmarked)

W.T. BURGESS/ Born/ July 4, 1842/ Died May 10, 1892./

CAROLINE BURGESS/ Born/ Nov. 1, 1837/ Died Feb. 13, 1883./

SIMEON E. BURGESS/ Born Dec. 6, 1866/ Died Feb. 20, 1879./

SARAH A./ dau. of Mr. & Mrs. T.E. REECE/ Mar. 7, 1871/ Died
Mar. 16, 1919./

(2 adult graves unmarked - 2 infant graves unmarked)

REBECCA WHITMIRE/ Nov. 3, 1839/ Aug. 23, 1920/ Mother/ wife of.
Rev. A. S. Whitmire./

REV. A. S. WHITMIRE/ Born June 9, 1839/ Died Jan. 26, 1917./ Father

IRVIN AUGUSTUS WHITMIRE/ Dec. 15, 1870/ Nov. 4, 1929./

LEON WHITE/ Sept. 4, 1896/ Aug. 9, 1929./

JOSA F. HOLDER/ Born Mar. 19, 1881/ Died Feb. 10, 1896./

JAMES T. LOOPER/ Infant/ Born & Died Oct. 15, 1933/

Mrs. MINNIE LEE PACE/ Died Nov. 3, 1928/ Age 38 yrs. 5 mos. 1 da./

JAS. DAVIS HOLDER/ Died Apr. 9, 1932/ Age 57 yrs. 9 mo. 24 da./

(1 adult grave unmarked)

Infant son of S. & R. HOLDER/ Aug. 30, 1891/ Born & Died./

(4 unmarked children's graves.)

B. E. HOOKER/ Died June 17, 1928/ Age 52 yrs. & 17 days./

ELIZABETH/ wife of/ Dyer HOLDER/ Born Aug. 31, 1847/ Died June 13, 1913./

DYER HOLDER/ Born/ Dec. 20, 1827/ Died Oct. 28, 1881/

Infant son of/ S. & R. HOLDER/ Born & Died Aug. 22, 1890./

Infant son of S. & R. HOLDER/ Born ~~Oct 28~~ July 28, 1888/ Age 1 yr.

Infant dau. of S. & E. HOLDER/ Born & Died Mar. 10, 1888/1.

N. D. HOLDER/ Born Dec. 20, 1827/ Died Oct. 28, _____/

WILLIAM G. WHITMIRE/ Born July 14, 1876/ Died July 31, 1896./

Father/ HENRY TROTTER/ Born Dec. 22, 1813/ Died June 2, 1862./
Mother/ SUSAN TROTTER/ Born Aug. 6, 1818/ Died Jan. 28, 1897./

CANTRELL/ MARY A./ wife of/ William Cantrell/ Born May 10, 1823/
Died Dec. 10, 1892./

SAMUEL E. SUTHERLAND/ Born May 10, 1821/ Died Jan. 6, 1879/
Farewell my wife and children dear,/ Keep Christ the Lord in
your hearts./

(adult grave unmarked)

(3 adult - very old flat tombs unmarked)

(Child's grave, old tomb unmarked)

Rev. TYRE ROPER/ Supply at Oolency from 1840 to 1877/ Born Aug.
25, 1809/ Died Mar. 27, 1877./ He went forth weeping bearing the
precious seed, and will doubtless come again bringing his
sheaves with him./

MALINDA ROPER/ (old tomb with no legible dates)

(Very old adult tomb unmarked - 2 infant tombs unmarked)

FRANK B./ son of S.A. & M.A. BURGESS/ Jan. 28, 1895/ June 16,
1896/

JOHN B. SUTHERLAND/ May 25, 1821/ Mar. 17, 1900/ and wife/
MARY HUNT/ Jan. 9, 1822/ Sept. 7, 1907./

JAMES KEITH/ Died May 11, 1871/ (no birth date given)

ELIZABETH SUTHERLAND/ wife of/ James Keith/ Died Mar. 28, 1868/

(2 old Adult tombs unmarked)

JAMES KEITH SUTHERLAND/ Feb. 18, 1811/ Jan. 17, 1902/ and wife/
SUSAN BURGESS/ June 30, 1814/ June 20, 1888./

BATESIE/ son of/ W.E. & A.M. ALLEN/ Born June 6, 1893/ Died/
June 26, 1894./

SALLIE L. Dau. of J.L. & M.E. BATES/ Born Nov. 30, 1869/
Died/ April 17, 1872./

JAMES P. BATES/ son of/ J.A. & M.E. BATES/ July 3, 1864/ Nov.
5, 1865./

SARAH HENDRICKS/ Aug. 17, 1872/ July 15, 1887/

ELIZABETH ANN KEITH/ wife of/ George K. HENDRICKS/ Sept. 5,
1828/ Nov. 6, 1886./

GEORGE K. HENDRICKS/ Born Aug. 3, 1825/ Died Mar. 19, 1913./

CORNELIA HENDRICKS/ Aug. 3, 1869/ Sept. 22, 1906./

JAMES W./ son of/ A.G. & Nettie SUTHERLAND/ Born Feb. 14, 1835/
Died July 20, 1897./

(2 unmarked children's graves)

THOMAS J. KEITH/ Born Jan. 25, 1833/ Died Aug. 5, 1862/ He was
a member of Co. A./ Orr's Regiment of Rifles, and died in defense
of his country./

JOHN K. KEITH/ Born August 31, 1840/ Died Feb. 8, 1862/ A
Martyr to Southern Independence.

