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Editor's page --

Of outstanding importance to both the Dallas Genealogical Society and The Dallas Quarterly, is the news that our Book Review Editor, Pat Schrader, and her husband, are returning to California to live. We will miss her and her very interesting reviews, but of course our best wishes go with them.

As you read The Dallas Quarterly, I hope you will note the names of those who contributed to this issue. It is through the efforts of Lloyd Bockstruck and the copying of the lists by Lea Markoff and others, that we can bring you the Recent Acquisition lists each quarter. These lists are eagerly awaited by DGS members and others.

The Commissioners' Court Minutes were contributed by Helen Lu who also researched to bring us several short articles as well as the Yeargan Bible. Other Bible Records were received from Sue Harris, and Carol Stanglin. Letters were sent us by Dorothy English.

We appreciate the work of abstracting the Dallas County Court House Deeds, which was done in 1982, the Chairperson for this task was Clytes A. Cullar, and those who assisted with the deeds in the March 1985 issue were Ruth Williams, Jean Hudon, Joyce Murray, Ann Wright Williams and C. D. Bailey.

Those sending Queries are named in that section, adjacent to the information they are seeking.

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Sincerely,

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A short article from The Texas Wesleyan Banner dated 12 July,
1851, Vol. III, No. 3, contributed by Helen M. LU:

"A correspondent of 'The Galveston News' writes from Dallas:

"CROPS IN DALLAS COUNTY

"I have never seen in any county finer prospects for
crops of corn, oats and cotton than we have here at this
time. The wheat crop is made and generally saved; it is
equal in quality to any I have ever seen, and in quantity per
acre, is but very little short of the best Virginia crops.
When the country is older and the wild nature is gone out of
the soil, I believe the crops will full equal those of the
best wheat-growing countries in the United States."

Another article, also contributed by Helen M. LU:
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COMMISSIONERS' COURT MINUTES

DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS

JAN. 1853 - JULY 1854

CONTRIBUTED BY HELEN M. LU

continued from December 1984 issue:

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Monday, 16 May 1853

Be it Remembered that upon this the 16th May 1853 the Hon. County Court of Dallas County Met at the Clerks Office in the Town of Dallas, pursuant to Adjournment, Present Hon. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice James CHAPMAN, W. M. CHENAULT and J. H. HALFORD, Commissioners, T. C. HAWPE, Sheriff and W. W. PEAK Dep. Clk.

Now at this time Comes J. C. McCOY and presents an A/C as Attorney for Dallas County in a suit instituted by A. G. WALKER VS. Dallas County. It is therefore Ordered by the Court that said McCOY be allowed the sum of \$50. as such Attorney and that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 359 Issued.

Now at this time Comes N. G. BLASINGIM and presents the receipt of the County Treasurer for the Tax levied upon BLASINGIM's Ferry, Together with his Bond, which bond is received and approved by the Court and License Ordered to issue to said BLASINGIM to keep said Ferry for Nine Months from this date, and be Authorized to Charge and receive the same rates of Ferriage as heretofore established by the Hon. County Court of Dallas County, for the Ferry Across the Trinity River At Dallas. Issued.

Now at this time Comes A. J. PAUL and presents a New Bond As Constable in Precinct No. 6, Dallas County which is received and approved by the Court and Ordered to be filed and Recorded.

Ordered that Court Stand Adjourned until tomorrow 9 O'Clock.
Attest: W. W. PEAK, Dep. Clk.

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Tuesday, May 17th A. D. 1853

Court Met pursuant to Adjournment, Present as on Yesterday.

Now at this time Comes N. F. STRATTON and Presents to the Court A New Bond As Assessor & Collector of Dallas County, which Bond is received and approved by the Court And Ordered to be filed and Recorded.

Now at this time comes A.G.WALKER and presents his Official Bond as Notary Public for Dallas County, which bond is received and approved by the Court and Ordered to be filed and Recorded.

Now at this time Comes John LANIER and presents his Official Bond As Notary Public for Dallas County which bond is received and Approved by the Court And Ordered to be filed and Recorded.

Ordered by the Court that road precinct No.3 be so Changed as to Comprise the following limits to Wit: Beginning on Five Mile Creek two miles east of SLOAN's crossing, Thence in a Southerly direction running parallel with the Austin Road (Via MILLER's Store) to the County line at a Point two Miles East of where said Road Crosses said line, Thence East with said line to the Trinity River, Thence up said River to MARKHAM's Ferry, Thence west to the place of beginning. Issued.

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Ordered by the Court that Road Precinct No. 5 be so Changed As to Comprise the following limits (To wit) Beginning on Five Mile Creek One Mile West of SLOAN's Crossing, thence up said Creek on the South side to Powell NARBOE's, Thence to BELLS, MAYS and DOLLIN's, Thence South to the County line, Thence East with said line to a point one Mile west of the Widow KIRKLANDS place, thence in a Northerly direction parallel with the Austin Road (Via MILLERS Store) to the place of Beginning. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that Isham BROWDER be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor of Road precinct No. 8, and that he work all roads therein as required by law, for 9 Months from this date, and that all hands in said Precinct work under his Supervision. Issued, Amended Aug. 53.

Ordered by the Court that Wm. EDMONSON be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor of Road Precinct No. 10 And that he work all Roads therein as required by law, for 9 Months from this date and that all hands in said precinct work under his Supervision. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that Ellis C. THOMAS be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor of Road precinct No. 11 and that he work all Roads therein as required by law for 9 Months from this date, and that all hands in said precinct work under his Supervision. Issued.

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Ordered by the Court that A. W. PERRY be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor of Road Precinct No. 13, and that he work all Roads therein as required by law for 9 Months from this date and that all hands in said Precinct work under his Supervision. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that John RICHARDS be and he is hereby appointed Supervisor of Road precinct No. 15, and that he work all Roads therein As required by law for 9 Months from this date and that all hands in said precinct work under his Supervision. Issued.

Ordered by the Court Thomas ROPER be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor of Road precinct No. 17 and that he work all Roads therein as required by law for 9 Months from this date, and that all hands in said precinct work under his Supervision. Issued.

It is Ordered by the Court that A. W. HAUGHT, G. W. BAIRD, S. B. PRYOR, Wm. CHENAULT and Wesley M. CHENAULT be and they are hereby Appointed Patrol for Dallas Precinct for the ensuing 3 Months and that A. HAUGHT Act As Captain of Said Patrols. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that A. HARWOOD be Allowed the sum of \$39 as per A/C. filed and that the County Treasurer pay the same Out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. Issued S 48 No 350.

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Ordered by the Court that C. M. & W. W. PEAK be allowed the sum of \$18.75 as per A/C. filed and that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 361 Issued.

Ordered by the Court that Edw'd C. BROWDER be allowed the sum of \$37.10, as per A/C filed and that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 362 Issued.

Whereas the Legislature of the State of Texas did release unto the several Counties Composing said State the Taxes for the year 1852 and the Assessor of Dallas County having in Conformity with the laws of said state, Assessed the property of said County, and Whereas the State of Texas having refused to pay Wm. M. LENARD the Assessor of said County his Commission for the same, It is Ordered by the Court that said LENARD be Allowed the sum of \$77.04 being the Amount of Commission for Assessing the Property of said County as aforesaid and that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 363 Issued.

Now at this time Comes A. D. RICE Treasurer of Dallas County And presents his Quarterly A/C. of the Condition of Finances Of Said County, and the Court being satisfied that said A/C. is Correct it is received and Approved by the Court and Ordered to be filed.

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Ordered that the Members of this Court receive their per diem pay for Attendance at the present term of this Court and that the County Treasurer pay the same as follows, (To Wit)

No. 364 (S.49) J. W. LATIMER C. J.	2 days	3.00
No. 365 (S.50) J. H. HALFORD)	" "	3.00
No. 366 (S.51) Jas. CHAPMAN) Comr's	" "	3.00
No. 367 (S.52) W. M. CHENAULT)	" "	3.00

Ordered that Court Stand Adjourned until Court in Course. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice. Attest: W. W. PEAK, Dep. Clk.

Vacation 18th June 1853

It is Ordered by the Chief Justice that a Citation issue to James CHAPMAN, J. H. HALFORD and W. M. CHENAULT County Comr's. requiring them to be and appear at the Clerks Office in the town of Dallas on Saturday the 25th, Inst. At the hour

of ten O'Clock A.M. for the purpose of holding A special term of Court. J. W. LATIMER, C.J. Attest: A. HARWOOD, Clk.

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Dallas Texas, June 25th, 1853

Be it remembered that upon this day the Hon'1 County Court Met in Called Session, Present J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice, James CHAPMAN & J. H. HALFORD, Commissioners, T. C. HAWPE Sheriff And A. HARWOOD, Clerk.
Court opened by the Sheriff when the following proceedings were had.

Now at this time Comes N. T. STRATTON and presents the petition of Numerous Citizens praying for the Appointment of reviewers to review A Road Commencing at Shelton Bluff on the Trinity River And running on the Nearest and best route past Lancaster And Wm. RAWLINS Mill, to the County line in the direction of Fort Graham.

Whereupon it is Ordered by the Court that Thos. CAMPBELL, Jas. LEWIS, Jones GREEN, Jno. M. RAWLINS and Milton RAWLINS be and they are hereby appointed Reviewers to review said road and due report Make to this Court at Next term. Issued.

It is Ordered by the Court that the Clerk be instructed to issue a Special Draft to N. M. LENARD for an A/C. Allowed him at last term. Issued. S. 53.

It is Ordered by the Court that the Bond of Jas. HORTON as Constable of Precinct No. 2 heretofore filed with T.V.GRIFFIN And S. DURRETT as his securities, be approved and recorded.

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It is Ordered by the Court that the Bond of Jas. H.SWINDELL'S as a Notary Public heretofore filed with Nat M. BURFORD And A. G. WALKER as his securities be Approved AND RECORDED.

Now at this time Comes N. T. STRATTON, Assessor & Collector for said County of Dallas And presents his Assessment Rolls for the Current Year which after being examined And Compared by the Court and properly Certified And a Copy thereof Ordered to be filed.

Now at this time Comes N. T. STRATTON and presents his list of Delinquent Tax payers amounting to \$140.67 3/4 which after being examined by the Court is received properly, Certified and a Copy thereof Ordered to be filed.

It is Ordered by the Court that T. C. HAWPE, Shff. be Allowed the sum of \$220.70 for keeping prisoners & c. As per A/C. filed and that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. Issued No. 379 \$13. Issued to Patterson Balance to Hawpe.

It is Ordered by the Court that the following persons be allowed the Amounts Severally Annexed to their Names for Guarding Jail & c. as per statement of Shff. filed and that the County Treas. pay the same out of any funds Not Otherwise

Appropriated.

No. 380	Issued Geo. CONAGY	16 days	\$ 16.00
No. 381	Issued Hiram ZACHRY	do	16.00
No. 382	Issued Wm. MAHAN	3 "	3.00
No. 383	Issued Robt. HUNT	10 "	10.00
No. 384	Issued to HAWPE - PHILLIPS	7 "	7.
No. 385	Henry SUTCLIFFE	3 "	3.

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It is Ordered by the Court that A. M. MOORE be allowed \$12. as per A/C. filed and restated And that the County Treasurer pay the same Out of any fund, Not Otherwise Appropriated. Iss'd, No. 423.

It is Ordered by the Court that N. T. STRATTON be allowed \$35. as per A/C filed and that the Clk. issue special Draft for the same. Issued.

It is Ordered that Court stand Adjourned until Court in Course.
J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice Attest: A. HARWOOD, Clk.

Monday 15th, Aug. A. D. 1853.

Be it remembered that upon this day the Hon. County Court Met at the Clerks Office in the town of Dallas pursuant to Adjournment. Present Hon. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice, J. M. CROCKETT, J. H. HALFORD & E. P. NICHOLSON, Commissioners, T. C. HAWPE, Shff, and W. W. PEAK, Deputy Clerk.

It is Ordered by the Court that G. W. BAIRD, Wm. B. MILLER, J. B. ROBINSON, John SEARS and A. BEARD be and they are hereby Appointed Reviewers to review A Road on the Most practicable route from the town of Dallas, Crossing the Trinity River at Honey Spring to OVERTONS New Mill, Thence to intersect the Austin Road At Or Near M. M. MILLERS, and due report thereof, Make to this Court at its Next term. Issued.

Now at this time A. D. RICE County Treasurer and presents his Quarterly A/C. of the Condition of the Finances of Dallas County. And the Court being satisfied that said A/C is Correct, It is Ordered that said report be received and approved and filed.

Ordered by the Court that A. HARWOOD be allowed the sum of \$39.45 as per A/C filed and that the Co. Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Approved. No. 368 S. 54 Issued.

Ordered by the Court that C. M. & W. W. PEAK be allowed the sum of \$18.75 as per A/C filed and that the Co. Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 369 Issued.

Ordered by the Court that J. W. LATIMER be allowed the sum of \$5. as per A/C. filed And that the Co. Treasurer pay the same out of any funds Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 370 S.55 Iss'd.

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Ordered by the Court that S. B. PRYOR be Allowed the sum of

\$12, for Record Book, and that the Co. Treasurer pay the same out of any funds Not Otherwise Appropriated. No.371, S.56 Iss'd.

