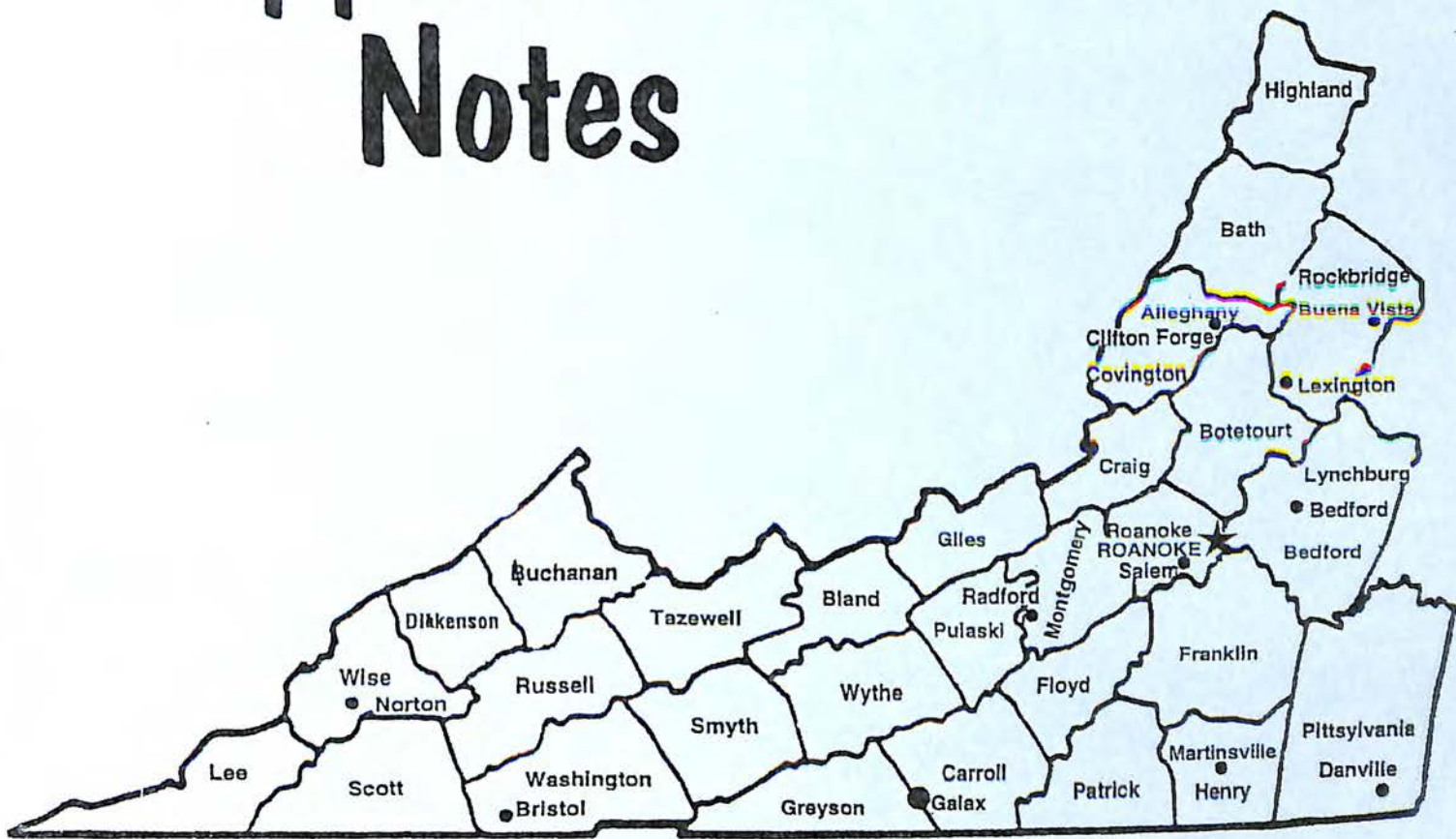


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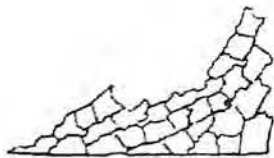
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CORRECTION

Please note that the correct e-mail address for Mrs. Jimmie Steele is: jmsteele2@worldnet.att.net

CLAY FAMILY REUNION

The CLAY Family will gather in Williamsburg, VA June 22-24 2001. Contact Nancy Accord-Greathouse, 2134 North Medina Line Road, Akron, OH 44333. Website: <http://clayfamily.hypermart.net>



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Dear Fellow Members,

With this letter I begin my term as president of the Society. Last year was a trying one for your Board of Directors. They all pulled together and were able to get the last two issues of the VAN out in record time. Speaking for the members, I wish to thank them for a "job well done". Until an editor for the VAN is found, the Board will continue act in that capacity. If you have any material that could be published in the VAN, such as cemetery notes, transcriptions of records, family history etc., it would be most welcome.

For those of you who live in the Roanoke area remember that the annual field trip is scheduled for April this year. Since we will be going to James Madison University in Harrisonburg, bit farther then usual, I wonder if arranging van transportation would be in order. A local company can take 10-12 people for between \$20-25 per person. Would this be of interest? The field trip will be April 21. Please contact me if you are interested.

In a previous letter I mentioned that Heritage Quest.com was planning to put the entire US census, 1790 through 1920, online as digital images. According to their online newsletter the project has been "shelved" for the time being. Their parent company, Sierra, is "rethinking" its online presence. Insiders speculate that the project was much more expensive then first thought, although Heritage Quest already has the digital images. Oh well, we can only hope that someday...

Have you ever looked at the online auction site, eBay.com? Recently I purchased an item from a seller who deals in new and used genealogy books. While my item was related to my British research, I noticed that she had a number of Virginia genealogy books for sale. Her sellers name is: bookmomma77 Log on to eBay and click on "search". Click on "by seller" and enter her name. All her current auction items will be shown. If you see something of interest don't be afraid to bid. eBay will walk you through the process. Try searching for other items related to your research. Who knows, you find a real treasure.

Happy Hunting,

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BLAND COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Bland County, said to be named for Richard Bland, was formed from Wythe, Tazewell and Giles Counties by Act, March 30th 1861.¹

Sources In the Virginia Room

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See *Ledger of Dr. James W. Harman* submitted by Mr. Bogle in this issue.

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Births- 1861 - 1896,

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Deaths 1861 - 1896

Virginia State Library and Archives
(available through inter-library loan)

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Bonds 1861 - 1890

each of the above is one reel

¹*A Hornbook of Virginia History*, compiled by J. R. V. Daniel, published by the Division of History of the Virginia Dept. Of Conservation and Development, Richmond, Va. Sept 1949

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Dear Editor,

Enclosed please find 10 pages from a journal written by Dr. James Washington Harman of Mechanicsburg in Bland County, Virginia. Dr. Harman was a younger brother of Col. William Neal Harman of Civil War note. He was noted for his kindness and caring nature for all things both great and small.

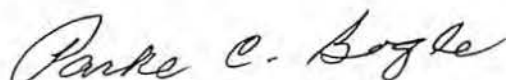
His great granddaughter, Patricia Hamilton Mitchell gave her full permission for this journal to be published.

Since very little has been published in the VAN concerning Bland County, these pages should be of interest to your readers, especially if they have roots in Bland County.

The notes in {-} and in italics are my own notes.

Please inform me when our dues are due. I am 80 years old and my memory is not what it used to be.

Sincerely Yours,



Parke C. Bogle
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A PRAYER OF GENEALOGISTS

Lord, help me dig into the past
 And sift the sands of time
 That I might find the roots that made
 This family tree of mine.

Lord, help me trace the ancient roads
 On which my fathers trod,
 And led them through so man lands
 To find our present sod.

Lord, help me find an ancient book
 Or dusty manuscript,
 That's safely hidden now away
 In some forgotten crypt.

Lord, let it bridge the gap that haunts
 My soul when I can't find,
 The missing link between some name
 That ends the same as mine.

Anonymous

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{ Dr. Harman kept his records in this little book which was published in 1853 by Lindsay & Blakiston, Medical Publishers and Booksellers. The book was named "The Physician's Visiting List Diary and Book of Engagements." Dr. Harman started making notes in the little book in 1880. It is evident that Dr. Harman was a very compassionate man. More often than not, his accounts were never paid in full. The lack of money did not deter him from doing all he could for his patients. What a difference we find with today's medical doctors. I had heard all of my life that Dr. Harman was the poor man's friend. The pages of this little booklet prove that statement to be true. What would these people have done without such a man?.

The first page has been damaged by moisture and is illegible. Several other pages are faded and very hard to decipher. By consulting the Bland County 1880 Census I was able to figure out some of the names and where the persons lived. My thanks to Patricia Hamilton Mitchell, the great granddaughter of Dr. Harman, for allowing me to view and abstract this little book. With her permission I present it to you for publication. Parke Bogle}

- Page 2- June 8, through December 1880- Medicine for **JAS. CORDER'S** child- Total of \$5.20
Page 3- June 5, 1880- Medicine for **HENLEY NICEWANDER'S** child- .25 cents.
Medicine & visit for **JAMES CORDER**, paid in full.
LOU MUNCY- { only the name is legible }
- Page 4- July 11, 1880- **SAMUEL MCGUIRE'S** child- visit & medicine- \$1.50. Paid in full.
July 21, 1880- **SAMUEL FRANKLIN**- visit & medical attention- \$1.00.
May 24, 1882- **ANDREW**- (no last name given) \$5.00- paid by the county.
- Page 5- May 15 through August 12, 1880- **WM. P. MUSTARD**- a bill of \$2.35, paid by pasturing colts and cash.
December 26, 1881 through June 15, 1882- **WILLIAM RIDER**- for lancing boil on a child, for visit & medicine, partly paid with a load of wood. 3 visits to **EVA**- \$3.00.
- Page 6- July 12, & 13- 1880- **GORDON WOHLFORD** for medical attendance & medicine for **SARAH LAMPERT** - Total of \$2.00. **GORDON WOHLFORD**- paid cash- \$1.00.
(Notation by Dr. Harman: "WOHLFORD refuses to pay any more")
June 10th & 11th, 1882- **ISAAC J. DAVIS**- 2 visits & attention for **SALLY** \$2.00.
- Page 7- July 11, 1880 to February 5, 1882- **JAMES TAYLOR**- visits, attendance, & medicine for wife & child. Medicine for **GREEN TAYLOR**. Attending wife in confinement, Feb. 5, 1883. Credited by ½ day husking corn; ½ day cradling rye; by cutting stove wood and by fixing back wall. { Dr. Harman charged \$5.00 for delivering the baby }
- Page 8- August 10, 1880 through May 13, 1882- **HENLEY NICEWANDER**, visits & medicine for self & child. Credited \$5.50 by cutting corn, leaving a balance of \$5.00. { Visit & medicine- 50 cents, medicine alone- 25 cents. }
- Page 9- August 11, 1880 and July 7, 1881- Visits and medicine for wife of **JOHN POWERS, Jr.** Credited by \$6.00 for a hog. { This was **JOHN JASPER POWERS** }
June 22, 1882- Visit & medicine for **MILLARD KING**- \$1.00.
- Page 10- August 10, 1880 through May 1, 1881- **BALLARD P. STAFFORD** for visit and

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medicine for wife and son, **WINTON**, daughter (*name illegible*) and mother in law, **BETSY HENDERSON**. for wife and son **ESTEL**. Credited with \$8.50, for a book.

- Page 12- August 7, through 12, 1880- **JACK CARR**- medicine for wife, \$1.50. May 8, 1881- medicine for child, 25 cents. Credited with 3 lbs. butter and for 42 cents in cash.
August 12, 1881- visit & medicine for wife. February 1882- visit with wife- \$1.00
- Page 13- August 12, 1880- **HUGH FANNING**- Visit & medicine for **MARY WILLIAMS**, \$1.00. { *MARY WILLIAMS, later married RONIE JOHN MILLER.* }
May 29 through July 8, 1882- **JOSHUA THOMPSON**- four visits & medicine for M. J. McCoy. { *M.J. was the step daughter of Joshua Thompson* }
- Page 14- 1880 (no month or date)- By cash from **J. W. FINLEY**. { *Jackson Weaver Finley* }
A list of meals furnished by J. W. FINLEY to boarders. Settled in full May 5, 1880.
{ *This compiler cannot figure out just what this page means.* }
- Page 15- 2 colts turned in pasture **WM. P. MUSTARD**, May 1, 1880 and taken out June 1st and taken to **R. MOORE'S** - June 14, 1880. { *This was Richard Moore, father of Luther (Buddy) Moore who married Laura Harman, Dr. Harman's daughter by his 1st wife.* }
- Page 16- Moved to Mechanicsburg to Sheppard house, March 31, 1880. J. M. Sheppard to cash, \$5.00. Charged 25 cents for 1 lb. of coffee.
May 6, 1880, visits to **LIZA FRANKLIN**, \$6.00. Allowed by supervisors.
- Page 17- March 21, 1880- **WILEY THORN** commensed boarding on this date.
May 9, 1881 - June 15, 1882- Visits & medical attention for **NANIE STRALEY**.
Total bill- \$15.00. Credit of \$1.00 in cash on Feb. 2, 1882.
- Page 18- April 1, to 14, 1880- Visits and medicine for **WM. CUBINE**- \$6.00
April 14, 1880- **M. GORDON**- medicine for wife- 50 cents. { *Francis Marion Gordon* }
May 27, 1880- **ALEX HAVENS**- medicine for family & child. \$1.25. Credited with one bushel of wheat for \$1.00.
- Page 19- April 1, 1880- **DUG? RIDER**- Visit & medical attention to child- \$1.00.
May 8, 1880- **H. {HIRAM} RIDER**, medical attendance on daughter- \$1.00
September 11, 1880, medicine for wife of **H. Rider**- 25 cents. { *Nee Davis* }
May 13, 1880- **WM. RIDER**- medicine for child- 25 cents. { *Several other charges on this page which have been crossed out.* }
- Page 20- April 3, 1880- **FLOYD FLETCHER**, for attendance on wife for 5 visits. Credited for one day ploughing { *plowing* } and by 1 ¼ bushel of wheat.
- Page 21- April 3, 1880 through January 5, 1881- **JOHN CARR, SR.**- visits and medicine for wife, daughter and son.
June 8th through July 15th- **ROBERT DAVIS**- medicine for self and wife, pulling teeth and a visit to a child- \$1.75.
- Page 22- No date- 1880- Visit to **JAMES STINSON'S** wife, \$1.00. Paid in corn.
May 1, 1880- **HARVEY CORNER**- medicine for self- 50 cents.
May 1, & October 2, 1880- **JOHN JOHNSON**- medical attendance for self- \$100.

