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SKETCHES OF ROCKINGHAM

by George French Compton

EDITOR'S NOTE - In 1885, between 5 February and 27 August, Mr. George French Compton, an established lawyer in Harrisonburg, a civic leader, and an active member of the school board for many years, published in the Rockingham Register a series of 27 chapters on the early history of Harrisonburg and Rockingham county. The work was never completed, despite the fact that the chapter for 27 August 1885 ended with "to be continued." Nevertheless, Compton's history was used extensively by Dr. John Wayland in writing both his Historic Harrisonburg (1949) and his History of Rockingham County (1912). Compton spent his later years in Charlottesville.

ROCKINGHAM COUNTY
DISCOVERY, Early Settlers, &c, from 1714 to 1774

In the Summer of 1714 a cavalcade of gentlemen full of vigor, and buoyed with the expectations and anticipated pleasures of boys starting on their first hunt; dressed in buckskin breeches with rawhide leggings covering the greater part of their lower limbs, hunting jackets, fur caps and cockade hats, mounted on good horses, well equipped, armed with improved Flintlock Rifles of the best make, supplied with abundance of powder and ball, flints and tinder; and followed by a train of pack-horses carrying all necessary camp tents and utensils, smithing tools, horse shoes, provisions and provender for man and beasts, not forgetting abundance of wine and brandy, imported from the old country; might have been seen moving gaily in a Northwest direction from the city of Williamsburg, the then capital of Virginia.

Crossing the York River and continuing their course they reached, and stopped for a few days, near where Fredericksburg now stands, then taking a westerly direction, following the banks of the Rappahannock and Rapidan Rivers, through what is now Spottsylvania, Orange and Green counties, traversing a section of country then almost unknown, inhabited solely by Indians, who though at the time at peace with the white men of the Colony, required constant watching; so much so that the company, long before it reached the foot of the Blue Ridge or George's Mountain as it seems then to have been called, had lost much of its gaiety, and already realized that they were explorers of a new country, subject to many of the trials and hardships of the pioneer, but nothing daunted, and meeting every difficulty like true men and in the merriest manner, allured by the hope of new discoveries and diverted by the game which sprang up at their feet at almost every step, they approached and began the ascent of the wild and strange mountain which stood before them. Finding no roadway, not even a path, and cutting through the almost impenetrable undergrowth, where the ax of the white man and hoof of the horse were unknown, they made their way from cliff to cliff, from summit to summit, clambering higher and higher until at last they reached the top and were suddenly halted by the grand and beautiful scene that lay spread out before them; they could scarcely believe their eyes, and wiping
them that they might be certain they did not see a mirage, and shaking themselves to be sure they were not dreaming, his Excellency, Alexander Spotswood, Governor of Virginia, and his companions again looking out upon that panorama which no brush has ever painted and no pen can describe, beheld what the eye of the Anglo-Saxon never before witnessed, the Valley of the Shenandoah, and the country, a part of which is now Rockingham county, in all its virgin purity and beauty, as though it had just come from the hand of God, save that decay was there, while below them the "Beautiful daughter of the stars" glistened like a band of burnished silver under the rays of the early summer sun, meandered its serpentine course amid fields of grass such as they imagined earth never had known, save in Eden, with forests of trees of such size and covered with foliage such as they had never conceived, filled them with ecstasy and made them almost mad with transport. Truly no one who has ever stood on the top of the Blue Ridge and beheld the wonderful picture, even in our day, spread out before them, can doubt for a moment the rapture of this company as they gazed upon nature in all its loveliness, and filled their minds with the view of verdant lowlands, rolling hillocks, and far in the distance the Massanutton and North Mountains. Perhaps while they stood there they were diverted by some noble deer standing on one of the near hillocks, with his great antlers thrown back returning their gaze and lost in equal wonder at the first pale faces that had visited his haunts; or it may be that some doe and her fawns had made their way to their accustomed "lick" and stood the representatives of the female beauty and filial devotion of the daughters of the Valley who would succeed her, and make their homes where hers now was.

They descended to the banks of the Shenandoah, which they called the "Euphrates," bathed and fished in its waters, hunted and feasted on the game that filled the forests; drinking their rich wines they revelled and congratulated themselves and their King (George I.) on this great discovery; and after a few days took back to their friends in the Colony, and wrote their King most glowing accounts of this new and beautiful country. For all which King George conferred the order of knighthood on Governor Spotswood, and presented him with a golden horse shoe set with jewels, while the Governor presented each of his companions with a golden horse shoe, and they were ever after known as the Knights of the Horseshoe.

The glowing descriptions given by Governor Spotswood and his companions, soon awakened enterprising men to the belief that this new country presented opportunities and inducements equal if not superior to any that had yet been discovered in the New World, and we find that from 1732 to 1734, large tracts of land on the Shenandoah and North Rivers were patented to Lord Fairfax, Messrs. William Beverly, Benjamin Burden, Robert McCoy, Jost Hite, William Duff and Robert Green, and these parties, after locating their lands sent out advertisements in every direction, to the Old World, and the Ports where emigrants were arriving with every ship, offering great inducements to newcomers and land buyers to come and locate in the Shenandoah Valley. These offers were accepted chiefly by the Scotch Irish emigrants, from the Northern portion of Ireland, and as early as 1734 numerous families had located in what is now Frederick, Clarke and Jefferson counties, prominent whom are the Hites, Bowmans, Christians, Freemens, Stephens and McRaes; and about the same time the Lewises, Mackeys, Beverlys, Prestons and Pattons located in what is now Augusta and Rockbridge counties.

These settlers in the upper Valley increased rapidly, so that as early as 1738, the county of Augusta was erected, but it was not until 1745 that an organization of the county and Parish was effected and the first Court held.

The first settlements in what is now Rockingham county were made in the Southern and Southeastern portions, and most probably Andrews, Thomas and Charles Lewis, sons of Col. John Lewis, were the first to take up lands within its bounds.

Among the families found here at the earliest date of which any accurate account can now be obtained are the Lewises, Sellers, Robinsons, Ervins, Ewins, Smiths, Harts, Davisons, Shearmans and Harrisons.

These settlers were under the government of Orange county until 1742, when trustees were appointed to collect a tax of two shillings in Augusta county, to pay for killing wolves, and this seems to have been the first tax ever paid by them.

From 1745 to 1778 they were a part of Augusta county, which then embraced Kentucky and all the territory extending to the Lakes. They seem to have been blessed with peace, plenty and prosperity, without much labor for a number of years, and from all accounts they had no trouble with the Indians until about the time of Braddock's defeat, 1755. They cultivated little ground in corn, wheat and vegetables; made no hay, as there was plenty of grass summer and winter, for cattle and horses, while the sale of skins of the animals they killed procured for them clothing and other articles they were compelled to buy.

Tradition says that at the time this Valley was discovered there was comparatively little woodland in it, that it consisted chiefly of one vast rolling plain, covered with most luxurious grass, which afforded the finest pasture imaginable for cattle.

After Braddock's defeat this section was laid open to the Indians, the people were put in great confusion, much of their property was destroyed. Some who were in condition to take care of themselves were in favor of leaving the Valley, but as there were so many who were unable to get away and had no money to enable them to obtain a living elsewhere, it was determined to remain and build forts for the protection of their families, which was done. The only two of these forts now to be found are the Stone Church near Mt. Sidney, in Augusta county, of which more will be said hereafter, and one on the land formerly owned by Michael Hoover, near Singer's Glen, in this county, now owned by Mr. John Gangwer, which is said to have been torn down a few years since.

Cornstalk, the brave, powerful and eloquent chief of the Shawnee Indians, was the acknowledged leader of all Indians on the Western Waters. Nothing is known of his youth, but in 1763 he attacked the settlers in Muddy Creek and the Levels, in what is now Greenbrier county, though unprovoked, and well nigh exterminated them, killing the men and showing no mercy to the women and children. He also made inroads on the settlers near Staunton the same year, doing them great mischief. These attacks continued from this time on, and culminated in the battle of Point Pleasant, Monday, October 16th, 1774. As this was a severe and decisive battle, in which many of the settlers of this section took
enforced until the Bill of Rights declared “That religion, or the duty we owe to our Creator, and the manner of discharging it, can be directed only by reason and conviction, not by force or violence, and therefore all men are equally entitled to the free exercise of religion, according to the dictates of conscience; and that is the mutual duty of all to practice christian forbearance, love and charity toward each other.”

So very few dissenters appear to have settled in Virginia, and though we find some Quakers and Baptists East of the Blue Ridge, yet the inhabitants to the colony were largely Episcopalians.

There seems, however, never to have been any minister of the Episcopal church in Augusta county until April 6th, 1747, when the Rev. John Hindman came to Staunton, and there appears never to have been a regularly settled Rector of the Parish of Augusta until November, 9th, 1773, when Rev. Alexander Ballentine located at Staunton and officiated at two Chapels, within what is now the boundary of Rockingham, one of which was located near Dayton, and the other five miles north of Port Republic, on the road to Harrisonburg.—How long these places were occupied by the Episcopalians we can not now ascertain, and would be glad to receive information if some person who has it will be kind enough to communicate it. Both houses have disappeared and there is now no Episcopal church in either neighborhood. The church at Harrisonburg is of comparatively recent date, having been organized in 1866.

As we have before mentioned, the first settlers in the upper Valley were Scotch Irish and Presbyterians, who after obtaining assurance of protection from Governor Gooch in the exercise of their consciences in matters of religion, made application to the Presbytery of Donegal, Ireland, for a minister, and Rev. John Tompson visited the Valley several times in 1738. In 1739 Rev. John Craig was sent out by the Presbytery, and June 17th, 1740, thirty years to a day before the battle of Bunker Hill, he became the regular pastor of the settlers in Augusta. Soon after this the sire of the Augusta, or old Stone Church, near Mt. Sidney, was made one of the places of worship, and a church building erected there. This church, soon after Braddock’s defeat, was fitted up as a Fort, to serve as a place of refuge for the families of the settlers on the occasions of Indian attacks which became numerous about that time. These settlers are said to have frequently engaged in the worship of God, their powder flasks, flint-tinder and ball bags about them and their Rifles at their sides, and the services were often interrupted by the yell and warhoop of the savage; and here on many occasions wife and children bade the last farewell to some husband or father who, going from the Fort to look after their homes and property, or to drive back the Indians, soon fell a victim of the tomahawk. From this point the minister from time to time visited different preaching places in Rockingham, from which sprang at least two churches, Cook’s Creek church or Election church, near the town of Dayton, the site of which, or rather some sixteen acres of the yard and grave-yard belonging to this church, is now submerged by a mill pond; and a Peaked Mountain church, now known as Union, near Cross Keys.

The first record we have of these churches is 1756, when a request was made to the Synod of Philadelphia for the services of the Rev. Andrew Miller, from Ardstraw, Ireland, who came and served these congregations until 1764. A
building, after the style of the old Scotch Kirk. It faced the East and had three doors of entrance, one on the north, one on the east and one on the south, which opened into three isles; the floor of the pulpit was some eight or nine feet from the floor of the church, perched like an eagle's aerie on the western wall, and was reached by a flight of steep steps; to the left of the pulpit was a bench called the "clarks' seat," in a pen or square, where the hymn-liner sat, and stood to give out the hymns, two lines at a time, and lead the singing. Joseph Baxter was the first "clark" at New Erection. In front of and around the pulpit was another enclosure or pen, called the "Elder's seat," where these officers of the church sat, apart from the congregation, after the Scotch fashion. A part of the western portion of the church, (meeting house as all except Episcopal churches were required by the law of those times to be called), was allotted to the colored members and people, a large number of whom attended here, coming for many miles on horses with the white families.—The Dayton church was abandoned before this church was built, why we can not ascertain; and this church was occupied for worship before the floor was laid, the congregation using the sleepers, joists and loose planks for seats.

This building was used until 1834, when the present church was built. The present church is a neat, comfortable brick house some 45 feet by 65 feet, facing the east, entered by three doors from the north, east and south sides, lighted by nice large windows, the inside neatly frescoed, with the pulpit of good design, painted in imitation of white marble, the floor about two feet higher than the floor of the church, is placed against the western wall, some fifteen feet of the eastern portion is divided from the other part of the church by a movable partition, above which is a gallery, and the church is in all respects a comfortable and pleasant place of worship both in winter and summer, especially the latter.

In the yard around this church is deposited the dust of many of the old settlers of this county. Here are said to be found the graves of the Gordons, Crevans, Hopkins, Ralstons, Ewings, Millers, Rices, Bears, Baxters, Chismans, Bowmans, Heatwoles, Warrens, Linaweavers and others, for generations back. 'Tis solemn, yet pleasant, to wander in this city of the dead; recall the memories of those whose names are here recorded, to think of their associations and surroundings, their trails and their faith, their toils and their conquests, and the examples they left us of determined, zealous and earnest adherence to the religion of their fathers and the service of their God, with a never tiring devotion to their country and their homes. This has been and will be the place of many tears. To this spot many an almost broken heart looks back from the place where is deposited all that remains of the form once so dear to them, the separation from which was the blow they have never recovered from; the spot where they hope when life's labors are ended, and their soul borne into the presence of their Saviour and King, and they reunited to their loved ones never again to be separated, their bodies will be placed beside theirs. Here too has been the scenes of many rejoicings; the unloading of many a weary and heavy laden sinner who has found the cross of Jesus, and peace through His blood with a once angry but now gracious God, and to it their thoughts will turn with the fondest recollections as long as memory lasts, no matter where in all this broad world their homes may be, and of all the fresh and beautiful places pictured on the revolving canvas of their minds, this will be the most verdant and glorious. Let us wish that in the future as in
the past, this spot may be the place of more rejoicings, and as long as the earth remains a place devoted to the pure and zealous worship of Almighty God. As to this place many who have found homes in the far distant parts of our country look as the sacred repository of their kindred, it behooves all of us who live near to protect with jealous care this resting place of those who have preceded them, to see that all that can be is done to prevent the destruction by encroachments on a spot so sacred to so many, and so full of interest to our whole community.

Of the Peaked Mountain Church, the next oldest in the county, we will try to give a narrative as soon as correct information is obtained; and we will endeavor to give in chronological order a narrative of every denomination and church in the county if we can get the reliable information upon which to do so. We, therefore, earnestly invite and urge all who are interested in handing the present and perhaps future generation a history of places, churches and persons, to reduce their recollections in writing and send them to us, that we may do as much as we can to give those who know comparatively little of the places and people of the “old times” the information which may have expressed a desire to have.

THOMAS LEWIS WILL, 1789

EDITOR’S NOTE - The Lewis family has long played a major role in the affairs of what is now Rockingham County. The founder of the Lewis fortunes in the Valley was John Lewis, an Ulster-Scot who emigrated at an early date, eventually settling in Augusta County, which then encompassed the present County of Rockingham and many others, in fact extending to the Ohio and the Mississippi Rivers. Thomas Lewis, his eldest son, was a surveyor, perennially active in politics at all levels, and a long-time proponent of the revolution which eventually brought about independence from Britain. For many years, his will was regarded as lost. It has only recently been brought to light. The will is published below line for line, whenever possible, in its entirety, with comments and notes by M. W. Cowell at the end of the text. The original spelling has been maintained throughout. The will is currently at the Augusta County Court House in Staunton.

In the Name of God Amen

I Thomas Lewis of the county of Rockingham & State of Virginia being at this present in a Weak & infirm State of Health but of sound mind & memory think it prudent whilst I am so to make my last Will & Testament and thereby Dispose of my worldly Estate which I hereby do in the following manner to wit—first—I Desire that my body may be buried in a plain Decent Manner in the presence of my nearest Neighbours & that Mr. Peachy Gilmore[a] be requested to read at my Grave the funeral Service as it is in clerks reformed liturgy[b] to be found amongst my Books

In the next place I Desire my legal Debts to be paid which is trifling except the following to Gabriel Jones Esqr Viz two hundred and fifty pounds which I Borrowed from him & lent to my unhappy son John[c] to reliefe him & family from his present Distressed circumstances which sum is to be paid in Gold or silver at the same rate it passed at the Date of my Bond & thereby prevent any loss to him by reason of the loan aforesaid. To the Best of Remembrance there is Due of my Daughter McElhenneys[d] fortune near the sum of Ninety pounds and the further sum of about thirty pounds of my Daughter Gilmore[e] fortune they are to be discharged out of my outstanding Debts. I Direct that my Patented land on second creek containing one thousand acres in the county of Greenbrier be sold also one thousand Three Hundred acres on a Branch of Back creek a Branch of Jacksons River in Augusta County[f] this last tract I agreed to sell to a certain John Bird who now lives on the same for the sum of one thousand pounds and it being probable from his long Delay of payment, which is long past without his paying either Principle or Interest & his circumstances such as leaves little hope of his complying with on his part therefore the necessity of selling it to some that can. Also my fourth part of the Land including the Hot Springs which I hold in partnership
Box & preserved for the use of my younger sons or Grandson of my Name that may Delight or have a taste for Studies of that Kind. All my other Books except such as I may Despose of in my lifetime to be Preserved for the use of my family & after the Death of my wife to [be] Divided between my two Younger sons. The following Bequests excepted Viz. I Give to my son in Law John Stuart my History of Netherlands & all Swifts Works I Give to my Nephew William Lewis[4] the son of William Lewis of the Sweet Springs in case he prosecutes his Studies in any of the learned professions especially Devinity & shall practice such profession Colliers Dictionaire four folio volumes Stanlys life of the ancients Philosophers & Boys lectures in three folio volumes but in case he shall Decline such Study & practice this Bequest to be Void. It is my Will and according[ly] I Do order & Direct that my sons John, Andrew[3] & Daughter Jean[5] the Wife of Thomas Hughes be totally excluded from all and every part of my Estate either real or personal. I would not have it conjectured that the exclusion of those unhappy Children John Andrew Thomas & Jean proceeds from an unjust or Capricious Discrimination, they have forced me in Spite of Paternal affection to Determine as I have Done, Disobedience to parents Drunkeness and gameing & their concomitant Vices have marked the line of their conduct after the experience I have had I could not give property to such to consume in Vice without seeming myself a partaker of their guilt. I give to my son in law Layton Yancey & my Daughter Franey[6] his wife and their Heirs by the said Franey one certain Tract or parcel lying on the south East side of Shanando River and on which the said Yancey now lives bounded by a survey thereof made by John Lincoln[6] the fourth Day of July 1789 One thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Nine this Survey made by my Direction and in my presence for and in consideration of my Daughters Portion and for the further Consideration of being what I hope he will be an active Executor in the management of the trust herein reposed in him & the Peculiar care I expect he will take of my younger children to whom I most Earnestly Recommend them[6] I also Give the said Layton Yancey my Turkesh History Two folio volumes[6] and my perspective Glass with all the perspective views & prints thereto belonging. It is my Will and accordingly I also Order and Direct that the tract of Land on which I live containing about Eleven Hundred & Sixty acres of Patented land together with my New unpatented land containing about One thousand acres be Divided as followeth Beginning in the Bends of the River next above the upper end of the Indian Field and below the lower end of the Great Island and Ruming thence a South East course crossing my Patented land & the New but yet unpatented land to the line of the said New land next the Mountain thence with the lines of said New land Downward to the lower end of my New & old
Land & up the several courses of the River to the Beginning
be the same more or less on which are my Buildings and
other improvements, and to be considered as One Tract or
Plantation and the other part of my old & new land will
be Bounded by Beginning at the same place of Beginning
mentioned above and thence up the several courses of the
River to the upper end of my old Patented land & with
the line of my New land Joining Meckall[6] land to the back
lines of the New land next the Mountain And with the lines of
of the same Downwards to the Partition first above mentioned
& then with Partition line to the Place of Beginning
be the same more or less and the first Division above mentioned
whereon is my Houses together with all my Negroes House
hold furniture & Stock of Horses Cattle Sheep & Hogs to
be appropriated for the Maintainance of my Wife during her
Natural life and the Maintainance of her son Charles and
William Benjamin & my Daughters Ann & Sophia till they
are Married and at the Death of my said Wife I Divise the
Plantation on which I now live first above Mentioned & one
half of the Negroes Stock and Household furniture to my
son Charles (& his Heirs lawfully Begotten) forever the
other part of the Land above mentioned from the said Partition
line & upwards on which is the Tenement now in the Occupation
of William Campbell I divide to my son William Benjamin[5]
& his legitimate or lawful Heirs & assigns forever together
with the other Moity of my Negroes Stock & Household furniture
at the Death of my said Wife. But these Divises to my two
sons Charles and William Benjamin is upon this express Condition
that Neither of them take to those Detestable Vices of
Immoderate Drinking Gameing or Gambling the certain ruin
of those who follow such Practices, but on the contrary it is
hoped that they and each of them will pay due regard to the
Dying request of their ancient Parent and live Soberly honestly
& Chastly & Shun those Ricks their unhappy Brothers
have Split upon[4], and further in case either of my two Sons
Charles or William Benjamin Should die without lawful
Heirs of this Body that then the part or Estate of him so Dying
shall be to the Survivor & his Heirs. I Give likewise to my
wife[5] during her Natural life the rents & profits of a tract or parcel
of Land lying on the south East side of Shanando River
next the land Bequeathed to Layton Yancey whereon is a
large Spring as a further aid in Supporting her & the Rest of the
family. It is my Will that the Rents & profits of my land now in
the Tenure of William Vaters above Layton Yanceys and between the same
& Sellers, land formerly Fraizer be cast into the Common fund
for the Support Exigencies that happen relative to the land I now
live on which I allow to be the resedence of family till time

Reperes ['prepares'] them for a Separation. My Millitary Warrants amounting
to four Hundred and twenty five pounds Eleven Shillings & Sixpence
and carrying and linter of twenty five pounds ten Shillings and
five pence I Direct to be carefully preserved till the time of
Redemption for the purpose of paying the Taxes Due on my Estate
annually & the Overplus if any be shall be applied to the support
of the family. And whereas I lodged Eighteen Hundred &
thirty Dollars in the treasury of the state of Virginia I Desire
my Executors to with Draw the same with the Interest Due
thereon and apply the same to the payment of the legacies above
Mentioned. I Direct that my Still with the Iron Hooped flask
Stand & Iron Gate be sold & Credit Given as my Executors
may think best on proper Security Given and my two
Surveying Compasses the One of English make the other of
American the first cost about six pounds the Other Seven pounds
ten Shillings to be sold and the Money arising from the sale
of them as well as of the Still to be added to the common fund.
I Desire that my Executors may employ Workmen to make such
I expect there will be some thing Due me from the sales of the
lands of the Loyal Company[8] what ever it may be will be in
the hands of Doctor Thomas Walker of the county of Albemarl
the Companys Agent to whom my Executors may apply for a
Settlement. The Greenbrier Company are considerably in my
Debt for Surveys made for them & for which I have Never been
paid sundry of these Surveys may be found Recorded in my first
Record Book the others were with Drawn by the companies agent
& said to be resurveyed by the companies agent but the fees are
Justly due me Not with standing such with Drawing there is however
no Doubt but the fees for the Surveys on Record & all of them
made before the Year One thousand Seven Hundred & fifty five
the company can have no charge against me except for One
thousand acres at three pounds p£ Hundred but I am as Heir at law of
my father who was of that company entituled to at least to this
much therefore the fees are still Due and ought to be paid with
Interest for upwards of thirty five years. I direct that my Executor
Co[1] John Stuart may Settle with the Companies agent for
what shall be due me & when received to pass into the
common fund for the payment of the legacies above mentioned.
If I should Die before William Campbel my Tennant is provided
with a place to remove to it is my Will that he be continued
on his Tenement as long as my Executors shall think Convenient
he keeping the same in Good Tenantable Repair and leaving
the same so and paying the Rent he has hitherto Done to wit
One third of what Crops made thereon annually Flax only excepted.
Whereas my son John[5] is InDebted to me the sum of
Two Hundred and fifty pounds being the Money I borrowed
from Gabriel Jones Esq as aforesaid and for Security of the same & payment with Interest I took a Mortgage of Several tracts of his lands as by Deed executed & Recorded in the Court of Augusta as may appear by haveing recourse to the same which said Sum of Two Hundred and fifty pounds and all my Right & Interest in the Recorded Mortgage I Give to my Grandsons Thomas & Charles sons of the said John Lewis when they shall be of the age of Twenty One Years and in the Mean time the Interest thereof together with any other Profits that may arise from sd Mortaged lands to be paid to Coll. John Stuart one of my Executors herein after Named to be laid out in such necessaries as the Wife & family of my son John may Stand in Need of & Deliver the same to the wife of the said John for the purpose above mentioned & to her only if either of my said Grandsons shall Die before Marriage or Issue lawfully Begotten then the Survivor shall be entitled to all my Interest in the said Mortgage & if both my said Grandsons should Die without such Issue then the next Brother to Succeed as the former and if no such Brother should arrive at the age of Twenty One years or Die without lawful Issue then the Sister to succeed and be Divided between them Share & Share alike.

And whereas some time ago I gave my Grand Daughter Elizabeth one Negro wench[37] & her Daughter & what other Issue she hath or may have I hereby Confirm said Gift to the said Elizabeth & her Heirs Provided always the said Wench & Daughter be Continued in the service of her mother as long as the said Mother Necessities may require. What remains of my Estate arising from the Sales of my Lands & Collection of my Debts after my Own Debts & legacies are Discharged I Dispose thereof as follows to each of my Executors hereafter Named the sum of fifteen pounds if the exigencies of my family will permit the same I give to each of my Children who [have] been and Still are worthy of my Notice & Regard to wit—my Daughter Margaret Ann Bower[34] Agathy Stuart Mary McElhany Elizabeth Gilmore Franey Yancey & my Two unmarried daughters Ann & Sophia the sum of five pounds each to be laid out in Mourning Rings or what else they choose as a memorial of their Deceased father and the Residue of my Estate not herein Disposed of I Give & Devise to my two Younger sons Charles & William Benjamin to be equally Divided amongst them.

And It is my Will & Intention that the rents & profits of my plantation below Mr Yanceys at the Great Spring be soly the property of my wife Dureing her Natural life & further I Give to my said wife a young Negro lad Named Solomon to be Disposed of [at] her Death as she shall think proper to any of her children except any of those excluded by my Will. Having made a liberal provision for the Comfortable Subsistance of my wife I hope it will be a lasting Testimony to her how much I Interest myself in her future well being and I trust will be a powerful motive to engage her attention to the care of her younger Children now of her family in conducting them through life well knowing how prone unexperienced Youth is to Go a stray and this becomes eminently her Duty especially after the loss of their other Parent and a Duty required by the law of God and Natural affection and nowise to be Dispenced with. And on the part of such Children I make it my dying request as they tender their happiness here and hereafter that they pay a Dutiful regard to their mother knowing that this is the Will and express command of God & to which a Blessing is promised to the faithful and a curse pronounced against the Disobedient & despisers of their Parents & to mother & Children make it my most earnest and a last request that they consider the frailties that Human Nature is Subject and to bear with one another's infirmities and by all Means live in peace & harmony amongst themselves mutually Contributing to each others happiness and I earnestly pray God to Dispose the hearts of Parent & Children for the Due discharge of those Duties s[o] indispensibly Necessary to their future Happiness. After the Death of my said [wife], I Give the lower Plantation or tenement mentioned before at the Great Spring below Mr Yanceys to my son Charles & his Heirs forever also my upper Plantation or tenement now in the Occupation of William Vaters on the South East side of Shenandoah River between the said Yanceys land and the land of Seller to my youngest son William Benjamin and his heirs forever on the same conditions & restrictions as before mentioned in my Bequest to them. I Do hereby Constitute and appoint my trusty and well beloved son in law John Stuart of Greenbrier Layton Yancey of Rockingham & my Confidential friends Frances Kertley & William Herring of the said County of Rockingham my Executors In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this fifteenth Day of October One thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty Nine Containing five folio Pages all signed with my Name at the Bottom.

Signed Sealed Published & Declared by the Testator Thomas Lewis as & for his last Will & Testament in the presence of the Testator

John Craig
Christian Kiger
Wm Campbell
Samuel [X] Beard
his mark

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At a Court held for the County of Rockingham on Monday the 22nd February 1790. This Last will and Testament of Thomas Lewis Deceased was proved by the Oaths of John Craig and Christian Kiger the Witnesses thereto, and Ordered to be Recorded Whereupon Layton Yancey, Francis Kertly and William Herring three of the Executors therein Named having complied with the Law,
Certificate is Granted them to Obtain Probate thereof in due Form

By the Court

H. Ewin CCR

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H. J. Gambill DCRC

SOME NOTES ON THOMAS LEWIS’S WILL

by M. W. Cowell

In October 1789, when this will was executed, Thomas Lewis was 71 years old. He died about three and a half months later, survived by his wife, probably 57 years old (see note S), and their thirteen children:

John, 40
Margaret Ann Bowyer, 38
Agatha Stuart, 36
Jean Hughes, 34
Andrew, 32
Thomas, 30
Mary McElhany, 28
Elizabeth Gilmer, 25
Ann, 22
Frances Vance, 20
Charles, 18
Sophia, 15
William Benjamin, 10

The ages given above, as well as much else in the following notes, are based to a large extent on information presented in Irvin Frazier’s The Family of John Lewis, Pioneer (1960). Where Frazier’s information seems to be mistaken or debatable, I have usually pointed this out explicitly.

Several of the people mentioned in the will have been passed over as “needing no introduction” for present purposes. These include Gabriel Jones, Dr. Thomas Walker, Thomas Lewis’s brothers Andrew and William, and for the most part Thomas Lewis himself. Others have been passed over without comment simply because I have not found, or properly digested, enough relevant information about them, although for some of them (for example, Francis Kirtley and William Herring, mentioned on the last page of the will) such information should be easy enough to supply.

I have quoted liberally from George Rockingham Gilmer’s book Sketches of Some of the First Settlers of Upper Georgia, which also contains sketches, or at least comments, about many of the Virginia forebears and relatives of these settlers, and is a very useful source of Lewis family lore. First published in 1855, it has given offense to several generations of “ancestor worshipers” because not everything he says about his subjects is complimentary. My assumption is that not many people living today would be offended by Gilmer’s 150-year-old gossip. Some of it may be a bit malicious, but much is true, entertaining, and humanizing of its subjects who would otherwise be nothing but names and dates.

The text of the will supplied with these notes is a line-for-line transcription of a manuscript copy kept in the Augusta County courthouse (see note P). I don’t know if there are any other copies extant. Corrections and additions to the material in these notes will be appreciated.

A Peachy Ridgeway Gilmer (spelled Gilmore in the will and in various records) is described by his grandson George Rockingham Gilmer (on page 12 of his book) as follows: “The oldest son of Dr. George Gilmer, of Williamsburg, [he] was blunt, open-hearted, and careless about the accumulation of riches. He accompanied Frank Meriwether, his college cronny, to Albermarle, when
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down the river, to save himself from walking. . . . He continued to grow more and more corpulent, until he weighed upwards of three hundred pounds. . . . Though he never worked himself, he impressed the habit very strongly upon his children and negroes. . . . During his youth my father performed a tour of militia duty under the Marquis La Fayette. He had previously gone out with a militia company to disperse or make prisoners of some Tories, who occasionally met in the North Mountain."

Thomas was only a teenager then, and only twenty when he married Elizabeth, who was eighteen. Shortly thereafter they moved to the Broad River settlement in northeastern Georgia, where they raised a family of nine children. He died in 1817 and she, as ninety, in 1835. Her son George Gilmer, whose book came out that same year, wrote that "her ceaseless industry and untiring care have aided to make her children rich. She still enjoys the good things of life with a pleasant relish. . . ."

F These 1300 acres are presumably the land referred to in Kaylor, Abstracts of Land Grant Surveys 1761-1791, p. 9 (from Thomas Lewis's survey book 0-1, p 23), dated November 8, 1762.

G Fay Ingalls, in The Valley Road (1949), pp. 10-11, writes, "The Lewis family led the pioneering into the [Warm Springs] Valley but with the acquisition of the first legal title to the Warm Springs tract in 1751 their drive seems to have stopped. True the family retained control of the Warm Springs for a long time but when the Hot Springs tract was surveyed and patented a few years later a new name came into the picture and we find that this patent was issued to Andrew and Thomas Lewis in company with Thomas Bullitt, who is supposed to have built the first hotel and hotel at Warm Springs about 1756."

H Anne was already 22 years old when her father died and she married William Douthat the following June. Gilmer describes her as "fresh from Ireland, where he had learned in the River Shannon, to catch trout with unsurpassed skill. His proficiency in fishing was too great to admit of excellency in any other art." (Gilmer p. 43.) William Douthat died in 1795, leaving Ann some property including "a falling mill near Staunton, in Col. William Boywer's meadow," a lot and house in Pifance and a lot in Pattonsburg (now Buchanan) in Botetourt County. (Chalkley vol. 1 p. 532.) In January 1797 Ann married Hugh French, and they moved to Kentuck and were lost track of by the family historians. She had had no children by William Douthat. (Frazier mistakenly gives 7-19-1795 as the date of Ann's death; actually it is that of William Douthat.)

