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#### **CORONER'S REPORTS**

#### by Gerri Brannan

An inquest is held to determine cause of death in cases of violent, sudden or unexplained death or if the deceased has not been recently under a physician's care. The findings of the inquest are recorded in Inquest Dockets or Coroner's Reports. These records for Dallas County are available for the years 1897 through 1969 in the Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division of the Dallas Public Library in its capacity as a depository for the Regional Historical Resource Depository and Local Records program (RHRD) of the Texas State Library.

These records variously labeled, *Coroner's Minutes* or *Inquest Docket Books* are in ledger type volumes with an index at the front and the cases following in chronological order. Each record is on a double page with space on the left page for the following information:

Name and description of the deceased; Date of death if known; Where died, or where body was found; Date of inquest; Where inquest was held; Nature of information and by whom given; Name of suspected person; Principal or accomplice; Residence of suspected person; Date of arrest; Where confined; Date of Bail Bond; Residence of person(s) on bail; Names and addresses of sureties on bail bond. [Note: Generally only a few of the spaces are completed.]

On the right hand page are entered the findings of the coroner as to cause of death with his sworn statement.

# INQUEST DOCKET, DALLAS COUNTY, NUMBER 2 March 5, 1897–January 24, 1900 J. M. Skelton, Justice of the Peace, Precinct 1 [Continued from *The Dallas Quarterly*, Volume XL, #1, Page 55]

- J. D. Morris, a white man, died 14 June 1898. He was struck by lightning 7 miles south of Dallas on Lancaster road. Page 287.
- Tom Brown, a white man, died 22 June 1898 from morphine administered by his own hand with suicidal intent. Page 288.
- Roy Jimison, a colored boy, died 22 June 1898. Cause of death was congestion of the bowels. Page 289.
- Sam Stephenson, a colored man, died 10 July 1898 of heart trouble. Page 290.
- William Eugard, died 25 July 1898 of rheumatism and heart failure. Page 291.
- Effie Jones, a female colored child, died 25 July 1898 from the effects of a fall. Page 292.
- Cecelia Walker, a colored child, died 5 August 1898 from unknown causes. Page 293.

- John Morrow, died 21 August 1898 at the Dallas County Jail from unknown causes. Page 294.
- Michael O'Connor, a white man, of 89 years died 31 August 1898 from old age. Page 295.
- Harry Hurley, a white man, died 12 September 1898 of morphine administered by his own hand with suicidal intent. Page 296.
- Jane Blood, a colored woman, died 20 September 1898 from heart trouble. Page 297.
- Infant of Fannie Brewer, a colored child, died of unknown causes on the 22 September 1898. Page 298.
- Amos Simmons, a colored man, died, 25 September 1898 from the effects of gun shot wounds inflicted by John Margaret. Page 299.
- Helen Jackson, a colored woman, died 25 September 1898; cause of death is choking from asthma. Page 300.
- R. A. Jackson, a white man, died 26 September 1898 from heart disease. The body was viewed at Apperson's Drug Store, corner of Poydras and Main Street. Page 301.
- Needham Johnson, a colored man, died 10 October 1898 from unknown causes. Page 302.
- Golda Augusta, a white female child, died 11 October from unknown causes. Page 303.
- John Gouger, a white man, died 15 October 1898; choked to death by asthma. Page 304.
- F. W. Gray, died 18 October 1898 from a pistol shot in forehead inflicted by himself with suicidal intent. Page 305.
- Jim Redd, a 17 year old white boy, died 23 October 1898 from a gun shot in the heart inflicted by Henry Alexander alias Henry Randle. Page 306.
- Lee Rice, a colored man, died 24 October 1898 from a sudden hemorrhage of the lungs. Page 307.
- Ava N. Briscoe, a female white child, died 1 December 1898 from a fall from a moving wagon. Page 308.
- Chas. Parker, a colored child, died 10 December 1898 from the effects of hives. Page 309.
- A. T. Randall, a white man, died 13 December 1898 from unknown causes. Page 310.
- George W. Turner, a white man died 16 December 1898 from hemorrhage of the lungs. Page 311.

- I. G. Randle, a white man, died 19 December 1898 of pistol shot wounds inflicted by H. P. Ervin of Forney, Kaufman County, Texas. The incident happened in front of Lang's Restaurant on Main Street, Dallas. Page 312.
- F. R. Mallory, a white man, died 25 December 1898 of apoplexy. Page 313.
- Oscar White, a colored man, died 25 December 1898 from blows on the head inflicted by O. H. Hudlow, John Frank, and Will DeBrayne. Page 314.
- Henry Hunt, a colored man, died 26 December 1898 from gun shot wounds to head inflicted by a double barrelled shot gun in the hands of Tom Purvis. Page 315.
- Augustus Rosenguild, a white man, died 3 January 1899; cause of death was contact with a live electric wire. Page 316.
- W. A. Cole, a white man, died 5 January 1899 of unknown causes. Page 317.
- Charles McCoy, a colored man, died 12 January 1899 from hemorrhage of the lungs. Page 318.
- James Murry, a white child, died 19 January 1899 from membrane croup. Page 319.
- Martha Cox, a white woman, died 19 January 1899 from an overdose of morphine taken by her own hand with suicidal intent. Page 320.
- Dud Wilson, a colored man, died 21 January 1899 from la grippe and exposure. Page 321.
- Unknown man, Mexican, died 29 January 1899 of unknown causes. Page 322.
- W. C. Griffin, a white man, died 3 February 1899, of morphine administered by his own hand with suicidal intent. Body was found in room #166, Windsor Hotel, Dallas, Texas. Page 323.
- Gotloeb Oetinger, a white man died 7 February 1899 from unknown causes. The body was found at People's Ice Factory, Dallas, Texas. Page 324.
- Jas. Neal, a white man, died 11 February 1899 of unknown causes at the Dallas County Jail. Testimony was given by jailers, Joe Rhodes and Moreland. Page 325.
- Henry Venters, a colored man, died 12 February 1899. He was 89 years of age and the cause of death was given as old age. Page 326.
- Unknown colored child, date and cause of death is unknown; the body was found in Branch [of the Trinity?] in south end of Dallas, Texas. Page 327.

- Jim Dillon, died 20 February 1899; he was a white man about 5' 9", 30 to 35 years of age, weighing about 150 pounds, dark hair, brown mustache, several upper teeth missing, dressed in workman's garb with duchess pants. He came to his death by being accidentally struck and killed by Engine #540 of Gulf, Colorado and Sante Fe Railroad train, southbound near Reinhart. Page 328.
- W. Logan died 22 February 1899 at the City Jail from unknown causes. Page 329.
- Julia Williams, a colored woman, died 12 March 1899 of La Grippe and want of medical attention. Page 330.
- Max Eberle, a white man, died 15 March 1899; his body was found near Colton Compress, South Dallas. The deceased died from strangulation by hanging himself with suicidal intent. Page 331.
- Joe Harris, died 20 March 1899 from unknown causes. Page 332.
- Estelle McLaughlin, a colored child, died 22 March 1899 of unknown cause and no medical attention. Page 333.
- George Thomas, a colored man, died 25 March 1899. The body was found at Fisher, Dallas County Texas; death was caused by pistol shot wound in the left breast inflicted by some party unknown from the cupula of the caboose of freight train #113 of the M.K.&T. Railroad. Suspect is C. Lindenwood of Denison, Texas. Page 334.
- Robert Paul, died 27 March 1899; deceased came to his death by blowing the top of his head off with a shot gun with suicidal intent. Page 335.
- Albert Magee, a colored man, died 31 March 1899 of burns suffered in fire of the barn of Dr. Bell in the rear of #422 Bryan Street. Page 336.
- T. E. Lewis, a white man, died 7 April 1899 from gun shot wound in head inflicted by Bob Elliott. Page 337.
- Pat Maloney, died 12 April 1899; there were no marks of violence, cause of death is unknown. Page 338.
- Belle Thornton, died 25 April 1899 at the Victoria Hotel from morphine poisoning with suicidal intent. Page 339.
- Emeline Moore, a colored woman, died 26 April 1899 from unknown causes. Page 340.
- Dan Cannon, a white man, died 10 May 1899 from pistol shot wound inflicted by the hands of Louis Carroll. Page 341.
- Silas Gray, a colored man, died 10 May 1899 from heart failure. Page 342.
- Henry Cooper, died 12 May 1899 from heart disease. Page 343.
- Myrtle Lewis, a colored child, died 15 May 1899 from congestion of stomach and bowels. Page 344.

- Deoerus Clark, a female colored child, died 20 May 1899 from unknown causes. Page 345.
- Tim Smith alias "Tough", a colored man, died 27 May 1899 from a pistol shot wound in left breast inflicted by Lon Turner with murderous intent. Page 346.
- Jim Stone, a colored man, died of unknown causes. Page 347.
- Pat or Bum Mahoney, died 7 June 1899 of heart failure; the body was found in the rear of Joe Rodes' saloon on Main Street. Page 348.
- B. L. Reed, a white woman, died 15 June 1899 from an overdose of morphine taken by her own hand with suicidal intent. Page 349.
- Hattie E. Mershan, a white child, died 18 June 1899; she came to her death from carelessness, starvation and want of attention. Page 350.
- Belle Garrett, died 25 June 1899 from gun shot wounds inflicted by the hands of Wash. Garrett with murderous intent. Page 351.
- Calvin Kinzie/McKenzie, a colored man, died 25 June 1899 from a hemorrhage of the lung. Page 352.
- E. Storer, a white boy, died 1 July 1899 from a gunshot wound in the left breast inflicted by the hand of Will Henderson with murderous intent. Page 353.
- Lou Williams, alias Lou Gray, a white woman, died 2 July 1899. The cause of death was heart failure. Page 354.
- Tom Bates, a white man, died 5 July 1899. He was mashed by a saw log rolling over him. Page 355.
- Joe Schnadle, a white male child, died suddenly 6 July 1899 from congestion. No physician was in attendance. Page 356.
- Ada Miller, a colored child, died 9 July 1899 from convulsions. There was no physician in attendance. Page 357.
- Earl Bauke, a colored boy, died 11 July 1899 after being kicked in the head by a mule. Page 358.
- William Lipscomb, a white man, died 13 July 1899 from a pistol shot wound inflicted by the hand of J. T. Carlisle with murderous intent. Page 359.
- J. Black, a colored female child, died 16 July 1899 from poisoning caused by eating matches. Page 360.
- Blanche E. Avery, a colored child, died 18 July 1899 from convulsions and cholera infantum. Page 361.
- G. E. Olsen, a colored male child, died 19 July 1899 from a dose of carbolic acid. Page 362.

