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CREATION OF MONTGOMERY CO.

In November 1788 the Legislature of North Carolina passed an act organizing Tennessee County. "Beginning on the Virginia Line, thence south along Sumner Co. to the dividing ridge between the Cumberland and Red River; thence westwardly along said ridge to the head of the main south branch of the Sycamore; thence down the said branch to the mouth thereof; thence due south across the Cumberland River to the Davidson Co. line; all that part of Davidson Co. west of this line was erected into a new county called Tennessee."

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In pursuance of this act, the court of Pleas and Quarter Ses-sions of the new county composed of Francis Prince, chairman, Brazel Boren, John Philips, Jacob Pennington, John Montgomery, Benjamin Hardin, George Bell and George Nevill met at the house of Isaac Titsworth about 21/2 miles south of Port Royal April 20, 1789 and completed the organization of the county. The following officers were elected: Barkley W. Pollock, clerk; Joseph B. Nevill, sheriff; Benjamin Hardin, registrar; John Philips, ranger; and Joseph Martin, coroner. No tax collector was elected, but in June 1790 Joseph B. Nevill was appointed collector of the taxes for 1789.

On April 9, 1796 at the first session of the General Assembly of the new state of Tennessee, an act for the division of the county of Tennessee into two distinct counties was passed. "Beginning at the upper end of the first bluff above James McFarlin's on Red River, near Allin's cabins; running from thence a direct course to the Sulphur Fork one quarter of a mile below Elias Forts; thence up the creek as it meanders to the mouth of Brush Creek; thence up the same as it meanders to the head; thence a direct course to the Davidson County line at the mouth of Sycamore Creek; thence up said Sycamore Creek with the Davidson County line to the Summer Co. line; thence with the extreme height of the dividing ridge east-wardly to the Kentucky Road leading from Nashville; thence northwardly with said road to the Kentucky State line; thence west with said line to such place as a southeast course leaving Joseph French in the lower county will strike the beginning."

The lower county was to be known as Montgomery County in honor of Col. John Montgomery.

On the 23rd of October 1799 a portion of Montgomery Co. was annexed to Robertson Co. "Beginning at the upper end of the first bluff above James McFarland's on the Red

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Again the boundaries were changed on 29th of October 1801. "Beginning one hundred and fifty yards east of Joseph Woolfork's house on Sulphur Fork; thence south to the latitude of Capt. James Hollis; thence east to a point twelve and a half miles east of the meridian of the courthouse in Clarksville; thence south to a point twenty-five miles south of the Kentucky line; thence west to the Indian Boundary line; thence with said boundary line to the Kentucky line; thence with said line to a point from which a due south course will strike the beginning."

By an act of the General Assembly passed November 1, 1803, Montgomery County was divided by a line which began on the Kentucky line 13 miles west of the meridian of Clarksville and ran south to the southern boundary of the state. All land west of this line was put in Stewart Co. Another act was passed July 31, 1804, to alter the line between Montgomery and Stewart Counties so as to change the settlement at Grise's Creek into Stewart Co.

On November 8, 1809 the boundaries were again changed. "Beginning at a point twelve and a half miles due east of the meridian of Clarksville, which point is a corner of an off set on the present line near to Capt. James Blackwell's on Parson's Creek; thence a direct course to a point on the south bank of the Sulphur Fork of Red River, about midway between the dwelling houses of Major James Norfleet and Cordall Norfleet; thence down Sulphur Fork with its meanders to a point where the present line of the county now crosses the same; and thence with said line to the Kentucky line.

In 1856 part of the southeastern corner of Montgomery Co. was taken to form Cheatham Co. Since this time several small boundary changes have taken place, the last being in the past year.

KNOW YOUR BOUNDARY LINES. A PARCEL OF LAND MAY BE IN ONE COUNTY THIS YEAR AND IN ANOTHER COUNTY NEXT YEAR. MAYBE YOUR ANCESTOR DIDN'T MOVE...MAYBE THE COUNTY LINE MOVED!