Sophia was only fifteen when her father died. Gilmer describes her as "one of the most agreeable of the kin, and as good and kind as she was witty." About three years later she married John Carter who was "a very handsome, wealthy young man who kept so busy trading all through his life that he died centless." (Gilmer p. 43.) They eventually moved to Missouri (in the 1840s, according to Frazier), presumably to live with one of their children. The last survivor of Thomas Lewis's children, Sophia died in 1860.

I T. L.'s second-oldest daughter Agatha married, first, her first cousin John Frogg, Jr. (John's mother was Elizabeth, the eldest of the ubiquitous Strother sisters.) John Frogg Jr. was a sutler with the Augusta regiment of militia in the Point Pleasant campaign and was killed in the battle (October 10, 1774). A Tradition related by Gilmer (pp. 39-40) has it that John and Agatha's little daughter awoke from a nap on the day of the battle, "screaming that the Indians were killing her father." After repetitions and exacerbations of the child's nightmare, Agatha's "Irish imagination, quickened by inherited superstition," got the better of her and she, too, was soon screaming and accusing the neighbors "until all Staunton was in a state of commotion."

About two years after the battle of Point Pleasant, Agatha married a survivor of it, John Stuart. (Her second husband was probably her second cousin; John's mother, Margaret, formerly the widow Paul, was supposedly a niece of Margaret Lynn Lewis, Thomas Lewis's mother.) Gilmer explains this match very simply: "His fame and the fame of the incident which connected the widow Frog with the battle of the Point, created such a sympathy between them that when they met they married." John Stuart was one of the earliest permanent settlers of the Greenbrier river valley (1769) and was clerk of Greenbrier County from 1780 until 1807. In his old age he wrote an important memoir of Dunmore's War and its aftermath (Virginia Historical Collections, 2, pp. 37-68). He died at his home near Frankford in 1823. Agatha lived until 1836. (See Wadwell, Annals of Augusta County pp. 369-370, and Thwaites and Kellogg, Documentary History of Dunmore's War, 1777 pp. 104).

J Wadwell (Annals of Augusta Co., p. 264) gives the following summary of Thomas Jr.'s military career: "2d Lt. 15th Va., Nov. 21, 1776; 1st Lt. March 20, 1777; retired Feb. 12, 1787; Capt. U.S. Infantry, March 5, 1792; resigned March 9, 1801." Gilmer and Frazier say he was "at the surrender of Cornwallis," which seems to contradict his abovementioned retirement in February of 1781. Frazier says also that he was at Valley Forge. There are some documents relating to the will in the Augusta County records, such as a memorandum from Gabriel Jones dated January 24th, 1794, which seem to imply that Thomas Jr. was living with his mother or brothers during at least some of the time military care by the time memorandum was post-received (1792-1801). For the present, it seems that nothing certain is known about this third son of Thomas Lewis except what his father's will tells us. According to Peyton (Hist. of Aug. Co. p. 288) he died unmarried in 1847, which would be his 87th year.

K William Lewis, son of William, was about 23 years old when his uncle died. I don't know whether he prosecuted his studies in any learned profession and inherited the books mentioned. Possibly he studied law. In Sketches and Recollections of Lynchburg, by Margaret Cabell (published anonymously in 1858), p. 316, we read: "Colonel William Lewis ... married Miss Cabell ... and he was for a length of time a resident at Mount Athos, nine miles below Lynchburg. This gentleman was, for many years, a member of Congress from that district—a friend of internal improvement; and he was a man of great literary taste and acquirements." (Actually he was in Congress 1817-1819.) He died without issue.

Regarding Thomas Lewis's library in general, the following is from a letter from Mrs. Letitia Floyd, daughter of Colonel William Preston, to her son in 1843: "Colonel Preston, Colonel Thomas Lewis of Rockingham, General Andrew Lewis of Botetourt, Mr. John Madison, and Col. Fleming of Augusta engaged Mr. Gabriel Jones ... to select for them libraries in London ... A Good selection of the Classics, Ancient History, the distinguished poets of England, the 'Dictionary of Arts and Sciences,' a sort of Encyclopedia, with much polemic and religious production, constituted the libraries. She goes on to say, candidly, "I would observe that the use of these books gave to each family possessing them a station that outranked very many wealthier families than the above named." (Virginia Magazine of History and Biography, v. 47 p. 123, April 1939.)

Thomas Lewis's acquisition of books evidently did not cease with Gabriel Jones' imports; after his death his heirs still owed 15 shillings to one William Hall for "bringing from Williamsburg a barril of books" in May of 1778.

L T. L.'s son Andrew is presumably the Andrew Lewis who was in the 13th Virginia Regiment (an ensign in September 1776 and a first lieutenant in October 1778) and who was at Valley Forge; he was only twenty years old at that time. After being cut out of his father's will he evidently drifted back into the military, and went off to fight Indians under General Anthony Wayne in the Northwest (now Ohio), where he lost an arm. Gilmer (p. 19) has something to say about him in connection with Mary Peachy Gilmer, Peachy R. Gilmer's oldest daughter, who never married although she was "more courted than any young lady of the country." "Andrew Lewis," he continues, "loved her from her youth to his death. . . . Whilst he was an officer under General Wayne. . . . he also confirmed his habit of drinking whiskey, which he had formed when young. He was intelligent, and would have been handsome but for his want of an arm. He had too much respect for [Mary] Peachy Gilmer, when sober, to ask her to marry him. He never failed pressing her to do so if he saw her when drunk." Gabriel Jones, in his will (1804) left an annuity of 212 to "my wife's nephew Andrew and the son of my late friend and brother-in-law Thomas Lewis, who had the misfortune to lose his arm in his country's service." (Wayland, Virginia Valley Records p. 414.) Andrew died, unmarried, in 1810.

M T. L.'s daughter Jean and her brother are accused collectively of "Disobedience to parents Drunkenness and gaming & their concomitant Vices," but I think we can safely assume that in Jean's case disobedience to parents, probably in the matter of choosing a husband, was sufficient cause for disinheritance. (As Gilmer says in another, but similar case, p. 28 of his book, "The Scotch-Irish rule of obedience to parents was too implicit in those times to permit a daughter to say nay" to their choice of husband for her.) At any rate, Jean married Thomas Hughes in November 1779 (Wayland, Hist. Rock. Co. p. 444). According to Frazier (p. 19) they moved to Kentucky and had one daughter, Elizabeth, and Jean died in 1790. Gilmer, however, has another story which may involve a confusion of identities but is worth repeating anyway. He says that Jean "married Capt. Hughes of the continental army" and that they "removed to Kentucky, where
Mrs. Hughes died, leaving only one child, an infant son. The last request she made of her husband was, that when her son was old enough, he should be sent to my mother [i.e. her younger sister Elizabeth Gilmer], to be brought up with her children. He came to Georgia and remained some time with Patrick Hughes, his uncle, a friolicking, card-playing Irishman, who lived in Burke County. Young Hughes soon acquired the habit of his kinsman. He came as far as Washington [Georgia], on his way to visit my mother, where he fell in with a party of gamblers, and accompanied them to the western country. As he and his companions were riding through a dense forest, he fell behind. Those before him, on the report of a pistol, looked back and saw young Hughes falling from his horse, covered with his blood and brains." (Gilmer p. 43.)

Although Gilmer says explicitly that this unfortunate young man was Jean and Thomas Hughes' only child, that much could be false and the rest more or less true. Since they were married in 1779 and she died about eleven years later, supposedly with an infant son, it seems reasonable to conjecture that they had more than one child.

N. L.'s daughter Fanny (or Fanny; more formally Frances Lynn) had married Layton Yancey less than a year before the will was written; he was about 35 years old and she, only 20. Gilmer says that "Fanny, the seventh daughter of Thomas Lewis, was very pretty and amiable. She married Col. Layton Yancey, who was an officer in the American army during the revolutionary war, and was afterwards a member of the County court of Rockingham so long that he enjoyed the perquisites of the sheriffsalty twice before his death." (Wayland, In A History of Rockingham County, Virginia, p. 441, lists him as sheriff for 1794-5.) He died in 1813 and Fanny survived until 1845. They had ten children and numerous Rockingham County progeny of more recent times (see Rebecca Yancey, Ancestors and Descendants of Capt. William Layton Yancey and His Wife Frances Lynn Lewis, 1800-1900).

O John Lincoln had been approved for the office of deputy surveyor of Rockingham County in September 1784 (Wayland, Hist. Rock. Co. p. 106). This John Lincoln was presumably the one whose eldest brother Abraham moved to Kentucky and had a grandson by that name who became a lawyer in Illinois, etc. (See Wayland, Virginia Valley Records, pp. 57-58 and elsewhere.)

This provision of the will was to lead eventually to a long and rancorous lawsuit, in which the plaintiffs, Charles and Benjamin Lewis, claimed that the defendant Layton Yancey, their erstwhile guardian and executor of their father's will, had mismanaged the Lewis estate to his own advantage. The many documents relating to this case—including Thomas Lewis's will herewith transcribed and annotated—are to be found among the circuit court judgements in Augusta County courthouse (see Chalkley vol. 2 p. 95), N.S. 22. After all the reckoning was done, the defendant (as far as I can figure out what happened) was found to owe the plaintiffs £53 0/4½, in 1805.

Q In June of 1845, not long before Fanny Yancey's death, many Yancey household goods were put up for sale, including "2 baskets of books, and others including... Turkish History 2 vols..." (Rebecca Yancey, op. cit. in note N.)

R John Mackall owned 1,282 acres in Rockingham County in 1789 (Wayland, Hist. Rock. Co. p. 449). Born in 1740, he was a son of James John and Mary Hance Mackall of "Godsgrade," Calvert County, Maryland. According to A Short History of the Mackall Family of Calverty County, Maryland, by Louis C. Mackall (1946), he married Jane Magruder of Prince Georges Co., Md., his third wife, in November 1788 and "a few years latter" moved to Rockingham Co., Va. However, he evidently already lived in Rockingham in 1788 (since he appears in various records from that year, e.g. Chalkley vol. 1 p. 387, vol. 2 p. 412, etc.), and probably earlier. In 1792 Charles Lewis married John Mackall's cousin Ann Hance. She had presumably been on a protracted visit to the Mackalls or was living with them at the time.

S T. L.'s widow Jane died in September 1820, at the age of 88 or 89. She was the youngest of six sisters, the daughters of William Strother, III, of King George County (in what later became a part of Stafford County). All but one of them ended up in Rockingham and Augusta counties. (See "William Strother, of Virginia, and his Descendants," by Thomas McAdory Owen, in Southern History Association Publications, vol. 2, pp. 156-159; 1898. Further (and more accurate) information on the family of the third William Strother can be found in two publications compiled by George H. S. King: The Register of Overwharton Parish, Stafford County, Virginia, 1723-1758 (1961), and King George County, Virginia, Will Book A-1, 1721-1752 (1978).]

A tradition of the Rockingham County Lewises is that Jane Strother was a schoolmate of George Washington. This seems plausible, though it cannot be proved, since nothing is really known about George Washington's schooling. The best bet, probably, is that he attended a school opened in Fredericksburg in 1740 by the Reverend James Marye. According to a tradition related by Byrd Charles Willis, George usually "occupied himself with ciphering while the other boys played games," but on one occasion he excited some astonishment among his schoolmates by ciphering with one of the largest girls. (See Douglas Southall Freeman, George Washington, vol. I p. 64.)

The Shenandoah Valley Strother descendants seem to have lost sight of one interesting bit of George Washington lore, however—and this is a matter of record, not just hearsay: "Ferry Farm," where G. W. lived from the age of seven until he was grown up, was bought by his father from William Strother's widow in 1738, and in fact this had been the Strother residence up until that time. George Washington grew up on the very same farm, and in the very same house, that the Strother girls had grown up in before 1738. This is all explained and documented in "Washington's Boyhood Home," by George H. S. King, in William and Mary Quarterly, series 2, vol. 17 p. 265 ff (1937).

T. L.'s younger sons Charles and Benjamin, who were still minors at the time of their father's will, evidently continued to be the good boys of the family. Gilmer, who first visited these uncles in 1808, says of them (p. 39), "They were very social, well informed, respectable gentlemen. They were excluded from office by their being federalists, when almost all others in Rockingham were republicans." Charles, however, was sheriff of Rockingham in 1812-1814 (Wayland, Hist. Rock. Co. p. 441), and had been a justice of the peace some years before that. Benjamin, whose portion of the estate lay up the river from Charles's, was one of the original trustees named in 1802 to establish and lay off lots into town "a town by the name of Port Republic" (Wayland, Hist. Rock. Co. p. 195).

Charles married Ann Hance, daughter of Samuel Hance of "Overton," Calvert County, Maryland, on March 18, 1792 (Chalkley vol. 11 p. 352; bond, p. 297; see also note R). Charles died in 1832. The later generations of Lewises at "Lynwood" and vicinity were descendants of this couple principally through their second son, Samuel Hance Lewis, who married his second cousin Nancy Lewis of Bath County in 1815.

Benjamin married Margaret, daughter of John W. Hite, on September 2, 1800 (Strickler, Old Tenth Legion Marriages, p. 77). Two of their three children, William and Mary Jane, also married their Bath County second cousins Elizabeth and John M. Lewis, a sister and brother of Nancy who married Charles's son Samuel (above), Benjamin died in 1842.

I am inclined to see more than one family's problem in T. L.'s bitter disappointment in his three older sons and his admonition to the two younger ones to "shun those rocks their unhappy brothers have split upon." Perhaps the older Lewis sons represent a postrevolutionary generation gap, with addictions acquired while in military service, maladjustment to civilian life, inadequacy of old values in new circumstances, and other problems that we think of as typical of our own times.

For a young man to shun gambling in those days in Virginia was surely difficult. It had long been a "fashionable vice" in the colony and, however much deplored by some, remained an almost inescapable pastime after the Revolution. In 1808 a Mr. Caldwell of New York, on his way from Baltimore to "take the waters" at the Sweet Springs in Monroe (formerly Greenbrier) County, wrote as follows when he had gotten as far as Woodstock in Shenandoah County: "I have had frequent occasion to remark the strong propensity to gambling among the Virginians of every class, trade, and denomination. It is an extraordinary circumstance, that here, where the laws against gaming are very strict, and almost severe, that vice should be so very prevalent. Under the very eye of magnificence itself, gambling houses are winked at, and in these nefarious nests of profligacy and dissipation, is hatched the ruin of many an unfortunate being..." (From A Tour Through Part of Virginia in the Summer of 1808, by John Edwards Caldwell; edited by W. M. F. Rachal, 1951, pp. 15-16.)

II This tract of land on which there was a large spring was eventually sold to Layton Yancey, according to Rebecca Yancey's genealogy (see note N). Her book also includes a picture of the spring.
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The dwelling house for which T. L. in 1789 anticipated repairs may—or may not—have been built in the early 1750s when the Lewises first took up residence on this property. The only thing known about it for sure is that “George Washington slept there,” September 30–October 2, 1784. (See The Diaries of George Washington, Jackson and Twoig, eds., vol. IV pp. 52-56.) Charles Lewis built his house in 1782-1783, presumably close by the site of the old one. A few yards away from this new house there is a small frame dependency which, according to family tradition, is a remnant of the previous dwelling house.

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The Loyal Land Company of Virginia, established in 1749, procured 800,000 acres to be surveyed and sold off in parcels in southwest Virginia. Its titular head for the first four years was John Lewis, T. L.’s father, but thereafter Thomas Walker was its agent and principal active member until his death in 1794. (See “Dr. Thomas Walker and the Loyal Company of Virginia,” by Archibald Henderson, in Proceedings of the American Antiquarian Society, New Series vol. 41, 1931.)

John Lewis and his sons had a more active interest in the Greenbrier Land Company, also established in 1749, which took up 100,000 acres in the Greenbrier River valley. T. L.’s brother Andrew, who had also explored and surveyed there, left a total of at least 3,820 acres of Greenbrier land in his will (pp. 1782) to three of his sons (see Kegley’s Virginia Frontier p. 565).

What Oren Morton calls the Lewis Grant (Annals of Bath County p. 22-f) is a forerunner to the Greenbrier, Loyal, and Ohio land companies. This venture began in 1739 with an order of Council granting to “John Robinson, Esq., William Gooch, the younger, Esq., Henry Robinson, Thomas Lewis and Andrew Lewis, 30,000 acres in Orange County [later Augusta, finally Bath] lying to the southwest and northwest of the Calves Pasture hitherto granted to Edward Barradell and John Lewis,” (Executive Journals of the Council of Colonial Virginia, edited by H. R. McLain, p. 44; quoted in “The Public Career of Thomas Lewis,” a University of Virginia Masters thesis by Hiram C. Arey, 1933.) Arey continues, on page 36 of his thesis: “John Robinson . . . was Speaker of the House, and a member of the Governor’s Council. William Gooch, the younger, was a brother of William Gooch, then Governor of Virginia. Henry Robinson . . . was the son of Hon. John Robinson. The other two members, Thomas and Andrew Lewis, were then mere boys but appear to have been the only active members of the syndicate. The names of the easterners, however, added much prestige to the company . . . It was not until the year 1745 . . . that the two Lewises . . . went to the Cow Pasture to do the surveying . . . It was possible . . . for the surveyors to lay out (during the years 1745-46) ninety-one distinct tracts as a part of this grant. These surveys averaged about 300 acres each and covered in all about 27,000 acres. It is not to be supposed that the Lewises while making these surveys did not look out for themselves. They were good judges of land and selected a number of choice river bottom surveys to be retained by themselves for speculation.”

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Thomas Lewis’s will, taken together with his son John’s will and other documents, pretty definitely conforms Oren Morton’s statement (Annals of Bath County p. 196) as to the identity of Captain John Lewis of Warm Springs, except for the mistake about when he died (see note C). Morton writes: “Captain John Lewis, of Warm Springs, was a son of Thomas and a nephew of Charles . . . He died in 1788 [read 1790], leaving four children, Thomas L., Elizabeth S., Charles A., and John B.” This statement is evidently meant to forestall confusion of this John Lewis with his younger cousin John who also lived in the vicinity of Warm Springs. The latter was the eldest son of Charles, T. L.’s youngest brother; he was born in 1766, married Rachel Miller (daughter of Henry Miller of Mossey creek) in 1789, and died in 1843. Three of his children married grandparents of T. L. (see note S).

Returning to the Annals of Bath County, we read on page 108 that “the first session of the county court of Bath convened May 10, 1791, at the home of the widow of Captain John Lewis.” And on page 136: “For the county buildings, Mrs. Margaret Lewis offered to donate two acres adjacent to Warm Springs Run, and to give free access to a cold spring. But she was in straightened circumstances, and payment was made for the land.”

There is one statement in the Annals of Bath County (pp. 48-49) that has caused some confusion and misinterpretations: “The tract of 140 acres which include the Warm Springs was surveyed in 1751 for John Lewis, Sr., and John Lewis, Jr. The younger John settled on the land, dying here in 1788.” So far, I have not found what documentary source this statement is based upon, and at first I supposed that it must be a mistake, since in 1751 in this family there was no father-and-son pair both named John. However, in early American records “senior” and “junior” do not necessarily refer to father and son, but can refer to any elder and younger relatives with the same name. Still, Thomas Lewis had no brother named John, and it seems unlikely that the senior and junior in question were his aged father and his infant son.

Another possibility is suggested by the record of a later survey. In Abstracts of Land Grant Surveys, 1761-1791, by Peter Kaylor, p. 7, there is the following entry from Thomas Lewis’s survey book 0-1, page 16: “John Lewis, son of Thomas Lewis and John Lewis, son of Andrew Lewis, 580 acres, Jacksons River . . . September 27, 1762.” At this date Thomas’s son was about twelve years old and Andrew’s son, probably sixteen. Might not this same pair of cousins, eleven years earlier, have been referred to for certain purposes (and with a certain humor) as John Lewis, Jr., and John Lewis, Sr.? I find this a fairly plausible hypothesis, particularly in view of Thomas and Andrew’s close partnership with respect to the Warm Springs valley lands.

Frazier (p. 20) gives 1750 as the year in which Andrew’s son John was born, which would make him the “junior.” However, the Reverend John Craig baptized a child of Andrew Lewis, named John, on the 14th of September, 1746 (see Appendix F in The Tinkling Spring: Headwater of Freedom, by Howard McKnight Wilson). I see no reason to doubt that this is the John Lewis in question.

Of the four cousins named John Lewis, the sons of Thomas and Andrew are the ones most commonly confused with each other. Their careers had several points of convergence, including their both being captains of militia in the Point Pleasant campaign. Frazier gives 1788 as the year in which both of them died, but this could be incorrect for Andrew’s son as well as for Thomas’s. For more (but not much more) on Andrew’s son John, see Kegley’s Virginia Frontier, pp. 564-566.

Gilmer (pp. 45-46) gives a colorful, but preposterous, account of the supposed career of John Lewis, son of Andrew, beginning with his being taken prisoner on the occasion of “Grant’s defeat” (1758), as an officer under his father. Actually, Andrew Lewis himself was taken prisoner, but I doubt that his twelve-year-old son was one of his subordinate officers. The last part of Gilmer’s account, about John Lewis’s being killed in the wilderness by his slaves, is probably true.

Y

T. L. mentions three of his son John’s children by name: Thomas, Charles, and Elizabeth. Morton (Annals of Bath County p. 196) supplies them with middle initials and adds the fourth: John B. In chalkley vol. 2 p. 17 the full names of all four are spelled out: Thomas Lynn, Elizabeth Strother, Charles Augustus, and John Banks. This last, I think, may be a good clue to their mother’s maiden name. Chalkley (vol. 1 p. 233) gives an abstract from Augusta County order book no. XVIII, p. 130, saying that John Lewis and William Banks were granted license to keep an ordinary at Warm Springs, September 17, 1783. I would guess that John Lewis’s partner in this undertaking was his father-in-law or brother-in-law.

Jumping to this conclusion, however, the following passage from Philip Fithian’s journal should be considered. It is the continuation of the passage quoted above in note C. John Lewis was out when Fithian arrived and, Fithian writes, “his Wife, & his Sister Miss Polly Frogg entertained me kindly. In Mrs. Lewis I saw my lost Belinda [an early sweetheart?] . . . her Presence, her Manner, her Character; . . . My Heart took Fire in Spleith of me . . .”

Fithian had eyes only for Margaret Lewis, it seems, so it would not be surprising if he hadn’t gotten quite straight who “Miss Polly Frogg” was. If she really was Margaret’s own sister, really was a Miss, that would mean that John Lewis, like his sister Agatha (note I) had married a Frogg. I haven’t seen the will of John Frogg, Sr., who died in Bath County in 1795; perhaps it can shed some light on this matter. In the meantime I would tentatively conclude that “Miss Polly Frogg,” Margaret Lewis’s “sister,” was actually Mrs. Agatha Frogg, her sister-in-law, one of the Point Pleasant widows.

A couple of weeks earlier Fithian had visited the grande dame of Point Pleasant widows, T. L.’s sister-in-law, Sarah Lewis. On Wednesday, 27th December 1775, he wrote as follows: “Amiable afflicted Mrs Lewis! The Image of unrelucted Grief. Her Story is truly tragical. In the Campaign at the Point She lost her Husband Col; Charles Lewis, a Gentleman of such extensive Hardness that this Colony in particular, & America in general join’d in lamenting his untimely End . . . Like Rachel of old, She mourns & will not be comforted! For a long time after the Death of her nearest Friend, She told her surrounding Relations who were endeavouring to
moderate her Sorrow, that it was her Wish, & steady Purpose, to die with unabated Lamentation! The Tumult of Mind with which she was constantly exercised, brought upon her repeatedly violent convulsions—Those however are now moderated into casual Hystericks—She has a Family of fine Children. Two Daughters in special Miss Betsey & Peggy; fine young Ladies; handsome, smart, brisk, rising in many of the most useful & taking Accomplishments—One Son is at School, & is design'd for a Scholar. [This would be John, the oldest son, then about ten years of age.] She has a large roomy House, & lives far above common Convenience."

Among heads of families in 1782. Sarah Lewis was listed as owning 25 head of cattle, 18 horses, and 8 slaves (Annals of Bath County p. 113).

Y "Negro wench" may strike some present-day readers as contemptuous, but in those days it was a perfectly conventional expression with no special connotations (see the definitions and examples of "wench" in Mathews' Dictionary of Americanisms or in the Oxford English Dictionary).

Speaking of slaves—Thomas Lewis had eight in 1788, which is not many by comparison with the numbers that were usual east of the Blue Ridge—or even by comparison with Sarah Lewis over in the Cowpasture. Even so, it placed him among the top three slaveholders of Rockingham County in that year. The top two were his neighbors John Mackall and Peachy Ridgeway Gilmer (Wayland, Hist. Rock. Co. p 107).

Z Margaret Ann, T. L.'s oldest daughter, was the wife of William Bowyer, a well-to-do merchant in Staunton. (See Waddell, Annals of Augusta County p. 180.) Gilmer, with lukewarm gallantry, calls her "a very sensible, well-informed woman." She was Colonel Bowyer's second wife, and he, her second husband.

Gilmer mistakenly identifies Margaret Ann's first husband as Captain [Robert] McClanahan, one of the officers killed at the battle of Point Pleasant. This misidentification was continued by Virgil Lewis (History of the Battle of Point Pleasant p. 131), while Frazier (p. 19) says that she first married "Captain Thomas (or Robert) McClanahan." Both of these names are incorrect, the "Thomas" being based on an old D.A.R. lineage that is totally off the track (p. 71).

Augusta County will book V, page 304 (abstracted in Chalkley vol. 3 p. 138) shows that Margaret Ann's first husband was John McClanahan, Robert's brother. Waddell, in Annals of Augusta County p. 233, gives some interesting information on John McClanahan and his family. It seems that John lay on his deathbed, with his wife at his side, in June of 1774 inside the stockade at Fort Lewis on the Cowpasture while it was being attacked by Indians (see also Annals of Bath County p. 88). Margaret Ann told of hearing their whoops as her husband was dying. In her prayer book a notation was found that read, "June 30, 1774, that fatal day." Another fatal day was November 14 of that same year, when her son Thomas died. But then on December 8 she gave birth to John McClanahan's posthumous son, named John, Jr., who survived, attended William and Mary College, and married Mildred Maupin of Williamsburg. They had descendants (as of 1886) in West Virginia and Kentucky.

Margaret Ann had seven children by William Bowyer, and died in 1834.

1790 ROCKINGHAM COUNTY POLING LIST

Transcribed by: Dorothy Boyd-Rush

In the 1790 state senatorial election Sampson Mathews was opposed by David Stefenson. The vote in Rockingham County was Mathews: 76 and Stefenson: 6.

David Stefenson

Gawin Hamilton
John Rush
Jacob Bosang
Sampson Mathews, Senior

Geo. Baxter
John Davis
Francis Ervins
Wm. Higgins
John Huston
John Hicks
John Graham
Francis Kirtley
Isaac Dippeoe
Jacob Haprole
Leonard Miller
Adam Hanksberger
Joseph Dictom
Benjamin Smith
Robert Dunlap
Joseph Duglas
John Crins
David Ralstons
Henry Staulp
Michal Dack
John Wise
Breuer Rewes
John Pence
Eebeswar Henton
Matthias Cash
Thomas Harring
Jacob Single
Lodwig Keller
Jacob Murry
Adam Harmon
Peter Coonrod
John Erwin, Sr.
Wm. Pence
Charles McLane
Michael Wise
Bowian March
A. Sturrat
Reuben Harrington
Thomas Scott

David Leard
Jerimiah Regan
Richard Regan
John Linchorn
Sam Hemphill
Matthias Lear
Benjamin Henton
Thomas Harrison
Ezkiel Harison
Solomon Mathews
Geo. Armontout
Joseph Coonrod
Joseph Davis
John Erwin, Jr.
Matthias Shuler
George Nence[?]
Joseph Crosfer
Andrew Shanklard
Sam Hair
John Pirkey
Anthony Sowerbeer
Benjamin Berry
John Pitner
Ralph Loftus
Andrew Jimison
Michael Wise
Hugh Tifney
Jeremiah Beerly
John Aldorpha
Martin Surfos
John Blane
Urah Gartin
Robert Harrison
Adam Reader
James Mitchel
John Apler
George Fridley
Dennis Lanahan
Michael Keror
Ben[?]. Smith
S. W. Williams, C.

Rockingham County, April 1790. This List of Poles of an Election for Senator was Returned By the Sheriff. W. J. Ewin, CRC
ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COURT MINUTES
11th Instalment
February 18, 1782-April 1, 1782
Taken from Volume 1, Minute Book #1, April 27, 1778, to June 26, 1786,
copied from Original Minutes

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Rockingham County 18th Day of Feb'y 1782
Pursuant to an Act of Assembly past last October for appointing three
Commissioners for setting a value on the Lands belonging to the Sundry land
Holders within this County

Present

John Grattan                William Nalle
Josiah Davis (or Davidson?)  Benj Harrison
George Boswell               William Herring
John Thomas                  Mich'l Coger
James Dyer                   Gawen Hamilton
Henry Ewing                  Robt Davis
Wm McDowell                  Reuben Harrison
Anthony Reder                John Fitzwater

Gentlemen Justices of the Peace

The Clerk of the County being dead since the last Court held for this County the
Present Court has appointed Thomas Lewis to serve them in the Capacity of
Clerk on the Present occasion.

Several Gentlemen having offered themselves as Candidates for ye above
purpose the Court proceeded to the Election by way of Ballots & the Several
members having deposited their Tickets in the box, appointed Gawen Hamilton,
John Thomas & Henry Ewing to Examine the Same & report to the Court on
whom the Greatest number of votes fell, with Drew and after some time reported
as follow with viz that the first greatest number was for Benj Harrison—the Second
Greatest number for Brewer Reeves, the third greatest Number for John Fitz-
water, whereupon the Court Declared the aforesaid Benjamin Harrison, Bruer
Reeves & John Fitzwater Gentlemen, Commissioners for the present year.

The Court then proceeded to the appointment of two Trustees to value the
land of the above named Commissioners and William McDowell & Josiah
Davisson, Gentlemen, were appointed for that end. The above named three
Commissioners then took ye prescribed Oath in the aforesaid Act Set forth—
Also the above named two Trustees for valueing ye Commissioners Land took
the Oaths appointed by the aforesaid Act for ye above purpose

Then Court then adjourned to a Court in Course

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[Page 109 in the old Minute Book is blank, and what should be Page 110 is
numbered Page 111. This is Page 111.]
At a Court held for Rockingham County Monday 25th February 1782.
Present

Josiah Davison (or Davidson?)  John Davis
Geo Boswell                  Benja Harrison
John Thomas                 Reuben Harrison
William Nall(e)              Gawen Hamilton) Gents
Robt Davis                  John Harding
James Dyer                   Mich'l Coger
William McDowell             John Fitzwater

The Clerk of the Court being dead Rich'd Mathews was appointed to act as Clerk on the present occasion as to Assure a Clerk In the Room of Peter Hogg Dec'd
Andrew Lewis Henry Ewing & Geo Huston being Candidates the Court proceeded to Chuse one by Ballot Benj Harrison & Gawen Hamilton Gent Members of the Present Court Chosen to Retire with the Sheriff to Examine the Ballots Report that Henry Ewing has a majority. Whereupon the Court do appoint sd Ewing to the Same

Josiah Davisson

Same Day Continued and hear ye Court as above
Michael Mullen Came into the Court and was sworn In Deputy Sheriff under Thomas Hewit

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[About one-quarter of page 112 has only names which are written over and evidently are of no value. The rest of the page torn off. (Mr. Fetzer, typist)]

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At a Court held for the County of Rockingham Monday March 25th 1782
Present
John Gratten              Anthony Reader
Josiah Davis             William Herring
William McDowell         Benjamin Harrison
John Davis

Gentlemen Justices

Deed of B & S from
[Evidently of no value, rest of page torn off.]