- M. T. McNabb, a white man, died 23 July 1899 from natural causes, being 87 years of age. Page 363.
- Tom alias Dock Brotherton, a colored man, died 25 July 1899 from consumption. He was a pardoned convict and died on the T & P west bound train, near Big Sandy, Dallas County while in transit to his home. Page 364.
- Mrs. Annie B. Farnham, a white woman, died 29 July 1899 being burned to death in a fire at 438 Pacific Avenue. Page 365.
- Robert Farnham, a white boy, died 29 July 1899 being burned to death in a fire at 439 Pacific Avenue. Page 366.
- A. P. Rawlins, a white man, died 13 August 1899 from pistol shot wounds in the left side inflicted by the hands of C. A. Daniels in a street duel at the corner of Poydras and Main Street. Page 367.
- C. A. Daniels, a white man, died 13 August 1899 from a pistol shot wound in the left side inflicted by the hands of A. P. Rawlins in a street duel at the corner of Poydras and Main Street. Page 368.
- Glenn Graham, a white boy of 20 years, died 14 August 1899; the result of a collision between himself on a bicycle and Jack Armstrong in a buggy. Page 369.
- Ella Whittaker, a colored woman, died 21 August 1899 from hemorrhage of the lung; she suffered from consumption and there was no physician in attendance. Page 370.
- Wm. Foster, a colored man, died 23 August 1899 from unknown causes. Page 371.
- George Quarles, a white man, died 3 September 1899 from the effects of dissipation and carelessness. Page 372.
- Unknown infant, a white child, died 7 September 1899 of unknown causes. Page 373.
- Frank Choi, a chinaman, died September 1899. Inquest was held 8 September 1899 and cause(s) of death was not determined. Page 374.
- Laura Levy alias Laura Burnett, a white woman, died 9 September 1899 from unknown causes. Page 375.
- IdaMae Clark, a white girl of 13 years of age, died 13 September 1899 from an overdose of *Rough on Rats* taken by her own hand with unknown intent. Page 376.
- Unknown infant, a white child found on the doorstep of Dr. Holsey, died September 1899, exact date unknown. The inquest was held 21 September 1899 and the cause of death was unknown. Page 377.
- Infant of J. L. Bee, a colored child, died 23 September 1899 from unknown cause(s). There was no physician in attendance. Page 378.

- L. F. Bailiff, a white man, came to his death on 2 October 1899 from the effects of a blow on the left side of the head inflicted by the hands of one A. Wimberly. Information was given by J. E. Dunn and G. E. Connell. Wimberly was arrested 3 October 1899 and put in Dallas County Jail by H. H. Jacoby, Constable Precinct 1, Criminal District Court. Page 379.
- Unknown colored man died 5 October 1899 from the effects of morphine poison. Page 380.
- C. J. Stockbridge, a white man, died 6 October 1899 from effects of morphine taken by his own hand with unknown intent. Page 381.
- Jane Cloud, a colored woman, died 10 October 1899 in the Dallas County Jail from some unknown cause, she being insane. Page 382.
- H. B. Jones, a white man, died 12 October 1899 from a pistol shot wound in the heart inflicted by his own hands with suicidal intent. Page 383.
- Jim P. Wood, a white man, died 13 October 1899 died from a fall from the west end of the Texas & Pacific RR trestle over the Trinity River. The cause of the fall was not known. Page 384.
- H. Weakley, a colored man, died 20 October 1899 from a hemorrhage from the lungs. Page 385.
- C. H. Pidcocke, a white man, died 27 October 1899 from a pistol shot wound in the forehead inflicted by his own hand. Page 386.
- Fanny Brown, a colored woman, died 31 October 1899 from unknown cause(s). Page 387.
- James White, a colored child, died 30 October 1899 from boll hives. Page 388.
- Bob Dennis, a colored man, died 9 November 1899 from apoplexy before medical attention could reach him. Page 389.
- Lillie Moore, a colored child, died 20 November 1899 from congestion of the stomach and bowels; there was no physician in attendance. Page 390.
- Thomas L. Emmitt, a white man, died 27/28 November 1899 from having his skull crushed with the handle of a pick axe in the hands of some party or parties unknown. Page 391.
- Jack Norville, a white man, died 12 December 1899 from pistol shot wounds inflicted by the hands of Dan Foreman. Ambrose Hughes was the informant and Dan Foreman was arrested 13 December 1899 and confined in the Dallas County Jail. Page 392.
- H. E. Wicks, alias John Williams, a colored man, died 14 December 1899 in the Dallas County Jail from pistol shot wounds inflicted by H. G. Mueller, a deputy sheriff while in the discharge of his official duty; the deceased having made an attempt to escape. Page 393.

- B. M. Hulton, a white man, died 22 December 1899 from some unknown cause(s). Page 394.
- Walter Myers, a colored man, died 24 December 1899 from pistol shot wounds inflicted by the hands of Charles Miller. Miller was arrested 25 December 1899 and placed in the Dallas County Jail. Page 395.
- John Weems, a colored man, died 4 January 1900 from heart failure. He was 84 years old. Page 396.
- Wm. F. See, a white man, died 11 January 1900 from catarrhal consumption. There was no physician in attendance. Page 397.
- Annie Andrews, a colored woman, died 15 January 1900 from unknown cause(s). There was no physician in attendance. Page 398.
- Lacy Pope, a colored man, died 22 January 1900 from heart failure. Page 399.
- Infant of Katie Peets, a colored female child, died 24 January 1900 from congestion of the bowels, no physician being in attendance. Page 400.

### TEXAS CONFEDERATE PENSIONS

The Genealogy Section of the Dallas Public Library has acquired the first 86 rolls of microfilm of *Texas CSA Approved Pension Applications* which comprises Applications #1 through #11831. There are 700 rolls in the entire set which also includes the rejected pensions; at present the first 86 rolls are available and another 117 rolls are on order; the remaining rolls will be ordered as the budget allows. Editorial Note: Donations would help to purchase this important Texas resource.

The original records are at the Texas State Library, Austin and were filmed in 1974 by the Genealogical Society, Salt Lake City, Utah. The applications are filmed in numerical order and are indexed in:

Index to Texas CSA Pension Files, Virgil D. White 1989
[Dallas Public Library call number 929.3764 W588]]

Index to Applications for Texas Confederate Pensions, John M. Kinney 1977. [Dallas Public Library call number 973.7 K55I]

Each application consists of an Application Form #1 for Soldier or Sailor or Form #2 for widow of Soldier or Sailor plus affidavits and depositions from persons attesting to the veterans service, indigence, etc. Some include miscellaneous letters pertaining to the application.

The following files are of the applications of three Dallas County residents. The forms are reproduced in their entirety while the accompanying letters or depositions are abstracted.

### W. B. Montague

### Texas Confederate Pension Application #1019

FORM No. 1.
APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899.
THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of <u>Dallas</u>
To the Honorable County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> County, Texas.  Your petitioner, <u>W. B. Montague</u> respectfully represents that he is a resident citizen of <u>Dallas</u> County, in the State of Texas and that he makes this application for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas and approved May 12, A. D. 1899, the same being an act entitled "An act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor," and I do solemnly swear that the answers I have given to the following questions are true.
NOTE—Applicant must make answer to all of the following questions, and such answers must be written out plainly in ink.
Q. What is your name? Answer W. B. Montague Q. What is your age? Answer (60) sixty 29th day of March 1899 Q. In what county do you reside? Answer Dallas Q. How many years have you resided in said county and what is your post office address? Answer Seven years; Lancaster, Tex. Q. Have you ever applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer No Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer Farming but unable to farm or any other occupation now Q. What is your physical condition? Answer. Very bad, suffer from rheumatism Q. If your physical condition is such that you are unable by your own labor to earn support, state what caused such disability. Answer Rheumatism, don't know producing cause Q. State in what company and regiment you enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of your service? Answer. Co. G 2nd Texas; four years
<ul> <li>Q. If you served in the Confederate navy state when and where and the time of your service? Answer No.</li> <li>Q. State whether or not you have received any pension or veteran donation land certificate under any previous law, and if you answer in the affirmative state what pension or veteran land certificate you have received. Answer None</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Q. What real and personal property do you now own, and what is the present value of such property? Give list of such property and value. Answer. None</li> <li>Q. What property, and what value thereof have you sold or conveyed within two years prior to the date of this value of the such property.</li> </ul>
application? Answer. None  Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer None  Q. Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer. I am
Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer
<ul> <li>Q. Did you ever desert the Confederacy? Answer No</li> <li>Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of January, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this state? Answer Yes</li> </ul>

Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as required by law. (Signature of Applicant) W. B. Montague

Sworm to and subscribed before me this 7 day of July A. D. 1899

Kenneth Force
County Judge Dallas County, Texas

(Seal)

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF <u>DALLAS</u> County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> County, State of Texas, on <u>F. P. Pennington</u> who are known to a control on oath, state that they personally know <u>[left blastors a pension and further know that the said applicant is under the country of the co</u>	me to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworm thk the above named applicant
	(Signature of Witness)
	(Signature of Witness)
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	
(Caal)	Kenneth Foree
(Seal)	County Judge <u>Dallas</u> County, Texas
AFFIDAVIT OF	F PHYSICIAN.
THE STATE OF TEXAS,	
County of Dallas	Before me_ Kenneth Foree
County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> County, State of Texas, o	on this day personally appeared
	racticing physician of this County, who being by me duly
sworn on oath, states that he has carefully and thorough	ly examined W. B. Montague applicant for a
pension, and finds him laboring under the following disab	bilities which render him unable to labor at any work or
calling sufficient to earn support for himself: Chre	
(Signa	ature of Physician) C. L. Johnson, MD
Sworn to and subscribed before me	this 19 day of Aug A.D. 1899
Sworn to and subscribed before the	Kenneth Foree
(Seal)	County Judge Dallas County, State of Texas.
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Courty of Dallas

STATE OF TEXAS,

#### CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

County of Duttus	we, the undersigned me	embers of the Commissioners Court of
County, Texas, hereb	by certify that the foregoing application	of W. B. Montague for a
pension, together with the proof in s	upport thereof, was duly submitted by I	Hon. Kenneth Foree County
Judge of this <u>Dallas</u> County, to	the Commissioners Court of this $\underline{D}$	allas County, at the regular term
	A.D. <u>1899</u> and after a careful conspension provided for by the Confedera	
Witness our hands and s	seal of office at <i>Dallas</i> , <i>Tex</i> this	19 day of <u>Aug</u> A.D. <u>1899</u> R. L. Winfrey
(Sign	natures of Commissioners.)	C. G. Miller
(Seal)		T. L. Ferguson
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Also included in this file are depositions from Mrs. Julia F. Herndon and Georgia H. Castleberry concerning the above applicant.

