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Dr. William J. Polk, of North Carolina, was a son of Colonel William Polk, of that State, and his wife, Griselda Gilchrist; and was a half-brother of the Episcopal Bishop and Confederate General Leonidas Polk. He has many descendants in Kentucky, Arkansas, North Carolina and Louisiana.

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CHRISTIAN FAMILY.*

The following interesting statement is furnished by Mr. L. C. Christian, attorney-at-law, Houston, Texas. It is very clear that Elijah Christian first mentioned was 47 Elijah Christian, son of 41 Charles Christian, whose will was proved in Goochland, February 16, 1794. 41 Charles Christian was evidently a son of Charles Christian, of Westover Parish, Charles City county, who was probably son of Thomas Christian, of New Kent, the emigrant. See QUARTERLY, Vol. v. 261-263. Amherst county was created out of Albemarle county in 1761, and Albemarle from Goochland in 1744.

My great-grandfather, Elijah Christian, was born in Amherst county, Virginia, about the year 1758, and died in Madison county, Georgia, about the year 1791. He married Miss Elizabeth Britt, in Amherst county, Virginia, on the —— day of —, 17—. He had seven brothers and two sisters, whose names, as far as known, are as follows: Charles, William (who was captured by the British and starved to death on a British vessel), Turner, George (the names of the three remaining brothers being unknown), —— —— (a sister), who married —— —— Grisson, and —— —— (a sister), who married —— —— Mitchell.

My great-grandfather and his seven brothers were all in the Revolutionary War, and enlisted from Virginia. They were all Whigs in their political faith, and resided along the James river, in Virginia.

My grandfather, Elijah Willis Christian, was born in Madison county, Georgia, on the 15th day of January, 1798, and died on the 22d day of March, 1874, in Gonzales county, Texas. He married Miss Drucilla Willeford, daughter of Nathan Wille-
ford and wife, Martha Willeford (née Wood), on the —— day of September, 1820. He had four brothers and five sisters, named as follows: Obed, who married Annie Barnes; William, who married Susan Lovejoy; Charles, who married Elizabeth Vell; John, who never married; Polly, who married Cornelius McCardy, a Methodist minister; Elizabeth, who married Dave Conley; Jennie, who married John Gaddis; Patsy, who married Nick Sewell, and Hannah, who married John Hunter, also a Methodist minister.

My father, Obed Mask Christian, was born in Madison county, Georgia, on the 28th day of June, 1822, and married Miss Elizabeth Victoria Green, daughter of William and Hannah Green, in Gonzales county, Texas, on the 16th day of March, 1860, and now resides on his farm and ranch about six miles northeast from the town of Gonzales, Texas. He had three sisters and four brothers, named as follows: Eliza Antoinette Christian, who was born in Madison county, Georgia, on the 19th day of July, 1824. She married James Hannah, son of William Hannah and wife, Rebecca Hannah, of Calhoun county, Mississippi, on the —— day of November, 1851, and died in Calhoun county, Mississippi, in the fall of 1893. Mary Calphurnia Christian, who was born on the 31st day of May, 1827, in DeKalb county, Georgia. She married Thomas Johnson, son of William Johnson and wife, —— Johnson, of Cherokee county, Georgia, on the —— day of ——, 1844 (being some time during fall of year), and died in Cherokee county, Georgia, on the —— day of May, 1890. John Britt Christian, who was born in Madison county, Georgia, on the 11th day of September, 1829. He married Miss Sarah Ann Gabril, daughter of Jacob Gabril and wife, Dollie Gabril, of Calhoun county, Mississippi, on the 1st day of January, 1854, and died in Gonzales county, Texas, on the 4th day of July, 1898. Martha Elizabeth Christian, who was born on the 12th day of March, 1832, in Troup county, Georgia. She has never married, and now resides on her farm in Gonzales county, Texas, about six and one-half miles northeast from the town of Gonzales. Elijah Willis Christian, who was born in Troup county, Georgia, on the
22d day of December, 1834. He was never married, and was killed in a skirmish with the Federals near Holly Springs, Miss., on the 6th day of November, 1862. At the time of his death he was a third lieutenant in the Confederate army. William Osbond Christian, who was born on the 10th day of March, 1837, in DeKalb county, Georgia, married Mrs. Amanda McCrowey, of Calhoun county, Mississippi, on the — day of ———, 1867, and died in Talahatchie county, Mississippi, on the — day of ———, 1901. Nathan Jeptha Christian, who was born in Cherokee county, Georgia, on the 27th day of April, 1839, married Miss Sarah Elizabeth Squires, daughter of Ira Squires and wife, Margaret Squires, on the 2d day of September, 1866, and now resides on his farm and ranch about seven miles northeast from the town of Gonzales.