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At a Court held for the County of Rockingham Monday March 25th 1782 [Names of the Justices present are not listed on the original page of the old minute Book]

produced in Court the last Will and Testament [of]—[name of testator not given]—and proved By Wm Dunlap one of the Witnesses whereupon Jacob Bowman Sen'r and Henry Shank the Executors therein named having taken the Oath of Executors and entered into Bond with Security according to Law Certificate is Granted them to Obtain probate in due form

The last Will and testament of John Hinton was produced in Court & proved By David Ralston Jas Hinton and John Johnston three of the Wit's and or'd to be recorded Whereupon Ebenezer Hinton one of the Exe'rs Having Entered Bond with Security and made Oath according to Law. Ord that David Ralston John Johnston Ezekiel Harrison Josiah Davisson or any three being first sworn Do appraise the sd Estate

The last Will an Testament of Abram Wright Was produced in Court and proved By Handle Vance one of the Wit's who also made oath [to] said John Hinton the other witness Being now Dead and a Wit[to] the sd Will. Whereupon Handle Vance and Susannah Wright Having Entered into Bond With Security and made oath according to Law Certificate is Granted &c Ord. Nicolas Curry David Ralston John Johnston Thomas Hewit or any three of them Being first sworn Do appraise the said Estate

Deed of Bargain and Sale from Aron Hughes to Bruer reeves Was proved By Thomas Hewit Ezekiel Harrison and Henry Ewing Wit's and Or'd to be Recorded

Jacob Bowman and Henry Shank Executors of the last Will and testament Having Entered into [Bond] with Security and Made Oath according to Law Or'd that Josiah Davison Jno Thomas Nicholas Shaver & David Ralston or any three of them praise the sd Estate being first sworn

Page 115
Adm'on of the Estate of Christopher Rudemaw is Granted to Wm Troughbaway having [taken] the Oath of an Adm'r & ent'd into Bond with Philip Arnesperst his Security according to Law. Or'd that John Huston, Robt Craven, Leonard Painter & Geo Huston or any 3 of them being first sworn app. sd Estate.

The last Will and testament of Henry Coaler Was produced in Court and proved By John Huston who made Oath Christopher roadarmour [Roadarmour] also in his presence Witnessed the Same whereupon the Executors Charles Rush and Leonard painter [Painter] having Entered into bond With Security and Made Oath according to Law. Or'd that John Huston James Bruster Robt Cravens, Felix Huffman or any three of them being first sworn Do appraise sd Estate.

The appraisment of Daniel Smiths Estate Ret'nd and or'd to be Rec'd

Deed of Bargain & Sale from Henry Bear and Elizabeth his wife to Mich'l Shaver was acknowledged by the said Henry & Eliz. she being first privately examined and Or'd to be recorded.

The last Will and testament of Robert Smith Was produced In Court and proved by Benj Harrison and Jere'h Ragon the Witnesses and or'd to be record(ed) Whereupon Benj Smith and Jane Smith Executors Having Ent'd into Bond with Security and made Oath accordin to Law. Or'd that Robt Cravens Jeremiah Ragan Nehemiah Harrison and John Ewin or any three being first sworn Do appraise the sd Estate

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Administration of the State of James Shannan De[cd] is Granted to Marthaw Shannon Widow She have Made Oath and Entered Into bond With Security according to law. Or'd that John Magill John Huston Wm Herring James Magill appraise the sd Estate being first sworn

The apprais'nt bill of Wm Farneys Estate Return'd to Court by Jno Norton and Or'd to be recorded

Deed of bargain and Sale from Barneye Johnston to Joseph Dunlap the sd Wife of sd Johnston Relinqu. her Right of Dower before Jno Davis Gent and or'd to Be recorded

Adm'n of the Estate of Jno Clicks Is Granted To Margaret Click his Widow
she having taking the oath and Entered into Bond according to law. Or'd that William Dunlap Robt Belsha Jacob Bowman and Jno Cring or any three of them being first sworn Do appraise the sd Estate of sd Click

a conveyance of land from Leonard painter [Painter] to Henry Deck was acknowledged in Court and or'd to be rec'd

The last Will and testament of Jas Hoard was produced in Court and proved by An'ld Bird Masten Shinar and Abram Bird the Witness' and or'd to be record' Sarah hoard and Ben hoard Exxs Having Entered into Bond With Security and taken the Oath according to law. Or'd that An'ld Bird James Huling Robt Moore Jas Wats or any three of them Being first Sworn Do ap'r ye sd Estate

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Two Deeds of Bargain and Sale from John Cring; [one] to Robt Belsha, ye one acknowledged his Wife Relinq. her Right of Dower Before John Grattin Gent and or'd to be record.

On the Motion of Wm McDowell Gent or'd that the road Be Cont'd from the plains Mill to George Easterly and the same to be kept in repair by P. McDowell

Administration of the Estate of Chrisley Bowman is Grant'd to Jno Bowman, the Widow Having Refused to take Upon her the Adm'r as appeared by the testimony of [A]nthyony [R] reader Whereupon the sd John [B] Bowman took the Oath and Entered into Bond With Security according to Law

Deed of Bargain and Sale from peter Vanorim [Vanimer] to Arthur Johnston was acknowledged and or'd to be record' his Wife having Relinquished her Right of Dower before Benja Harrison Gent

Or'd that the Church Wardens bin [bind] out William Airey Geo airey Orphans of Cutlip airey according to law

Or'd that Archibald Hopkins Have an Inclusive Survey Made of 40 acres of land Which he Bought of Thomas Campbell With his adjacent land thereto nixed the same to be certified

The Court is of Opinion that Seriuah Stratton Com'y of the Specifick tax be allowed & £10.0 for his Service In that Capacity in 1781

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Or'd that Jno Reeves be Overseer of the road Michael Warren To his own house in the Room of Thos Bryant Jun'r and that the usual tithables Work thereon

Or'd that Sol. Mathew[s] be overseer of the road In the room of Jos Lair from Thos Bryant Ju'r to Col Dan Smith's old place and that the former tithables Work thereon

William Smith took the Oath of Cap't In the Maj[ia]ria as the law prescribed or'd to be certified

Ordered that the Court be adj'ed till tomorrow at 8 o'cloc

Josiah Davison

At a Court con't & held for the County of Rockingham tuesday March 26th 1782 present

John Grattin Re[u] bin Harrison
Josiah Davison Ben Harrison
John Fitzwater John Thomas

Deed of Bargain and Sale from Thomas Harrison to John Turner acknowledged In Court and Or'd to be reco'd

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Or'd that a dedemus be Gran'd Martin Crider [Croyder?] to take the Depo. of Martin finder [Finder] & Jno Warin In Suit Dependin in this Court between Godfrey Hagey [Haga] pl't and sd Crider [Croyder?] Deft

James Devier agreeable to an or'd of last Court Entered In to Bond and Security for keeping Ordin'y in the town of Harrisonburgh

Or'd that the Court Be adjourned till tomorrow at 8 o'clock

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At a Court held for the County of Rockingham Tuesday March 26th 1782 for adjusting of of Claim against the Commonwealth of Virginia) agreeable to an Act of assembly passed Oct 1781 present

Claims
(Jno Grattin
William Nawl (Nalle)

vs
(Josiah Davis
Benj Harrison

the Com'l
(John Thomas
Reub. Harrison

Jno Fitzwater

United States Dr.
To Zebulon Harrison for 39 head of Cattle 24 Hurs at past [urage] 3 D per head Stablage for 2 horses 12 hours 6 pence each ½ bush of Corn 1 s 5 Rations at 6 Each

March 1, 1781
The United States Dr to Josiah Harrison to 6 Days With His team at 10 s per Day In Conducting British prisoner from ye South To Shanando Court House

Feb 24 1781
The United St's to Zebulon Harrison To 700 lbs of hay at 2 s per cwt Clover and timothy Hay

Aug't 20th 1781
The United St's to Zebulon Harrison To 200 lbs of Beef at 2 D ½ per lb for the Use of the British prisoner and Guards

Decm'r 4, 1781
The United St's to Zebulon Harrison Dr. for the use of the Malitia Guard with British prisoners from this County to Shenando 14 Bus of Oats at 1 s:8 D

Jan'y 16th 1781
United States to Isaiah Harrison Dr. for Bullock Driving 1 Day 5 s: [5 shillings]
United States to Gideon Harrison for Bullock Driving 1 Day 9 [?] S: Jan: Dr. October 27th 1780 United States to John Hopkins Dr

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To 2 Bags for the Use of ye Mal'a Going to tyger Valley [Tygart's Valley?] April 30th 1779 To 1&1/2 Bus of Corn at 2 S: per Bus and pasturage for 7 Horses 1 night at 6 Each Dr

State to Archibald Hopkins Lo-18 8: April 29th 1782 State to Matthew Smith Dr

May ye 5th May ye 1st and May ye 13th 1779 for one Black Horse 14 Hands High Well Made five years Old one Halter and Bell at 25L Jan ye 18th 1781 United States to William Hook Dr

To 1060 of flower at 15S: per cwt for the use of the Mal'a or'd on Duty Dr

To 22 yds and 2 [?] yd of Lining for a tent for the use of the Mal'a or'd to Rich mond on Duty at 25: per yd Jan ye 20th 1781 United States to William Hook

United States to Archibald Hopkins Dr

To 7 Head of Cattle 3 years Old Each Extra ordinary Large of that Age Estimated 400 lbs Each at 16 S: 8 D per cwt for the Use of the Mal'a or'd on Duty to Carlonia [or Carolina?] the 5th Quarter to be added

April 25 1781 United States to James Brewster Dr

Jan ye 16th 1781 United States to George Baxter Dr

To 24 yds of lining for the Use of the Mal. or'd on Duty to Rich'd at 2 S: per yd Jan ye 10th 1781 United States to Jas Bruster

Dr

Oct. ye 3 1780 United States to John Hopkins Dr

To 4 Head of Cattle Estimated at 1900 Gross 16 S: 8 D per lb Ex Good for the use of the Mal'a on Duty to Carolina

Dr

May 5th 1779 State to John Hopkins Dr

To 245 lbs of flower at 15 S: per cwt for the Mal or'd on Duty to tygers Valley

Dr

Jan 6th 1781 United States to Jno Hopkins for the makeing of 7 tents 2L 10S: for Mal'a or'd on Duty to Rich'd

Dr

Nov 10th 1780 United States to Jno Hopkins Dr

To 21 yds 4/3 of Lining at 2S: per yd for the Mal. or'd on Duty [at] Rich'd

Dr

Cont'd Dr

To John Hinton for one Beaf Estimated to Weigh 407 Gross and 2 D lbs (at 2 pence per lb?)
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<td>Jan 16th 1781</td>
<td>To John Hinton for 22 flower Casks at 2s: Each and to packing the Sames at 4 [?] Each</td>
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<td>To John Hinton for 8 flower Casks at 2s: Each and packing of ye same at 4 Each</td>
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<td>To John Hinton for 3 buch of rice at 2s:6d per bus</td>
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<td>Decem 18th '80 [1780]</td>
<td>To John Hinton for 2 bullocks Wt Neat 725 lbs at pr 2dl/2d per lb [at 2&amp;1/2 d per lb]</td>
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<td>Do</td>
<td>To John Hinton for 3 horses 11 Days at good past'g at 6d per horse To a wagoners Rations 6 Days at 1s per Day To 150 wt of good Hay at 1s.6d per cwt To 2 bus of Corn at 2s per bus</td>
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<td>To Thomas Moore for one bullock wt 440 Neat at 2d &amp; 1/2 per lb</td>
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<td>March 4 1781</td>
<td>To Thomas Moore for 18 Diets of 6d Each 7 Horses 1 Night at good hay d7 &amp; ½ per Horse [at 7 &amp; ½ pence per horse]</td>
<td>Dr</td>
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<td>Cont'd Dr Decem 22 1780</td>
<td>To James Bruster for 9 Days publick Service with his team at 10S: per Day To feeding 1 publick Horse 38 Days at 1S.3 D. To 1 horse in publick Service 38 Days [at] 1S.6D per day To 4 flower Casks at 2S pr Cask</td>
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<td>To Jas Dunn for 19 yd Course lining at 2.6. pr yd</td>
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<td>To Elizabeth Shipman for Making 1 tent 6 [?]: 3d</td>
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<td>To John Crafford 16 yd of lining at 2.6 per yd</td>
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<td>To William Diver for 1 kittle 1 Do 10 S per kittle</td>
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<td>To Ben Whetten for 10 yd Course lin'g at 2 S. per yd</td>
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<td>To George Gartner for 1 Blanket good in quality Twenty Shillings</td>
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<td>Oct 27th 1780</td>
<td>To Balser Counce for 1 Days publick Service With his team</td>
<td>Dr</td>
<td>10S.</td>
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<td>Nov 9th 1780</td>
<td>To John Bowman for 79 of Do (Wolling not fulld?) at 5 S. per yd</td>
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<td>Nov 9th 1780</td>
<td>'To John Cring for 13 yd of Do [Wolling not fulld at 5 S per yd]</td>
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To Daniel Love  
for 4 Dozen of Oats at 7[?] S.6D.  

To Margret Devier  
for making 1 tent at 6 S.3½ [pence]  

To George Long  
for 1 Bus'h of Wheat at 3s. per bus  

To Godfrey Hamilton  
for 6 yd's of Cloth at 5 S. per yd  

To Richard Mathews  
for half a bus'h of Alum £. 10 S.  

To Thomas Shankling  
for 3 Days publick Service With his team  
at 10 S per Day  
to 4½ bus of Oats at 1 S.8 D per bus  

Cont'd Dr  
March 1st  
for 6 Days publick Service With his team  
at 10 S per Day  

Oct 7th  
1780  
To William Dever  
for 1 bell and Strap & buckle 5 S.  

March 1st  
1781  
To Robt Williams  
for 6 Days publick Service With his Team  
at 10 S. per Day  

Oct 6th  
1780  
To Isiah Shipman  
for 1 Iron or Dutch Oven  

Nov 3  
1781  
To David Harnet  
for 200 wt of Hay at 1 S.3d per cwt  

Jan 14th  
1781  
To 300 of Do at Do  
To the above or'd to be added 31 Gall's of  
Corn at 4d per gall'n; and 30 Diets at  
6 [6 pence?] per Diet  

The aforesaid Receipts Granted to Mr. Harnet the Artickles Ware as appear  
to the Court for the use of the Mal [Malitia] Called Out By Col. Jno Smith Lieut  
of Frederick County in Order to Repulse the enemy When Making their Rout as  
Was Supposed toward the Albamarle Barricks to Retake the Con'n [Continental] troops Whence the Immergency in that Case [are of] Oeapinion [meaning  
Opinion] Every Man to ride for Which
To William Dunafin
for 1 Gun Which sd Dunafin lost in the
Battle of W Hot Water Being Badly Wounded
£2.12[57]

Nov ye 13th
1781
To John Harrison
for 26 Diets 6 D Each 1½ Bus Corn 2 S per
bus To 26 head of public Cattle 3 Days at
Hay 1.6 per head. 12 Do at pasture at 1
C[?] per head 7 Head of Horses at pas 1
Night 6 Each

Decem 11th
1780
To John Armentrout
for public Service With his team 23
Days at 10 S per Day

Nov. 14th
1780
To Peter Selleers
for 5 Bus of Corn at 2 S per bus

Nov 10th
1780
To Pet. Sellers
for 5 bus of Rice at 2.6. per bus

Nov 14th
1780
To Robt Elliot
for 5 bus of Corn 2 S. per bus

Jan 10th
1781
To Robt Elliot
for 3 bus of Do at Do

feb 23d
1781
To Frederick Rob
for 19 bus Do at Do

Jan 18th
1781
To Conrod fudge [Fudge]
96 lbs of pork at 3d per lb
the Same with Mr Harnets from Shando

Jan 13th
1781
To David Fudge
for 1 bus Corn 2S Same as Do
To 3 Suppers at 6 D Each
To 9 horses at Hay 1 Night 6 Each

Sept 18th
1781
To David fudge [Fudge]
for 124 lbs beef at 2d per lb
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June 13th
1781
To William Young
for 130 lbs of Hay at 1s.6d. per cwt
10 Sheaves of Oats [at] 1s
8 Diets at 6d Each.Same with Harnets

Dr
Nov 13th
1780
To Adam Hansberger
for 52 bus of Corn at 2s. 1 Days publick
Service With his team finding his own
diet and forage 15s

Feb 19th
1781
To David fudge
for 1 Bag 6 s

Sept. 16th
1781
To John Fudge
for 1 pair of Stilards [Steelyards]
12s.6d.

Jan 16th
1781
To Coonrod Hansberger
for 8 yds of Wolling Cloth Coloured
Blue at 7.6. per yd

Oct 8th
1780
To Adam Harnsberger
for 1 Waggonor Cover Very Good 4" Shil-
lings

Decem 15th
1781
To Adam hansberger [Harnsberger]
500 lbs of fodder at 2s per cwt 1s 6 pr C W

Oct 26th
1780
To Reis thomas (Thomas)
for 1 good Blanket

Octo 26th
1780
To John thomas [Thomas]
for 4 Diets 6d Each 2 quart of Wh[ikey?] 2s

Jan 29th
1781
To John thomas (Thomas)
for 2 bus of Corn at 2s per bus

March 31st
1781
To John thomas [Thomas]
for 3 Sheaves of Oats 6d

March 29th
1781
6 Quarts of Corn 6d 3 Sheaves of Oats
6d Hay and Stabledge for 3 Horses 1 Night
2s and 3 Diets at 6d

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March 31st
1781
To John Dunbar
For 3 Diets at 6d 6 Quarts of Oats 6d
Or'd that ye Sheriff summons Wm Herring to attend Court tomorrow
Or'd that Court be adjourned till tomorrow at 10 oClock

Jisiah Davisson
At a Court Cont'd and held on Thursday March the 28th 1782 for the County
of Rockingham
July 3d, 1781
To Leonard Herring
for 30 bus of Corn at 2s pr bus

Nov 15th, 1781
To Frederick Armentrout
for 1 Bag 1 Do 6s
2 Bushels of Spoils—14¢ @ [74]—3/9

April 24th, 1779
for 1 Bag 3 s

Nov 24th, 1780
315 lbs wt of beef at 2 d

June 15, 1781
375 wt of beef at 2d [2 d]

Sept 14th, 1781
To Henry Miller
for 50 Gallons of Whiskey at 3s. pr gallon and Casks 6 Shillings

Jan 14th, 1781
39 horses 1 Night at Hay sixpence Each
2½ bus of Corn at 2s. 1 bus of Spels 1...8
also 39 Diets at 6 d Each

Jan 15th, 1781
To Henry Miller
for 2 bus Corn at 2s pr bus
4 bus of Spelch [? ] at 1:6 pr bus and
30 Horses 1 Night at Hay 6d Each and
30 Diets at 6d Each and 30 Moring Snacks at
3d Each and 30 gills of whis at 2 pr gill
this under the Same Circumstances wi[th] harness [Harnet]

Jan 19th, 1781
To Henry Miller
for 1 Ax 5 Shillings

June 6th, 1780
for 1 beef 437 lbs at 2d pr

Jan 13th, 1781
To Jere Beazly [or Beasly or Beazly OR Beazle]
for 1 bus of Corn at 2s
Hay for 27 Horses 1 Night at 6 per Horse
Same as Harnet

Sept 22d, 1781
To Jere Beazly
fr pasture for 5 horses 4 Days at 6 pr horse pr Day and 4 per Night for forage

Jan 13th 1781
To Jere Beezly
for 1 Gallon of Salt 7s.6d.

Jan 1st
To George Bossle (Boswell is correct)

Jan 1st, 1781
To George Bossel [Boswell]
for 1 Bus of Oats at 1s.6d.
250 wt of Hay at 1.3d pr

March 1st, 1781
George Kelsle [Keezel?]
for 6 Days public Service With his team
at 10s pr Day

Feb 23d, 1778
To George bossle [Boswell]
for 8 Days Rations for 2 Men
at 1 [Shilling or Pence?] per Ration
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Feb 12th, 1781
To George Bozle [Boswell]
for 42 Days publick Service With His team at 10s pr Day

April 11th, 1781
To Jas Laird
99 Days Public Service With His team
at 10s pr Day

Nov 15th, 1780
To Alexander Miller
725 beef at 2d or lb

Nov 2d, 1781
Frances Stewart
for pasturage for 10 head of Cattle
7 Days at 4d per head

Oct 24th, 1778
To Frances Stewart
for 11 Rations 1s pr Ration

Oct 24th, 1781
To Frances Stewart
for 5 Horse pas'r on[e] Night at
6d Each

Nov 17th, 1780
Jos Rutherford
for 5 bus of rie [rye] at 2c [Shillings?] pr bus

July 4th, 1781
To Sam Hemphill [Samuel Hemphill?]
for 22 lbs of Bacon at 9d and 97 lbs
of pork at 1d pr lb
Fab 25th 1781

To Peter Nicholas [or Nicolas?] for 10 Soldiers Diets at 6d Each

Dr
Decem 29th 1780

To Peter Nicholas for 14 Head of Cattle at Hay Night and a Day at 6d pr head Eight Diets at 6d Each forrage for 4 horses one Night at 6d pr Horse

Dr
August 7th 1781

To Peter Nicholas for 7 Diets and 6 Gallons of Oats Diets 6d Each Oats 4d pr gall’n

Dr
Decem 16th 1780

To Peter Nicholas for 50 wt of Hay at 1s.6d pr £ [cwt] & 6 Bundles of Oats at 2d pr B

Dr
Oct 21st 1781

To Peter Nicholas for 2 bus of Oats at 1s.8d pr B

Dr
Jan 14th 1781

To Peter Nicholas for 2 bus of Corn at 2s [per] B’s and 20 Diets at 6d Each

Dr
Nov 12th 1780

To Jacob Nicholas for 200 wt of Hay at 1s.6d and pasture for 14 Head of Cattle at 4d pr head

Dr
Decem 12th 1781

Reubin Harrison for 99 Days Public Service With His team at 10s pr Day

Dr
Sept 16th 1781

To Bar[n]abas Carpenter for 1 Beaf Weighing 287 lbs at 2d pr lb

Dr
Jan 1st 1782

To Barbabas Carpenter for 1350 wt of hay at 1s.6d pr £ [cwt]

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Janary 20th 1781

To Barnabas Simmerman [Zimmerman?] Serving in Publick Service Wi his team Halfe a Day and finding his own forrage and Diet 7..6: [.7s.6d]

Dr
Decem 4th 1780

To Barnabas [Barnabas] Carpenter for 251 Wt of Hay at 1s 6d and 5¼ bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus

Dr

December
Likewise for Damage Done by Continental troops To the possesions of sd Simmerr[an] 8 Shillings

Likewise for Damage Done by Continental troops To the possesions of sd Simmerr[an] 8 Shillings

Jan 11th 1781

To Barnabas Carpenter for 1 Diet one Lodging & one horse feed and Lodging 2s.od

2s.od

Nov 9th 1781

To Barney Simmerman [Zimmerman?] for 1 Bus of Corn at 2s.

Dr
Jan 7th 1781

To Barnabas Simmerman [Barbabras Zimmermann?] for 4000 Wt of hay at 1s.3d.pr cwt

Dr
Nov 17th 1780

To John Brown for 2 Bus of Rie [Rye] at 2s.6d pr Bus

Dr
Feb 23d 1781

Barnaby Zimerman [Zimmerman] for 34Galls of - - - - - [something] at 3s pr gall’n

Dr
Nov 26th 1780

To John Frazer for 2 bus of rie [rye] at 2s.6d. pr bus and 10 bus of Corn at 2s [pr] Bus

Dr
July 21st 1781

To Nana Simerman for 66 lbs of Mutton at 3d pr lb

Dr
Decem 7th 1781

To Pat Gum for 3 Bus of Corn at 2s or Bus

Dr
July 21st 1781

To Daniel Smith for Pastureing 34 Troop horses Twenty Days at 6d pr Day 51 lbs of Beaf at 2d per lb 4 bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus One Gall’n and halfe a pint of Whiskey at 4d pr pint

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Nov 30th 1781

To Daniel Smith for 1 Days public Service Wi[with] his Team finding his Rations and forrage l..S 15D.0

Dr
Jan. 18th 1781

To Michael Couger for Makeing 1 Tent 6s.3d.

To Makeing 1 Do at Do 6s.3d.

Or'd that the Court be adjourned till tomorrow at Eight oClock

William Null[c]
At a Court Cont'd and Held on Friday March 29th 1782 for the County of Rockingham

George Boswell  
John Fitzwater  
Reuben Harrison  

William Herring  
John Davis  

Gentlemen

Cont'd Dr  
Nov 12th 1781  
To Reuben Harrison 55 Head of Publikk Cattle 1 Night at Pasture at 4d per Head  

Feb 24th 1781  
To Reuben Harrison for 5½ Bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus  

Nov 21st 1780  
To John Weir [for] 8½ bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus  
To Reuben Harrison for 1 Horse Lost is Publikk Service fifteen pounds  

Nov 24th 1780  
To Peter Miller Sen'r for 311 pounds of Beaf at 2s pr lb  

Nov 14th 1780  
To John Bush for 4 Bus of Corn at 2s pr B  

Nov 20th 1780  
To Ester Shepherson for 2500 Wt of Hay at 1s.3d. per £ [cwt]  

Nov 14th 1780  
To Jno Bush for 6 Bus of Oats at 1s.8d pr B  

Nov 20th 1780  
To Peter Miller Jun'r for 2 bus Rie at 2.6 pr Bus and 3 & 3/4 of Oats at 1s8d pr Bus  

Nov 13th 1781  
To Leonard Miller for 1800 wt of Hay at 1s.3d pr [cwt]  

Nov 14th 1780  
To Robt Hook for 6 bus Wheat 3s pr bus  

Nov 27th 1780  
To Jacob Beare for 39 bus of Speelce at 1s.8d pr bus and 5 bus of Corn at 2s pr bus  

Nov 21st 1780  
To Henry Miller for 16&3/4th of Corn at 2s pr bus and 14 Do of rie at 2s.6d pr bus  

Nov 11th 1780  
To James Bruster for 10 Bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus  

Nov 21st 1780  
To Coonrod Hulvah for 3 bus of Rie at 2s.6d pr  

Jan 20th 1781  
To Gabriel Jones for 10 bus of rie at 2.6 pr Bus and 5 Bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus  

Jan 10th 1781  
To Gabriel Jones for 33 bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus  

Nov 14th 1780  
To Peachy Gilmore for 19&3/4 of Wheat at 3s pr Bus  

Nov 22d 1780  
To peachy Gilmore for 6 Bus Oats at 1s.8d pr Bus  

Nov 12th 1780  
To George Mallow for 2 Bullocks Wt 650 lbs [at] 2d per lb  

Decem 29 1780  
To adam Sellers for 3 Diets 6d Each & Corn 1s  

Jan 18th 1781  
To Robt Hook for 12 yd of Course lining at 2s pr  

Aug 4th 1781  
To Robt Slaughter for 35 bus of Corn at 2s.  

Do 6th 1781  
To John Branum for 1 Days publick Service With His Team 10s  

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Jan 10th 1781  
To Jacob peters for 5 Gall'n of Whiskey at 3s pr Gall'n  

June 5th 1781  
To Wooly Hershman for 312½ lbs Beaf at 2d.  

Sept 20th 1781  
To Ben White for one peck of Salt at 15s [pr bus?]  

Decem 21st 1781  
To Jacob Beare for 1300 Wt of Hay at 1s.6d pr [cwt] and 1 Bus of Corn 2s and 14 Diet at 6 [d] Each  

Decem 21st 1780  
To Jacob Beare for 400 Wt of Hay at 1s.6d pr cwt and 3 peck of Corn 1s.6d and 14 Diets at 6 Each  

Feb 24th 1781  
To Jacob Beare for 10 Diets at 6d. Each and 2 bus Oats at 1s.8d.  

May 26th 1781  
To Jacob Beare for 37½ lbs of Beacon at 9d pr lb and 26 Diets at 6d Each 48 lbs of flower at 12s per cwt  

Feb 24th 1781  
To Henry Long for 2 bus of Corn at 2s pr Bus  

Jan 18th 1781  
To Lawrence Slaughter for 50 lbs of Beaf Stall flesh Beaf at 2d.½ pence pr lb  

May 21st 1781  
To Ann field [Field] for 350 Wt of Beaf at 5d pr lb
Nov 14th 1780 To Jacob Kiblunger for 1000 lbs of Beef at 2d pr

April 3d 1781 To Jacob Kiblunger for 8 bus of Oats at 1s.8d
8 lbs of Dry Beef at 7d ½ d pr lb

Feb 24th 1781 To Jacob Kiblunger for 611 lbs of Hay at 1s,6d.

Feb 22d 1781 To Jacob Kiblunger for 1128 lbs of Hay at 1s 6d
and 11 Bus of Oats at 1s,8d pr Bus

Aug 21st 1781 To An'd Hudlow for 50 Gall's of Whiskey at 3s
pr Gal & 4s for a Cask

Jan 21st 1781 To An'd Hudlow for 46 Bus of Oats at 1s.6 pr bus

March 26th 1781 To Joseph Hannah for 30 bus of Corn at 2 pr bus
and Eight Bus of Rie at 2s.6d pr Bus

May 6th 1779 To Jos Hannah for 200 lbs of Flower at 12s 6d pr cwt

Jan'y 1781 To Paul Lingal for 12½ bus of Corn at 2s pr bus
and 1240 Wt of Hay at 1s 6d pr Hundred

Nov 23d 1780 To Paul Lingal for 300 Wt of Hay at 1s6d pr cwt

June 10th 1781 To Paul Lingal for Hay and pasturage for 80 horses
one Night at 6d pr horse

Cont'd Dr

Oct 11th 1780 To Baul [Paul] Lingal for 100 Wt of Hay at 1s
6d pr cwt

June 10th 1781 To Baul Lingal for Hay for 12 Horses 1 Night
at 6[d] pr Horse

June 18th 1781 To Hans Magert for 100 Wt of Hay at 1.s.6d.

Sept 16th 1781 To George Bossell [Boswell] for 375 lbs of beef
at 2d pr lb

Or'd By the Court that Charles Rush Benjamin Hinton and Seruiah Stratton
Be Appointed Commissioners of the Special Tax To Receive and act in that
Capacity agreeable to an Act of Gen'l Assembly passed October 1781 and that
the Sheriff Summons the Sd Rush and Hinton Commissioners To Attend
Monday Next to Give Bond and Security According to Law, and that Stratton be
Summons to April Court for ye same purpose

Or'd by the Court that Capt Jno Fitzwater takes the List of titubables &
property agreeable to Act of Assembly passed October 1781 In Capt Baker

Com'y Anthony Reader In Capt Randels Com'y Wm Mc.dowell Gent In Capt
Morres Com'y Jno Thomas In Capt Christmans Do [that is to say, in Capt
Christmans Company] Josiah Davis Gent In Capt Baxter Com'y Jno Davis Gent
In Capt Smiths Com'y Wm Herring Gent Maj In his own Com'y Siles Hart
Gent in Joseph Harrisons Com'y Reuben Harrison Gent in Capt Ragans Com-
pny George Bossell [Boswell] Gent In Capt Hustons Com'y Gavain Hamilton in
Rushs Com'y Col Wm . . . . . . . ck In Capt Beasselys and Coonrods Com'y Capt
Couger in His Later Com'y James Dycr In Capt Strattons Com'y Isaac Henckle
in his own Com'y and Robt Davis in his Old Com'y

Or'd that the Court be adjournd till tomorrow at Eight o'Clock

George Boswell

At a Court Cint'd and held Saturday March the 30th 1782 for the County of
Rockingham

George Boswell

Present

John Davis

Wm Herring
To Henry Harter for 2 horses halfe a day In publick Service assisting Some troops one [on] their March 1.6

To Daniel Smith for 5½ Quarts of Bear at 4d per Qu't and 12 lbs of flower at 1s.6d.

To William Nall[e] for 28 bus of Corn at 2s per busfor His team 1 Day Hauling ye Same 15s

To William Nawl [Nalle] for ½ a bus of Salt 1s.10d

To Edward Williams for 313 lbs of beef at 2d pr

To Jacob Bear for 1 bag ls. 8d per

To Woolny Hershman for 2 bags at 5s Each

To Jacob Moyers for 1 bag 6s 8d

To Jacob Bear for 200 Wt of Hay at 1s.6d. Page 135.

To Jacob Bear for Sixty Days With His Team In Publick Service at 10s per Day

To Darby Ragon $for 19 Days Publick Service With His Team at 10s per Day

To Felix Gilbert for putting a new Axiltree and repairing Publick Wagon 5s

To Felix Gilbert for 2½ bus of Corn at 2s

To Felix Gilbert for 8 horse Shoes at 1s.3d.

To Felix Gilbert for Barrel of Corn 10s.