It is Ordered by the Court that the Public Highway heretofore established at the Feb. Term A.D. 1851 of the Hon. County Court, leading from the Southern Boundary of Dallas County, (in the direction of Waxahachie) to the town of Dallas, Be and the same is hereby No. longer a Public Highway and the Order establishing it as such is hereby annulled.
Ordered that Court stand Adjourned until tomorrow Morning 10 O'Clock.
Attest: W. W. PEAK, Dep. Clk.

Tuesday 16th, Aug. 1853.

Court Met pursuant to Adjournment, Present as on Yesterday with the Addition of Jas. CHAPMAN Commissioner.

Ordered by the Court that T. C. HAWPE Shff. be Allowed \$50. for Exoff. services as per A/C. filed and that the Co. Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 372 Issued.

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Ordered by the Court that Road Precinct No. 11 be so Changed as to Constitute the following limits, that part of T. I. N. R. 1 E. East of the Road known as WALKERS Road, And that part of T. I. N. R. 2 E. West of White Rock including White Rock Creek & bottom, And that Wm. BARTON be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor for said Road Precinct, And that he work all Roads therein as required by law for Six Months from date and that all hands therein work under his Supervision. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that that part of T. I. W. R. 1 E. East of the Old Colony line to the Road known as the WALKER Road including said Road and William JENKINS Constitute Road Precinct No. 20 and that Francis DANIEL be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor of said Precinct, and that he work all Roads therein as required by law and that all the hands in said Precinct work under his Supervision. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that Road Precinct No. 8, be so Changed As to Constitute the following limits, Beginning at George COX's thence to A. CARNERS, Thence to Daniel HELVEYS, thence down Prairie Creek to the Mouth, thence down the Trinity River to the County line, thence Along the County line to the Mouth of South Mesquite Thence up said Creek to the place of Beginning.

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Ordered by the Court, that Road Precinct No. 9 be so Changed, as to Constitute the following limits, Beginning at the National Road, where it Crosses South Mesquite Creek, Thence with said Road to the County line, Thence down the East Fork of Trinity River to the Mouth of South Mesquite Creek, Thence up said Creek to the place of Beginnings And that J. M. BENNETT be and he is hereby Appointed Supervisor of said Precinct, that he work all Roads therein as required by law

and that all the hands in said Precinct work under his Supervision. Amended 22 Feb. 1854, Issued.

Ordered by the Court that J. M. HARDING be and he is hereby appointed Supervisor of Road Precinct No. 8, And that he work all Roads in said Precinct as required by law, And that all the hands in said Precinct work under his Supervision. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that Whereas the Reviewers heretofore Appointed to Review a Road leading from White Rock Bridge to Parson's Crossing on the East Fork of the Trinity River, having failed to Review said Road, Hardy BENNETT, Samuel HAUGHT, Joel ROBERTSON, A. M. DANIELL And George GLOVER, Are hereby Appointed Reviewers to Review said Route, and due report Make to this Court. Issued.

It is Ordered by the Court that the Clerk be instructed to issue a special Draft for the amount allowed to W. H. BEEMAN & Elizabeth BRYAN at the Nov. Term A. D. 1852 of this Court. Issued N. 341 S. 62.

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Ordered by the Court that T. C. HAWPE, A. COCKRELL, A. G. WALKER, A. HAUGHT, And Joseph PARKER be and they are hereby Appointed Reviewers to Review and determine the Most practicable Route for the Road leading from Fort Worth Via Johnson's Station, and the Residence of D. R. CAMERON in the direction of the Town of Dallas, to where it shall intersect the Dallas and Waxahachie Road.

Ordered by the Court that E. C. BROWDER, Ashton CARTER, S. B. PRYOR, W. M. CHENAULT And William CHENAULT be and they are hereby Appointed Patrols for Dallas Precinct for the ensuing 3 Months and that E. C. BROWDER Act as Captain of said Patrols. Issued.

on Motion of Jno. M. CROCKETT it was Ordered by the Court that A public highway be And the same is hereby established. Beginning at the West Bank of the Trinity River at the town of Dallas running down the river to Near the Mouth of Coombs Creek, thence up said Creek on the North side to the Bridge, thence up the south side on the most practicable Route, to the Residence of J. M. CROCKETT, thence by Geo. L. LENARDS residence to the residence of Wm. H. HORD, Thence Crossing Cedar Creek, and on the Nearest And Most practicable Route to Samuel SLOAN'S passing along the West side of his field, Crossing Five Mile Creek And thence on the Nearest and Most practicable Route to the Town of Lancaster, Thence Crossing Ten Mile Creek on the Nearest and Most practicable Route to the Widow KIRKLAND on

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Bear Creek, said Road to run as Near upon the Old Road Now traveled as will Conform to this description And the same to the permanently established And to be Called the Waxahachie And Austin Road and Road No. 1. On Motion of Jno. M. CROCKETT It was Ordered by the Court, that the Road Now established

from Dallas to Fort Worth, by COCKRELL'S Bridge on Mountain Creek and JOHNSON'S Station be denominated Road No. 2 And Called the Fort Worth Road.

Now at this time Came into Court A. G. WALKER, A. COCKRELL And T. C. HAWPE the Reviewers heretofore appointed to Review and determine the Most practicable Route for the Road from leading from Dallas Via COCKRELL'S Bridge & c. to Fort Worth, and Made the following Report, The undersigned Reviewers Beg leave to Report, that in their opinion the Road should go as it Now does until it reaches Jno. M. CROCKETT'S, Thence in a straight direction to the N. W. Corner of his Field, leaving it on the left hand, Thence to the S. E. Corner of J. B. ROBINSON'S field, thence to Nelson COOMBS leaving his farm on the right, Thence direct to Richland WILSON'S, old place, thence direct to D. R. CAMERON'S, thence with the Old Road to COCKRELL'S Bridge, Which report is received and approved by the Court and said Road declared A Public Highway.

On Motion of Jno. M. CROCKETT, it was Ordered that the Road Now established to Bass Mill and from thence to BAGGETT'S on the Mountain be denominated Road No. 3, Beginning at the Fort Worth Road about 1/2 Mile West of J. N. COOMBS' farm and Called the Mountain Road, said above designated Roads to be 1st Class Roads.

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Ordered that all the hands within the bounds of Road Precinct No. 2 be and they are hereby Ordered to work on Road No. 1 from the River at Dallas to the Centre of the Channel of Five Mile Creek, and that the boundary of said Precinct be so Changed as to read as follows, Beginning at the Mouth of Coombs Creek, at the Trinity River, thence up said Creek to its source, thence in a direct line to where the Old Austin Road from Dallas to PATTONS Crosses Five Mile Creek, Thence down said Creek to its Mouth, And up the Trinity River to the Beginning.

Ordered that all the hands in Road Precinct No. 19 be and they are hereby required to work on that portion of Road No. 1 - Beginning at the Centre of the Channel of Five Mile Creek, and extending to the County line and that the Boundary of said Precinct be changed so as to read as follows - Beginning on the Old Austin Road from Dallas to PATTON'S at a point where said Road Crosses 5 Mile Creek, thence with said Road to the County line, thence with the County line East to a point 2 Miles East of Mrs. KIRKLAND'S, thence parallel with the Waxahachie road North to Five Mile Creek thence up said Creek to the Beginning.

Ordered by the Court that the Members of this Court be allowed their per diem pay for their Attendance at the present term as follows:

Iss'd.No.	373-S-57	J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice	2 days	\$3.00
Iss'd."	374-S-58	J. H. HALFORD, Commissioner	" "	3.00
Iss'd."	375-S-59	E. P. NICHOLSON	" "	3.00
Issued"	376-S-60	J. M. CROCKETT	" "	3.00
Issued"	377-S-61	Jas. CHAPMAN	" "	1.50

Ordered that Court stand Adjourned until Court in Course.
Attest: W. W. PEAK, Dpe. Clk.

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Friday, 26th, August 1853

Upon this day the Hon. County Court for the County of Dallas and State of Texas, Met in Call session at the Clerks Office in the Town of Dallas. Present, J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice - E. P. NICHOLSON, J. H. HALFORD and Jno. M. CROCKETT Commissioners, T. C. HAWPE Sheriff and W. W. PEAK, Dpe. Clk.

On Motion of Jno. M. CROCKETT, It was Ordered by the Court that N. T. STRATTON, Assessor and Collector of Dallas County be Cited to appear before this Court at A Call Term thereof, to be holden at the Clerks Office in the Town of Dallas on Thursday the 8th, day of September Next (A. D. 1853) and submit to said Court his Books and Accounts, and show Cause if any he knows why he has not made his reports to the regular term of this Court as the law directs - and why he has not assessed the lands of said County for Taxes and otherwise satisfy this Court of the Revenue of the County.

Ordered by the Court that A. M. KEEN be and he is hereby authorized to locate the School lands belonging to Dallas County, And that he shall be paid at the rates of \$6 per Mile for locating the same on performance of said work.

Ordered that Court stand Adjourned until Court in Course.
J. W. LATIMER, Chf. Justice, Attest: W. W. PEAK Dpe. Clk.

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Thursday 8th, September 1853.

Upon this day the Hon. County Court of Dallas County Met at the Clerks Office in the Town of Dallas in Special Session, Present, Hon. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice, Jno. M. CROCKETT, Jas. CHAPMAN And E. P. NICHOLSON, Comr's, T. C. HAWPE, Sheriff And W. W. PEAK Dpe. Clk.

Now at this time Comes into Court, Thomas A. PHILLIPS and presents a petition signed by Numerous Citizens of the County praying for the Review of A Road leading from SHELTON'S Bluff on the Trinity River running North East on the Nearest and Most practicable Route to intersect the National Road At the Crossing on Duck Creek, It is therefore Ordered that Thos. PHILLIPS, Wm. PRUITT, Solomon CARVER, Wm. STEWART and George COX, be, and they are hereby Appointed Reviewers to Review said proposed Route and due report thereof Make to this Court, the Above Named Reviewers to be exempt from Working on Said Road so far as the pay which they are entitled to receive for said review shall extend. Iss'd.

Now at this time Comes into Court John H. DANIELS And presents his Bond as Constable in Precinct No. 1, which is received and approved by the Court And Ordered to be filed and recorded.

Ordered by the Court that A. C. HAUGHT be allowed the sum of

\$6.25, as per A/C. filed and that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 378 Iss'd.

Now at this time Comes into Court Nelson T. STRATTON, Assessor And Collector of Dallas County in Answer to a Citation issued Against him,

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at the last term of this Court and presents A report of the Condition of the Revenue of this County which was received and Approved by the Court and Ordered to be filed.

Now at this time Came into Court H. M. RAWLINS, Thos. J. CAMPBELL And Jones GREEN, the Reviewers heretofore Appointed (June 1853) to Review A Road leading from SHELTON's Bluff on the Trinity River - Via Lancaster and RAWLIN's Mill on Ten Mile Creek to the County line, in the direction of Fort Graham and Submit the following Report (Viz) said Reviews proceeded in Accordance with the said Orders of Court to SHELTON's Bluff On the Trinity River And Commend the View of said Road, that they run said road in a S.W. direction to the N.E. Corner of Henry KEITTEY's field, Thence along said field to its N.W. Corner thence in the same direction to Lancaster Crossing KELLER's branch Near the S.E. Corner of sd. KELLER's farm, Thence Nearly West to RAWLINS Mill on Ten Mile Creek, Crossing the deep branch at the Meeting Ground, Thence Crossing ten Mile Creek at the Crossing on said Creek, About 600 yards west of said RAWLIN's Mill, Thence the traveled route to the first Crossing on BEAR creek Above Perry HALEMAN's field - Thence Westward to the County line Near Josiah PORTER's farm.

Some Objections being Made to the Above report said Reviewers Amended the Report, to read as follows: To leave the above named review at the Lancaster ferriage and there run west along the division line of land between M. M. MILLER's and D. C. HALL to a point on said line One hundred and Fifty Yards distant from where said division line strikes the deep branch, from thence running

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to said deep branch to A Convenient point for Crossing say, at the Mouth of Wm. HANCE's Spring branch, Thence running west Along the Northern boundary of said MILLER's Land until it intersects the line of review as above Mentioned, in the report to which this is An Amendment.

It is ordered by the Court that the Court stand Adjourned until Court in Course. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice, Attest: W. W. PEAK, Dep. Clk.

Saturday 15th, October A. D. 1853.

Be it remembered that upon this day the Hon. County Court for the County of Dallas Met in special Session at the Clerks Office in the Town of Dallas, Present Hon. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice, Jno. M. CROCKETT & E. B. NICHOLSON,

Commissioners, T. C. HAWPE, Sheriff & W. W. PEAK, Deputy Clerk.

Ordered by the Court that whereas N. T. STRATTON, Assessor & Collector of Dallas County having failed to Make his Quarterly Settlement with the County Treasurer & Otherwise failing to perform the duties of Assessor & Collector as required by Law,) J. W. LATIMER, E. P. NICHOLSON & J. M. CROCKETT be and they are hereby Authorized to Institute Suit Against said N. T. STRATTON in the District Court for the Amount due said County from said Assessor & Collector.

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Ordered by the Court that the Clerk of this Court is hereby Authorized to examine the Assessment Rolls, papers, Accounts & c. of N. T. STRATTON Assessor & Collector of Dallas County, And that he report to this Court at its Next term, all, (if any) errors he find therein.

