



SEPTEMBER 1997 MEETING

The September Meeting will be Sunday 21 September 1997 at Keowee-Toxaway State Park Meeting House: 3-8 PM.

This will be our first meeting of the fall season and will be our customary covered dish supper. We will eat about 5pm. Please bring a well filled basket. The Chapter will furnish ice, plates, cups and napkins etc.

This is a good time to share your summer research as well as visit with spouses and guest.

DUES

We are starting early on reminding you about DUES. They should be paid by 1 January 1998. Those that have already paid for next year will have 1998 on your mailing label.

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NOTICE

Folks this Newsletter contains material that has come in over the summer months. The October Newsletter will be back to normal and will contain the first in a series about "Lewis Redmond" The Pickens Co., SC Outlaw.

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QUERIES

Barbara L. Eades, 3914 Alma Ave., Redding, CA 96002 E-Mail: bleades@juno.com
Would like to contact anyone working on HOLCOMB and/or ADDISON lines in particular looking for a JACKSON connection with either or both of these lines in SC.

Seeking info on parents/siblings of Margaret S. MACKEY b. 3 Nov 1777 Brunswick Co., VA d. 24 July 1845 Hall Co., GA. She married George KEITH Sr. possible sister is Jane MACKEY who d. 17 Aug 1845 Pickens District, SC and married John KEITH brother to George.

Seeking info on Powell BEELAND, supposedly the father of Sallie BEELAND who married Benjamin BLASSINGAME. Benjamin and Sallie BEELAND BLASSINGAME died your of yellow fever on the same day in Greene Co., GA. Sallie had a brother Ben BEELAND who was guardian of a couple of the BLASSINGAME boys when they were orphaned.

Would also like info on the Prue BENSON and wife Mary BLASSINGAME married by 1810 when Mary, John and Thomas BLASSINGAME as heirs to William BLASSINGAME sell their interst in a slave "Dill" that this William left to his son William who died before reaching the age of majority. The death of the younger William left his share of slave "Dill" of the older William's estate to Mary, John, Thomas and James. James paid the other remaining heris of the older William each \$50.00 10 July 1810, but was not recorded until 1822. This was witnessed by Thomas FARMER and W.E. BLASSINGAME who was a son of General John BLASSINGAME who died Greenville, SC 1823. A James BLASSINGAME who died 1821 in Greenville Co., SC left a slave "Dill" in his will to one of his heirs. Trying to identify these BLASSINGAMES and also determine if Mary BLASSINGAME and Prue BENSON had children.

Margaret Ferrell, 2615 Cottage Circle, Raleigh, NC 27613
Attempting to locate any descendents of John B. FERRELL and Jane Ogier FERRELL. They had 5 children, Martha O (m. Chauncey Stevens), Louis O., John

B., Jane K. (m. George Matthews). Charlotte. Martha FERRELL STEVENS and Chauncey had 10 children. Chauncey was an original member of St Paul's Episcopal Church in Pendleton District. John B. had 2 brothers, Thomas I. and William Madison. William Madison was married to Nancy LORTON on 4 June 1834 and she died one year later in childbirth and the infant died 4 months later. I know nothing of Thomas I. except that he died 6 May 1849. John B. died 19 August 1847 or 1849. The people I am trying to locate are the parents of these three men. The Father's name is William _____ FERRELL and he died 25 November 1847. He was in Pendleton in 1841. I do not know the Mother's name. Any information will be appreciated.

Blanche B. Hannah, 305 W. Cedar Rock St., Pickens, SC 29671-2413-03

To whom it may concern: I have the information that you wanted on Willie HANNAH'S ancestors relatives. I am sorry but I have misplaced your address. Please send it to me again so that I may send the material to you.

Jean "Lura" Cobb Smith, 11975 US HWY 411, Odenville, AL 35120

I am searching for a book, "The Old Stone Church." John Miller, the printer is my great great grandfather. I inherited a big wooden chest that John Miller carried back and forth to England as he returned for visits. Can anyone help on the book?

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Searching for parents of Catherine NORRIS b. 1821/1822 SC. By 1838 Catherine NORRIS appears married to Randle LEE. I cannot locate her with parents. Does anyone know anything about the families of: Edward NORRIS age 60, William NORRIS age 30 and Green NORRIS age 35 in 1850 Pickens District, SC

Submitted by: Robert L. Perry

I want to recommend a book I believe is very relevant and important to everyone whose roots are Scotch Irish. "THE SCOTCH IRISH" a social History by Dr. James G. Leyburn PhD (deceased). Former Professor of Sociology, Washington and Lee University 1962 University of North Carolina Press. (recently reprinted) I found it through inter-library loan (South Carolina) This seems to be a scholarly, well done work. While it does not address genealogy issues per se, it provides valuable background. It addresses the Socio/cultural, political, religious and historical background of these people. It begins in 1600 with these people in their native Scottish Lowlands. Their immigration to Ulster begins in 1610, and to America beginning about 1714. It gives tremendous detail and background about why these events occurred when they did. In America, it details the 700 mile crescent from Philadelphia, through Pennsylvania's Cumberland Valley, The Valley of Virginia, The Piedmont of the two Carolinas, to the Savannah River and Augusta. It details when the Scotch Irish arrived in each of these areas, and even more importantly, why.