Mrs. Julia F. Herndon states that her age is 47 years and she resides at 608 W. Shepherd Street, Denison, Texas; she has known W. B. Montague, who resides in Dallas County, Texas about 10 miles south of Dallas on the Dallas and Lancaster Road, all her life; W. B. Montgue enlisted in 1861 in Caldwell, Burleson County, Texas and was in General Hood's Company and served for 4 years; she does not know which company or regiment but knows he was with Hood's Brigade; she has seen W. B. Montague frequently and knows his handwriting since he is an old family friend and states that the request for her deposition was by his hand.

[dated] 7 August 1899

/s/ Mrs. Julia F. Herndon

/s/ J. R. Handy, Notary Public Grayson County, Texas

Georgia H. Castleberry states that she is 44 years old and resides in Mesquite, Dallas County, Texas; she is well acquainted with W. B. Montague and has known him all her life; to her personal knowledge he enlisted in the Confederacy in September 1861 and performed the duties of a soldier until honorably discharged; he enlisted at Caldwell, Burleson County, Texas in September 1861. She knows W. B. Montague to be the one making application since she has known him all her life, he was in the service of Confederacy about 4 years.

[dated] 4 August 1899.

/s/ Georgia H. Castleberry /s/ L. S. Darling, Notary Public Dallas County, Texas

## T. M. Jones

## Texas Confederate Pension Application #1020

FORM No. 1.

APPLICATION of Indigent Soldier or Sailor of the late Confederacy for pension under the Act of May 12, 1899.
THE STATE OF TEXAS, County of <u>Dallas</u>
To the Honorable County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> County, Texas.  Your petitioner, <u>T. M. Jones</u> respectfully represents that the is a resident citizen of <u>Dallas</u> County, in the State of Texas and that he makes this application
for the purpose of obtaining a pension under the act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas and approved May 12, A. D. 1899, the same being an act entitled "An act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor," and I do solemnly swear that the answers I have given to the following questions are true.
NOTE—Applicant must make answer to all of the following questions, and such answers must be written out plainly in ink.
Q. What is your name? Answer T. M. Jones
Q. What is your age? Answer Sixty Seven (67)
Q. In what county do you reside? Answer Dallas
Q. How many years have you resided in said county and what is your post office address? Answer
Q. Have you ever applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer No
Q. What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer <u>Farming when able</u>
<ul> <li>Q. What is your physical condition? Answer. <u>bad</u></li> <li>Q. If your physical condition is such that you are unable by your own labor to earn support, state what caused such disability. Answer <u>Rheumatism</u>; <u>contracted in the Confederate Army</u>; <u>asthmacontracted since the war</u></li> </ul>
Q. State in what company and regiment you enlisted in the Confederate army, and the time of your service?  Answer. Co. D. 5th Tenn.Regiment
<ul> <li>Q. If you served in the Confederate navy state when and where and the time of your service? Answer No.</li> <li>Q. State whether or not you have received any pension or veteran donation land certificate under any previous law, and if you answer in the affirmative state what pension or veteran land certificate you have received. Answer No.</li> </ul>
Q. What real and personal property do you now own, and what is the present value of such property? Give list of such property and value. Answer. <u>None</u>
Q. What property, and what value thereof have you sold or conveyed within two years prior to the date of this application? Answer. None
Q. What income, if any, do you receive? Answer
Q. Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer
<ul> <li>Q. Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer I am</li> <li>Q. Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer No</li> </ul>
Q. Did you ever desert the Confederacy? Answer No
Q. Have you been continuously since the first day of January, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this state?  Answer. Yes
Wherefore your petitioner prays that his application for pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premises as required by law.
(Signature of Applicant) T. M. Jones
Swom to and subscribed before me this 7day of
(Seal) County Judge <u>Dallas</u> County, Texas

## AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

(NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.)	)
THE STATE OF TEXAS,	Voundh Found
COUNTY OF <u>DALLAS</u>	Before me, Kenneth Foree
	on this day personally appeared <u>E. P. Paschal and</u>
	to be credible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on
oath, state that they personally know	the above named applicant for able to support himself by labor of any sort.
- F	(Signature of Witness) E.P. Paschal
	(Signature of Witness) James Warnick
	(Signature of Witness)
	(Signature of Witness)
	,
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	5 day of Aug A.D. 1899
	Kenneth Foree
(Seal)	County Judge Dallas County, Texas
AFFIDAVIT C	OF PHYSICIAN.
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County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> County, State of Texas,	on this day personally appeared
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	abilities which render him unable to labor at any work or
calling sufficient to earn support for himself: <u>Asthmo</u>	
(Sig	nature of Physician) W. A. McCoy, MD
Sworn to and subscribed before m	ne this 8th day of July A.D. 1899
Swom to and subscribed before in	Kenneth Foree
(Seal)	County Judge Dallas County, State of Texas.
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THE STATE OF TEXAS,	
County of <u>Dallas</u>	ı, Kenneth Foree
County Judge of Dallas County, State of Texas	
A D 1899 hefore me came on to be heard the and	plication of T. M. Iones for a pension
under the Confederate Pension Law of this State, approv	olication of T. M. Jones for a pension ed May 12, A. D. 1899; that the answers of said applicant
to the questions propounded were made under oath as th	e same appear in writing in the foregoing application; that
	were made before me as the same herein before appear, and
	<u>v</u> who is a reputable practicing physician of this County, cant <i>T. M. Jones</i> , is not an inmate of the Texas
Confederate Home, nor otherwise disqualified under the	provision of Section 12, of the Confederate pension law
further certify that after considering all the proceedings	had before me relative to said application for a pension by
	licant is lawfully entitled to the pension provided by the
Confederate Pension Law of this State and I hereby app	
Witness my hand and se	tal of office at <u>Dallas, Texas</u> this <u>12</u>
	day of July A.D. 1899
(Cool)	Kenneth Foree
(Seal)	County Judge <u>Dallas</u> County, State of Texas

## CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS.

STATE OF TEXAS	5,	
County of Dallas		gned members of the Commissioners Court of
		olication of <u>T. M. Jones</u> for a pension,
		on. Kenneth Foree County Judge of
this <u>Dallas</u> County, to	the Commissioners Court of this <u>Dalla</u>	S County, at the regular term thereof on the
<u>10</u> day of <u>Aug</u> A.D. <u>1</u> entitled to the pension pro application.	<u>899</u> and after a careful consideration of vided for by the Confederate Pension La	the same we find the said applicant is lawfully aw of this State, and we hereby approve said
	ands and seal of office at Dallas, Tex	this <u></u>
	(Signatures of Commissioners.)	C. G. Miller
(Seal)	(8,	T. L. Ferguson
		Geo. W. Neely
	[End of form]	
In addition to the	application form there are	two letters in this file.
Confederate Vete	O. V. Jones, 2411 Butle erans Pension Board, Austin mped received April 22, 19	r Street, Dallas, 9, Texas to , Texas. The letter is undated 047. It reads:
Kindly furnish	me with the Regiment, C	Company and etc that my
father Thoma	as Monroe Jones, belonge	d to and any information
necessary to	entering my mother into th	e Home at Austin. She is
	I have proper commitment	
	tion. Thank you. Yours tru	
The second letter	dated April 22 1017 is a	ddraggad to Mr. O. V. Janes
The second letter dated April 22, 1947 is addressed to Mr. O. V. Jones, 2411 Butler Street, Dallas, 9, Texas from Geo. H. Sheppard, Comptroller of Public Accounts. It says that Jones did not give the name of his mother or mention if she was now receiving a pension. If she is, please furnish Mrs Susan Butler, Superintendent, Women's Confederate Home with the Pension File number and she should be able to furnish information on admittance to the Home. It further states that Thomas Monroe Jones was a private in Company D. 5th Tennessee Regiment, Confederate States Army and applied for as pension in September 1899 and was approved as Pension File #1020.		
Mrs. Martha M. I	Moore Texas Confedera	te Pension Application #1021
	FORM No. 2.	
APPLICATION of pension under the	Indigent widow of Soldier or the Act of May 12, 1899.	Sailor of the late Confederacy for
THE STATE OF T	EXAS	
County of <u>Dallas</u>		
To the Honorable (	County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> Co	ounty Texas
Your netitions	r. Mrs Martha M Moore	respectfully represents that she
		in the State of Texas; that she is the widow of
		(or sailor) and that she makes this application
for the purpose of obtaining	g a pension as the widow of said $M$ .	J. Moore , deceased, under

the act passed by the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Texas and approved May 12, A. D. 1899, the same being an act entitled "An act to carry into effect the amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas, providing that aid may be granted to disabled and dependent Confederate soldiers, sailors and their widows under certain conditions, and to make an appropriation therefor," and I do solemnly swear that the answers I have given to the following questions are true.