Ordered by the Court that the Clerk of this Court Ascertain, And due report thereof Make to this Court, the No. of lots that was donated to this County by J. N. & Margaret BRYAN - the No. sold by the Commissioners & for what amt. the amt. expended of the same for the use of the County, the amt. of Money still in the hands of Commissioners, the Amt. of said Money due & Not Collected, And the No. of lots Not sold.

Ordered that Court stand Adjourned until Court in Course, J. N. LATIMER, Chief Justice, Attest: W. W. PEAK, Dpe. Clk.

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Monday Nov. 21st, A. D. 1853.

Be it Remembered that upon this 21st, day of Nov. 1853, the Hon. County Court Met At the Clerks Office in the town of Dallas, pursuant to An Adjournment. Present J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice, J. H. HALFORD, Jno. M. CROCKETT & E. P. NICHOLSON, Commissioners & T. C. HAWPE, Shff. & W. W. PEAK, Deputy Clerk, when the following proceedings were had.

Ordered by the Court that A. HARWOOD Clerk be allowed the sum of \$42.35 as per A/C. filed and that the County Treasurer pay the same amt. if any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 386 S 63 Iss'd.

Ordered by the Court that A. HARWOOD be allowed the sum of \$20. As per A/C filed And that the County Treasurer pay the same amt. of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 387 S 64 Issued.

Ordered by the Court that C. M. & W. W. PEAK be allowed the sum of \$18.75 for House Rent and that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 388 Iss'd.

Ordered by the Court that A. GAUHENOUT be allowed the sum of \$20. for House Rent, per A/C. filed and that the County Treasurer pay the said Amt. out of Any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 389 S 65 Issued.

Ordered by the Court that E. C. BROWDER be allowed the sum of \$75. for exofficio services as Dist. Clerk up to this time And that the County Treasurer pay the same out of any funds in his hands Not Otherwise Appropriated. No. 390 Iss'd.

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Ordered by the Court that the A/C heretofore Allowed by this Court to Jno. C. McCOY for the sum of \$50. for services as Attorney for Dallas County in a suit instituted by A. G. WALKER Vs. said County, be and the same is hereby Made receivable in payment of County License Tax. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that T. C. HAWPE, Wm. B. MILLER, Wm. WYATT & J. C. McCOY be and they are hereby Appointed Reviewers to Review a route running from Dallas Via Honey Springs intersecting the Austin Road At of Near the Residence of M. M. MILLER and due report thereof make to this Court.

Now at this time Comes into Court the reviewers heretofore appointed to Review a Route from Dallas Via the Honey Springs intersecting the Austin Road at or Near M. M. MILLER's Residence and submit the following report, (Viz):

The State of Texas) In County Court
County of Dallas) Nov'r Term, A. D. 1853
To the Hon. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice And County Com'r,
Composing the County Court for Dallas County Texas,

The undersigned three of the Reviewers appointed at this term of the Court to Review the proper Route running from Dallas Via the Honey Springs, intersecting the Austin Road at or Near the residence of M. M. MILLER would respectfully beg leave to report that they have, in Obedience to said Order of the County Court, of Appointment reviewed the same as follows, Beginning at the Town

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of Dallas running thence East Along the National or Shreveport Road to the bridge on the branch near the edge of the prairie, Thence turning to the right leaving the field of Col. J. B. McDURMITS in the prairie to the left, Continuing thence in a Southeasterly direction Crossing Mill Creek Branch to the prairie known as the Long Neck Prairie, Thence along a path in a Southerly direction to the Red Banks, Thence in a South Easterly direction to about 2100 yards beyond the Bluff Springs or CROCKETTS Spring, Thence South to the bank of the river Crossing the same Just below the Mouth of MILLERS Spring branch, Thence in Southerly direction Via W. P. OVERTON's Mill to the Post Oak Grove, Thence in a Southerly Course leaving the residence and farm of N.B. MILLER on the west, to the West Corner of Rv. SLOAN's small field, Thence in the same direction to the New ford on five Mile Creek Near 3/4 of a mile East of the ford at Sam SLOAN's, Thence in a direct line in the same direction intersecting the Old road to Austin about half A Mile North of Mr. Thomas HARRIS residence and farm. They further Report that said Road if Opened would be of great public utility all of which is respectfully submitted Nov. 21st, 1853.

T. C. HAWPE, William WYATT, W. B. MILLER
Ordered by the Court that Adam C. HAUGHT be and he is hereby

Appointed Supervisor of Road Precinct No. 1, And that he work all roads therein as required by law for 3 Months from this date and that all the hands in said precinct work under his Supervision. Iss'd.

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Ordered by the Court that, Albert CARVER, Samuel HAUGHT, Joel ROBERTS, A. M. DANNUELL & John PIKE be and they are hereby Appointed Reviewers to Review A Route, Commencing at the Residence of J. J. BEEMAN, Thence running to Sall CARVERS on the Nearest and best ground, passing his Residence on the North, Thence to the South end of the Vivian Prairie, to intersect the Old County Road, Thence with said Road to Paddy's Point, Thence on the Nearest Route to the County line in the direction of PARSONS Crossing on the East Fork, And due report Make to this Court at the Next term thereof.

Ordered by the Court that M. L. SWING, W. C. MURPHY, A. GAUHENOUT, B. W. STONE and John MERRIFIELD & Walter CARUTH be and they are hereby Appointed Patrolls for Dallas precinct, for the ensuing 3 Months & that M. L. SWING Act as Captain of said Patrolls.

Now at this time Comes into Court A. D. RICE Co. Treasurer and presents his Quarterly Report of the Condition of the Finances of Dallas County Which Report after A Careful examination is Received and Approved by the Court and Ordered to be filed.

It is Ordered by the Court that the Report of the Reviewers heretofore Appointed to review A Route Running from the town of Dallas Via the Honey Springs, intersecting the Austin Road at or Near the Residence of M. M. MILLER be and the same is hereby received, And that said Route Or Road is hereby declared A Public Highway.

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Ordered that Court stand Adjourned until Tomorrow Morning 9 O'Clock. Attest - W. W. PEAK, Dpy. Clk.

Tuesday, 22 Novr. A. D. 1853

Court Met pursuant to Adjournment, Present as on yesterday.

It is Ordered by the Court that A. C. HAUGHT, Supervisor of Road Precinct No. 1, be and he is hereby Authorized And required to present at once with the hands in said precinct to Cut out, Mark and remove all obstructions from the following described Route (Viz) Beginning at the Town of Dallas running thence East Along the National or Shreveport Road, to the bridge on the branch Near the Edge of the Prairie, Thence turning to the right leaving the field of Col. J. B. McDERMOTT in the Prairie to the left, Continuing there in A South Easterly direction, Crossing Mill Creek Branch, to the Prairie known as the Long Neck Prairie, Thence along a path in a Southerly direction to the Red Banks, Thence in a South Easterly direction, to about 200 yards beyond the Bluff Springs, Thence South to the bank of the river, Just below the Mouth of MILLERS Spring Branch.

It is Ordered by the Court that Wm. B. MILLER, Supervisor of Road Precinct No. 2 be and he is hereby Authorized And required to proceed at once with the hands in said precinct, to Cut and Mark and remove all Obstructions from the following described Route Viz, Beginning at A point on

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the bank of Trinity River Appointe where the Dallas Road Via of Honey Springs & c. strikes the Bank of said River (Viz) Just below the Mouth of MILLERS Spring Branch, Thence in a Southerly direction Via W. P. OVERTON's Mill, to the Post Oak Grove, Thence in a Southerly Course leaving the residence and farm of W. B. MILLER on the West to the west Corner of Robert SLOANS small field, Thence in the same direction to the Center of the Channel of Five Mile Creek at the New Ford Near 3/4 of a Mile East of the ford at Samuel SLOAN's. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that John LEWIS, Supervisor of Road Precinct No. 19 be and he is hereby Authorized and required to proceed at once with the hands in said precinct to Cut out Mark and remove all Obstructions from the following described Route (Viz) Beginning at a point in the Centre of the Channel of Five Mile Creek at the New ford Near 3/4 of a Mile East of the ford at Sam'l SLOANS Thence in a direct line, and in a Southerly Course intersecting the old Austin Road about half a Mile North of the Residence & farm of Thomas HARRIS. Issued.

Ordered by the Court that the following Members of the Court be allowed their per diem pay as follows,

Iss'd. S.66 - 391 J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice	2 days	\$ 3.00
Iss'd. S.67 - 392 J. H. HALFORD Commissioner	" "	3.00
Iss'd. S.68 - 393 Jno. M. CROCKETT	" "	3.00
Iss'd. S.69 - 394 E. P. NICHOLSON	" "	3.00

Ordered that Court stand Adjourned until Court in Course.

Attest: W. W. PEAK, Dpy. Clk. J. W. LATIMER, Chief Justice

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A short article from the Texas Wesleyan Banner dated 12 July, 1851, Vol. III, No. 3, contributed by Helen M. LU:

"A correspondent of 'The Galveston News' writes from Dallas:
"CROPS IN DALLAS COUNTY

"I have never seen in any county finer prospects for crops of corn, oats and cotton than we have here at this time. The wheat crop is made and generally saved; it is equal in quality to any I have ever seen, and in quantity per acre, is but very little short of the best Virginia crops. When the country is older and the wild nature is gone out of the soil, I believe the crops will full equal those of the best wheat-growing counties in the United States."

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DALLAS COUNTY DEED BOOK

BOOK "B"

continued:

p. 134: J. L. SAMSON and Stephen B. McCOMMAS gave a Quit Claim Deed to William P. CARDER for soldier's claims, on 17 Mar 1849. These six claims included two claims for land scrip, two claims for lost horses and two claims for arrearage pay, claims on behalf of C. C. CARDER & Elijah S. CARDER. J. L. SAMPSON's and Stephen B. MCCOMMAS' signature witnessed by Jno. W. SMITH Clk. C. C. & J. M. CROCKETT, D. C. Deed recorded 14 May 1849.

p. 135 & 136: W. L. BEATY gave a Deed of Trust to Samuel SLOAN et al on 5 June 1846 to ten acres on the west side of the Trinity River, between it and Five Mile Creek (being part of a Survey made for W. S. BEATY of 640 acres of land) containing 10 acres or more. Deed provided that Trustees Samuel SLOAN, Lenan and Aron OVERTON were to establish settlement, use timber to build church or churches, burial ground, school house, and preserve land where brother is buried, also if above Trustees die or fail to perform, and settlement is not established, the land shall forever remain open to public. W. L. BEATY signed in presence of P. J. PILLANS, N. P. Recorded 15 May 1849.

p. 137 & 138: On 16 May 1849 J. N. BRYAN gave bond to Smith ELKINS for \$400, of which \$100 was paid immediately and the balance was covered by a promissory note, payable when title was made for Lots number 8 in Blk number 2 in Town of Dallas, TX. J. N. BRYAN's signature was witnessed by Jno. W. SMITH & Jno. M. CROCKETT, D. C.

p. 138 (139): Fourteen hundred, seventy-six acres of land in Dallas County changed hands when Moses M. HUGHES of Navarro Co gave to John WELCH, also of Navarro Co, a deed in consideration of \$1,476. This land was part of headright survey of James HUGHES on waters of Cedar Bluff or Mountain Creek. Moses M. HUGHES' signature was witnessed 26 Mar 1849 by Wm. HAMILTON and Wm. SMITH, Notarized by S. C. CROSS and Recorded 18 May 1849.

p. 139 (140) On 31 Oct 1848, Ruth Ann EDENS received from Balis EDENS, of Anderson Co, Administrator of the John GRIGSBY Estate, a deed for 320 acres described as Lot No. 2 of GRIGSBY plat, bounded by Survey of James A. SYLVESTER. This was a release of Estate Land to Ruth Ann EDENS, as Heir. Witness to Balis EDENS' signature was James A. HARRIS and D. H. EDENS. Recorded 23 May 1849.

p. 141 (142): Five hundred acres of land, representing Lot 7 of GRIGSBY plat, was transferred by Deed to Emeline GRIGSBY on 31 Oct 1848 by Balis EDENS of Anderson Co, Administrator of Estate of John GRIGSBY, as her share of the GRIGSBY Estate. Balis EDENS' signature was witnessed by James. A. HARRIS and D. H. EDENS. Deed was recorded 23 May 1849.

p. 142 (143): Title Deed for 510 acres was made to Daniel B. GRIGSBY by Balis EDENS, of Anderson Co, Administrator of

Estate of John GRIGSBY. This land was Lot No. 3 of John GRIGSBY plat, which crosses and contains part of Turtle Creek. Balis EDENS' signature as Administrator was witnessed by James A. HARRIS and D. H. EDENS, and Deed was Recorded on 23 May 1849.

p. 144 (145): John SITTLE and Elizabeth, his wife, sold to Elias T. MYERS, all three of Dallas County, 204 acres on Duck Creek, part of League Surveyed and Patented to John SITTLE. Consideration was \$100. John SITTLE's signature and Elizabeth SITTLE's "X" (Her Mark) were witnessed by John P. WATTON, Clk. of Co Ct, Anderson Co, and Levi JIRDON. On 28 May 1849 this Deed was Recorded.

p. 145 (146): Deed for 318 acres was given by Robert SLOAN to William B. MILLER, both of Dallas County, on 24 May 1849, as Collateral Security for performance of conditions in Bond of 17 Mar 1849. Land was Survey No. 31 on Five Mile Creek, bounded by Surveys of D. MCFARLIN and C. L. HASS. Consideration for this Deed was \$640. Robert SLOAN signed in presence of Jno. C. MCCOY, and Deed was Recorded 29 May 1849. A margin note on this Deed states that above was cancelled 3 Sept. 1874 and this note was signed by Wm. B. MILLER whose signature was witnessed by A. HARWOOD.