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Robert STEWART
Born 1785
Wilkes County, Georgia
Marr 1806
Died 18-Oct-1857
Pickens County, SC

Robert STEWART
Born 1749
New Bern, Craven County, NC
Marr 1773
Columbia County, Ga.
Died 8-Dec-1835
Pickens County, SC

Nancy HOLLOWAY
Born 1753
Died 5-Dec-1843
Pickens County, SC

Anthony "Toney" STEWART
Born 21-Jan-1810
Pendleton District, South Carolina
Marr About 1829
Pendleton District, South Carolina
Died 5-Jun-1894
Oconee County, SC

Elizabeth BURROUGHS
Born 1785
Wilkes County, Georgia
Died 1865
Pickens County, SC

"Rutha Ann" STEWART
Born 1-Jan-1849
Pickens District, SC
Died 26-Sep-1901
Pickens County, SC
Spouse: Leonard Dison "Bud" STEPHENS

Rev. Jacob LEWIS
Born 14-Jan-1772
Gilford County, NC
Marr 22-Feb-1792
Gilford County, NC
Died 4-Aug-1857
Pickens County, SC

David LEWIS
Born 21-Mar-1747
Randolph Co., NC
Marr 30-Jan-1768
New Garden Quaker Meeting, NC
Died 20-Jun-1822
Pendleton District, SC

Ann BEESON
Born 2-May-1749
Hopewell, Frederick, VA
Died 7-Dec-1812
Pendleton District, SC

John LEWIS
Born 1720
Marr 16-Oct-1745
Died 10-Jun-1802

Priscilla BROOKS
Born 16-Jan-1725

Benjamin BEESON SR.
Born 14 JAN 1714
Marr 1738
Died 14 JUN 1794

Elizabeth HUNTER
Born 1718
Died 1794

John LEWIS
b. 1687

Elizabeth MCGRATH
d. 1725

Jacob BROOKS
b. November 1702

Rosanna SHEPHARD

Richard BEESON
OCT 1684 - 1 JAN 1777

Charity GRUBB
29 SEP 1687 - 22 NOV 1761

Jacob HUNTER
1667 - 1734

Sarah HILL
b. ABT 1696

Elizabeth LEWIS
Born 7-Sep-1805
Pendleton District, South Carolina
Died 7-Jul-1884
Oconee County, SC

Aulsie LEONARD
Born 11-Oct-1771
Gilford County, NC
Died 24-Oct-1857
Pickens County, SC

Husband: **Anthony "Toney" STEWART** died at age: 84

Born: 21-Jan-1810 in: Pendleton District, South Carolina
 Died: 5-Jun-1894 in: Oconee County, SC
 Buried: Oconee County in: Perry Family Cemetery near Westminster
 Ref: Occupation: Farmer
 Father: Robert STEWART
 Mother: Elizabeth BURROUGHS



Anthony STEWART and Elizabeth LEWIS were both born in the Keowee Valley of the Pendleton District in what is now Pickens County. Both had Grandfathers who had served in the Revolutionary War and had brought their families into the newly opened Indian land, Robert STEWART from Georgia and David LEWIS from North Carolina. Although no white families were in the area until about 1790, both families had been in the area many years when "Toney" and Elizabeth were married around 1829.

Toney had bought a farm in 1838 from his uncle, Abraham STEWART, near where Town Creek meets the Twelve Mile River. In 1850, this is the way the family looked in the census of the Eastern Division of the Pickens District:

STEWART, Anthony	40	M	W	Farmer	1,500	SC
Elizabeth	45	F	W			SC
Alecy	20	F	W			SC
Robert	17	M	W	Laborer		SC
Nancy	15	F	W			SC
Abner	13	M	W			SC
William	10	M	W			SC
Mary E.	7	F	W			SC
Joah	4	M	W			SC
Ruth A.	1	F	W			SC

In 1870 he and Elizabeth sold that farm to C.L. Hollingsworth and moved to Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH's farm on Toxaway Creek in Oconee County. Their youngest son and his family, Joab Franklin, moved with them. In 1877, Toney bought the farm from Mr. HOLLINGSWORTH where they had lived since 1870. Joab Franklin lived in the house that still stands by the big red barn. Toney's house was across the road.

Elizabeth died in 1884 and her body was carried about 20 miles back to Pickens to be buried at a church her father helped found, Mountain Grove Baptist Church.

Toney married Mrs. Ibbey PITTS. Joab Franklin and his wife Harriett PERKINS had several children, but one, Joab Lewis "Tig", would live just a few yards up the hill and raise

his family there. Three generations of STEWARTS would raise their families along the Toxaway Creek.

Toney had a "stroke of paralysis" and died on 5 June 1894. The papers stated at his death. "He was born in Pickens county on January 21, 1810. He married Miss Elizabeth LEWIS in the 19th year of his age. They raised nine children living together until 1882, when she died. Mr. STEWART moved his family to Oconee in 1871, where he resided until his death. During all his long life he was noted for his thrift and industry, his strict integrity-- being as strictly honest as mortal man is ever expected to be. The kindness of his heart and the hospitality of his home stands with scores of his friends today, as a lasting monument to his memory."

The 28 June 1894 issue of The People's Journal said, " Anthony STEWART died at his residence in Oconee County, S.C. the 5th (June). He was a resident of Pickens County until 1890 [sic]. Mr. STEWART leaves a brother."

Toney was buried maybe thirty or so yards from his house in deep woods in what is called the PERRY Cemetery. Three monuments are there-PERRY, STEWART, and HOLLINGSWORTH. Several other fieldstones are there. The PERRY is Nathaniel PERRY, the brother of Benjamin PERRY, governer of South Carolina during reconstruction. The graveyard is beside a stagecoach road on a hill overlooking Toxaway Creek. The mountain land is rather isolated and has forests, meadows, and streams and perhaps looks much like it did to Toney and Elizabeth as they moved to their new home in 1870.

Wife: Elizabeth LEWIS	died at age: 78
Married: About 1829	in: Pendleton District, South Carolina
Born: 7-Sep-1805	in: Pendleton District, South Carolina
Died: 7-Jul-1884	in: Oconee County, SC
Buried: Pickens County	in: Mt. Grove Church Cemetery
Ref:	Occupation: Home maker
Father: Rev. Jacob LEWIS	
Mother: Aulsie LEONARD	



Elizabeth LEWIS was the daughter of Jacob LEWIS and Aulsie LEONARD. Jacob was a farmer and a Preacher in Pickens County. He was pastor at Secona Baptist, one of the oldest churches in the area for 15 years until his death in 1838. He was instrumental in forming several other churches in the area including Mountain Grove where Elizabeth was buried in 1884. Elizabeth's grandfather, David LEWIS, was a Revolutionary War Soldier and is buried at Old Stone Church in Pendleton, S.C.