	NOTE—Applicant must make answer to all of the following questions, and such answers must be written out plainly in ink.
Q.	What is your name? Answer Mrs. Martha M. Moore
Q.	What is your age? Answer Fifty Eight years
Q.	In what county do you reside? Answer Dallas County
Q.	How many years have you resided in said county and what is your post office address? Answer_ <u>resided in Dallas County since 1855; my P.O. address is 246 San Jacinto</u> Street, Dallas Texas
Q.	Have you ever applied for a pension under the Confederate Pension Law heretofore, and been rejected? If so state when and where. Answer <u>No</u>
Q.	What is your occupation if able to engage in one? Answer None
Q.	What is your physical condition? Answer. Delicate
Q.	What was the name of your deceased husband? Answer
Q.	Were you married to him anterior to March 1, 1866? If so, on what date were you married to him and where?  Answer <u>Was married to M. J. Moore; Feby. 17, 1861 in Dallas, Texas</u>
Q.	What was the date of his death? Answer March 1, 1872
Q.	Are you unmarried, and have you remained unmarried since the death of your said husband for whose services you claim a pension? Answer I am unmarried; I have remained unmarried since my said husband's death.
Q.	State in what company and regiment your deceased husband for whose service you claim a pension enlisted in the Confederate Army, and the time of his service therein? Answer. <u>Company "A"</u>
	3rd Texas Cavalry; served 4 years
Q.	
Q.	Answer Never served in the Navy  State whether or not you have received any pension or veteran donation land certificate under any previous law, and if you answer in the affirmative, state what pension or veteran land certificate, you have so received. Answer I have not received any pension or a veteran donation land certificate under any previous law.
Q.	What real and personal property do you now own, and what is the present value of such property? Give list of such property and value. Answer. I own no property of any kind
Q.	What property, and what value thereof have you sold or conveyed within two years prior to the date of this application? Answer. None
Q.	What income, if any, do you receive? Answer None
Q.	Are you in indigent circumstances; that is, are you in actual want, and destitute of property and means of subsistence? Answer I am
Q.	Are you unable by your labor to earn a support? Answer I am
Q.	Have you transferred to others any property of value of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? Answer
Q.	Did your deceased husband for whose services you claim a pension ever desert the Confederacy? Answer_ NO
Q.	Have you been continuously since the first day of January, 1880, a bona fide resident citizen of this state? Answer. I have
be l	Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for pension be approved and such other proceedings had in the premises as required by law.  (Signature of Applicant) Martha M. Moore
	Swom to and subscribed before me this 8th day of July A. D. 1899
	Kenneth Force
	(Seal) County Judge <u>Dallas</u> County, Texas

### AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES.

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(NOTE—There must be at least two credible witnesses.)	
THE STATE OF TEXAS, COUNTY OF DALLAS	Before me, Kenneth Foree
County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> County, State of Texas, on this	
	dible citizens, who being by me duly sworn on oath,
state that they personally know that Mrs. Martha M. M	
M. J. Moore, deceased, is in truth and fa	ct the widow of the said M. J. Moore
, deceased, that they personally know that the said <u>M. J. M.</u> of the Confederacy, and performed the duties of a soldier (or see	doore ,deceased, enlisted in the service allor) as claimed by his said widow in the above and
foregoing application and that they further know that the said l	
the said M. J. Moore, deceased, is unable to	
	Signature of Witness) A. M. Cochran
	Signature of Witness) Thos. Flynn
	Signature of Witness)
	Signature of Witness)
Sworn to and subscribed before me this	is <u>8th</u> day of <u>July</u> A.D. <u>1899</u> Kenneth Foree
(Seal)	County Judge <u>Dallas</u> County, Texas
(Scar)	county Judge Duttus County, Texas
CERTIFICATE OF CO	UNTY JUDGE.
THE STATE OF TEXAS,	
County of <u>Dallas</u>	I, <u>Kenneth Foree</u>
County Judge of <u>Dallas</u> County, State of Texas, do	nereby certify that on the <u>8th</u> day of <u>July</u>
A. D. <u>1899</u> , before me came on to be heard the application	
M. J. Moore deceased, for a pension under the May 12, A. D. 1899; that the answers of said applicant to the	the Confederate Pension Law of this State, approved questions propounded were made under oath as the
May 12, A. D. 1899; that the answers of said applicant to the same appear in writing in the foregoing application; that the affice	lavits of the witnesses who are credible citizens were
made before me as the same herein before appear. I also certify, is not disqualified under any provisions of Section 12, of the	that the said applicant Martha M. Moore
considering all the proceedings had before me relative to said	
Martha M. Moore widow of M. J. Moore	
lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the Confederate	Pension Law of this State and I hereby approve said
application.	
Witness my hand and seal of off	ice at Dallas, Texas this 12
	ay of <i>Aug</i> . A.D. 1899
	Kenneth Foree
(Seal)	ounty Judge <u>Dallas</u> County, State of Texas
CERTIFICATE OF COUNTY	COMMISSIONERS.
STATE OF TEXAS.	
- 11	ndersigned members of the Commissioners Court of
	oing application of Mrs. Martha M. Moore
widow of M. J. Moore deceased for a pension, tog	
submitted by Hon. Kenneth Foree County Judge of thi	s Dallas County, to the Commissioners Court
of thisDallasCounty, at the regular term thereof on the_	16 day of <i>August</i> A.D. 1899 and after
a careful consideration of the same we find the said applicant is Confederate Pension Law of this State, and we hereby approve	lawfully entitled to the pension provided for by the
Witness our hands and seal of office at <u>Dallas</u> , <u>Te</u>	
	R. L. Winfrey
(Signatures of Commissioners.)	C. G. Miller
(Seal)	<u>T. L. Ferguson</u> Geo. W. Neely
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# 14TH DISTRICT COURT—MINUTE BOOK A ABSTRACTS

Helen Mason Lu & Adrienne B. Jamieson

Dallas County was organized in 1846 and the district court met for the first time Monday December 7th of that year. In these abstracts are to be found the names of the founders of Dallas—as jurors, defendants, and plaintiffs—involved in the usual disputes of life.

The minute books for the 14th District Court dating from its inception Monday, December 7th, 1846 until March 1939 are available in the Texas/Dallas History and Archives Division of the Dallas Public Library in its capacity as a depository for the Regional Historical Resource Depository and Local Records Program (RHRD) of the Texas State Library.

The 14th District Court was the earliest court but the Texas/Dallas Division also holds the records of the other district courts in Dallas County from their founding until 1939. The second court, the 44th District commenced July 1889 and the others were founded in the twentieth century. The extant loose case file papers for the same time period are housed here.

Some of the legal phrases used in the abstracts are as follows:

Execution: A judicial writ empowering an officer to carry out a judgement.

Guardian ad litem: A guardian appointed by the court to prosecute

or defend for an infant in any suit to which he

might be party.

14<sup>TH</sup> DISTRICT COURT, BOOK A, DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS (continued from *The Dallas Quarterly*, Volume XL, #1, Page 49)

(p. 212) 25th February 1851

Edward C. Browder, Clerk of the District Court, Alexander Harwood, Clerk of the County Court, Allen Beard, Acting Justice of the Peace, drew from box No. 1 the names of the following persons to serve as jurors during the Spring term 1851: J. M. Rawlins, Thomas Stone, Isaac Edwards, John Henderson, Samuel Sloan, B. O. C. Pound, Enoch Dye, A. B. Lanier, Thomas J. McDowell, A. N. Keen, John Thomas, Jefferson Weatherford, Benjamin Prigmore, John Horton, Curtis Parks, William Pruitt, Noah Good, William Jenkins, Thomas A. Ellis, H. C. Marsh, Philip Kimmell, John Robinson, Jacob Miller, John L. Pulliam, James E. Jackson, John W. Davis, Michael James, Harrison Husted, William Mooneyham, Benjamin Dye, Jr., Robert F. Merrill, James Spencer, E. L. Myers, James M. Patterson, Samuel Beeman, A. G. Harris.

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Monday May 12th, 1851

Present: Honorable Bennett H. Martin, Nat M. Burford, District Attorney, Edward C. Browder, District Clerk, T. C. Hawpe, Sheriff.

Sheriff returned the jury list except Benjamin Dye. Sheriff and clerk proceeded to draw from the jurors in attendance the number of 15 men to serve as jurors: Robert Merrill, William Mooneyham, A. N. Keen, Samuel Beeman, James M. Patterson, Thomas Stone, Harrison Husted, James E. Jackson, John L. Pulliam, John W. Davis, Thomas M. Ellis, Jacob Miller, Noah Good, John Horton, B. O. C. Pound. James M. Patterson, foreman. The jury retired under the care of Wesley Chenault, Constable as special bailiff.

Ordered a special venire for 17 men to serve as petit jurors. The following were summoned: E. A. B. Lanier, Thomas J. McDowell, John Thomas, Enoch Dye, J. M. Rawlins, William Pruitt, H. C. Marsh of the original venire; and James Chapman, A. Cockrell, Hue Kinney, John Lilley, M. K. Selvedge, Gid Pemberton, and Sloan Jackson were selected to serve as jury #1. Jury #2 selected: Abraham Hart, Robert Ray, John B. Hibbert, Benjamin Frost, Henry Horner, Gabe Night, William H. Morris, Nathan Atterbury, John Heffington and William M. Cochran.

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Mercer Fain vs William Myers. Plaintiff allowed to file amended petition. Trespass.

John S. Tucker vs William Latham. [blank] Defendant asks to file amended answer. Both parties given leave to amend.

Edward S. Wyman vs William Combs. Leave given to file amended petition.

[blank]

William P. Carder vs J. B. McDermott. Leave given to file amended petition. [blank]

Sheriff's return is amended to show that all jurors served 5 days before the commencement of this term and that Thomas M. Ellis served his five days by personal service.

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Bush & Gouger vs Hewitt & Tilley. Case continued until next term.

Debt.

D. Rice vs George Leonard.

Plaintiff D. Rice shall recover the sum of \$101.38 principal and \$17.75 interest and all costs and an execution order to be issued in four months. (in margin: George Leonard paid \$3.00 jury fee.)

Samuel A. Cook and William S. Cook vs
Benjamin Frost and Jacob Rager.

Debt.
At this time Warren A. Ferris, administrator of William S. Cook, deceased, makes himself part of this suit.

William Latham vs Henson Davis and John Davis. Case continued.

Trespass.

Lucio Rimiars vs Josiah Pancost. Both parties having absconded, the case is dismissed. [blank]

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Jefferson Weatherford, administrator of estate of William Weatherford, dec'd vs. Jefferson Tilley,

William James and Samuel G. Newton.

Case submitted to court without jury, ordered that the plaintiff recover from the defendants the sum of \$138. principal, \$8.15 interest together with all costs. [In margin: Jury fee of \$3 paid by McCoy for Weatherford.]

Peter Epperson vs Samuel T. Bledsoe. *Certiorari*. Plaintiff moves for *Certiorari* against John Porter, Justice of the Peace, to certify to the court before the next term a complete transcript of the record of his court of the proceedings in this case. So ordered.

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State of Texas vs Frederick Ballard. Case continued. Murder.

State of Texas vs Saunders Elliott.
Case dismissed.

A & B.

State of Texas vs Robert Woodruff. Case dismissed.

Gaming.

State of Texas vs James Mackey. Case continued.

Assault with Intent, etc.