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- Page 24- May 12, to December 23, 1880- Account of **JAS. M. SHEPPARD**- medicine and attendance of self, wife and child. Attendance at my house from Nov. 20, to Nov. 26, 1880. Dec. 15, 1880 medical attendance for son **BIRCHY**.
- Page 25- April 20, 1880- Medicine for **HARMAN SHEPPARD**- 25 cents
 May 28, 1880- Medicine for **JOSEPH REED'S wife**- 25 cents.
 June 3rd to 15, 1880- 9 visits and medicine for **REBECCA HAVENS**. Paid by County.
- Page 26- May 28 & 30, 1880- **JOSEPH RAMSEY**- 2 visits and medicine- \$5.00.
 June 22, 1880, Amount paid by **CHILDRESS A. TIECHE**- \$2.00. By cost paid at the Courthouse, \$1.00.
- Page 27- May 28th through August 30, 1880- **WILLIAM RAMSEY**- Medicine for wife & son.- \$1.75. February 22, 1883- Medicine for self.- 25 cents.
 June 8th through June 30th 1880 - **ROBERT CARR**- Visit & medicine for self, attendance on wife and medicine for child- a total of \$5.65. Credited with \$1.00 cash, 50 cents for hauling slabs and 50 cents for 1 bushel of corn.
- Page 28- April 15 through December 24, 1880- **SAM'L BERNARD**- Attendance and medicine for wife, children and self.- total of \$8.50.
 January 22nd through 24th 1881- **SAM'L. BERNARD**- .medicine for self & child.
 March 25th to 30th , 1881- **SAM'L BERNARD**- visit & attendance on son **OSCAR**- Rheumatism. From April 10 to 15th- Medical attention for **OSCAR**- St. Vitus dance.
{Samuel Bernard is credited with 1 beef hide- \$3.75; 28 lbs of beef- \$1.40 and 1 day hauling wheat- no amount given.}
- Page 29- June 8th through July 8th 1880- **ALEXANDER NISEWANDER**- medical attendance to daughter & child- total \$1.00. Feb. 12th through December 4th 1881- medicine for wife 75 cents. Credited with payment of 10 cents. July 1882- 4 visits- \$2.00. Credited by cutting millet for 75 cents.
- Page 30- June 10, 1880- **JAMES PENDLETON**- medicine for niece- 25 cents. October 15, cough medicine- 50 cents. Marked paid.
JOHN CUBINE'S bill of \$1.50, marked "paid".
- Page 31- **WM. CUBINE**- *(carried from another page)* From April 15th to 29th- 22 visits and medicine. Account paid by Supervisors.
- Page 32- June 27, 1880- **THOMAS BURDETT**, visit & medicine for wife- 50 cents.
 April 27- **ADDISON HARMAN**- medicine for self- 25 cents.
- Page 33- August 26, 1880- **HIRAM WHALING**- medicine for wife- 25 cents.
 December 9, 1880- **HIRAM WHALING**- medicine for wife- 25 cents.
 June 7, 1881- **HIRAM WHALING**- Accouchement *(birth & delivery)* for daughter, **AMANDA**- \$5.00. 2 visits on June 8th & 9th. Credited with a load of wood- 50 cents; hauling & stacking rye- \$1.00; 5 bushels corn- \$2.50; shoeing mare-20 cents; paid by Burton-84 cents; load of wood- 50 cents and plowing -56 cents.
- Page 34- **LAURA'S** boy baby born August 4, 1880 at 10:0'clock PM. *{ This was Ward Moore child of Laura who was Dr. Harman's daughter by his first wife, Margaret C. Ward.*

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Laura Harman was married to Luther "Buddy" Moore, son of Richard and Elizabeth Rhiner Moore. Richard was the son of Enos Moore and his wife, Mary "Polly" Bogle.

- May 3, 1881- **SUSAN ADAMS**- medicine- 25 cents. { *The 1880 Bland Census shows Susan as the divorced daughter of Daniel and Betsy Wright. Susan had two daughters, Bettie, age 7 and Ella, age 4.* }
- Page 35- June 10, 1880- **WM. N. HARMAN**- visit to child- \$1.00. From August 30, 1880 to November 21, 1881- 1881- visits, medical attention and appearance in court, for a total of \$14.50. Credited by cash of 50 cents and by forks and shovels.
- Page 36-37- September 2, 1880 to May 17, 1882- **SAMUEL WILSON**- 11 visits & medicine for wife, 1 night visit to son, **EDDIE** and medicine for son. Credited by 25 lbs flour, 50 lbs flour, 2 bushels potatoes, 2 bushels wheat, and 42 lbs flour.
- Page 38- September 13, 1880- **RUFUS NISEWANDER**- visit & medicine for wife- \$1.00.
September 21, 1881- **HARVEY R. MUSTARD**- 1 visit & medicine for wife- \$1.00.
September 21, 1881- **WM. STEWART** - cole medicine and attendance for self- \$1.00.
September 23 to October 12, 1881- 8 visits & medicine and medicine by **J. Mustard**.
Total of bill- \$8.00. { *No credits noted.* }
- Page 39- September 26th 1880 to April 15, 1881- **GREEN TAYLOR**- 9 visits and medical attendance for child. Total bill of \$10.25. Credited by ½ day shucking corn, by cash \$3.25, by one hog, \$2.50 and 1 bushel potatoes.
- Page 40- September 15, & 16, 1880- **HARVEY CRAWFORD** -Account of \$5.00. Order given to Chilress A. Tieche for \$5.00.
July 1, to 6, 1880- **GREEN TAYLOR**- account due- \$5.00. Credited by cradling in harvest for \$2.75. Marked "paid" December 10, 1881.
- Page 41- September 26, 1880- **WM. ROBERTS**- visit & medical attention for wife- \$2.00. Paid with 2 bushels of wheat- \$2.00.
August 25th & 26th 1880- **JOHN SUBLETT**- 2 visits and medical attention for self- \$2.00- paid by **ALLEN MUSTARD**.
- Page 42- October 2, 1880- **SIS DEHARD** { *Dehart?* } medical attention & pulling tooth- \$1.25.
June 7, 1881- **SAM TOLBERT** - visit & medicine for wife- 75 cents.
April 3rd to 15th 1882- **SAM TOLBERT**- 13 visits & medicine for wife- \$10.00.
- Page 43- October 3, 1880- **RICHARD MOORE'S** estate- Visits, medicine and attendance from Sunday night October 3rd to Wednesday the 6th- \$6.00. Paid by **MRS. MOORE**.
April 16, to May 4, 1882- **AMOS TIECHE**- 19 visits and medicine for wife and self.
Total of \$20.00. { *No credits noted.* }
- Page 44- The name "**Jacob Moore**" crossed out, but dated October 1, 1880.
October 3, 1880- **Henderson Bellert?** (last name illegible) Visit and medicine for child.
March 26, 27, 28, 1880- **William Taylor**- 3 visits to wife, "**Perlina**". \$2.50.
June 22, & 23, 1881- 2 visits & medicine for **Sally Mustard**- \$3.00- Paid by county on December 26, 1881.. { *Dr. Harman wrote "Taylor" above the name "Mustard".* }
- Page 45- November 10, 1880- **CHARLEY FRANKLIN**- visit & medicine for child -\$1.00. Paid by Jas. Taylor. { *A notation at top of page: "Andy Franklin's father."* }

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- June 15, to July 15, 1880- **WILLIAM PENDLETON**- 3 visits and medicine for wife- \$3.00. Paid by cash by **A. Davis**, \$2.00. Balance due \$1.00..
- Page 46- November 10, 1880-to September 25, 1881- **SAMUEL P. MUSTARD**- visit & medical attention for child- \$1.00, medical care for children. Credited with one load of hay- 2.50. Extracting tooth for son **Luther**- 25 cents.
- Page 47- November 11, 1880 to June 17, 1882- **TIP NISEWANDWER**- visits and medical attention for self, wife, daughter, son **FRANK**, son **TOM**, daughter **NANNIE** and 1 pint of whiskey. Total- \$17.50. { *This is evidently William Nisewander who married Ann Rider. Children Frank & Nannie are on the 1880 census. There was no Tom.* }
- Page 48- November 12, 1880 to December 24, 1881- **THOMAS HOBBS**- visit & medicine for wife- total of \$4.25- credited with 3 loads of wood- balance due - \$2.45.
- Page 49- November 15 & 16, 1880- **ROBERT DAVIDSON** - visit & medicine for wife and for pulling tooth for self- \$2.25.
December 24, 1881 to April 2, 1882- **Dock Melvin**- visit & medicine for self & wife. For pulling a tooth. Credited with ½ bushel corn and by cash \$6.25
- Page 50 & 51- A notation saying, "Moved to Compton's Mill Dec. 12, 1879". Huston Compton entered boarding Dec. 14, 1879. A list of meals served and charged to Col. J. R. Compton. Col. Man, Otto Niedimier, Wiley Thorn & J. Reed mentioned.
- Page 52- 53- By hauling **COL. COMPTON'S** children home and back- \$1.50. Bill settled in full- May 21, 1880.
January 9, & February 16, 1883- **G. W. PENLEY**- visits and medicine- \$2.50.
- Page 54- October 29, 1880- **HIRAM RIDER**- visit & medicine for son- \$1.50.
January 25, through February 3, 1882- **HIRAM RIDER** -visits & medicine for daughter **Molly**.
March 27, through April 2, 1882- **HOWE RIDER**- visits & attendance on self.- \$3.00.
- Page 55- December 3, to 10, 1880- **JAMES CORNER**- visits & medicine. Settled by County.
April 1, through 15, 1882- **AMOS TIECHE**- daily visits (day & night) & medicine- \$22.00. { *No credits noted* }
- Page 56- December 1, 1880 - **DANIEL C. WRIGHT**- attendance & medicine for daughter **Susan**- 50 cents..
January 16, 1881 through March 16, 1881- attendance on grand child, **Ella**- .50 cents. Medicine for **Mrs. Wilson** by **Sam Wilson**- .50 cents. - Visit and medicine for **George Wilson**- \$1.50. Credited with 50 lbs flour in February and 50 lbs in March.
{ *Dr. Harman added this notation, "I suppose".* }
- Page 57- April 7, 1881 through December 7, - **DANIEL E. WRIGHT**- Visits to **Mrs. Wilson** and to **Clarinda**. Credited 40 lbs of flour, with 40 lbs flour still due.
- Page 58- December 6, 1880- **JAMES MUSTARD**- Medicine for wife- 75 cents.
February 1-10, 1881- **HOWARD HAVENS**- 4 visits & attendance on self- \$7.50.
March 28, 1882- **SALLY MINNIX** (colored)- Visit & attending to **Moton** -50 cents. Attending 10 days & nights on son **Moton**- Total bill of \$13.50.

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- Page 59- December 13, 1880 through April 6, 1881- **GREEN DEHART**- 5 visits & medicine for wife- Total bill- \$7.75. { *Dr. Harman noted that the bill was credited with 4 bushels of wheat for \$4.00, paid by Mrs. Moore* } { *Green DeHart's wife was Rebecca Moore, daughter of Richard and Elizabeth Rhiner Moore.* }
- Page 60- December 16, 1880- **THOS. COLDRED** (*name is illegible*)- medicine for self- \$1.00
 July 7, 1880- 1 visit & medicine for **BELL PATTON** - \$1.00.
 March 28, 1882- **MRS. NYE MUSTARD** - medicine for self- 25 cents.
- Page 61- February 1, 1881- **JOHN POWERS**- visit & medicine for self- \$1.00.
 October 2-3, 1881- **JASPER MUSTARD**, visits & medical attendance on wife- \$3.00- Credited with wheat. (*No amount specified*)
WILLIAM STUART- 8 visits & medicine sent 4 times- total of \$8.00. Credited with 50 cents paid at February court and 2 loads of hay.
- Page 62- December 25, 1880 through May 20, 1882 - **MILES POOL**- visits for self, child, sister and sister, **Dolly Kessinger**. Credited with 1 load wood by **J. Sheppard**, & \$1.00 cash.
- Page 63- January 1, 1881- **NEWTON MORRIS**- visit & medicine for child- \$1.50.
 May 21, 1882- **MILES POOL**- for Dolly Kessinger- \$1.00.
 February 3, 1882- **ELIZABETH HAMILTON**- 2 visits & medicine for self & children \$3.00. Paid by the county.
 April 11, through June 7, 1882- **SALLIE MINIX**- 7 visits & medicine for son- \$7.00. Credited with \$1.00 cash, 10 lbs bacon, 84 cents cash, 2 lbs butter and 1 days work.
- Page 64- January 1, & 2, 1881- **SHANNON WHITE**, attendance & medicine for wife- \$1.50.
 January 14, 1882- **MILES POOL**- "scarifying & cupping"- \$1.00.
 October 11, 1881 through March 30, 1882- **J. D. DANIEL**- visits and medicine for self, wife and child- total of \$ 8.25. { No credits noted }
- Page 65- January 3, 1881 through February 15, 1882- **MRS. ELIZABETH MOOR (Moore)**- medicine and attendance for self- \$2.00. Credited by cash \$1.00 and by 4 bushels wheat.
 March 31, through April 13, 1882 **J. D. DANIEL**- day & night attendance for wife- total of \$15.00- Marked "Paid by note".
- Page 66- January 14, through 31, 1881- **MRS. BRUCE**- visits & medicine for child- \$12.00- Paid by the County.
 September 4, to 24, 1881- **SARAH BRUCE**, new account- visit for self - \$6.00 and accouchement - \$5.00. Total bill- \$11.00. Paid by County- December 26, 1881.
- Page 67- January 22, to 24, 1881- **JASPER POWERS**- 3 visits & medicine- \$1.50.
 January 19, 1882- **SARAH BRUCE'S** child- visits & medicine for child & self \$9.00. Marked "paid by the county."
 For attending court as witness for **Charles Corner & Betsy Henderson**- 50 cents each.
- Page 68- January 25, 1881- **SOLOMON KING**- medical attention for child- \$1.50- paid in cash.
 September 11, 1881- **CLAYTON WOODYARD**- visit & medicine for self- \$2.00. Credited for 1 bushel corn to **Charles Harman**.

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- May 12, 1882- Credit **AMOS TIECHE** by 25 lbs flour.
- Page 69- February 1, 1881- **PIERCE MCGUIRE**- visit & medicine for self- \$1.00.
September 24, 1881 to December 10, 1881- **REBECCA HAVENS**- visits & medicine- total of \$8.00. Marked "Paid by County, December 26, 1881.
- Page 70- January 18, to 26, 1881- **BUN NICEWANDER**- 7 visits & medicine for self- \$7.00.
Credited with "hoeing cane on Lick Skillet", cutting corn and cutting wood- \$4.00- by work, \$3.00.
- Page 71- January 22, 1881- **PIERCE KING**- visit & medicine for child- \$1.00. Credited with 50 cents for "hire of buggy"..
February 5, to July 7, 1882- **CREED PAULEY** (near A. Q. Harmans)- visits and medical attention for wife and child- \$8.00- Marked "Paid".
- Page 72- March 20, to October 8, 1881- **HENDERSON PRUIT**- {name almost illegible} 1 visit to Wolf Creek and visit and medicine for wife- \$2.00
March 17 to April 6, 1882- **DANIEL WRIGHT**- visits to daughters **Susan & Alis**- total of \$10.00. Credited with farm produce.
- Page 73- March 20, 1881 to January 8, 1882- **JOSEPH KITTS**- visits & medicine for wife and child- \$21.25. { Some mathematical calculations at bottom of page presumed to be credits to this account. However not nearly enough to have paid the bill in full. }
- Page 74 and 75- Credits given to **J. R. COMPTON** from Dec.26, 1879 through Jan. 28, 1880- 1 bushel corn, 1 pair half soles, hauling stalls for calves, 49 lbs flour, picket posts, 1 beef, 51 lbs pickled pork, half soles for Claude's shoes, 44 lbs lard, 47 lbs flour, 22 1/2 lbs. flour, 23 lbs buckwheat flour, 37 lbs bacon, 1-12 lb turkey, etc. etc. Compton's bill marked "Paid in full" May 27, 1880.
- Page 76- July 30, 1880- **JOHN C. PRESTON**- visit & medicine-\$1.25. Credited with cleaning stable. {Notation saying " Carried to another page ".}
June 4, 1880- **COL. JOHN R. COMPTON**, credited with 2 loads of hay.
July 15, to 23, 1883- **ABRAM HARMAN**- 2 visits & medicine for **Ann Bogle**- \$3.50.
July 26, 1883- **ABRAM HARMAN** paid \$1.50 on bill. {Marked "paid" same date.}
- Page 77- July 30, 1880- **B. P. STAFFORD**- visit & medicine for wife and mother in law- \$1.25.
March 15, through 29, 1882- **SARAH BRUCE**- 6 visits & medicine for self- \$9.00.- Paid by the County, March 27, 1882.
- Page 78- July 30 & August 3, 1880- **REBECCA HAVENS**- 2 visits & medicine- \$2.00. Paid by the County.
April 21, 1880- **WYLEY ROBERTSON**- visit and attend children -\$1.50- paid by Tieche & Childress.
January 26 & 27, 1883- **JOHN W. HARMAN**- medicine & visits to child- paid \$1.00.
- Page 79- October 12, to 14, 1880- **ALEN WHALEN**- visit & medicine for wife. -\$2.00.
October 29, 1880- **ALEN WHALEN**- visit & medicine for self- 50 cents- credited with 10 cents cash. July 13, (No year given)- Alen Whalen pulling tooth for wife- 25 cents.
February 22, 1883- **WILLIAM FANNING**- visit & medicine for child- \$2.00.