SMITH BIBLE RECORD

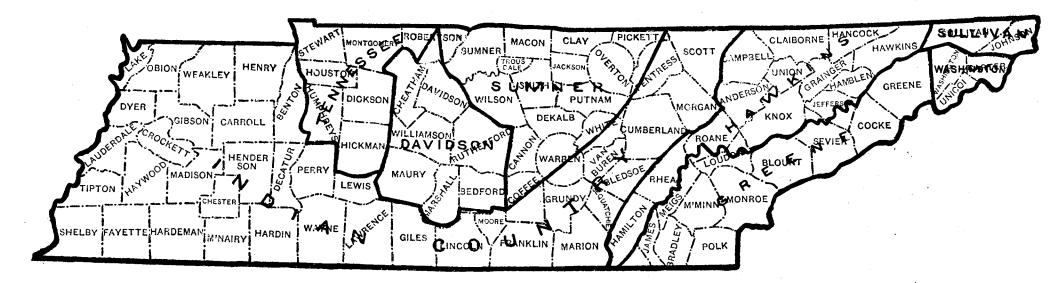
Owned by Mrs. Addie Gillum, Clarksville, Tenn. Published 1834 in Philadelphia by M'Carty and Davis.

Bazel Smith a son of William Smith was born September the 13 day 1799 Martha Smith a daughter of Roland Hood was born June the 30 day 1802 Mary Ann Smith a daughter of Bazel Smith was born August the 27th day 1820

William Smith a son of Bazel Smith was born March the 30th 1822 Elizabeth Smith a daughter of Bazel Smith was born November the 8th day 1823

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Tennessee, circa 1790, with present county lines



INVENTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY RECORDS

The following records are found in the various offices in the Montgomery County courthouse. All may be found on microfilm in the Tennessee State Library and Archives in Nashville. Select reels may be found in the Clarksville-Montgomery Co. Library. Some records offer genealogical information. Others would only serve to prove an individual was in Montgomery County during a given period of time.

COUNTY COURT CLERK'S OFFICE

| Marriage records, with general index | begin | Feb. 1838 |
|--------------------------------------|-------|-----------|
| Will books | ĩĩ | Apr. 1796 |
| County Court Minutes | 18 | Dec. 1805 |
| Inventories and Settlements | 71 | Jan. 1871 |
| Quarterly Court Minutes | 11 | Jan. 1905 |
| Insanity Records | 71 | Sept 1919 |
| *Administrator's Bond Book | 11 | June 1928 |
| *Executor's Bonds and Letters | 77 | July 1913 |
| *Guardian Bond Book | 71 | Feb. 1942 |
| Conservator's Bond Book | 11 | Dec. 1955 |

*Earlier records are found in the will books

REGISTER'S OFFICE

| Deed Books with general index (Direct and Indirect) | begin | May | 1789 |
|--|------------|------|------|
| Charter Books | f1 | Jan. | 1895 |
| Note Books | 11 | Mar. | |
| Oil & Gas Leases | 11 | May | 1919 |
| Trust Deeds with index | 11 | Aug. | 1871 |
| Military Discharge Records | 11 | June | 1919 |
| Plat Books with index | 11 | | 1792 |
| CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE | | | |
| Minute Books (Civil) | begin | Sept | 1896 |
| Minute Books (Criminal) | begin " | Aug. | 1916 |
| CLERK AND MASTER'S OFFICE | | - | |
| Minute Books | begin | Sept | 1840 |
| Chambers Minutes | 11 | Apr. | 1953 |
| Chancery Court Enrollment Books | 71 | Jan. | 1872 |
| TRUSTEE'S OFFICE | | | |
| Tax Books | begin | | 1949 |
| GENERAL SESSIONS COURT | | | |
| Juvenile Court Minutes Books COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT | begin | Mar. | 1937 |
| Health records minutes | begin | Mar. | 1958 |
| SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE (moved to | | | |
| School Board Minutes (city) | begin | | |
| (County) | 11 | | 1922 |
| į joint) | ** | Apr. | 1910 |

LIBERTY CHURCH RECORDS

The following records were copied by Anita Whitefield Darnell December 8, 1970 from the first minute book of the Liberty Church, Liberty Church Road, District 8. (All district numbers used in this publication will be the old district numbers. The districts were reformed in 1969. To use the new number would only cause confusion when searching the old records .--- Ed.)

Liberty Church Book, Montgomery County State of Tennessee A. D. 1841 Dec 25.

a**da**n (1997). Perendakan keringkan Berendakan keringkan k "We whoose names are undersigned being pleased with the doctrine and descepline (sic) of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and having been most of us members of that Church Mt. Pleasant and having gotten into confusion and disorder in consequence of death and removed we are without officers and regular order and for this purpose we do agree to be formed into a church to be known by the name of Liberty Congeration or church of the above name County and State of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church and we do bind ourselves whose names are affixed below to subscribe to the government and displine (sic) of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church as exersised (sic) in the United States of 'AMerica. And may the blessing of almity god (sic) be with us and attend on this our act of Organization, The church constituted January the 1 in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and forty two. 1842"