G. W. KEITH/ Born/ Mar. 16, 1812/ Assassinated May 4, 1864/
Remember friends as you pass by/ as you are now so once was I/
as I am now so you must be/ Prepare for death and follow me./

Sacred to the memory of/ CORNELIUS KEITH, Jr./ Who was born 14th
of May 1781/ and died/ the 26th Nov. 1848./ He was an affec-
tionate husband/ a kind father/ and a true patriot./

NANCY/ wife of Cornelius Keith, Jr.,/ was born June 28, 1788/
Died/ Mar. 1, 1863./

Sacred to the memory of/ CORNELIUS KEITH, Sr./ who was born 1743/
and Died/ 13th June 1820/ His disposition was noble, social,
and generous./ He was an affectionate husband, a kind father, and
a true patriot./

Sacred to the memory of/ MARY LaFOON KEITH/ wife of/ Cornelius
Keith, Sr.,/ who was born 1749/ and died 13th Feb. 1846./

(incomplete)

To be con't

**PICKENS DISTRICT SOUTH CAROLINA
DEED BOOK A-1 Vol. 1 pages 1- 419 year 1828-1831**

PAGE 321-322-323: JOHN FIELD SR.--WILLIAM G. FIELD

State of South Carolina Pendleton District, The 1 March 1826 between John Field and William G. Field, whereas John Field for the sum of twelve hundred dollars sold to William G. Field a tract of land containing six hundred acres situated on the south fork of Twelve Mile River waters of Keowee River, a part of a tract granted to Joseph French 1 March 1790 and a part of a tract granted to George Salmon on the 4 June 1787, a part certifiend to Duncan Commers on the 2 Oct 1786. Sg: John Field. Wit: Peter Robertson, James Southerland Dated 28 Feb 1826. Rebakah Field wife of John Field relinquished dower 10 July 1826. Sg: Rebakah Field x. Rec. 10 Sept 1830.

PAGE 323: JOHN FIELD SR.--WILLIAM G. FIELD

State of South Carolina, Pickens District, this indenture made 31 Oct 1829 between John Field and William G. Field, I John Field for the sum of five hundred dollars sold to W.G. Field a tract of land containing one hundred and twenty five acres lying on the south fork of Twelve Mile River waters of Keowee River a part of a tract granted to John Young the 4 Sept 1786 and part granted to James Jett. Sg: John Field Sr. Wit: Larkin Nix, Jephtha Norton. Prov. 3 Dec 1829. Rec. 10 Sept 1830.

PAGE 324-325: WILLIS ROBERTSON/ROBINSON--THOMAS GASAWAY

State of South Carolina, Pickens District, I Willis Robertson for the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars sold to Thomas Gasaway Sr of same District, a tract of land containing eighty three acres lying on the north side of Eighteen Mile Creek bounded by lands belonging to the heirs of John Morrow deceased along said creek by lands belonging to Samuel Maverick, William Walker on the NW bank of the Eighteen Mile Creek where William Walkers west line crosses said creek. Dated 12 Sept 1829. Sg: Willis Robinson Wit: Wm P. Arnold, Hunley Evatt. 19 Sept 1829 Lucy Robertson relinquished her dower. Sg: Lucy Robertson x. Rec. 10 Sept 1830

PAGE 325: JONATHAN REEDER--BENJAMIN CHAPMAN

State of South Carolina, Pickens District, I Jonathan Reeder Commissioner by Act of the General Assembly of the State, to find a site for a Court House and to lay out a town and sell the lots. For the sum of fifty one dollars paid by Benjamin Chapman of the same District a lot in the town of Pickens Court House (no 45) containing 1 acre situate north of the Court House . Dated 20 Aug 1830. Sg: Jonathan Reeder Wit: Samuel C. Reeder, Barnet Neighbors. Prov. 6 Sept 1830 Rec. 10 Sept 1830.

PAGE 325-326: JONATHAN REEDER--DAVID McKINNEY

State of South Carolina, Pickens District, I Jonathan Reeder receiver of public monies for Pickens District or agent for the sum of forty five dollars paid by David McKinney have granted all that town lot in the Town or Village of Pickens Court House number 48 containing two acres and twenty three and one half rods lying north east from Pickens Court House and bounded on all sides by Principal Street. Dated 7 Sept 1830. Sg: Jonathan Reeder Wit: Silas Kirksey, Francis Best/Burt. Prov 8 Sept 1830, Rec. 10 Sept 1830.

To BE CON'T

OLD CONFEDERATE VETERANS REUNION (early 1900's) PICKENS CO., SC

Submitted by: Jesse Stephens Carr, 107 Primrose Lane, Laurens, SC 29360-8428

Ph: 864-833-7947

This is an Old Confederate Veterans Reunion from the early 1900s.....Pickens County, South Carolina. In the picture is my Great Uncle, Charles Childress. He is 4th from the right, front row. Documents show he was in Co. H. 2nd South Carolina Rifles. Family history tells that he was very young, and enlisted in the place of his father.

Documents also show that he enlisted the day after his father was discharged for rheumatism. Charles' father was my Gr. Gr. Grandfather, William Berry Childress, also of Co. H 2nd South Carolina Rifles. Charles died 11 March 1932, and William Berry Childress died 8 July 1897. Both are buried at Secona Baptist Church Cemetery.