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- Page 80- October 19, 1880- **WARDEN SONGER**- 3 visits & medicine for father. - \$1.00.
 July 21, through December 26, 1881- **HIRAM PAULEY**- 8 visits & medicine- \$24.00-
 Paid by note executed by Pauley.
- Page 81- November 5, 1880 to May 28, 1881- **OBEDIAH JONES**- visits & medicine for self
 and wife. On May 28, 1880- charges of \$2.00 for wife's confinement. Jones paid by
 working in harvest, a load of fodder & for bringing a hog from Little Creek. Paid in full.
- Page 82- August 9, -December 12, 1880- **F. M. GORDON**- visits & medicine for wife- \$3.75.
- Page 83- March 26, to April 27, 1881- **SARAH BRUCE**- 13 visits & medicine- Paid by County,
 June 3, 1881. {*Notation at top of page "Wife of John Bruce"*}
- Page 84- March 20, 1881- **JOSEPH KITTS**- attendance on wife- \$1.00. (On another page)
 April 15, 1881 to February 21, 1882- **HANES DUNFORD** (Wolf Creek)- Visits and
 medicine for daughter- \$7.50. {*No credits noted*}
- Page 85- December 26, 1880- **CHARLES RORRESCH**- visit & medicine for wife - \$1.50.
 April 15, through December 14, 1880 - **JOHN CONLEY**- on Wolf Creek- 2 visits and
 medicine- &12.00, medicine for self- 75 cents.
- Page 86- January 17, 1881 through June 2, 1882- **HARVEY MCGUIRE**- attendance, visits and
 medicine, for Pierce and for pulling 2 teeth for **PIERCE**. Total- \$8.00- paid by 2 ½
 bushels corn and cash on April 6, 1881. Total on June 2, 1882- &2.25.
- Page 87- January 31, 1880- **JAMES MUNSEY**- 2 visits & medicine for wife & child. \$2.50.
 Credited by 4 bushels corn, \$2.00, April 6, 1881. {*One visit was in the year 1879*}
- December 14, 1880- **Gray Conley**- medicine for wife- 25 cents.
- Page 88- January 14 & 18, 1881- **WM. P. MUSTARD**- 2 visits & medicine- \$2.00- Credited
 with 6 loads of wood, March 2, 1881.
 March- (illegible)- **WILLIAM TAYLOR**- {*Entry is illegible*}
- March 7, 1882- **JEZREAL CARR** - 3 visits & medicine for mother- \$3.25.
- Page 89- March 11, through October 6, 1881- **NYE MUSTARD**- medicine for self, visit and
 attendance on child (2 days & nights) - total of \$4.00. Paid Tieche & Ferguson-\$4.00,
 on two separate dates.
 February 11, 1881- **SAM (illegible) DAMERON** - medicine for self- 25 cents.
- Page 90- February 5, 1881- **PEARIS THOMPSON**- visit & medical attendance on child- \$2.00.
 (Assigned to Kanode)
 April 13, 1881- Bland County- Accouchement for **ELIZA FRANKLIN**. 5 visits and
 medicine- \$12.50. Paid by the County. {*Accouchement = delivery of a baby*}
- Page 91- February 5, -April 3, 1881- **BELLE PATTON**- 4 visits & medicine for a child- \$2.00.
 April 2, to 9, 1881- **HIRAM PATTON**- 3 visits & medicine- \$1.50. {*Crossed out*}
- Page 92- February 10, 1881- **RUSH WILKINSON** (Wolf Creek)- Accouchement for wife-
 \$5.00.
 October 15, 1881- **WILLIAM STUART**- medicine by J. Mustard- 25 cents.
 February 21, 1882- **JOHN HOLLINS**- visit & medical attendance for daughter- \$1.00.
- Page 93- February 11 & 14, 1881- **ISAAC FRENCH** (Wolf Creek)- medicine for wife & child.-

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- 25cents
- February 14, 1882- **WILLIAM DUNFORD**- 2 calls & medicine for child- 75 cents.
- Page 94- February 11, 1881- **BLAND COUNTY**- visit & medicine for **MRS. RICKMAN** - \$2.00.
- February 21, 1882- **GUY FIZER** (Wolf Creek)- visit & medical attendance for son- \$3.00. { *No credits noted* }
- May 21, through 25, 1882- **AMOS TIECHE**- Amount brought forward- \$42.00- 5 visits & medicine added to that, making a total of \$48.00. Marked "Paid in full".
- Page 95- January 29, to February 11, 1881- medicine & attendance at my house for **JAMES M. SHEPPARD**- \$8.00.
- February 16, 1881- Credit- 2 bushels wheat off **STANT MELVIN**- \$2.00
- March 29, to April 2, 881- visit & attendance on son **TAYLOR**. { *Son of JAMES M. SHEPPARD* } Several visits to self from April 1, to 4, 1881- total- \$10.50 - credited with cash, 4 loads of wood and a previous claim paid by the county of \$33.00.
- Page 96- March 21, 1881- **MR. HITE** (Nobusiness)- medicine- 50 cents. Marked "Paid".
{ *The 1880 Bland Census, lists a FLOYD HITE living in that section of the county* }
- February 8, 1882- **JOHN BUNN**- medicine for **Molly Havens**- 50 cents. Paid 10 cents.
- February 15, 1882- **JACK CARR**- visit to wife- \$1.50.
- Page 97- February 14, 1881- **JOHN JOHNSON**- visit & pulling 2 teeth, for self & wife- \$1.00
- June 1, 1881- **MRS. JENNIE MORGAN**- night visit & medicine- \$2.00. Paid in full.
- Page 98- February 14, to 19, 1881- **JAMES WOODYARD**- 3 visits & medicine- \$1.50.
- February 8, to 19, 1882- **ALEXANDER HAVENS**- medical attendance a child and to the family- \$4.00.
- Page- 99- February 10-April 13, 1881- **MRS. RICKMAN** (Wolf Creek)- Visits & medicine \$15.00.
- January 16, to September 12, 1882- **HIRAM WHALING**- credits for shoeing horses- \$1.22.
- Page 100- March 3, 1881- **CHARLES W. HARMAN**- 4 days attendance & medicine at **James Sheppards**- from March 3, to March 6th - \$4.00.
- March 13 to 19, 1882- **JAMES T. TAYLOR**- 2 all night visits and 10 visits and medicine for self and wife. \$5.50. { *Notation: " This service rendered gratis* }
- Page 101- March 8, 1881- **CLINTON HARMAN**- visit & medicine for wife- \$2.00
- May 22, 1881- **CLINTON HARMAN**- accouchement for wife- \$5.00. Paid in full.
- May 26, to June 6, 1881- **PEARIS HARMAN**- medicine & calls for self- 75 cents.
- Page 102- March 6, 1881- **HARVY WOODYARD**- medical attendance for self & 2 visits- \$2.00. Credited with hauling fodder from **Obe Jones**.
- November 28, 1881- **L. K. PRICE**- visit & pulling 2 teeth for daughter- \$1.00.
- Page 103-104- July 12 to August 14, 1880- A list of threshing machine hands and horses- charges for feed, etc.
- May 4, to 14, 1882- **JOHN CARR**- day & night visits to child- \$13.00. Paid \$1.50.

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- Page 105- November 28, to December 9, 1881- **MICAJAH SAUNDERS**- visits & attendance for self- \$20.00.
 May 15, to June 26, 1881- Continuation of **JOHN CARR'S** bill. Total of \$28.00.
- Page 106- July 25, 1881- **J. M. SHEPPARD** pay J. W. Harman, \$1.00 & oblige **J. B. MOORE**.
 May 6, 1882- **Daniel E. Wright**- medical services for family- \$7.00. Bill paid by flour.
- Page 107- On back cover of booklet- December 29, 1881- through January 17, 1882- **JOHN CUBINE**- visits & medicine for self - \$16.50. Credited by order on Rufus Clark for \$2.50 and by \$1.12 for 1 ½ bushel corn.

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SMOCK MARRIAGES

In the 18th century, widows sometimes remarried clad only in a smock, or sometimes wearing nothing at all. This custom was based on the notion that, according to common law, a man who married a woman with few or no clothes would not be responsible for her debts or those of her first husband. Without an estate, the popular thinking went, the widow-bride could not pass on any liability to her new husband. The noted jurist Francis Wharton (1820-89) called this concept "a vulgar error."

These "smock marriages", which originated in England, were not uncommon in the New England colonies during the early 1700's. The custom varied according to the region. In some places, the marriage took place after the groom and his scantily clad bride, often naked, stood in a closet and put out one arm during the wedding ceremony. Sometimes the bridegroom lent wedding clothes to his bride-to-be, keeping her modest while he protected his money!

-- from PARADE MAGAZINE 14 Nov 1982

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PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX RECORDS

This tax is perhaps the most underused source for genealogical research. It's value is not well understood or appreciated even by Virginia citizens and we hope to change that. The following paragraphs are from a free informational pamphlet, compiled by Minor T. Weisiger. You are encouraged to request a complete copy of the four page *Genealogical Research at the Library of Virginia*, available from the Library of Virginia, 800 E. Broad Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

"Use of Personal Property Tax Records," Research Notes Number 3

The most frequent use of personal property tax records is for the direct information recorded: name of the property owner; type and quantity of property owned; and amount of tax paid. Comparative analysis of personal property tax records from year to year may lead to conclusions about social, economic, and agricultural history, as well as the status of certain individuals or groups of property owners within a locality.

For genealogical researchers, personal property tax records may provide important data. Individuals with the same names in a locality may be distinguished by a junior or senior, residence in different tax districts, or geographical location. Parentage may be expressly or implicitly stated by either the name or number of male tithables between the ages of 16 and 21 in the household of the taxpayer. The names of women appear occasionally when owning property in their own right or as the widow of a property owner.

Personal property tax records are a substitute for records of those counties where destruction of the original deeds, wills, and other records has occurred. By studying the lists from year to year, the researcher may trace an ancestor to determine the date of departure from, a locality, or possibly the year of death. The name of a taxpayer will continue on the tax list, noted as "deceased" or "estate," until the estate is settled.

The abolition of slavery meant that male African Americans, age 21 and above, were taxed by name for the first time in 1866. After 1890, African Americans were listed in a separate part of each tax book. By 1965, this practice had been discontinued.

Availability of Records for Research

Personal property tax records in the Archives are available for use without prior arrangements. Most of the surviving records for the period 1782 through 1850 are available on microfilm, and some county tax lists have been filmed through 1870. Microfilm copies of these tax records circulate through the interlibrary loan system of local libraries. A list, available upon request, shows microfilm reel numbers and dates covered for each locality."

Research Notes Number 5, *Questions and Answers Concerning the Archives Collections at the Library of Virginia*, compiled by Jennifer Davis McDaid may also be requested.

Register of Deaths 1861
Bland County, Virginia

Name	Race, Sex	Date of Death	Pl of Death	Cause of Death	Age
Nancy Bogle	w, f	May 20	Bland Co	Fever	16y1d
Andrew Hearn	w, m	Oct 27	Greenbriar Co	Camp fever	19y10m
Margaret E Thompson	w, f	Nov 7	Bland Co	-----	3m7d
Wm. G. Pauley	w, m	Oct 29	Lewisburg	Camp fever	-----
Enos Mean	w, m	Aug 3	Bland Co	Palezy	85y7m
John H King	w, m	Jany 10	Bland Co	-----	7m2d
Elizabeth A. Pegran	w, f	Oct 6	Bland Co	-----	17y10
James Brolley	w, m	Decm 10	White Sul Springs	-----	21y7m4d
Victory Niewanier	w, m	Jan 24	Bland Co	Fever	1y8m
-----	w, f	Oct 11	Mechanicsburg	Fever	1d
Mary Fanning	w, f	Sep 4	Bland Co	Old Age	90y
James Wilkerson	w, m	Aug 17	Bland Co	Spasms	29y
Lucy Gross	w, f	Decm 22	Bland Co	-----	27y
Wm. W. Cameron	w, m	Feb 15	Bland Co	-----	10d
-----	w, m		Bland Co	-----	7d
-----	w, m	June 9	Bland Co	-----	9d
Charles Foglesong	w, m	Oct 19	Lewis Mt Fayett Co	Camp Fever	20y3m29d
-----	w, m	Aug 16	Bland Co	-----	2d
Margaret Patterson	w, f		Bland Co	-----	-----
Daniel Steel	w, m	Nov 14	Raleigh CH Va	Camp Fever	23y8m
Allen Steel	w, m	Decem 2	Bland Co	Fever	26y5m
Jean Cameron	w, f	April 4	Bland Co	Sphasms	64
Elvira <u>Slave</u>	f	Oct 7	Bland Co	-----	3m3d
Erastus N. Harman	w, m	Nov 5	PetersTown Monroe Co	Camp Fever	23
Susan C Terry	w, f	Jun 15	Bland Co	Cholerery	5y3m
Mary Cooper	w, f	April 16	Bland Co	Cancer	6y11m
Wiley Stowers	w, m	Nov 31	Greenbriar Co Va	Camp Fever	19y5m3d
Robert J. French	w, m	June 25	Bland Co	Cholery	1y6m
Sarah B. French	w, f	June 26	Bland Co	-----	6m3d
Isabell Shrader	w, f	March 22	Bland Co	Hives	14d
Mary J Honaker	w, f	Decm 14	Bland Co	Diphtheria	17y
Sarah C Honaker	w, f	Decm 17	Bland Co	"	15y10m
Charles H Honaker	w, m	Decm 23	Bland Co	"	9y
George R Brown	w, m	Jan 4	Bland Co	"	1y10m