To Jno Perky for 366 lbs of beef at 2d

To George Pence for 9½ bus of Corn at 2s

To Henry Pence for Eight flower Cask at 2s Each

French Brandy at 16 S. per Gal
Wine at 16 S. per Gal
Peach Brandy 12 S. per Gal
Apple Brandy at 10 S. per Gal
Whiskey at 5 S. per Gal
Malt Bear per Quart O. 6d.
Cyder per Quart 6d
a warm or Hot Dinern 1 S. 3 d.
Cold Do 1 S. 0
Cold Do 1 S.
for a bed With Clean Sheets 0. 9d
Stabledge With Hay or fodder for a horse 1 Night 7½d
Corn per Gallon 1d
Oats per Gall'n 7½d
Pasturage for 1 horse per Night 6d

Or.d that Josiah Davis Gawn Hamilton & Silas Hart be Sum'd to attend on Court Monday Next and Jno Thomas Gent Or'd that the Court Be Adjourned till Monday Next

George Boswell

To Jno Smith for 7 Days Wagging in assisting with ye British Prisoners from ye S[outh] to Shana. [Shenandoah] at 10s per Day

To William Marshall for 986 Pounds of Flower at 12s6d pr cwt Being 5 casks at 2s per Cask

To Lewis Cirkle for one Beaf Estimated 500 CWT at Twopence pr lb

To Zeb Harrison for one Brown Mare 14&1/2 hand high Stout Made 15 years Old 10£[pounds]

To Zeb Harrison By a dutch Clourk ye hand not known for 40 head of Bullocks at pasture one Night at 3d pr Head

To adam Argabright for 2 bus of Corn at 2s pr b

To Mart Argabright for 2 bus Do at 2s pr Bus

To Dan'l Quin for 1 Bay Mare 14 hands & 1 Inch High 5 years Old Well made Lost In Publick Service Twenty Pounds year ell [What does yeall mean?]
Nov 11th 1780  To Brewer Reeves for 1 Bullock Estimated to Wt 400 lbs ar 2d per lb

State Dr

July 2d 1778  To Issie Wood for 113 pounds of Pork at 3d pr

Cont'd Dr

June 18th 1781  To Alexander Miller for one Bay horse 14 hands Two Inches & 4/3 High Six Years Old Well Made 25£

June 30th 1781  To William Fitzwater for 2 bus of Corn at 2s pr

State Dr

June 2 1781  To Sarah bags for Pastur. for 25 Horses one Night at 6d Ea

Cont'd Dr

Dec 7th 1780  To Jeremiah Ragon 30 Days Service With his Team at 10s. pr Day

Fab 10th 1781  To John Page for 12 Bundles of Fodder 1s.

June 14th 1781  To John Ewin for 1 Beaf 2£,15s,9d Sp'a [?]

Oct 5th 1780  To Wm Stephenson for 29 yd 3/4 of Course lining at 2s pr yd

Sept 15th 1781  To Francis Erwin for 16S lbs of Beaf at 2d pr Page 137

Cont'd Dr.

Feb 16th 1781  To John Page for 3 Diets at 6 pence Each Forrage for 3 Horses 7&1/2 Each

State

May 3, 1779  To Gawin Hamilton 220 Wt of Flower at 12s.6d

Cont’d Dr

March 29th 1781  To Sarah bags for 3 Diets at 6d Each 3 Qrts Corn 6d

Jan 16th 1781  To Jacob Fowland & Sarah Bags for 2 tents at 2£,6s,11d Each

Sept 3d 1776  To Gawin Hamilton 1 Horse 60 Days in Publick Service at 1s 6d pr Day

Jan 18th 1781  To John Page for 11 bus 3 Pecks of Oats at 1s.8d per Bus and Peck of Corn Is

To Johnston Neilson for 1 Rifle, Gun Powder Horn and Shot Bag Lost in ye Continental Service in ye year [17]76 In ye Expedition to Georgie [Georgia] 15,510

To Jeremiah Harrison By assignment from Conard Smith for 1 roan Mare 11 years Old about 13 Hands 3 Inches High Well Made With Bell & pack saddle Lost in State Service In ye year 1774 In the Expe'd to ye point [Pleasant?'] Under Dunmore Ten Pounds

June 12th 1781  To Daniel Smith for Eleven Diets at 6d Each

State

May 20th 1781  To William Fitzwater f Pasture for 92 Horses 1 Night at 6d Each

Cont'd Dr

Augs 3d 1781  To Handel Vance for 197 Wt of Beaf at 2d pr lb

Jan 16th 1781  To Nicholas Curry for 5 flower Casks at 2s Each

State

June ye 1, 1781  To Michael Baker for Pasture for 28 Horses 1 Night 6d pr Horse

Augus 3d 1781  To Jno Fitzwater for 100 Wt of Beaf at 2d pr lb

Fab 3d 1781  To Wm Marshall for 27 Days Service With His Team at 10s pr Day

April 25th 1781  To Dan'l Polser for 2 Diets 6d Each

Do 23 Do  To Dan'l Smith for 6 Diets 6Pence Each and 1 horse 3 Days 15.6d pr Day Page 138

Cont’d Dr

Aprile 23 1781  To Wat Crow for 38 lbs of Beacon at 9d pr lb
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Aprile 27 1781
To Jas Elliot for 1 horse 3 Days in Service at 1s.6d pr Day and ½ bus of Corn 1s

June ye 10 1781
To William Magille for 9 lbs of Powder at 3s.6d pr lb

Do 9th 1781
To Jno Guin & Jno Hemphill for Gwin 3 Days with 3 horses In Public Service at 10s pr Day, Hemphill 2 Days at 7s 6d Day finding themselves & horse provision

Nov 23 1780
To Jas Baird for 150 lbs of Good Hay at 1s6d pr cwt

Sept 16th 1781
To Jas Baird for one Beef Estimated To 362 lbs at 2d per lb

May 28th 1781
To Jas Baird for Eight pounds of beacon at 9d pr lb Three pounds and a halfe of butter at 6d pr lb 1 Peck of Corn 1s and Bus of Meal 3s

June 17 1781
To Jas Baird for 4 bus of Corn at 2s and 3 Diets at 6d Each Forrage for 3 horses at 6d Each

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To George Carpenter for 1 Gun Lost In the year 1781 In the Battle at Jas Town [Jamestown] gun Shot pouthch and powder horn 5s, 5s

State
May 3d 1779
To Wm Smith for Acting as Packhorse Master In barring Provision to Tyger Valley [Tygart Valley] 40 Days at 6s pr Day Who then Acted Under the Direction of Wm Boon a Com'y App'd By Col Abram Smith 100£ Sd Boon having Some Time ago Rec'd his Papers By Col Nawl [Nalle] Which By Mis't [mistake] Ware lost With other Papers Sd Boon Being Now abscond the following Persons have applied to the Court and Proved their Acpt [account] Viz: Wm Smith Purchasing Com'y 5 Days 6s pr Day & 2 bus Salt at 10 dollars pr bus

Cont'd Dr
To Jno'th Shipman for 16 Days Driving Pack horses at 2s 6d pr To Abijah Warrin for 13 Do at Do Jno McGlahing 13 Do at Do Lin'd Wade 13 Do at Do To Jno Armstrong 40 Do at Do

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To Thos Collick for Driving pack horses 10 Days at 2.6
To Jacob Glaspie for 19 Do at Do
To Wm Rice 21 Do at Do
To Jas Bletcher 17 Do at Do

May 20th 1779
To Jno Rice for 139 lbs Bacon at 9d per lb

Jun 12th 1779
To Jere'h Harrison for 1 horse 45 Days in Publick Service at 1s.6d A Pack Saddle bag and furniture Lost 8s 9d

May 23rd 1779
To Robt Cravens for 1 horse in Publick Service 18 Days at 1s.6d pr Day

Jun 12th 1779
To Jno Deniston for 1 horse 38 Days In Do at Do

May 3rd 1779
To Abram Smith for Pasturage 12 Horses Two Days To and 2 Nights at 1s pr Day and Night To Do 16 Do 1 Day and Night at Do To Do 24 Horses 1 Day at [and] Night at Do To 150 lbs rie Meal at 10s pr £[cwt] To 23 Halters 1s 3d Each To 10 lbs Hemp at 6d pr lb To Pasturage & hay for 28 horses 2 Days and Nights at 1s Each pr Day and Night To 1 Horse and Mule 38 Days in Service at 1s 6d pr Day Each To 12 Diets at 6d Each N B. All Pasture 24 hours 6d To George Pierce for Pasture for 2 horses 20 Days at 6d Each pr Day To Do 2 Do 12 Days at Do

Sept 15th 1781
To William young for Serving 19 Days at Qtr. Mas. at 6s pr Day

June 20th
To Do 22 Days Com'y at Do per Day

Or'd that the Sheriff Summons Jno Grattan Gent Wm Herring and Jno Davis Gent[s] to attend Court Tomorrow at 10 o'clock and Reuben Harrison Jno Thomas Gent[s] next Day

At a court Cont'd and Heald for the County of Rockingham Monday Aprile the 1st 1782
Present
Josiah Davis
Reuben Harrison
Gawin Hamilton
Benj Harrison

Ordered that Michael Roarick [O'Roark?] be Recomend for The Capt'ns
COMM'D IN THE ROOM OF CAP'T COUGER WHO HATH RESIGNED AND OR'D TO BE CERTIFIED

ORD'D [Y]HOST HINCKLE BE RECOMMENDED FOR THE COM'N OF ENSIGN IN CAP'T ISAAC HINCKLE COMPANIE OF MALITIA IN RICH'D

ORD'D THAT ANDREW RUDDELL BE RECOMMENDED FOR THE ENSIGN IN CAP'T GEORGE RUDDELLS COM'Y OF MALITIA OR'D TO BE CERT'D

ORD'D THAT RODGER DIER [DYER] BE RECOMMENDED FOR THE CAP'T COM'N IN THE ROOM OF CAP'T DAVIS WHO HATH RESIGNED OR'D TO BE CERTIFIED.

ORD'D THAT JNO MOIR [?] BE RECOMMENDED FOR LIEUT IN THE FOR SD [AFORESAID?] COM'Y OF MALITIA O'BD TO BE CERTIFIED

BENJAMIN HARRISON TOOK THE OATH PRESCRIBED BY LAW OF COUNTY LIEUTENANT OF THE MALITIA OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY

ORD'D THAT DANIEL NEILSON BE APPOINTED OVERSEER OF ROAD FROM THE OTHER SIDE OF THE CREEK AT WM. HERRINGS TO HIS FATHERS HOUSE.

ORD'D THAT JAS BRUSTER BE APPOINTED OVERSEER OF THE ROAD FROM NEILSON MILL TO THE FORK OF ROAD BETWEEN HIS OWN HOUSE AND WM. YOUNGS [YOUNGS]

ORD'D THAT NICHOLAS KERN BE APPOINTED IN THE ROOM OF EZEKIEL HARRISON FROM THE PLAINS MILLS TO OPPOSITE VAL [?] SURVEYORS OLD HOUSE ON YE LONG MEDOW INCLUDING THE BRANCH OR CREEK.


ORD'D THAT THE COURT BE ADJ'D TILL COURT IN COURSE

JOSSIAH DAVISON

This instalment will complete the serialization of the Rockingham County Court Minutes. All of Minute Book 1 has been abstracted and compiled by Constance A. Levinson and Louise A. Levinson and is available for purchase from the Harrisonburg-Rockingham Historical Society.

OLD GRAVEYARD AT MCGAHEYSVILLE, ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VA., ON THE N.W. SIDE OF THE MAIN ROAD, AROUND THE OLD LUTHERAN (FORMERLY LUTHERAN AND GERMAN REFORMED) CHURCH

3196 Joseph G. Mauzy, sone of Joseph and Christina Mauzy
   b. July 6, 1812
   d. May 19, 1814 [?]

3197 Elizabeth Mauzy, d. of Joseph & Christina Mauzy
   b. Aug. 2, 1810
   d. June 21, 1814 [?]

3198 Philip Reiers [?] [Royer?]
   b. Dec. 6, 1799
   d. —dates uncertain — Inscriptions in German
   [see entry 3225]

3199 Maria Elisabeth Reyer, wife [?] of John Reiers
   b. June 12, 1743
   d. —

3200 Peter Conrad
   b. July 26, 1745
   d. Aug. 8, 1800
   [A number of the old inscriptions are in German.]
   HIER LIGH DER
   LEIB DES VERST
   ORBENEN PETER
   CONRAT. ER IST
   GEBOREN IM IAR
   1745. DEN 26 IN
   LINS UND IST
   GESTORBEN DEN
   8 DAG AUGUST
   1800. ER HAT SEIN
   ALTER GEBRAE — — —
   AUF 55 JAR.²

3201 Lucy G. Mauzy, d. of Joseph Mauzy
   b. Dec. 1820
   d. Aug. 1820
   Age 27-0

3202 Jacob Kissing
   d. May 23, 1835
   Age 75 years and 4 months

[Rev. soldier? See Virginia Valley Records, pp. 305-307]

In the 1930's, Dr. John W. Wayland visited a number of the older cemeteries in the Shenandoah Valley. He recorded what remained in one of his many notebooks which he entitled Tombstone Inscriptions from Old Graveyards, Book No. 1. This notebook is now part of the collection of the Handley Library, Winchester, Virginia. They have graciously given permission for us to publish the transcriptions Dr. Wayland made of the few stones that remained in the old graveyard in McGaheysville (8 April 1931). The church associated with it was better known through its long history as the Peaked Mountain Church. Since Dr. Wayland made his transcriptions, both the church and the graveyard have "disappeared."

²Here lies the body of the late Peter Conratt. He was born in the year 1745 on the 20th of July and died the 8th of August 1800. He had attained his 55th year.
While the Chalice cannot be located, the baptismal bowl and communion plate from the Peaked Mountain Church are now part of the permanent collection of the Harrisonburg-Rockingham County Historical Society.

Left: The touch-mark on the pewter Communion plate has also yet to be identified.

Right: As yet, the touch-mark on the pewter baptismal bowl has not been identified.

3203  Frances, d. of Joseph & Christina Mauzy  
   b. Nov. 20, 1821  
   d. May 9, 1835

3204  Peter Bolinger  
   d. March 22, 1835  
   Age 63 years, 3 mos., & 16 days

3205  Peter Nicholas  
   b. April 5, 1762  
   d. July 10, 1852

3206  Barbary, consort of Jacob Kisling  
   d. April 14, 1827  
   Age 76-2-0

3207  Eliza Ann, d. of John and Margaret Miller  
   b. Jan. 3, 1820  
   d. March 8th [?] 1847

3208  Rebecca Bollinger  
   d. Nov. 30, 1849  
   Age 73-8-0

3209  Nicholas P. Hedrick  
   b. Sept. 7, 1818  
   d. Oct. 6, 1843

3210  Catharine, consort of Adam Pence  
   d. Nov. 6, 1843  
   Age 59-4-22

3211  Franklin J. Hedrick  
   b. July 14, 1820  
   d. Jan. 22, 1840

3212  Ann Shumate, consort of John Shumate  
   b. Nov. 28, 1799  
   d. Nov. 12, 1843

3213  Emanuel Sellers  
   d. June 4, 1848  
   Age 58-0-12

3214  Mary Breeden, consort of Nicholas Breeden  
   b. May 11, 1832  
   d. April 13, 1854  
   Age 21-11-2

3115  William Sellers  
   d. Sept. 21, 1853  
   Age 31-1-23

3216  Philip C. Hawkins  
   b. March 31, 1831  
   d. Aug. 10, 1853  
   Age 22-4-9
3217  Susan Hawkins
     b. 1803
     d. 1875
     Age 72 years
3218  Amanda M. May, d. of W. & C. May
     d. August 1, 1851
     Age 5-7-18
3219  Benjamin W. Straughan
     d. June 4, 1852
     Age 8-6-1
3220  Anna Catharine Straughan
     d. May 28, 1852
     Age 6-5-9
3221  Alfred N. Straughan
     d. May 28, 1852
     Age 1-5-15
3222  Adaline Sellers
     d. Aug. 30, 1851
     Age 21-9-0
3223  Delila Pence
     d. Sept. 23, 1858
     Age 33-8-1
3224  Elizabeth, wife of Mathias Snyder
     d. April 27, 1862
     Age 86-1-12
3225  Phillip Royer

[b. about 1772
     d. June 25, 1830; age 57-8-6
     From Q. G. Kaylor, Aug. 21, 1931]
[?Father of Philip b. 1799]
[see entry 3198]
3226  Lydia Leap, consort of Adam Leap
     Age about 62 years

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| Jno. & Mary Rush | 1800-1842 | 1799-1800 [?] [?]

Children

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[All on one granite block; hardly legible, 3227-3233]
3233  J.D. died in 1883
3234  Charles L. Hedrick
     Brother of G. W. Hedrick
     d. Nov. 7, 1862

3235  Viola, d. of G. W. & N. F. Hedrick
     d. March 12, 1868
     Age 3-0-14
     Many of the graves are marked with small rough stones, with no inscriptions. Some of the stones with inscriptions are broken or weather-worn to such an extent that the letters cannot be deciphered. Probably some of the bodies removed to the new graveyard, a quarter of a mile S.E.3

3 There is absolutely no indication that any of the bodies and/or stones were ever removed to the new cemetery, Mt. Olive. Vandalism and neglect simply took their toll.
The Peaked Mountain Church, *circa* 1930.
# Abstract of School Masters Accounts, for the Tuition of Poor Children, Paid by the Treasurer of the School Commissioners of Rockingham County, in the Year Ending 30th. Septbr. 1834

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MOSES S. ZIRKLE, M.D.

Dr. Zirkle was not given a middle name at birth. He voluntarily took the middle initial of “S.” Moses S. Zirkle was a direct descendant of the Lodowick and Maria Eva Zirkle who came from Germany to Philadelphia in 1825. Lodowick Zirkle died in Pennsylvania in 1846; and, his widow, Maria Eva, subsequently brought her children to Virginia and settled in the Forestville area. Dr. Zirkle had been born in Pennsylvania on the 13th of June 1833. He married, October 3, 1860, Magdalena Beery, who was born on the 2nd of June 1841. She was the daughter of John K. and Magdalene Wenger Beery. The newly married couple settled in Edom, Va., where the doctor had previously established his practice (April 7, 1858). It was to endure for over 40 years. The Zirkles had five children:

- Olive P. Zirkle born October 8, 1870
- Maggie E. Zirkle born March 20, 1872
- Luther K. Zirkle born November 16, 1874
- Mosie Maud Zirkle born March 30, 1876
- Mabel M. Zirkle born June 16, 1878

There was also an adopted daughter, Salley E. Rhodes

Dr. Zirkle's office building is still standing. It is located near the center of Edom across the road (Rt. 42) from the Beery Mill. In 1901 Dr. and Mrs. Zirkle removed to Covington, Va., with their daughter Mosie Maud Zirkle roller, her husband Edwin Callender Roller, and their three children. A lease dated September 30, 1901, shows that M. S. Zirkle and E. C. Roller rented a farm consisting of 100 acres, situated on the Jackson River, from Mrs. Mary B. Fudge. Zirkle and Roller were interested in raising vegetables and watermelons to sell to the people who worked at the Covington Paper Mill. In 1905 Dr. and Mrs. Zirkle, in partnership with Edwin Callender Roller, bought a farm from John McChesney and removed to Staunton, Va.

Dr. Zirkle delivered 10 of the 11 children born to Mr. and Mrs. Roller. He and his wife remained with the Rollers until their deaths. They are buried at Ladd, Va. Dr. Zirkle's BIRTHING BOOK is now in the possession of Mrs. Edwin B. Roller of Front Royal, Va. Mrs. Roller generously provided both the biographical information and the manuscript for transcription. "Dr. Zirkle's BIRTHING BOOK" appears next in this issue of the Rockingham Recorder.

DR. ZIRKLE'S BIRTHING BOOK

Transcribed and edited from the original manuscript by:
Dorothy Boyd-Rush

Mrs. John B. Anthony (widow Beard) (Moyers)
5 A.M. Cephus, B.H. May 1, 1864 [Sun.]

Mrs. John L. Armentrout (Moyers)
Lizzie Lee Aug. 4, 1868 Tues.
Luther, daughter Nov. 5, 1869 Fri.

Mrs. Harvey Armentrout (Fifer)
Jeremiah Thurston June 8, 1868 Mon.

Mrs. Geo. Frank. Armentrout (Fifer)
Robt. Harrison Sept. 8, 1864 Tues.
Mrs. G. W. Adams (Funk)  
9 A.M.  
Mrs. Dabney Adams (Funk)  
— M.  
Miss Lizzie Adams  
— M.  
Mrs. Jackson Alters (Depoy)  
— 30 P.M.  
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Mrs. John Acker (Funk)  
4:30 A.M.  
6 A.M.  
2 P.M.  
72 degrees below zero, snow 27 inches deep  
3:45 A.M.  
2 P.M.  
8 P.M.  
3:25 A.M.  
3:45 P.M.  
Mrs. Thos. J. Atchison (Cromer)  
5 P.M.  
10 P.M.  
Mrs. W. T. Allen (Maphia)  
5 P.M.  
Mrs. Chas. T. Acker (Neff)  
9:30 A.M.  
4:40 P.M.  
7:15 P.M.  
Mrs. C. B. H. Anthony (Cline)  
3 A.M.  
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Mrs. John G. Brunk (Wenger)  
8:45 A.M.  
11:15 P.M.  
Mrs. Kirkwood Bell (Balduin)  
4 P.M.  
Mrs. Jos. Bryant (Shank)  
2 A.M.  
Mrs. Rev. J. W. Barrett (Norleff)  
— A.M.  
— A.M.  
Mrs. Rev. W. P. Blake (Gangwer)  
2:15 A.M.  
Mrs. Jeremiah Bowman (Humes)  
8 A.M.  
Mrs. Jacob S. Beard (Geil)  
— 45 A.M.  
3 A.M.  
Mrs. D. C. Beery (Brunk)  
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Mrs. Nouth W. Beery (Neff)  
5:30 A.M.  
3:15 A.M.  
— P.M.  
Mrs. John C. Beery (Beery)  
3 A.M.  
11:30 P.M.  
10:45 A.M.  
11 P.M.  
11:15 A.M.  
6 A.M.  
7 P.M.  
9 A.M.  
Mrs. Henry C. Beery (Murray)  
8:30 A.M.  
7:30 A.M.  
7:30 P.M.  
1 A.M.  
3 A.M.  
6:30 A.M.  
4:30 P.M.  
Mrs. John H. Beery (Niswander)  
—  
Isaac Lewis  
Nov. 16, 1862 [Sun.]
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Mrs. Isaac N. Beery (Swank)  
1:25 A.M.  
5 P.M.  
5:30 A.M.  
4:15 P.M.  
10:15 P.M.  
6 P.M.  
3:45 P.M.  
Mrs. Michael Berry (Irish)  
—  
Mrs. Silas Beard (Allebaugh)  
—  
Mrs. Charles Beard (Step)  
—  
Mrs. John Baldwin (Moyers)  
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—  
Mrs. Morgan J. Bixler (Fulk)  
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7 A.M.  
Page 27.
Mrs. Martin Breneman (Beery)  
—  
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Mrs. Melchior Breneman (Shank)  
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—  
Edwin Milton  
Olive Virg.  
Nellie C.  
Edwin  
Nora Belle  
Luther W.  
Stuart Ryder  
Kemper Samuel  
Marvin  
Clara L.  
Lloyd  
Still born daughter  
Still born daughter  
Still born daughter  
Lived 10 mins., daughter  
Still born son  
Still born A.P. son  
Still born daughter  
Isaac Lewis  
Wade Hampton  
Isa Nellie  
Thomas Peyton  
Roy Perry, Election  
Maida Ann E.  
Clarence Arthur  
Isaac Newton  
Mar. 22, 1863 [Sun.]
—  
—  
—  
Charles Bell, 6 mos. term  
Daniel Thomas  
Annie Laura  
Maggie Alice  
Meta John, Posthumus  
May 9, 1874 Sat.  
George  
Benjamin  
Maggie  
son, 7 mos. term, lived 4 hrs.  
Martin  
Emma S.  
Minnie  
Charles  
Apr. 27, 1866 Fri.
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Mrs. Jas. P. Coakley (McLaughlin)

1:30 A.M. Bessie Lee Mar. 4, 1893 Sat.

9 A.M. Emery Paul Dec. 4, 1894 Tues.

8 A.M. Maud Alice Mar. 13, 1898 Sun.

Mrs. Rev. Theo. K. Clifford, cofd (______)

1:30 A.M. Isaac Howe, Mar. 10, 1885 Tues.

Knot in cord when born

See page 59, Noah Robinson, knot in cord—MSZ.

Mrs. Rev. N. F. A. Cupp (Britt)

4 A.M. Edmonia Belle May 26, 1884 Mon.

Mrs. DeWitt C. Coffman (Harnsberger)

— William Harnsberger May 26, 1864 [Thurs.]

— Christina V. July 16, 1866 Mon.

Nancy, cofd

— George Jan. 28, 1864 [Thurs.]

Mrs. W. J. Chrisman (Giles)

— Mattie Apr. 20, 1867 Sat.

— Maggie July 4, 1868 Sat.

— Lula Aug. 30, 1869 Mon.

— Henrietta Feb. 5, 1871 Sun.

10:15 A.M. Olive Mar. 31, 1873 Mon.

Mrs. Jno. W. Chapman (Kratzer)

9 P.M. John David Feb. 10, 1891 Tues.

5:30 A.M. [Nora Mable] Nov. 18, 1877 Sun.

Breech pres., lived two mos., Spina bifida.

Cowan RR wreck same day—MSZ.


10:50 P.M. Myrtle Isophene Aug. 11, 1889 Sun.

See page 86—MSZ.

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Mrs. Martin G. Cline (Miller)

6 A.M. Nettie Salome Nov. 22, 1878 Fri.

1 A.M. John Martin Apr. 15, 1880 Thurs.


2:30 A.M. David Fred. Oct. 1, 1883 Mon.

3:40 P.M. Salie Isadore Nov. 19, 1885 Thurs.

Mrs. Jeff. D. Chapman (Breedlove)


Mrs. David E. Cave (Shepp)

4:45 A.M. Jesse Edward May 25, 1884 Sun.

Mrs. Chas. E. Conard (Simmers)

12:30 A.M. Claude Cecil July 18, 1892 Mon.


C. H. Copron Nov. 16, 1856 [Sun.]

Mrs. Eras. C. Dillard (Rogers)

6:30 P.M. Minnie Cora May 29, 1889 Wed.

Dr. W. B. Dodge July 18, 1857 Sat.

11 A.M. Still born, Breech pres., very difficult

Bette Sept. 28, 1882 [Thurs.]

Mrs. B. F. Dove (Ralston)

12:30 P.M. Still born, Sept. 28, 1882 [Thurs.]

Maurice A. Brown (Burkholder)

7:30 P.M. Jacob Harvey

Mrs. Jno. G. Berry (Rhodes)

11:15 A.M. Mary Florence Feb. 16, 1889 Sat.

Mary Meow married this day
Mrs. Giles Devier (Yount)  
Eugene  
Jan. 23, 1864 [Sat.]  
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Mrs. Isaac D. Davis (Long)  
6:45 A.M.  
Maude  
Sept. 20, 1874 Sun.  
8 P.M.  
Mary Quinlan  
May 12, 1876 Fri.  
2:15 A.M.  
Amanda Eveline  
Feb. 18, 1886 Thurs.  

Mrs. Robert G. Dillard (Beard)  
3:15 A.M.  
Lelia Victoria  
Sept. 12, 1875 Tues., [sic, Sun.]  
11:30 P.M.  
Dyer Milton  
July 1, 1877 Sun.

Mrs. Thomas P. Donavan (Hume)  
11:30 A.M.  
Roy Grattan  
Mar. 3, 1885 Tues.

Mrs. Jacob W. Depoy (Turner)  
3 P.M.  
Luella Myrtle  
Apr. 17, 1891 Fri.  
3:30 A.M.  
Rena Beatrice  
Apr. 4, 1895 Wed., [sic, Thurs.]

Mrs. Harrison Emsweiler (Rhinehart)  
7:15 A.M.  
Dora Lee  
Mar. 9, 1873 Sun.  
7 P.M.  
Sh. pres., spontaneous vers.  
Sept. 22, 1875 Wed.  
4 P.M.  
Laura May  
Dec. 14, 1876 Thurs.  
4 A.M.  
William Harrison  
Jan. 14, 1881 Fri.  
7 P.M.  
Maggie Florence  
Jan. 23, 1883 Tues.  
2 A.M.  
Oscar Wheeler  
Dec. 24, 1885 Thurs.

Mrs. E. L. Everett (Sipe)  
4:30 P.M.  
Emanuel Sipe  
Nov. 12, 1883 Sun., [sic, Mon.]

Mrs. John Z. Emsweiler (Long)  
5 A.M.  
Charles Lester  
Feb. 24, 1884 Sun.  
6 A.M.  
Edgar Elias  
Jan. 23, 1888 Mon.  
11:30 P.M.  
Herman C.  
Feb. 18, 1890 Tues.  
6:15 A.M.  
Mary Agnes  
Oct. 2, 1893 Mon.  
2:30 A.M.  
Elisabeth Maude  
Apr. 6, 1896 Mon.  
8:30 P.M.  
Halcie Pearl  
June 2, 1898 Mon.

Mrs. Rueben Eaton (Lowman)  
4:30 A.M.  
Minor  
May 21, 1885 Wed.

Miss Mary Fifer  
Sydney Francis  
Apr. 11, 1870 Mon.

Mrs. Joseph Funk (Hess)  
Sarah Amanda  
Jan. 14, 1867 Mon.  
9:30 A.M.  
Emma  
Jan. 15, 1873 Wed.

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Mag. Frazier, co'd  
8 A.M.  
Dead  
May 21, 1874 Fri., [sic, Thurs.]

Mrs. Jacob Frazier (Colly)  
12:45 A.M.  
Albert  
Sept. 11, 1874 Fri.

Mrs. Charles Fridley (Brenner)  
4 P.M.  
Josephine  
Sept. 15, 1858 Wed.  
My first case of midwifery in the co.--MSZ

Mrs. W. H. C. Funk (Baer)  
1:30 A.M.  
Pauline  

Mrs. W. H. Fletcher (Richards)  
7:30 P.M.  
A daughter, I lived a few minutes  
June 21, 1881 Tues.

Mrs. Abe. H. Fulk (Breneman)  
2:30 P.M.  
Charles Homer  
Sept. 16, 1881 Fri.  
2:45 A.M.  
Sept. 3, 1884 Wed.

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Mrs. Erasmus Fletcher (Rhodes)  
2:30 P.M.  
Jacob Henry  
Dec. 13, 1881 Tues.  
9:30 A.M.  
Geo. Ernest  
Mar. 3, 1886 Wed.  
8:30 P.M.  
Erasmus Lee  
April 17, 1887 Sun.  
10:30 P.M.  
Lester  
Aug. 27, 1889 Tues.  
8:30 A.M.  
Delucia  
June 3, 1893 Sat.  
12:30 P.M.  
Lucius, twins  
June 3, 1893 Sat.

Mrs. Jos. R. Funk (Baer)  
11 A.M.  
Virginia Beatrice  
Jan. 6, 1882 Fri.  
11:30 P.M.  
Nellie Ruth  
Sept. 24, 1884 Wed.  
7:30 A.M.  
Mary Lena  
May 13, 1889 Mon.

Mrs. Jas. F. Funk (Dingledine)  
1:30 A.M.  
Nora Frances  
Dec. 28, 1882 Thurs.  
1:45 A.M.  
Pammie Louisa, twins  
Dec. 28, 1882 Thurs.

Mrs. Lemuel Fry (Heischman)  
6:30 A.M.  
Jackson Frank.  
Aug. 8, 1884 Fri.  
12 M.  
Sallie Pearl  
May 29, 1887 Sun.  
2 P.M.  
Charles  
Mar. 14, 1890 Fri.

Mrs. Jas. Fox (Wetzal)  
8 A.M.  
Charles Robert  
Sept. 10, 1885 Thurs.

Mrs. Boyd H. Frank (Funk)  
1 P.M.  
William Jonathan  
Nov. 30, 1885 Mon.

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Mrs. David S. Geil (Wenger)  
11:15 A.M.  
Joseph Earl  
10:30 A.M.  
Ward  
Sept. 7, 1894 Fri.

Mrs. Jacob S. Geil (Wenger)  
6 A.M.  
Lydia Elisabeth  
Mar. 5, 1889 Tues.  
5:30 P.M.  
Lula Maud  
Jan. 11, 1891 Sun.  
5 P.M.  
Jacob Clark  
Jan. 27, 1893 Fri.  
1 A.M.  
Minnie Ethel  
Mar. 9, 1895 Sat.

Mrs. Legrand Glover (Frank)  
10:10 A.M.  
Son  
Nov. 4, 1888 Sun.  
11:30 A.M.  
David  
Oct. 19, 1889 Sat.

Mrs. Robert Green (Branner)  
4:40 A.M.  
Jno. Robt. Hampton  
Apr. 28, 1888 Sat.