Does anyone recognize a family member or anyone in the picture? I'm not sure on anyone else but the possibility is there. Mr research continues on Confederate Ancestors, and this was my latest confirmation finding. I also realize that three STEPHENS family members married CHILDRESS family members. So I am triply connected to the Childress family line.

CAN ANYONE IDENTIFY ANY PERSON IN THIS PHOTO. IF SO PLEASE LET JESSIE KNOW WHO THEY ARE.



"SOME" CONFEDERATE WIDOW PENSION APPLICATIONS IN PICKENS COUNTY SOUTH CAROLINA PROBATE COURT-ANNEX. BY THE ACT OF 1919.

ELIZABETH A. LINDSEY-W.K. LINDSEY-ANDERSON BURNS HAYS: I am the widow of W.K. Lindsey and 2nd Anderson B. Hays who enlisted in Co D Reg of Orrs Reg. Rifles under Capt Harrison on 2 April 1862 and served in that command until 28 Dec 1863. Anderson Burns Hays died at Staunton VA on 28 Dec 1863. I was born 7 Nov 1841 and married to him 20 Nov 1859. I am 77 years of age and reside at Central, Pickens Co SC and have lived there since 1 Jan 1871. Sg: Elizabeth A. Lindsey dated 20 Sept 1919. Wit by Anderson S. Davis of Co L Orrs Rifles and J.H. Ballentine of Co H 1st SC Reserve.

MRS ELIZABETH A. LINDSEY: 12 Sept 1924 Pickens Co Board of Honor to Charleston County SC Board of Honor. This Board applies for the transfer to Charleston Co of Mrs Elizabeth A. Lindsey widow of Anderson B. Hays whose application shows that he served in Co D Orrs Reg and is now on the pension roll of this county. Owns no property, was born 7 Nov 1841 now resides at Charleston in county of Charleton, was married 20 Nov 1859. Sg: R.A. Hudson.

JERIMIAH "JERRY" LOOPER: MARTHA O. LOOPER: I am the widow of Jerry Looper who enlisted in Co K 2nd Reg of SC Cavalry under L. Williams on Sept 1864 and served in that command until 27 April 1865 when discharged at Chester CH, SC. My husband died on 19 Nov 1909. I am 77 years of age and reside at Pickens, Pickens Co SC and have lived there since the 15 Jan 1865 when married. Sg: Martha O. Looper dated 2 April 1919.

JOSEPH LOOPER: I enlisted in Co B Reg of 37th VA Cavalry under Capt Sandy Earle on 15 Feb 1863 and served in that command until 9 April 1865 when discharged while at home on furlough. I was born 17 Aug 1845 and reside at Easley RR 2, Pickens Co SC. I have resided in this state for 72 years. I did not recieve any wounds present health fairly good. Sg: Joseph Looper x dated 4 April 1919.

J. TYRE LOOPER: I enlisted in Co D SC reg of Infantry under Capt Daniel Grice on 1 Nov 1864 and served in that command untio 9 April 1865 when discharged at Spartanburg SC. I was born 10 Aug 1846 and reside at Pickens, Pickens Co SC. My health very good. Sg: J. Tyre Looper dated 1 April 1919.

S.M. LOOPER: I enlisted in Co F 2nd SC Reg Hamptons Cavalry under Capt Westfield on 5 Nov 1861 and served in that command until I was discharged at Greenville on 9 April 1865. I was born 9 Aug 1838 and reside in Pickens Co SC. Sg: S.M. Looper x dated 5 June 1915.

SOLOMON LOOPER: CLARINDA EMALINE LOOPER: I am the widow of Solomon Looper who enlisted in Co K SC Infantry under Capt W.M. Jones and served in this command until 9 April 1865 when discharged . I was born 9 May 1847 and married to him in 1868. My husband died 1 April 1900. I am 71 years of age and reside at Dacusville, Pickens Co SC and have lived there all my life. Sg: Clarinda Emaline Looper dated 17 Oct 1919.

B.S. LYNCH: ELIZABETH S. LYNCH: I am the widow of B.S. Lynch who enlisted in Co H 4th SC under Capt B. G. Griffin in April 1861 and served in that command until 9 April 1865 when discharged at Appomatox. My husband died the 6 May 1878. I was married to him 9 Sept 1864. I am 80 years of age and reside in Pickens Co SC and have lived there since 9 Sept 1864. Sg: Elizabeth A. Lynch dated 5 April 1919. Wit by: J.M. Stewart and R.A. Bowen