Sources of Information

Name of Person giving informa- tion	Designation of informant whether Physician, surgeon Coroner, Head of Family Friend, etc.
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Names of Parents	Where Born	Name of Person giving informa- tion	Designation of informant whether Physician, surgeon Coroner, Head of Family Friend, etc.
Alan T & Eliza Newberry	Wythe Co, Va	George Bogle	Friend
H.C. & Christeena Hearn	"	James Thompson	Father
Wm. S & J Thompson	"	Wm Thompson	Father
Hiran & Anna Pauly	Giles Co	Hiram Pauly	Father
-----	"	Timothy Hamilton	Father
Wm. B. & Nancy King	Giles Co	Wm. H. King	Father
John H. Pegram	Wythe Co	Wm. H. Pegram	Father
A. & Susan Brolley	"	Anslem Brolley	Father
Jacob & Susan Niewanier	"	Jacob Niewanier	Father
Wm E. & Louisa Mustard	"	Wm. E. Mustard	Father
-----	"	Joseph Fanning	Son
John & Rhoda Wilkerson	"	Rhoda Helvey	Mother
-----	"	Skidmore Munsy	Father
David & Eliza Cameron	Bland Co	David Cameron	Father
James M.C. & Amanda Wilson	Bland Co	Jams M.C. Wilson	Father
Elias & Sophe Foglesong	Bland Co	Elias Foglesong	Father
Henry & Julia A. Foglesong	Wythe Co	Henry Foglesong	Father
Peter & Amanda Kitts	Bland Co	Peter Kitts	Father
Isaac N. & Julia Patterson	"	Isaac N. Patterson	Father
Geo. & Emma Steel	Tazewell Co	George Steel	Father
Geo & Emma Steel	"	Geo Steel	Father
-----	"	Lewis Ratliff	Father
Marcilla & Thomas (Slaves)	Bland Co	Wm. M. Bishop	Owner
R.W. & Rhoda N. Harman	"	Robt. W. Harman	Father
Wm. & Margaret Terry	"	Wm. Terry	Father
Wm Cooper	"	Joseph Lambert	Father
Gordon & Sarah Stowers	"	Gordon Stowers	Father
A.M. & Rebecca French	"	A.M. French	Father
A.M. & Rebecca French	"	A.M. French	Father
John & Christina Shrader	"	John Shrader	Father
Henry H & Elizabeth Honaker	"	Henry Honaker	Father
do do	"	Henry Honaker	Father
Henry H & Elizabeth Honaker	Bland Co	Henry Honaker	Father
A.B. & Mary Brown	"	A.B. Brown	Father

Henry <u>Slave</u>	m		Bland Co	"	2y2d
John W Wimmer	w,m	Aug 16	Bland Co	Flux	12y2m
-----	w,m	Jun 28	Bland Co	-----	1d
Joseph Gills	w,m	Nov 18	Bland Co	Not Known	1y16
Captain Bolt Voe	w,m	July 19	Bland Co	Measels	---
Wm. Gentry Voe	w,m	Aug 2	Bland Co	"	---
--- Brooks Voe	w,m	Aug 4	Bland Co	Consumption	---
Joel Franklin	w,m	Aug 10	Bland Co	Measels	---
Gordon Harless	w,m	Aug 12	Bland Co	"	---
David Kitts	w,m	May 15	Bland Co	-----	---

Julia <u>Slave</u>	“	G.W. Brown	Owner
Harry L. & Sarah Winner	“	H.L. Wi mmer	Father
Levi S. & Dianna Woodyard	“	Levi S. Woodyard	Father
Benjamin & Mary Gills	“	W.W. Compton	Father
Not known	Carrol Co Va	John C. Shannon	Friend
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Only portions of the last line were readable

All fathers were named as farmers residing in Bland County, VA

The notation “Voe” opposite Captain Bolt, Wm. Gentry and ----- Brooks is unknown

These Bland County records were transcribed from Microfilm #4, *B.V.S.* in the Virginia Room February 18, 19, 20, 2001. Some names were compared with the 1860 census; spellings are as the clerk recorded.

My apologies for mis-readings or errors.

RUSSELL COUNTY, VIRGINIA

Russell County, named for general William Russell, a Revolutionary officer distinguished at the Battle of King's Mountain, was formed from Washington County in 1786.¹

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Chancery Court 1821 -72

Marriage Licenses 1853 -1930 husband (1 reel), wife (1 reel)
Marriage Register 2 1853-1908 Reg. 1 lost in fire (1 reel)

Births 1853 - 1866 (1 reel) **Deaths 1853-1866** (1 reel)

County Survey 1786-1908 (2 reels) **Land Tax 1786 - 1850** (4 reels)

1820 Printed census, extracted by Elihu J. Sutherland, 1940

Register of Births 1853
Russell County, Virginia

These Russell County records were transcribed from the Commonwealth of Virginia, Bureau of Vital Statistics, microfilm #42 in the Virginia Room January 31 and February 1, 2001. Then some names were compared with the 1850 census index. Spellings here are as recorded by the county clerk. There are six more pages for a total of 348 births in the year. My apologies for miss-readings or errors.

B. date	Childs Name	Race	Sex	Birthplace	Father	Mother	Informant
6 Sep	Eliza Harris	w,f		Elk Garden	Thomas H. & Rebecca J. Harris		father
26 Jan	Joseph Chapman	w,m		" "	William & Manerva Chapman		"
7 Nov		w,m		Loop	Thomas S. & Sarah Price		"
9 Mar	Elihu Ferguson	w,m		"	Andrew C. & Rebecca Ferguson		"
23 Jul		w,f		Harters Gap	Benjamin & Mary Chapman		"
25 Jul	Dead	w,f		Loop	James & Sarah Fullen		"
24 Mar	Eliza	slave,f		Elk Garden	John W. Litten, owner		owner
17 Dec	Nathaniel Sword	w,f		Rye Grass Mt.	Michael & Sarah Sword		father
10 Mar	Sarah Staliard	w,f		Elk Garden	John W. & Regina Staliard	(Scott Deniston g.f)	
5 Dec		w,f		" "	Michael & Nancy Taylor		father
22 Apr	Sarah J. Hunt	w,f		" "	John L. & Mary Hunt		"
11 Sep	Albert C. Patrick	w,m		" "	William & Susan Patrick		"
16 Mar	Philip Patrick	w,m		" "	Hezekiah & Rachel Patrick		"
24 Mar	John E. Jackson	w,m		" "	Michael & Eunis Jackson		"
10 May	James H. Jackson	w,m		" "	James & Susan Jackson		"
unknown		w,m		" "	Johnston & Mary Mutter		"
13 May	Derinda Low	w,f		Hortons Valley	John B. & Darinda Low		"
5 May	Dead	w,f		" "	William P. & Margaret Martin		"
23 Mar	Mary Taylor	w,f		" "	Crabtree & Priscilla Taylor		"
23 Mar	Reubin J. Bowling	w,m		Tazewell Co Va.	James B. & Elizabeth J. Bowling		"
5 Apr	Lucy Low	w,f		Indian Creek	Jessee & Martha Low		"
25 Aug	Margaret Perkins	w,f		Elk Garden	Fleming & Sarah Perkins		mother
20 Sep	Sarah J. Cox	w,f		" "	Alfred & Mary Cox		father
16 May	Mary L. Acue	w,f		Hortons Valley	Ansil & Prudence A. Ascue		mother
11 Sep	Margaret L. Addison	w,f		Elk Garden	Hiram & Susannah Addison		father
14 Sep	Isaac Ball	w,m		" "	William H. & Susannah Ball		"
15 Feb	Noah B. Sullivan	w,m		Count Settlement	John & Nancy Sullivan		grandfather
30 Jun	Beverly Thomas	w,f		" "	Whitley & Nancy Thomas		"
29 Jul	John H. Hargis	slave		" "	William Hargis		same, owner
3 Aug	Charles Monk	w,m		" "	James & Rebecca Monk	Cha ^s Monk, g.f.	
19 Apr	Sarah E. Picket	w,f		Copper Rige	Jeremiah & Margaret Picket		father
10 Mar	India Dills	w,f		" "	James & Rosanah Dills		"
21 Dec	Joseph P Campbell	w,m		Glade Hollow	William & Susan Campbell		mother
23 Sep	Edward P Campbell	w,m		Swords Mill Cr.	James H. & Mahala J. Campbell		father
5 Oct	Mary Fields	w,f		" " "	John & Rosanah Fields		mother
30 Sep	Martha J. Farmer	w,f		Fields Settement	Burdin & Sarah Farmer		father
23 Jan	Robt H. Vermillion	w,m		Elk Garden	George & Martha J. Vermillion		"
3 Jun	W ^m Garrett	w,m		" "	and twin		
3 Jun	Henry Garrett	w,m		" "	William & Mary F. Garrett		"

1 Sep	Mary E. Boyd	w,f	Copper Rige	Rob ^l C. & Rebecca E. Boyd	Father
9 Nov	Mariah Logan	w,f	Lebanon	Meredith C. & Mary A. Logan	"
unknown	Cass Carr	slave,m	"	Charles Carrell	owner
8 Sep	William Davis	w,m	"	Thomas & Jane Davis	"
		w,f	Kents Rige	Richard & Elizabeth Hunt	
		w,m	Elk Garden	James & Elizabeth Samples	
				John & Rachel B. Whitt	

only portions of the last three lines were readable.

All father's Resided in Russell county. Wm. Patrick & Wm. Campbell are *Carpenters*, M. C. Logan is a *Sadler* and the rest *farmed*.

Page 2 of 1853 Births, all fathers on the following were farmers residing in Russell Co.

10 Apr	Floyd Gardner	Slave,m	Russell Co	Gaddner Gardner	owner
20 Sep	Elihu Ball	w,m	"	John P. & Sarah Ball	Father
14 Feb	Errline Ball	w,f	"	Andrew & Margaret Ball	"
13 Dec	John M. Vincel	w,m	"	Lewis & Ann Vincel	"
10 May	Isrel	Slave,m	"	Cha ^s A. Smith	owner
4 Dec	Emiline	" ,f	"	Cha ^s A. Smith	"
Nov		" ,m	"	Cha ^s A. Smith	"
3 Jan	Dead	w,f	"	Samuel & Mary Burnett	Father
11 Jan	Lilhern A. Owen	w,m	"	Elias & Sarah Owen	"
19 Apr	Mary R. Fletcher	w,f	"	Bazil & Sarah Fletcher	Mother
9 May	Sidney J. Gilbert	w,f	"	William & Mary Gilbert	Father
6 Nov	Susanah	Slave,f	"	Albert G. Smith	owner
6 Mar	Fredrick Artrip	w,m	"	James & Elizabeth Artrip	Father
9 May	Francis C. Artrip	w,m	"	Harvey & Rachel Artrip	Father
15 Mar	Elizabeth Rasnick	w,f	"	Elijah & Elizabeth Rasnick	Father
5 Jul		w,m	"	Johnathan & Mary Boyd	"
19 Nov	Eliza Smith	w,f	"	Joseph & Sarah Smith	"
3 Jan	Celey E Whitt	w,f	"	John & Mary Whitt	"
5 Mar	John H. Boyd	w,m	"	John & Malinda Boyd	"
24 Jan	John T. Ball	w,m	"	Moses & Mary Ball	"
28 Jul	Garland Hurt	w,m	"	Garland & Jane Hurt	"
16 Oct	Shadrick Stump	w,m	"	Joseph & Margaret Stump	"
30 Dec	Lewis Keen	w,m	"	William & Hester Keen	Mother
26 Sep	Stephen Herndon	w,m	"	John G. & Mary Herndon	Father
3 Jun	Thomas Dye	w,m	"	James L. & Martha Dye	"
1 Jan	Valentine W.T. Miller	w,m	"	Moses A. & Mary Miller	"
27 Apr	Elizabeth Miller	w,f	"	John & Polley Miller	"
9 Apr	William Profitt	w,m	"	Austin & Viney Profitt	"
9 May	Eliza Finney	w,f	"	James & Dorcas Finney	Mother
15 Oct	Caleb Davis	w,m	"	Thomas J. & Sarah Davis	"
21 Feb	Rebecca J. Tignor	w,f	"	Patrick H. & Nancy Tignor	Father
9 Dec	William	Slave,m	"	Anthony M. Ferguson	owner
11 Apr		w,f	"	Anthony M. & Catherine Ferguson	Father
22 Dec	Charles Davis	w,m	"	Dailey C. & Louisa Davis	"

28 Aug	Sarah J. Bird	w,f	“	William & Margaret Bird	Mother
1 Jul	Mariah Samples	w,f	“	Jackson & Nancy Samples	Father
27 Apr	Catharine Samples	w,f	“	Polley Samples	Mother
1 Mar	Cyntha Hurt	w,f	“	Moses & Mary Hurt	Father
14 Aug	Catharine Saunders	w,f	“	Martin & Elizabeth Saunders	“
15 Jun	Isaac Clifton	w,m	“	Martin & Adeline Clifton	Tabitha Cowan, neighbor
2 Apr		w,m	“	William & Milley Pinion	Father
16 Aug	Elisha Baldwin	w,m	“	Stephen & Phoebe Baldwin	Elijah Ferril, friend
15 Sept	Leah Stevens	w,f	“	Josiah & Susannah Stevens	“ ” “
15 Oct		w,m	“	Isaac & Susannah Hess	Mother
17 Aug		w,m	“	Jeremiah & Martha Compton	Mother

QUERIES

Carroll County, Virginia Marriage Book 1, page 73: Sylvanus CROTTS married Lucy SPENCER, daughter of William and Cay SPENCER. I would like to correspond with any descendents. Camilla Dean, 23240 Sterling Road, Cambridge Springs PA 16403-5054

Carroll County, Virginia, Fancy Gap District School Census 1910 lists Dianah SPENCER with 10 year old Denny SPENCER. I would like to correspond with any descendents. Camilla Dean, 23240 Sterling Road, Cambridge Springs PA 16403-5054

TIP

CHECK NURSING HOMES

When you are on a research trip, don't forget to check with local nursing homes. On a recent trip, I visited a nursing home in the town where my great-grandfather lived for a time. I asked at the desk if any residents would be interested in speaking to me about the local area and the family I was researching. I did not expect the phenomenal reception I received from several residents with many stories and plenty of time to tell them to an interested person. I was given not only information, but also several new leads on my great-grandfather's history, and I had a wonderful afternoon full of laughs and memories shared with others.

Karma Yoakem
Galveston, TX

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"PETTY'S PARADIGM ON PREVARICATED PEDIGREES"

- If a person has an idea, it's a Possibility.
- If the idea is written down, it becomes a Probability.
- If the idea is published, it becomes a Fact.
- And if the published idea is quoted, it becomes Gospel Truth.

The above is from the article "Seventeenth Century Virginia County Court Headright Certificates" by James W. Petty, Salt Lake City, Utah, published in The Virginia Genealogist, January-March, Vol. 45, No. 1, 2001. The article is excellent -- made me think about the information that I had about headright certificates. The big problem is that it is continued to the next issue.

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Year/Dist	NAME	Quantity of Land	Price per acre	Amt LLD	Tax at 1 1/2 cent	Specific Tax
1786	Bazel Bavin	400	2.0	40.0.0	0.12.0	0.0.0
	John Carter	100			0.3.1 1/2	0.2.1
	Thomas Carter	400				
	" (ex. Dale Carter)	90				
	Jacob Castles	200	0.10	3.6.8	0.2.6	0.1.8
	(assee. of Allard)					
	Jacob Castles adm. fee				0.5.0	
No JONES - RAMEY - RATLIFF - SWORD - SYCK						
1786 corrections	Jessee Green (tenant to Hill) overcharge	15	3.3			
	Jessee Green (by Josiah Fugate)	385	3.3	62.11.3	0.16.9	
	" overcharge	50	1.1			
	" Cr. (by Harris Wilson)	350	1.1	18.19.2	0.5.8 1/4	
	Amos Allard (by Jacob Castles)	200	0.10	3.6.3	0.2.6	
1787 Sam'l Ritchie	Bazel Bevin	100	2.0	40.0.0	0.2.0	
	Wm. Bevin	200	0.10	3.6.8	0.2.6	
	John Carter	100	2.11	0.8.4	0.3.1 1/2	
	Thos. Carter	400	1.11	38.6.8	0.11.6	
	" (adm of Dale Carter)	90	3.4	15.0.0	0.4.6	
	Charles Cocke	400	2.1	41.13.	0.12.6	
	Jacob Cassels (assee. of Allert)	200	0.10	8.6.8	0.2.6	
1788 Sam'l Ritchie	Wm. Bevin	200	0.10	8.6.8	0.2.6	
	Thos. & John Carter					
	Jacob Cassels (assee. of Alert)					
1789 Sam'l Ritchie	John Bevin?	160	2.3	18.	3.7 Wm. Mullins lives on land	
	Thos. Alley (assee. of Bazel Bevins)	145	2.0	12.10.0	0.2.10 1/2	
	John Carter, Thos & Thos adm					
	Jacob Castles	200	0.10	8.6.8	0.1.8	
	Charles Cocke	400	2.1	41.13.4	0.8.4	
	Joshua Penix (assee. of Bazel Bevins)	71	2.0	7.2.0	0.1.4 3/4	
	James McKinney (John Cowen)	235	2.6	29.7.6	0.5.10 1/4	
	" (E. Smith)	150	1.8	12.0.0	0.2.6	
	James Taylor est.					