F Child 1 **Alecy STEWART**

Born: about 1830 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

M Child 2 **Robert STEWART**

Born: about 1833 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

F Child 3 **Nancy STEWART**

Born: about 1835 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

M Child 4 **Abner STEWART**

Born: about 1837 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

M Child 5 **William STEWART**

Born: about 1840 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

F Child 6 **Mary E. STEWART**

Born: about 1843 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

M Child 7 **"Joab" Franklin STEWART** died at age: 81

Born: 13-Mar-1846 in: Pickens District, SC
 Military: Civil War in:
 Died: 28-Oct-1927 in: Tugaloo, Oconee County, SC
 Buried: Oconee County in: Toxaway Baptist Church
 Ref: Occupation: Farmer
 Spouse: Harriett E. PERKINS
 Married: in:

Death certificate #17086 said:

Joe Ab Franklin STEWART
 Tugaloo, Oconee County, SC
 Male White Widowed
 Born 3/13/1846 SC
 Died 10/28/1927
 81 years 7 months 15 days
 Farming
 Father Anthony STEWART born in SC
 Mother Elizabeth LEWIS born in SC
 Informant J.A. STEWART, Wsetminster, SC
 Burial Toxaway
 Cause of death paralasis due to celebral ambolus

F Child 8 "Rutha Ann" STEWART died at age: 52

Born: 1-Jan-1849 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: 26-Sep-1901 in: Pickens County, SC
 Buried: Pickens County in: Secona Baptist Church Cemetery
 Ref: Occupation: Home maker

Spouse: Leonard Dison "Bud" STEPHENS

Married: 24-Nov-1869 in: Pickens County, SC

The People's Journal of October 3, 1901 said, "Mrs. Rutha Ann STEPHENS, wife of L.D. STEPHENS, died at her home, Redmond, three miles west of Pickens, on the 26th of September, after a lingering illness, at the age of 52 years, and was buried the following day at Secona Cemetery, the funeral being conducted by Rev. J.M. STEWART, assisted by Rev. B.E. GRANDY. She had been, for twenty eight years, a consistant member of Concord Baptist Church, and at her death had reached the fulness of Christian womanhood. purified and strengthened through long and trying suffering. She leaves surviving her husband and nine children to mourn her death. Mrs. Stephens was a dutiful wife and a devoted mother whose taking off is a sore affliction to loved ones and a host of friends."

The 3 October 1901 issue of the Journal said, " Card of Thanks, to neighbors and friends for kindness during illness and death of wife. L.D. STEPHENS"

F Child 9 Sarah E. STEWART

Born: 1-Jan-1849 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

F Child 10 Mary A. STEWART

Born: about 1853 in: Pickens District. SC
 Died: in:

F Child 11 Angeline STEWART

Born: about 1856 in: Pickens District, SC
 Died: in:

Wife: **Mrs. Ibbey PITTS**

Married: in:

Born: in:
 Died: in:

Buried: Oconee County ? in: fieldstone marker next to Toney's grave?

Father:

Mother:

Submitted by: David Youngblood, 204 Marshall St, Fort Mill, SC 29715 E-Mail: Youngblood@InfoAve.Net

I am replying to Jessie Carr's comment in your April Newsletter asking for information on Ruth Ann Stewart Stephens. I am replying in hopes of learning more of her brothers and sisters who stayed in Pickens County.

CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS OF PICKENS DISTRICT, SC (continued)