State of Texas vs Elisha Bennett. Case dismissed. Assault & Battery.

State of Texas vs James Mackey & Henderson Couch. [blank] Defendant Henderson Couch having appeared; an *alias capias* is awarded to McLennan County and the case is continued on the part of Mackey until the next term of this court.

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The State of Texas vs Jesse H. Kelly.

Assault with Intent. Defendant pleads not guilty. Jury: A. B. Lanier, Thomas McDowell, John Thomas, Enoch Dye, J. W. Rawlins, A. Cockrell, M. K. Selvidge, Slone Jackson, Aaron McDonnel, John S. Tucker, Andrew Nannie, J. W. Gorbit. Verdict: Guilty and assessed a fine of \$19.00 plus all costs.

State of Texas vs John H. Jackson. Case continued.

Assault with Intent.

State of Texas vs Warren Jackson. Assault with intent, etc. Defendant pleads not guilty. Jury: William Pruitt, Abram Hart, Robert Ray, John B. Hibbert, Benjamin Frost, Henry Horner, J. Tucker, William H. Morris, Nathan Atterbury, John Heffington, William M. Cochran, Alexander Cockrell. (p. 210) They find the defendant guilty and fine him \$25. William M. Cochran, foreman. Defendant is remanded into the custody of the sheriff until said fine is paid together with all costs.

State of Texas vs Alexander Cockrell. Selling Free Person. On motion of the defendant indictment of this case is quashed.

State of Texas vs Alexander Young, Peter Haught,

A. C. Haught, Samuel B. Pryor and John Arnold.

Gaming.

A. C. Haught and Samuel B. Pryor plead guilty. Jury: A. B. Lanier, Thomas J. McDowell, Enoch Dye, J. M. Rawlins, Andrew Nannie, John Lilley, M. K. Selvage, Gid Pemberton, Sloan Jackson, William Miller, G. B. Knight, A. M. McDonald. Jury verdict: A. C. Haught fined \$10.00; S. B. Pryor fined \$10.00; William Miller, foreman. Ordered that the Haughts & Pryor remain the custody of sheriff until fine is paid plus all costs. As to other defendant, this case be dismissed.

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State of Texas, County of Dallas. Personally appeared in court Adolphe F. G. Gouhenout, a native of France aged 42 years and made oath that in February 1848 he sailed from the port of Havre, France on board a vessel called <a href="[blank]">[blank]</a> and landed at the city of New Orleans, Louisiana in April 1848; that he has remained in the United States ever since; that he is now a resident of the State of Texas and has been for three years immediately preceding this application. He further makes oath that it is his bona fide intention to become a citizen of the United Sates and to renounce forever all obligations, particularly to Louis Phillipe, King of the French and to the government of the Republic of France of whom he was late a subject. Sworn and subscribed before me in open court 13 May 1851, Edward C. Browder, Clerk.

Grand jury returned to open court the following bills of indictment:

John Sharp. John S. Tucker. James Sorock.

Perjury.
Carrying away Timber.
Assault & Battery.

Larcenv.

A. Bledsoe. J. M. Patterson, foreman.

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Thursday May 15th, 1851 State of Texas vs John Sharp.

Larceny.

States attorney withdraws bill of indictment.

Grand jury returned to open court the following bills of indictments:

John Sharp.

Asher Carter.

Destroying Timber.

Asher Carter.
Henry H. Hall.
Wormley Carter.
Destroying Timber.
Cutting down Timber.

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State of Texas vs James Mackey

& Henderson Couch.

Defendant Couch pleads not guilty. Jury: A. B. Lanier, Thomas McDowell, John Thomas, Enoch Dye, A. Cockrell, Hue Kinney, John Lilley, Isaac Elam, Gid Pemberton, Sloan Jackson, John McComas, and Andrew Nannie. Verdict: Not guilty, John Thomas, foreman.

State of Texas vs William Myers. Case is continued.

Cutting Timber.

State of Texas vs Warren A. Jackson.

Assault with Intent. Warren A. Jackson makes oath that he is wholly penniless and has no property of any description and has no money and he has no means of any

description to enable him to pay said fine and costs or any part thereof and he files application for discharge. It is considered by the court that the defendant Warren Jackson be set at liberty and discharged from the custody of the sheriff.

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State of Texas vs John S. Tucker. Case quashed.

Perjury.

State of Texas vs George Linney.

A & B. Defendant pleads not guilty. Jury: A. B. Lanier, Enoch Dye, A. Cockrell, Hue Kinney, John Lilley, M. K. Selvedge, Gid Pemberton, Sloan Jackson, Andrew Nannie, William Miller, W. A. Ferris and John McComas. Verdict: Guilty and assess a fine of \$17., William Miller, foreman. Defendant be remanded to the custody of the sheriff until the fine is paid together with all costs.

State of Texas vs George Linney.

A & B. George Linney tenders the following schedule of all his property: 1 judgement against the estate of H. Byrum, dec'd on Bennett's docket (supposed to be insolvent), amount to \$66.13; 1 sow and 4 pigs at \$5. for total of \$71.13. He says that is all of his property except his wearing apparel and he would like to be discharged from custody.

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State of Texas vs William M. Cochran.

Assault & Battery.

Defendant pleads guilty. Jury: William Pruitt, Abram Hart, Robert Ray,

John B. Hibbert, Benjamin Frost, Henry Horner, G. B. Night, W. H. Morris,

Nathan Atterbury, John Heffington, William P. Carder. Verdict: Fine the

defendant five cents, J. B. Hibbert, foreman. William M. Cochran to be

remanded in the custody of the sheriff until fine be paid together with all

costs. [NOTE: Only 11 jurors are recorded.]

State of Texas vs Alexander Cockrell. Defendant is discharged.

Affray.

(p. 225) State of Texas vs William Myers. Defendant is discharged.

Affray.

State of Texas vs John Sharp.

Larceny. Defendant pleads not guilty. Jury: William Pruitt, John McComas, Abram Hart, Robert Ray, John B. Hibbert, Benjamin Frost, Henry Horner, Henderson Couch, William H. Morris, Nathan Atterbury, John Heffington, William Cochran. Verdict: Guilty and the property stolen worth over \$20. and agreed to sentence him to the penitentiary for one year. William M. Cochran, foreman. Ordered that said defendant be confined in the state penitentiary to hard labor for one year.

(p. 226) State of Texas vs A. Bledsoe. Case continued.

A & B.

State of Texas vs James Sherrock. Case continued.

Carrying away Timber.

Ordered by the court that Wesley Chenault be allowed the sum of \$1.50 per day for attending grand jury as bailiff.

Friday May 16th, 1851 James Beeman vs Catherine Beeman. Case continued.

Divorce.

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John M. Crockett vs Henderson Couch,

C. G. Cole & A. G. Walker.

Debt.

Defendants failed to appear. It is ordered by the court that the plaintiff

John M. Crockett to recover the sum of \$110. principal and the further

sum of \$13.20 interest together with all his costs and an execution be

issued.

William Bruton vs William Myers, J. N. Combs,

Smith Elkins & C. G. Cole.

Defendants failed to appear. It is ordered by the court that the plaintiff William Bruton shall recover the sum of \$300. principal and \$46.00 interest together with all his costs and an execution be issued. \$3. jury fee paid by Crockett.

Lucio Rimerars vs Josiah Pancost.

Neither defendant or plaintiff came. Case dismissed.

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State of Texas vs John S. Tucker.

Pleads not guilty. Jury: A. B. Lanier, M. K. Selvage, Gid Pemberton, Sloan Jackson, Enoch Dye, A. J. Nannie, Hue Kinney, B. J. Hunter, J. M. Rawlins, Alexander Cockrell, John Robertson and William Bruton. Jury discharged until tomorrow morning.

State of Texas vs A. Bledsoe.
Case continued until next term of court.

A & B.

State of Texas vs James Sharrock. Carrying away Timber. Case continued until next term of court.

(p. 229) Saturday May 17th, 1851 Mercer Fain vs William Myers. Case continued.

Trespass.

Samuel A. Cook & William S. Cook vs
Benjamin Frost & Jacob Rager.

Debt.
Defendants confessed judgement. Considered by the court that the plaintiffs recover of the defendants the sum of \$306.64 principal and \$66.43 interest together with court costs. After a stay of one month the execution will be issued.

William P. Carder vs J. B. McDermott. [blank] Defendant asks leave to give additional amended answer which is granted.

Jefferson Weatherford vs Nat M. Burford,
James Chapman, Alexander Cockrell, Francis Daniels. Garnishees.
Case submitted to the court and it is ordered that the plaintiff recover of

Nat M. Burford \$43.00, and interest of \$4.73, also of James Chapman the sum of \$20.00 principal, Francis Daniels and Alexander Cockrell acquit themselves of all liability. Ordered that these garnishees go hence and have their costs in this behalf expended and that execution be issued.

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Walling A. Rogers, Admin. vs A. G. Walker.

Debt. Defendant confesses judgement. Plaintiff to recover \$225.00 principal and interest to the amount of \$16.27 together with all costs. After a stay of six months, an execution will be issued.

State of Texas vs John S. Tucker. [blank] Jury met to try this case the same as yesterday. Verdict: Find the defendant guilty of perjury and sentence him to the penitentiary for five years, Enoch Dye, foreman.

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Monday May 19th, 1851

Elisha Ś. Wyman vs William Combs.

Considered by the court that the plaintiff should recover the sum of \$242. and \$33.47 interest, together with cost of this suit and execution to be issued.

State of Texas vs Preston Witt. Defaulting Juror. Defendant having filed his answer, it appears to the court that the absence of Preston Witt was justifiable and the case dismissed.

State of Texas vs John S. Tucker. [blank] Defendant moves that the court grant him a new trial. The motion is sustained and the defendant released from the custody of the sheriff.

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State of Texas vs John S. Tucker.

Perjury.

Defendant puts up bond of \$2500.00, on condition of his personal appearance at the next term to answer a charge of perjury. Jesse H. Kelley, Wesley Chenault, Allen Beard, John McComas, William Chenault, John Lilley, William P. Carder, M. K. Selvedge, Nathan Atterbury, William Ray, George Markham, John Daniels and Elisha McComas, securities.

(p. 233) John S. Tucker vs William Latham. Leave given to plaintiff to amend petition.

Partition.

John J. Eakins vs Whorton Woods. Certiorari. Case submitted to court without intervention of jury. Considered by the court that the plaintiff John J. Eakins recover of the defendant Whorton Woods all his costs and that judgement before the justice of the peace be perpetual.