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Year/Dist	NAME	Quantity of Land	Price per acre	Amt LLD	Tax at 1 1/2	
1789 cont .	Bazel Bevin (overcharged)	124	2.0			
	" (Cr. Penix)	71	2.0	7.2.0		
	" (Cr. John Sallyer)	60				
	" (Cr. Thos. Alley)	145				
	Wm. Bevin (overcharge)	100	0.10			
	" (Cr. Benj. Fugett)	100				
1790 Alex Ritchie	Carters	100,400.90				
	Charles Cocke	400	2.1	41.13.4	0.6.3	
	Jacob Castles	200	0.10	8.6.8	0.1.3	
	Fred. Jones (assee. of Wm. Kerr)	150				
	Joshua Penic	71	2.0	7.2.0	0.1.0 3/4	
jumps to 1796		quantity	rate p/acre	total value	amt. of tax	
Robt. Tate, jr.	Jacob Castle	200	1.10	18.6.8	0.0.11	
	David Cox	180	1.6	13.10.0	0.0.8	
	David Cox (assee. of Saml. Ozer)	200	2.1	20.16.8	0.1.0 1/2	
	Joseph James Carter					
	Joshua Pinnex	71	2.0	7.2.0	0.0.4 1/2	
	James McKinney	235	2.6	29.7.6	0.5.9 1/2	
	James Taylor est					
	Wm. Watson	70	2.9	9.12.6	0.0.5 1/2	
1797 Robt. Tate	Carters					
	Jacob Castle	200	1.10	12.6.3	0.0.11	
	David Cox	180	1.6	13.10.0	0.0.8	
	"	200	2.3	20.16.3	0.1.0 1/2	
	Norris Carter	60				
	Geo. Green (from Wm Strong)	150				
	James Mc Kinney					
	Joshua Pinnex	71	2.0	7.2.0	0.0.4 1/2	
1798 Robt. Tate	Joseph Bavins	66	1.6	4.19.0	0.0.4 1/2	
	Carters					
	Jacob Castle	200	1.10	18.6.8	0.1.4 1/2	
	David Cox	200	2.1	20.16.8	0.1.6 1/2	
	Jos., Norris, Dale, & Chas. Carter					
	Jos. Cazele (from John Wood)					
	George Green	150	2.2	16.5.0	0.1.3	
	James Mc Kinney					
	James Taylor est					
	Wm Watson					
	Joshua Pennex	71	2.0	7.2.0	0.0.5 1/2	
1799 Will Webb	Abram Crabtree	470	2.	47.	4.7	
	Michael Sword	48	1.6	3.12.	.4 1/2	
	John & Geo. Green					
	Reuben Ratliff	90				

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			Quantity	Rate p/acre	Total Value	Amt. of Tax
1799 Robt. Tate	Carter (2)					
	Jacob Castle		200	1.10	18.6.8	30 cents
	David Cox		200	2.1	20.16.8	40 cents
	"		40	2.1	4.3.4	
	Cazele Jos (from Joel? Wood)		65	2.0	6.10.0	10 cents
	James McKinney Griffin Soward (from James Dysart)		150	1.6	11.5.0	18 cents
	Taylor est. Joshua Pinnex		71	2.6	7.2.0	. 11
	Wm. Watson					
1800 Robt. Tate	John Carter (2)					
	Thos. "		1000			
	Jacob Castle		200	1.10	18.6.8	.29
	David Cock		200			
	"		40			
	Joseph Casteel		140	2	14.10.	.38
	"		100	1.10	9.3.4)
	Robt. McKay est James McKinney Grifen Soward Wm. Watson					
	Joshua Pinnex		71	2.0	5.10.0)20
	" (from Jacob Salyer)		74	1.6	3.0.0)
1801 James Dickenson	Jacob Castle		200	1.10	18.6.8	.29
	Thomas Carter David Cock					
	Josep Casteel		145			
	"		100			
	James McKinney Joshua Pinnex Griffen Soward Taylor est. Wm. Watson		71,74			
1802 Jessee Browning	Abraham Crabtree		470,170,50			
	Jacob "		50,100,47			
	Jos. Cox		100			
	Reuben Ratliff		35	1.6	2.12.6	4
	Micael Sword		42	1.6	3.12.0)14
	" (from Murphy)		96	1.0	4.16.0)
Robt. Tate	Carter 2					
	Jacob Castle		200	1.10	18.16.8	0.29
	David Cox		200,40,58			
	Joseph Casteel		145,100			
	Joshua Pinnex		71,74			
	Griffin Soward James, Wm, & Reuben Jones Wm. & James Watson					

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			Quantity	Rate p/acre	Total Value	Amt. of Tax
1803	Carters					
	Jacob Castle		200	1.10	12.16.8	29 cents
	David Cox		200,40,58			
	Joseph Casteel		145,100			
	Jones					
	Joshua Pinnix		71,74			
	Griffen Soward					
jumps to 1807						
Andrew Heburn	Abraham Crabtree		50			4 cents
	James Jones		66			
	Reuben Ratliff		35	1.6	2.12.4	4 cents
	Michael Sword		48			14 cents
	" "		100)
	" "		95)
1809	James Jones					
	Michael Sword		48,100			26 cents
1810 Wilson	Abraham Crabtree		50			
Virmillion	James Jones		66			
	Michael Sword		48,95,100			25 cents
1811	A Crabtree		50			
	J. Jones					
	Michael Sword		48,95,100			25 cents
Robt. Fugate	Thos. Carter est.		930,10			1.45
	James Cassell					
	Jacob Castle		200			29 cents
	Joseph Casteal		148			
	Samuel "		37			
	Wm. Cox					
	Joshua Penix		71,74			
	James Ramey		60	2. .	6. .	8 cents
	Jacob Ramey (from Sam Alley)		140			22 cents
	Reuben Ratliff (from Ephriam Johnston)		100			16 cents
	John Thornberry branch of Copper Creek.		54			5 cents
1812 John Cardill*	Daniel Ramey at the mouth of Thompson Creek on Clinch River		30	2.0	3.0.0	5
	Jacob Sick from Fleming Burk 25 in Elk Garden		25a	1.6	1.17.6	3 cents
	Robt. Syke					
Henry Wood	David Cox 158,18,50 Clinch River, E. Side big Stony Crk. C. Prices on Becky Spring Branch		145	2	14.10.0	24
	Jos. Casteal on Copper Creek		39	2	3.18.0	6
	Samuel Casteal on Copper Creek					
	Wm. Cox on Clinch R.					

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Quantity RATE p/acre Total Value Amt.of Tax

Index	BOYD	CARTER	CASTLE	COX	HENSLEY	JONES
Searched	PENIX	RAMEY	RATLIFF	SWORD	SYCK	
1812 cont.						
		: John Carter	headwaters big			Mockerson Creek
		: Henry Cox	Stony Creek			
		: Jones	on Clinch			
		: Wm. Jones	on Copper Creek			
		: Joshua Penix	" " 71,74			
		: James Ramey	" " 60			
		: Jacob "	Clinch River 140			
		: Reuben Ratliff	south side Mockerson Branch 100			
		: Thomas Carter est	in the Rye Cove 930,10			
1813 Henry Wood?		: Jacob Castle				
		: David Cox				
		: Jos. & Samuel Casteel				
		: John Carter				
		: Wm. Cox				
		: Jones				
		: Joshua Penix				
		: Jacob & James Ramey				
		: Reuben Ratliff				
		: John Thornsberry	54			
			a br. of Copper Crk.			
John Candler*		: Michal Sword	150			
			N. Side of Clinch Mt.			
		: James Taylor	lives in Wash. Co.			
1814 Henry Dickenson		: Jacob Castle				
		: David Cox				
		: Josep Casteal est				
		: Samuel "				
		: Joshua Penix				
		: Jacob Ramey				
		: James Ramey				
		: Reuben Ratliff				
John Candler*		: James Jones Ky	66			lying on Copper Ridge 12 m. NE
		: Daniel Ramey				13 m. NE
		: Michael Sword	150			North side Clinch Mt. 22 m. E ward
1815 Henry Dickenson		: Abner Carty				In the fork of Molls Run, a No. Br. of Copper Crk.
		: Joshua Penix				
		: James Ramey	60			on Copper Creek
1816 John Candler*		: Jacob Castle				
		: Abner Carty				
		: James Ramey				
1817 Wilson Browning		: Daniel Ramey				
		: Michael Sword				
Fugate		: Jacob Cassell				
1818		: Daniel Ramey				
		: Michael Sword				
W. Browning		: Jacob Cassell				

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BOOK ONE

p.2 1786

On the motion of the sheriff of this County Robert Craig is approved as deputy sheriff and took the oath of office.

21 January 1786 Page 2

and Charles COX gentleman also produced a commission from his said Excellency bearing the same date appointing him Major of the militia in the county of Russell which several commissions was read and thereupon the said Henry Smith, Andrew Cowan and Charles COX took the oath of office.

9 August Page 13

Wm. Spratt plt vs Amos Alert deft abates due to death of deft.

Page 16

Presentment against Charles Kilgore for stealing or concealing and receiving stolen Horses by oath of Jacob Cassels

Page 17

Jacob CASSEL qualifies as administrator of estate of Amos Alert, deceased. Christopher Cooper and Benjamin CASTLE acknowledge bond in the penalty of \$500.

Page 37

5 days service certified for David Cock by Charles Bickley.

1787 Page 46

Henry Smith plt Jester Cocke -- in debt.

1787 Page 47

Jester Cocke against Martha Rodgers plt. Jester Cocke failed to appear. 2 pounds 7 shillings & 6 pence plus 75 pounds tobacco plus 7/6 costs.

Jacob CASSELL def. Samuel Haddox, plt. in debt. Agree to discontinue suit.

Page 52

Jacob Cassels proves 2 days witness case oof Thomas Alley and Benj. Fargit

1787 Page 55

Jacob CASSEL, adm.plt. James Bush,def. In detinue FULL PAGE "False clamour" 30 lbs. tobacco and 15/ for costs awarded to def. Bush.

1787 Page 57
Jacob CASSELS proves 2 days attendance as witness for Zachariah Fugit at the suit of Joseph Johnson.

1787 Page 61 & 62
William RATLIFF & John RATLIFF, def. Commonwealth plt. Show cause why they shouldn't be fined for failure to give list of taxable property.

Page 77

William RATLIFF, Sr. def. Commonwealth plt. Tax case be dismissed from this prosecution on paying 5 shillings each. (Excerpt)

1787 Page 79
William RATLIFF, Jr. & John RATLIFF et al failed to appear; fined treble tax unless they appear next court and show cause.

Page 84 Neither party appeared.

1788 Page 108
Jester Cocke def. vs. Henry Smith plt. In debt.

1790 Page 120
James RATCLIFF summoned by the Commonwealth.

17 February 1789 Page 132
On the motion of Jacob CASSELL administration is granted him on the estate of Joseph CASSELLS deceased and he together with Jonathan Woods and Henry Mahan his securities entered into Bond in the penalty of Fifty pounds with condition as the law directs for the due administration of the said decedents Estate.

Page 146

Charles Cocke recommended for Lieutenant Colonel.
(Additional info on road and military duty found from 1787-1794 in Book 1 - pages 26,60,72,124,151,156,165,166 and in Book 2 pages 26,27,28,34,40,55,58,64,87,116,124,136,142,145,160,163.)

1789 Page 161
Reuben RATLIFF, buyer. John Buston & wife Elizabeth - Deed proven & ordered recorded.

October 1789 Page 177
Robert Craig granted judgement against Mashand Musick for 3 pounds eleven shillings and costs.

Jacob CASEL ordered to court to settle estate of Joseph CASSEL, dcd.

Page 178

On motion of Jacob CASEL and William Huston the said William Huston is appointed Administrator of the estate of Joseph CASEL, deceased in the room of said Jacob CASEL: ordered and took oath. Christopher Cooper Henry Mahan James Ovelton James Davison and Jonathan Wood: any one to be sworn and appraise estate of Joseph CASEL.

Page 180

Inventory and appraisement produced and ordered recorded.

June 1790 Page 201

Matthew RAMEY summoned for failing to give list of taxables.

July 1790 Page 205

Matthew RAMEY case dismissed after paying costs.

Page 207

Matthew RAMEY is exempted from paying Poll tax and county levy it appearing to the court that he is infirm.

Page 209

James McKENNEY is a jury member

Page 210

James RATCLIFF summoned by the Commonwealth.

Page 232

Stuarts administration against BROWNING Judgement for note interest and costs.

Page 241

McFarlane against RATLIFF Judgement for 1 pound 18 shillings sixpence and costs.

November 1791 Page 251

Ordered that David Cocke be overseer of the road from Dorton's old fort to the big spring on Copper Creek; Andrew Cowan to give list of tithables.

BOOK TWO

January 1792 Page 2

Two deeds of Sale of Land from Lawrence Vanhook and Rachel his wife one to John Damron and the other to Zachariah Jones.

Page 3

William CASLE 12/6 for killing one grown wolf.

April 1792 Page 7

Robert Saunders & Charles Lynch deeds on land sales to Charles COCKE ordered to be recorded.

June 1792 Page 17

Littleton CASSLE and Rebecca his wife one days attendance for plaintiff (McDavid).
-Craig against Gray continued.
-Charles COX against Stuart - new Summons.

Page 20

SWORD, --- Petition and summons by the Commonwealth. Dismissed at defendant's costs.

Page 26

Sale to John Bennem recorded (Charles COCKE)

September 1792 Page 27

Charles COCKE is appointed guardian of Isaac Mullins.

Page 28

Charles COCKE appointed Lt. Col. and took oath 19th May 1792.

Page 34

Charles COCKE assignee Plaintiff Stuart defendant Judgement of note plus legal interest and costs.

Page 40

Charles COCKE recommended for Colonel.

1793 Page 54

Charles COCKE def. vs Wm. Bradley continued.

Page 54

Robert CRAIG vs. Gray dismissed at defendant's costs.

Page 55

Charles COX vs Daniel continued.

Page 57

COCKE granted judgement for amt of note w/int. & costs.

Page 58

Charles COCKE vs Daniel dismissed at deft. costs.

Robert CRAIG vs Champion Faris dismissed at deft. costs except ½ atty fees.

Page 64

Charles COCKE vs John HATFIELD case continued.

1793 Page 66

Samuel AUXER & wife Salley to David COCKE, buyer. Deed ordered recorded.

Page 87

Charles COCKE vs George HATFIELD case continued. Continued on pages 116, 124, 136, 142, 145, 160.

Page 163

Case dismissed.

Page 92

William COCKE granted 12 and 6 for one old wolf.

Page 132

David COCKE apptd. surveyor from Dortons to Big Springs.

Sept. 1794 Page 183

William WATSON, buyer Walter and Sarah Gray Deed proven and recorded.