Elias Earl Dillard, C.S.A. **WARREN D. DILLARD** served in Co. A, 1st SC Rifles and was a son of Tobias Gibson "Gip" Dillard (b. 1801) and Sarah "Sallie" Stephens Dillard (b. ca 1796 - d. April 1, 1892). **W. F. DILLARD** was killed during the Civil War. **B. F. DILWORTH** (1828-1901) served in a cavalry company commanded by Capt. John Westfield; he married Mary E. McAdams (1827-1895). **ROBERT H. DILWORTH** (1838-1904) was husband of Mary A. Dilworth, who received a widow's pension in 1930 in Oconee Co. **FRANKLIN M. DODD** (1842-1862) served in Orr's Rifles and died of measles in VA. **GEORGE WASHINGTON DODD** (1829-1898) joined Fort Hill Guards at Pendleton, SC, in 1861 and served in Co. K, 4th SC Volunteers; he first married Elizabeth Amanda Hunnicutt (d. Nov. 14, 1870) and later married Ida Susan Compton (1862-1943). **JAMES J. DODD** served in 4th SC Volunteers and in a cavalry company. **JOHN J. DODD** enlisted at Pendleton, SC, on April 14, 1861, and served in 4th SC Volunteers. **R. E. DODD** received a Civil War pension in 1899 in Oconee Co. **W. FRANKLIN DODD** (1835-1894) was husband of Sarah J. Dodd (1837-1926), who received a widow's pension in Oconee Co. in 1902. **WILLIAM P. DODD** was born about 1839 and served in the Palmetto Sharpshooters; he was pardoned on April 9, 1865, at Appomattox Court House, VA. **DODD** (first name unknown), in 1902 Millie Dodd, widow of a Confederate veteran, was the recipient of a pension in Oconee Co. **HENRY DODGENS** served in Co. G, 12th SC Infantry. **ELIJAH DODGENS** served in Co. H, 2nd SC Rifles and resided in Pumpkintown area of Pickens Co. **WILLIAM R. DODSON** (1824-1906) survived the war and resided in Rocky Bottom area of Pickens Co.; he was buried in the Powell-Alexander-Dodson Family Cemetery. **JAMES H. DONAHUE** (or **DONAHOE**) served in Moore's Rifles and in Ferguson's Battalion. **JOHN DONNARD** (or Donald) served in Co. H, 2nd SC Rifles (Moore's Regiment). **WILLIAM M. DORSEY** served in Co. L, 1st SC Rifles; on Dec. 29, 1899, a William Dorsey married Lizzie Mauldin of Central Twp. in Pickens Co. (Same man?). **DOTSON** (or **DOBSON**), in 1899, Mary Dotson, widow of a Confederate veteran, was the recipient of a pension in Oconee Co. **JAMES G. DOUTHIT** served in Co. C, 4th SC Cavalry; in 1891, his daughter, Rebecca Douthit, married Samuel J. Pickle. **JOHN DOWELL** served in Co. H, 2nd SC Rifles and was killed in Virginia; his home was in the Pumpkintown area of Pickens Co. **JOHN M. DOWIS** (1834-1909) married Sarah Abbott; he lost a limb in the war and received a pension in 1902 in Oconee Co. **BENJAMIN DOWNS** (1832-1917) served in Co. A, 22nd Virginia Regt. and was buried in Westminster East View Cemetery in Oconee Co. **DAVID THOMPSON DOYLE** (1837-1864) was a son of James Alexander Doyle; he was killed Nov. 15, 1864, at Florence, AL. **JAMES J. DOYLE** served in Co. C, 2nd SC Rifles and moved to Texas after the war. **WILLIAM H. DOYLE** (1842-1915) was a 1st sergeant in Co. C, 2nd SC Rifles; he surrendered to Union troops at Appomattox Court House, VA, in April 1865. **BENJAMIN F DRIVER** (1834-1921) was the husband of Letie E. Driver (1838-1913). **DALLY** (or Dolly) **DRYMAN** served in Co. F, 22nd SC Regt. and resided in Hurricane Twp. of Pickens Co. **LEONARD DRYMAN** was born about 1826 and was killed at Jackson, MS; he served in Co. F, Evans' Brigade, 22 SC Inf. **LOUIS** (or Lewis) **DUCK** served in Co. C, 2nd SC Rifles. **WILLIAM M. DUCK** died of disease at Morristown, TN; he served in Co. C, 2nd SC Rifles. **JOHN WESLEY DUCKETT** (1842-1916) was a son of James West "Jim" Duckett and Marcella Massingill Duckett. **BEN W. DUCKWORTH** (1845-1907) served in Co. A, 1st SC State Troops under Capt. James Long; he was buried at Enon Baptist Church. **RUBEN L. DUFFIE** (1840-1919) served in Co. I, 6th SC Volunteers; he became a minister and resided in Oconee Co. **JAMES MARCUS DUKES** served in Co. K, 4th SC Volunteers and was wounded in his left arm on July 21, 1861. **HENRY MADISON DUKE** born about 1839, he enlisted in Co. E, 4th SC Volunteers at Fair Play, SC. **JOHN TYLER DUKE** born about 1842, he enlisted in Co. E, 4th SC Volunteers; he was a son of James Duke (1804-1892) and Elizabeth Lavenia Duke (1812-1885).

If you have any information about the above Confederate soldiers, and would be willing to share it, please write to : Dr. Charles H. Busha, 112 Summit Drive, Liberty, SC 29657.

THE SILAS SMITH FAMILY

It is thought that Elizabeth M. Smith's ("Aunt Betsy") husband was named Silas but she had been a widow for so many years before coming to Forest Hill that the name meant little to the family. Therefore all definite information regarding him has been lost.

There were nine children of Silas (?) and Elizabeth M. Smith but the names of three have been lost. They probably died in infancy. All were born in Pickens, S.C. Billy (probably William) who was living in Texas about 1900. His family is unknown.

- I. Eben T., b. July 12, 1829; d. Sept. 3, 1903; married (1) Sept. 5, 1863 in Pickens, S. C., Nancy L. Arnold who died July 5, 1875. He married (2) Jane E. Mitchell, Feb. 29, 1876 "by Rev. N. K. Melton." She was b. May 28, 1844; d. April 2, 1939 but her parentage is unknown. After Eben's death, she married F. Pauls. (b. 1847; d. 1928). Children of Eben T. and Nancy (Arnold) Smith:

- 1. Laura Ann, b. June 20, 1864; died in infancy
- 2. Robert N. b. Aug. 4, 1867
- 3. Cindy Telula ("Lula") b. Dec. 15, 1869; d. 1955; married March 24, 1889, James W. Walker, son of James Russell and Evanna Walker.
- 4. Thomas Henry, b. June 16, 1873; d. 1943, married Eliza Jane Blair, daughter of William Samuel and Mary (Carwife) Blair, b. Mar. 9, 1875; d. June 15, 1924; Their children are: Mack, Florence, Flota, Earl, Fred, Howard, and Lula.
- 5. Silas Lea V., b. Dec. 18, 1874; d. Jan. 27, 1940; married Lelah Cartwright. They lived on a portion of the old Cartwright place north of Coffeyton.

Children of Silas and Lelah (Cartwright) Smith:

- A. Frank
 - B. Clarence
 - C. Mabel, who married Charles Jackson; reside in St. Louis
- Children of Eben T. and Jane (Mitchell) Smith:
- 6. Frances Ellen, b. Dec. 10, 1876; d. 1952; married William Walker, brother of James W. Walker.
 - 7. Mary Elizabeth, b. Jan. 20, 1878; d. Aug. 27, 1954
 - 8. Lucy, b. Dec. 7, 1880; died in her nineteenth year.
 - 9. Kate, b. Aug. 17, 1884; married Albert L. Williamson; reside in Broadwell, Illinois

III. Joanna Milissa, b. Oct. 31, 1831; married Samuel Stephens.

IV. Albert, who came with his brother Silas V. to Forest Hill with Father Hamlin in 1869.

V. Silas V., b. July 29, 1841; d. June 11, 1922; married Sue Noel of Bonne's Creek. They had one child, Raymond Smith who removed first to Oklahoma and later settled in Albuquerque, N.M. Silas enlisted in the Confederate Army in S. C. and served throughout the war.