My father, Obed Mask Christian, and my mother, Elizabeth Victoria Christian, have eleven children, three boys and eight girls, named as follows: Martha Jane Christian, who was born on the 16th day of March, 1862, in Gonzales county, Texas. She married P. K. Wright, son of Thomas M. and Mary Ann Wright, of Gonzales county, Texas, on the 17th day of October, 1883, and now resides in the town of Lockhart, Caldwell county, Texas. Amanda Louellen, who was born on the 27th day of December, 1865, in Gonzales county, Texas. She married Henry Clay Mangum, son of Benjamin Franklin and Nancy Boulden Mangum, of Gonzales county, Texas, on the 10th day of November, 1886, and now resides on their farm about nine miles northeast from the town of Gonzales. Lucullus Forrest, who was born on the 3d day of December, 1867, in Gonzales county, Texas, is unmarried, and resides with his father and mother on the old homestead about six miles northeast from the town of Gonzales, in Gonzales county, Texas. Mary East was born on the 2d day of December, 1869, in Gonzales county, Texas. She married R. W. Cobb, of St. Clair county, Alabama, on the 24th day of December, 1890. Her husband is now dead, and she resides in Yoakum, DeWitt county, Texas. Laura West was born on the 2d day of December, 1869, in Gonzales county, Texas. She married John T. J. Martin, son of John C. and
Martha Martin, of Putnam county, Georgia, on the 20th day of April, 1898, and now resides in El Paso, Texas. Sarah Dulcienia was born on the 10th day of April, 1872, in Gonzales county, Texas. She married T. A. Reese, son of Henry and Anna Reese, of Gonzales county, Texas, on the 12th day of February, 1896, and now resides in Yoakum, Dewitt county, Texas. Hannah Elizabeth was born on the 27th day of February, 1874, in Gonzales county, Texas. She married A. J. Phelps, son of S. R. and Christiana C. Phelps, on the 29th day of October, 1896, and now resides in the town of Alamogordo, New Mexico. Elsie Lee was born on the 21st day of December, 1876, in Gonzales county, Texas. She married James M. Gardiner, son of Samuel K. and Eliza Gardiner, of Colorado county, Texas, on the 29th day of October, 1896, and now resides in the town of Alamogordo, New Mexico. Lycurgus Cleburne was born on the 5th day of September, 1880, in Gonzales county, Texas. He is unmarried, and now resides in the city of Houston, Harris county, Texas. Lybertas Green was born on 27th day of November, 1882, in Gonzales county, Texas. He married Miss Clara Vaughn, daughter of Pelham and Tennessee Vaughn, of Gonzales county, Texas, on the 15th day of May, 1904, and now resides on his farm about five miles northeast from the town of Waelder, Gonzales county, Texas. Bonnie Drucilla was born on the 30th day of November, 1885, in Gonzales county, Texas. She is unmarried, and now resides with her father and mother on the old homestead, about six miles northeast from the town of Gonzales, in Gonzales county, Texas.

DE GRAFFENREIDT FAMILY.

In the latter part of the seventeenth century Baron Christopher de Graffenreidt, of Switzerland, conceived the design of settling in North Carolina a colony of Palatines and Swiss who had taken refuge in England from persecution. The first shipment was of Palatines, and was made in January, 1700. One of the vessels, loaded with valuable goods, was captured by