Page 197

David COCKE to William Kelley, buyer. Deed ordered recorded.

1795 Page 201

Matthew RAMEY et al Oney Williams plt. dismissed.

April 1795 Page 204

Matthew RAMEY plt. vs Prater and others trespass continued for the plaintiff, and it appearing to the Court that the plaintiff is not an inhabitant of this State, it is ordered that time be given till next June Court for him to give security for the costs in prosecuting the said suit.

1795 Page 205

P. SWORD def. John Peck (assignee) plt. Petition and summons. According to note plus interest and costs.

Page 218

Went to Jury his atty not named. Blair is atty for deft. Found not guilty by Shadrack Monk, Shadrack White, John Boid, Austin Berry, James Gray, John George, John White, Daniel Davison, Abram Childres, Samuel Auxer, Richard Price and John Graham. (Jones dismissed.)

1795 Page 234

Reuben RATLIFF, buyer. David Fannin Deed proven & ordered recorded.

- 1796 Page 270
Samuel AUXER to David COCKE, buyer. Deed ordered recorded.
- 1796 Page 285
Robert CASTEEL - Fails to list tax. Ordered to show cause or pay treble tax.
- July 1796 Page 297
Jacob CASTLE def. Craig executors plt. Petition and Summons. Judgement is granted the plaintiffs 1-13-6 with legal interest thereon from the 10th day of March 1792 until paid and costs.
- Sept. 1796 Page 308
John WATSON def. Peter Bays plt. attachment.
- 1796 Page 318
John WATSON, def. Robert Fowler plt. Paid witness for defendant.
" " " " " " In debt. Fighting case.
John WATSON ordered to pay 53 cents to John Fugate Sr., Thomas Colley \$2.65 (witness fees)
- 1796 Page 321
William RATLIFF to John Davis, buyer. Deed proven and ordered recorded.
- 1796 Page 322
Michael SWORD, buyer. Richard & Priscilla PRICE Deed proved and ordered recorded.
- Page 333
John WATSON, def. Robert Fowler plt. In debt.
" " " " " " Continued. Pay Thomas Colley \$1.06 witness fee for two days.
- 1797 Page 343
Robert CASTEEL def. Anthony HaviLow plt. Petition and Summons 3 pounds.
- 1797 Page 366
Election contested Francis BROWNING vs John M. Estill. Committee appointed to get deposition.
- Page 371
John WATSON, def. Robert Fowler plt. Commission awarded plaintiff to take the deposition of Alexander Buchanan in Wythe County directed to William Davis. Ordered Fowler to pay Thomas Colley \$2.65 for 5 days; John Fugit \$4.24 8 days witness.
- June 1797 Page 373
James Bush vs Jacob CASTLE - Scire Facias

1797 Page 380

Reverend John WATSON granted license to marry. Securities are Charles Bickley and James Dickenson.

July 1797 Page 383

County Tavern rates to be as follows: Dinner 25¢, Breakfast 21¢, Lodging with clean sheets 8¢, Stableage overnight with hay or fodder 17¢, Whiskey by the half pint 10¢, Rum by the half pint 25¢, Beer or cider by the quart 9¢, Corn or oats by the gallon 9¢

Page 389

John Tate and James Dickenson gentlemen with Jacob CASEL Adm. Ordered to return account to court.

Sept. 1797 Page 401

Isaac Moore deceased Thomas Ferguson surety \$300.00

Sept. 1797 Page 405

Jacob CASTLE plt. James Bush def. authorized to file bill.

1799 Page 413

James CASTEEL, buyer. John and Nancy Wood Deed proven & ordered recorded. John CASTLE and John McClellan witnesses.

1797 Page 415

William Jones paid for one old wolf bounty.

1797 Page 416/417

Robert CASTEEL and Samuel Comet served one day securing Jesse Jones/felony. Richard Wells and Robert CASTEEL secure Hamlett Patterson/felony.

1797 Page 426

Robert CASTEEL def. Hugh Manhollon plt. 5 pounds 10 and costs.

February 1798 Page 431

James & Mary RAMEY David Hanson, buyer. Two deeds proved and ordered recorded.

1798 Page 486

A deed of Conveyance from Major Dowd to Samuel Andrew LOW was exhibited in Court together with an Authentication of a *probat* of said Deed before Samuel Bishop, Mayor of the City of New Haven in the State of Connecticut, according to the act of Congress in the case made and proved Whereupon the same is admitted to record.

1798 Page 494

David COCKE, buyer. Alexander & Mourning Dunlap. Deed proved and ordered recorded.

1799 Page 544
Joseph BEVENS to Thomas Easterling, buyer. Deed proved and ordered recorded.

1799 Page 547
Robert CASTEEL plt vs James Beaty def. Trespass, dismissed.
" " " " John McClelland " "

BOOK THREE

July 1799 Page 13
Ordered that James WATSON be Surveyor of the roads from Stanton Creek to Stony Creek and that Samuel Ritchie gent. furnish him a list of Titheables.

1799 Page 14
Jacob CASEL compl't vs James Bush Deft. }-Injunction This cause was this day heard upon the bill and answer and or the arguments of Counsel on both sides. On consideration of the Court they are of opinion that the Complainants Bill be perpetuated & that he recover against the Deft. his costs by him in that behalf expended.

1799 Page 17
Nathan WATSON def. Charles Bickley et al plt. continued for proof.

1799 Page 24 Commonwealth vs David COCKE presentment dismissed.

Page 27
Robert CASTEEL def. John McClelland to pay witness fees.

1799 Page 34
Joseph Davison undertakes for the Deft. in this suit that in case he shall be cast he shall satisfy and pay the condemnation of the court or render his body to prison in execution for the same or that he the said Joseph Davison will do it for him. Joseph Davison who this day ordered himself special bail for Nimrod McIntosh at the suit of Henry CASTLE by Jacob CASTLE, his father surrendered his (the said Nimrod's body) in discharge of his undertaking.

November 1799 Page 36
Henry CASTLE by Jacob CASTLE, his father plt. } In case Nimrod McIntosh } Joseph Whiteley undertakes for the deft. in this suit that in case he shall be cast he shall satisfy and pay the condemnation of the court or render his body to prison in execution of the same or that he the said Joseph Whitely will do it for him.

Page 39
Henry CASTLE pay Hugh Monhollon, Zachariah Salliers and James Jackson 53 cents each witness.

July 1800 Page 67

Road from Benjamin Fugates to Joseph CASTEELS to James Davidson's.

Page 67

Enos BROWNING & Jean his wife to John Gibson, buyer. Deed ordered recorded.

Page 85

Pay James Jackson, Job Chapman, Z. Salliers \$12.12 each (4 days)

Robert Vickers Andrew Harvey 53 cents each.

Page 89

Take deposition of James Jackson.

1800 Page 90

James WATSON & wife Frances buy from John Richmond. Deed proven & ordered recorded.

October 1800 Page 92

Judgement to Robert CASTEEL for two pounds fourteen shillings and costs from Thomas Mallet & John Smith. Robert CASTEEL to pay Joseph CASTEEL 53 cents 1 day witness for him.

October 1800 Page 94

Ordered that Jacob CASTLE sen'r be surveyor of the road in the room of James Jackson and that John Tate gent. give him a list of titheables.

1801 Page 104

Nathan WATSON buys from John Damron. Deed proven ordered recorded.

1801 Page 105

Jacob CASTLE def. John Tate plt. Tithlist approved.

March 1801 Page 111

Henry CASTLE vs Nimrod McIntosh } In case by consent of the parties Commission is awarded the deft. to take the Deposition of Stephen Miller in the County of Floyd in the State of Kentucky directed to any then justices of the said county.

Page 114

Henry CASTLE plt. to take the Deposition of Job Chapman.

Page 122

Henry CASTLE plt. continued of defts. costs. memorandum The Plt by his counsel ordered to the court a Bill of exception which was signed and ordered to be made part of the record. Henry CASTLE to pay Job Chapman, Andrew Harvey and Zachariah Salliers 53 cents each for attendance as witnesses.

June 1801 Page 141

Henry CASTLE by Jacob CASTLE Plt. } In case
Nimrod McIntosh def. }

This day came the parties by their attornies and the Defendant saith that he is not guilty in manner and form as the plt against him hath complained & of this he putteth himself upon the country of the plaintiff likewise.

Page 144

Henry CASTLE to pay Zachariah Salliers & Andrew Harvey \$1.50 each for 3 days.

Page 156

In case Henry CASTLE the defendant is surrendered by his bail & thereupon

Page 156

George McConnel ag. Jacob SICK } In case deft. said not guilty --- upon the country etc.

Page 157

Peter McIntosh undertakes for the defendant in this suit that in case he shall be cast he shall satisfy and pay the condemnation of the court or render his body to prison in execution for the same or that he the said Peter will do it for him.

Sept. 1801 Page 162

Henry CASTLE to pay 53 cents each Salliers, Chapman & Harvey 1 day.

1802 Page 179

Michael SWORD, buyer. Alexander & Sarah Murphy. Deed proved & ordered recorded.

1802 Page 190

James RAMEY, buyer. Charles Kilgore Deed proven & ordered recorded.

1802. Page 201

Wm. ROBINSON def. Caleb BROWNING plt. } In case.

June 1802 Page 201 & 202

Henry CASTLE by Jacob CASTLE vs Nimrod McIntosh } - In case

This day came the parties by their attornies and thereupon came also a Jury to wit: Sam'l. Hendricks, Wm. Brown, John Murphy, James Sargent, Perry Robinson, Henry Campbell, Wm. See, Charles Carrell, Wm. Vickers, David Robinson, Jos. Robinson & Geo. McConnell who being elected tried & all sworn the truth to speak upon the issue joined upon their oath do say that this Deft. is guilty in manner and form, as the plaintiff against him hath declared of the do issue the plaintiff damages by occasion thereof to five Dollars besides his costs. Therefore it is considered by the court that the plaintiff recover against the Deft the damages aforesaid in form aforesaid. Assessed and his costs by him in this behalf expended & the said Defend't in mercy J.C.

Ordered Henry CASTLE pay Salliers 53 cents 1 days witness.

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Page 203

James Best to pay James WATSON 53 cents witness 1 day ag. William Moore.

Page 203

Wm. ROBINSON def. Caleb BROWNING plt. } In case.

July 1802 Page 211

On the motion of Joseph CASTEEL it is ordered that a writ of adquod damorium be awarded him for the purpose of expanding the place proposed by him for erecting a water grist mill directed to the Sheriff of this county commanding him to summon and appoint twelve fit persons to meet on the land proposed for the abutment on the 3rd day of August next & proceed as the law in that case directs.

1802 Page 220

Jacob CASTLE def. vs Commonwealth plt. Fine dismissed.

Page 221

Jacob CASTLE member of jury.

1802 Page 221

Joseph BEVINS def. Commonwealth plt. present. cont'd.

Page 231

Henry COCKE paid 4 cents bounty - killing 1 old wolf.

1803 Page 245

Joseph BEVINS def. vs Commonwealth Present continued.

Page 249

Henry COCKE plt.

June 1803 Page 255

Joseph BEVINS def. present Presentment dismissed.

Page 265

Enos BROWNING & wife Jean sell. Deed ordered recorded.

1803 Page 267

Joseph CASTEEL def. James Baity plt. Case dismissed.

Page 273

Wm. ROBINSON def. Caleb BROWNING plt. } In case.

October 1803 Page 278

William COCKE def. vs Henry Hamblin plt. } attachment
Jame COCKE Constable having returned that by virtue of this attachment he has executed a sorrel mare the property of the Defendant. Judgement is granted the plaintiff for twenty pounds and the costs by him in this behalf expended. And it is ordered that the property aforesaid be condemned and sold to satisfy the said Judgement and that the surplus of the money arising from the sale thereof (if any) after satisfying this Jud't. be returned to the said Defendant or his legal Representatives.

1804 Page 288

Joseph CASTEEL dec'd. Will probated.

Page 293

John CASTEEL, buyer. Hiram Kilgore Deed proven and ordered recorded.
wit: Samuel Strong, Margaret CASTEEL & Samuel CASTEEL.

Page 294

Joseph CASTEEL dec'd. Appoint appraisers.

1804 Page 302

Robert CASTEEL def. Briant Smithson Attach. dis.

April 1804 Page 305

Phillip SWORDS to pay Andrew Seabolt \$1.06 2 days witness against Joseph COX.
Joseph COX to pay Edmund BROWNING & Andrew Wallis 2.65 5 days & James Boys 53 cents 1 day witness in P. SWORDS suit.

1804 Page 306

James & Frances WATSON, sell to William WATSON Deed proven & ordered recorded.

Page 306

James & Frances WATSON, buy from William Crawford Deed proven & ordered recorded.

Page 307

James & Frances WATSON, buy from James Ritchie Deed proven & ordered recorded.

June 1804 Page 310 & 314

William COCKE def vs Robt. Mitchell plt.
Permission to get deposition of John Carter
William COCKE & Nathan Ellington & Henry Hamblin. } In chancery -
answer filed by Defendant COCKE -general replication & commission awarded.

1804 Page 317

Michael SWORD, buyer. Isaac Lennard Deed proven & ordered recorded.

1804 Page 319 & 320

Jury finds for defendant. Plt. to pay costs. Ordered Phillip SWORD to pay Andrew Seabolt 3.33 for 1 day & 35 miles each way travel. Joseph COX pay 53 cents each James Boys, Edmund BROWNING & Andrew Wallis.

1804 Page 325

James White for benefit of James Larkey/Laskey/Sarkey plt. vs Joseph Jones Petition & Summons.

Judgement granted plt for 4 pounds with legal int. from 1 Sept. 1803 until paid and costs. James Sarkey, ass'ee. of James White vs. James Osborne Judgement granted plt 4 pounds 1 shilling int from 1 Sept. 1803 until paid and costs. Also Henry Miers 4 pounds 15 shillings 10 pence legal int. from 1 Sept. 1803 until paid and costs.

1804 Page 325

Samuel CASTEEL and Jemima CASTEEL (being of full age for that purpose) came into court and made choice of Margaret CASTEEL for their guardian who is appointed and thereupon the said Margaret CASTEEL with Zachariah Fugate and Nathan Ellington her securities entered into and acknowledged their bond in the penalty of one thousand Dollars conditioned as the Law directs.

Page 326

On the motion of Margaret CASTEEL it is ordered that she be approved Guardian for Jenny CASTEEL whereupon she entered into bond with Security according to Law.

1804 Page 338

Jacob CASTLE def. Commonwealth plt. Presentment dismissed.

1804 Page 361

CASTEEL --- def. James Beaty plt. Indict. set aside, decl. filed.

1804 Page 364

Colonel John TATE Officers drafts - 72nd Regiment.

February 1805 Page 371

Jacob RAMEY named surveyor road from the ford of the Clinch to the top of Copper Ridge.

1805 Page 379

Edward Jones made Captain, 72nd Reg. 1st Battalion

April 1805 Page 385

Charles Stewart def. vs John CASTEEL plt. } In case

Samuel Strong undertakes for the defendant in this suit that in case he shall be cast he shall satisfy and pay the condemnation of the Court or render his body to Prison in execution of the same or that he the said Samuel Strong will do it for him.

Page 389

William COCKE and Benjamin Pendleton be fined sixteen dollars each for failing to attend as witnesses on behalf of the Commonwealth against Alexander Montgomery after having been duly *summoned* by the sheriff unless they show sufficient cause for their non attendance at the next quarterly by Court provided they shall be summoned so to do.

1805 Page 406

James RAMEY def. John Montgomery plt. Tith. list approved.