p. 146 (147): Deed for 90 acres of Robert SLOAN Survey on the West Side of the Trinity River, given by Robert SLOAN of Dallas Co to John CONWAY, also of Dallas Co on 28 May 1849 for \$101.25. SLOAN's signature was Notarized by Jno. W. SMITH, Clk. C. C. D. C. Recorded 29 May 1849.

p. 148 (149): Robert SLOAN gave Deed to John CONWAY, both of Dallas Co for consideration of \$226.62 1/2, on 28 May 1849. This was part of survey of 1470 acres for Robert SLOAN on West Side of Trinity River. Amount of acres in this transaction was not shown. Robert SLOAN's signature was Notarized by Jno. W. SMITH, Clk. C. C. D. C. Recorded 31 May 1849.

p. 149 (150): Settler Patent of 640 acres was given by Governor Geo. T. WOOD, of City of Austin, Representing the State of Texas, to Eli SMITH, Assignee of William C. WALKER. Land was in Robertson District, Dallas Co, Survey No. 26 on Pleasant Run Creek, was Headright No. 337 of William C. WALKER and borders Surveys of James McMILLANS. This Patent was signed 19 Apr 1849, recorded on 18 June 1849. Headright was transferred from WALKER to SMITH 15 June 1848. Witness to official signature of State of Texas were G. W. SMYTH and Geo. T. WOOD, Governor.

p. 151 (150) Eli SMITH of Navarro Co TX gave Deed to Pleasant TAYLOR of Dallas Co TX for \$320. The land was Survey No. 26 on Pleasant Run Creek, a branch of the Trinity 14 miles S. by E. from Town of Dallas, by virtue of Conditional Headright Certificate #302 issued to Wm. WALKER by Board of Land Commissioners of Washington Co on 12 Dec 1839 upon which Conditional Certificate #337 was issued by same Board on 6 Nov 1845 and by said WALKER transferred to

Eli SMITH on 15 Jan 1848. No acreage amount was shown on this Instrument. Signed by Eli SMITH 11 June 1849, recorded on 20 June 1849.

p. 153 (152): Second Class Patent #439 of 1280 acres was issued by George T. WOOD, Governor of the State of Texas, at Austin, TX to B. J. CHAMBERS, Assignee of Martin WEST on 16 Jan 1849. This land was in Robertson District, Dallas Co TX known as Survey #24 on Trinity River, about one mile above Pleasant Run Creek and was by virtue of WEST's conditional headright certificate #130 issued by Board of Grimes Co on 26th day of Feb 1848 and was then transferred by him to B. J. CHAMBERS on 29 April 1848. This 2nd Class Patent was signed by George T. Wood, Governor, and was recorded 2 July 1849.

p. 154 (153): On 28 May 1849 Nathaniel B. SAWYER of Dallas Co TX received 134 1/2 acres by Deed from Robert SLOAN of Dallas Co TX for which he paid \$134.25. This was part of Survey of 1476 acres made for Robert SLOAN on W side of Trinity River. Deed was recorded 27 May 1849.

p. 155 (154): Robert SLOAN deeded 90 1/4 acres to Nathaniel B. SAWYER, both of Dallas Co TX, on 28 May 1849, for \$90.25. These were also a part of the 1476 acres surveyed for Robert SLOAN and located on S & W side of Trinity River on waters thereof. Deed was recorded 30 May 1849.

p. 156 (155): Benjamin MERRILL, Assessor and Collector in Dallas Co TX sold 3070 acres to Aaron OVERTON on 18 May 1848 for \$29.50. This total was made up of \$3.09 tax due by James HUGHES, plus \$3. costs and \$23.41 overplus of tax and costs or a total of \$29.50. The 3070 acres were in Survey #6 on waters of Cedar Bluff Creek. Recorded 13 July 1849.

p. 157 (156): William Mercer SIMPSON of Nacogdoches Co TX deeded 320 acres to Morris FERRIS, for \$300 on 18 Oct 1848. The land in Dallas Co TX on E side of White Rock Creek was land on which Morris FERRIS resided. William Mercer SIMPSON's signature was witnessed by Ben MERRELL as well as Servis FERRIS who signed for SIMPSON. Deed recorded 3 July 1849.

p. 159 (158): One-half of Lot #8, Blk #3 on Plat of Town of Dallas was sold by Sheriff Deed by John B. HIBBERT, Constable in Dallas, TX to Elizabeth HARTER for \$27.50 on 24 July 1849. This Deed was recorded 24 July 1849. Under remarks appeared the following: "Peter HAUGHT got a judgment against Abraham WORTH for \$28.16 against goods and chattels, land, etc. of Estate of Abraham WORTH."

p. 160 (159): Morris FERRIS and Nancy FERRIS, his wife, of Dallas Co TX deeded 320 acres to B. I. HUNTER and Lenoir HUNTER for \$700. This 320 acres in Dallas Co is on E side of White Rock Creek, being Morris FERRIS' residence. No dates were shown, but under remarks was the following: "Except small `berrying' place of a child and being 25 feet in every direction around the grave."

p. 161: On 24 Mar 1849 John LITTLE and Elizabeth LITTLE, his wife, of Anderson Co TX deeded 20 acres on Duck Creek in Dallas Co to William H. KEEN of Dallas Co TX for \$20. John LITTLE's signature and Elizabeth LITTLE's Mark ("X") were witnessed by John P. WALTER and Levi JORDON. Deed recorded 17 Aug 1849.

p. 163 (162): John LITTLE and wife Elizabeth LITTLE of Anderson Co TX deeded 100 acres to Henry P. TUGGLE of Dallas Co TX for \$60 on 24 Mar 1849. This land was on Duck Creek, part of League Survey patented to John LITTLE. John LITTLE's signature and Elizabeth LITTLE's Mark ("X") were witnessed by John P. WALTON and Levi JORDAN. On 20 July 1849 this was recorded.

p. 165 (164): Lots 1 and 4, Blk 1 also Lot 4, Blk 10, Town of Dallas, County of Dallas, were sold by deed by Charles H. DURGIN and wife, Elizabeth DURGIN, of Dallas Co TX to Charles M. STANLY of Cass Co TX on 10 Aug 1849 for \$1000. Charles H. DURGIN and Elizabeth DURGIN signed in presence of Nat M. BUFORD and J. C. McCOY. Recorded 16 Aug 1849. Wife's acknowledgment signed 16 Aug 1849 by W. H. HORD, Chief Justice, Dallas Co TX and Rec. 21 Aug 1849, Book 13, pages 164 and 165, J. W. SMITH, Dallas Co Clerk.

p. 165 (166): Charles N. STANLEY and Mortimer WORD of Cass Co TX deeded Lots #1 and #4, Blk #1, in Town of Dallas, TX to Charles H. DURGIN for \$100. Charles N. STANLEY's and Mortimer WORD's signatures were witnessed by Sam F. MOSLEY, P. M. GRAHAM, County Clerk, Cass Co TX, and J. K. WILLIAMS. Recorded 17 July 1848 Cass Co TX Book C, p. 193.

p. 166 - 167: A total of 1280 acres was involved in a Transfer of Land from Charles M. STANLEY and Mortimer WORD on 25 Nov 1847. Consideration was not listed. The description of the land is as follows: Parcel #1: Ctf. #28, Class 2, (orig.) granted to James W. LAKIN, Board of Land Commissioners of Cass Co State of Texas (sic) for 320 acres; Parcel #2: Land Ctf. #23, Class 4, granted to Willis D. LAKIN by the Land Commissioners of Cass Co and State of Texas (sic) for 320 acres; and Parcel #3: (Land) Certificate #285 Class 2, granted to William KELLY by the Board of Land Commissioners of Shelby Co, State of Texas (sic) for 640 acres. C. M. STANLEY's and M. WORD's signatures witnessed by Sam F. MOSELEY and J. K. WILLIAMS. Transfer was signed and recorded in Town of Jefferson, Cass Co TX and sworn to by P. M. GRAHAM, Co Clk Cass Co. Filed in Dallas Co TX 21 Aug 1849 and Recorded in Book B, pp.166-167 by J. W. SMITH, C. C. D. C.

p. 168-169: A Deed for Town Lot #4, Blk. 10 was granted by John N. BRYAN and wife, Margaret BRYAN of Dallas Co TX to Charles N. STANLEY and Charles H. DURGIN, Dallas Co TX for \$100 on 9 Dec 1847. Signatures of Grantors were witnessed by Perry DAKEN and Jno. C. McCOY, and sworn before Amos CLARK, Judge, Sixth Jud. Dist. Recorded 22 Aug 1849.

p. 169-170: John N. BRYAN acknowledges Power of Attorney vested in John BEERMAN and Charles H. DURGIN, "or either of

them" to contract and sell lots (in Dallas TX) within the same instrument as the sale of property belonging to John N. BRYAN and Margaret BRYAN of Dallas Co TX to Charles N. STANLEY of Cass Co TX. The land sold in this Instrument was Lot #8, Blk. #4. Instrument was signed by John BRYAN's Seal, by John BEEMAN (sic) and Charles H. DURGIN and witnessed by Nat M. BURFORD and J. C. McCOY and sworn before W. H. HORD, Chief Justice, Dallas Co TX and J. W. SMITH, C. C. D. C. TX.

p. 171-172: Certificate No. 28, Class 2, granted to James W. LARKIN by the Board of Land Commissioners, Cass Co TX for 320 acres and Certificate No. 285, Class 2, granted to Wm. KELLY by the Board of Land Commissioners of Shelby Co TX for 640 acres, were transferred from Charles H. DURGIN to Charles N. STANLEY on 16 Aug 1849. There was no consideration named. Signature of Charles H. DURGIN was witnessed by Nat M. BURFORD and J. C. McCOY. Recorded 16 Aug 1849.

p. 173-174: Balis EDENS of Anderson Co TX, Administrator for the Estate of John GRIGSBY, deceased, deeded Town Lot #8, Survey #23 in Dallas Co TX to Elizabeth MEAD, Heir of John GRIGSBY, on 8 May 1849. Deed was signed by Balis EDENS, Admr. in presence of Cyrus H. RANDOLPH and J. S. HANKS. Notarized by James M. PERRY, Anderson Co TX. Recorded 12 July 1849 by J. W. SMITH, C.C. Dallas Co. TX.

p. 175-176: Four hundred, eighty acres was deeded by B. J. CHAMBERS of Robertson Co TX to Thomas M. ELLIS of Dallas Co TX on 27 Nov 1848 for \$275. This 480 acres on Pleasant Run Creek, a tributary of the Trinity River, was part of a 640 acre Survey for E. L. R. PATTON, granted to B. J. CHAMBERS as Assignee of James McMILLAN by Patent dated 28 Oct 1848. B. J. CHAMBERS' signature was witnessed by Patrick P. (D.?) SMITH and Middleton PERRY. Recorded 29 Aug 1849, Dallas, TX.

p. 176-177: Elizabeth MEAD of Anderson Co TX traded 491 acres in Dallas County, being her part as heir of John GRIGSBY, dec'd. for 680 acres in Anderson Co TX on Eyson J. Creek owned by Z. ELLISON of Smith Co TX. This Deed signed by Elizabeth MEAD 8 May 1849 in presence of Wm. JONES & John PORTER. Recorded Anderson Co, 8 May 1849 & 30 Aug 1849 Dallas.

p. 178-179: Power of Attorney given by Benjamin KEEFER, Co of Dallas, to Isaac Nelson COOMBS on 9 April 1849. Grantor gave COOMBS authority to take charge of KEEFER's house and farm in Dallas Co, to manage and rent it, until KEEFER's return from California. Benjamin KEEFER signed in presence of Nat M. BURFORD, Jno. C. McCOY and Charles H. DURGIN, Notary Public. Instrument was recorded 31 Aug 1849 by J. W. SMITH, Co Clk, Dallas County.

p. 180: Jesse H. KELLY, County of Dallas, for \$750. gave Bill of Sale to John W. SMITH on 18 Aug 1849 for three negro slaves, one woman named Manda, one boy named Robert and one girl Sena, the last two being children of Manda. Acknowledged and Recorded 31 Aug 1849 by J. W. SMITH, Co Clk.

p. 181: On 20 Aug 1849, for \$400. Jesse H. KELLY of Dallas

Co, sold one negro girl named Mary, twelve years old in October next, to Aaron OVERTON, Co of Dallas. Acknowledged 20 Aug 1849 and Recorded 31 Aug 1849, both in presence of J. W. SMITH, Co Clk, Dallas Co TX.

p. 182 & 183: J. Pinkney HENDERSON, of Austin, Governor of State of Texas, granted Patent #432, Vol 5 to John P. ANDERSON. This was handled by Ira ELLIS, Assignee of John P. ANDERSON, and was One League and One Labor of Land in Nacogdoches District on the East Fork of the Trinity River. Signature of J. Pinkney HENDERSON, Governor, was witnessed on 3 July 1847, in Austin TX by Thomas W. WARD, Commissioner of G. L. Office. Patent was filed 30 Aug 1849 and recorded 4 Sept 1849 by J. W. SMITH, Co Clk, Dallas Co, TX.