Susan B. Britton Levena Barnes Lemuel Cherry Delia Cherry -- dead Mary Tramell John Dodd Ellen Haddock -- deal Precilla Oneal Lucy J. Anderson Harriett E. Daughaty John Oneal F T John Dodd Ellen Haddock -- dead Hugh Ivens Sarah Ivens Mary Wray -- dead Louisa Peterson -- dead Naome Brantley -- dead Samuel M. Anderson Nelly N. Baird Nary A. E. Riggins Frances Pollard -- dead Joel McNickles E. T. Oneal N. C. Britton Ed(?)mma Robertson Jame Zellers Judith A. Trice -- dead P. W. Greenhill James Hart Jesse Cutherson -- dead Elizabeth Cutherson H. C. Foster John Wood -- dismissed by letter Mrs. A. Booth -- dead

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"page 3" Mary C. HecMersonor (Memerson) M. A. Brantley W. B. Apperson Susan Apperson Jas T. Jenkins

Drew Outlaw -- rem, Valentine Smith Virginia Johnson Jas. B. Wood -- dis by letter Elizabeth Eades -- removed Susan R. Landrum Wm T. Lisenby Andrew L. Cherry Isaac Howard Pegram Greenhill Isabel F. Cherry Sarah A, Meacham Martha E. Shepherd Sampson Hart -- dis by letter Wm. F. Young E. J. Brantley Mary Swotson -- dis Thos D. Seay Henry Hickerson John Trice G. W. Booth -- by letter

Ann Gafford Ann Shepherd Mary Morrison Adeline McCorkle

A. D. 1841 Dec 25 "There were 119 names"

- Dec 26, 1841 Brother Barnett Bonds and others held a meeting. Bro. Wm T. Britton was elder and clerk. Bro. J. Y. Barnett was moderator. Lemuel Cherry was ruling elder.
- 23 Apr 1842 Bro A. M. Anderson was received
- May 1842 Manerva Howard, Henretta Webster by letter
- Aug 28, 1842 Elizabeth and Sarah Collishaw, Nelly H. Britton, M. L. Bowls
- N. H. Britton at Salem Christian cty, 11 day of Aug was 12 yrs of age
- Oct 23, 1842 Elisa Colishaw, Mary J. Ferrell, Nancy Shepherd, Eliza-beth Cherry, E. A. Bayliss to Clarksville. Frances Pollard, H. C. Dycus(Dyens), W. T. B. Cherry, Sarah A. Riggins, Mary Riggins, Mary Meacham, Tibithia Shepherd, Frances Shepherd.
- Nov 26, 1842 Nancy Anderson, Fredonia Toler
- Dec 26, 1842 Poly Wood, Mary A. Boles
- June 1, 1843 Lutisha Megehee, Sara Riggins
- July 1843 Bro. Adams & Sister Elisa Adams

1843 Margrete Clark

- Aug 4, 1843 sister M. A. Morris, Jane Morris, Martha C. Collishaw, E. C. Riggins
- Dec 24, 1843 By letter from Little West Fork sister Frances Shepherd C. P. Church New Design--Gracy Jordan

Dec 25 Charles Ferrel and James Morrison

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Dec 26 Mary Riggins and Bro Riley Castlebury

Dec 27 E. E. Toler and John Wood

Dec 28 from Little West Fork Abraham Brantley, Lucy J. Anderson, Harriett E. Daughaty, Gabrial Bagwell from McAdoo to Liberty

Dec 29 Reubin Riggins, Jas. B. Wood, W. W. Toler

1844 J. M. Pennick moderator

1847 John Oneal, Joel McNikles, Elizabeth S. Britton, N. S. Britton Lucy A. Dycus, Elizabeth Wray, Edward Robertson, James Zellers, Joseph Terrell, Judith A. Trice bapt. P. W. Greenhill, Wright Bond, James Wooten

Feb 27, 1848 Sister Francisco

Sept 4, 1848 H. C. Foster, Burel Drivan, M. E. Drivan, Thos. Cuthbertson, Frances Cherry, Sarah Powel, John Bond Sept 18, 1848

1851 Mary J. McAlister, Margaret Harris, Bro. Rev A. J. Baird,

July 27, 1851 Mrs. Emily Woodmore and dau. Virginia Woodmore

Sept 26, 1852 Arabella Booth, Harden Cherry, Mann P. Riggins, Mary A. Booth, Elizabeth Foster, James and Mary Eads, Ann Outlaw, Ann E.