June 1805 Page 419

Commonwealth vs Zedekiah CASSELL Indictment filed.

1805 Page 420

Nevil Wayland junior refusing to act as Constable. James COX is appointed constable in his room.

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James & Frances WATSON, buyers. John Edde Deed proven & ordered recorded.

1805 Page 426

William Keene def. Enos BROWNING plt. Petition & Summons.

Page 427

Nancy & Patty RAMES apprenticed.

Page 434

John CASTEEL def. Charles Stewart plt. } In case. Stewart plt. ordered to give security for his prosecution.

Sept. 1805 Page 442

James RAMEY def. Commonwealth plt. Presentment dismissed.

1805 Page 451

James RAMEY, buyer. Charles Kilgore Deed proven & ordered recorded.

October 1805 Page 457

Robert Smith pay Henry CASTLE 53 cents for 1 day vs Owen Hall.

Page 457

James & Frances WATSON, buyers. James Ritchie Deed proven & ordered recorded.

1805 Page 458

James RAMEY, buyer. Charles Kilgore Deed proven & ordered recorded.

November 1805 Page 463

Zedekiah CASTLE et al def. Commonwealth plt. Indictment dismissed.

1805 Page 465

Ordered that Zedekiah CASTLE, William Fugate, Joseph Tate, and Alexander Whiteley be summoned to appear here on the first day of the next quarterly Term, to shew cause if any they can why an Information should not be filed against them for a breach of the peace by fighting on the 24th day of May 1805.

1806 Page 479

William WATSON, buyer. John Edde Deed proven & ordered recorded.

1806 Page 487

Jessee BROWNING dec'd. See also pages 514, 568, 666.

March 1806 Page 491

William Fugate & Zedekiah CASSEL def. Commonwealth plt. Breach of peace. Ordered that same be dismissed for want of Security for costs.

1806 Page 493

Alexander Montgomery be allowed 53 cents for one days attendance as a witness for the Commonwealth against Zedekiah CASTLE.

Page 500

Margaret CASTEEL def. John CASTEEL et al plt. } In Case -

McHenry for defendant Writ of Eng: set aside and the defendant by her attorney comes here into court and says she is not guilty in manner and form as the plaintiff against her hath complained and further pleads Justification to which the plaintiff replies generally and puts himself upon the Country and the defendant likewise & the trial of the issue is *deferred* 'till the next court.

June 1806 Page 515

An Inventory and appraisement of the estate of Joseph CASTEEL dec'd. was produced in Court & ordered to be Recorded.

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Baity - CASTEEL cont.

August 1806 Page 535 See previously typed info.

Sept. 1806 Page 539

Edward Jones & wife Margaret sell to Larkin Herndon. Deed proven & ordered to be recorded.

1806 Page 555
Thomas Davis def. John REAMY (Assignee) plt. In debt.

September 1806 Page 560
James Baity vs Margaret CASTEEL ordered dismissed.

1806 Page 564
John Flannery et al, buyers. Samuel RANEY Deed proven & ordered recorded.

Page 587
James WATSON Recommended Lieutenant 2nd Bat. 72 Regiment of Joseph Carter.

March 1807 Page 595
Grand jury - John CASTEEL, Jacob CASTLES, Michael SWORD

Page 596
We present William Fields for getting drunk within two months past by the information of Samuel Strong and John CASTEEL two of our own body farmers .Presentments to Zachariah SALLIERS & Rot Whiteley for fighting, Sam SALLIERS & John Whiteley for fighting & John Whiteley for profane swearing on 8th Jan. 1807 by information of Jacob CASTLE and Jeremiah SALLIERS "two of our own body farmers.

1807 Page 596
Israel Keen,buyer. Michael SWORD Deed proven & ordered recorded.

Page 609
Francis BROWNING, jr. fined ten shillings & costs by Grand jury for breaking the Sabbath.

June 1807 Page 616
John BEVINS rec. for Capt. 2nd Bat. 72 Reg.

1807 Page 624
Thomas BEVINS def. Joseph Whitely, et ux. plt. T.A.B.cont'd.

Page 652
Thomas BEVINS def. Joseph Whitely, et ux. plt. T.A.B.cont'd.

Page 653
William COCH,buyer. Reuben Jones & wife Patience Deed proven & ordered recorded.

Page 660
Alice CASTLE def. Commonwealth plt. Recog. discharged.

1807 Page 661
James & Frances WATSON sellers to George Lee Deed proven & ordered recorded.

Page 673
James WATSON Qualified Lieutenant.

December 1807 Page 677

Margaret CASTEEL & others def. John CASTEEL & others plt. } In Chancery
Ordered & decreed that a jury be *empannelled* at the next March courts (be will of testator or not.

Page 684

Harry COX surveyor room of Reuben Jones.
James Gibson to give list road from Stony Creek to Thomas Carters.

1808 Page 692

James & Frances WATSON, buyers. George Lee Deed proven & ordered recorded.

Page 698

Henry COCKE survey road.

1808 Page 701

Michael SWORD, buyer. Michael Dingas Deed proven & ordered recorded.

September 1809 Page 740

Margaret CASTEEL vs John CASTEEL et al plt. case cont'd.

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TIP

GETTING FAMILY TO TALK

When I decided to get more involved in doing family research, I knew I needed to interview family members. But my family members thought genealogy was a huge waste of time, and that I would find out things I'd rather not know. So my problem was getting them to even talk to me about our ancestors.

I got a yellow legal tablet and listed every family name I could think of in two columns, one for my dad's side and one for my mom's side (even if all I knew was Aunt Ida). Then I went to my mom. I showed her the list and, with great glee, she pointed out the people I had in the wrong columns and gave me a lot of other information that she had previously been unwilling to give.

I took the same list to my dad, then to aunts. You would not believe the information I harvested in those few days.

So, if you are willing to put yourself into a position of being wrong, your elders may jump at the chance to correct you, even if they think genealogy is a "waste of time."

Beverly Henry-Bishop

Gustav Adolph Strauss

The following is a translation and/or verbatim copy of lines and entries made in a bound journal by Gustav Adolph Strauss from 1857 to 1894. Over one half of the entries were written in "old German" and the translator used the English spelling of the personal names. After Gustav became proficient in English, he made his entries in English. At that time he also summarized and re-entered many of his earlier German language entries. These later entries do not reflect the personality and attitude of Gustav that is apparent in the earlier translated entries. The compiler has added a few clarification comments. These additions are in italicized type and enclosed by square [] brackets

In reading the early entries the reader should keep in mind the following: 1) The world depression of 1858-1859 was one of the most severe this world has known. 2) Gustav came from a fairly wealthy family and he came to this country with what was then considered a considerable sum of money. 3) America was believed to be the golden land of opportunity and everyone who went there would be much better off in every manner.

D. L. Martindale, compiler.

Dedicated to the Memory of Our Family
Start of this Writing April 1857.

I begin with the head of this family, the writer, myself. My name is Gustav Adolph Strauss, born 6 August 1825 at Noerdlingen, Bavaria, Germany. My father Carl Jacob Strauss, owner of a dry goods store, died at Noerdlingen in the spring of 1828.

My mother Elisabetha Stang, merchants daughter, was born at Noerdlingen. She married again in the year 1829 a John Leonhard Zapff from Closter Heilsbronn near Nuernberg, who died on Pentecost Sunday 1845. He left behind six children. Five live in Germany, but one sister Friedrike, born in the year 1830 lives in America and is married to my brother-in-law Carl Hueber.

Besides the above mentioned, I have a brother here in America, Friedrich Strauss, who was born February 1827 and is married to Catharine Bader also from Noerdlingen.

My wife Rosina Strauss, maiden name Hueber, was born 4 October 1831 at Noerdlingen. Her parents are Christian Richard Hueber, white tanner, and Catharine maiden name Friessel. Both are still living and shower us, who are at a distance, with much love and affection.

The grandmother of my wife, Mrs. Rosina Epplein, merchants widow from Noerdlingen, died April 1855. She leaves behind the memory of a loving and good mother.

I too have a living grandmother in Noerdlingen, Mrs. Elisabetha Stang, age about 86 years; sad to say she has been blind for the last few years.

My dear mother has three siblings in Germany. Johannas Stang, merchant in Heilbronn on the Neckar; Amalie Eberstein, merchants wife from Ochringen (Hohenloh) and Catherine Moetzel, widow from Noerdlingen.

On my fathers side still lives a brother in Noerdlingen with a strong family, Mathew Strauss, weaver.

My dear wife has a brother living in Noerdlingen a Christian Hueber, red tanner, born in the

year 1827. He married in 1855 and his wife's maiden name is Grasser. (She is from Dinkelsbuehl). As of this date they have a son Paul. She also has an uncle in Noerdlingen, Carl Hueber, merchant, and he too has a son names Paul. These are a nearest relatives in Germany.

 In America (April 1857)

As stated before, I have a brother in America. Friedrich Strauss, born 9 February 1827 at Noerdlingen. He lives in Detroit where he is proprietor of a tavern there. His wife Catherine was born in the year 1830, maiden name Bader, daughter of Nicolaus Bader, soapmaker in Noerdlingen. He has a son Charles Strauss, born in St.Clair Michigan in the year 1853. He had another son Nicolaus, born August 1855 and died March 1856 at St.Clair.

My brother emigrated to America in the spring of 1850.

Carl Hueber, born May 1826 a brother of my wife married my sister Friedrike in the year 1853, she was born 1830. As of this date they have a daughter Elisse who was born 6 September 1854. Carl emigrated to America in the year 1852 and Friedrike in the year 1853. They now own a farm of 120 acres in Town Caseo (Michigan) St.Clair County.

 My dear wife Rosina and I knew each other for several years in our much loved hometown of Noerdlingen and we decided (if to our happiness?! I don't know) to emigrate to America. Upon which we said on the 6 July 1854 our goodbys to our loved ones and embarked the steamer Herman on the 14 of July 1854 Bremerhaven to Southhampton, where after a three day layover the same departed for New York. We arrived at New York on the 2nd of August of the same year. And after a few days rest, we continued our journey to St.Clair in the state of Michigan, where my bother Fritz and his family as well as my brother-in-law lived in the Town Caseo.

On the 12 August 1854 (Sunday) Judge Miles of St.Clair married us and on 1 September in the same year I joined my brothers business as a partner. We had a grocery and a liquor business and the first half year business was very brisk.

On the 7 March 1855 our first child Friedrich Christian was born.

In March 1856 I undertook a journey to the west in the states of Illinois and Wisconsin and learned in Rockford, Illinois by Ferdinand Wunsch and Phillip Muenzinger in about three weeks the confectionery trade, American style. End of April 1856 I returned to St. Clair and severed my partnership in my brothers business. The business was not very profitable in the last year since St.Clair lost population and there was no way for the business to support two families. We separated for business reason only.

On the 9 May 1856 we moved to Port Huron, 12 miles above St.Clair, where we found a house for rent. Rent was \$200.00 for the year. I started a confectionery and grocery business. Everything went fine during the summer and in the fall I had to hire a Mr. Joseph Simon, who transported staples and liquor to Lexington. He also bought goods and who in the time span of about 4 to 5 months relieved me of a great sum of money, through bad outstanding loans, lying, cheating and of a general bad character, that I must wonder if I will ever recover.

Since the first of May 1857 I am renting another house for which I pay \$300.00 a year

My brother Fritz too left St.Clair in August of 1856 and moved to Detroit, where he manages a tavern. Until now goddess fortune has not smiled upon him, it seems we are not to prosper in business or occupation.

Monday the 9 February 1857 our second child Christian Richard was born. We appointed his grandparents Christian Hueber and grandmother Hueber as his Godparents. *He is well until now and we hope that he continues to grow mentally as well as physically. Out oldest son Fritz, thank God is well and he brings us much joy.*

Port Huron August 1857

Our little Christian and Fritz are fine and healthy, thank God.

Since the 1st of May I have a confectionery in baker Harves place. Business is slow and everything is to expensive and I pay to much for rent. Just hope that I and my family stay well and that we can try again next year at another place.

My brother-in-law sold in July his farm for \$2400.00 cash and joined butcher John Kellers company in St.Clair.

My sister Rieke has been ill for quite some time. God willing her health will soon be returned to her. From our dear parents, we received letter a few weeks ago, stating that they were all well.

My dear Rosina received from her dear parents \$10.00 as a present for having a new baby. Beside that my father-in-law let me know that from time to time he deposits money in the two boys name in the bank at Noerdlingen. Which shows us, that he is interested and cares about his grandchildren's future. God bless him.

September 1857

Beginning of September we received a letter from Noerdlingen with the sad news, that our Stang grandmother died 24 May and the uncle of my dear wife Mr. Carl Hueber 9 July 1857.

Peace to their ashes, they will live in our memories.

Port Huron, begin of October 1857

Sad times everywhere, business for the last two months has been slow, that I can hardly take it. And if this was not enough the banks which one thought safest are folding. No business, little money and what little there is, not safe from day to day. No future. Little credit.

God willing the winter will pass and I can sell more. So we can leave Port Huron, which we now hate.

I have already endured more than any one man can, but I never found my thoughts as sad and melancholic as I do now. Circumstances are the same for me here as they were for me in Germany.

Port Huron, 1st January 1858

Circumstances are much worse. There is no money among the people, just much need in the land. We suffer hard as there is no business at all.

We already started the new year and may the end of the same be better than the beginning

March 1858

From Noerdlingen we received letter with the news that my uncle John Stang, merchant in Heilsbronn by the Neckar died 24 August 1867 and such news brought me much pain.

Times are not better, we had until now very hard days in our lives, which will be engraved in our memories.

May 1858

Still the same old complaints. Nothing moves. Neither business or trade. Seldom here and there a sawmill starts up. It appears as if everything is in a deep sleep and frozen state. Groceries are cheap, but no wages, no money. What will happen?

I changed my plans. Gave up my rent in Harve's place and rented another house from John Miller for two years at \$175.00 per year.

About the middle of April I took a trip to Bay City and East Saginaw and on my way back I visited Flint and arrived home by way of Detroit. In Flint I wanted to buy someone out (through the help of my brother-in-law Carl at St. Clair), but abandon said plan for which I am not sorry, since I would have burdened myself to heavily in debt (for about \$500.00 for a year) and with my present circumstances it probably would have been too much for me to handle, especially if I would not have found what I anticipated.

I have not the foresight of my memories which I write down to be made public only after my demise perhaps to fall into the hands of my descendants, so they can read for themselves from whom and where they are descendent. What trials and fate their parents lived. What pain, suffering and sorrow they endured for such a long time. It is as our lives should be a constant and continued source of pain and suffering.

To have come with wealth from Germany to this country and to have seen it in less than four years disappear into the winds. We arrived with a strong heart, with sadness and bad feeling to have lost it all we look with fear into the bleak future. What will the future bring us. More suffering and sorrow? Or will she bring us heavenly ointment for our wounds. We hope in the meantime may the dark future bring what it has in store for us, I will not surrender.

The Stars, Clouds, Winds
He Marks and Lights the Way
Should He Not Find the Way
Upon Your Foot Will Walk!

Even so each stone is nameless, God's house is everywhere, only he won't leave us. Give us health for riches and combined with satisfaction and happiness it will make us forget the worlds riches.

The most painful feeling for me is, that in spite of my losses I am still beholden to others and I am unable to discharge said obligations. Oh how easy and gladly would I carry my burden to be poor, but to be looked and put in a bad light is more than I can bear. But I must endure it all, the world may judge, but in the end they will see that they were wrong about me. I am forced to do something. On the 17th of May 1858 I opened my books to my creditors and offered to pay later in installments. I am now awaiting their answer. Whichever they decide, fate will find me prepared and strong.