VI. Samuel Robert, b. Nov. 20, 1844; d. at Cortez, Colorado, May 6, 1933, buried beside his wife in Durango, Colo.

He married (1) a Wright, married (2) Rachel Lynch, daughter of

Calvin Vilander and Matilda (Pinnell) Lynch. He and his brother were quite close having served through much of the war together, pioneered old Forest Hill together, and they both were influential in the formation of the Cross Roads Church and in the organization of the Old Time Singing.

After the death of his wife, he went west. He married (3) Enaline Jennings in 1887. She died in Colorado, Dec. 10, 1929. Mrs. Leo Evans adds, "Our grandfather was a very quiet, kind, and good man. He never talked much about himself."

Once a reporter from the Durango (Colorado) Weekly Democrat got him to tell some of his early life. A portion of the interview appeared in this paper, Nov. 8, 1929. It reads as follows:

"Eighty-five years old and with a memory as keen as that of a man in his prime is Samuel R. Smith. No physical ailments and able to read without glasses is the remarkable record of Mr. Smith who has led a very active life. He was born in 1844 in Pickens Co., S. C., ten miles from Pendleton.

On January 13, 1863, he joined the first Carolina Cavalry, enlisting at the Culpepper Courthouse, Virginia, having accompanied his brother, Silas Smith, who had been home on a furlough, to that place.

In 1870 he moved to Leasburg, Missouri and in 1885 he moved to Carlton, Arkansas, moving from there to Oklahoma and then to Catskill, N. M. In 1901 he moved to the Upper Pine River Valley and for the past 27 years has made his home in south-western Colorado. When asked about his experiences during the Civil War this morning, he said: "I served during the last two years of the war with the Confederate army and was in the Gettysburg campaign. I was personally acquainted with Brig. Gen. Wade Hampton and Gen. J. B. Stewart. After the Gettysburg campaign, our regiment was transferred to Charleston, S. C. and we were in the marshes of South Carolina when Sherman made his march to the sea. We marched over the same route followed by Sherman's army from Charleston to Raleigh, N. C. when we surrendered under Cap. Joseph E. Johnston to Sherman. "The Civil War should never have happened the way I look at it," continued the old veteran. "Lincoln offered to pay for the slaves and Jeff Davis made a big mistake when he turned that offer down. The South was impoverished and nothing was accomplished by the war in any way."

Mr. Smith was married in Carrollton, Arkansas in 1887 and his wife is still with him although she has been blind for the past fifteen years and an invalid for the past six. Mrs. Smith is 81 years old.

"Well, I guess I better be going," the aged man said. "It keeps me pretty close to home to look after Mother. Now don't go and put too much in the paper about me."

Children of Samuel Robert and Rachel (Lynch) Smith:
I. George Calvin, b. at Bourbon, Mo., Aug. 30, 1877; married

in Hartshorn, Okla, May 14, 1898, Bertha Ward. She was born in Wellington, Kansas, Dec. 1, 1879; died in Albuquerque, N.M., Dec. 6, 1918. She was daughter of David Daniel and Elinor (Jennings) Ward. There were four children of this family. He married (2) Sept. 2, 1933 Pearl Culp.

In 1967 George C. Smith celebrated his ninetieth birthday at his home in Paradise, California. The Sacramento Bee carried a picture of this remarkable and hardy man and stated, in part:

"When he was twenty-one he and his young wife set out with four other families to cross the plains in a wagon to northern New Mexico. They settled at Raton, where they had heard lumber business was good and they lived here until they moved to California. He worked in the mills in Forbestown, Weaverville and Paradise before retiring when seventy-five.."

"Smith is a fiddler and won trophies in the 1964 Paradise Kiwanis Club contest and in the California Old Time Fiddlers contest this year at the Gold Nugget Celebration. He has collected several fiddles which he terms 'not in the \$1,000 class but better than average.' His main hobby is playing for the dance club every other Wednesday in the Grange Hall. Smith credits his longevity in part to the care of his wife, who was eighty this week. He said he never has smoked, except to try it when a child. He still drives wherever the couple want to go and three years ago was granted a five-year license with no restrictions."

2. William Albert, b. June 4, 1880; married Jessie Farrell, daughter of Charles Farrell of Durango, Colorado, in June of 1909. There were six children, all living in Oregon.

3. Joanna Matilda ("Anna") b. Nov. 24, 1882; married in Durango, March 17, 1906, James Warren Redman, son of Jasper Lincoln and Charlotte (Roberts) Redman. The name was originally Readman but the children changed it to Redman when they entered school and it has never been corrected. James Redman was born in Iowa, June 23, 1886; died in Durango, March 27, 1919. There were seven children: Joe (who died in infancy), Ernest Calvin, Jasper Robert Elmer (of Durango), George S., Helen Edith, Fern Matilda (of Oroville, Calif.), and Opal Mary of Sparks, Nev.

Helen Edith married Leo Evans; reside at Oroville, Calif.; two children, Donna (Mrs. Thomas Adair) and Warren L., also of Oroville.

THE ALEXANDER FAMILY

Maldina Jane Barton, daughter of John Milton and Sophia (Kylie) Barton, was born in South Carolina, March 2, 1835. She married August 23, 1865, George Washington Alexander who was born in Henderson County, North Carolina, April 9, 1839 and died April 2, 1915. She died August 13, 1917. Both are buried at Cross Roads beside their many relatives and friends with whom they had worked and worshipped when this country was young.

Unfortunately, nothing definitely is known of the early Alexanders, though the name is an old one throughout the Carolinas. George Alexander's childhood was spent apart from his people and he knew little about his immediate family. After his marriage, he left Hendersonville for a while and lived in Tennessee, but later returned to Carolina. During the Civil War he was a member of the 25th North Carolina Regiment.

He early joined the Cather's Creek Missionary Baptist Church in Transylvania County, North Carolina and he was ordained deacon there.

The family came to Forest Hill in 1881, the year that became known as the "Dry year of the Locusts". With them came the Francis M. Barton family. There were seventeen in the party and they arrived unexpectedly at the William Barton home. Imagine the scurrying around to accommodate so many people in a very small log cabin.