Mrs. John B. Gangwer (Funk)  
—  
Sallie Virginia  
Mar. 6, 1866 Wed.  
—  
Still born, Breech  
May 14, 1871 Wed., [sic, Sun.]  
—  
Hadden Spurgeon  
May 29, 1872 Wed.  
—  
Roy Clarence  
July 18, 1883 [Wed.]

Mrs. John R. Gray (Gailey)  
—  
Charlotte (Carrie)  
Feb. 23, 1866 Fri.

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Mrs. Cornelius Grabill (Showalter)  
—  
Premature twins, dead  
Nov. 17, 1859 [Thurs.]

Mrs. John Gains (Rice)  
10:45 A.M.  
Bessie  
Sept. 9, 1876 Sat.  
I delivered the placenta 24 hours after the birth of the child, VERY DIFFICULT METZ.
Mrs. Samuel Gray (Grablill)  
4:30 A.M.  
Mary Virg. Anabell  
Dec. 6, 1876 Tues., [sic., Wed.]  

Mrs. A. V. Glover (Simmers)  
4 A.M.  
Premature, 6 mos. term  
Laura  
Dec. 16, 1882 Sat.  
1 A.M.  

Mrs. John S. Geil (Shenk)  
6:15 A.M.  
Henry Ralph  
Joseph Alidne  
Jan. 11, 1884 Fri.  
2 A.M.  
Aug. 15, 1886 Sun.  

Mrs. John T. Glover (Mason)  
2 A.M.  
Robert Henry  
Oct. 25, 1885 Sun.  

Mrs. Rev. Henry Hoffman (Huntley)  
— Olin Huntley  
Nov. 6, 1860 Tues.  

Abraham Lincoln was elected President of the United States on this day  
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Mrs. Will Glover (Hasler)  
6:15 A.M.  
Russell Jacob Henry  
Oct. 15, 1891 Thurs.  

Mrs. D. H. Griffith (Tate)  
11:15 A.M.  
Edward Earl  
Sept. 15, 1887 Wed., [sic., Sat.]  
11 A.M.  
Emmer Newt (Lutholtz)  
Apr. 15, 1893 Sat.  
12:30 A.M.  
Charles Henry  
Dec. 31, 1894 Mon.  

Mrs. Jos. W. Geil (Beery)  
11:40 P.M.  
Jacob Edwin  
Feb. 20, 1888 Mon.  
8:30 P.M.  
Wilmer  
May 24, 1889 Fri.  
1:40 A.M.  
Mary Kate  
July 26, 1891 Sun.  
1 A.M.  
Joseph Paul  
Dec. 19, 1892 Mon.  
5:15 A.M.  
Daniel Arthur  
May 12, 1894 Sat.  
12:45 A.M.  
Annie  
April 18, 1897 Sun., Easter  

Mrs. Harvey Halterman (McLeod)  
— John  
Mar. 10, 1866 Sat.  
— Hettie  
Mar. 7, 1868 Sat.  

Mrs. William Howdenhell (McLeod)  
—  
Mar. 19, 1864 [Sat.]  

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Mrs. P. H. Hopkins (Long)  
— Dora  
July 21, 1868 Tues.  
— Willie Burgandine  
7:45 A.M.  
John Marcus  
Dec. 7, 1882 Thurs.  
1:15 A.M.  
Linnius M.  
May 4, 1885 Mon.  

Mrs. Jos. H. Howver (Rolston)  
— John Perry,  
I cut the cord before born—MSZ  
May 5, 1864 [Thurs.]  
— Lean E.  
Sept. 17, 1866 Mon.  
— Sallie Kate  
Dec. 14, 1869 Tues.  
— Willie Zirkle, Knee pres.  
Feb. 19, 1872 Mon.  
12:30 P.M.  
Still born, Breech pres.  
Jan. 17, 1878 Thurs.  
5:45 A.M.  
Siddie Alice  

Mrs. Abram Howver (Reubush)  
— Mary Jane  
Sept. 23, 1862 [Tues.]  
— Alice Cornelia  
July 17, 1873 [Thurs.]  

Mrs. F. Frank. Hanna (Eggleston)  
— Willie K.  
Aug. 11, 1862 [Mon.]  

Mrs. Elijah Hooks (______)  
— Jennie (Virg.)  
Mar. 24, 1864 [Thurs.]  
— Minnie  
Mar. 26, 1867 Tues.  

Mrs. Fletcher Holcomb (______)  

Mrs. Nathan Houston (Hill)  
— Ida May  
March 27, 1864 [Wed.]  

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Mrs. Geo. W. Hogan (Miller)  
—  
June 15, 1863 [Mon.]  
May 31, 1865 [Wed.]  

Mrs. Jasper Hawse (Beery)  
8 P.M.  
Jacob Lee  
Nov. 15, 1864 Tues.  
3:30 P.M.  
John Joseph  
Sept. 28, 1866 Fri.  
10 A.M.  
Maggie Lydia  
July 23, 1868 Thurs.  
8 A.M.  
Enos Taylor  
Nov. 27, 1869 Sat.  
10 P.M.  
Holland Zirkle  
Apr. 20, 1872 Sat.  
7:30 A.M.  
Mary Bell  
May 17, 1873 Sat.  
Jasper Lawrence  
Apr. 8, 1875 Thurs.  
2 A.M.  
Lily Delphia  
Feb. 9, 1877 Fri.  
5 P.M.  
Alpheus Bonde  
Mar. 7, 1878 Thurs.  
1 P.M.  
Ella Kate  
Mar. 9, 1880 Tues.  
8 A.M.  
George Thos., Footing [pres.]  
Oct. 3, 1882 Tues.  
8:45 P.M.  
Bessie Dora  
Dec. 29, 1883 Sat.  
7:30 P.M.  
Lonie Estelle  
Mar. 15, 1886 Mon.  

Miss Jennie Hern  
— Mulatto  
Feb. 15, 1870 Tues.  

Mrs. James Hoffman (Henton)  
— Sallie  
Dec. 6, 1866 Thurs.  

Mrs. F. C. Hopkins (Rinker)  
4:30 A.M.  
David Arthur  
Aug. 5, 1875 Thurs.  

Mrs. Calvin A. Henton (Fisher)  
12:15 A.M.  
Claudius  
Aug. 22, 1876 Tues.  
2:15 P.M.  
Dora Alberta  
Dec. 10, 1881 Sat.  

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Mrs. J. Richard Hume (Van Pelt)  
1:45 A.M.  
Mary Jane  
Feb. 7, 1878 Thurs.  

Mrs. Benjamin Hinkel (Hupp)  
10 P.M.  
Jacob William  
June 26, 1879 Thurs.  

Mrs. Sam C. Hoover (Swank)  
4 A.M.  
Bessie Lee  
Oct. 6, 1879 Mon.  
10 P.M.  
Gilbert Emmer  
Nov. 11, 1881 Fri.  

Mrs. William Hume (Donavan)  
9:45 P.M.  
Lilie Myrtle  
Dec. 18, 1883 Tues.  
1:30 P.M.  
Oscar  
June 8, 1885 Mon.  

Mrs. Solomon Holsinger (Myers)  
4:30 P.M.  
Marion Luther  
Feb. 27, 1885 Fri.  
3 P.M.  
Edgar Myers  
Sept. 11, 1888 Tues.  

Mrs. Hugh A. Heatwole (Shank)  
4:30 A.M.  
Howard, Breech pres.  
Nov. 8, 1886 Mon.  

Mrs. Charles Hume (Brown)  
5 A.M.  
Ida  
Sept. 7, 1887 Wed.  

Mrs. Benjamin Harpine (Adams)  
3 A.M.  
Una May  
Mar. 26, 1888 Mon.  

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Mrs. James W. Jones (Webb)  
— Catharine M.  
Apr. 19, 1861 [Fri.]  
— Jacob M.  
Sept. 19, 1863 [Sat.]
Mrs. Jesse Jones (Spitzer)  
1:10 A.M.  
Willie Andrew  
Sallie Rebecca  
6 A.M.  
Mrs. John Jordan  
Mary Ellen  
Mrs. Phillip Jackson, col'd (Smith)  
1 A.M.  
Ethel May  
Mrs. Gideon L. Kratzer (Puls)  
5:15 P.M.  
Lusty Lee  
Hugh Warden  
11:45 P.M.  
Addie Iris  
5 A.M.  
Mrs. John Kennedy (Kratzer)  
6:30 P.M.  
John  
12:45 A.M.  
Lot  
12:20 A.M.  
Charles Russell  
6:15 A.M.  
Robert Luke  
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Mrs. Jacob Kayger (Weller)  
Charles David  
Sarah Alice  
15 minute labor—MSZ  
Mrs. Samuel Kayger (Tappen)  
6 P.M.  
Benj. Bowman  
2:15 P.M.  
George Luther  
Mrs. Christian Kratzer (Hoover)  
Willie  
Mrs. Joseph W. Kratzer (Swartz)  
Mrs. A. S. Kieffer (Hamman)  
5 P.M.  
William Z.  
8 A.M.  
Shelley Keats  
5 P.M.  
Linnus Lee, Prob. cord  
Mrs. Thomas Kirkpatrick (Lam)  
Luther (Valen)  
Hinton  
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Mrs. B. F. Kirkpatrick (Swank)  
John Hamilton  
— July 1870 —  
Mrs. Jos. N. B. Kratzer (Emsweiler)  
8:30 A.M.  
John Paul  
4:50 A.M.  
Harry Douglas  
Mrs. Samuel Knupp (Glover)  
6 P.M.  
William Derrick  
Mrs. John B. Laing (Wooten)  
2 A.M.  
Anna Leona  
6 P.M.  
Lenard  
Mrs. W. E. Long (Showalter)  
2:20 A.M.  
Tracie Edith  
Mrs. Harman S. Lamb (Adams)  
11 A.M.  
John Jason  
5 A.M.  
Beulah  
9 P.M.  
Minnie Martha  
May 19, 1872 Sun.  
Aug. 24, 1878 Sat.  
Sept. 29, 1876 Fri.  
Sept. 25, 1891 Fri.  
Sept. 3, 1892 Fri.  
Mar. 26, 1898 Sat.  
Mar. 21, 1899 Tues.  
June 14, 1891 Sat.  
Aug. 27, 1895 Mon.  
Mar. 6, 1897 Sat.  
Sept. 28, 1898 Wed.  
June 25, 1868 Thurs.  
Feb. 18, 1870 Fri.  
Sept. 18, 1876 Mon.  
Jan. 25, 1865 [Wed.]  
Dec. 1, 1863 [Tues.]  
Mar. 2, 1868 Mon.  
Apr. 24, 1870 Sun.  
Feb. 20, 1872 Tues.  
Feb. 14, 1862 [Fri.]  
July 6, 1864 [Wed.]  
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—  
Mrs. John T. Lamb (Smith)  
6:45 A.M.  
Albert Russell  
12:30 A.M.  
—  
Mrs. Conrad H. Long (Burgandine)  
—  
Evie May  
—  
Virginia Lee  
Mrs. W. F. Lee (Myers)  
—  
Laura Alice  
2:30 P.M.  
Caroline Amanda  
9:30 A.M.  
Effie  
1:30 A.M.  
Alberta Frances  
Mrs. Chas. Lineweaver (Andes)  
—  
Jeremiah Franklin  
Mrs. John W. Liskey (Cromer)  
12:15 P.M.  
Effie Bell  
9:45 A.M.  
Alma  
4:30 P.M.  
Ernest Cromer  
3:45 A.M.  
Bessie Virg.  
Mrs. Samuel Lehman (Donavan)  
3 P.M.  
Face and arm pres., Still born  
Mrs. James M. Lamb (Coakley)  
1:45 P.M.  
Clara Virginia  
Mrs. John I. Lee (Ritchie)  
7:30 P.M.  
Charles Arthur  
11:45 A.M.  
Bessie Mary  
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Mrs. John W. Myers (Wampfier)  
11:30 A.M.  
Died unnamed, Daughter  
4:30 P.M.  
Hettie Elisabeth  
Mrs. John W. Mullen (Lawson)  
1 P.M.  
—  
Mrs. Charles P. Mauck (Swank)  
4:30 A.M.  
Glenn Wilson  
2:30 A.M.  
Ada Pearl  
Mrs. J. J. D. Miller (Wampfier)  
9 P.M.  
Ernest Michael  
5:15 P.M.  
Victor Henry  
4 P.M.  
Sayler  
1:30 A.M.  
Geo. Washington  
Bettie Melah, col’d  
7:15 P.M.  
Died nameless  
Mrs. Alexander Melah, col’d  
9:15 P.M.  
Penslope Virginia  
10 A.M.  
Still born, prob. cord  
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Mrs. Rev. Benj. F. Miller (Myers)  
4:45 A.M.  
Bessie Frances  
7:45 A.M.  
Bertie Ida  
9:45 A.M.  
Arthur Christian  
4 A.M.  
Emma Luetta  
Mrs. Isaac B. Myers (Frank)  
2:30 P.M.  
Oscar Jacob  
2 P.M.  
Katie Cleveland,  
'Cut cord before born' MSZ  
Mar. 17, 1889 Sun.  
Sept. 27, 1890 Sat.  
Feb. 15, 1872 Thurs.  
Aug. 27, 1874 Thurs.  
Oct. 24, 1867 Thurs.  
Feb. 19, 1874 Thurs.  
Apr. 22, 1882 Sat.  
Sept. 8, 1884 Mon.  
Sept. 21, 1869 Tues.  
June 25, 1876 Sun.  
Nov. 11, 1879 Tues.  
Mar. 2, 1882 Fri.  
[sic., Thurs.]  
Apr. 2, 1886 Fri.  
Mar. 27, 1877 Tues.  
Aug. 24, 1880, Tues.  
Oct. 12, 1882 Tues.  
Oct. 2, 1884 Thurs.  
Aug. 27, 1892 Sat.  
Oct. 28, 1899 Sat.  
May 28, 1893 Sun.  
Nov. 14, 1893 Tues.  
Nov. 19, 1895 Tues.  
Oct. 8, 1891 Thurs.  
Feb. 25, 1893 Sat.  
Aug. 29, 1895 Thurs.  
Dec. 15, 1899 Fri.  
Jan. 6, 1884 Sun.  
Dec. 3, 1884 Tues.  
Dec. 22, 1889 [Sun.]  
May 20, 1883 Sun.  
Dec. 10, 1884 Wed.  
Oct. 9, 1886 Sat.  
Oct. 19, 1889 Sat.  
Jan. 11, 1882 Wed.  
May 18, 1884 Sun.
Mrs. W. W. Moyer (Hoover)  
— Died nameless  
Aug. 23, 1870 Tues.

Mrs. John Moyer (Bush)  
— Jacob Samuel  
Feb. 28, 1862 [Fri.]
— John Calvin  
May 15, 1864 [Sun.]

Mrs. Jacob Moyer (Allebaugh)  
— Charles T.  
Dec. 1, 1863 [Tues.]
— Benjamin F.  
Mar. 1, 1865 [Wed.]
— Saylor, with a Caul  
Sept. 5, 1866 [Wed.]

Mrs. G. K. Moyer (Beery)  
11 A.M.  
Bettie Ann  
Jan. 1, 1859 [Sat.]
2 A.M.  
Sallie Margaret  
Apr. 30, 1860 [Mon.]
11 P.M.  
Hettie Catharine  
Feb. 3, 1864 [Wed.]

Mrs. Peter A. Miller (Taylor)  
1:30 P.M.  
Mary Catharine  
May 20, 1869 Sat.
— Son, lived 14 hours  
Oct. 25, 1882 Wed.

Mrs. Wesley Miller (Mauck)  
— Abba Clara  
Sept. 14, 1867 Sat.

Mrs. Rev. Benjamin Miller (Showalter)  
3 A.M.  
Rebecca  
Jan. 7, 1866 Fri.

Mrs. E. S. Mitchell (Neff)  
— Sallie E.  
Mar. 31, 1860 [Sat.]
— Ashby Davis  
Feb. 28, 1862 [Fri.]
— Albert Robt. Lee  
Mar. 19, 1865 [Sun.]
— Mary Gertrude  
Jan. 8, 1872 Sat.

Mrs. Robert J. Mason (Shank)  
— Willie Shank  
Nov. 22, 1868 Sun.
— Nora Virg.  
Apr. 4, 1870 Mon.

Mrs. David McLaughlin (Showalter)  
—  
May 14, 1862 [Wed.]

Mrs. Samuel Mackey ([Spie])  
— Premature, Dystentery the cause  
Aug. 12, 1864 [Fri.]

Mrs. Geo. Sanders Mason (Ruebusch)  
12:30 A.M.  
Lula Gertrude  
July 31, 1873 Thurs.

Mrs. W. R. McKeever (Sites)  
4 P.M.  
Aubrey Boyd  
Mar. 10, 1866 Sat.
7:30 A.M.  
Mary Margaret  
July 31, 1870 Sun.
11:30 P.M.  
Kate  
6 P.M.  
David Paul  
June 4, 1874 Thurs.
5 P.M.  
Son, still born  
Mar. 20, 1876 Mon.
9 P.M.  
Daughter, still born  
Jan. 17, 1879 Fri.
7:10 A.M.  
Annie Beck  
Feb. 20, 1880 Thurs.

Mrs. B. W. McKeever (Neff)  
3 A.M.  
Arthur Neff  
Feb. 6, 1874 Fri.
4:15 A.M.  
Bernice  
Apr. 3, 1875 Tues.
4 P.M.  
Irene  
Mar. 16, 1881 Wed.

Mrs. Stephen McMullen (Daughterty)  
6 A.M.  
Lula  
Apr. 5, 1873 Sat.
6 A.M.  
Hannah Bernice  
Feb. 21, 1875 Sun.

Mrs. James Morris (Fulk)  
6 A.M.  
Died nameless  
Dec. 1, 1874 Tues.

Mrs. Joseph A. Mitchell (Brennan)  
11:30 A.M.  
Son, premature, 8 mos.  
Feb. 24, 1875 Wed.

Mrs. Isaac B. McKeever (Keller)  
7 P.M.  
Hortense  
Mar. 18, 1875 Thurs.

Mrs. C. H. Masters (Rinker)  
11:45 A.M.  
Effie  
July 3, 1875 Sat.
8 P.M.  
Verna Iola  
Nov. 16, 1876 Thurs.
10:15 P.M.  
Wright Alexander  
Nov. 1, 1878 Fri.
1:30 P.M.  
Omer Dice  
May 2, 1880 Sun.
10 A.M.  
Ada Idella  
May 6, 1882 Thurs.
3 A.M.  
Eldon Luther  
Sept. 30, 1883 Sun.
8:45 A.M.  
Ora Minor  
Sept. 30, 1885 Wed.
7:15 A.M.  
George Emery  
May 14, 1888 Mon.

Mrs. Rev. Benjamin B. Miller (O'Rourke)  
9:30 P.M.  
Anna Elizabeth  
July 29, 1875 Thurs.
2 A.M.  
Frederick Homer  
Jan. 18, 1877 [Thurs.]
10:30 P.M.  
Emmer  
4:45 A.M.  
Premature, 6 mos.  
Aug. 27, 1885 Thurs.

Mrs. John Morrison (Wegner)  
3:30 A.M.  
John W.  
Dec. 9, 1876 Sat.

Mrs. Rev. Isaac C. Myers (Rolston)  
6 P.M.  
Clara Elisabeth  
Jan. 10, 1877 Wed.
5:30 P.M.  
DeWitt C.  
Nov. 16, 1879 Mon.

Mrs. James A. Messerly (Emuiler)  
10 P.M.  
Bessie, Breech pres.  
Apr. 8, 1878 Mon.

Mrs. Charles H. Mahone (Reedy)  
7 A.M.  
Pearl Elmira Margar.  
Sept. 3, 1878 Tues.

Frances Manns, col'd  
1 P.M.  
Marshall  
June 17, 1879 Tues.

Mrs. Jacob A. Martz (Wright)  
8 A.M.  
Bertie Alice  
Nov. 15, 1879 Sat.
2 P.M.  
Mary Catharine  
July 9, 1881 Sat.
6 A.M.  
Gabriella Gert., 2nd wife  
May 20, 1891 Tues.
3:50 P.M.  
Annie Clinton  
Aug. 16, 1893 Wed.

Miss Sallie Miller  
10:30 A.M.  
Rosie May  
Jan. 25, 1881 Tues.

Snow 27 inches deep
Mrs. S. M. Miller (Beery)

9 A.M.
4:15 P.M.
5 P.M.
3:15 A.M.
10:31 A.M.
6:45 P.M.

Mrs. P. H. Myers (Burkholder)

6:15 P.M.
6:30 P.M.
Sarah Melah, col'd
4 A.M.

Mrs. A. H. Mullen (Fox)

1:40 P.M.

Minnie Myers
7 A.M.

Mrs. Chas. D. Maphis (Flick)
11:30 A.M.
3:15 A.M.

Mrs. James I. Mullen (Depoy)
2 A.M.
2 A.M.

Mrs. Thornton Mt. Joy (Rooby)
11:30 P.M.

Mrs. Jacob A. Miller (Myers)
3:30 P.M.

Mrs. Abram Niswander (Bickel)

Mrs. Joseph E. Niswander (Showalter)

Mrs. Christian Niswander (Moore)

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Mrs. Joseph H. Nave [corrected to Neff] (Hoover)
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Mrs. Jacob F. Neff (1st wife Myers) (2nd wife Hollar)
5 A.M.
11 P.M.
1 P.M.
2 P.M.
3:30 P.M.
1:30 A.M.
3:45 P.M.

Mrs. W. H. Neff (Henton)
2 P.M.
1:30 P.M.

Rhoda Elisabeth
Isa Dora
Charles Martin
Hattie Edna
Raleigh Benjamin,
Wm. David
Frederick
—
Urdine
Bertha May
Cornelius Riddle
Olive Margaret
Charles Owen
Bertha Mabel
Rosanna Alberta
Son, still born
Clara Alfa
Mary Susan
Still born
—
Lydia Catharine
Lizzie Catharine
Hannah Rebecca
Robert Mason
Hannah R., Donna, 1st wife
Barb. Flora, 2nd wife
Iona May
Josiah William
Jacob Moses
Lucy Blanche
David Meade
John Samuel
Maggie May

May 26, 1885 Tues.
May 5, 1886 Wed.
Aug. 6, 1887 Sat.
Aug. 4, 1891 Tues.
Aug. 9, 1892 Tues.
June 15, 1895 Sat.
July 22, 1885 Wed.
June 23, 1887 Thurs.
Sept. 19, 1889 Thurs.
Feb. 6, 1890 Thurs.
Aug. 20, 1888 Mon.
Oct. 14, 1885 Wed.
Jan. 6, 1895 Sun.
May 5, 1886 Wed.
Sept. 8, 1888 Sat.
Feb. 4, 1881 Fri.
June 12, 1881 Sun.
Oct. 25, 1863 [Sun.]
July 9, 1871 Sun.
Feb. 5, 1866 Mon.
Aug. 12, 1866 Sun.
Dec. 29, 1865 [Fri.]
May 7, 1868 Thurs.
Jan. 8, 1880 Thurs.
July 7, 1876 Fri.
Feb. 11, 1889 Wed.
June 4, 1881 Sat.
Oct. 13, 1883 Sat.
July 23, 1885 Sun.
Apr. 24, 1886 Sat.
Feb. 4, 1888 Sat.
Feb. 25, 1890 Tues.
Dec. 1, 1883 Sat.
Aug. 29, 1867 Mon.

Mrs. Chas. O'Roark (Derrror)
8 P.M.
12:15 P.M.
4:15 A.M.
Bertie Fuls
11:15 A.M.

Mrs. Samuel D. Pittington (Webster)
3:30 P.M.

Mrs. Samuel Pittington (Green)
—
—

Mrs. John C. Pittington (Homan)
—
—

Mrs. David Pittington (Hoover)
10 A.M.
1:30 A.M.

Mrs. J. Ashberry Payne (Kingree)
2 A.M.
4:15 A.M.
1:30 A.M.
1:45 A.M.

Mrs. George W. Payne (Armmentrout)
3 P.M.

Mrs. Morgan J. Piper (Sprinkle)
—
—

Mrs. Thomas H. Phalen (Quinlan)
4:30 A.M.
7:15 P.M.

Mrs. Marion Franklin Pifer (Simmers)
5:30 A.M.

Mariah Pinner, col'd
10 A.M.

Mrs. John Pittington (Pitt.)
1:45 P.M.

Mrs. Jacob Roudabush (Miller)
6:45 P.M.

Mrs. Frank R. Rhodes (Wood)
9 P.M.
2:30 P.M.
4 A.M.
7:15 P.M.

Mrs. J. F. Ritchie (Cromer)

Mrs. Eph. Ruebush (Kieffer)

Mrs. William Rabston (Rabron)
8 A.M.
4 P.M.

Mary Catharine
Bessie Matska
—
Sedania
—

Stil born, Spina Bifida
Josephine, Deaf and Dumb
Moses, Deaf and Dumb
—
Eveline
John Henry
Daniel Lemuel
Charles Milton
Lili Loose
William Harvey
Mary Ann
Marion Franklin
—
Timothy Quinlan
Mary Margaret
Gilmer
Hattie Margaret
Lury Lee, son
Michael Homer
Anna Bess
Premature
John Lincoln
Aristas
John William
Edward D.
—
Emma Lee
Charles Moses
Robert Franklin
James Hott
Willie Howe
Alice Elsahbith
Hannah Mary

Oct. 5, 1893 Thurs.
Feb. 26, 1895 Tues.
Oct. 20, 1896 Tues.
July 12, 1889 Fri.
Mar. 6, 1889 [Wed.]
Nov. 13, 1858 Sun.
July 18, 1860 [Wed.]
Mar. 22, 1870 Tues.
Apr. 30, 1882 Sun.
Aug. 11, 1877 Sat.
July 6, 1880 Tues.
Dec. 15, 1881 Wed.
Mar. 10, 1885 Tues.
July 15, 1880 Thurs.
Mar. 11, 1865 Sat.
Mar. 29, 1887 Thurs.
Mar. 13, 1888 Tues.
Mar. 20, 1886 Sat.
June 15, 1887 Wed.
June 30, 1894 Sat.
July 27, 1880 Tues.
Dec. 3, 1880 Fri.
Jan. 25, 1883 Thurs.
Jan. 16, 1884 Wed.
May 1, 1888 Tues.
June 8, 1866 Fri.
June 30, 1869 Wed.
Dec. 19, 1873 Fri.
Feb. 22, 1875 Mon.
Aug. 7, 1876 Mon.
Aug. 17, 1882 Thurs.
Oct. 19, 1865 Thurs.
June 2, 1873 Mon.
Apr. 13, 1860 [Fri.]
Feb. 9, 1861 [Mon.]
Mrs. Joshua Ritchie (Moyers)  
- Mary Catharine,  
  P.P. Hemorrhage  
  July 15, 1862 [Tues.]

Mrs. Anthony Rhodes (Beery)  
- Samuel Joseph  
  May 15, 1860 [Tues.]  
- Charles Luther  
  Oct. 27, 1865 [Tues.]  
- Minnie Hannah  
  Sept. 26, 1865 [Tues.]  
- Etta Catharine,  
  [corrected to Ella]  
  Mar. 3, 1867 [Sun.]

Mrs. W. H. Ruebaush (Long)  
- Jacob Albert  
  July 29, 1870 Fri.  
  10 P.M.  
  Homer  
  Jan. 2, 1875 Sat.

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Mrs. Geo. O. Roudabush (1st wife Shank) (2nd wife Gallus)  
- Fannie  
  Dec. 16, 1866 Sun.  
- Rollin  
  Mar. 31, 1868 Mon.  
  6:30 A.M.  
  Gerry Saylor, 2nd wife  
  20 Mar. 1868 Thurs.

Mrs. Isaac Rhinehart (Kratzes)  
- Turner Ashby  
  Sept. 14, 1862 [Sun.]

Mrs. A. R. Rhinehart (1st wife Baxter) (2nd wife Harris)  
- Homer  
  Apr. 23, 1872 Tues.  
  11:30 P.M.  
  Irene  
  July 24, 1875 Fri.  
  10 P.M.  
  Walker  
  Sept. 22, 1876 Fri.  
  2 A.M.  
  Devada, 2nd wife  
  Apr. 22, 1881 Fri.  
  7:15 P.M.  
  Virgil  
  Sept. 27, 1883 Thurs.

Mrs. W. H. Roudabush (Palser)  
- 2 P.M.  
  Otta Blanche  
  Aug. 5, 1871 [Sat.]

Mrs. Derrick Rader (Moyers)  
- Mary  
  Feb. 9, 1866 Fri.

Mrs. Joel Rinker (Dolly)  
- Verda Gertrude  
  Nov. 10, 1873 Mon.  
  5:30 A.M.  
  Fidella Tilden  
  July 28, 1876 Fri.

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Mrs. Noah Robinson (Painter)  
- Willie  
  Sept. 21, 1872 Sat.  
- Charles Arthur,  
  June 18, 1874 Thurs.  
  Knot in cord when born  
  See page 30, Rev. Clifford's child, knot in cord—MSZ

Mrs. James Ritchie (Branner)  
- Charles E.  
  June 2, 1863 [Tues.]  
- John Franklin  
  May 14, 1866 Mon.  
  9 P.M.  
  Grattan  
  Mar. 30, 1873 Sun.

Mrs. David Ruebaush (-)  
- Benjamin Frank.,  
  Apr. 5, 1872 Fri.  
  Several gallons of Amniotic fluid followed the birth of the child—MSZ

Mrs. Benjamin Rhodes (Moyers)  
- Maggie Alice  
  June 6, 1868 Sat.

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Mrs. Geo. A. Ritchie (Heaton)  
- Oscar  
  Apr. 26, 1874 Sun.  
  10 P.M.  
  Lola Virg. Garwood  
  Aug. 20, 1886 Fri.  
  2 P.M.

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Mrs. Silas W. Ralston (Johnson)  
- 10:30 P.M.  
  Son,  
  May 29, 1877 Tues.  
  Dead, arm pres. version, by Dr. Neff, very difficult—MSZ

Mrs. Geo. Ruffner, col'd (Vancliff)  
- 2:30 A.M.  
  —  
  Sept. 16, 1877 Sun.

Mrs. Abram W. Ralston (Niswanger)  
- Oscar  
  Nov. 29, 1878 Fri.

Mrs. H. Dye Roby (Lee)  
- 8 P.M.  
  Premature, Lived a few hours  
  Oct. 9, 1879 Thurs.

Mrs. Geo. William Roudabush (Kite)  
- 2 A.M.  
  William  
  Mar. 23, 1881 Wed.

Mrs. D. H. Ritchie (Neff)  
- 1:15 P.M.  
  Maggie Kate  
  Sept. 20, 1883 Thurs.  
  Jacob  
  July 17, 1886 Thurs.

Mrs. John P. Swank (Horn)  
- Bertie Blanche  
  Oct. 28, 1878 Mon.  
  Robert Harvey  
  Oct. 28, 1880 Thurs.  
  10 A.M.  
  Son, died nameless,  
  Feb. 5, 1884 Tues.

Mrs. John W. Simmers (Fifer)  
- 10:30 A.M.  
  Premature,  
  Lived two hours. Pneumonia was the cause of the labor—MSZ

Mrs. C. J. Riddle (Bushong)  
- 3:15 P.M.  
  Susie Lee  
  Dec. 4, 1893 Mon.  
  Sallie Neff  
  Mar. 19, 1895 Tues.  
  Mollie Rebecca  
  Apr. 24, 1897 Sat.

Mrs. L. N. Rhinehart (Drummond)  
- 8 P.M.  
  Claude Russell  
  Apr. 24, 1884 Thurs.  
  7:30 A.M.  
  Theresa Florence  
  June 10, 1889 Mon.  
  8 A.M.  
  Nameless  
  Jan. 22, 1892 Fri.  
  8:45 P.M.  
  Olive  
  Aug. 19, 1893 Sat.  
  10 A.M.  
  Augusta  
  Nov. 10, 1896 Tues.

Mrs. W. H. Rinker (Ralston)  
- 6:45 A.M.  
  Samuel Oscar  
  Oct. 10, 1884 Fri.  
  10:15 P.M.  
  Minnie Bell  
  July 5, 1887 Tues.

Mrs. Rev. C. J. Ralston (Cline)  
- 9:20 A.M.  
  Thomas Livingston  
  Nov. 23, 1884 Sun.

Mrs. Jos. H. Roudabush (Ritchie)  
- 9:45 A.M.  
  Luther Newton  
  July 4, 1885 Sat.  
  10:50 A.M.  
  Florence  
  Sept. 3, 1886 Fri.

Mrs. Jos. T. Ross (McWilliams)  
- 10:40 P.M.  
  Blanche Glen  
  Sept. 12, 1885 Sat.

Mrs. Jno. D. Ralston (Houston)  
- 10 A.M.  
  Daughter  
  Jan. 16, 1886 Sat.