Whatever Happens Along the Way
and What Sickens Your Heart
the True Love of God
Controls the Heavens.

Today the 17th of May 1858 Monday morning, between 11 o'clock and 12 o'clock there was a terrible accident. My dear wife fell backwards through the open cellar door. Oh what an

accident. I hurried home, to help, to rescue. And I did not feel thankful to God as I saw her, she was wounded and scared to death. That she would be all right and the worst did not happen. Never will I forget the lamentations of our two boys, Fritz and Christian, standing at the edge of the cellar door, wanting to help their mother. Oh God, how much more, how many more tests.

It is now February 1859 and I will continue my memories as I promised myself.

The summer of 1858 was slow, boring and bad. Business was very slow and unsatisfactory. Autumn was not much better. But I am a little more satisfied with the beginning of winter than the month before.

The present winter is a mild one, with very little snow which does not stay long. Which in turn makes for little business in the forest. Which will affect next summer and will make for little lumber business, which in turn will make for slow business in store. The outlook for summer is not good.

The last year discovered goldmines in Kansas are according to all reports very profitable and so come spring there will be a great exodus to the goldmine regions (Pikes Peak).

From my dear mother-in-law in Germany sorry to say we have not heard any news for quite some time and we worry a great deal.

In March 1859 we left Port Huron, since we were never happy there and no hope we ever would be.

Looking back on our three years in Port Huron, we gained much in knowledge, bitter knowledge, but lost much of our bodily welfare. The rest of our wealth was taken from us for knowing one bad person (Joseph Simon). Through the generosity of my father-in-law Christian Hueber in Noerdlingen, who sent us \$400.00 it was made possible for me to try and rebuild our lives.

Brought my family to St. Clair in March. Oh, I had in mind to go to Missouri or Kansas or somewhere. But I came only as far as Chicago, where I returned to Michigan and opened a store in Grand Haven on Lake Michigan, where we now live.

Until now everything is bearable, but since our arrival here we are besieged with illness. Especially our Christian, he took ill from the beginning, we thought we would lose him. My wife too was ill with the fever, but after three days well again. I took ill with the fever from May until end of October. This is a harsh and unhealthy climate with a sandy and wild terrain and we don't like it much. So next year we again will pick up our cane and wander in search for a new homeland.

Today is the 22 of October, letters arrived from Germany and all our loved ones there are well. Pikes Peak turned out to be a big swindle, even so there is some gold it is not profitable to mine it. In later years Colorado was a success.

September 1860 I sold everything in Grand Haven and traveled, mainly to southern and central Illinois, to settle somewhere. But could not reach my goal and arrived in the central region. But rich on bitter knowledge I went back to Grand Haven. From there I went with my family to Grand Rapids where we lived several months without a store. Till I finally managed to rent a store with living-quarters for \$150.00 for the year on Monroe Street. I proceeded to stock the store as my stock from previous store through my travels was completely depleted.

I have seen on my trip through Chicago many fish-skeletons in Lake Michigan. As well as the steamer "Lady Elgin" on which I booked passage on my trip back to Grand Haven. *[He saw a lot of dead fish near Chicago and from the steamer.]*

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Grand Rapids Mich. May 1861

Our American circumstances went from bad to worse. The entire year of 1860 was a heated one as it always is before a Presidential election. Especially this year as several of the Southern States were unruly. A party was being formed by the Northern States in the last four years named the republican party, which didn't look to favorable at the Southern States, their skirmishes and their stand on slavery. The fighting between the north and south was an ongoing thing in newspapers for many years, the Congress and the Senate in Washington. But now circumstances took on a different face and we are now at war, the south against the north. It means the southern slave states such as South Carolina, Georgia, Louisiana, Alabama, Texas, Florida and Mississippi unhappy with the election of the republican President Abraham Lincoln from Springfield, Illinois declared their independence from the United States and built themselves a southern Confederacy with seizing of forts arsenals and property belonging to the United States. The border states such as Virginia, Missouri, Kentucky, North Carolina and Maryland took a neutral stand but one could see they were sympathetic to the south. Which they expressed through their impossible demands on the north.

The outgoing President Buchanan who left office 4 March 1861 and his Minister of War Floyd were also sympathetic to the south and have seen to it that the incoming President Lincoln who took over the office 4 March '61 started his reign powerless. The same could do nothing in his first weeks in office except listen to advice and in secret make his plans, to take steps to help Ft. Sumpter in the harbor of Charleston, South Carolina which was occupied by 80 United States Troopers under the command of Major Armstrong and since they were low on provisions the President wanted to send same by several ships. However the south attacked said Fort and prevented the supplies from reaching the Fort. Being low on provision the Company of Troopers inside the Fort surrendered. This inflamed the war and the newly elected President Lincoln asked the loyal states for help to squash the effort of the south to divide our Union; which with division of freedom would be easy to accomplish. In the Spring of 1861 come together an army of over 600,000 men mostly volunteers to fight for our Union. In the beginning things went bad for our side. The south was prepared for a long time and had everything and the best weapons, which they obtained through treachery and thievery. Our Secretary of War under Buchanan saw to it systematic that by the start of the rebellion the south had all the weapons and the north had nothing. Now is this no good Floyd is his name a General for the South and it is only in passing here that he is known for retreating.

As noted we had only bad luck, the patriotism of the people, the energy and wisdom of our leaders hindered the rebellion after their first victories and no progress was made. And they were unable to bring the war as they first anticipated to the loyal states and melt them together.

The border states of North Carolina, Tennessee and half of Kentucky, half or 2/3 of Wisconsin, Virginia except the western part went for the south and declared their independence from the Union. Maryland wanted with all of her might to secede, but our troops occupied it just in time and stopped their devilish plans. The southerners under command of their Generals Beauregard, Johnson and their President Jefferson Davis found themselves in the spring of 1861 in Virginia at Richmond marching toward the river Potomac to take over Washington and our Capitol and to besiege the free states. But our Union had there a ready army of about 250,000 against a southern army of about 200,000 men.

Grand Rapids, August 1862

On the 7th day of June 1862, Sunday morning at 4 o'clock our third child a dear and healthy girl was born, we names her Friedrike Amalia Wilhelmine. She is to this day a very quiet and brave child and we only wish that she continues to be so and that she grows in body and soul. Our girl is a dear present and brings us much joy.

Brother-in-law Carl and sister Rike were blessed in April with an heir, a healthy and good looking boy; they now have three children, 2 girls Elisa and Cathy born and above boy named Charles. (Cathy died in the year 1863)--[This was added at a later date]

Brother Fritz's family was honored with a son in April 1862.

In June Fritz moved from Port Huron with his family to St. Clair where it goes much better for him.

I have since April started a small shop on Canal Street, as I have been without one since October 1861. Yet I learned at home how to make cigars. I now have a Cigar and Tobacco business at said place. Times are very hard for everything and everybody. Naturally it won't get better unless this fight is settled and the Union restored. Or until same has dispersed, because now in spite of our huge army (700,000 men strong last spring) nothing has been accomplished and the south is still unconquered. In fact they have the advantage over us. And the government saw fit to pass new Laws to gain 300,000 men of volunteers. A 300,000 men Militia which could be raised through conscription. According to law every able bodied man can be drafted; men between the age of 18 and 45 to serve in the war. And so we are not safe that we won't be called upon and torn from our families, to fight to uphold the Union.

In August 1862 I gave up my little shop on Canal Street, it would make no sense to keep the same much longer. Since I had no capital and I can not run the business at a profit. I made from August until November 1862 cigars for Schubart and Mason and could provide very well for my family and myself. From November 1862 until middle of December 1863 I managed the store for Schubart. (Mason dissolved the partnership.) Middle of December I left Schubart and I took a trip to St. Clair, where I visited our relatives and found them well. After a stay of four days I returned home by way of Detroit and brought tobacco leaves for myself so I could make cigars at home. Middle of February 1864 Fritz Mayer came to me and offered me a partnership. He bought out Friedrich Wellendorf who followed P. A. Schubart. I accepted and invested \$300.00.

Beginning of the year 1864 my dear wife's aunt Weber from Noerdlingen died., from whom she inherited \$160.00 Which sum our brother-in-law Christian sent in silver to New York, where it was exchanged at the current rate of June 1864, silver being worth 90% more. We received \$304.00 in paper money.

We invested in June another \$250.00 in the business of a total of \$550.00. Business has been brisk and according to my calculations I hope to be back on my feet soon.

Through the course of the war, the tobacco and cigar business wings were clipped. The tobacco prices went higher, wages also escalated for cigar makers and on top of it Congress imposed an ungodly high tax that this business can be looked upon as ruined. The future will tell if my fears will come to pass. (My fears for the future of the cigar business were later proven to be groundless)--[this was entered at a later date].

In March of 1863 our dear brother-in-law Carl and sister Rike lost their second girl Cathy, four years of age, which brought them and us much anguish and we are until this day in deep sorrow.

On the 14th of May 1863 on Pentecostal Sunday and on his names day we received a sudden shock and wound. Our dear and good father-in-law and grandfather of Mr. Christian Hueber was called by our Lord suddenly from this earth to the great beyond. Oh what lamentation, what heartache to receive such news. We lost something irreplaceable and our hearts are bereaved and heavy and we can't console ourselves. The thought that it was not in our power to see him once more, to have been apart for so many miles is painful.

A stroke suddenly ended the life of our father and we shed many tears. He was the best father with a big heart and a true friend. He will live in our memories. Yes, dear father you meant well, thank you a thousand times for your love. We call to you in your cool resting place, sleep softly till we see you again, you dear loved soul.

Separation is Our Loss
To Meet Again Our Hope

In August 1864 I dissolved partnership with Fred Meyers of Grand Rapids. Said partnership promised not to prove very successful for me in future, therefore I thought best to separate. We moved to Detroit where I accepted a situation in the business of I. Rosenfield and Bro's. Cigar and Tobacco Factory. Before we left Grand Rapids my wife met with an accident, hurting on a bad sidewalk her foot to terrible that she had about 9 months to suffer before she got well again.

We moved in August from Detroit to St. Clair, where I opened business of Tobacco, Cigar and Liquors, etc. Brother Fred and family moved in September 1865 to Detroit again.

In the year 186_ my brother in law had a son born who they have named Herman.

On June 11, 1867 we bought house and lot on Trumbull Street of my brother in law Charles Hueber for the amount of \$700.00. We commenced a Grocery and Provision Business.

Carl Hueber & family have (moved) to Alpena, where he opened butcher business.

The first of April 1869 our last child was born, a nice and fine boy, our Gustav Charles. We were really happy at this new family increase.

In ... of 18__ we bought the property of Mrs Hagedone on Trumbull and 6th St. containing of 2 lots for \$500.00 which we have made our home for us and family

On the 5th of March 1870 a fire broke out in our neighbors Carl Lamlein's house which also destroyed our store building, and three more besides it. We build up again from Brick a two story building 20x40 with a good cellar under it, and in September 1870 we opened business there again.

In summer, 1870 Emperor Napoleon III of France declared war on Germany, which lasted to 1871 with the defeat of the French nation. After this France declared for Republic.

Eliza daughter of my brother in law C. H. and my sister Frederike married in 1870 Mr. Charles Golling born in Crenznach, Prussia. His profession is that of a Painter, but since years he opened a Hotel business of which he was very successful.

In the fall of 1871 my youngest Brother Herman Zapff arrived in this country. After a brief stay with us he went to Alpena, where he stayed and worked for the family Hueber.

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JANUARY 1, 2000 - DECEMBER 31, 2000

Cash Balances, January 1, 2000		
First Union Savings	\$6,955.21	
First Union Checking	\$1,207.55	
Outstanding Checks	(\$119.64)	
Roanoke County School Emp FCU	\$5,186.91	
Total Cash Balances		\$13,230.03
Income		
Memberships	\$6,350.00	
Donations	\$165.00	
Interest on First Union Savings	\$108.13	
Interest on CD's at FCU	\$287.58	
Back Issues of VAN	\$258.00	
Total Income		\$7,168.71
Expenses		
Rental of Post Office Box 12485 for 2000	\$114.00	
Bulk Postage	\$600.00	
Misc. Postage	\$198.76	
Printing VAN	\$2,842.43	
Nov 1999, Winter 2000, Spring 2000, Summer 2000		
Automated Mailing Systems	\$270.35	
Membership Chair Expenses	\$338.27	
Copies and Supplies	\$92.12	
Computer Supplies	\$181.45	
Honorariums	\$285.00	
Memorial and Honorary Books	\$372.25	
State Corporation Commission Fee	\$25.00	
Dues - NGS	\$30.00	
Telephone Calls	\$9.10	
Cards	\$7.04	
Album for Historian	\$67.40	
Donation to Botetourt Co. Historical Society	\$25.00	
Donation to Botetourt Co. for Document Preservation	\$25.00	
Donation to Roanoke Public Library Foundation (Virginia Room)	\$50.00	
Tuckwiller Reception	\$28.40	
Service Charge on Checking Account	\$21.00	
Audit of 1999 Financial Records	\$50.00	
Total Expenses		\$5,632.57
NET (CASH BALANCES + INCOME - EXPENSES)		\$14,766.17
Cash Balances, December 31, 1999		
First Union Savings	\$7,836.34	
First Union Checking	\$1,455.34	
Roanoke County School Employees FCU	\$5,474.49	
Total Cash Balances		\$14,766.17

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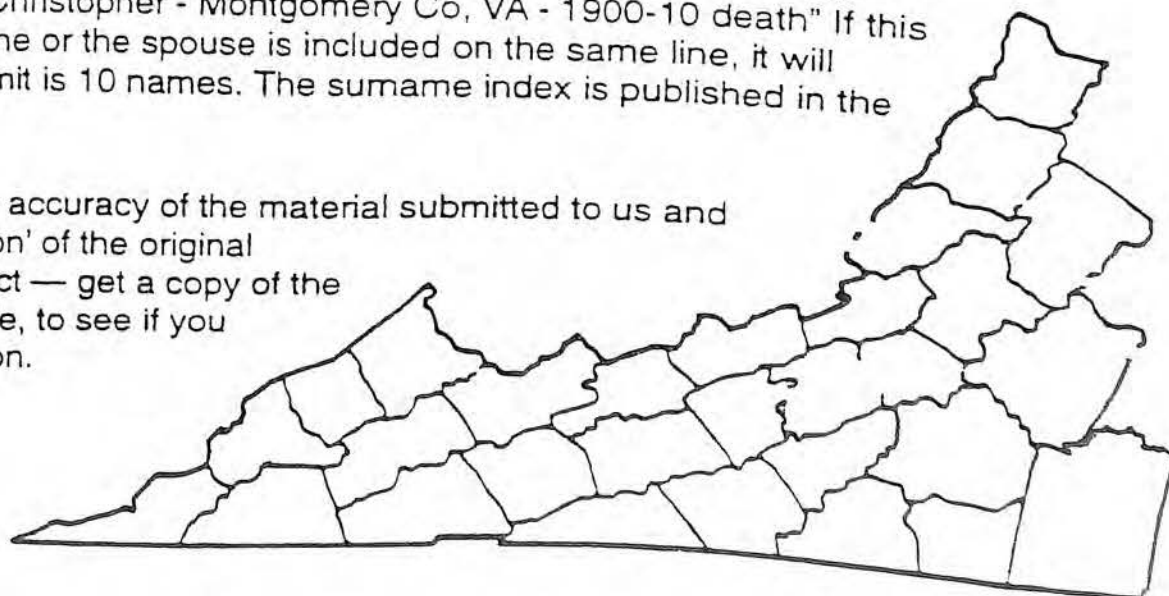
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