Walling A. Rogers vs James Armstrong & Francis Winn. Debt. Ordered by the court that the plaintiff have judgement against the defendants in the sum of \$110.00 principal, \$8.43 interest plus costs.

(p. 234) Smith Elkins vs America Elkins. Case continued.

Divorce.

Benjamin Mathews vs A. G. Walker & D. R. S. C. Galloway. Plaintiff to give bond the sum of \$500.

Injunction & Mandamus.

George Markham vs William Bruton. [blank] Defendants move that the plaintiff give security for cost. Case continued.

Warren A. Ferris vs Albert G. Collins.

Debt. Defendant confesses judgement and the plaintiff to recover the sum of \$198.00 and \$41.00 interest with cost of court case. After six months execution will be issued.

(p. 235)William O. Gwin/O'Gwin vs Mary Hargroder.Justice to send up a more complete transcript.

Certiorari.

Wednesday May 21st, 1851
John S. Tucker vs William Latham.

Case submitted to jury: William B. Miller, A. W. Webb, A. J. Nannie, G. L. Leonard, John B. Hibbert, Edward Hunt, John W. Smith, Hugh Kinney, James Beeman, John Beeman, John Brandenburg, William Horton. Jury to disperse until tomorrow at 8 o'clock.

(p. 236) Thursday May 22, 1851

John S. Tucker vs William Latham.

Partition.

Parties appeared, also the jury, the examination of witnesses continued, night coming on, the jury was discharged until tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock.

William P. Carder vs J. B. McDermott. [blank] Court ordered a survey of Carder and McDermott claims and a surveyor, A. G. Walker, is appointed to show position of surveys with the beginning corner of the Grigsby survey and case continued until next term of this court.

State of Texas vs John Sharp.

Larceny. Defendant brought into open court giving no reason why sentence should not be passed. Therefore, it is ordered that John Sharp be taken by the sheriff of Dallas County with in five days from the adjournment of this court who will safely conduct him to the keeper of the State Penitentiary at the town of Huntsville.

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Friday May 23rd, 1851
John S. Tucker vs William Latham.
With night coming on, the jury was permitted to disperse.

Saturday May 24th, 1851 John S. Tucker vs William Latham.

(p. 238) .... Jury proceeded to consider their verdict. They returned a special verdict: The jury finds that the plaintiff and defendants were partners, that the partnership has been dissolved by the act of Tucker. Before it was dissolved, Tucker had spent \$268.54 1/2 cents and Latham

had spent the sum of 66.00. Latham is entitled to 25.00 for rent of a house by him built, that the wagon and oxen mentioned in the pleading are

partnership property and that Latham is entitled to \$123.76 for half of the wagon and oxen. That Latham was to superintend the construction of a mill, that the value of the mill, built by Tucker since the dissolution, is \$800. Tucker has spent building the mill the sum of \$614.00, that Tucker had disposed of timber worth \$59.50, that in finding the value of the mill they have not taken into consideration the foundation or dam built before the dissolution, that the labor of Tucker and Latham was a standoff, that timber prepared by Latham and used by Tucker in building of the present mill has a value of \$100. That the mill now on the premises was built contrary to the consent of Latham. That the foundation, dam and plan of Latham for building the mill was changed and abandoned by Tucker without Latham's consent, that the land mentioned in the proceeding is joint property./s/ John W. Smith, foreman. The court ordered John S. Tucker, the plaintiff keep and retain his possession and premises in dispute including oxen, wagon until the 15th day of August next and that he use timber off the tract of land belonging thereto (p. 239). It is further adjudged that the expiration of said time the said mill and premises, oxen, wagon, etc., be delivered in good order and condition into the possession of T. C. Hawpe, and the said Hawpe on the first Tuesday in August dispose of that and all other property belonging to the partnership to public sale at the court house door.

William O. Gwin/O'Gwin vs Mary Hargroder. Certiorari. Submitted to the court and ordered that Mary Hargroder recover the sum of \$17.50 principal and \$2.40 interest and all costs.

Jefferson Tilley vs T. C. Hawpe. [blank] Plaintiff attorney moves the court to dismiss injunction which is sustained by the court, it is therefore ordered that the defendant recover from Jefferson Tilley the principal and Calvin G. Cole, his security, all his costs, and the injunction be dissolved.

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Robert Sloan vs William J. Walker,

Samuel G. Newton and Charles A. Warfield. Injunction. Ordered that the injunction be dissolved and the defendants recover from Robert Sloan and his securities on the injunction bond, William B. Miller and W. H. Hord the sum of \$583.70, the amount of the judgement and the further \$60.55 interest and all costs. It is further ordered that execution may issue after four months should Warfield file with the clerk of the District Court his muniments of title, land certificate or script and a certificate from the general land office that the same land has not been applied for and patented to some other person. Warfield to file a complete chain of title.

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Ordered by court Edward C. Browder, is allowed \$25.00 for ex offici service as clerk of the district court.

Ordered that W. M. Chenault is allowed \$6.00 as bailiff to petit jury.

Ordered that the court adjourn until the next term. /s/ B. H. Martin, District Judge presiding;

Edward C. Browder, Clerk.

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20 August 1851

Edward C. Browder, Clerk of the District Court, Alexander Harwood, County Clerk for Dallas County, Allen Beard, acting Justice of the Peace drew from box #1 the following names to serve as jurors:

James B. McCommas

William Rowe
O. W. Knight
Fred<sup>k</sup> Roane
Edward Hunt
Samuel Keller
J. W. Overton
Wm. M. Newton

O. V. Ledbetter F. W. Dunaway D. R. Cameron

John Lewis A. G. Walker C. D. Merrill

James Lewis S. E. Cox John H. Daniel

William N. Crow

Isaac Lowe John Kizer John M. Harding R. J. West J. W. Wright Wm. J. Snow N. T. Stratton

Thomas N. Johnson

A. W. Perry
A. A. Thomas
Joshua Barker
Edward Mills
B. L. Frost
Wm. Babbit
Zach. Burris
John Casey
T. C. Williams

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Monday 10 November 1851

Present are Bennett H. Martin, Judge; Nat M. Burford, District Attorney; Edward C. Browder, Clerk; T. C. Hawpe, Sheriff.

The sheriff returned the executed jury list for the persons named except William J. Snow, William M. Newton and B. L. Frost. The following were selected for the Grand jury: James Lewis, Alexander Thomas, Jesse Cox, J. H. Cox, O. W. Knight, Robert J. West, James B. McCommas, Isaac Lowe, A. W. Perry, Thomas N. Johnson, John W. Wright, John Casey, William Babbit, Edward Hunt, Foster W. Dunnaway. Robert J. West to be foreman; Wesley Chenault, constable to be bailiff.

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William Latham vs Henson Davis & John Davis.

Trespass.

Defendants asked and obtained leave of the court to amend their answers.

John B. Hibbert & John M. Crockett,

administrators of John Huitt, deceased,

vs C. G. Cole & S. G. Newton & James M. Cole. Debt. Plaintiffs dismissed their suit and it was ordered by the court that the defendants recover from plaintiffs all their costs.

W. A. Ferris vs J. H. Snow and others, heirs at law of James A. Murdock. Cause continued.

[blank]

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Tuesday, 11 November 1851 Mercer Fane vs William Myers.

Upon affidavit of defendant, the case is continued.

[blank]

William Latham vs. Henson Davis & John Davis. Parties appeared and case is continued.

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Smith Elkins vs. America Elkins.

Divorce.

Defendant is represented by attorney, plaintiff not appearing in person or by attorney, case is dismissed for want of prosecution. It is therefore decreed that plaintiff pay costs.

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Peter Apperson vs Samuel T. Bledsoe. Certiorari. A witness was objected to by the plaintiff, but the objection was overruled by the court and the evidence was heard, the jury retired but did not agree and therefore it was declared a mistrial.

James Beeman vs Catherine Beeman.

Plaintiff's attorney asked and obtained permission to amend his position.

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Wednesday, 12 November 1851
Bush & Gouger vs Huitt & Tilly.
Case continued.

Debt.

State of Texas vs Frederick Ballard. Case continued.

Murder.

State of Texas vs James Macky. Assault with Intent to Kill. *Alias Capias* issued to McLennan County and case continued.

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State of Texas vs John A. Jackson. Case continued and *alias capias* issued. Assault with Intent to Kill.

State of Texas vs William Myers.

Defendant appeared and pleaded not guilty. Jury: D. R. Cameron, John M. Harding, O. V. Ledbetter, John W. Overton, William Rowe, John W. Gorbit, Solomon Carver, John B. Hibbert, James Romine, Abram Hart, Albert Moor, John Lewis. Verdict: Find the defendant guilty and assess a fine at \$10.00, D. R. Cameron, foreman. Defendant is to remain in custody of the sheriff until fine and costs are paid.

State of Texas vs John S. Tucker.

Case continued by petition of the state with an order by the court to be issued for Henry Horner, one of the principal witnesses for the state.

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State of Texas vs A. Bledsoe. Case continued to next term. A & B.

State of Texas vs James Sherock. Cutting & Carrying away Timber. Defendant pleads not guilty and case is dismissed.

State of Texas vs Asher Carter. Case continued.

Destroying Timber.

Destroying Timber.

State of Texas vs Henry Hall. Case continued until next term. State of Texas vs William Combs. Case continued.

A & B.

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Grand Jury presents the following bills of indictment as true bills:

John Wesley Smith
John Wesley Smith
Maiming Cattle.
William P. Holman
L. L. Marshall
Shooting Cattle.
Burning Prairie.
Levi Turner
Calvin G. Cole
Maiming Cattle.
Maiming Stock.
Shooting Cattle.
Burning Prairie.
Assault & Battery.

Thursday, 13 November 1851

James Beeman vs Catherine Beeman.

Divorce. Plaintiff appears by his attorney; defendant not appearing in person or by attorney, Nat M. Burford is offered by the court as attorney for defendant. Jury: David R. Cameron, John M. Harding, O. V. Ledbetter, Nathan Atterberry, William Rowe, John W. Gorbit, Solomon Carver, John B. Hibbert, James Romine, Abram Hart, Albert Moor, John Lewis. Night coming on the jury is permitted to disperse until tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock. [Note: the conclusion of this case is recorded 7 pages later in the minute book.]