Ricks, Sarah J. Chisenhall, Martha Peterson. Sept 26, 1852 Elizabeth Brantley, Edward Anderson Elizabeth Meacham Sept 27, 1852 Clem McCorkel, James M. Armstead

Sept 29, 1852 Mary McCorkel, John R. Chisenhall, Frances Zellers,

Jas. E. Cherry, Mary A. Price (Trice?), Presly Night Oct 3, 1852 John, Robert E. Sea, F. M. Lisenby, Udora E. Halyard, Louisa A. Sea, Margaret Johnson, Elizabeth Landern Oct 6, 1852 David Council, Edward Johnson, Matt Barnes Oct 6, 1855 Ann Shepherd Oct 7, 1855 John Trice July 26 Emily Woodmore Dec'd. 1856 Mary A Trice B

1856 Mary A. Trice R Sept 1860 Saml Anderson, Nancy Shepherd, Mary Meacham, Tobithia Shepherd, Frances Smith, Ann Shepherd, Spencer Meacham, James H. Meacham, Nathaniel Trice--decd.

1851 adults Margaret Harris, Virginia Woodmore a list of baptisms infants Benj F. Dodd, Lewis C. Dodd a list of baptisms

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EARLY MONTGOMERY COUNTY MARRIAGES

The following data was published in ANSEARCHIN' NEWS, Vol. 15, No 2, (April-June 1968). They are being reprinted here by request. About 1938 when Harry Smith was County Court Clerk, Louise Dickson Townley (Mrs. Earl J.) of Clarksville was "searching" in the courthouse. In a drawer she found some fragments of paper, some burned. Mrs. Townley copied these marriage records from those fragments. Somehow the fragments were destroyed later. The early marriage records are believed to have burned in the 1876 or 1900 courthouse fires. The preserved marriage records begin in 1838. The names appearing after those of the bride and groom are those of the bondsmen. Richard Cocke and Elizabeth Coff(ey): Feb. 25, 1799 - John Coffey Gideon Walker and Betsy Johnson: Jan. 30, 1799 - Simon Walker, John Rice Thomas Jones and Rebecca Husk: May 30, 1799 - Samuel Allen Thomas Tinney and Nancy Allen: Nov 7, 1799- Andrew Allen John Scott and Polly Dodd: Aug 28, 1799 - Cornelius Anderson, Dan'l Anderson Henry Gibson and Harriet French: ____, 1799 - John J.(?) Robbins Benjamin Mason and Mary Reeves: Sept. 19, 1802 - William Hutcherson James Edwards and Elizabeth Sparks: Feb. 4, 1802 - William Lyons Charles Tiel and Christianna Miller: Nov. 9, 1802 - William Ward. Jonathan Alridge and Sarah Harvey: Aug. 10, 1802 - Lemuel Harvey Robert Rogh and Nancy Varnes: July 3, 1802 - Lewis Reling. Robert Drake and Polly Ross: Nov. 16, 1802 - James Ross. J. B. Neville and Elizabeth : Oct. , 1802 - Berkley (A Pollock will names a daughter as Elizabeth Neville) 1802 - Berkley Wm. Pollock William Montgomery and Fanny Miller: Nov 23, 1802 - Robert Sprigg Mathew Rybourn and Polly Drake: Oct. 25, 1802 - Andrew Stuart Benjamin Ray and Irene Henry: July 13, 1802 - Lewis Brock Daniel McIntosh and Franky Beard: Apr. 26, 1802 - John Ellis, David Boll Benjamin Gaiser and Rebeccah Rabmen: Nov. 4, 1802 - John Gaiser John Neely and Peggy Patten: Dec 22, 1802 - Samuel Berry Robert Duke and Charlotte Duke: May 25, 1802 - Josiah Green Duke James Whitehead Cocke and Lucy C. Hargrove: Sept. 14, 1802 - John Cocke.