p. 183 - 184: On 19 Oct 1847 Patent No. 281, Vol 6, was granted by J. Pinckney HENDERSON of Austin TX, Governor, State of Texas, to Ira ELLIS, Assignee of Theophilus THOMAS, amounting to One League and One Labor of Land in Nacogdoches District on the waters of the East Fork of the Trinity River. This Patent signed 19 Oct 1847, filed 30 Aug 1849 and Recorded 6 Sept 1849. Witness to this transaction was Thos. W. WARD, Commissioner of the G. L. Office.

p. 184 - 185: William JONES was granted Patent No. 410, Vol. 22, consisting of 640 acres situated in Nacogdoches District, known as Survey No. 3 on waters of White Rock River near the Great Military Road from Austin to Red River. Signed by J. Pinkney HENDERSON, of Austin, Governor, State of TX on 20 Dec 1847, Filed 6 Sept 1849 and Recorded 19 Sept 1849 by J. W. SMITH, C. C. Witness: Thos. W. WARD, Commissioner

p. 186 - 187: Heirs of John GRIGSBY, Sr. brought Deed of Partition of the Lot No. 5 containing 430 acres being part of Survey No. 23 of 26 Labors of Land, and pleading Probate Court in Anderson Co Tx to divide and partition this Estate of the late John GRIGSBY among Heirs and Legal Representatives. Margaret C. HEWBY (?), widow of the late John GRIGSBY, Jr., remarried to John HEWBY (?) is the Grantee in this Deed. Balis EDENS, Administrator, signed this Deed in presence of John BLAIR and James A. HARRIS 25 Sept. 1849, it was Acknowledged 25 Sept 1849 by John B. MALLARD, Ch. Justice & Ex Officio at Palestine, Anderson Co TX.

p. 188: A. G. WALKER, Surveyor for Dallas County, District of Nacogdoches, brought Survey Statement on 14 July 1848. Survey No. 25 in name of James A. SYLVESTER of 640 acres, and balance of Survey No. 23 in name of John GRIGSBY, of 26 Labors of Land divided by Commissioners Amon MCCOMMAS and others. Names: Jas. GRIGSBY 320 acres, Ruth GRIGSBY or EDENS 320 ACRES, Elezibeth GRIGSBY or MEAD 491 ACRES, Robt. H. GRIGSBY 530 acres, Emily GRIGSBY 500 acres, Crawford GRIGSBY 438 acres, John GRIGSBY 413 acres, William GRIGSBY 402 ACRES, Daniel B. GRIGSBY 510 acres. Signed by A. G. WALKER 14 July 1848, Filed 1 Oct 1839 and Recorded 3 Oct 1849 by J. W. SMITH, C. C.

p. 189 & 190. A. G. WALKER, Deputy Surveyor, Dallas County

and District of Nacogdoches, gives a Survey Statement on 640 acres, attesting to a Resurvey of Survey #3 originally in name of William JONES, dated 20 Dec 1848 and now on application of William LATHAM, the area being on White Rock Creek and its tributary Timber Creek. A. G. WALKER signed the resurvey 30 Dec 1848 in presence of Wm. A. LAFFOON and Allen BEARD. Filed 6 Sept. 1849; Recorded 9 Oct. 1849, J.W. SMITH.

p. 191 & 192: By order of Anderson Co Probate Court, 438 acres was sold at Dallas Co Court House door. This was land on East side of Trinity River, in Survey No. 23 in name of John GRIGSBY, then sold by Deed Partition to Crawford GRIGSBY and marked Lot No. 6, and was now purchased by H. K. VALENTINE at 80c an acre for which he gave his note for \$350. If VALENTINE is unable to pay note the land is to be resold, and M. P. MEAD, Administrator for Estate of Crawford GRIGSBY, gave bond to this effect on 2 Oct 1849, which was witnessed by J. M. CROCKETT and J. H. COX. Bond was filed 2 Oct 1849 and Recorded 10 Oct 1849. (Name of M. P. MEAD was shown variously as M. P. MEAD and M. S. MEAD).

p. 192 & 193: William and Rachel COOMBS of Dallas Co gave Deed of Trust to William B. MILLER, of Dallas Co on 1 Sept 1849 for one black mare, one sorrel horse (each about 7 years old), one two-horse wagon, and a yoke of steers, one a dark roan and the other a white steer with black head. Consideration was \$130. Deed was proven by Wm. H. HORD, Ch. Jus. on 9 Oct 1849 and recorded the same day.

p. 193 & 194: J. H. KELLY of County of Dallas gave Bill of Sale to Samuel B. PRYOR for Negro slave girl named Minerva Ann for \$200, on 13 Aug 1849, Recorded by Jno. W. SMITH, C. C. 12 Aug 1849 and Filed 13 Aug 1849 by Jno. W. SMITH, C. C. KELLY's name shown also as Jesse H. KELLEY.

p. 194 & 195: James B. and Mary McCOMMAS of Dallas Co gave Quit Claim Indenture to William JAMES, Dallas Co. for \$20 for Survey 320 acres on waters of White Rock Creek, known as Survey No. 10 made for Arnold EVANS. Signed 28 July 1849, proven and filed 30 July 1849. Recorded 22 Oct 1849 by Jno. W. SMITH, C. C.

p. 196: William JAMES, Dallas Co, gave Quit Claim Deed for 320 acres to Andrew T. NANCY for \$10. This was for the SW half of Survey #10 on Waters of White Rock Creek made for Arnold EVANS. Signed 30 July 1849, filed and acknowledged the same day by Jno. W. Smith. Recorded 22 Oct 1849.

p. 197: As result of recently passed laws and to secure her rights to separate and distinct interest in their acquisition, Nancy FERRIS and her husband Morris FERRIS of Dallas Co signed Deed of Record, Separate Property, on 8 Sept 1849 for the following: One wagon \$100; three yoke of work oxen \$120; one bay mare about 8 yrs old and her colt, \$50; one black horse, \$40; and 4 milk cows with their calves, \$40; property they came by, by the disposal of a tract of land. Witnesses were John CASEY and Eli FERRIS. Acknowledged 16 Oct 1849 and recorded 22 Oct 1849 by Jno. W. SMITH, C. C.

p. 198 & 199: James B. & Mary McCOMMAS of Dallas Co gave Quit Claim Deed to William JAMES of Dallas Co for Section 31, Twp. 1 N. of First Base Line and Range 2 E of First Meridian of the Survey of Peters Colony, for \$200. Signed 18 July 1849, Acknowledged 30 July 1849 and Recorded 23 Oct 1849 by J. W. SMITH, C. C.

p. 199 & 200: William JAMES gave Quit Claim to Andrew T. NANCY, both of Dallas Co for \$10 on 30 July 1849. This was SW half of Survey #10 on the waters of White Rock Creek, Survey made for Arnold EVANS and sold by tax sale to James B. McCOMMAS who quit claimed it to Wm. JAMES. Acknowledged 30 July 1849 and recorded 31 Oct 1849 by John W. SMITH, C. C. (This seems to be the same transaction as p. 196.)

p. 200 & 201: Headright Transfer Instrument for 640 acres was given by Philip KEMMEL of Dallas Co to George WILSON for \$650. This was a tract lying in and upon the waters of Mountain Creek and Ten Mile Creek and in the Colony Grant of Peters Colony, known as Section Thirty-one Township two South and Range one West and also held and claimed by a Tax Sale Deed of Benjamin MERRELL, Assessor & Collector of Dallas Co. KEMMEL signed on 11 Oct 1849 in presence of J. M. CROCKETT and J.C.WILSON. Acknowledged 11 Oct 1849 Recorded 31 Oct 1849

p. 201 & 202: Benjamin MERRELL, Dallas Co Assessor & Collector, gave Philip KEMMEL Tax Deed for 640 acres for \$2.80. The lands were of W. D.PETERS & others of The Texas Emigration & Land Co for back taxes in Dallas Co, and were sold at Public Auction, described as follows: Sec 31, Twp 2 S & Range 1 West, sold at Courthouse door. Benjamin MERRELL's signature was witnessed by J. N. BRYAN & Jno. M. CROCKETT. Recorded 31 Oct 1849.

p. 203 & 204: On application by Wm. M. COCHRAN, lot bought from Wm. GRIGSBY and comprising 163 acres and which lot crossed The Traveled Road and National Road, was resurveyed by A. G. WALKER, Dallas Co Surveyor. Resurvey signed 9 Oct 1849 by A. G. WALKER, witnessed by Amos McCOMMAS and Wm. P. CARDEN, C. C. Acknowledged 9 Oct 1849 and Recorded 31 Oct 1849.

p. 204 & 205: By Tax Deed Benjamin MERRILL, Dallas Co Assessor & Collector, sold 1106 acres to Wm. H. SHELTON for \$4.30 for Thomas GATLAN'S 1846 unpaid taxes of \$1.39. This land was known as Survey #3 on the Trinity River and was sold at the Courthouse door. Deed was signed "Benjn MERRELL", witnessed by Jno. M. CROCKETT and J. N. BRYAN 23 Oct 1848 and Recorded 1 Nov. 1849.

p. 206 & 207: On 13 Sept 1845 Anson JONES, President, Republic of Texas, gave Letter of Patent to Westley Carroll WEBB for 320 acres in Robertson Co on Cedar Bluff Creek, a branch of the Trinity River, Surveyed for Joseph PROCTOR, crossing and recrossing Cedar Creek. Signed in the City of Austin by Anson JONES, in presence of Thos Wm WARD, Commissioner. Recorded 15 Nov 1849 by J. W. SMITH, CC.

(to be continued)

WHITE FAMILY BIBLE RECORDS

Submitted by Sue Byrum HARRIS, Member of DGS, Dallas, Texas.
This Bible originally belonged to her great-grandmother, Mary Jane Crenshaw WHITE, 1837-1888, who was born in NC, lived in Sumter Co Al ca 1850-1870, came to Dallas Co TX 1870. Her husband, William Patton WHITE was killed in Civil War 1863. Mary Jane WHITE and her children, James A, Nannie Adline & William P. all came to Dallas Co TX, settling near New Hope Community (now Sunnyvale).

T H E H O L Y B I B L E

Containing the OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS:
Translated Out of THE ORIGINAL TONGUES;
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NEW YORK: AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY,

Instituted in the year MDCCCXVI, 1867

(Nonpareil, 12mo.)

William P. WHITE was born Feb. 15th, 1830

M. J. WHITE was born June 17th, 1837.

James A. WHITE was born April 18th, 1856.

Nannie Adline WHITE was born Sept. 10th, 1858.

William P. WHITE was born September 27th, 1861

James A. WHITE was born April 18th 1856

Obitha H. ANDERSON was born Feb. 6th, 1862

J. A. WHITE & Obitha H. ANDERSON was married June 8th, 1879

Nannie Florence WHITE was born May 18th, 1880

George Willie WHITE was born December 22nd, 1881

James Andrew WHITE was born April 18th, 1856

Sarah Elizabeth WILSON was born July 10th, 1873

J. A. WHITE & S. E. WILSON was married Feb. 12th, 1891

Rufus Clarence WHITE was born April 15th, 1892

Walter Wilson WHITE was born December 25, 1893

Annie Mary WHITE was born April 5th, 1895

James Fletcher WHITE was born August 28th, 1896

Ruby Rachel WHITE was born November 25th, 1898

Charles Harrison WHITE was born June 13th, 1900

William P. WHITE Died December 11, 1863

Mary J. WHITE Died June 14th, 1888

Obitha H. WHITE Died December 25, 1882

Nannie Florence WHITE Died January 18th, 1883

George Willie WHITE Died Feb. 6th 1883

**** Three more children were born of this marriage but not listed in this Bible:

Ralph Douglas WHITE born 19 Jan. 1902

Nora Elizabeth WHITE born 17 Aug. 1905

Clara Lucille WHITE born 16 Jan. 1908

Another Title Page between the Old and New Testaments is as follows: The NEW Testament of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ: Translated out of THE ORIGINAL GREEK; and with The Former Translations Diligently Compared and Revised, NEW YORK AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY Instituted in the Year MDCCCXVI, 1867.

We thank Helen Lu for the research and contribution of the following:

YEARGAN BIBLE

The following notes were submitted without the sender's name marked on this page of Bible Records. If you know who has this Bible at present, please let the Editor know for relatives might like to obtain it. There is a notation that the Bible was purchased at an Estate sale at 1026 Lausanne, Dallas, TX in February, 1981.

Title Page

"The Holy Bible containing the Old and New Testaments, Translated Out of The Original Tongues: and with The Former Translations Diligently compared and Revised. New York, American Bible Society Instituted In the Year MCCCCXVI. 1883."

Fly page has written on it: "N A Yeargan, Book 1884."

Written on page preceding Family pages: "N A Yeargan, Book, 1887. Pa wrote his name in this book 1887."

FAMILY RECORD:

Marriages:

Miss Fruzie YEARGAN was married to Mr (BLANK) on (blank)
Miss Ella Blanche MANNING was married to L W GENTRY Oct 8,
1903.

Miss Pearle L MANNING was married to James L SHOCKLEY January
2, 1905.

Births:

Margurite YEARGAN daughter of Powell YEARGAN was born March
20, 1903.

Frederick MANNING GENTRY was born July 17, 1904.

Deaths:

N A YEARGAN: died Sept the 14, 1896.

Mrs N A YEARGAN died Jan 14, 1902.

Mrs W R MANNING daughter of Mr and Mrs YEARGAN died Jan 1st
1902.