Mrs. L. N. Rhodes (Zirkle)  
- 4:50 P.M.  
  Lessie Maude  
  Feb. 27, 1887 Sun.  
  9:15 P.M.  
  Antelia Mabel  
  Mar. 26, 1889 Tues.  
  8:15 A.M.  
  Zirkle Moses  
  Apr. 25, 1890 Fri.  
  12:45 P.M.  
  Hunter Michael  
  Feb. 1, 1893 Wed.  
  6:30 P.M.  
  Cletta Moore  
  May 7, 1895 Tues.

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Mrs. Geo. A. Ritchie (Heaton)  
- 1:30 P.M.  
  Grace Lee  
  Sept. 28, 1889 Sat.  
  July 27, 1901 Mon.  
  7:30 A.M.  
  Ihture  
  Daughter  
  Oct. 23, 1908 Sun.
Mrs. S. J. Rhodes (Niswander)  
3 A.M.  
11:45 A.M.  
4 A.M.  
6:45 A.M.  
Mrs. J. B. D. Rhodes (Sipe)  
3 A.M.  
5 P.M.  
Mrs. Robert Roudabush (Messick)  
4 P.M.  
Mrs. W. H. Shaver (Brown)  
2 P.M.  
1:30 P.M.  
3 A.M.  
1 P.M.  
1:30 P.M.  
8:30 P.M.  
10:30 A.M.  
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Mrs. John E. Shaver (Nave)  
—  
Mrs. Samuel Smith (Teabord)  
—  
Mrs. George W. Showalter (Moyer)  
—  
Mrs. B. F. Showalter (Miller)  
11 A.M.  
Mrs. Daniel Showalter (Heatwole)  
—  
Mrs. A. J. Showalter (Woodward)  
—  
Mrs. W. H. Snapp (Williams)  
—  
Mrs. Jacob Shank (Beery)  
—  
Mrs. Geo. W. Shaver (Burkholder)  
—  
Mrs. Geo. W. Stanley (O’Roarke)  
—  
Mrs. S. J. Shank (Good)  
—  
Mrs. Simeon Smith (______)  
—  
Mrs. Michael Shank (Beery)  
—  

Mrs. C. J. Shank (Rhodes)  
—  
Mrs. B. B. Smith (Sours)  
—  
Mrs. E. A. Spitzer (Andes)  
—  
Mrs. Wm. Addis Shiflett (Flick)  
—  
Mrs. Isaac W. Stone (Stone)  
—  

Apr. 11, 1890 Fri.  
Nov. 23, 1891 Mon.  
Nov. 25, 1894 Sun.  
Dec. 16, 1899 Sat.  
May 4, 1890 Sun.  
Sept. 22, 1894 Sat.  
May 10, 1881 [Tues.]  
Mar. 1, 1880 Mon.  
Oct. 19, 1877 Fri.  
June 22, 1879 Sun.  
Jan. 9, 1881 Sun.  
Oct. 23, 1884 Thurs.  
Dec. 28, 1886 Tues.  
Aug. 10, 1888 Fri.  
Feb. 1, 1867 [Fri.]  
July 4, 1859 [Mon.]  
May 8, 1863 [Thurs.]  
May 10, 1866 Thurs.  
Dec. 28, 1867 Sat.  
Feb. 27, 1873 Thurs.  
Nov. 5, 1863 [Thurs.]  
Apr. 21, 1865 Fri.  
July 3, 1870 Sun.  
Nov. 2, 1864 [Wed.]  
July 28, 1866 Sat.  
Nov. 23, 1858 [Tues.]  
Feb. 24, 1863 [Tues.]  
May 3, 1865 [Wed.]  
Mar. 21, 1862 [Fri.]  
Sept. 1, 1862 [Mon.]  
Mar. 25, 1867 Mon.  
June 15, 1870 Wed.  
Mary Marg. Frances  
Jacob E. Rush  
Clara Ann  
Rebecca Kate  
Lillie Elisabeth  
Perry F.  
Dock  
Breech pres., Still born  

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Mrs. C. F. Shank (Beery)  
10 P.M.  
2 P.M.  
3 P.M.  
3:30 P.M.  
4 P.M.  
2:45 P.M.  

John William  
Laura Addie  
Emma Kate  
Ada Gertrude  
Ida Virginia, twins  
Minnie Udora  
Annie Beatrice  

July 26, 1866 Thurs.  
Aug. 30, 1868 Sun.  
Apr. 20, 1870 Wed.  
Apr. 20, 1870 Wed.  
July 1, 1872 Mon.  
Dec. 15, 1874 Tues.  
June 25, 1870 Sat.  

Mrs. Benj. A. Showalter (Hollar)  
11:30 A.M.  
Mrs. William Schultz (McMullen)  
3:30 A.M.  
Mrs. Colonel E. Sipe (Jennings)  
2:30 A.M.  
Mrs. Jacob A. Shoemaker (Miller)  
1 P.M.  
Mrs. Joseph Samuels (Burkholder)  
7:30 P.M.  

Still born, premature  
David Jennings  
Minnie  
Premature  
Nora  
Dec. 15, 1873 Mon.  

Sept. 25, 1865 [Mon.]  

Mrs. David P. Shiflett (Shaver)  
2:45 P.M.  
11 P.M.  
Mrs. John C. Simmers (Glover)  
5:30 A.M.  
Mrs. Jacob A. Spitzer (Shaver)  
10 A.M.  
8 A.M.  
1:45 A.M.  
6:15 P.M.  
5 A.M.  
6 P.M.  
2:30 P.M.  

Minnie Elisabeth  
Lucie May  
 Died nameless, daughter  
John Will.  
Samuel Edward  
Emma Florence  
Ira Gilbert  
Benj. Frank.  
Lula Cath.  
Charles Horner  

Aug. 14, 1877 Tues.  
Jan. 13, 1880 Tues.  

John Henry Cleveland  
Dec. 19, 1884 Fri.  

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<td>10:30 A.M.</td>
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<td>Edna Estelle</td>
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<td>Ward Boccher</td>
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<td>3:45 P.M.</td>
<td>Lilie May</td>
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<td>Nettie Sophia Rebecca</td>
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<td>Arthur David</td>
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<td>Benjamin Frederick</td>
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<td>Still Born, forceps del.</td>
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Aug. 14, 1875 Sat.
7 A.M.  Cora Bell
Nov. 11, 1876 Sat.
1:30 A.M. —
Sept. 29, 1877 Sat.

Mrs. Rev. H. H. Wenger (Swope)
2:15 A.M. Isaac Franklin
Oct 19, 1883 Fri.
3:00 A.M. Henry Swope
Apr 23, 1886 Fri.
9:30 A.M. Lydia Elizabeth
Aug 2, 1887 Tues.
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12:20 A.M. Jacob C.
Dec. 20, 1893 Wed.

Mrs. Rev. W. T. Walker (———)
3 A.M. Fannie Celestia
Nov. 12, 1876 Sun.
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Mrs. Jacob W. Walters (Linthican)
8 P.M. Not named, prem.
June 20, 1879 Fri.

Mrs. Rev. Fred. Wampler (Driver)
2:30 A.M. Frederick
Jan. 7, 1883 Sun.

Mrs. David W. Wampler (Miller)
8 A.M. Emna E.
Sept 22, 1876 Fri.
8 A.M. Jacob Racey
Oct 31, 1877 Wed.
7 P.M. Anna Cath.
Jan. 4, 1879 Sat.
10 A.M. Nora Frances
May 17, 1883 Thurs.
4:45 P.M. Mary Bell
May 15, 1884 Thurs.
5:50 P.M. Lera Rebecca
Dec. 11, 1885 Fri.
3:30 A.M. Lewis David
Feb. 12, 1887 Sat.
5 P.M. Premature, still born
Mar. 6, 1889 Wed.
10:30 P.M. Isaac Samuel
Nov. 19, 1892 Sat.
6 P.M. Premature, still born
Apr. 18, 1896 Sat.
2:15 P.M. Sayler Joseph
Apr. 6, 1898 Wed.

Mrs. G. W. Whitmer (Spitzer)
12:30 A.M. Still born, prem.
Nov. 20, 1881 Sun.
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Mrs. J. W. Zirkle (Coffman)
4 P.M. Eunice Virginia
Jan. 11, 1859 Tues.
2:30 P.M. John Russell
Feb. 9, 1864 Tues.
7 P.M. Mattie M. May 15, 1868 Fri.
Mar. 1, 1870 Tues.
2 A.M. Nannie Josephine
June 29, 1872 Sat.
8 A.M. Mary Olive
Sept. 17, 1874 Thurs.
10:30 P.M. Willie

Mrs. M. S. Zirkle (Beery)
11:15 P.M. Olive Pauline
Oct. 8, 1870 Sat.
11:30 P.M. Maggie Elizabeth
Mar. 20, 1872 Wed.
1:45 P.M. Luther Krummacher
Nov. 16, 1874 Mon.
1 P.M. Mosie Maud
Mar. 30, 1876 Thurs.
1 P.M. Mabel Moore
July 17, 1878 Mon.

Mrs. M. J. Zirkle (Zirkle)
2 A.M. Allen Christian
Dec. 26, 1859 Mon.
4:30 A.M. Rebecca Susan
Aug. 25, 1863 Tues.
6 A.M. Bertie C. Virg.
Mar. 27, 1874 Fri.

Miss L. [?] Z. ——— [The entry was hastily written and abbreviated. Probably, Zirkle.]
6:00 A.M. ———
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Mrs. Rev. H. H. Wenger (Swope) ———
Page 79.

Mrs. Rev. W. T. Walker (———)
3 A.M. ———
Nov. 12, 1876 Sun.

Mrs. James L. Laing (Spitzer)
8:15 A.M. Joseph Alonzo
Oct. 20, 1894 Sat.

Mrs. Samuel E. Tate (Whistle)
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1 A.M. Sarah Agnes
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Page 79.

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Dec. 9, 1894 Sun.

Mrs. Henry Wilbur Wilfong (Ewing)
1:30 P.M. ———
Mar. 2, 1895 Sat.

Mrs. John F. Gaught (Dormon)
4 A.M. Albert Moffett
Mar. 10, 1895 Sun.
5:15 P.M. Robert A.
Aug. 29, 1897 Sun.

Mrs. A. Piper (Hess)
9 A.M. Laura Addie
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4:30 P.M. Wilda Grace
Jan. 24, 1897 Sun.
9:10 P.M. Halsie Lorine
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The battle ship "Kearsarge" was launched from the shipyard at Newport News, Virginia, at the same moment that Warren Zirkle Roller was born. The “Kentucky” another war ship made in the same shipyard was launched two hours later. The historic James River received both vessels. War between U.S. and Spain inevitable at this time—MSZ (U.S. "licked" Spain, Apr. 3rd 1898—M.S. Zirkle, M.D.) [The entire Roller listing is repeated and the preceding observations appear on page 98.]

8:45 P.M. Harry Burgess
2:30 A.M. Robert Grattan
11 P.M. Matilda Magdelan
2:15 A.M. Hubert Luther
7 P.M. John J.
9 P.M. Douglass Lee
Died, Aug. 1, 4 of the clock A.M., 1906—MSZ [Page 98.]
12:15 P.M. Julia Ann
12 Mid-night Paul Moses
Mabel Virginia
Edwin Beery
Feb. 1, 1900 Sun.
Apr. 7, 1901 Sun.
May 27, 1902 Tues.
May 22, 1903 Fri.
Feb. 25, 1905 Sat.
Apr. 28, 1906 Sat.
June 7, 1907 Fri.
Sept. 9, 1909 Fri.
July 10, 1911 Mon.
Feb. 6, 1915 Tues.
Page 94.

Mrs. Charles L. Rhodes (Smith)
12:45 A.M. Charles Jennings
5:30 A.M. Winnie Marie
9:45 A.M. Lillian Faith
June 9, 1897 Wed.
June 30, 1898 Thurs.
Nov. 29, 1899 Wed.
Page 95.

Mrs. C. C. Armentrout (Roudabush)
11:50 P.M. Anza Mary
9:15 P.M. —
June 19, 1897 Sat.
Nov. 17, 1898 Thurs.
Page 96.

Mrs. Aaran Hess (Vint)
2:45 A.M. William Jefferson
Page 97.

Mrs. W. S. Armentrout (Maddox)
5:30 A.M. Walter Edwin
Jan. 20, 1898 Thurs.
Page 98.

Mrs. Geo. W. Ettinger (Holsinger)
6:45 P.M. Susie Baker
Mar. 16, 1898 Wed.
Page 99.

Mrs. E. C. Roller (Zirkel) [See page 93.]
3:15 A.M. Joseph Daniel
Georgina Burke, col'd
July 5, 1898 Tues.
3 P.M. Robert David [?] July 18, 1898 Mon.
Page 100.

Mrs. Elijah Pettit (Wetzell)
5:15 A.M. Son
July 21, 1898 Sat.
Page 101.

Mrs. W. D. Higgs (Davis)  
3 P.M.  
Still born, premature,  
6 mos. term  
July 29, 1898 Fri. 

Mrs. Charles E. Hoffman (Moore)  
6:30 P.M.  
Ira Franklin  
Oct. 16, 1898 Sun. 

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Mrs. L. W. Hudlow (Chambers)  
8:15 A.M.  
Edna Pauline  
Nov. 1, 1898 Tues. 

Mrs. Will Frank, Lee (Ritchie)  
3:15 P.M.  
Marcus Ray  
Nov. 19, 1898 Sat. 

Page 103.

Mrs. D. A. Swank (Beery)  
6:45 A.M.  
De Witt Raymond  
Nov. 24, 1898 Thurs. 

Mrs. John J. Burnshire (Depoy)  
3:25 P.M.  
Shelley Miles  
Dec. 5, 1898 Mon. 

7:15 P.M.  
Madaline Willard  
Apr. 7, 1900 Sat. 

Page 104.

Mrs. W. H. Sheetz (Taylor)  
1:30 A.M.  
Treva Clemens  
Jan. 15, 1899 Sun. 

Mrs. John M. Hill (Moneymaker, Geldmacher, Coiner of Money)  
8:45 P.M.  
Howard Jennings  
Jan. 31, 1899 Tues. 

Page 105.

Mrs. Geo. W. ("Buck") Kratzer (Dove)  
7 P.M.  
Premature, 5½ mos., Daughter  
Feb. 8, 1899 Wed. 

7:45 P.M.  
Premature, 5½ mos., Son, twins  
Feb. 8, 1899 Wed. 

Miss Delia Rosser  
10:45 P.M.  
Olive  
Feb. 8, 1899 Wed. 

Page 106.

Mrs. Arthur J. Bailey (Simmers)  
4:45 P.M.  
Myrtle Ivy  
Mar. 5, 1899 Sun. 

Mrs. Prof. Jos. W. Wampler (Klein)  
7:30 A.M.  
John Galen  
Apr. 2, 1899 Sun., Easter 

Page 107.

Mrs. Noah L. Spitzer (Brown)  
8:45 A.M.  
Son  
July 17, 1899 Mon. 

Mrs. Frank. L. Bush (Chapman)  
11:30 P.M.  
Howard Zirkel  
July 26, 1899 Wed. 

Page 108.

Mrs. John D. Shiflett (Joseph)  
9:30 P.M.  
Son  
July 28, 1899 Fri. 

Mrs. Algernon F. Coakley (Taylor)  
5:30 P.M.  
Joseph Austin  
Sept. 21, 1899 Thurs. 

Page 109.

Mrs. Perry G. Suter (Liskey)  
9 P.M.  
Marie Elisabeth (Reba)  
Oct. 21, 1899 Sat. 

Mrs. Charles W. Johnson (Long)  
9:45 A.M.  
William Russel  
Oct. 25, 1899 Wed. 

Page 110.

Mrs. John W. Myers (Wampler)  
4:30 P.M.  
Hettie Elisabeth  
Oct. 28, 1899 Sat. 

See page 46 

Mrs. Gottfried Ritz (Walther)  
1 A.M.  
Daughter  
Dec. 10, 1899 Sun. 

Page 111.

Mrs. William Rogers ( )  
8:30 P.M.  
Daughter  
Mar. 10, 1887 Thurs. 

Mrs. C. L. McMullen (Bush)  
11:30 P.M.  
Ethel Rhodes  
Dec. 29, 1899 Fri. 

Page 112.

Mrs. Jos. N. Crabill (Elbon)  
2 P.M.  
Still born daughter,  
Breech presentation, died in utera, discedased, macerated, . . . MSZ  
Jan. 14, 1900 Sun. 

Mrs. Jacob E. Rooft (Coakley)  
3:15 A.M.  
Son  
Mar. 17, 1900 Sat. 

Page 113.

Mrs. Luther Shiflett (Monger)  
4 A.M.  
Zirkel  
Apr. 13, 1900 Fri. 

Mrs. Martin W. Baldwin (Baldwin)  
7:15 A.M.  
Theresa Madeline  
Apr. 16, 1900 Mon.  

Molly foaled, Apr. 29, 1909 [Thurs.] . . .  
Rev. Boyd, Stuarts Draft, Va., was born Dec. 8, 1839 [Sun.] . . .  
[The above notations, partially illegible, are in pencil.] 

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Mrs. S. L. Garber (Wampler)  
9 A.M.  
Mary Elisabeth  
Apr. 21, 1900 Sat. 

Mrs. Jos. T. Wenger (Zirkel)  
12:30 A.M.  
Russell Byron  
Apr. 24, 1900 Tues. 

Page 115.

Mrs. Charles E. Custer (Rhodes)  
7 P.M.  
Woodie Ruth  
May 26, 1900 Sat.  
Names of physicians in Harrisonburg.  

Drs. Neff, Jones, Olbansin, Feuerbach, Davis, Beidler, Byers, Haller, Miller, Burnham, Turner,  
Amis, Dyer—MSZ  

[The above list is written in pencil, between the birth entries.] 

Mrs. J. Thomas Rice (Beery)  
5:15 P.M.  
Died, son  
June 1, 1900 Fri. 

Page 116.

Mrs. E. L. Moffett (Rhodes)  
3:40 A.M.  
Stuart Rhodes  
July 23, 1901 Tues. 

Mrs. H. D. Crizer (Zirkel)  
8 P.M.  
Ruby Magdalene  
July 28, 1906 Sat. 

1 P.M.  
Clara Kathleen  
Aug. 27, 1907 Tues. 

Herbert Julian  
Aug. 3, 1909 [Tues.] 

Shirley Maude  
Sept. 15, 1910 [Sat.] 

Sarah Pauline  
Apr. 13, 1914 [Fri.] 

Helen Dorothy  
Oct. 3, 1916 [Tues.] 

Mrs. Wm. Harrah (Ayers)  
9:25 A.M.  
Sadie Frances  
Sept. 27, 1902 Sat. 

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Miscellaneous entries, livestock records, and newspaper clippings.  

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[Births:] Alleghany County, Va., Covington  
— Oliver  
 Feb. 12, 1823 [Wed.]  
— Wills  
 June —, 1839  
— Joe Boswell  
 Apr. 18, 1832 [Wed.]  
Rev. Dr. Hawes  
 Jan. 21, 1834 [Tues.]  
Col. Gilliam  
Apr. 22, 1837 [Sat.]  
Wm. Fudge  
 Apr. 22, 1837 [Sat.]  
Col. zeit Gilliam  
 Apr. 22, 1837 [Sat.]  
Sam. Jackson  
 Mar. 18, 1831 [Mon]  

Births of Physicians of this co.

Dr. Will. Hopkins Dec. 1, 182—
Dr. J. H. Neff Oct. 11, 1843 [Wed.]
Dr. G. H. B. Brown Sept. 25, 183—
Dr. J. B. Amiss Sept. 20, 1835 [Sun.]
Dr. S. W. Brewer Aug. 26, 185—
Dr. J. E. Lincoln July 22, 185—
Dr. T. N. Sellers May 12, 183—
Dr. Lucius G. Henneberger Oct. 20, 185—
Dr. W. A. Vaughan Mar. 16, 18—
Dr. C. H. Ralston Sept. 21, 181—
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Dr. J. G. Coates Oct. 29, 182—
Dr. J. B. Webb Nov. 23, 182—
Dr. W. T. Jennings May 7, 183—
Dr. M. S. Zirkel June 13, 1833 [Thurs.]
Dr. S. H. Moffett Nov. 7, 1833 [Thurs.]
Dr. Eugene Rice May 17, 1833 [Fri.]
Dr. Burke Chrisman Sept. 6, 182—
Dr. Casper Henkel Apr. 17, 183—
Dr. W. J. Points Feb. 19, 1832 [Sun.]
Dr. N. M. Burkholder Jan. 17, 184—
Dr. Tom Feuerbach Oct. 12, 186—
Dr. Howard Armstey May 17, 187—
Dr. J. G. Minor July 14, 183—
Dr. — Richards Aug. 7, 182—
Dr. W. B. Dodge July 18, 1857 [Sat.]
Dr. Silon Zirkel Sept. 13, 1846 [Sun.]
Dr. John Hunter (Esq.) Dec. 10, 1854 [Sun.]
Dr. John Shank Sept. 29, 182—
Dr. — McRae Nov. 25, 182—
Dr. — Gardner Feb. 25, 1860 [Sat.]

Names of Michael Zirkel's sons, my grandfather

Abraham
George
Jacob
Lewis
Michael
Henry
Jonathan

[Incorporated] Births

Henry Geil Dec. 1, 1831 [Thurs.]
Ran. D. Cusen Dec. 2, 1831 [Fri.]
[Dr.] John Hunter Aug. 27, 1844 [Tues.]
Dr. Conn (Rohr) Sept. 4, 1843 [Mon.]
A. P. Funkhouser July 9, 1829 [Thurs.]
Judge G. G. Grillan May 13, 1846 [Sun.]
H. B. Harmonson June 29, 1851 [Sun.]
Lewis C. Hopkins Aug. 20, 1837 [Mon.]
Prof. G. H. Huwly Sept. 13, 1846 [Sun.]
P. W. Pugh July 19, 1829 [Tues.]
D. M. Switzer Aug. 21, 1837 [Mon.]
Silon Zirkel Sept. 13, 1846 [Sun.]
Willie Zirkel Oct. 13, 1848 [Thurs.]
Joel Rinker Oct. 28, 1878 [Mon.]
Tom Pennybaker Oct. 8, 1869 [?]
John Bowman Oct. 8, 1869 [?]

The Following I Assisted in Parturition

Mrs. J. W. Geil Annie Beery
Mrs. D. A. Swank Ollie Berry
Mrs. J. G. Brunk Maggie Wanger
Mrs. Jno. W. Tate Sarah Fulk
Mrs. C. C. Armentrout — Roudabush
[The above was deleted.]
Mrs. P. G. Suiter Elly Isley
Mrs. W. Frank, Jr. Emmie Ritchie
Mrs. W. D. Higgs
Mrs. I. N. Rhodes
Mrs. G. L. Kratzer
Mrs. Jac. S. Geil
Mrs. David S. Geil
Mrs. Benj. Harpnee
Mrs. Kirkwood Bell
Mrs. Sol. Holsinger
Mrs. John Pittington
Mrs. W. H. Rinker
Mrs. C. E. Custer
Mrs. E. C. Roller
Mrs. S. J. Rhodes
Mrs. W. E. Long

Births in 1843

Ben McKeever
Hon. Wm. L. Wilson
William Foby
J. Ashby Payne
Pres. Will. McKinley
Dr. J. H. Neff
D. Sheffy Lewis
Lewis C. Hopkins
A. P. Eiler
G. "Bob" Eastham
Thomas J. Atchison
L. A. Fox, D.D.

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BIRTHS

Aaran Shutters
Sally Shea
Kate Piper (widow)
Pete Rader
Geo. W. Conrad — 1823
Frank. Woodson
Major Dickey (Covington)
Miller Bell (Covington)
H. C. Vaughan
Jackson Riv. Brown
Rev. Robt. A. Helms
Joseph Boswell
Rev. Dr. Hawes
Sam. Jackson
Hall, P.O. Draft [?]

Births of 1898

Maud Davis
Beck Zirkel
Bert Zirkel
Minnie Wenger
Clara Wenger
June Adams
Mag. Baldwin
Bettie Myers
Eveline Pittington
Alice Ralston
Bessie Rhodes
Maudie Zirkel
Kate Niswander
Tracey Showalter

Oct. 9, 1843 [Mon.]
May 3, 1843 [Wed.]
May 4, 1843 [Thurs.]
Apr. 20, 1843 [Thurs.]
Jan. 29, 1843 [Sun.]
Oct. 11, 1843 [Wed.]
Oct. 17, 1843 [Tues.]
Sept. 4, 1843 [Mon.]
July 29, 1843 [Sat.]
Oct. 29, 1843 [Sun.]
Jan. 26, 1843 [Thurs.]
Aug. 3, 1843 [Thurs.]

[Mrs.] C. C. Armentrout (_________)
9:15 A. M. Daughter

Mrs. William Frank. Lee (_________)
Son

Mrs. D. A. Swank (_________)
Son

Mrs. John Burnshire (_________)
Son

Major Absalom Cooer was born August 5th 182—,

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THE CIVIL WAR DIARY OF GEORGE H. SNAPP

Transcription by Roger E. Sappington

The Rev. George H. Snapp was a young minister in the United Brethren in Christ Church in the Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. His name first appeared on the Virginia Conference roll of the Church in 1864, and he was not ordained until 1874. Ministers were not too plentiful during the Civil War, however, and in the spring of 1863, he was assigned to the Lacy Spring Circuit, which included several churches and preaching points in the area around Harrisonburg. About six months of his diary which he kept during 1863 has been preserved and is the basis of this article. In the diary, he provided an insight into a variety of experiences related to the War and also identified a number of prominent persons in this area, including the Dunker elder, John Kline.

The United Brethren in Christ Church consisted basically of German people, who had been greatly influenced by the Wesleyan revival. They were similar in many ways to the basically English Methodists; after uniting with the Evangelicals to form the Evangelical United Brethren Church, they have in recent years united with the Methodists to form the United Methodist Church. In general, the United Brethren very strongly opposed slavery, secret societies, and the use of alcoholic beverages and tobacco. During the Civil War, the United Brethren were evidently not pacifists, but very strong Unionists. The presiding bishop of the section of the church within the Confederate lines is supposed to have told General Stonewall Jackson that he did not want the South to be successful. The young minister, Snapp, evidently spent some time in prison for his beliefs. Let him tell his story.

Sunday—March 8th after meeting closed at Fredens Church I went in company with Bro. Howe to Whitesels Church several miles distant, and tried to preach at candle light. mad a very poor preach of it. just as the congregation was dismissed there came up a very heavy thunder shower. the night was also very dark. the congregation had much difficulty in getting home, went to Bro. Simon Whitesel and staid all night in company with Bro. Howe. Mon. Mar. 9th. this day was spent in settling up a difficulty between Bros. Simon and Aenas Whitesel. this was a very stubborn case, but by the help of the Lord we succeeded in routing the devil and effecting a reconciliation. may the Lord establish it forever. O! how very baneful to religion are these little broils and church difficulties, if suffered but for a little season to exist. Well may we use David’s language in the CXXXIII Psalm.

Bro. Howe preached at the church at night, and we lodged with Bro. Falls. Tuesday, snowy, visited 4 families and reached Keisletown in the evening and staid all night with Bro. Whitmore. Wednesday visited Bro. Strawder Sheetzes and went to Abram Ermons for dinner. here I left Bro. Howe, and made my way homeward. went across the Valley and in the evening reached Bro. Wm. J. Millers, living near Turleytown. the evening was very cold, snowy and stormy. tried to preach at night to a small congregation from Psalms XXIII. 1 and 2 verses, felt very much indisposed, but being very much pressed, I felt it my duty to
yield. feeling quite unwell and the weather continuing very cold and rough, I staid in the neighborhood with Bro. Jno. Paulsel until Friday afternoon, when I started homeward again and went some 4 miles and staid all night with Esq. Horn, a backsidden member of the U. B. Church. was kindly received, and hospitably entertained. Sat. road about 20 miles over bad roads and reached my sister's, Ellen Hoffmans, in the evening. stoped with her and went on Sunday morning to Otterbein Chapel to hear Bro. Tallheim preach from Psalms XVIII and 1 verse, after which we went in company to my Sisters Sarah Funkhouses for dinner, where I staid until Monday.

March 16 started for Edinburg. Met with my father at sister Ellens, where we staid, until after dinner. found him in a great fever of selling his old home and leaving Edinburg. this was very afflicting to my heart. I endeavored to dissuade him, but all apparently to no purpose at the time being. I tried to lay the matter before the Lord in secret prayer and let it rest. He and I reached Edinburg in the evening and found all well. felt truly glad that I was permitted to see my old native home once more, though I must say that I did not feel as much at home as I desired to feel, but thought I loved home more than I ever did in my life before. spent Tuesday and Wednesday at home in preparing to go to my new field of labor and in visiting some of my relatives and friends. left home on Wednesday evening and road some 6 miles to Mr. F. Hoffmans on my way to my circuit and staid with him all night. 19th arrived at my sister Ellens again. staid in the neighborhood visiting my good brethren until Saturday morning.

Mar. 21st. When I set out early to reach Keizletown, where an appointment occurred on Sunday morning, there was a fall of snow the night before and the day being very foggy and rainy the traveling was very slow and difficult, and in addition having to go somewhat out of the common way in order to flank the military pickets which had been placed in the way the day previous, I did not reach the neighborhood of Keizletown until 9 Oclock at night. When I stopped at Bro. Strawder Sheezes somewhat weary and hungry, as well as was my little bob who had to carry me with my clothes and books all day without any dinner. Sunday morning Mar. 22 was bright and pleasant. went in company with Bro. Sheetz and family 2 miles to Keizletown to meet the appointment at 10 Oclock, but was greatly relieved to find Bro. Howe there to preach, which he did from the text, "All are yours." we had a fine congregation and a good time. We dined with Bro. George Burnett in company with a young methodist preacher from S. Carolina, who was a chaplin of the rebel army in company with some soldiers camped near this place. he made an appointment to preach here in the Church this afternoon at 3 Oclock. After dinner Bro. Howe and I made our way to Whitzels Church 7 miles distant, where he preached at 3 Oclock from Dan. VI, 10, after which we went to Bro. Saml. Funkhouse on Naked Creek, Aug. Co., and staid all night.

Mond. morn. we started for Churchville some 20 miles distant where the Methodists were holding their Ann. Conference, the mud making it very difficult traveling. we reached sister Spitlers for late dinner, and got to the conf. in the afternoon just in time to hear a sermon from Job VII, 16, "I would not live always," by Rev. Boud. the subject was very ably discussed and the discourse was a very fine one. I was pleased to see the preacher so plain and unassuming after services. we went to Sister Bair's in company with Bros. Hammack, Keiracoff and others where we staid all night, the evening being so rainy and disagreeable, but we had very pleasant time together there. Tues. morn. weather lowering, all met at conf. room about 9 Oclock; this being the first Methodist conf. I ever had the privilege of attending, I felt anxious to see how they did business and how a methodist conf. looked. they did not wish to be wanting in parlimentary rule. I did not find that gravity and order which was expected, there seemed in their policy a greater disposition to please men, than God. this day there was some discussion of politicks which produced considerable enthusiasm, in the conference. I was much astonished at this. indeed there was manifest much sectionalism, and but little universal love which is the bond of perfection. the conf. took an action here this day denouncing all its members within the federal lines and eternal separation from the North and a perpetual allegiance to the South and its divine institution. also a solemn ratification of something called the Staunton platform by a unanimous vote of the ecclesiastical body. When a little dutchman's name was called he got on his tip toes and exclaimed, "Mr. President, I wish I could not only say aye with my lips, but deep down in my heart aye." these things deeply pained my poor heart, and I could say with one of old, "O! What folly in Israel." these things made a sad impression on my mind which will never be erased. conf. closed this afternoon, there was in attendance nearly all of this branch of the methodist ministry in this confederacy, and the church was crowded with spectators from day to day notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather.

here Bro. Howe left me to make a trip to Bath Co. in the evening went to Bro. Geo. A. Shoeyes and staid until next day after dinner when I went some 6 miles to Bro. Geo. Andsens and staid with him all night. Bro. A. had just returned from a tour of several weeks spent in Md. and Pa. visiting his old friends and relatives there after a long and painful separation occasioned by this wicked war. about his first words after greeting were, "Bro. Snapp, my trip to Md. was one of the most happy periods I ever spent in all my life." this did my soul good especially when he spoke of the prosperous condition of our beloved Zion there, and of its earnest prayful travell for our deliverance from oppression, sin, and the bloody tyrant. had a very pleasant time with him indeed. here was truly verified the truth of King Solomons words, "As cold waters to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country." Thur. Mar. 26. this day visited old Mother Shoeyes and in the evening went to old Bro. Geeties on Middle River and staid all night. found Bro. G. much afflicted, but his soul fast ripening for Canan's land. I spent a very pleasant night with him and in the morning left him feeling much revived and encouraged. Friday 27. this was appointed by Jeff. Davis as a day of fasting and prayr through the confederacy. on my way up the river stoped at Cousin Ephram Geeties, and then to Bro. Go. A. Shoeyes for dinner, afternoon went to Bro. Hammack and staid all night with Bro. N. Showalter.