BASSEL - BASIL - BASWELL SMITH PORTER

HUSBAND: Basil Smith Porter	
bir:	02 Sep 1801 Pendleton Dist. SC
mar:	CA 1830
dea:	09 Apr 1894 Pickens County, SC
bur:	11 Apr 1894 Pickens County, SC
	Cemetery probably Porters Chapel Cemetery
Father: Philip Porter	
Mother: Mary Smith	
WIFE: Vashti Cooper	
bir:	30 Aug 1813
mar:	CA 1830
dea:	AFT 1880 Pickens County, SC
bur:	AFT 1880 Pickens County, SC
	Cemetery probably Porters Chapel Cemetery
Father: Alexander Cooper	
Mother:	
CHILDREN	
1 M	Name: Alexander Porter bir: 17 Feb 1831 Pickens District, SC mar: to: never married
2 M	Name: John Thomas Porter bir: 28 Oct 1831 Pickens District, SC mar: CA 1851 to: Sarah Frances Roper dea: 24 Dec 1893 Pickens County, SC bur: CA 26 Dec 1893 Pickens County, SC Cemetery Porters Chapel Cemetery
3 F	Name: Mary S. Porter bir: 11 Apr 1834 Pickens District, SC mar: CA 1854 Pickens District, SC to: George W. Roper
4 F	Name: Nancy Porter bir: 20 Jul 1836 Pickens District, SC mar: CA 1856 to: William H. Sanders
5 F	Name: Martha Ann Porter bir: 20 Apr 1837 Pickens District, SC mar: CA 1857 to: William T. Waldrop dea: 17 Mar 1926 Pickens County, SC bur: 19 Mar 1926 Pickens County, SC Cemetery Porters Chapel Cemetery

Basil Smith Porter & Vashti Cooper

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6 M	<p>Name: Philip A. Porter bir: 15 Apr 1838 mar: CA 1858 to: Harriet Freeman dea: 27 Oct 1916 bur: CA 29 Oct 1916</p>	<p>Pickens District, SC Pickens County, SC Pickens County, SC Cemetery Secona Baptist Church</p>
7 M	<p>Name: James Harrison Porter bir: 20 Dec 1841 mar: CA 1861 to: Marcel Larue dea: 13 May 1929 bur: CA 15 May 1929</p>	<p>Pickens District, SC Pickens County, SC Pickens County, SC Cemetery Porters Chapel Cemetery</p>
8 M	<p>Name: Warren J. Porter bir: 24 Jul 1848 mar: CA 1868 to: Miss Holder</p>	<p>Pickens District, SC</p>
9 F	<p>Name: Hannah Porter bir: 30 Aug 1849 mar: CA 1866 to: Mr. Sanders</p>	<p>Pickens District, SC</p>
10 M	<p>Name: David S. Porter bir: 08 Apr 1850 mar: CA 1870 to: Sarah Ann Childs</p>	<p>Pickens District, SC</p>
11 M	<p>Name: Elbert R. Porter bir: 04 Feb 1854 mar: CA 1874 to: Lucinda J. Lewis dea: 27 Oct 1916 bur: CA 29 Oct 1916</p>	<p>Pickens District, SC Pickens County, SC Pickens County, SC Cemetery New Mountain Grove Church</p>
12 M	<p>Name: Jeremiah R. Porter bir: 04 Feb 1854 mar: CA 1874 to: Nancy Lewis dea: 26 Jan 1914 bur: CA 28 Jan 1914</p>	<p>Pickens District, SC Pickens County, SC Pickens County, SC Cemetery Porters Chapel Cemetery</p>

Individual biographical text for Basil Smith Porter

It is believed by some descendants that Basil Smith Porter was named after his Mother's brother, BASIL SMITH.

PICKENS DISTRICT, S. C. 1830 CENSUS: BASIL PORTER is household number 997, with one male between 20-30 and one female 15-20.

PICKENS DISTRICT, S. C. 1840 CENSUS: Name spelled BASDALE PORTER is household number 1230, with one male under five; two males between 5 and 10; one male between 20-30; one female under five; 2 females 5 to 10; and one female between 20-30. ALEXANDER COOPER is listed as household number 1229. PHILIP PORTER is listed as number 1231.

PICKENS DISTRICT, S. C. 1850 CENSUS: Number 767 is BASIL S. PORTER, male, age 47, occupation of farming with value of \$800, born in SC as is the entire household. Vashti, female, age 37; John T., 19, male; Alexander, 17, male; Mary S., 15, female; Nancy A. (or E.), 14, female; Philip A., male, 12; Martha A., 10, female; James H., 9, male; Hannah, 3 female; Warren J. (or I), 1, male; and David S., 2/12 (two months), male.

The signature of BASSEL S. PORTER is found on a receipt in the Probate papers of the Estate of SION COOPER. It is noteworthy that he wrote and spelled his name "Bassel." Unfortunately, his relationship to SION COOPER is not stated in the receipt: **"Received of W. J. Parsons, O. P. D. two dollars & 18/100 dollars in full of my distributive share of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper, deceased. April 10th 1857." Signed: BASSEL S. PORTER.**

In SOME SOUTH CAROLINA COUNTY RECORDS, VOL. 2, is an abstraction of the will of SION COOPER found in Box 3, #29, Pickens, SC. Will dated 23 Feb. 1831 and proven 7 Nov. 1831. Children named are Ancel, Nancy, Polly, Lewis, Alexander, Rahab, Vincon, Delile, Sale Cooper. Wife, Polly Cooper. Executrix, wife Polly Cooper. Witnesses: Micajah Hughes, John Field, Sr., John Ferguson. Heirs listed were BASEL S. PORTER, grandson DAVIS COOPER, RAHAB FIELDS, WARREN COOPER, NANCY COOPER, HANNAH COOPER, MATILDA COOPER, ELIZABETH STACKY, ROBERT F. MORGAN, J. L. KILBY?. Owned 132 acres on waters of Cane Creek adj. lands of Jacob Schroder and others, perhaps James Kelly?. Inventory made 4 Jan. 1832 by John Field, Sr., Joshua Mansell, William Mayfield.