Vincent Ennis and Mary Owens: Sept. 14, 1802 - Jesse Russell John Ellis and Masson Thompson: May 26, 1802 - David Belle Alexander Patterson and Rebeccah Bird: Oct. 4, 1802 (to any minister of the gospel) - W. C. Jamison, John Weldon John Kizer and Polly Cook: June 23, 1802 - John Parchment Ebenezer Piatt and Abigail Lindzy: Jan. 3, 1802 - Anthony Crutcher Yency Thornton and Amelia Thornton: Dec. 19, 1802 - Ye. Thornton, W. C. Jamison Laurence Tinnen and Elizabeth Allen: Nov. 3, 1802 - Abraham Allen Nathaniel Huse and Isbel McGarrity: Aug. 3, 1802 - Isaac Ross William Grayson and Susannah Tinner: Sept 8, 1802 - Lawrence Tennon George Ellis and Sarah Felton: April 3, 1802 - Micajah Johnson John Williams and Elizabeth Smith: June 26, 1802 - Caleb Williams James Herrod and Elizabeth McCarty: June 15, 1802 - John McCarty William Bogard and Ader Chisem: May 11, 1802 - Isaac Ross John M. Langford and Peggy O'Neal: Feb. 11, 1802 - Peter O'Neal Isaac Saterfield and Susannah Wheterford: June 20, 1808 - David Brigham Archibald Howel and Rebeccah Williams: Aug 1, 1808 - Joseph Williams Oswell Potts and Rachel Cannon: Aug 25, 1808 Hartwell Weaver and Betsy Dickson - July 17 (or 27?), 1808 - Jesse Dickson by mark x Simon Holt and Mary Mills - June 4, 1808 Foodman Trawick and Nancy Tribble - Jan 12, 1808 - Thos. Smith James Williams and Patsy Marshall Sims - April 21, 1808 - James Hambleton James Read and Martha Epps - Aug. 30, 1808 - James Holt William Parker and Winny Powers - Nov. 3, 1808 - James Powers Elisha McGee and Rachel Saterfield - Aug 9, 1808 - Benjamin Damon, James Pearce Hartwell Cocke and Elizabeth Saunderson - Sept 12, 1808 - James M. Cocke

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Nedum Toler and Patsy Killebrew - March 1, 1808 - Buckner Killebrew
James Tubb and Peggy Stanford - March 16, 1808 - John Stanford
William Hubbard and Sarah Sims - Jan 14, 1808 - John H. Poston
Daniel Epps and Betsy Allen - Jan 20, 1808 - Wm. Corlen
Zebedee Dennis and Patsy O'Neal - May 31, 1808 - Timothy Drake
John Martin and Mary Neblett - Sept 6, 1808 - Sterling Neblett
William Good and Nancy Rook - Jan. 29, 1808 - Thos. Smith
John Lee and Sarah Morgan - March 3, 1808 - Selman Edwards
Joseph Morgan and Rebeccah Harvey - Nov. 18, 1813 - Matthew Morgan
John Rinehart and Elizabeth Washer - July 10, 1813 - Absalom Heflin
William Moore and Betsy Morgan - April 20, 1813 - W. C. Jamison, C. M. C. (Executed 21st April by me, John McCauley, J. P.)

Moses Grant and Obedience Moore - July 19, 1813 - Ethelbert Hargrove Stephen Terry and Demarius Moore - June 22, 1813 - Daniel Collier John Johnson and Lavena Coley - June 22, 1813 - Absolam Tribble William Morgan and Barbara Asque - May 19, 1813 - John Shelby, Robert Prince

Edward M. Pennington and Sarah Q. Prince - Sept 8, 1813 - Henry Small John Medlock and Botsy N. Epps - Sept 23, 1813 - William Mathis Heydon E. Wells and Jency Peebles - _____, 1813 Harrison Thompkins and Susannah Cross - Aug 11, 1813 George Yarbrough and Rhoda Suiter - Dec. 31, 1813 - James Easley Daniel Ross and Nancy Weakley - Aug. 30, 1814 Griffin Mills and Jane Batson - Dec. 27, 1814 - Griffin Mills, by (x), witness Wm. Peay William Doughton and Nancy Johnson - Aug. 15, 1814 - David Peeples Henry McFall and Zanzy Nolen - April 19, 1814 - Robert Nolen, by (x) Andrew Walker and Lucy Minor - Oct. 27, 1814 - John Minor Peter O'Neal and Frances Cocke - April 14, 1814 - Thomas H. O'Neal, married by Barney Duff, J. P.