Sund. Mar. 27. road some 6 miles and reached my 1st appointment which was 10 Oclock at Union Schoolhouse. on reaching the place, I found it occupied by a comp. of soldiers which had been camped there some several weeks. I told them there was an appointment for preaching there that day. They said they had herd nothing of it, but would be glad to hear preaching and would right up the house if
I would stay and preach to them. I declined and said as no congregation had met there, possibly there were arrangements made at some other place in the neighborhood for preaching. I went one mile farther on to Bro. Wm. Thacker’s and preached in his house to a small congregation from Psalms LXXXIV and I, 2, this was the beginning of my feeble labors on Lucy Spring circuit. Afternoon road 6 miles to Hopkins Schoolhouse to fill an appointment at 3 O’clock. Found a crowded house waiting for me. tried to preach as best I could. the cross bore very heavily upon me this day. in the evening went to Bro. Jno. Paulsell’s and staid all night. Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday spent in visiting the members of this society. Thursday April 2nd went to see Bro. Howe’s family living near Keisleton. Found them well. Bro. Howe returned from Bath and busy making garden. Weather pleasant. Went to near neighbor, Saml. Sheetze, to stay all night but was refused. I rode then some several miles to Peter Armontrout’s. lost my way, got belated, and was most severely tempted by the devil. when I arrived at this place I knocked at the front door several times, but was not heard. the devil still following me said they did not want me there, so I feel like believed him and obeyed, was going from the house to look for shelter somewhere else, led my horse up to the style, and just in the act of mounting the style, broke down with me, and I had to make another trial to get on my horse. just then a young man came out of the house and saw me and invited me in. be sure I readily accepted this, but felt very bad during the night having been so much buffeted by satan.

3rd returned to Bro. Howes and spent the day. in the evening went to his neighbors, Bro. Abram Ermons, and staid all night. returned in the morning to Bro. Howes again. it being Saturday, he was very busy engaged in fixing up to make a trip to Woodstock circuit to assist Bro. Tahlhelm at a meeting of his. it was a very cold windy day, and a boy brought in some old dry shingles and made up a considerable fire in the fireplace. I sat before it and took off my boots and greased them well, remarking several times, “this is a very hot fire.” presently, ever and anon a red hot piece of soot would fall down the chimney and roll out on the hearth. I told Bro. Howe I thought the chimney was on fire. he sent the children out to look but they saw nothing. I put on my boots and went out to wash my hands and just then, the boy who was out at the woodpile chopping looked up and said the house is on fire. I ran to see and found several feet square of roof in a blaze. I ran in and to Bro. Howe, thinking that we could get to the roof inside and punch off the shingles and thus save the house, but it was all sealed up under the rafters and the fire had already burned through this and was falling down on the floor. he said we can only try and save the property. we commenced removing this, but the wind being so high, and the fire so rapid we only succeeded in getting out what was on the first floor. no assistance came until the house was nearly consumed. Bro. Howe sustained a loss of some four or five hundred dollars worth of property. This was a sad calamity to him but he bore it patiently, saying “Well, a rolling stone gathers no moss.” Ah! Said I, we don’t mean to gather moss hear. Bro. Howe, he removed the remainder of his property to a little house of Bro. Ermons where he staid during the year.

in the evening I mad my way to my sunday appointment at Mt. Tabor Church. found the church occupied by soldiers, and in a filthy condition. some were amusing themselves with the chess board, etc. went to Abram Longs and staid all night. Sunday, April 5th Faster, this day, snowy. before leaving today, went up stairs and talked with several Confed. Soldiers, who were sick, in regard to their souls. they made little reply. one of them died soon after. as the church was not in condition for holding meeting I went to the appointment which was next in turn at Mountain Valley 5 miles distant at 3 Oclock P.M. Stopped for dinner at old Bro. Stricklers. found this a very kind christian family. preached at the church and went to the next appointment about 6 miles distant, at Bethlehem Church on the Valley turnpike and preached at night. tolerable congregation, but they did not know that the last time I was in this house I was held with many other citizens as a prisoner of war. neither did I wish to tell them. went to the widow Pickering and staid all night.

Monday went to Bro. Howes new situation in the afternoon. went to old Mr. John Clines, preacher in the Dunkerd church, living on Linville Creek and staid all night. afternoon very high wind with rain and snow. I felt very much at home here like I always do with my guard house friends. was very kindly received and entertained here. after supper while sitting in his room around the fire, several of his neighbors came in and one of the number was the postmaster from the office near by with several letters, and a little package very carefully enclosed with many rappings of paper. the sight of all this seemed to lift the kind old man up very much. he spoke freely of his augmented ecclesiastical and medical engagements, etc., while he opened and read the letters. then he commenced opening the little package, (with its heavy postage unpaid), eager to ease the excited mind when lo! and behold, a deck of cards were in his hand. it made the innocent old man blush considerable. I felt sorry for him but said to him O! don’t mind that, they have got into good hands. yes he says I’ll know what to do with them.

Tuesday went to old Mr. Keisers living on Shenandoah river and spent most of the day. he is preacher in the Baptist Church, O.S. and a very strong Union man. the time was spent very pleasantly. he spoke much and wept over the evils of this war and the suffering condition of our Zion of God. the old man seemed much cast down; when I left he was much affected and said he hoped to meet me in Heaven. May the Lord bless him, Amen. in the evening went to Mr. Phillip Hollers and staid all night. this man is a dunkerd and also one of my guard-house friends. here I found two others of the same class. we had a very pleasant time together. they told me that a neighbor of theirs, Mr. Beery, said it would go with the South like it did with a swarm of bees of his. he said about the commencement of the war, he had a swarm of bees that succeeded. They swarmed at a very unseasonable time, he hived them, but they did not do well at all. they did not work right. some time afterward they came out again in great confusions and flew about in the air until a great many of them fell down on the ground and died. the remainder of them went back into the old hive from whence they came out first and that was the last of it. so he said it would be with the southern Confederacy.

Wednesday and Thursday spent in visiting the neighborhood about Hopkins Schoolhouse. Friday, went to Bro. Howes again but found him at his nearest neighbors, Bro. Michael Howards. took dinner there with them. afternoon went 8 miles to Bro. Stricklers again and staid all night. Saturday morning, April 11th went to Mountain Valley Church to attend our 1st Qrt. Meeting for this year. 10 O’clock having arrived and none of the preachers being present it fell to my lot to try to preach. I commenced from the text I like X and 42nd verse. when I was
about half through Bros. Glossbrenner, Funkhouser, and Evers came walking in the door. this took me quite a surprise indeed. I thought to myself, I will not mind them, but go ahead. Bro. Glossbrenner came and sat down in front of the pulpit, the other two brethren took their seats in the congregation and all commenced looking at me. I soon began to feel like Peter on the Sea of Galilee, and soon ended my discourse, astonished at my timidity. took dinner with Bro. Templeman. Qurt. Conf. met in the afternoon at 3 Oclock. Present, Bros. Glossbrenner, Pres. Elder, J. W. Howe, Circuit preacher, J. Funkhouser, J. Holcomb, J. Miller, S. Swank, local preachers and a tolerable good turnout of qrt. conf. members. Bros. Wm. Evers and Jos. Whitsel were licensed to preach, etc. went to Bro. Jacob Lees to supper and nights lodging. Bro. Holcomb preached at candlelight a very warm discourse on the subject of sanctification.

Sunday Apr. 12th. had a warm experience meeting at 9 o'clock after which Bro. Glossbrenner preached with great acceptance as usual. when the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. the day was fine and the congregation very large. I went with old Bro. Strickler to dinner, and then went to Dayton, a distance of 15 or 18 miles to fill my appointment there at candlelight. in order to reach this point I would have to go through Harrisonburg. when I got within 2 miles of this place I received the information that martial law was declared and that all the roads were guarded and no one permitted to pass through the place at this intelligence. I was much put to know what to do. I felt anxious to reach my appointment, but feared that if I attempted to go forward I would fall into the hands of the officer. though late in the evening I thought I would try and flank round and still reach my appointment. I did so by riding about 5 miles out of my way though when I reached the place the congregation had given me out and had commenced a prayer meeting. I felt very much fatigued, and had very little spirit for preaching, but I undertook it. though it was a weary thing, after all, some scoffed while others slept, and those outside had their fun. it seemed to me that the devil had every thing in his hand. when I went out to get on my horse my saddle was turned hind part before and my bridle all taken apart, and some of it taken away, and the rest tied around his neck. this was still more mortifying to me but kept it all to myself. went with Hiram Coffman and staid all night. here I was treated kindly. he lives with old Mother Burtner. here I learned that the report in regard to the martial law at Harrisonburg was all false, and so my pains and long ride around Harrisonburg could have been avoided if I had just went straight ahead and trusted in the Lord. I will try and learn from this not to believe every thing I hear always.

Spent part of this week in visiting and in seeking a place on the circuit to make my home and spent part of this week with Bro. Howe. Saturday went through Edom and made an appointment for preaching on Sabb. morning. this was by order of Bro. Howe, and seemed one of the most difficult things I ever undertook. here the brethren never had preached and he intended taking it up as a regular appointment. I was very much tamed while on the way to this place and wondered why he did not make the first appointment at this place. it seemed to me such a very hard thing for me to make an appointment for myself to preach. I thought to myself if only the appointment was made, I would feel so much better. when I approached the place my heart almost failed. when I saw such an amount of fine land and so many fine houses I thought surely such a poor ignorant worm as I cannot preach to such great people. I felt ashamed to be seen by any one, but I had to fight through all. Sumed up courage, road through the place and stoped several places, and said there would be preaching at this place on tomorrow a 10 Oclock, but did not say by whom. the last time I stoped and announced, one very intelligent looking fellow came up to me and said, "are you the preacher?" I said, after some effort, I expect to try it if I can get a congregation. he said well you will get that so I went on some five miles to Bro. Wm. Millers and staid all night. Sun. Apr. 19th went to fill my appointment in company with Bro. Miller. He proved a great support to me, found a good congregation assembled. tried to preach for nearly an hour. Bro. Miller complained of it and said I gave him no chance to speak. I felt sorry for it. was kindly received by the people, but did not take time for dinner, went to my appointment at Coles Schoolhouse in the afternoon at 3 Oclock. found a full house. it seems everybody will go once to hear the new preacher. staid all night with Bro. A. Ermon.

spent this week as the one previous. Sat. April 25th went to my appointment at Union Schoolhouse again. found the house unfit for divine services rendered so by the soldiers, went to Bro. Thackers and staid all night. Sunday preached at Bro. Thacker's house at 10 Oclock to a small congregation. afternoon, went to Hopkins Schoolhouse and preached at 3 Oclock from Gal. VI & 9. went to Bro. Millers and staid all night. spent several of the days of the last week in this neighborhood with Bro. Jno. Paulsels studying. Monday 27th went to Bro. Samuel Swanks where I had my trunk and clothes and staid until Tuesday morning. early this morning packed up my things and started for Bro. Micah Howard's where I succeeded in getting a temporary home, by this little family and treated very kindly during my stay with them. Sister Howard especially studied to render me comfortable and the short time we spent together was very pleasant indeed. Helped Bro. Howard several days this week in planting corn. Sat. afternoon went to my appointment. stopt for the night with Bro. Jno. Bimel near Lacy Spring, he seems to be a very clever kind of a fellow. he shod my horse and kept me all night without charging. I wanted to pay him for the shoeing but he said he did not charge preachers for horseshoeing in his life and so he would receive nothing.

Sund. May 3rd. fill my appointment at Mt. Tabor at 10 Oclock. Bro. Bimel went with me to Mountain Valley to my appointment at 3 Oclock P.M. stopt on our way and took dinner with old Bro. Strickler. preached with some liberty, but in the morning I had little feeling at Tabor. at 5 Oclock preached at Bethlehem and road to Bro. Jesse Carriers at Lacy Spring and staid all night. Monday morning, May 4th left bro. Carriers and home to assist Bro. Howard in finishing corn planting. spent the most of this week with my books. 6th, 7th, 8th. Very rainy and great excitement. citizens running in every direction with their stock saying the Yankees are coming, but these things do not move me. Of what a calamity is civil war. While the weather being very wet and cold I staid near the fire trying to write out a sermon for the first time, find it a herculean task. text Gal. VI and 9th. Thursday evening went to Keizletown to prayer meeting, staid all night with Bro. Jno. Funkhouser. Frid. Morn. succeeded in buying two bushels of wheat of him for my horse the only grain I could get owing to the scarcity of
reached Edinburg, found my fathers family and friends all well. felt very thankful to the good Lord for being permitted to see my friends and dear old home once more. Thursday. packed up some of my books and clothes and started back to my circuit, staid all night with Bro. Alexander Lutz. staid in this neighborhood until Saturday, visiting my sisters and Christian friends on Mill Creek. Sat. Morn. started for my circuit, traveled an unfrequent road, it being the coolest. got along very pleasantly. felt the good Lord directed me safely. stoped at Bro. Horns for dinner. afternoon went to Bro. Millers and staid all night.

May 24 Sund. Whitunday. met the class at 8 and preached at 10 Ocklock at Hopkins Schoolhouse. had a good time. afternoon preached at Bro. Thackert at 3 Ocklock. evening rainy. staid all night. [note on back of page] May 24. Visited by his request Mr. Gaitor, a soldier from camp who is waiting away by disease. sang and prayed with him as best I could. he seemed concerned, very much, in regard to his soul, now that he was about to die. poor fellow. I fear he has let the most favorable opportunity pass by of seeking religion. Alas that one would put off their day of grace until the hour of death. [end of note] Monday went to my home at Bro. Howards. spent part of the week with my books, the remainder in visiting the society at Mountain Valley.

Sunday morning May 31st. met the class here at 8 Ocklock. preached at 10 from Gal. VI and 9. went to Bro. Strickler for dinner. afternoon preached at Mt. Tabor at 3 Ocklock P.M. and at Bethlehem at 5 in the evening. Sund. Night staid with Abram. Long. Mond. June 1st weather cool. went to Edom to assist Bro. Howe at a meeting. he preached this morning at 10 Ocklock from Jude 20 and 21st verses. afterward the sacrament was administered. we had a somewhat feeling time. went with Bro. Howe to Bro. McLockins for dinner. Mond. night. it fell to my lot to try to preach. crowded house. cross heavy. had but little grace. made but a feeble and imperfect effort. Bro. Howe exhorted with much energy. a number of penitents came to the altar for prayer. staid all night with Bro. Jno. Anthony. Tuesday spent in visiting. at night Bro. Howe preached. interest of the meeting increasing. a larger number of penitents at the altar than on the previous evening. Tuesday night at Bro. Anthonys again. Wednesday morning I started away on business to Bro. Thackers for Bro. Howe. he staid and continued the meeting during the week which resulted in the conversion of several persons. in the evening I reached my home. Thursday afternoon went to Mt. Moreland, Aug. Co. to deliver some Sabbath School books for a Sabbath School in the neighborhood. staid all night with Bro. Wm. Knipple. Friday dined with Bro. Nimrod Blackwell on my way to Bro. Hammachs. reached Bro. Hammachs in the evening and staid all night. Sat. went to Bro. Henry Bovery and spent part of the day with him. wrote a letter to Bro. Keiracofo. afternoon road with Bro. Boery to Ary river where we staid all night together at Bro. Nimrod Showalters.

Sund. morning. June 7th weather fine. left Bro. Showalters for my appointment at Dayton at 10 A.M. the cross bore heavy today. by heard riding I reached my appointment in time. after preaching went to old Mother Burtlers to dinner. afternoon went to my appointment at Whitzels Church at 3 Ocklock. in the evening went to Keizletown and preached at night from Gal. VI and 9. staid all night with Bro. Wm. Burtner. Mond. June 8th started this morning before daylight and road some 11 miles to Mr. Brunks, a Mennonite preacher and got
my breakfast and went 5 miles farther to Hopkins Schoolhouse to assist Bro. Howe at a protracted meeting commenced the previous Saturday in the grove nearby. Stopped and saddled my horse at Mr. Rahlston's. arrived on the grounds in time for experience meeting. we had a very good time. the morning was fine, and a goodly number assembled for preaching at 11 O'clock. also a number of preachers were present, Bro. Howe and Bovey, who arrived in the morning from the adjoining circuit, also three local preachers, and two arminian and one Baptist preacher N.S. Bro. Howe told me the lot to preach would fall to me or Bro. Bovey. I said to Bro. Bovey of course. I had to speak to him of it but he positively declined and I could get no other one to have pity on me so I had to take up the cross and do the best I could. in sodoing the good Lord helped me some. my text was Psalm XVIII and 1 verse. Bro. Bovey excused himself of preaching on account of ill health. after I had done he got up and exhorted with such power and ability that greatly astonished me and made me feel as though I had said nothing on the subject at all. we had a good time in surrounding the sacramental board. afternoon Bro. Bovey returned home without preaching, I think with an unbraided conscience. I went to Bro. Conrad Custards for dinner. afternoon visited Bro. Wm. Millers, preacher of the Arminian church. at night Bro. Howe preached and closed the meeting. staid all night with Mr. Rahlston. spent part of the week visiting here. Wednesday reached home. Thursday evening went to Keizletown to attend prayr meeting. staid all night with Bro. Funkhouser. Friday returned home. Saturday evening went to Keizletown. staid all night with Bro. Wm. Burtner.

Sund. morn. June 14th. met the Sabbath School at 8 Oclock. 10 preached at Coles schoolhouse from Prov. XVIII and 24th verse. preached at Edom at 3 P.M. in the evening went to Abram Longs. got supper and horse fed and went to Mt. Tabor at night to assist Bro. Howe in holding a protracted meeting which commenced the Saturday evening previous. found the congregation assembled but no preacher present. felt a little uneasy thinking I would have to take up the cross, though Bro. Howe had previously informed me that Bro. Holcomb would preach on the occasion, but he failed to come and Bro. Howe came in late and told me I would have to get at it immediately and preach. the cross was very heavy from several considerations but had to take it up. Text Matt. XI. 28 verse. went with Bro. Howe and staid all night at sister Jessa Carriers at the big Spring. Monday morning. had a good experience meeting. 10 Oclock Bro. Howe preached, after which the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered, and the meeting closed. went to Abram Longs to dinner. afternoon spent in visiting. in the evening went with Bro. Howe to Mr. Simmers and staid all night. found this a very nice family. Sister Simmers and her two daughters are excellent members of the church but alas the husband and father is a backslider. Tuesday arrived home.

Friday afternoon went to Mt. Moreedian, Aug. Co. to purchase a saddle of Bro. Knipple or rather exchanged my old one for his, giving him in addition 12 dollars good confed. evening heavy storm arose. afterwards road some 5 miles to Bro. Henry Hinkles of the Lutheran Church. it becoming very dark had some uneasiness in regard to the road but endeavored to look to God and he directed me safely, thanks be to his holy name, was kindly entertained. heavy rain during the night. went next day on my way to my Sund. appointment. passed by Mt. Crawford on my way towards Dayton. Stopped at Mr. Boltons near Dayton to purchase several baskets. got two for one dollar each. he said he would let me have them at half price for the sake of my profession. this was quite kind in a stranger and one irreligious. he is a man subjected to many years of affliction in reference to which I tried to urge upon him the importance of religion. here I was kindly solicited to stay for dinner but declined, expecting to meet a more favorable occasion, but this was not obtained this day, leaving this place thankful, went on through Dayton and arrived at my old guardhouse friends, Dr. Heatwolds, at about 12 or 1 Oclock expecting my dinner and horse fed but the old folks being absent and it a busy day with the young ones, I did not meet with the same encouragement I expected so I made my visit momentary, being somewhat disappointed and perplexed. feeling a little weary and hungry and sorry for my horse thinking that he would get nothing until night and how I had refused such kind offers and passed by other opportunities, felt truly grieved and thought I would now aim for Bro. Thacker by the Mole Hill and Mt. Clinton. after riding an hour or two in the woods I coume out in the opening with thankfulness and what do I see, a house which I ought to know but it stands in a rong position. I come up to the gate, and lo, I am at the old Drs. stately residence again. I have been lost and just now know it. I put spurs to my horse and strike out as before determined to make my way out if possible. after I got out into the woods again it commenced thundering and lightening very hard threatening immediate rain, from which I sought to seek shelter. bearing to the right and riding swiftly I reached a house just in time to save myself, but found myself lost again. after the rain was over, I obtained directions here to Bro. Thacker which I followed, being still bewildered in my mind until I had road some 4 miles. reached Bro. Thacker's in the evening, much fatigued and vexed at my folly, received my sheepskin which he had in tann for me for my saddle.

Sund. Morn. June 21st. Met my appointment at Union Schoolhouse. Much tempted on the way. the cross so heavy. thought if preaching was as easy as footing it along the road I would gladly walk incessantly all day without eating. tried to preach from Matt. XVIII and 3rd verse. afternoon left Bro. Thacker for my appointment at Hopkins Schoolhouse 3 Oclock. found Bro. Holcomb there. insisted on his preaching for me, but could not prevail. did the best I could from the text (if no mistake) found 1st Cor. XIII and 13 verse. After preaching this afternoon succeeded in organizing a Sabbath School at Hopkins Schoolhouse, there seemed to be a general interest manifested in this good enterprise. staid all night with Jno. Pausel. Mond. Morn. road in company with Bro. Holcomb to Edom on my way home. spent this week with my books, and assisted Bro. Howard in harvesting a little. Sat. evening reached Bro. [crossed out] and staid all night.

Sund. morning June 28. Met the class at 8. preached at 10 from Coll. II and 6, 7 verses. went to Bro. Stricklers to dinner. preached at Mt. Tabor at 3 P.M. and Bethlehem at 5 Oclock in the evening. Went to sister Simmers and staid all night. Mund. June 29th. Went to Bro. Stricklers to dinner. Afternoon went to Page Co. on a visit to see my friends living on the Hawshill. crossed the Masonusit Mt. by a bridlepath and found it very steep and rugged, when
descending the mountain got caught in a very heavy shower of rain which retarded my progress; finally with thankfulness, I reached the settlement. First some iron works, at the foot of the mountain, passing which, road several miles and reached the pike leading to Luray. Road some 4 miles on this, passing through Newport, a little town on the bank of the Shenandoah river, where I was stopped by a man wishing to buy my horse, but gave him little satisfaction. Was not pleased with the looks of any I met with. Crossed the river several miles below this, and got on the Gordonsville pike, having yet 7 or 8 miles to ride in order to reach my destination. After riding very heard I reached my cousins, Phillip Hutchisons, about 8 Oclock at night. Tuesday. Heavy showers also the previous night. Went with my cousin to his father-in-laws, Mr. Graysons, to get my watch repaired. Left it with him until the next day. Afternoon, went several miles across the country to visit Mr. Lewis Koontz's who married a cousin of mine. Found all well. Made her a present of one of my little baskets. She gave me in return, some fine linen for bosoms, a piece of homemade cotton cloth for a pair of leggings, and several cuts of very fine white woolen yarn. All these were very precious articles these confederate times and just what I needed, so after all, I received more than double pay for my basket. Wednesday. I went to get my watch, found it righted, paid the bill. 15 cents, which was very inconsiderate, these confederate times.

Started for my circuit in the evening went to Mr. Huffmans, living on the Hawsbill, who was an uncle to my brother-in-law and staid all night. Thursday crossed the mountain via Massanuton Gap to the turnpike. Found this much the pleasantest rout. Reached Bro. Stricklers at 1 Oclock. P.M. afternoon. Went to Bro. Howard's. Sat. went to Dayton and staid all night with old Mother Burtner. Sund. July 5th filled my appointment at 10 Oclock. Afternoon preceeded at Whitz Church, at 3 P.M. and at night at Keizletown. Staid all night with Bro. Wm. Burtner.

Mond. Morn. July 6th. Thought of starting early on a visit to Edinburg to see my friends once more. On going to the stable for my horse I found my saddle and bridle were missing and no one could give any account of them whatever. This was a considerable loss to a poor fellow like me but it had to be born. I put in quite a dilemma for a while, when Bro. Burtner loned me his to use until I could recover this loss. Under this unpleasant affaire, I started for home. Making my way down the Keizletown road, I reached Jas. Funks on Smiths Creek, who married a near relative of mine, where I got dinner and horse fed. Afternoon went through New Market and reached my sisters on Mill Creek in the evening. Found them all well. Went to Bro. Andrew Funkhousers and staid all night. Tuesday. Went to my sister Ellen's, thence to Edinburg. Found my fathers family all well. Spent one day and night here with my friends, time being too short to have much pleasure with them. Delivered the other little basket to my step mother, according to previous contract.

Wednesday evening. Left home on my return to my Circuit. Road some 6 miles to my sisters, Ellen Huffmans. Staid in this neighborhood until Saturday morning, visiting the Christian brethren here. This always gives me exquisit pleasure. Sat. Morn. started from my sisters Sarah Funkhousers for my Circuit. Had a very pleasant days travel, through a portion of the country called "The Forest" which I selected for my rought. The good Lord enabling me to get through without any difficulty, reached old father Keizers, minister in the Baptist Church, O. S. residing near the Shenandoah river, about 1 Oclock where I was kindly entertained. Spent several hours very pleasantly with him in conversation. He related a very shocking affaire, his fine old lady also vouching for its truth, which I will endeavor to record showing to some extent the awful horrors of Civil War, the circumstance took place in Pendleton County not very far from where he occasionally preceeded, during one of many raids made by the soldiers through that country, which is briefly as follows. In gathering up stock, several soldiers called upon one man who had two fine horses, which they preemptorily demanded up, which was with an acheing heart surrendered. Just when they were about to make off with them his two little boys ran and caught the horses by the bridles and commenced pleading that they should not take them away, that they were theirs. The stern soldiers told them to let go, but they still held on and wept and pled the more, when they deliberately drew their pistols and shot the little heroes down in their tracks and put off with their booty.

Afternoon, went up on Leinville Creek and staid all night with Bro. Jno. Anthony near Edom. Sund. July 12th. Met the Sabbath School this morning at Edom. Preached at 10 A.M. Afternoon met my appointment at 3 Oclock at Coles School house. Afterwards went to my home at Bro. Howards, evening and night, heavy showers. Spent this week here with my books and assisting Bro. Howard a little in harvesting. Sat. evening went to Bro. Thackers. Spent the afternoon in visiting a family up in the Mountain. Sund. Morn. July 19th. Filled my appointment at Union School house. Afternoon went to Hopkins Schoolhouse and reached at 3 Oclock a very full house. Sab. School met at 2. It is doing finely. Staid all night with Bro. Miller. Mond. returned to Bro. Howards, Wednesday 22nd. Went to Mt. Moreidian to try and get back the old saddle which I had traded to Bro. Knipple for the one I had stolen. Succeeded in getting it by paying $5. I felt as thankful now as when I got the fine one before. On my way back staid all night with one of my old guardhouse friends, Mr. Beery, of the Menmonie Church. Thursday went to Bro. Renroads, thence to Keizletown, and returned Bro. Burtner his saddle, on arriving here in the afternoon, met with Bro. Howe and accompanied him to the church to hear a funeral discourse delivered by Bro. Jos. Funkhouser on the occasion of the burial of old Mother Billheimer. On leaving the church we met with Bro. Glossbrenner who had just arrived on his way to Woodstock Circuit. We all went to Bro. Wm. Burtners to supper after which I went to my home at Bro. Howards near Keizletown, in company with Bro. Howe. Found sister Howard complaining very much of a sore throat. Frid. Morn. wrote a letter, enclosing 2$ to Bro. Jno. Hisey, class steward at Edinburg, to be delivered by Bro. Howe, who accompanied Bro. Glossbrenner to the Woodstock Circuit.

Sat. went to my appointment which occurred at Mountain Valley Church on Sab. Morn. at 10 Oclock, July 26. Met the class this morning before preaching. Went to Bro. Stricklers for dinner, tried to preach at Mt. Tabor at 3 P.M. and at Bethlehem at 5 in the evening, and road some 6 miles to Abram Longs and staid all night. Mond. spent in visiting in the evening reached Bro. Strawder Sheetz's where I stopped during a shower, found here Bro. Glossbrenner on his return, after supper went to Bro. Abram Frimans and staid all night. Here I met Sister
Howard was getting dangerously ill. Tuesday, went by Bro. Howes and learned that Sister Howard was still getting worse. hastening to my home, I found her suffering under a most violent attack of diptheria, but she had made a final adieu to all earthly things and was ready and waiting the bidding of Jesus her Master, to enter the joys of the upper sanctuary. the first she spoke to me was about the happiness in the soul and the bright prospect of Heaven, which she supposed she was entering, during singing and prayr, all wept, but she rejoiced in God her Savior, expecting every moment to be released, but her happy soul remained 24 hours longer in the clay tabernacle, and then entered its long sought rest. thus dear Sister Howard died on Thursday morning, July 30th in full triumph of faith in the Lord Jesus. O! How glorious to see a christian die. in the evening went to Keizleton and engaged Bro. Glossbrenner to preach her funeral. called to see old Mother Black who has been very ill for weeks. had a good time with her in company with Bro. Glossbrenner. at candlelight, herd him preach from Matt. XI. 28 verse. Staid all night with Bro. Funkhouser. Frid. Morn. got in company with Bro. Glossbrenner near Keizleton, at Sister Echarts and went to Bro. Howards. funeral services commenced at 11 Oclock. he preached a very appropriate and interesting discourse from 2nd Tim. IV and 7, 8 verses.


Mond. Morn. Aug. 3rd returned to the meeting again. experience meeting in the grove at 9 Oclock. had a good time. Just then Bro. Howe arrived on the ground from his tour down the Valley to Morgan Co. Bro. Glossbrenner preached with much acceptability. after preaching. the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. Went to Bro. Simon Whitzels to dinner. at candlelight Bro. Howe preached. went in company with him and staid all night with Bro. Sml. Grabbill. Tues. Morn. went with him to Freidens Church where he preached a childs funeral from Eccle. XII, 1 verse. Went to old Father Geo. Lutz's to dinner. afternoon showery. Bro. Howe had told me that it would fall to my lot to undertake to preach that night. in the evening about the time I was to start to church there arose another shower and I declined going, after much hesitation, evening being very unfavorable and the church being two miles off. Bro. Howe had gone and put up near the Church at a house before night and I knew he would be at the meeting, but did not know whether he would preach or not. be that as it would, I looked for a good racking next morning on meeting him, so I fixed for it and staid with father Lutz until Wednesday morning, when I left to hunt him, found him at Bro. Simon Whitzels. at first sight he commenced a regular reprimand. at the same time I commenced confessing and the contest was soon over and he was all right.

We road together to Bro. Aenas Whitzels and thence to Bro. Ronhouffis of the German Ref. Church where we staid untill after dinner. after a heavy shower of rain we started for home. stoped on our way, at Mr. Geo. Stanleys, who is apparently a clever man, but a backslidden member of the United Brethren Church, and a runwild speculator. O! What a pity. from thence, we went by old Mr. Conrad Longs and stopped a while. he and also several of his family are backsliders, it is said. they all once ran well, but they became offended and gave up. O! How painful are some of the things with which the christian meets. in the evening arrived at our homes, but mine seemed quite lonely on account of the recent departure of dear sister Howard.

Friday. Aug. 7th heavy showers. Afternoon, started out on a pastoral visit. went through Harrisonburg and thence towards Edom. night overtaking me, and with some difficulty in the dark, I made my way to the house of Jos. Richey's where I expected to find a United Brethren family and a nights lodging. after hollowing some time, a man came out to the fence and spoke in a low whisper (having lost his speech in the army.) asked what I wanted. I told him I would like to stay all night with him. he said his wife and child and himself were all sick and he could not keep me. I had already become vexed and began to think strongly my case was a pretty bad one. being an entire stranger and in an entire strange neighborhood, I asked what should be done. he told me gout to the road and go on about one quarter of a mile farther and take off to the left and the first house I reached I could stay all night, where a Mr. Myres lived. I thought it an uncertain business to undertake to hunt a strange place in the dark night, but reached the place without any difficulty. I hallowed and asked if I could stay all night. was answered with. "I reckon," which was enough for me. was kindly received by the old lady and her daughters, the old man having gone to bed. I made out to get my horse away myself. the first thing I wished to [know] was if they were religious and what church they belonged to. they said they were of the Dunkards. soon found them very nice, kind, and hospitable, as I believe all the Dunkards are. felt perfectly at home.