PICKENS DISTRICT, S. C. 1860 CENSUS: Number 288 is the household of SMITH PORTER, age 60, with wife VASHTI, age 50. Their household includes James H., age 18, male; Hannah E., age 14, female; Warren I. (or J), age 11, male; David S. (or A), 9, male; and twin sons, Elbert R. and Jeremiah, age 7.

Information: In 1868, Pickens District was divided into the present counties of Pickens and Oconee. Walhalla became the county seat for Oconee and the town of Pickens became the county seat for Pickens. BASIL SMITH PORTER was living in that part of Pickens District which became Pickens County. In the 1870 and 1880 census, there is another version of the name Basil Smith Porter - BASWELL PORTER.

PICKENS COUNTY, S. C. 1870 CENSUS: On page 21, BASWELL PORTER is listed as household number 147. His age is given as 70; wife VASHTI is 57. Four of their sons are still in the household, Alexander, age 35; Davis, age 19; Elbert and Robert are 16.

PICKENS COUNTY, S. C. 1880 CENSUS: On page 30 is the family of BASWELL S. PORTER, age 79; VASHTI, age 68; and Alexander, age 48.

In A COLLECTION OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL and FAMILY RECORDS, Vol. I, pg. 248: BASIEL S. PORTER Estate of Basiel S. Porter. Box 123 # 9. Probate Judge Office. Pickens, S. C. I Basiel S. Porter being of sound mind and disposing memory, etc. I will and desire my executrix as soon after my death as possible to pay my just debts with funeral expenses. I give my loving wife Vashti Porter during her life or widowhood, all my property both real and personal, for the support and education of my wife and children. I appoint my wife executrix. Dated 13 July 1863. Wit: J. E. Hagood, Willie Waldrop, Benjamin Hagood. Signed Basiel S. Porter. Filed 22 May 1894.

Comment: It is interesting to note that this will was written in 1863.

From A COLLECTION OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL and FAMILY RECORDS, Vol. I; pg. 249: B. S. PORTER. In Equity, Pack 243, # 6. Clerk of Court Office. Pickens, S. C. In the Court of Common Pleas, Nancy E. Sanders, Hannah Sanders, Martha Waldrop, and Mary Roper. Plaintiffs vs. W. R. Price, Defendant. The Plaintiffs shows that in the year 1894 B. S. PORTER died intestate seized of all that tract of land on waters of Twelve Mile Creek, adj. land of W. R. Prices, J. H. Porter, estate of John T. Porter and other containing 150 acres. That the plaintiffs are heirs in law of said B. S. Porter, decd. and are entitled to **a one twelfth interest in said land**. There is 32 acres that is subject to partition among the plaintiffs etc. And for such others and further relief as may be just. Date filed not given.

A COLLECTION OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL and FAMILY RECORDS, Volume II, pg. 272: GEORGE ROPER. Pack 640 #3. Clerk of County Court Office. Pickens, S. C. On 23 June 1878 George Roper states that he is the husband of Mary Roper of Pickens Dist. and that her father B. S. PORTER died about 5 yrs. ago. **That her father had 12 children but only 11 were living**. (Believe 1878 to be a typo error)

THE PICKENS SENTINEL, Thursday, April 12, 1894: A NONAGENARIAN. Mr. B. Smith Porter died on the 9th instant at the home of his son David at the age of 97 years. He was born at the Sam Porter Place about 1/4 mile from where he lived. Hence, all of the days of his long life was spent in Pickens County; while he was once respectively a citizen of Pendleton District, Pickens District and Pickens County. From the days of his boyhood he was a faithful member of the Methodist Church. His funeral was held at Porter's Chapel last Thursday.

Comment: The above obituary was transcribed from a handwritten copy sent by Michael Grant. There seems to be discrepancies in these days/dates.

Individual biographical text for Vashti Cooper

A list of heirs of SION COOPER are found on page 66 of A COLLECTION OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL and FAMILY RECORDS, VOL. III. Book 1, Page 192. Clerk of Court Office. Pickens, S. C. On 21 Aug. 1854, he owned 132 acres on Cain Creek adj. land of Jacob Schroeder. Heirs: Nancy Smith, heirs of Absel Cooper, Robert F. Morgan, heirs of Alexr. Cooper, decd., heirs of Vincent Cooper, decd., James Kelly & wife Mary, Rahab Fields, Celia Nix, Lewis Cooper, John Ferguson, Warren Cooper, Hannah Cooper, Matilda Cooper, Eliza Starkey or Starkes??.

On the 1850 United States Census of Pickens District - Eastern District:

BASIL S. & VASHTI PORTER are listed as house and family number 767.

House and family number 762 is WARREN COOPER, age 26, farmer; Nancy Cooper, age 27, Washington P. Cooper, age 4, Vashti E. Cooper, age 2; Rebecca A. Cooper, age 9/12 (9 months).

Two females are found in house and family number 763. They are NANCY COOPER, age 33, and HANNAH COOPER, age 30.

Family and House number 764 is DAVIS COOPER, age 23, Elizabeth Cooper, age 22; and Alexander Cooper, age 2.