Wyatt P. Johnston and Sarah Exum - Feb. 12, 1814 - Uriah Tison

David Hubbard and Mildred Query - Sept. 1, 1814 - Sterling Neblett Charles Cato and Ester Husk - Jan. 12, 1814 - Leonard Hays, by (x) John S. McGinnis and Martha Matthews - May 11, 1836 James Corban and Mary W. Smith - Oct. 20, 1836 - James Reasons, J.P. William Collier and Elizabeth Crockett - Dec 24, 1836 - Upton Orgain Stephen Lee and Mary Weakley - Sept. 11, 1836 Cornelius E. Morgan and Martha W. Walker - Oct . 6, 1836 - James L. Watts John Wall and Elizabeth Weakley - Feb 9, 1837 John C. Rook and Nancy Proctor - May 28, 1841 This completes the list of early marriages. Please send in any marriages you might have before 1838 for another article on early marriages. The success of the second article depends on YOU. + . SMITH BIBLE continued from page 2 Frances Smith a daughter of Bazel Smith was born November the 8th day 182? (page torn) Isaac Smith a son of Bazel Smith was born January the 24th day 1829 Marthareen Smith a daughter of Bazel Smith was born (torn) Nancy Jane Smith a daughter of Bazel Smith was born February the 1832 torn (Charles Smith) a son of Bazel Smith was born Oct. the 7th 1834 Sary Ann Smith a daughter of Bazel Smith was born December the 10th day 1838 YouDora Smith was born April the 11th day 1841 John W. Smith was born June the 28th day 1845 Mattie Edwards a daughter of C. P. and Georgan Edwards was born Sept. the 14th day 1887 Claudia Edwards was born Feb. 5, 1880 W. H. Atkins was born April 7, 1864 Lenard Stamper Atkins was born August 24th 1891 Richard Talmadge Atkins was born June the 12th 1893 Bazel Smith and Martha Smith was married September the 30th day 1819 Mary Ann Smith and Bazel Edwards was married December the 15th 1839 Henry H. Briant and Frances Smith was married the 24th day of January 1843 William Darnel and Elizabeth Smith was married April the 1st day 1866 Marthareen Smith was married to Wm. Hogan August the 16th 1857 G. C. Atkins and Nancy Jane Smith was married July the 31 day 1853 William Smith a son of _____(torn) Smith decest _____(torn)

Minute Book #1 1805-1808

At a Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions held for Montgomery County at the Court house in Clarksville on Monday the 2nd of December 1805. Present Shadrack Tribble, Esq., Chairman, Joseph Woolfork, and David Pitchard, Esq. Grand Jury 1) Glidwell Killebrew, foreman 2) Hugh McCollom 3) Thomas Williams 4) Thomas Dunbar 5) Richard Whitehead 6) James McCarrell 7) Samuel Bumpass 8) Robert Nowlen 9) William Randall 10) Isaac Martin 11) Peter Hubbard 12) Thomas Hunter 13)Jesse Sibby 14) Abraham Cocke 15) Allen Anderson duly elected, sworn and attended three days and was dismissed. Dempsey Kennedy sworn

constable. Stephen Thomas is exempt from serving as a jouror this term.

- 1) Deed of conveyance Duncan Stewart to Abraham Allen Jur. was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration for 63 acres of land.
- 2) Deed of Conveyance Abraham Allen to Jones Kendrick was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration for 369 acres of land.

John Kimbel is allowed Tavern license to keep in the house he now lives in Clarksville. He gives James Boyd and John R. McFarling his securities bound in the sum of five hundred dollars.

Ordered that William Ross Sen. have license to erect a cotton gin in Montgomery County. James Ross, Joseph Wray and David Enloe entered themselves his securities bound in the sum of Ten hundred dollars.

- 3) Deed William Broom to John C. Thomas for 100 acres land proven by the oath of Stophen Thomas a witness.
- 4) Deed William Broom to Charles Mathews for 203 acres land proven by the oath of Stephen Thomas a witness there to.

Ordered that Stephen Cocke and James Loggins be allowed Letters of Administration on the estate of Andrew Cox, dec. They gave bond with Robert Wells and William Good bound in the sum of Eight hundred dollars for their faithful administration. The said administrators render into court on oath an inventory of the estate of said dec'd. Order that the administrators of Andrew Cox, dec.sell all the perishable property of the dec'd giving nine months credit taking bond and good security.

Ordered that Mary Gunseller widow of Daniel Gunseller, dec'd be allowed letters of administration on the estate of said dec'd with the will of the said dec'd there to answered. Phillip Duke enters himself security bound in the sum of six hundred dollars. The administratrix of Gunseller dec'd rendered into court and inventory of said dec'd.

5) Deed of Conveyance David Enlow to James Jeffers was proven in open court by the oath of Duncan Stewart a subscribing witness thereto and ordered to registration for 16 acres of land. 6) Deed of Conveyance David Hogan to James Perkins was proven in open court by the oath of John Parker a subscribing witness thereto and ordered to registration for 100 acres of land.

Bill of sale or deed of gift - Samuel Wilcox to Thomas French for two Negroes was proven in open court by the subscribing witness Joseph Woolfolk and ordered to registration.

Deed of Gift - Guthridge Lyons to Taply Maddum was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration for two Negroes.

7) Deed of Conveyance Guthridge Lyons to Tapley Maddum was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration for 350 acres of land.

Joseph Woolfolk comes into court and gives bond for keeping a ferry across Red River and the Sulphur Fork at their junktion. Agreeable to the acts of assembly and gives Robert Wells and Stephen Cocke his securities bound in the sum of two thousand dollars.