Times were hard during those first years and, of course, money was scarce. They first lived in the old O'Brian cabin that was in the field below the later school, but the next year they moved to the George Knight place. Here George Alexander had typhoid fever and nearly died. By the next year (1883) he was again strong and he homesteaded that portion of eastern Forest Hill still known as the "Old Alexander place" (A. Larsen farm). Here they built their log home and here they lived the rest of their lives, enjoying improved conditions year by year. For a while George was miller at old Dowler Mill, but he was a farmer at heart. The original home still stands in excellent condition, though it has undergone alterations.

They were among the founders of Forest Hill Church and he was deacon for many years. With his death, the church lost one of its most faithful supporters.

There were six children. Their youngest, Laura Jane, born in 1877 died the next year. The others came with their parents to Forest Hill. At the time Pink, the oldest, was fifteen and Dovie, the youngest was six.

Children of George and Maldina Jane (Barton) Alexander:

1. Melville Pinkney ("Pinky"), born May 16, 1866; died unmarried December 30, 1938.

He settled, in 1902, the forty acres which lay between the George Alexander and the Lon Barton places. Here he built a good frame house. Mrs. Florence Sullens writes lovingly of her old bachelor uncle who was ever a welcome visitor at his relatives: "While Grandpa's place was noted for the fruit, Uncle Pink's was noted for the vineyard. He had the finest grapes in the countryside. Two varieties - a large blue grape, as well as a white one - were unusually delicious.

"He was also noted for his flowers garden. He planted about as many flower seeds as he did vegetables. He raised all kinds of roses and his yard was a mass of flowers. He also loved music. He bought Walter (Alexander) his first violin and he bought a mandolin for me and could

**Old Pendleton District, S.C. Powell's
Gathered from other documents by Ernie Powell**

- Robert Powell Old Pendleton District- 1790 census- over 45 years old with 10 children- probably born around 1740.
- Is this the same Robert Powell with land at Branch of Cannon's Creek in Newberry co., S.C.
- Abraham Powell Old Pendleton District- 1800 census - over 45 years old with 5 children- probably born around 1750. Family # 636.
- Is this the same Abraham with land in Newberry co. S.C.
- James Powell Old Pendleton District- 1800 census- over 45 years old with no children on census record.
- Could this be James Powell Sr. father of James below?
- James Powell Old Pendleton District- 1800 census- over 26 years old but under 45- with 5 children- probably born around 1760
- William Powell Old Pendleton District- 1800 census- over 26 years old but under 45- with 5 children- probably born around 1765
- Thomas Powell South Carolina Will and Records- Vol. 2- compiled by Miss Pauline Young- Thomas Powell on the bounty two hundred acres of land, situated on both sides of Beaverdam Creek, waters of Keowee River, butting and bounding all sides on vacant land, when surveyed by Bennett Crafton D.S. on the 4th of June Inst. as appears by his certificate of that date, with the forms and marks as pr. platt thereof recorded this 15 th of June 1784.
- John Powell State Plats Index, Columbia, S.C.- Plat for 293 acres on Cornhouse Creek Pendleton County, Washington District, surveyed by James Jett
Date: June 26, 1798
- John Powell on 1800 and 1810 census in Pendleton District, S.C. with a Abraham, Robert, William and James Powell. John is in Estill CO. Ky in the 1820 census. Family # 944 on 1800 S.C. census.
- John Powell sold land on Cornhouse Creek of Little River on 9 Aug 1799 and 5 Dec 1800, to Ephraim Merritt and Soloman Palmer.
- The Merritt family was in North Carolina as early as 1718 and is found variously in Edgecomb, Halifax, Orange, Granville and Caswell counties of N.C. A branch of the Merritt family from Caswell Co. was in Greenville District, S.C. before the 1790 census, and probably was related to those who moved during the 1790;s to Pendleton District. Stephen Merritt was in Pendleton by 1798 and witnessed the deed by which Ephraim Merritt bought of John Powell 9 Aug 1799, land on Cornhouse Creek of Little River. In Jasper co., Ga., 12 Mar 1818, Madrick Merritt---a name found in Halifax Co., N.C. in the 1780's

married Barbara Cavender of a family that was in Pendleton in 1800

The Langston Family- From North Carolina, was in Greenville and Laurens Districts S.C. by 1790 and shortly thereafter in Pendleton District, S.C. The elder James and Jesse Langston lived in what is now Pickens Co. S.C., those above in Oconee County. James Langston born in South Carolina 1795, was a Baptist minister and moved to Jackson Co. Ga., where he was living in 1850 with his wife Margaret. Elijah F. Langston married (evidently his second wife) Mahala, daughter of Ferdinand Stewart in Jackson Co. Ga. 4 Jul 1847. Elijah was born in Georgia in 1814. Samuel Langston obtained headright land in Jackson Co., Ga. in 1810 but was there at least as early as 1806.

The Burch Family- Henry Burch of Pendleton was the only person of the name enumerated in South Carolina in 1790, although Gerrard Berck of North Orangeburg perhaps should be Burch, the name Gerard being found frequently in the Burch families in Southside Virginia and across the line in Northern North Carolina in the period during the Revolution. John Burch, born in Va. 1750, served in the Henry Co., Va. regiment of Col. Abraham Penn, company of James Tarrent---a family that moved from Henry (Franklin) county to Greenville District, S.C., after the war. John Burch married Sarah Phillips, and died 1818 in Hancock Co., Ga. his oldest son, Gerard, was born in Henry Co. 1782, and there was a Gerard of age there in 1782, perhaps a brother of John Burch. Henry of Pendleton, is believed to have been of a family in Surry Co., N.C., just over the line from Henry Co., Va., as early as 1771, and with relatives in nearby Granville Co., N.C. Burch was a justice of peace and lived on Cornhouse Creek of Little River of Keowee in Pendleton.