(on a small loose piece of paper in between the family pages was written: "Mother died on brother Rilley birthday 14 January." Subtracted on this piece of paper was "1903 - 9 = 1896").

Two other small pieces of paper in the Bible:

"Zelma YEARGAN"

"Mrs H F YEARGAN" (no other info).

and

"Aunt Jo Horton left for Tennessee on Thursday eve 23rd of Nov
1899".

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Mrs. Louise GARRET of Dallas has donated the Family Bibles of the Josias BAKER Family and the Josiah PORTER Family to the Central Dallas Public Library, and the records have been copied and sent to us by Carol STANGLIN.

BAKER FAMILY BIBLE

(The title page of this Bible did not survive, so there is no way to determine the exact age of the volume; it is believed this Bible was Josias BAKER's)

Josias BAKER born April 1st, 1787
 Nancy BAKER, his wife, was born August 20, 1791
 Polly P. BAKER, the eldest was born April 23rd, 1817
 Milly E. BAKER was born November 18th, 1819
 Nancy C. BAKER was born February 4, 1822
 William H. BAKER was born June 13, 1824
 Martha C. BAKER was born October 8, 1826
 John T. BAKER was born February 28th, 1829
 Rebecca S. BAKER was born August 10th, 1831
 Bathsheba M. BAKER was born February 10th, 1834

John T. BAKER deceased May 27th, 1830
 William H. BAKER deceased August 30th, 1839
 Martha C. BAKER deceased November 29th, 1849
 Rebecca S. PORTER departed this life June the 22, 1859.
 Nancy Caroline STRONG departed this life May the 25, 1863
 Josias BAKER departed this life November 22nd, 1871
 Nancy BAKER departed this life September 5th, 1878

Josias BAKER and Nancy PARKS were married September 7th, 1815

(Although these records only identify dates and not the place, the family was known to have lived in Canada at one time, so that most of these events are believed to have occurred there.)

PORTER FAMILY BIBLE

TITLE PAGE: "The Complete Domestic Bible copyrighted 1873 by Hubbard Bros., Philadelphia, Penn."

Name	Place & Date of Birth	Married	Date Death
Josiah PORTER	Tennessee Jan.23,1823	1863	Jan.9, 1894
*Barshe PORTER	Indiana Feb.10,1838	Sept.1888	Jan.3,1890
James PORTER	Dallas,TX Aug.5, 1864	Aug. 1906	1950
Clara Leola			
PORTER	Lancaster,TX Nov.24,1866	Oct.1888	May 21,1891
Ada Elizabeth,Lancaster,TX	Jan.2,1869	Nov.1895	Apr 22,1939
Ella Jo	Lancaster,TX Apr19,1875	May 1896	Paducah, TX
Sally Lou, wife of James PORTER	Aug.6,1867		Jan 26,1901

Sallie PORTER & Burdick married; Ardennalla Burdeck born 1918
 Richard Edward PRICE & UlaRee McFARROW? married May, 1920

Octavia Lillian PRICE born Oct. 12, 1921, Walter, Okla.
 Richard Edward PRICE born April 21, 1926 " "
 Ularee Elizabeth PRICE born Feb. 22, 1928, Duncan, Okla.
 Ollie Mae BRUCE born May 1931; Duncan, Okla.

Laurence Sterling PRICE born Aug. 11, 1936; Duncan, Okla.

Clara Gilliam PRICE & Lascar Lauron ROSSER married April 1934
Lascar Lauron ROSSER born May 24, 1938; died July 9, 1938
Louise Gilliam ROSSER born May 24, 1938

Estelline PRICE & Jago SMITH married Aug. 11, 1921
Dorothy Joe SMITH born Oct. 22, 1923; Ft. Worth, TX
Donna Jean SMITH born Sept. 1, 1928; Ft. Worth, TX

Nat Gay PRICE & Mamie SIMPSON married Oct. 23, 1926?

Ada Lee PRICE & Sidney THOMPSON were married Nov. 7, 1938

Nannie Leola PRICE & Roscoe Herman LANDER? married June 3, 1939

Lascar Lauron ROSSER, Sr. Born Jan. 10, 1902; Plainview, TX
Md. April 15, 1934; Paducah, TX
was the son of Aurelius Baton ROSSER & Lucy Ann CLOYD

Clara PORTER & David AKIN married Oct. 10, 1888
Porter AKIN born in Graham Oct. 9, 1889
Ada AKIN born April 4, 1891
Jim PORTER & Lou HENRY married Sept. 8, 1888
Henry (?) Eugene PORTER born in Graham June 8, 1889
Sallie Lou born Feb. 22, 1891
Stella May born May 1893
Jim born Feb. 10, 1895

Lou PORTER died

Jim PORTER & Rossie Rom_sville married Aug., 1906
Cecil PORTER born Dec. 10, 1902
Ada Elizabeth PORTER & Walter Edward PRICE married Nov. 26, 1890
Richard Edward PRICE born in Graham, TX Oct. 9, 1897
Clara Gilliam PRICE born in Graham, TX April 4, 1900
Aline M_t_ was born in Graham, TX Aug., 15, 1902
N.L.P. Leola Nanine PRICE born in Graham, TX March 12, 1905
Ella Jo PORTER & Thos. J. PRICE married May 6, 1896
Nat Gay PRICE born in Graham Nov. 1, 1898
Estilline PRICE born in Graham Sept. 27, 1900
T. J. PRICE born in Graham Oct., 18, 1906; died Oct. 31, 1937
Ada Lee PRICE born in Graham Sept. 10, 1909
Stella PORTER & J. W. COOPER married Dec., 1914
James Victor COOPER born Nov., 22, 1915

*Barshe : Believe this to be Bathsheba's nickname; 3rd wife
of Josiah PORTER

Family is known to have lived in the Nashville, TN area for
many years. Portraits of the family have been donated to the
Texas/Dallas History Division of the Dallas Public Library,
since the family is a native Dallas family for several genera-
tions.

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BOOK REVIEWS
by Pat SCHRADER, Book Review Editor

To the Members of the Dallas Genealogical Society - an open letter:

These are my last book reviews for the Dallas Genealogical Society. My many thanks to the Board Members for their support and to the Members for their complimentary notes and telephone calls.

Reviewing genealogical books has been a rewarding and delightful experience. It is time for me to move on.

To all of you - Happy Hunting !
(Signed) Pat
Patricia Lancaster Schrader

THE WEYHER GENEALOGY, 1600 - 1981, A FAMILY HISTORY FOR THE CHILDREN OF HARRY FREDERICK WEYHER, JR. AND BARBARA DORE MCCUSKER COVERING THE WEYHER, PARROTT, CARTER, GREEN, MCCUSKER, DUBY AND RELATED FAMILIES

Author: Harry F. Weyher, Jr., published 1981. Hardbound, 8 1/2"x11", 422 pp. Order from author, address: 30 East 71st Street, New York, NY 10021. Price not listed.

In this book Weyher has given his fellow Weyher researchers serious genealogical material from fifteen major contributors and from many miscellaneous sources, such as Senator Sam J. Ervin, Jr. Organizing the information in a novel manner, the author has produced a "Table of Lineal Descent" which begins with his children (the 12th generation) and goes back to some early ancestors (the 1st generation). This is an interesting quasi-introduction to all of the ancestors, but unfortunately, the corresponding ancestor chart is not included in the book. The placement of ancestor #64 is easy, but visualizing ancestor #928 in relationship to the rest of the family is rather difficult.

Weyher is a discriminating author. To his credit: the factual material appears to be unquestionably solid. There is no speculation, guess work, or spongy narrative. References with places, dates and names of contributors abound. Included are many photographs and paintings.

Mentioned in the text are many North Carolina and Virginia families, but their surnames are not listed in the Index. Unfortunately, the Index is a list of the major ancestors, no surnames of the contributors or the surnames of the women who married into the collateral lines. This would be a magnificent genealogical tool if it contained a complete, every-name index. The print is dark, the margins are wide, and the paper is good quality.

Other surnames found in this book: Garrett, Tillman, Adams, Hix, Hardy, Kenan, Goodman, and many others.

JAY BIRD NEWS UPDATE. Author: Loretta Jay Davis. Published 1981. Soft bound, 8 1/2"x11", 175 pages. Order from author; address - 4406 Moffett Rd., Ceres, California 95307. Price not listed.

This appears to be a loose leaf news letter which grew into an inch thick manual of material on the Jay family. It

includes queries, ancestor charts, and miscellaneous news items on living members of the Jay families. Some censuses are included. Very impressive is the contribution of Guy S. Perry on the descendants of William and Mary Vestral Jay. There is no index; however, all of the Jay descendants will enjoy reading this from cover to cover.

THE FLOYD BOOK. Author: Mildred Floyd, published 1978. Softbound, 8 1/2"x11", 60 pages. Order from Mrs. J.B. Floyd, 8733 Grovecrest Drive, Dallas TX 75217, \$8.25.

This is the story of a Floyd family that migrated from Wales to Virginia, then on to North Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi and finally, to Texas. In a lengthy introduction the author relates the manner in which she began her research and also the members of the family who supplied her with the initial information. Next, she lists the abbreviations used (note the abbreviation of mother - "Mor" and the use of small case letters in parenthesis). Following is "The Floyd Family Skeleton", which is the cast of the major characters in the book. It lists:

John Thomas Floyd - born North Carolina
John Wesley Floyd - born Georgia
John Wesley "Tom" Floyd - born Alabama
John Allen Floyd - born Mississippi

The text of this book concerns these men and their descendants, and is followed by copies of old family letters, several censuses, and military records. Unfortunately, the Index is incomplete. There are typographical errors: "Geo4gia" - p.3, and "MAARIAGE" - p.48. The printing is in varied shades of gray and only on the front side of each page.

SAMUEL KELSO / KELSEY, 1720 - 1796, SCOTCH-IRISH IMMIGRANT AND REVOLUTIONARY PATRIOT OF CHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, HIS ORIGIN, DESCENDANTS AND RELATED FAMILIES. Author: Dr. Mavis P. Kelsey. Published 1984. Hard bound 8 1/2"x11", 683 pages. Order from author, address: 2 Longbow Lane, Houston, TX 77024. Price \$75.00 postpaid.

The subtitle of this book is Including Newly Published Information on Mills, Gill, Pagan, Wylie, Morrow, Jones, Sealy, Jagers, Reeves, Mauldin, Moore, Stevenson, McAlexander and Other Families with Membership Register (1837 - 1947) and Tombstone Inscriptions of the Wesley Methodist Chapel, Red Banks, Marshall County, Mississippi, and this subtitle is a clue to the broad scope of this book.

The author begins with a serious discussion of the migration of the many, many Kelso families of several colonies, and then separates the factual information from the numerous traditions that have come through the families. From this point he traces Samuel Kelso/Kelsey (1720 - 1796) of South Carolina and all of his descendants - a monumental task! All facts in this book are substantiated by a source; there are copies of the original bounty grants, complete censuses with concise explanations, and family letters written in 1860 - plus the usual county and state records.

One record, a list of 120 names taken from the account book of Robert Gill, a colonial blacksmith, of Fishing Creek, Chester Dist., S.C. (found on p. 129) is of interest to all

researchers with ancestors in Chester Creek.

To finish this work, there is Bonita Kelsey's recipe for Squirrel Stew, and an excellent 50 page Index. This Index appears to be complete and exact. There are almost 700 pages and each has uniform dark printing with even margins. Kelsey/Kelso researchers, how fortunate you are!

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The following was contributed by Dorothy ENGLISH, a member of the DGS. The material here was taken from a very small Pastor's Book which is in her possession and which belonged to her grandfather, Samuel L. Crowson. At the time that he used this book, 1914 and 1915 he was serving three Methodist Churches in North Texas, Era, Lois and Spring Creek.

THUMB-INDEXED PASTOR'S BOOK

"Prepared by Rev. I. E. THOMAS, Of the Texas Conference, Price 50 Cents, Publishing House M. E. Church, South, Smith & Lamar, Agents, Nashville, Tenn. Dallas, Tex. Richmond, VA 1914

Rev. Samuel L. CROWSON, Pastor's Book, Sent by - - Bishop J. C. MCCOY, under J. F. PIERCE'S Administration

Era Church - 1st and 3rd Sundays, Spring Creek Church 2nd Sunday, Lois Church - 4th Sunday (Also mentioned Bolivar Church and Melvin Church).