Number 766 is a female, CULPENA HEATON, age 30, Minerva Heaton, age 12, Vashti Heaton, age 5; and Lucy Heaton, age 8/12 (8 months).

In the same 1850 Census, number 765 is SAMUEL A. PORTER, age 35, and MARY PORTER, age 85. Mary was the widow of Philip Porter and Mother of Basil Smith Porter.

Basil Smith Porter & Vashti Cooper

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INFORMATION: The relationship between Vashti Porter and the Cooper and Heaton families living nearby is unknown. Reportly Vashti was a Cooper and the daughter of Alexander Cooper. It is interesting to note that there was a 5 year old Vashti Heaton in the Heaton household and a two year old Vashti E. Cooper in the household of Warren and Nancy Cooper. Davis and Elizabeth Cooper have a two year old ALEXANDER COOPER.

It is not known for sure that Vashti's maiden name was COOPER or that she was the daughter of ALEXANDER COOPER, but some descendents believe she was the daughter of Alexander. In a November 17, 1982 letter, Michael Grant of Greenville, SC writes: "*Baziel married Vashti Cooper, daughter of Alexander Cooper who was the son of Sion Cooper. Vashti was supposedly of Indian ancestry. It has been said that she was so obese that the family had to make her a special chair and bed to accommodate her. She was born 30 August 1813. No record of her death.*"

In 1985, Mrs. S. C. Grant of Pickens, SC sent a copy of the History of Porter's Chapel. In an accompanying letter she stated, "*Vashti Cooper was born August 30, 1813. I haven't been able to find a record of her death date. There are some graves at Porter's Chapel with markers so old you just can't read the names or dates.*"

In the short History of Porter's Chapel Methodist Episcopal Church, ALEXANDER COOPER is named as one of the first Trustees of the Church along with PHILIP PORTER and two of his sons, SMITH and THOMAS PORTER and Jacob Guyton.

SOME DISTRIBUTIONS MADE TO THE HEIRS OF SION COOPER: Received of W. J. Parsons, Ordinary for Pickens District ten dollars and 90 cents in full of my distributive share of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper, deceased. April the 26th 1856. Signed: Rehab (X) Fields.

Received of W. J. Parsons, Ordinary for Pickens District ten dollars and 90 cents in full of our Distributive share of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper, deceased. April 26th 1856. Signed: J???? Smith, Nancy (X) Smith.

Received of W. J. Parsons, Ordinary for Pickens District ten dollars and 90/100 dollars in full of the distributive share of Mary Kilby formerly Mary Cooper of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper late of Pickens District deceased. Sept. 1st 1856. Signed: J. L. (or T.) Kilby.

Received of W. J. Parsons, O. P. D. two dollars & 18/100 dollars in full of the distributive share of the Real Estate of my grand father Sion Cooper. March the 17th 1857. Davis (X) Cooper.

Received of W. J. Parsons, O. P. D. two dollars & 18/100 dollars in full of my distributive share of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper, deceased. April 10th 1857. Signed: BASSEL S. PORTER.

Received of W. J. Parsons, Ordinary for Pickens District two dollars & 18/100 dollars in full of my distributive share of the Real Estate of my grand father Sion Cooper deceased. March the 2nd 1857. Signed: Warren (X) Cooper.

Received of W. J. Parsons, O. P. D. two dollars & 18/100 dollars in full of my distributive share of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper deceased May the 9th 1857. Signed: Nancy (X) Cooper.

Received of W. J. Parsons, O. P. D. two dollars & 18/100 in full of my distributive share of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper, deceased. May the 9th 1857. Signed: Hannah (X) Cooper.

Received of W. J. Parsons, O. P. D. two dollars & 18/100 dollars in full of my distributive share of the Real Estate of Sion Cooper deceased. May the 9th 1857. Signed: P(????) S(????) Cooper.

My Great Great Grandfather

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Reuben Winfield Lee, Sr., ¹ my great great grandfather, was born in 1823. (I think that he was born in North Carolina of James Lee and Nancy Elizabeth Wilson. This will be my next project!) Reuben was married about 1846 to *Gilley Caroline Ross*. Gilley was born on 26 July 1826 in Greenville District to John Henry Ross, Sr. (1804-1878) and Melissa Amelia Martin Hudson (1806-1880).

The Ross and Hudson families were both well known in the Greenville area. John Ross and his wife Melissa Hudson were living in Greenville District through the 1840 census, and they moved to the Pickens District about 1845. John and Melissa, along with several other children, lived in the Western section of the Pickens District (now Oconee County) in the 1850 census. Reuben and Gilley were married according to that census.

Reuben and Gilley had Nancy (age 13), Minerva C. (age 9), and Martha C. (age 2) in the 1860 census. Next door to them was the Elijah Calhoun family. Reuben and Gilley lived in the Cheohee Valley, and they seven children, one of who died at birth.

1) *Nancy A. Lee* was born on 18 April 1848 in Pickens District. She married William E. (Will) Orr (1850-1918). She died on 20 January 1920 and was buried next to Will in Bethlehem Baptist Church in Oconee County.

2) *Mary Lee* was born in 1849 in Pickens District. This infant died in 1850 and was buried in the Lee Family Cemetery.²

3) *Minerva Caroline (Duck) Lee* was born in November 1854 in Pickens District. Duck married Sheriff A. Haynes (1854-1928). She died on 05 March 1910 and was buried in the New Hope Baptist Church in Oconee County.