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Mary Moon vs S. G. Newton & Jefferson Tilly. [blank]
Mary Moon and John M. Crockett, her attorney, filed a mandate from the
State Supreme Court, State of Texas to District Court of Dallas County.
Greetings! [dated] 2 May 1851, Appeal to state denied and
previous judgement to stand.

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William Latham vs. John S. Tucker. [blank] William Latham by his attorneys, Burford and Ragan, filed the mandate from the State Supreme Court, State of Texas. Mandate confirmed judgement of lower court. John Tucker to pay all court costs.

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William M. Cochran vs Jefferson Tilly. [blank]
Appeal dismissed for want of prosecution. Costs are assessed against
Jefferson Tilly and his securities, Rowland Huitt and A. Bledsoe, in favor
of William M. Cochran.

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D. Crumpacker vs John S. Frost.

Appeal dismissed for want of prosecution. Costs are assessed against John S. Frost and his securities, B. Frost and Anthony M. Leak in favor of D. Crumpacker.

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Grand jury presents the following true bills of indictment:

L. L. Marshall

Hiram Blackwell & Joseph Parker

John Fortner

John N. Bryan

Gaming.

Shooting a Horse.

Assault with Intent to Murder.

John C. McCoy Gaming.
George Wright Passing Counterfeit Money.

Friday 14 November 1851

Ordered by the court that Edward Mills pay the sum of \$1.25 for not appearing as a juror.

Hiram Blackwell and Joseph Parker acknowledged themselves to stand indebted to the State of Texas for the sum of \$100.00 each, void if they appear at the next term of court to answer a charge of *Playing at a Game of Cards for which Money was Bet.* Alexander Cockrell and J. B. McPherson, securities.

State of Texas vs John C. McCoy.

Gaming. Defendant pleads guilty. Jury: W. A. Ferris, William Turner, A. J. Nanny, William Rowe, Edward Springer, A. W. Webb, Archer Fikes, Thomas Lumley, John Hill, Asher Carter, Enoch Dye, William James; Enoch Dye, foreman. Verdict: A fine of \$10.00 is assessed plus court costs. The defendant to remain in custody of the sheriff until fine and costs are paid.

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State of Texas vs John N. Bryan. [blank] John N. Bryan makes bond for \$1000.00 to appear at next term of court to answer charge of *Attempt to Murder*. A. G. Walker, his security.

Benjamin Mathers vs

A. G. Walker & D. R. S. C. Galloway. Injunction of *Mandamus*. Case continued until next term of court.

George Markham vs William Bruton. Case continued until next term of court. Trespass.

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James Beeman vs Catherine Beeman.

Divorce. Same jury as yesterday. One juror, David R. Cameron, being unwell was excused and by consent of the parties, Nathan Atteberry was substituted. [There seems to be a discrepancy in this entry since Nathan Atteberry is listed on the original jury panel for this case.] Jury finds the allegations true, C. G. Cole, foreman. Divorce is granted. Said plaintiff is to pay all costs. [in margin: Fee paid by James Beeman.]

W. A. Rogers vs Smith Elkins, Thomas Keenan, & A. G. Walker. [blank] Case against Elkins is dismissed. Keenan and Walker did not appear in person or by attorney. Court ordered that the judgement be made final against Keenan and Walker by default. The plaintiff to recover the sum of \$168.00, principal and \$25.52 interest with all costs. [In margin] Jury fee paid by Marshall. Jury fee refunded to Marshall and paid by Rogers.

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Isaac Anderson vs Calvin G. Cole.

The parties and their attorneys appear. The jury is withdrawn and a mistrial is declared.

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Saturday, 15 November 1851

Ira Ellis vs John Davis.

Defendant appears and neither plaintiff or his attorney appear. Case is dismissed for want of prosecution. Plaintiff is to pay all costs. [In margin: Jury fee paid by Marshall and refunded.]

Ira Ellis vs Thomas Burris. Damage to try Title. Case dismissed on motion of the defendant. Plaintiff to pay all costs.

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Ira Ellis vs Albert Moor.

Damage to Try Title.

Case was dismissed on motion of the defendant; plaintiff to pay all costs.

Ira Ellis vs Thomas Lumley. Damage to Try Title. Case was dismissed on motion of the defendant; plaintiff to pay all costs.

Foster W. Dunnaway vs Lucius L. Marshall. Damage to Try Title. On motion of the defendant, John B. Hibbert is appointed guardian ad litem for Margaret and Irene Huitt, minor heirs of John Huitt, deceased to defend and prosecute this suit.

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Ordered that the following declaration of intentions be spread upon the records of the court.

State of Texas:

William B. Rowe, lately the subject of Victoria, Queen of England. Be it known that on the 11th day of September 1847 he sailed from the port of Liverpool for the United State of America; that he arrived in New Orleans, Louisiana on the [blank] day of December 1847; that he arrived in the county of Dallas, State of Texas the 28th January 1848; and that he has since continued to and still resides in the county up to the present time and it is his bona fide intention to become a citizen of the United States. William Boll Rowe. Sworn and subscribed the 14th November 1851. /s/ Edward C. Browder, Clerk.

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Monday, 17 November 1851

William P. Carder vs J. B. McDermott.

Trespass to Try title. Parties came by their attorneys. Jury: William B. Miller, foreman and eleven others [not named.] The jury is permitted to disperse until tomorrow.

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State of Texas vs L. L. Marshall.

Defendant pleads not guilty. Prosecuting attorney is unwell and James Turney is appointed to prosecute in his stead. The case is submitted to the jury; B. J. Hunter, foreman and eleven others [not named.] Verdict: Not guilty, defendant is to recover all costs from the state.

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Ira Ellis vs John Davis. [blank]
Ira Ellis by his attorneys, Jack Davis and James Forney, came into court and filed motion to reinstate case. The motion was granted.

Ira Ellis vs John Hill. [blank] Ira Ellis by his attorneys, Jack Davis and James Forney came into court and filed motion to reinstate case. The motion was granted.

Ira Ellis vs Thomas Burris. [blank] Ira Ellis by his attorneys, Jack Davis and James Forney came into court and filed motion to reinstate case. The motion was granted.

Ira Ellis vs Albert Moor. [blank] Ira Ellis by his attorneys, Jack Davis and James Forney came into court and filed motion to reinstate case. The motion was granted.

Ira Ellis vs Thomas Lumley. [blank] Ira Ellis by his attorneys, Jack Davis and James Forney came into court and filed motion to reinstate case. The motion was granted.

Ira Ellis vs John Davis, John Hill, Thomas Burris,
Albert Moor and Thomas Lumley. [blank]
Jack Davis and James Forney acknowledged themselves as securities for
the above five cases for any costs that might occur.

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William P. Carder vs Joseph B. McDermett. Trespass to Try Title.
The same jurors as were sworn in yesterday, W. B. Miller, foreman.
Verdict: The jury finds for the defendant who is to recover all his costs.

A. J. Hewitt vs Martha Hewitt.

Plaintiff and defendant by their attorneys came into court. Jury: W. P. Carder, foreman [other jurors not listed.] Verdict: find allegations in plaintiff's petition to be true. Divorce is granted and plaintiff is to pay all court costs.

(p.268) Wednesday, 19 November 1851.
State of Texas vs William Myers.

Cutting Timber.

Defendant files motion for a new trial but motion is overruled.

State of Texas vs T. C. Hawpe and others. Escape of Prisoner. Motion filed against Hawpe is dismissed.

Ira Ellis vs John Davis.

Case continued until next term.

Ira Ellis vs Thomas Lumley. Trespass to Try Title. It is ordered that the venue be changed to Anderson County; Clerk of this court is to make transcript and forward it to the District Court of Anderson County.

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Ira Ellis vs Thomas Burris.
Trespass to Try Title.
It is ordered that the venue be changed to Anderson County; Clerk of this court is to make transcript and forward it to the District Court of Anderson County.

Ira Ellis vs John Burris. Trespass to Try Title. It is ordered that the venue be changed to Anderson County; Clerk of this court is to make transcript and forward it to the District Court of Anderson County.

Ira Ellis vs Albert Moor. Trespass to Try Title. It is ordered that the venue be changed to Anderson County; Clerk of this court is to make transcript and forward it to the District Court of Anderson County.

James Turney, John Craven and John H. Reagan.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby appointed a committee to inquire into and report upon the professional conduct of L. L. Marshall, attorney of this Court. Mr. Marshall stands suspected of unprofessional conduct in a case specified in the answers of T. C. Hawpe and others. He, also, stands charged for swindling and shooting cattle. Committee is to report back. B. H. Martin, Judge, 9th District Court.

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Whereas, John J. Good a regular licensed attorney, having produced satisfactory evidence of such, as well as evidence of his good and moral character, I do hereby license him to practice as an attorney in District and County Courts. B. H. Martin, Judge of the 9th District Court. Oath endorsed by John J. Good.

Personally appearing in open court, Barton Warren Stone a regular licensed attorney, having produced satisfactory evidence of such, as well as evidence of his good and moral character, I do hereby license him to practice as an attorney in District and County Courts. B. H. Martin, Judge of the 9th District Court.

Oath endorsed by Barton Warren Stone.

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Thursday, 20 November 1851

The committee appointed to investigate L. L. Marshall submits the

following report.

1st. In reference to the charges growing out of the answers of T. C. Hawpe and others presented to the court, Nat M. Burford, District Attorney, charging said Hawpe and others permitting an escape. It was proven that George Wright did pass counterfeit money; that the said Marshall was his attorney before the Justice of the Peace, Beard; that as an attorney he demanded a jury trial of the prisoner Wright; that the Justice summoned a jury in compliance with Marshall's demand; that Wright by verdict of the jury was required to enter into recognizance for his appearance at the next term of District Court or go to jail. That Marshall, as attorney for Wright moved for a new trial on the grounds that it was illegal for a jury to sit in on committing court, which motion was overruled. That the said Wright put up the sum of \$125.00 for his appearance at the next term of court, with said Marshall and William M. Lenard, as his securities. Marshall received as his fee a horse and gave a small note to Wright for the difference of his fee and value of the horse. When leading the horse off, in answer to a statement made by Chenault that the conviction was illegal and Wright would never come back, Marshall replied "no, he will not". At the time of the demand for a jury, Hawpe as acting sheriff refused to summon a jury telling Marshall it would be illegal. Marshall agreed, but said it was none of Hawpe's business.