Sat. Morn. went back to see my friend Richeys and found them not quite as bad off as expected. though he is a backslidden U.B. his wife had never made a profession of religion, but had been seeking it for years. tried to urge him to duty, in which she joined me, but he began to make excuses. alass for the backslider in heart, he is always filled with his own ways. thence went to Jas. Richey's, a brother of Joseph's, who lives near Edom. found him in the same backslidden state living in the habitual neglect of all the means of grace. tried to urge them forward but have little hopes of them. may the Lord counsel them. in this days visiting called on a Mennonite family. had a feeling time in social worship. the old lady was very particular in marking the scripture read. Staid all night with Bro. Jno. Anthom. Sund. Morn. Aug. 9th. Met the Sab. School at 8 Oclock at Edom. preached at 10. Afternoon went to Gods Schoolhouse and preached at 1 Oclock

Sund. Morning. Aug. 16. very fine. tried to preach at 10 Oclock at Union Schoolhouse. Went to Bro. Sam'l. Swanks for dinner. Afternoon, went to my appointment at Hopkins Schoolhouse and preached at 3 Oclock, after which started on my way to assist Bro. Howe at a meeting at Keizletown. road some 5 miles to Edom and staid all night with old Mr. Beery's, a Mennonite family. was very kindly received. Mond. Morn. Aug. 17th. arose at 3 Oclock and pursued my journey. had a pleasant ride. arrived easy at Keizletown and took breakfast at Bro. Wm. Burtners. after breakfast called to see Sister Bell Huffman, a near relative. saw also my Aunt Kieran here. had a pleasant visit. And also Bro. and Sister Funkhouser from Shenandoah Co., the parents of my Sister Sarahs husband. this was unexpected good to me. had a good experience meeting this morning at 9 Oclock. Bro. Howe preached at 11, afterwards sacrament. accompanied him to Sister Rebecca Nicols, a near relative, to dinner. afterwards we spent a very profitable season in religious conversation with her in relation to the recent and sudden death of her husband, and only little girl. she is left a lonely widow with one child, but now she is seeking earnestly that comfort obtained from the "friend that sticketh closer than a brother," husband, or parent.

Afternoon, we went to see some brethren at Bro. Geo. Burtner. We took supper with Bro. Wm. Burtner. Night it fell to my lot to try and preach. text, John III and 3. had some little light and liberty, but nothing to do the subject justice. we staid all night with Bro. Funkhouser. Tues. Morn. Bro. Howe left for home. I spent the most of the day with Bro. F's books, evening, visited several families in town. soon found satan mad, but the Lord was with me, and he enabled me to gain a Glorious victory, took supper with cousin Bell Huffman. at night, Bro. Howe came again and preached. We had a right good time. several came forward to the alter as penitants, at night staid at Bro. Wm. Burtner. Wednesday. Aug. 19. went to Bro. Funkhousers for my horse and went to my home at Bro. Howards. spent the day there. evening went back to Keizletown. was much gratified and relieved to see Bro. Keirackoff arrive here. Night, he preached with much power and assurance and it had a visible effect. Meeting increasing in interest. Staid with him all night at Bro. Wm. Burtner. Thurs. we spent in visiting. dined with old Bro. Chas. Black. Mother Black still quite ill. we spent the evening with sister Miller quite pleasantly. she has been left a widow, with an only child. made so by this cruel war. we met here old Mr. Serrit who has been deprived of sight for many years. he seems to be striving hard for heaven.

Night, Bro. Keirackoff preached again with much acceptability. interest of the meeting still increasing. we staid all night with Bro. Solomon Burtner. Fri. Morn. Aug. 21st. This day has been specified by the pres. of the Soth. Con. as a day of fasting and prayr. went to Bro. Jos. Funkhousers and got my horse to go fill an appointment at Whitzels Church at 10 Oclock Bro. Keirackoff accompanying me filled my place in the pulpit here with much acceptability. the Holy Spirit was present to seal the truth. the congregation large. we took dinner with Bro. Simon Whitzel. Afternoon, we went back to Keizletown to attend religious exercises held by Rev. Mr. Irvin (Presby. O.S.) in the U.B. Church at 3 Oclock. Night, Bro. Keirackoff preached again with much ability. staid all night with Bro. Funkhouser. Sat. Morn. went to Bro. Howes, from thence, in company with him and Bro. Keirackoff to attend a funeral occasioned by the death of one of Bro. Abram Ermon's children. Afternoon, Bro. K. and I visited Bro. Peter Armontrouts family, mentioned before in this work. in the evening called to see old sister Rimel, a near neighbor, whose parents are still living and the most aged couple I ever saw. their ages being respectively 90 and 92 years. their minds seem to be but little impaired and are enabled to help themselves quite well. they seem to live together quite agreeable. we did not find them as heavenly minded as we would have desired.

Night. Bro. Wm. Evers was with us and preached. after meeting closed, we all went to Bro. Funkhousers and staid all night. Sab. Morn. Aug 23. rose before daylight and started for my appointment at Mountain Valley Church. took breakfast with Bro. Wm. Armontrout, distant some 6 miles, thence 3 miles to my appointment. Met the class at 9 and preached at half past 10 Oclock. went to Bro. Stricklers to dinner. Afternoon, went to Mt. Tabor at 3 Oclock where Bro. Keirackoff promised to meet me, but he did not arrive in time to relieve my burden so I had to take up the cross alone, but he arrived in time to close the exercises, "we had a shout in the camp." We went to Bethlehem where he preached for me at 5 Oclock and delivered a very impressive sermon from the word eternity (found used but once in all the sacred writings) Psa. LVII and 15. we went to Bro. Jess Carriers and staid all night.

Aug. 24. Mond. we went to Sister Simmerses to dinner, and in the evening to Abram Longs and staid all night. Tues. we went to Edom and dined with Bro. Jno. Anthony. Afternoon. Went to Bro. Wm. Thackers and staid all night. Wednesday Morn. we parted. Bro. Keirackoff for his Circuit and I for to return to the meeting at Keizletown, which was still carried on by Bro. Howe. (Bro. Keirackoff's visit resulted in his securing fifty dollars among us for the liquidation of a debt on a meetinghouse on his Circuit,) for which he amply paid us by his acceptable labors at this meeting. Night. we had a good time. Meeting in fine progress. Staid all night with Bro. Funkhouser. Thurs. went to my home at Bro. Howards and hitched up Bro. Howes carriage and removed my little property to old father Geo. Lutz near Whitzels Church where I had my home the remainder of the year. I found this to be a most pleasant place and very kind agreeable family. the situation just suited me exactly. The time I spent at Bro. Howards from April to Sept. was 1 month and 12 days for which I paid him 20$ and 8$ also, for the printing of sister Howards obituary in the Rock. Reg. returned from my moving expedition to Keizletown in the evening. felt a little embarrassed with the idea of going into the pulpit to preach with my moving apparal on, but was most delightfully relieved by the timely and unexpected arrival of Bro. Wm. Evers who stood up for me and preached most faithfully. we had a good meeting. staid all night with Bro. Wm. Burtner. Frid. Morn. went to Bro. Howes, in the evening returned to Keizletown. meeting rather dull tonight, went home and staid all night with Bro. Funkhouser. Sat. went into the neighborhood of Union Schoolhouse visited a family living in the mountain by the
A TRIP TO YESTERDAY

by Henderson Daingerfield Norman

EDITOR'S NOTE - Henrietta Henderson Daingerfield Norman was born in Harrisonburg on March 14, 1873, the daughter of Foxhall Daingerfield and Henrietta Henderson Gray. Her grandfather was Algernon Gray of Collicello and her father, a cavalry officer during the war, practiced law in Harrisonburg where he was at various times mayor, clerk of the court, and councilman. His real love, however, was breeding thoroughbred horses so the family left Harrisonburg in 1889 and settled near Lexington, KY., on a farm named Castleton where "Man-o'-War" was later retired at stud.

The Daingerfields were always interested in fine horses. While living in Harrisonburg, Captain Daingerfield owned "Sam Purdy," one of the fastest horses of its day. His older son Algernon became secretary of the New York Jockey Club where all thoroughbreds are registered, and his daughter Elizabeth was chosen to establish and manage Castleton.

Mrs. Norman lived most of her life in the state of Washington occasionally coming east to see her family. She made her last trip East when she was around 92 years old.

The following article originally appeared in The American Motorist, May, 1924.

The postman brought to my door today, here in the far Northwest, a bit of fairy gold. The letter that enclosed it said it was my share in the final settlement of my grandfather's interest in the Shenandoah Valley Turnpike.

It is twenty years since I have seen my valley. For more than forty years my grandfather has been a citizen of the only country that is more beautiful.

The river that the Indians named the daughter of the stars, the Shenandoah, dances and sparkles toward the Potomac at the base of the western slope of the Blue Ridge and does not touch our town; but the valley turnpike ran by our very doors.

Not all the magic in the name comes from the Shenandoah. A turnpike, surely, is—must one say was—our nearest approach in the new world to be drawbridge of the old. Though memory, refusing to sentimentalize, reminds me that the old toll-gatherer who kept the gate between Harrisonburg and Bridgewater never said:

"Up drawbridge, groom! What, warder, ho! Let the portcullis fall!"

His formula was rather, "Drop the bar, wife! Them pesky boys are tryin' to run the gate ag'in."

To the girls in the family carriage we used to call "the ark," this running of the gate on the part of the boys, who rode beside the carriage, seemed a daring exploit. When the falling tollgate bar just missed the horse's tail, the rider seemed like Marmion when he escaped the wrath of the Douglas and

"To pass there was such scanty room,
The bars, descending, grazed his plume."
But the tollgate keeper was apt to comment, chuckling, as our carriage drew up. “Their Pa takes the road by the year. Them boys ain’t cheatin’ the tollgate. They just do that for devilment.”

Before we went even so far afield as Bridgewater or Dayton, our childhood was saturated with the history of the valley turnpike. A story that has to do with the road itself and its building was a joy to our very babyhood. When our mother was a very little girl, it must have been about 1850, the talk was all of how to surface the turnpike, which had long been a main thoroughfare in the western part of the State. The turnpike roads were at first financed as railroads are, by private capital, and doubtless the decision rested with the stockholders. Be that as it may, our great-grandfather was an ardent advocate of “MacAdam’s way,” and when it was decided to macadamize the turnpike in our county, it was an interest and a victory that even a tiny girl must share and celebrate. So five-year-old Nettie and her shadow, little black Margaret, decided the driveway from the gate at Collicello, our great-grandfather’s home, must be macadamized too. They had seen the men out busy on the road with rock pile and knapping hammer; but rocks, even our slaty rocks they found, were hard to break. So first they crushed all the broken china, and when that gave out they raided the china press. And then they rode stick-horses on their macadamized road till little Nettie fell down and cut her nose so badly that the doctor has to come and take two stitches in it. And our great-grandfather said, “Their principle of road construction was right, though its application was defective”; and grandma gave mamma Peter Parley’s *History of America* to comfort her when the doctor sewed up the cut.

When we were just a little older we learned from stories, from reading, and from general conversation that went on around us the great history of our road. We knew that ever since Governor Spotswood, with his company of brave gentlemen, rode in 1716 to the crest of the Blue Ridge and looked westward, the great valley, of which the Shenandoah Valley is a part, had been the gateway to the West, and our road, as it pushed westward mile by mile, carried the advance guard of our civilization. We knew that, afterwards, our valley was the granary of the Confederacy, and the military highway for both the defending and the invading army. Leaning over our gate, and looking up and down the blue-white road, or watching our mountains change from turquoise to amethyst and blaze at last with gold, a child could almost see the Knights of the Horseshoe once more on the crest of the Blue Ridge. In the blue haze of Indian summer it was easy to see in the distance—one always fancied seeing it in retreat—the blue-coated Federal army. And, oh, with every cloud blue-gray dust to a child’s fancy still the Confederate cavalry led a charge.

The most solemnly splendid of our mother’s stories was that of a June day in 1862, when the house was full of young Confederate soldiers visiting a houseful of girls. While the rooms rang with laughter and soldier songs, General Ashby on his mule-white horse drew rein at our very gate, dismounted to salute the ladies on the porch, and, as he sprang into the saddle again, he said very quietly in a low voice to our grandfather, “Colonel Gray tell the young gentlemen they had better rejoin their command. The enemy is in sight, and we will engage him at once.” There was hurried leave takings; sabers were buckled on, horses mounted and
The Old Toll Gate, south of Harrisonburg, Virginia, on Rt. 11, formerly known as the Valley Turnpike.

Ink drawing by Fred Cooper
put to the gallop. Before Ashby and the boys that followed him were out of sight the watching women saw the advancing column of the enemy. Within two hours Turner Ashby, prieux chevalier of the young Confederacy, was dead. The field where he and so many others fell was not two miles away. It was a wheat field then, the records say. When I remember it, it was full of grass and clover and buttercups and daisies, and of Virginia sunshine.

The other day a friend here on the Pacific coast told me of his first trip into the Shenandoah Valley. "It was in early May," he said, "and I had been in the tropics. I drove down from Washington to Luray Cave, and as long as I live I will remember the beauty of the color everywhere along the road. I never realized before color itself could be so pure and give such a sense of joy."

My friend's testimony was timely, because when I had spoken to the other denizens of this "land of filtered sunshine" of a quality in the sunshine of Virginia that makes color clearer, purer than elsewhere, they thought I was like an old negro who declared "the moon was a heap bigger befo' the war."

Our valley is a grassy place; a land of oak trees, and of fruit orchards. The gold-brown ploughed lands are sowed to corn "when the oak leaves are the size of a squirrel's ear." And everywhere wild flowers bloom. My friend was fortunate in seeing it in May, but had he made eleven other choices among the months, not one had been amiss.

Where the rocks were barest along Slate Hill near home bloomed, when I was a little girl, the brightest red and gold column on earth. Among the blanketing needled pine woods we found wild pansion (viola bicolar), the darker petals purple velvet, the pale ones purest blue. From the Massanauta Mountain the children that brought bundles of fat pine to sell for kindling brought such lupine as even the Pacific coast can hardly rival. Here it grows taller and there is great diversity of colors. The Virginia flower has blue, purple, white, and pink, these only, but with a pure intensity of color that does not develop under paler skies. Hidden from the highway, but near it, are myriads of rarer flowers; and once right in the middle of the beaten turnpike I found an orange-flowered orchid nonchalantly growing.

All the journeys of our childhood lay along the valley turnpike or roads that forked from it. My memory never tires of recalling this or that detail, yet if I consult memory only—as I will, because road maps drawn to scale are to be had in the shops and only memory knows the road to once upon a time—I can hardly be more geographically reliable than the adventurous vicar of Greenwich, Andrew Burnaby, who actually came as far west as Winchester, Va., in 1759. He was almost persuaded to make his way southward to Augusta County. He gives as his reason for refraining from this enterprise, scanty time and fear of the scalping knives of the Cherokee Indians, and then he makes a wistful memorandum of the things he might have seen:

1. About 40 miles westward of Augusta Court House a beautiful cascade rushing down a precipice 150 feet perpendicular.
2. To the southward of this, about 20 miles, two curious hot springs, one tasting like alum, the other like the washings of a gun.
3. A most extraordinary cave.
4. A wonderful mineral spring.

5. Sixty miles southward of Augusta Court House, a natural arch or bridge, joining two high mountains, with a considerable river running underneath.
6. A river called Lost River, from its running under a mountain and never appearing again.
7. A spring of sulphurous nature, an infallible cure for particular cutaneous disorders.
8. Sixteen miles northeast of Winchester, a natural cave, or well, into which at times a person may go down to the depth of 100 or 150 yards, and at other times the water rises up to the top and overflows plentifully. This is called the ebbing and flowing well and is situated in a plain, flat country, not contiguous to any mountain or running water.
9. A few miles from hence, six or seven curious caves communicating with each other.

The reverend gentleman may have been a bit vague as to his distances, but his information was correct in the main. And the vicar of Greenwich did not know about Chimney Rock and the Meeting of the Waters or the Chinquapin tree near Rawley; and maybe it was after his time that a water gushed from a living tree at Willow Spout, or surely his informants from the garrison in Augusta County would have told him of that dearest marvel of the children of the Shenandoah, once upon a time.

It seems almost too bad that he couldn't have seen the waters he so sighed for, when one realizes that the drive from Winchester to Staunton is an easy motor drive for a summer day in 1924. It is comforting to know that he saw some of the flowers that bloomed on the western slope of the Blue Ridge and had glimpses of the Shenandoah River. One is glad that he was not denied that sight for dearth of time or fear of Indians.

"I was inexpressibly delighted," he wrote, "with the scene which opened before me. Immediately under the mountain, which was covered with chamoedaphnes in full bloom, was a most beautiful river; beyond this an extensive plain, diversified with every pleasing object that nature can exhibit, and at the distance of fifty miles, another ridge of still more lofty mountains, called the Great or North Ridge, which inclosed and terminated the whole."

I met the vicar of Greenwich in Porte Crayon's book, "Virginia Illustrated," a book to which I turn when homesickness grips me. It appeared serially in Harper's Magazine about 1855, and the sketches must have been called "Virginia with Pen and Pencil," for it was so that my father always spoke of them, and he quoted them often. The edition I have was issued by Harper's in 1871. Its author and illustrator, General David Strother, whose pen name was Porte Crayon, tells of a six-weeks' coaching trip through the Great Valley of which the Shenandoah is a part. The book is the progenitor of all delightful volumes by Americans who discover America.

When my fairy godmother grants my wish and multiplies my fairy gold, I'll buy with it a motor car, and with the person I love best at my side, I will go where the vicar wanted to go in 1759, and dare not; where Porte Crayon went, in 1855, in his coach and pair with "Little Mice" for coachmen; the beautiful valley that is for all her scattered children always the Land of Heart's Desire.
1925—Manganese mines in Powell's Fort reopened.
1925—John W. Wayland, Harrisonburg, publishes Thomas Lewis's journal of
the survey of the Fairfax Line, 1746-47. Printed in New Market.
1925—Harry M. Strickler, Harrisonburg, publishes "Forerunners; The Stricklers
and Their Kin."
1925—The 4th edition of Kercheval's History of the Valley of Virginia (the
Shenandoah Valley) published at Strasburg.
1925—"Undaunted Exiles," by Eugenia S. Bumgardner, published in Staunton—
press of the McClure Company.
1925—Alexander F. Robertson's Life of Alexander H. H. Stuart of Staunton
published in Richmond.
1925—Morton's "The Story of Winchester" printed at Strasburg.
1925—Economic and Social Survey of Clarke County, by Paul L. Warner,
published by the University of Virginia.
1925—Miss Ella May Turner of Shepherdstown appointed a member of the
West Virginia Historical Society by Governor Howard M. Gore, under Act of
April 25, 1925.
1925, Jan. 28—A Rotary Club organized in Woodstock.
1925, Jan. 29—Death at Mt. Jackson of Capt. Jacob G. Neff, age 84, son of
Daniel.
1925, Feb. 1—Death at Mt. Jackson of Francis S. Pennybacker, age 84.
1925, March 3—Temperature at Harrisonburg at daylight, 1 degree above zero;
March 14, 1943, zero; March 3, 1945, 50 above zero; March 4, 1945, 38 above
zero.
1925, March 16—Death in Philadelphia of Capt. George W. Koontz, age 87, of
Shenandoah County.
1925, March 19—Death at Mt. Jackson of Mrs. Tiphen W. Allen Sr., age 84.
1925, April 13—Willis Sharpe Kilmer buys the George H. Harrison farm on the
Pike between New Market and Tenth Legion—names it Court Manor.
1925, April 26—Death at Jadwyn, Shenandoah County, of Josiah Wisman, age
71.
1925, May—7 miles of the Mt. Jackson and Howard's Lick Turnpike (Orkney
Grade) taken over by the state.
1925, May 13—The Reformed Church Classis opens in Woodstock, 100th year.
1925, June 30—New steel R. R. bridge over Pugh's Run, 1 1/2 miles northeast of
Woodstock, placed in service.
1925, Aug. 2-8—Home-Coming Week in Edinburg and Madison District, She-
andoah County.
1925, Aug. 6—The Bishop R.A. Gibson Memorial Shrine at Orkney consecrated.
1925, Aug. 27—5th Hottel-Keller-Traylor reunion at Fisher's Hill.
1925, Oct. 20—Death at Edinburg of Mrs. Caroline Cledinnist Hutcheson, age 94.
1925, Nov. 12, 13—37 foreign students of Columbia University representing 21 nationalities, visit the State Teachers College at Harrisonburg.
1926—The Strasburg Chamber of Commerce issues an illustrated booklet, “Strategic Strasburg.”
1926—New Market pipes water from the Massanutten Mountain.
1926—History of Madison County, Va., 203 pages, by Claude L. Yowell, printed in Strasburg.
1926—Woodstock increases its water supply by a line from Little Stony Creek.
1926—“Winchester and Its Beginnings, 1743-1814,” by Katherine Glass Greene, printed at Strasburg.
1926—The Bridgewater Times, weekly newspaper, started by the Rinker Printing Company.
1926, Jan. 1—The old Fisher house in Strasburg burns.
1926, Jan. 9—Three wolf-like animals killed near Endless Caverns.
1926, Jan. 12-14—The Muhlenberg Sesquicentennial in Woodstock at the Lutheran Church.
1926, Jan. 13—In Harrisonburg the 3d annual meeting of Shenandoah Valley, Inc.
1926, Jan. 13—Shenandoah Publishing House, Strasburg, issues an illustrated folder on Shenandoah County.
1926, Jan. 26—Death at his home on Jumping Run, near Red Banks, of Ezra P. Koontz, age 80.
1926, Jan. 27—Gov. M. M. Gore appoints Mrs. Hannah Washington Alexander Cooke of Charles Town to W Va. House of Delegates to succeed her deceased husband, Edward Esten Cooke. She was the fourth woman to become a member of the W. Va. Legislature.
1926, March 26—Manor’s Mill, near New Market, burns.
1926, March 26—Death at Woodstock of James H. Rodger, age 89.
1926, April—Bilby Sunday preaching in Staunton.
1926, Sunday, April 18—A 12-inch snowfall at and around Harrisonburg.
1926, May 4, 5—3d annual Apple Blossom Festival at Winchester.
1926, May 15—New Market battlefield marker (C.S.A.) unveiled.
1926, May 26—Monument to Gen. Turner Ashby and others erected at the mouth of Port Republic Road, Southwest Harrisonburg.
1926, Saturday, June 5—Tablet on the monument to Ashby and others at the mouth of Port Republic Road unveiled.
1926, June 7—The Devereux Players at (now) Madison College present Ibsen’s “Rosmerholm” and John Howard Payne’s “The Merrie Monarch.”
1926, June 9—C.S.A. marker on the Port Republic battlefield unveiled.
1926, July—Rainfall in Rockingham of 8.5 inches during the month, unusual.
1926, July 10, 11—Louis A. Warren of Indiana, Lincoln specialist, in Rockingham County looking up Lincoln and Warren items.
1926, July 22—Fatal dynamite explosion, set off by lightning, at Strasburg Junction, in a rock quarry, killing 5 men, injuring 5 others, killing a house, destroying trucks, small houses, and injuring the railroad track. This dynamite had lain in the old quarry for 14 years.
1926, July 25—John D. Hurn, a native of Strasburg and once a resident of Winchester, dies in Olney, Ill., aged 91.
1926, July 29—7th annual Lutheran reunion at Shenandoah Caverns; addresses by Rev. Ross Stover, Rev. Simon P. Long, and John W. Wayland.
1926, July 31—Borden family reunion at Fisher’s Hill.
1926, Aug. 1-27—Rainfall in Rockingham County of 6 inches, unusual.
1926, Saturday, Aug. 14—Bowman family reunion at Endless Caverns.
1926, Aug. 15—At Swoope, Augusta County, dies Mrs. Jane C. Bucher, age 100.
1926, Aug. 20—The Shenandoah Herald, Woodstock, issues a “Greater Shenandoah County” number, 36 pages.
1926, Aug. 20-22—Ebenezer Baptist Association at Mill Creek, Page County.
1926, Aug. 25, 26—Shenandoah Baptist Association in Luray.
1926, Aug. 26—8th Brubaker family reunion near Luray.
1926, Aug. 27—In Harrisonburg buried Al. Braithwaite, who had been a volunteer fireman 54 years and chief of Harrisonburg firemen 35 years.
1926, Aug. 27—Republicans of the 7th Congressional District of Virginia hold their nominating convention in Woodstock.
1926, Sept. 9—Death at Reform, Warren County, of Jesse Brown, age 95.
1926, Sept. 10—Shenandoah Valley Estates, New Market, incorporated.
1926, Oct. 19—Unveiling at Fisher’s Hill and Belle Grove (Cedar Creek battlefield) of C. S. A. markers—bronze tablets on stone bases.
1926, Oct. 23—Death at Conicville, Shenandoah County, of Dr. James Robert Fletcher, age 73.
1926, Oct. 26—Front Royal votes to increase its water supply.
1926, Oct 30—Death at her home on Smith Creek, south of New Market, of Miss Selina Strickler, who was 98 years old on the day of her death.
1926, night of Nov. 4—A group from Harrisonburg and Rockingham County broadcast a program in Richmond over radio station WRVA.
1926, Nov. 6—The Mt. Jackson civic club open a community room.
1926, Nov. 17—The first classes held in Walter Reed Hall, State Teachers (now Madison) College, Harrisonburg.
1926, Nov. 22—Death in New Market of Miss Cyrine Coffman, age 95.
1926, Dec. 22—Death in Edinburg of Dr. F. M. Hisey, age 71.
1927—Massanutten Chapter D. A. R. unviels two bronze tablets at the southwest entrance of the county-city court house in Harrisonburg, one to Thomas Harrison, founder of the town, the other to the Marquis of Rockingham for whom the county is named.
1927—Clarence H. Urner of Richmond, native of New Market, has printed in New Market his volume of poems, “The Thrush.”
1927—Wayland’s history of Shenandoah County published at Strasburg.
1927, Jan. 12—Dr. Thomas Clinton Firebaugh dies in Harrisonburg.
1927, Thursday, Feb. 3—Dies in Harrisonburg Dr. (druggist) James L. Avis, age 83; son of John Avis of Charles Town, who was John Brown’s jailer in 1859.
1927, Thursday night, Feb. 18—A heavy electrical storm northeast of Harrisonburg; severe hailstorm between New Market and Mt. Jackson.
1927, night of Feb. 24—A dozen or 14 old fiddlers play in contest in Assembly Hall, court house, Harrisonburg, from three to four counties; winners: singles, Charles Lake of Strasburg; with violin and guitar accompaniment, I. N. Hudlow of Penn Laird.
1927, March 1—Announced that Prof. Will H. Ruebush of Dayton was awarded $100 prize for a song composed for Tulane University.
1927, Monday, March 21—Efrem Zimalist, violinist, plays at the State Teachers College, Harrisonburg.
1927, April 28—A special train from Harrisonburg to Winchester for the Apple Blossom Festival.
1927, May 15—A party of eminent surgeons from various states tour the Valley.
1927, May 21—The Jefferson County Historical Society organized.
1927, May 21, 22—Dr. Shailer Mathews makes addresses at the State Teachers College, Harrisonburg.
1927, May 28—Massanutten Chapter D. A. R. unveils bronze tablets at the court house in Harrisonburg—See above.
1927, June 16—Meeting at Kauffman's Mill, Page County, of the Massanutten Society.
1927, Sunday, Sept. 18—New Sunday school rooms of Garber's Church, near Harrisonburg, dedicated.
1927, October—Wayland's "Rambles in Europe" printed at Strasburg.
1927, Tuesday, Oct. 18—Death at Maurertown of Rev. Emanuell B. Shaver, age 84-8-10.
1927, Wednesday, Oct. 26—John Barton Payne, head of the American Red Cross, speaks at the State Teachers College, Harrisonburg.
1927, Tuesday, Nov. 8—Election Day—the ground white with snow in the Valley, or at least parts of it.
1927, Friday, Nov. 11—Capt. Richmond P. Hobson speaks at the State Teachers College, Harrisonburg.
1927, Friday, Dec. 16—The Cornerstone of the new high-school building in harrisonburg laid; site the old fair grounds, west side of the city.
1927, Dec. 16—Phinehas P. Stephens falls from an airplane in the Valley east of Lexington and is killed.
1928—An Economic and Social Survey of Augusta County," by Clay Catlett and Elliott G. Fishburne, published by the University of Virginia.
1928—"History of Berkeley County, W. Va.," by Willis F. Evans, printed privately.
1928, April 3—Tablet bearing the names of the original trustees unveiled at Bridgewater College.
1928, April 27 and 28—Heavy snowfall in the Valley—roads blocked by drifts.
1928, May 1—V. P. I. Branch of American Society of Agricultural Engineers unveil a monument to Cyrus H. McCormick at his birthplace, Walnut Grove, on the line of Augusta and Rockbridge.
1928, May 4 and 5—Estimated 100,000 people attend the Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester.
1928, Tuesday, May 29—Pauline Vaden, Margaret Knott, and Florine Sedwick killed; Lorraine Gentis and Thomas Armentrout badly injured by a railway train at Grace Street crossing in Harrisonburg.
1928, July 4—4th reunion of the Myers-Fry family; held this year at Riverside Park, near Bridgewater.
1928, July 27—Col. Edward T. Brown leases the old Harrison Cave, 19 acres plus, from Frances Harrison and her husband Thomas Harrison. This cave was later named successively the Blue Grot Toes, Virginia Caverns, and the Caverns of Melrose.
1928, Aug. 7—Tablet unveiled in Luray Caverns to Page County men in the World War, 1914-18.
1928, Aug. 16—Reported in the Harrisonburg newspaper that over $30,000 worth of huckleberries (estimated) had been shipped out of Page County this season.
1928, Aug. 31—Rev. Irenaeus Conder, age 96, dies at McGaheysville.
1928, Saturday, Sept. 8—Kaylor family reunion at Kaylor's Park, 3 miles southwest of Harrisonburg.
1928, Oct. 11—Harrisonburg newspaper reports that 15,000 gallons of huckleberries picked in the Blue Ridge, Rockingham County, had been shipped this season to northern and western markets from Island Ford, on the N. & W. Railway, in East Rockingham.
1928, Saturday night, Oct. 13—Two groups of men of Acca Temple, Richmond, give a concert in Assembly Hall, court house, in Harrisonburg.
1928, Oct. 22—A rattlesnake 5 feet 8 inches long (so reported) killed at the railroad freight station in Harrisonburg.
1928, night of Oct. 31—Boston Women's Symphony Orchestra, directed by Ethel Leginska, give a concert at the State Teachers College, Harrisonburg.
1929—"The Shenandoah Pottery," by Rice and Stoudt, printed in Strasburg.
1929—"Peter Francisco," 103 pages, by Porter and Albertson, printed by the McClure Co., Staunton.
1929, night of Jan. 29—E. H. Sothern speaks at the State Teachers (now Madison) College, Harrisonburg.
1929, Feb. 28—Stated in the Harrisonburg newspaper that the Southern Railroad during the preceding year handled 4400 cars of apples from the central Shenandoah Valley, Mt. Jackson leading with 751 carloads.
1929, Midnight March 6 to midnight March 7—A terrific wind storm from the
northwest—much damage; estimated 50 or 60 barns and other buildings unroofed or otherwise damaged between Strasburg and Harrisonburg.

1929, night of April 18—Richard Haliburton lectures at the State Teachers College, Harrisonburg.

1929, April 19—Apple Blossom Festival at Winchester—snow on the mountains.

1929, night of May 16—A heavy frost in Rockingham.

1929, June 16—Chief O. W. Adkins, daughter Bessie, and two sons, Chickahominy Indians, at the annual meeting of the Massanutton Society, near the White House, Page County.

1929, July 29—Dies near Harrisonburg Isaac Bowman, age 94.

1929, July 31 and Aug. 1—47th annual meeting of the Shenandoah Baptist Association at Stanley, Page County.

1929, Saturday, Aug. 3—Miller family reunion at Beaver Creek Church, Rockingham County.

1929, night of Aug. 15—Alvin C. York speaks at Massanetta.

1929, Aug. 23—Death near Tenth Legion of John W. Harrison, age 80.

1929, Sept. 29—Monument near the White House, Page County, to Massanutton pioneers unveiled; monument built by Philip M. Kauffman.

1929, Dec. 3—Brick chimney, 120 feet high, of the Houck Tannery, Harrisonburg, blasted down with dynamite. It stood on the present parking lot.

1929, Dec. 21—Dr. George P. Jackson of Nashville, Tenn., visits Dayton and Singers' Glen, gathering information for his book on Rockingham singers.

1929, Dec. 25—Death at Woodlawn, Shenandoah County, of Jacob Michael Kagey, age 60, son of Abram J. and Milly (Koontz) Kagey.