Robert Wells comes into court and gives bond to keep a ferry across Cumberland River at his own land. Agreeable to the acts of the General Assembly and gave Stephen Cocke, Thomas Smith and Joseph Woolfolk his securities bound in the sum of two thousand dollars.

Guthridge Lyons comes into court and gives bond to keep a ferry across Cumberland River opposite the town of Palmyra. Agreeable to the acts of Assembly and gives David Brigham and William Randle his securities bound in sum of two thousand dollars.

Court adjourned until tomorrow at 9 o'clock.

The worshipful court of Montgomery County has met according to adjournment it being the 3rd day of December 1805.

Present James Huling, Joseph Robertson, and David Pritchard, Esqs.

Hugh McClure and Thomas Smith Esq. produced a commission from his Excellancy John Sevier as Justices of the Peace for Montgomery County and took the necessary oaths of qualification.

Joseph Woolfork, Hugh McClure and Thomas Smith Esquire on the bench.

ADAM SHEPARD AND COMPANY vs MOSSES FERGUSON - The plaintiff attor'y moves for continuance of the suit. Agreed by the councel on both sides. Over ruled. Joseph Woodfork, Joseph Robertson, James Fentress, Hugh McClure and Thomas Smith Esquires on the bench.

Samuel Gattis Esq. produced a commission from his Excellency John Sevier, Governor, as a Justice of the Peace for Montgomery County. Took the necessary oath of qualifications.

| ROBERT WELLS VS JAMES | TRIBBLE - dotinue | |
|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|
| 1. Hugh F. Bell | 5. Burwell M. Williamson | 9. Joseph Wray |
| 2. Thomas Weakley | 6. Robert Moore | 10 Peter Oneal |
| 3. William Long | 7. William Broom | 11 Jesse Dickson |
| 4. John Trousdall | 8. Lewis Elliot, Jur. | 12 David Brigham |
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being duly elected, sworn and say upon their oaths that they find for the plaintiff one dollar and fifty cents and costs, but if the bag he delivered to the plaintiff it is to discharge the one dollar and fifty cents; therefore, it is considered by the court that the plaintiff recover of the defendant his debt and costs as afore said.

In the above suit Wells vs Tribble Charles Cottingorn a witness for the plaintiff being duly called and failed to appear is fined agreeably to Act of assembly._____(two workd not clear-Ed.)

Ordered that Benjamin Thomas be appointed overseer in place of John Thomas.

Agreeable to an order made at Sept. term last part, we report and say the road from the Six Mile Tree to Edwin Gibson Plantation on Smith Road cleared out by James Huling. Taken off the old road is the most convenient and advantageous to the public and least injurous to inclosure. Signed by Soloman Grace, WilliamMoore, John Sterling, John Dikas, Daniel Williams.

Persuent to an order of the court of Montgomery Co., we the underwritten have viewed and do say that the most convenient way for the road to go from near Charles Anderson's to intersect the road leading from Kentucky to Clarksville, shall go up the hollow between James Huling's new house and his old cabins when he first settled and thence into the new road. Signed William Moore, John Sterling, Rouben Grayson, William Berry, James Neeley, William Grayson.

Order that William Moore be appointed overseer of the above said road and that William Berry, John Sterling, and the hands of William Moore clear out the same as far as where it insects Smith's Road.

Ordered that the part of the old road which is left out by the reviewers from the Six Mile Tree to Edwin Gibson's be discontinued and that the overseer and hands work on the new part.

December term 1805 -- 3rd day.

Ordered that Henry Small and John Cocke have license to keep a tavern at their present dwelling house in Clarksville. They gave bond with Stephen Cocke and Edward Leech their securities bound in the sum of five Hundred dollars.

Transfer James Towning to James Fentress Esq. for all his the said James Towning. This father claims as Continintal soldier. Proven by the oath of Absolam Fentress.

ROBERT WELLS vs JAMES TRIBBLE - The defendant prays an appeal not being satisfied with the judgement.

ROBINS vs NELSON - Mathew Day a witness proves his attendance two days.

Ordered that Burwell M. Williamson be cleared and exempt from serving as a juror, being overseer of a road.

WILLIAM HUTCHINSON vs STEPHEN OWENS - Appeal dismissed by pltf. Attorney.

HENRY SMALL vs WILLIAM R. BELL - Debt. The defendant in proper person confesses judgement according to specialty with interest and the plaintiff stays execution until next term.

JAMES TRIBBLE vs FRANCES BELL - Daniel McKenny comes into court and interpleas as to one hundred and ninety five bushels of salt and John Bell as to forty-five bushels of salt attached.