4) *Martha C. (Mattie/Matt) Lee* was born on 24 December 1858 in Pickens District. She remained single, died on 14 August 1929, and was buried in Cheohee Baptist Church in Oconee County.

5) *Reuben Winfield (Sock) Lee, Jr.*, my great grandfather, was born on 05 April 1864 in Pickens District. Sock married Mary Catherine (Kate) Beaty (1866-1915) on 27 December 1886 in Oconee County. Sock died of typhoid fever on 12 September 1909 and was buried on 13 September 1909 in Bethel Presbyterian Church in Oconee County. Kate was buried next to him later, surrounded by the graves of various Beaty families, including many of her father's family and her grandfather's family.

6) *John James Lee* was born on 06 April 1868 in Pickens District, which became Oconee County during the year. He married Mattie Emmeline Sheppard (1875-1956) on 28 September 1896 in Oconee County. John died on 18 Nov 1945 at Six Mile in Pickens County. He and Mattie were buried in the Cheohee Baptist Church. They had a bachelor son, Glen Austin Lee, who died early this year and was buried at the same church. This Lee Family is related to Carlos and Helen Lewis, members of this chapter. Carlos is the grandson of this John Lee and his wife Mattie.

7) *Hattie Elmira (Hattie/Hatt) Lee* was born about 1871 in what is now Oconee County. Hatt and Matt were both spinsters. Hattie died on 13 November 1909, also from typhoid fever³ like Sock, and was buried in the Lee Family Cemetery.²

Gilley died on 29 September 1903 and was buried in the Lee Family Cemetery.² Hatt wrote a poem for the newspaper on Gilley's death.⁴ Reuben's residence was burned on 14 April 1907. The origin of the fire was unknown.⁴

Reuben died in July 1910 and was also buried in the Lee Family Cemetery.²

¹ A. C. Beaty, another one of my great great grandfathers, was the subject of the presentation that I gave about four years ago at this meeting. Almost three years ago, at the same meeting, I gave a presentation on A.C.'s father John Wesley Beaty, one of my great great great grandfathers. Two years ago, again at the same meeting, I gave a presentation about Peyton Thompson Burton, A.C.'s father-in-law and another of my great great grandfathers. Last November, one year ago, I gave a presentation about my great grandfather Reuben Winfield (Sock) Lee, Jr., A.C.'s son-in-law. This meeting tonight is a presentation of my great great grandfather Rueben Winfield Lee, Sr.

² The Lee Family Cemetery is located just past Cherokee Baptist Church. Go on past the church on Cherokee Valley Road for about a mile, and turn right on Leech Way. Go about 2.6 miles and look to the right toward the brush and trees. There are several marked graves here and 20-30 unmarked graves. There is a newer monument here with Rueben Sr., his wife Gilley, the infant Mary, and the daughter Hattie. Patrick Lee, my younger brother who was here today, paid for it.

³ Keowee Courier, 24 November 1909, page 8, column B.

...suits at Norman's store.
 —Miss Hattie E. Lee died at the home of her father, Reuben Lee, Sr., in the Cherokee section of Oconee, on Saturday night, November 22nd, after an illness of eight weeks. Miss Lee was 22 years of age. Ten months ago she was stricken with typhoid fever, to which she finally succumbed. She had been a member of Cherokee Baptist church from early childhood, and was a faithful, consistent Christian. On Sunday afternoon, November 14th, her body was laid to rest in the family burying ground, Rev. B. F. Murphy, her pastor, conducting the funeral services. She is survived by her father, Reuben Lee, Sr., now 62 years of age, three sisters and one brother, to whom the sympathy of numerous friends is extended.
 —New arrival ladies' shirts and waists at Norman's.

⁴ Keowee Courier, 23 October 1903, page 6, column E.

Tribute to Mrs. Reuben Lee, Sr.		TM
ital and hropolis Roosa Italian- Associa- Incor. v York, distribu- m lands Italian ng New in cities ulerick, who has Spain, tries, in be asso- ith him d busi- parts of coloniza ewhere	<p>The death angel has visited the home of Reuben Lee, Sr., and took his wife home to God. Mrs. Tilley Caroline Lee was born in Greenville on July 29, 1829, and died September 20, 1903. She was the daughter of the late John Ross. Mr. Ross came from Greenville to Oconee county in 1845. Mrs. Lee was a great sufferer from rheumatism for the past 17 years, but like a true Christian, she did not complain all the while.</p> <p>Thou hast gone, precious mother, Never more canst thou return, Thou shalt sleep a peaceful slumber Till the resurrection morn.</p> <p>Thou hast gone our precious mother, Never more we'll see thy face Till we meet thee over the river In that happy dwelling place.</p> <p>There we'll meet you, precious mother, There we'll sleep heads once more, When we've met in part never, On that happy, peaceful shore.</p> <p>—Hattie E. Lee.</p> <p>Rev. Lewis Ruth, Lsq.</p>	<p>By Char- cles Kens sa th It is lu & New and, 1 days, Carol the from tion pese scrib the b a we lar pe the 1 for al</p> <p>On Gala More way with stud- Byrd</p>

⁵ Keowee Courier, 17 April 1907, page 8, column B.