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2nd. In reference to charge of Swindling it was proven that during the Fall Session of the present year, Marshall had a certain watch which he called a gold watch and which the witnesses suppose to be a gold watch. Marshall said that he bought the watch from one Wisdom and paid a number of coins for it (the number not being

known, but supposed to be three); that he sold the watch to John Busby for a horse. He told Busby and others that he had received the watch together with a daguerreotype containing a likeness of his father in the state of Mississippi as a present, by the hands of one Nettles and that his father had paid \$125.00 [for the watch.] To others he made the same claim but said that he had received it by mail. That he said Busby had laughed at him and attempted to ridicule him about his bad trading and he made up the stories to trick Busby. He later told Busby that he had bought the watch from Wisdom; that at that time Busby was a student of law to Marshall.

3rd. They have not had time to investigate the charges. Mr. Marshall acknowledged that he killed the cow but denied all malice. We are of the opinion that the conduct of Mr. Marshall has been far below the standard of professional dignity and sincerity (p. 273)

that should mark a member of the legal profession. The facts show such a want of moral rectitude and upright honorable deportment as makes him an unfit associate.

[dated] 20 November 1851. James Turney, John B. Cravens, John H. Reagan, committee.

Report is filed and at request of L. L. Marshall action of the court is suspended until next term.

State of Texas vs. Calvin G. Cole.

A & B. Defendant pleads not guilty and jury is selected; William P. Carder and eleven others [not named.] The jury failed to reach verdict; a mistrial was declared and the case continued until next term. Calvin G. Cole, principal, James Romine and William Lenard, securities posted bond of \$100.00.

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John S. Tucker vs William Latham.

[blank]

T. C. Hawpe, the commissioner appointed to carry out the intentions explained in the decree rendered at the last term of court. Inventory of partnership property taken May 26,1851.

480 acres land on White Rock Creek.

1 large wagon.

2 yoke oxen.

1 log chain. 1 crowbar.

2 broken axes.

1 skillet and coffee mill.

1 small lot of shelf ware.

4 quilts and one straw bed.

1 small grindstone.

Sawmill and apparatus.

Inventory taken in presence of William James, and A. J. Nanny. Receipt of same acknowledged by John S. Tucker. Sale bill of the same: Sale 1st Tuesday in August; 5 August 1851.

480 acres, mill, etc. to John W. Smith. \$1200.65

1 wagon to William M. Cochran. 116.10 1 yoke oxen to Alex. Cockrell. 41.00

1 yoke oxen to Wm. M. Chenault.	49.00
1 lot sundry to M. K. Selvidge.	3.46
4 quilts and a straw bed to A. C. Haught.	3.00
1 grind stone to James A. Smith.	1.20
Total	\$1414.41

\$39.00 allowed Hawpe for his services as commissioner.

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John S. Tucker vs. William Latham.

Motion to Retax Cost.
Case overruled.

William P. Carder vs J. B. McDermett. Trespass to Try Title. Filed for a new trial which was overruled. The plaintiff then asks for an appeal to the Supreme Court which was granted.

Ordered by the court that Edward C. Browder, Clerk of the District Court be allowed \$25.00 for extra services.

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Friday, 25 November 1851
Foster W. Dunnaway vs L. L. Marshall. Trespass to Try Title.
Case continued on affidavit of John Hibbert, ad litem.

John S. Tucker vs William Latham. Tucker had paid \$558.28 more than Latham; so they will pay Tucker \$100.00 and divide the rest of the money equally. Tucker takes exception to the settlement and asks for an appeal to Supreme Court which was granted.

(p. 277) State of Texas vs James J. Godman. Motion vs Wm. Jenkins, former sheriff.

Case continued until next term of court.

State of Texas vs Wm. Conover. Motion vs Wm. Jenkins, former sheriff.

Case continued until next term of court.

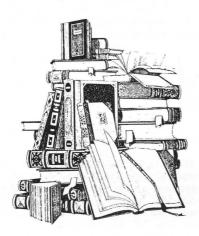
Ordered that John P. Cole be allowed the sum of \$6.00 as bailiff for the May term, 1851.

Ordered that John P. Cole be allowed the sum of \$13.50 for nine days services as bailiff for present term.

Ordered that Wesley M. Chenault be allowed the sum of \$6.00 for 4 days service as bailiff of the grand jury at the present term.

Ordered that the Court be adjourned. /s/ B. H. Martin, Judge 9th Judicial Court District; E. C. Browder, clerk of the District Court.

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### **BOOK REVIEWS**

by Margaret Ann Thetford

Any book donated to the Dallas Genealogical Society relating to family history or genealogy which is currently in print and available for sale will be reviewed in THE DALLAS QUARTERLY. The book will be placed in the Genealogy Section of the J. Erik Jonsson Central Library of the Dallas Public Library System. All publications to be reviewed should be sent by the author or publisher to the Dallas Genealogical Society with price and complete ordering information.

Some Families of REVOLUTIONARY WAR PATRIOTS from VIRGINIA, MARYLAND, PENNSYLVANIA, SOUTH CAROLINA and KENTUCKY Duncan, Miller, Coulter, Fleming, Pomeroy, Junkin, Harned, Galloway, Hartley, Weatherholt, Crawford, Mason, Pate, Moorman, Adams, Lewis, Johnston, Clark, Walker, Martin, Reynolds, Head, Long, Seaton, Kenner, Thompson, Greenwell, Bonum, Philpot, Eskridge, Spence, Youell, Sturman, Howson, Lee, Constable, and Rodham, written and compiled by Willa Mac (Duncan) Coulter, (1993). Hardback, 8½" x 11", xxxiii + 860 pages, illustrated, full-name index. \$48.00 postpaid. Order from Willa Mac Coulter, 2801 Scissortail Lane, Enid, Oklahoma 73703.

Challenged by her mother's admonition that she "would never get the lines straight....", Mrs. Coulter compiled an impressive collection of material. The main body of the book chronicles fifteen of the author's Revolutionary War forebears and one of her husband's that have been approved by the Daughters of the American Revolution. If known, the patriot's antecedents are identified and the line is carried down to the present generation. One chapter treats Seventeenth Century Pioneers and appendixes include lineage charts and accounts of several other families.

References and sources are quoted in each chapter, along with historical background. The editor points out cases in which there are several men by the same name, and indicates areas needing further research.

This book, like many currently being published, acknowledges family members who provided assistance with computers, word processing and laser printers in order to create a "camera-ready" book from a family genealogist's decades of research and paper files.



WELSH FAMILY HISTORY: A GUIDE TO RESEARCH, edited by John Rowlands and Others (1993), published by the Association of Family History Societies of Wales in conjunction with the Federation of Family History Societies (1993). Softback, 5¾" x 8¼", xi + 316 pages, illustrations, maps, bibliography, index. \$22.75 postpaid. Order from ISBGFH, P. O. Box 3115, Salt Lake City, UT 84110–3115.

If the words Cofrestri Plwyf Cymru and Anniddig heb drig, heb dras look like anything more than typing errors to you, then no doubt, you are already immersed in tracing your Welsh ancestry. For the rest of us, the words translate to "Parish Registers of Wales" and "Unhappy is the one without land, without lineage."

Dallas Genealogical Society members, Trevor and June Rees–Jones, are tracing his Welsh father's line and have donated this book to be placed in the genealogy section of Dallas' J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, to help others. Two years ago they attended the Family History in Wales course at Aberystwyth and sent brochures describing this year's offerings: a week-long course for the beginner or for those in the early stages of tracing their ancestors, 31 July—7 August and the week-long residential course for those wishing to know more about tracing their Welsh ancestry, August 13-20. The brochures are at the library, for those needing details, and the Rees-Joneses offer to pass on tips about the courses and on visiting Wales.

Twenty separate authors contributed to 22 chapters on what records are available, where they are located, surnames, place names, basic Welsh, nonconformity (those separated from the established church), migration and emigration, and more. The introduction states that this book is not a step by step guide for complete beginners. As in any research, as much as possible should have been done at home in pinpointing the overseas ancestor's geographic locale and even his parish, before attempting the Welsh research.

Wales' patronymic naming system in which children were identified in relation to their father continued into fairly recent times. This, along with the small pool of Welsh surnames, adds hurdles to family research.

LOGAN COUNTY, KENTUCKY DEED ABSTRACTS, 1813-1819, by Joyce Martin Murray (1994). Paperback, 8½" x 11", v + 198 pages. Three indexes: full name; places & slaves (first-name only). \$30.00 plus \$2.48 sales tax for Texas residents + \$3.00 p & h. Order from Joyce Martin Murray, 2921 Daniel, Dallas, Texas 75205.

This is the latest in Mrs. Murray's award—winning series of deed abstract books. To date, she has published the earliest records of Warren, Logan, Sumner, and White counties in Tennessee and Texas counties of Red River, Washington and Austin, including the Republic of Texas era.

When Logan County was created in 1792 from a part of Lincoln County it covered a very large portion of Southwestern Kentucky. Later Christian, Warren, Muhlenberg, Livingston, Henderson, Allen (later changed to Simpson), and Todd County were formed from this original area. Many settlers came into this area because of the granting by Virginia of lands in the District set apart for Officers and Soldiers of the Virginia Continental Line of the American Revolution.

Novice researchers may not consider deed books relevant if an ancestor did not own land. Rather, all researchers should be aware that powers of attorney, wills, slave sales, places of previous residence and family relationships may be found in the deed records.

The book's index to places permitted me to find three entries for residents of a Virginia county I research and whose records from 1761 to 1869 were lost in a courthouse fire: An 1814 indenture named William Duvall, acting trustee of Samuel Duvall of Buckingham Co., Va. Others named in the entry were William Breathitt and wife Elizabeth, John Breathitt, Lucy C. Dunston (?) and Samuel Shepherd Duvall.

An 1818 indenture names Stephen Fuqua of Buckingham County, Va.. Also mentioned were Abell Morgan, J. H. Furman, P. Edwards, John Breathitt and C. Breathitt. It mentions that the grave of Abraham Morgan is on the property. An 1819 indenture names \_\_\_ Fuquar of Buckingham Co. and the transaction also mentions William Chastain and wife Magdelon and Barksdale Spencer.

If Volume I of Logan County Deeds, 1792-1813, (\$30.00 plus \$2.48 sales tax for Texas residents) is ordered at the same time as Volume II, (subject of this review), the postage and handling for both is \$3.50.



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