Membership

<u>Era Church</u>	<u>Lois Church</u>
Stella ALEXANDER	J. E. AUGHTERY
Mary ALEXANDER	Davis AUGHTERY
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Zella ALEXANDER	Maggie ASTON
Edna ALEXANDER	Eula May ASTON
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Sallie ALEXANDER	Thena BAILES
Modena AUGHTERY	J. J. BROWN
W. A. ARNOLD	Alice BROWN
Lessie ARNOLD	L. Z. CLEMENT
R. E. AUGHTERY	William GILLUM
Alpha BROMBOUGH	M. E. GILLUM
William BAUCORN (or BANCOM)	Ida GILLUM
Joe BLACK	G. W. GILLUM
Susan CLACK	Mrs. N. (?) H. GWINN
William CAMPBELL	Mrs. A. C. HABERN
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Laura CLACK	Owen HABERN
Maggie CAMPBELL	Nola HABERN
Walter CAMPBELL	Lou HABERN
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Charley CROSS	Lilly HANES
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Mabel C. CROSS	R. J. KING
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Winnie CROSS	M. J. MAHLER
Melvin CAVENDER	Beulah McLAUGHLIN
Mattie CLACK	T. J. MASTEN

Laura CARSON
Will CLEMENT
R. P. CLACK
Lizzie DARDEN
Mount DILLON
Maggie DILLON
Samuel DAVIS
W. R. GRIFFIN
Charlie HARMON
Gillie HENARD
Mary HICKOX
Pearl HENLEY
P. H. HARREL
Martha HARREL
Elma HARREL
Mattie HICKOX
Della HARMON
R. L. HENLEY
Josie HENARD
Walter HICKOX
Ada KELLEY
Alice KELLEY
Roy KING
Saphronia LOCKE
George W. LYLES
Berta LOCKE
Babe LOCKE
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Dorcas McKINNEY
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Lawrence McKINNEY
Allen T. McKINNEY
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Nora RASURE
Amelia STRADER
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Flake TURNER
William Hugh TURNER
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M. L. TOMLINSON
Beth TOMLINSON
Ruby TOMLINSON
Cora Lee TOMLINSON

M. V. MASTEN
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Clarence T. MAYALL
Earnest MAYALL
Arnold MAHLER
George MASTEN
G. E. OWENS
Carl C. OWENS
Ray OWENS
Leona PITCOCKE
C. C. PITCOCKE
Clyde PITCOCKE
Oscar PITCOCKE
May RICKETS
Edith RICKETS
Edna RICKETS
Jasper RAINES
Roy RAINES
W. H. STINSON
Sallie STINSON
John STINSON
Mae STINSON
Fannie STINSON
R. G. SIMPSON
Oma (?) SKINNER
Troy STINSON
T. J. WHEELER
Amy WHEELER
Albert YOUNG

Era Church (Continued)

Dayton TREW
Ona TREW
Warner TREW
Guy TURNER
Grady TREW
Wayne TREW
J. J. TRACEY
E. TRACEY
H. A. TRACEY
Minerva TRACEY
Mary Sue TURNER
Willie TOMLINSON
Clement TRACY
A. Vernon TRACY
Jas. H. TRACY
E. D. USSERY
Willie USSERY
W. E. WILSON
Lewin WILLIAMS
Bernice WILLIAMS
Janie WALKER
James A. WYLIE
Mollie WYLIE
Lawrence F. WYLIE
Lucile WILSON

First Quarterly Conference Report for Era Church:
Delegates to District Conference: J. W. CAMPBELL, E. R. AUTREY,
E. R. WADE, Davis AUTRY. Alternates: W. J. LAMBERT, W. J.
TURNER, J. J. TRACY, Walter HICKOX.

One Marriage Listed: 12-24-14, J. H. PHARRIS to Elizabeth
BENTLEY at Era - Fee \$2.50.

Conference Leader - R. C. DIAL, Greenville, Texas;
Church Lay Leader - J. W. CAMPBELL

Stewards: W. S. TURNER, J. J. TRACY, Walter HICKOX, Babe
LOCK, Clarence J. LOCK, W. J. LAMBETH, W. R. WADE, S. W.
ROGERS, W. H. STINSON, A. C. HABERN, J. B. MASTON, J. M.
DAUGHTERY, J. W. CAMPBELL, J. M. SPARKMAN, Abner STEVENS, R.
P. TREW, C. E. HARMON, Wm. ENDERSBY.

W. H. CAMPBELL, Sp. C. Asst. Std., J. J. TRACY, Rec. Std., J.
W. CAMPBELL, Dist. Std., R. E. AUTREY, Supt. S. Schools, W.
S. TURNER, Asst. Supt. S. Schools, J. D. AUTREY, Supt. S.
Schools, E. S. HABERN Asst. Supt. S. Schools, J. M. SPARKMAN,
Supt. S. Schools, OWNEY, Asst. Supt. S. Schools, W. J.
LAMBETH, Supt. S. Schools, H. F. MILLER, Asst. Supt. S. Schools

Trustees of Church Property: Era: W. S. TURNER, C. E.
HARMON, E. R. STRADER; Spring Creek: Ed GRIMPLE, J. M.
SPARKMAN

(This was during 1914 and 1915)

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To Dorothy ENGLISH we also express appreciation for contrib-
uting the following. This is an Autograph Book given to the
Irving Heritage Society by an Irving pioneer who is the
granddaughter of W. P. ANDERSON, the owner of this book.

The Frontispiece is in flowery writing, and the Owner's
name, address, etc., are given: "W. P. ANDERSON's Book,
Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tennessee, Prof. Law. Memphis
Tennessee, and then the phrase: 'Who struck Billie PATTERSON'."

R. S. or L. BARTLETT, Memphis Tenn.

I. A. PATTON, Goliad, Texas, Lebanon March 27th Cumberland U.
Atty-at-Law, 23 years old 1860.

E. B. WOOD, McCrory, Ark. Dec. th. 20 1899

Yours truly, Charles W. WALKER, Fayetteville, Arkansas,
Lebanon, Tenn. March 31st 1860, 24 years old.

H. Marcus McVEIGH, C (S.t?), McLean, VA, The owner of this
book will pardon me for enrolling my name among so
many who are now doubtless fulfilling destinies of honor
and usefulness. I'm a stranger a long way from home.
Can't give any information as to "the man that struck
Billy Patterson" - wish I could. H. Marcus McV. Capt.
C. (?)

With much Regards. Yours, A. G. SAPPAN, Somerville, Tenn.
Born Dec. 12, 1839

May success ever attend your efforts, and may your life be as
pleasant as your college career! Respectfully yours,
Charles E. COSSITT, LaGrange Tennessee, Cumberland

University - Profession - Law - Location, Memphis, April 1860

Yrs as Ever, Dear Bill, John (?) Brooks, Memphis, Tenn. Law Dept., C. University, Lebanon, Tenn. April 16, 1860 (Middle initial illegible - photo attached to this page)

Your True Friend, Wm. P. Gibson, Westville, Mississippi, Cumberland Univ., Lebanon Tenn. April 1st, 1860 (Photo attached)

Truly your friend and Room Mate - J. R. WORTHAM, Memphis, Tenn. Cumberland, University, Lebanon, Tenn. Born Feb.10, 1841

Fondly your Friend, W. H. WEBSTER, Columbia, Tenn. Lebanon, April 1st, Who Struck Billie Patterson

The sincere hope of your friend is that you may meet with unlimited success in your undertakings through life and live to be a thousand years old. Your very true Friend and Classmate, Sam C. UPSHAW, Chappell Hill, Washington Co., Texas, Cumberland University Law Dept.

Your Friend and Classmate, John S. YOUNG, McMinnville, Tenn. Profession, Physician

I am yours in the ties of Friendship, J. C. FERRISS, Jr. Nashville, Tenn. Born May 21st, 1837, April 6, 1860, "Who Struck Billy Patterson" (Photo attached.)

Yours in Friendship, (S. or L.) N. McCRAW, Selma, Ala Prof. Law, Lebanon, Tenn. April 6th, 1860, Born Jan. 23rd, 1839

A. W. CALDWELL, Paris, TENN. Cumberland University, Lit. Department, April 9th, 1860

Your friend Forever - I. M. ELDER, A. W.; Trenton, Tenn. Born July 25th, 1838; Married Sept. 1861 (Photo attached)

Yrs Eternally, Bill, John (?) BROOKS, Memphis, Tenn. Law Dept, C. University, Lebanon, Tenn. April 1860

Your Friend, F. (?) LENOIR, London, East Tenn April 10th, 1860, Cumberland University, Lebanon, Tenn.

Yours Truly, Geo. H.(?) DILL, St. Louis, Missouri, Cumberland Un., Lebanon, Tenn. April 28, 1860, Born Apr. 17, 1841, Prof. Law

I am True to the last, Will. Charles A. STUART, Powhatan, Ark.

Your sincere friend, David T. CASTLEBERRY, Jr. Columbiana, Ala. Prof. Law.

The olden Sysen Sang but to deceive, To lure mankind to death her voice was given, But thine dear Anderson, thy bright words enweaved Immortal truths that guide to God and heaven. Sincerely your true friend, B. F. MOORE, Gallatin, Tenn. June 16th, 1860

Yours truly, A. W. or M. PHURMAN, Talladega, Ala, Cumberland University, May 20th,1860, Lebanon, Tenn. May you "grip" stern fate - grasp the promises of virtue and temperance with all power and confidence that characterized a certain event. A.

As Ever, Ben D. RANEY, Lauratown (?) Ark.

Yours in the bonds of friendship. S. or L. A. WELLS, Tampa, Florida Cumberland Univ. March 27th, 1860 Law Dept.

Your sincere friend, H. C. GIBSON, Westville, Miss. Profession - Law Location, Austin, Texas, Lebanon March 27th, 1860, Who Struck Billie Patterson (photo attached)

Yours truly, M. F. REIGUES, Vermillionville, La, Cumberland Univ., Lebanon, Tenn. May 14th, 1860

Your sincere friend and classmate, John M. PORTER, Sugar Grove, Kentucky, Lebanon, Tenn. May 16th, 1860. Law Dept. S. or L. W. ALLEN, Memphis, Tenn.

Your Friend, R. (?) WILLIAMS, Jacksonville, Ala. Prof. Law, May 16, 1860 (Photo attached)

Thomas B. ANDERSON, Born in Shelby County, Tenn. in May the 6 day, 1847, This is 15 of Sep. 1868

Remember me who esteems you highly as a friend. G. M. BATCHELOR, Bovina, Miss. Lebanon, Law Dept. Tenn. Born Dec. 5th, 1839

That the sunshine of happiness and prosperity may ever illumine your pathway is the sincere wish of most sincerely, your friend, R. V. BOOTH, Vicksburg, Miss. Lebanon, Tenn. Law Dept. May 31, 1860

Sincerely your friend and classmate, Milas M. COOPER, Canton, Miss. Lebanon, Law School, July 5th, 1860

Yours in the "hours" of adversity; as well as prosperity. Geo. K. HIBLES? (Last name illegible), Augusta, Ark., Nov. 17 1867 - Age 23 years (Could be 1861).

Very truly your friend, H. E. JONES, Demopolis, Ala. Lebanon, Tenn. May 31st, 1860

Very truly your friend., S. R. MOORE, Gallatin, Tenn. Law Dept., Lebanon, Tenn., May 30th, 1860

Yours most truly, your Tamerson (?) Club brother, Newton C. GRISSOM, Cumberland Univ., Lebanon, Tennessee

Yours most truly, Chas. W. THORNTON, Gadsden, Ala. Law Dept. C. U., Lebanon, Tenn. June 1st, 1860
(A different writing underneath notes: Killed at the Battle of Oak Hills, Mo. August 10th, 1861)

Your true friend and classmate, Geo. S. HARPER, Gonzales, Texas, Lebanon, Tenn., Law Dept. June 1st, 1860, Remember what D. Crockett said - Be sure you're right, then go ahead.

Your friend in the bonds of truth. G. A. BURGETT (?) Memphis, Tenn. Law Dept. Lebanon, May 17th, 1860. Born May 19, 1837

Your true friend and classmate, L. or S. C. BOWERS, Goodlettsville, Tenn. Prof. Law, Born Feb the 27, 1840

May you always be ready and willing to march to the defence of your country in time of danger and go foremost among the sons of freedom to glories bright career. Your friend and classmate, J. O. COSBY, Minacopy (?) Florida, June 7th, 1860 - Born Jan. 12th, 1838

I would that in thy happy breast No grief or care should come To rob thee of thy peaceful rest Or fade thy youthful bloom, is the fervent hope of your friend while the "Earth bears a plant or the Sea rolls a wave." E. P. WILLIAMS, Grenada, Miss. Born Sept. 8, 1838.

Your friend E'er (first 2 initials illegible) HART, Cayuga, Miss. "Always tell the truth,"

Yours truly, W. W. CHAMBERS, Friars Point, Miss. Lebanon, Tenn. June 8, 1860

When time with his dreamy finger should render dim the images of old friends and companions, I fondly indulge the hope that he will attest among others spare the name of your friend most truly, Wm. JONES, Somerville, Brownsville, Born Dec. 2nd 1839

Your friend and classmate, E. E. TANSIL, Dresden, Tennessee,

Profession - Law, Location Fort Smith, Ark. Cumberland U., Tennessee June 8th, 1860

Your True Friend and Classmate, W. T. BURNS, Waynesboro, Tenn.
Yours very truly, Seth M. TARPLEY, Helena, Arkansas, Lebanon, June 29, 1860

(In different handwriting below - "Killed at the Battle of Manassas, Va., June, 1861".)

Very truly yours, E. B. CROW, Vermillionville, La, June 29th, 1860

August, Ark, May 16th, 1870, It affords me the greatest of pleasure to subscribe myself, Your friend, Truly, John L. WOOD.

This is a specimen of my Penmanship - W. S. ABNEY

T. W. ALLEN: Born Nov. 26, 1836, Memphis, Tenn. Married Dec. 1st, 1862, Aged 23 years, 11 mos. and 5 days, Farmer

Andrew College, Trenton, Texas, Look always on the brightest side, tis wise and better far; As down life's chequered stream we glide, Neath hopes bright beaming star. Very truly your Friend, J. M. MITCHELL - Born A. D. 1840

H. Clay ROBINSON, Powhatan, Ark.

(In different writing below: "Died at the Residence of his Father of Consumption November 6th, 1861, Lawrence County, Ark.)