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LETTER FROM: George Bowie, 900 Cleo Chapman Hwy., Sunset, SC 2965-9436

Dear Linda, (I have combined two letters)

My present BOWIE interest is centered on what happened to the descendants of Major John Bowie, a nephew of George Bowie, founder of the New England Bowie Dynasty. I have thought that my direct line Bowie ancestors, arriving in Abbeville District in 1805, were the first in South Carolina. Several items have turned up to prove otherwise. R.W. Simpson, in his "History of Old Pendleton District" mentions, among others, practicing law were Bowie and Bowie. Early census records show some Bowies residing in Old Ninety-Six District, SC.

While this line of Bowies are not closely related, I would like to further my study of this line. In addition Major John's and my own family line there are three others for which I have more satisfying information.

My children often remind me that I can use thousands of well chosen words to say nothing. I fear they speak the truth. That said, I will close with best wishes to you and yours.

Your item in the November 2000 OPD Newsletter credited me with age eighty-six and mentioned some areas of my family and history interests. Also, I must confess to being partially disabled, home bound with a hearing problem. Phone conversations are unproductive. Unfortunately, I must rely on the written word, a mode in which I am somewhat handicapped.

In addition to my own family lines, I have a great interest in the BIG EASTATOE VALLEY; the scene of my birth and youthful years. My Lay-Anderson ancestors were very early, if not the first permanent settlers in the Valley.

I do not have a computer and I am not yet literate. My son, a project leader in the UNC, Chapel Hill computer operations, is trying to educate me and I look forward to replacing this Cannon Word Processor very soon. This processor had developed a mind of its own. It refuses to print some characters and to perform operations. Please excuse us.

(from Linda---Even though I have not met George, his letters are comical and I would imagine he is a very delightful and bubbly person)

All that having been said, the reason for this letter; The March Newsletter had a piece about Benjamin Hagood. That article brought to mind a piece; by my father, George Franklin Bowie (2) , published in Pickens County Heritage. **VIZ:**

HISTORY OF THE NIMMONS POST OFFICE by George Franklin Bowie (2)

In the year 1889 George Franklin Bowie (1) applied for a Post Office in Big Eastatoee Valley, Pickens County, South Carolina. Colonel Ben Hagood, who owned land in the community, assisted in obtaining the Post Office; and suggested the name Nimmons in honor of Colonel Bill Nimmons. George Franklin Bowie (1) was appointed acting postmaster but died before he could give bond.

A man, whose name is not remembered, was then appointed postmaster. The office ran smoothly until he ran away because he was afraid of some bootleggers who accused him of reporting them. His wife collected all the material, tied it up in her apron, and brought it back to Mrs George Franklin Bowie (1), the former Mary Harriet Nimmons. She gave bond and served as postmaster for twelve years. She then resigned and people of Eastatoee traveled to Hazel Post Office, a distance of four miles, to get their mail until 1902.

In 1902 Mrs Janie Robertson Bowie, wife of Erskin Calhoun Bowie and daughter-in-law of Harriet Bowie, reestablished the Nimmons Post Office and served for forty one years. She resigned 30 April 1943 because of ill health.

Mrs Grace Lewis Bowie, wife of George Franklin Bowie (2) and daughter-in-law of Harriet Nimmons Bowie, was appointed and served until 29 February 1960, the date of her retirement. The Nimmons Post Office was decommissioned on this date with operations being merged with the Sunset Post Office.

Thus the Nimmons Post Office has been in the Bowie family most of the time for the past seventy years.

Signed: George Franklin Bowie (2)

NOTE TO GEORGE BOWIE:

George,

I think the members of Old Pendleton would be delighted to have what you are willing to write or share of your family research and memories. I know your letters are very informative and it would be a waste to let all your knowledge of the people and places to be lost.

I will gladly publish anything you are willing to share. This way Herman Geschwind can pull names and dates of your family for the OP on-line Web site.

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December 7, 2000

Dear Linda,

I am pleased to report that my Quirie re Major John Bowie has produced some results.

Mary Mungo, a Reid descendant wrote with data taken from gravestones of both John and Rosa REID Bowie. The graves are located at Long Cane Cenetery near Abbeville. Also, from WILLS AND BONDS ABSTRACTS OF OLD NINETY-SIX AND ABBEVILLE DISTRICT: Will of Major John Bowie lists sons; George Jonathon, William, Alexander, and Samuel.

This information supports information from other sources not verified. When the New England kin lost contact, they knew of three sons: James, George and Alexander. Sources, not verified, tell that James died prior to 1 February 1820, the date the will as signed.

Number two son, George was a jurist Abbeville. Reportedly John C. Calhoun studied law in his office. Third son, Alexander, is said to have been Chancellor of Alabama. Perhaps, someone knows what that title encompasses.

From R. W. Simpsons HISTORY OF OLD PENDLETON DISTRICT; I read that Bowie and Bowie was one of the law firms in practice there.


More hearsay, not verified. I have been told of several Bowie graves in a church cemetery located in old Pickenville, just south of Easley.

Finding a present day descendant of this Bowie line would MAKE MY DAY!

Excuse the funny "eights". My old word processor has developed a mind of its own - refuses to print some characters and perform many previous applications. I have just obtained a computer and am in process of learning WINDOWS.

Again, joining OPD was a great move. In addition to the Bowie thing, I have heard from three distant relatives in far away places!

Many Regards.


George F. Bowie, Jr.