- James Powell (oldest) LDS Library Microfilm- Leonardo Andrea Collection- Powell Family File-
He arrived in Charleston, S.C. in 1671 and had land warrant for 70 acres of land, 25 Dec. 1674.
- Comments by Andrea: This seems to be the first Powell to arrive in S.C. and he was single.
- Josiah 'Jonas' Powell Deeds Book page 430- Pickens District- January 1, 1838- Nancy Mc Clure sold land to Josiah Powell for \$100 - 70 acres more or less- Both sides of the North Fork of Little River waters of Keowee River originally owned by Thomas Fields. Witness by James Gasaway.
- Almond Powell Bought land from Richard Holden April 1823 in Pickens District, Pendleton on Keowee River.
- Richard Powell 1790 census- Pendleton Co. - 96 District - With one male child under 16 and one female

Any info on the old Pendleton District Powell's would be appreciated.
I am particularly interested in the Abraham and John Powell listed above. Please write to me at 13712 North Co. Rd., Batesville, Indiana 47006 or my internet address of ernie.powell@batesville.com

COMPUTER AND ON-LINE CLASS by Herman Geschwind

Genealogy programs basically are specialized database programs. To satisfy the objectives of (1) speed, (2) safety and (3) storage efficiency program designers have the choice of many options. The result is that as far as internal structure and files systems are concerned, most genealogy programs are incompatible one from another. Thus, for instance, the dataset of Family Origins is incompatible from Brothers Keeper, and vice versa. Were it not for GEDCOM, the only way for users of these programs to exchange data would be to create print output from program A and to re-type the data from the print output into program B.

The drawbacks to such a limitation are obvious: time consuming and laborious keyboard work and the ever present danger of introducing errors.

The LDS [Mormon] Church about 15 years ago was faced by a similar dilemma. For religious reasons for years the Church had solicited genealogical information, usually in the form of Group Sheets. In Salt Lake City these submissions had to be key-entered into their mainframe computer where the data were converted into micro-fiche output. A very labor-intensive and error-prone process.

When small computers first arrived on the market, the LDS Church saw a way to simplify this process. At a nominal fee the Church passed out a computer program called Personal Ancestry File or PAF for short which was easily adapted to run on many different small computers then on the market. One component of PAF was GEDCOM which stands for Genealogical Data COMMunications and Exchange.

It very quickly became obvious that GEDCOM offered possibilities of data exchange between otherwise incompatible programs and computer systems in addition to LDS submissions. Programmers adopted the LDS GEDCOM standard and at first offered GEDCOM as an extra-cost add-on utility to their programs [Roots III, Family Edge, etc.]. Presently GEDCOM import and export are a routine part of just about any genealogy program on the market.

What GEDCOM does is set up a standard way to output data and if the receiving program follows the standard, data and links to parents, children and spouse will be preserved. For example, Program A has a field called Surname and Program B for the same purpose has a field called Last Name. The GEDCOM standard defines a line with the tag NAME and other specifications such as number of characters, case, etc. Thus, Program A will write the data in Surname to the tag NAME and when Program B reads the tag NAME it will know that the information following the tag has to go into the Last Name field. This is a very simple illustration of the GEDCOM standard. Programs can vary widely in the information that can be entered and the GEDCOM specifications can accommodate a wide range of tags.

Once the GEDCOM concept was adopted by the genealogical research community, GEDCOM or GED files started to proliferate and networks [FIDO Net as an example] were organized to exchange GED files between interested parties. Today, there are large libraries of GED files on the Internet and the computer networks such as AOL, CompuServe, Prodigy and MSN.

When coming up with the GEDCOM format and standard, the LDS Church very wisely adopted a text format for the file with fixed line lengths of 79 mono-spaced characters followed by a carriage return and line feed [computer old timers will recognize this as a typical IBM punch card format of the "Do Not Fold, Staple or Mutilate" variety]. The advantage is that a file of this format can be written or read by many main-frame, mini and personal computers, regardless of make or operating system. Being a text file, it is possible to read or print a GED file but it is really meant for computer and not human consumption.

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JOHN A 'ASA' HUDSON

Born CA 1835 #8
Marr 15 JAN 1861
in LAURENS COUNTY SC
Died AF 1900
in SOUTH CAROLINA

#17

WILLIAM L HUDSON

Born 25 DEC 1864 #4
in LAURENS CO SC
Marr CA 1890
Died 23 NOV 1928
in LAURENS CO SC

LEONARD W. HASTINGS

Born 26 DEC 1819 #18
Died 10 JAN 1863
Marr CA 1840

JANE A HASTINGS

Born 09 NOV 1843 #9
in SPARTANBURG CO SC
Died 14 FEB 1921
in LAURENS CO SC

ELIZABETH 'BETSY' COLE

Born CA 1824 #19

GRADY LUCAS HUDSON

Born 23 DEC 1905 #2
in LAURENS CO SC
Marr 23 MAY 1931
in SPARTANBURG CO SC
Died 01 DEC 1950
in LAURENS CO SC

WILLIAM H KING

Born 26 AUG 1833 #10
in LAURENS CO SC
Marr CA 1855
Died 04 JUL 1897
in LAURENS CO SC

#20

ELLA LOUGENIA KING

Born 20 JUL 1874 #5
in LAURENS CO SC
Died 18 DEC 1930
in LAURENS CO SC

#21

NANCY ELIZABETH STEPHENS

Born 11 JUN 1834 #11
in LAURENS CO SC
Died 20 APR 1896
in LAURENS CO SC

#22

TANET LEE HUDSON

Born 14 JAN 1935 #1
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Marr 24 JUN 1954
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Spouse: NORMAN MENDEL BRAMLETT

WILLIAM SIMS

#24

WILLIAM SIMS

Born 25 JAN 1816 #12
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Marr 8 JAN 1854
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Died 4 SEP 1890
in GREENVILLE CO SC

ELIZABETH TERRY

#25

JOHN TERRY SIMS

Born 9 FEB 1865 #6
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Marr CA 1884
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Died 14 SEP 1922
in GREENVILLE CO SC