Augusta, Ark., Nov. 3rd, A. D. 1873, May your efforts as a "Limb of the Law" invariably be crowned with success. May your name shine on the pages of future history illustiously, as an eminent jurist not even surpassed by Sir Matthew Hale. Always remembering that honesty and sobriety are true roads that lead to fame and distinction. Bearing in mind the motto of our lamented Emancipator, "Justice to all, malice to none". May you retire from the profession at a good old age and can truly say veni, vidi, vici, is the best wishes of Yours Respectfully, C. W. RAVEN, Atty. at Law - Of Shamokin, Northumberland Co., Penna.

B. F. BLACKBURN, Memphis, Tenn.

Cousin Will, My Dear Friend, When you are far away from this house in which we now sit so happily together, and all others have forgotten and forsaken me, Say, Cousin, wilt thou not once send a thought after the lonely Mary, and ask where is she and is she happy? And when these limbs of mine are lifeless, when this heart of mine shall have ceased to beat, will thou not visit my lonely grave and say here lies my once fondest friend. Mary BEASLEY'S Bend, Tenn.

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ANNOUNCEMENT - THE SPRING WORKSHOP WILL BE APRIL 27th, this year. Because it is earlier than usual we are eager to get the information to you as soon as possible, and to repeat it so that you will not forget it! LLOYD DEWITT BOCKSTRUCK is our Speaker, "VIRGINIA and THE CAROLINAS" his subject! It will be held in the DALLAS PUBLIC LIBRARY, at 1515 Young St Dallas, and the fee is \$10.00. See you there!

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LETTERS

We are indebted to Ann SPENCER of Paris, Texas for sending the following to the Dallas Public Library. She found these letters in an old cedar chest, tucked in a small green paper bag. The paper was brittle, the writing faded. She transcribed them in order that they be preserved, adhering to the spelling, punctuation and capitalization contained in the letters.

Pierceville Hernando Co.
Fla. Jany 24th 1861

To My Dear Neice

It is with pleasure I make use of this opportunity of writing you a letter. You doubtless think your Uncle George has forgotten you, but Neice I have not let you slip from my memory. I wrote to you & Sister while in Miss. but never recd any answer. So you see your Uncle has fulfilled his promise.

I am today at Aunt Susans have just got through partaking of a splendid vegetable dinner, Such as beats, radishes, peas, greens etc. I have gained several pounds since I got to Fla. My health has been bad ever since I left home until I got here; it is now improving. This is undoubtedly a great climate & a pleasant country through the winter. Our relations are all & getting on I suppose well

Sister, you have 3 large Aunts down here. Aunt Susan looks like she will weigh about 240. She can beat you some. Her little daughter will now soon be grown. Aunt Ann has two daughters also grown, & one of them married. Uncle Fed has a daughter grown (Cous. Bettie) & by the way a quite interesting girl.

Dr. HAYS & Aunt Susan will be up to see you all next summer provided the North & South dont get to fighting, and I think that a pretty good provisor. Well Neice, tell me some of the news that has transpired since I left old Coosa. Who is married & who isn't yet---I learn the old Maj has quit Bryckville; who will take his place now--what is the name of the town in Coffee Co he is gone to. Neice, who is courting Miss Mollie & Lou SPEER now. How is Jack CLARK and the Sheep getting on is Laura married yet. You must write to Uncle Geo. soon & give all news etc. Direct to Pierceville No So it remain your affectionate uncle Geo.--
(In the same letter)

Dear Billie,

How is the secession question in Old Ala, I suppose she is out of the union, but I see old Coosa did not like to go out She sent submission delegates to the convention--though one cant expect any better from old Coosa. The little Palmetto State took the law, & I learn 4 others here followed. Geo., Miss., Ala., & Fla--& I suppose La. is very near out by this time. I see Ala. has neglected to take her forts up to the 17th with the exception of the forts at Pensicola. The most important forts she has not taken. Well Billie you see I have got to Fla & I like the country first rate so far, its quite pleasant here in winter season. I think I will spend a month or two longer here. I want to kill some game before I leave & I may find some gal that will have me down here, & not come away atall.

I have not hunted but little yet, for I have not been

able, but I think I will make the deer & turkey walk a line now pretty soon. No more yours truly & affectionately G. W. SPIGENER

Waxahacha Texas

My Dear Cousin

May 1871

Your letter was received by me about three weeks ago and was glad to here frome you but I reckon you think that I am reather slow in responding to it I do hope that you will pardon me for being so neglectful and I will do better the next time. Well Cousin when it comes to news I am as dry as an old chip it is hard for me to think of anny thing to write that will interest you but if I could see you we could find something to talk about and pass our time off and enjoy ourselfs finely I think of you often and wish that Pa would sell his place and move near you all so that we could visit once more for you are the only relations that we have in Texas We have a right pretty place but we have so few neighbors and I get so lonesome some times tell I wish that I had never seen Texas well Cousin the people in Waxahachie and a round it are getting good they had protracted meetings at Waxah lasted about a month and over fifty people joined the church and a great many converted we have a very good preacher this year he has preacht meetings in the country once a weak well Cousin I feel lonely this eavning all gone but me and little Arthur Ma and Mary have gone visiting Pa and George are in the field Felder is going to school and I am trying to write a little but can think of much to write well I will tell you about crops in this country they all look very well Pa corn looks beautiful he has some of his wheat cut it is very good the wheat crops are very good this year Mas garden looks very well we have had pease for a month and the vines are full yet we will have beans soon well I believe that I have wrote all that I can think of we heard frome Buds? a few days ago his health is improving he speaks of paying you all a visit some of these times Dr. OLIVER is still in Waxahachie and is doing very well as far as I know we heard from Ald last weak our relations are all well except Billy MASSENGALE he was quite sick we have had some very heavy ranes and storms it blew down two houses on the frair about seven miles from us it did not do us any harm only our chimney fell down but I tell you it looked like the old cobben was going to fall Cousin if it fares off by sunday I am going to preaching with the pretty young man in Ellis Co you must come and see me and I will show him to you Well I have wrote all I can this time Ma says tell Cousin Elizie and Cousin Billy to come and see her that she would be very glad if they would come and spend a month with her she would get helthy and would not get sick any more well I will close my letter by asking you to look over all mistake and bad writing for felder is hurrying me the family are all well joines me in love to you and all the family tell Cousin Zack I think if you and him would pay us a visit that he would get well. write soon and all the news your true Cousin B A DEBAR?

(to be continued)

Q U E R I E S

Queries are FREE to DGS members; all non-members should send along \$3. for each query, to eliminate correspondence and delay. Be definite about the info you seek. We reserve right to abbreviate. Send as many queries as you like & they will be published as space is available and at the Editor's discretion.

- Blanche Saxon STEIN, 11027 Fernald Ave., Dallas, TX 75218
 SAXON Need info on Pleasant SAXON, b. Laurens Co,
 FRANKS SC ca 1801,m.Dec 1830 Ethelinda FRANKS, b.
 POTTER Laurens, SC Oct 1813; both d. Monroe MS July 1841.
 Ethelinda's ps.Joshua FRANKS,(d.1847 Laurens,SC)
 and Prudence POTTER.
- MILLERMAN Need info John MILLERMAN, b. Christian Valley,NY
 ABBOT & Huldah ABBOT, ps. of John Sanford MILLERMAN, b.
 HARLAN Feb 1814 NY State, d Apr 1868, Falls Co TX m.Mary
 HENRY HARLAN, b.Jan 1821, d. May 1902 Falls Co, dau of
 Isaiah HARLAN,b. May 1798 Laurens, SC & Nancy
 HENRY.
- DAVIS Seeking info John Benjamin DAVIS,m.Rachel Bockcut
 WILLINGHAM WILLINGHAM, b.Columbia,SC 1819, moved to McLennan
 Co TX after 1844.
- Virginia Gardenhire McMAHAN, Rt. 1, Bx. 127, Miami, OK 74354
 McCOWAN Seeking info Isaac McCOWAN, b. ca 1818 VA,
 thence to AR & TX, on 1870 Dallas Co Census. Was
 he also in Jack Co? Wf Sarah A. b. VA & Ch.
 Columbus, David, Kate; & others b. AR, TX,
 possibly dau. Sarah A.
- Barbara SAMUELS, 7805 Linda Lane, Anchorage, Alaska 99502
 SAMUEL Seeking info Maggie M. SAMUEL m. John SNYDER
 SNYDER Nov 1872 Dallas Co TX. Is she dau. William SAMUEL
 who d. 1860 MO?
- HOOKS Seeking correspond. with desc. John HOOKS, 1801-
 -1858. Researching toward publishing.
- Jimmy N. TAYLOR, 458 Blanning Dr., Dallas, Texas 75218
 TAYLOR Seeking info James TAYLOR b. AL c. 1820; also
 HINES Martha (HINES ?) TAYLOR, b. c. 1837 AL. Both ps.
 b. NC. Census 1880 Lincoln Co LA shows him
 widowed, she divorced,& Ch. James 23, John 8,
 Martin 5, all b. LA.
- Anne Wright WILLIAMS, 6130 Yorkshire Dr, Dallas TX 75230
 CHANDLER Jeremiah CHANDLER m. Mary ARMITAGE 1781, Phila
 ARMITAGE PA, then abandoned Mary & son Jeremiah. Mary
 KENNEDY m. ? KENNEDY. Son John b. All 1. Huntingdon,
 PA 1790-1830. Invite correspond CHANDLER &
 ARMITAGE researchers any state. Need b.place
 & ps. 1st Jeremiah CHANDLER. Who was Melissa
 ANDERSON who m. 1st Jeremiah, Cherokee Co. TX?
 TX deeds & land grants show desc. Montgomery,
 Harris, Leon Cos. 1840's.

DENNY Need ps. sib. desc. Alfred DENNY, b.1800 NC.
 HODGE He m. Abigail _____ who, when & where m.?
 ARROWOOD They 1. Madison Co TN 1830, Lauderdale Co TN
 ARWOOD 1840-60. Ch: Henry (m.1849 Lucinda/Catherine
 VAUGHN HODGE), Thomas (m.1873 ARWOOD/ARROWOOD),
 BYRN Martha (M.1877 VAUGHN), David (m.1866 BYRN) &
 John, Benton, Elizabeth, Harriet & others ?

FERGUSON Need ps. Emily FERGUSON, b. 1814 NC, d.Lauder-
 BYRN dale Co.TN. m. John Blount BYRN c. 1824 TN. Was
 BURNS Emily related to Felix FERGUSON, who m. Darthu-
 la FERGUSON?

FERGUSON Felix FERGUSON ancestors were Douglass, Dyer Co
 CRADDOCK TN and Berryman FERGUSON, Rutherford Co TN and
 John FERGUSON & Frances CRADDOCK (m.1808 Wilson
 Co TN. Seek correspondence with desc. & grave
 sites.

Marjorie RADLEY, 5739 W. Stanford, Dallas, TX 75209

MEEKER Seeking info David F. MEEKER, B. 1807, Bourbon
 MICHENER Co KY, (son of Forest MEEKER), m. Elizabeth
 SHAW MICHENER 1831 (dau. of Mordecai MICHENER &
 DEARHOLT Susanna SHAW). Ch. Mordecai b. 1832 (m. DEARHOLT)
 LAWHEAD d. 1865; Dorothy b. 1834 d.y.; Nathan F. b.1836
 WILKASON m. Eliza ___ ?); Robert Emnon b. 1838, Marion Co
 TERRY OH (m.Lawhead, m.2 Wilkason), d. IA; Benjamin J.
 WHEELER b. 1840 d.(accidentally); and Daniel C. b. 1843
 SMITH 1843 (m. Terry, m.2 Wheeler & m.3 Smith)d. Bow-
 ling Green OH 1895. Welcome correspondence.

MEEKER Was David F. MEEKER's father the same Forest
 MEEKER b. Rutland VT & emigrated PA, OH, KY, &
 Delaware Co OH & d. there 1849? Was his father
 Samuel MEEKER, b. VT? Was Forest's bro. Chas. H
 MEEKER? Was Forest MEEKER b. c.1765 and was he
Colonel Forest MEEKER?

MEEKER Was the Forest MEEKER who d. Delaware, OH m.
 twice? His widow was Livonia MEEKER. Were Mary,
 Forest Jr., and Benjamin sibs of David F MEEKER?

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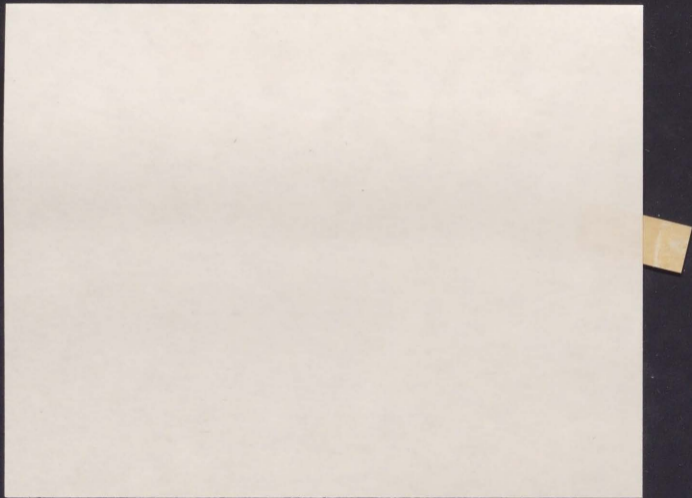
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