#26

ANNIE BABB

Born 1833 #13
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Died 15 MAR 1899
in GREENVILLE CO SC

#27

EMMA LUCY SIMS

Born 06 MAR 1908 #3
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Died 02 JAN 1996
in SPARTANBURG COUNTY SC

#28

THOMAS LEWIS BOYCE

Born 20 NOV 1820 #14
in LAURENS CO SC
Marr CA 1845

#29

ELIZABETH ISABELLA BOYCE

Born 30 JUL 1862 #7
in GREENVILLE CO SC
Died 28 FEB 1912
in GREENVILLE CO SC

JANE A HASTINGS

Died 3 DEC 1899
in LAURENS CO SC

#30

SUSAN F #UNKNOWN

Born 9 MAR 1825 #15
Died 28 APR 1876
in LAURENS CO SC

#31

*Submitted by
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This record of the life and parentage of Benjamin Bristol Fagan, and his wife, Mary Smith Fagan and their children, is as nearly correct as the records I have, and trusting in part to my own memory and things that my Mother told me, will permit me to make it, and is for the information of their children and grandchildren.

Benjamin Bristol Fagan was born in North Carolina, March 12, 1812. His father's farm was located where Shelby, N.C. now stands. His father died while the children were quite small, there being six of them. Their mother, in those primitive days not being able to hold the place, it passed into other hands and the children received no benefit from it. His father was of Irish descent; his mother French, her maiden name being Mary Luquire. Benjamin was the oldest of the six and must have resembled his mother, he being of the brunette type, medium build, while his brother William was distinctly the type of the Irish, florid complexion, blue eyes and crisp curling hair. The names of the children were - Benjamin, John, William, Kattie, Lucinda and George.

There are many descendents in different parts of the country, but I only follow the line of my father. He went to South Carolina, when he grew to manhood, which at that time was the queen of the states to the south-land. He lived in Pickensville, now Easley, S.C. where he met and married Mary Smith. He was a carpenter by trade, also a farmer. He and his little family moved to Georgia in 1845 (a new country) and settled in Forsyth County, first living in Cumming, the county seat, then bought a farm two miles out of town, where the family lived for nineteen years, all the children being born there except the two oldest and one born in Marthasville in 1855. He sold the farm and moved to DeKalb County, Ga. when the youngest child was too small to remember. When Benjamin Fagan and his wife Mary moved to Georgia in 1845 there were no railroad trains, so they moved in two horse wagons and were three weeks making the trip.

Mary Smith was born in South Carolina, daughter of James Smith; her mother having been Francis Smith before her marriage. Though of the same name they were not related. The grand parents on the paternal side were Hampton Smith and Susie Posey, both born in South Carolina about 1762. On her maternal side were Nicholas Smith and his wife who was Elizabeth Johnson, born in Virginia.

My mother's father, James Smith, was born in South Carolina in 1796, and died in Atlanta, Ga. in 1868. Her mother, Francis Smith was born in Virginia and died in 1883. They are both buried in Oakland Cemetery in Atlanta, Ga. There were eight children born to this union, and I only give the names: Hampton, Bluford, Mary commonly called Polly, Betsey, Martha Jane called Patsey, Nancy, James and Terissa who was the last of the family and died in the summer of 1921, aged 84.

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Benjamin Fagan and Mary Smith were married March 24, 1841 in Pickensville. Ten children were born to them, the oldest Francis Jane was born January 9, 1842 in Pickensville, S.C. James Danelly Fagan was born at Pickensville, S.C. April 4, 1844. Martha Catherine Fagan was born in Forsyth County, Ga. January 1, 1847. Mary Elizabeth Fagan was born in Forsyth County, Ga. March 9, 1849. Nancy Amaltha Fagan was born in Forsyth County Ga. November 26, 1850. Alonzo Lafayette Fagan was born, I suppose in 1853 in Forsyth County, Ga. and died in infancy in Marthasville, now Atlanta. The family had left the old home and moved to the little town, living just opposite the little church (Wesley Chapel) which occupied the spot where the Candler Building now stands.

Terissa Rosalie Fagan was born in Marthasville June 18, 1855. She was married to William Nathan Sheridan October 27, 1875. Six children were born to this union - John Edgar, Benjamin Trammel, William Nathan, Jr., Laura Christine, Annie Cleo and Charles Smith. She is the only member of this large family whose circle remains unbroken, and as this mother has manifested in her life the power of the Christ to save and to keep, may she have an unbroken family in that home where there will be no good-byes.

Susan Asalee Fagan was born March 9, 1858; Alice Eveline Fagan was born June 10, 1862; Laura Bell Fagan was born December 9, 1864.

(This record of the family of Benjamin Fagan and Mary Smith Fagan is as nearly correct as the records I have will permit. I want to say to the future generations that they lived consistent Christian lives, and were members of the Methodist Church, Mother Fagan being a member for sixty years. St. James Church, Atlanta, had its beginning in their home; after the last child married and left the home in 1884, and Father Fagan was too feeble to go to church Rev. John M. Bowden would come to the home and administer the sacrament of the Lord's Supper to him, and then would hold services, and later when they had moved to the home of Rose Sheridan, their little home was used as a place to hold services. St. James Church was organized in 1886 from this small beginning, and many precious souls have been saved through her influence. Rev. C.M. Dunaway found Jesus in sanctifying power while a member there, and has swung around this nation, a flaming evangel for Christ, but only eternity will tell the story. The children and grand children unto the fifth generation rise up to call them blessed, and as so many familiarly called them Uncle Ben and Aunt Polly have gone to their reward and their works will follow them.)

Benjamin B. Fagan died November 7, 1885 in Atlanta, Ga. Mary Smith Fagan died June 8, 1910 in Atlanta, Ga. They were buried in West View Cemetery, Section Pinewild, Lot 15, Atlanta, Ga. They died in the Christian Faith.

Laura Fagan Loftis

January 1, 1924

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