Jurors to Supreme Court - Spilsby Tribble, Stephen Cocke, Gully Moore, Charles Stewart.

8) Deed of Conveyance from William Johnson and Mary his wife to George West (Yellow Creek) for seven hundred and ninety two acres was duly proved in court and ordered to be recorded by P. W. Humphries.

9) Deed of Conveyance - Jesse Dickson to Abraham Hall was acknowledged in open court and ordered registration for 56 acres of land.

10) <u>Deed of Conveyance</u> - from Needham Whitfield to Alexander McCalpin was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration for 39 acres of land.

11) Deed of Conveyance- William Jordan to Alexander McCalpin was proven in open court by the oath of John Wilson a subscribing witness hereto for 21 acres of land and ordered to registration.

12) <u>Deed of Conveyance</u> - James McFarlan to Wm Morris was acknowledged in open court for 194 acres of land and ordered to registration.

Bill of sale - John Shelby to Robert Nowlen for one Negro man was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration.

Bill of sale - John Shelby to Robert Nowlen for one Negro woman was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration.

13) <u>Deed of Conveyance</u> - James Robertson to Martin Goss was proved in open court by oath of Robert Drake a subscribing witness thereto. Ordered to registration for 233 acres of land.

14) Deed of Conveyance - William Pearce to Brittain Bayliss was proved in open court by the oath of Wilson Frost a subscribing witness thereto and ordered to registration for 113 acres of land.

15) Deed of Conveyance - Henry W. Lawson to Jonathan Goss was proven in open court by the oath of John W. Dean a subscribing witness there to and ordered to registration for 100 acres of land.

16) Deed of Conveyance - George W. Neville, Shff. to Joseph Wray was acknowledged in open court and ordered to registration for 640 acres of land.

Ordered that Burwell M. Williamson have license to erect a cotton gin. Brice Jackson and Robert Nowlen entered themselves his securities bound in the sum of ten hundred dollars.

Ordered that Thomas Simmons have licenses to erect a cotton gin. William Lyons and James Fentress entered themselves his securities bound in the sum of ten hundred dollars. HENRY SMALL vs WILLIAM R. BELL - Debt. The defendant in proper person confesses judgment according to speciality with interest and the plaintiff stay execution until next term.

Jurors to March term 1806: John Stewart, Mathew Rybourn, Nelson M. Dower, Andrew Stewart, William Barton, James Hollis, David Weakley, James Boyd, William Corben, William A. Gibson, John Dycas, John Carnes, Isaac Morgan, Samuel Croft, Samuel Copeland, Allen Hunter, Victor Harris, Wright Bond, John Stewart, Charles Stewart Miller, Samuel Thornton, George West (Yellow Creek), William Sullivant, Francis Smith, Hugh Fennen, William Grayson, Jamos Adams, John R. McFarland, Thomas Travis, George Humphries, Adam Harmon Jr., Francis Thompkins, Alexander Bingham, David Wells, Stephen Handlin, Benjamin Hawkins, Brice Jackson, Stephen O Guin, Elisha Willis.

Court adjourned until tomorrow at 9 o'clock.

The worshipful court of Montgomery County has met according to agreement. Present Nathan McGraw, Hugh McClure, and Thomas Smith Esquires, Robert Prince, Esquire on the bench.

ADAM SHEPARD AND COMPANY vs. MOSES FERGERSON. The plaintiff attorney agains moves for a continuance of the suit. Again argued by the council on both sides and the court grants a continuance upon the plaintiff paying all the costs of this term. Henry Boglin a witness in the above suit proves four days last term and 3 days attendance this term, two ferriages, sixty miles riding. Simon Mires a witness proves three days this term and 2 ferriages.

ADAM SHEPARD AND COMPANY vs MOSES FERGERSON. D P T to issue in behalf of the plaintiff to take the deposition of John Burgin. Ten days notice to be given to defendt.

James Fentress, Hugh McClure, David Prichard, Thomas Smith Esquires on the bench.

ROBERT NELSON, ESQ. vs. WILLIAM WIKOFF JUR. - O. attachm't and writ of inquiry.

Jury viz: William Long, William Good, Joseph B. Whitehead, Robert Moore, Spiklen Tribble, Stephen Cocke, David Brigham, Robert Wells, John Hagood, Jessee Tribble, John Edmonston, George W. Nevill, who being duly elected and sworn to inquire what damages the plaintiff has sustained in this case upon their oath do say that they find for the plantiff and assess the plaintiff damages to four hundred and ninety eight dollars. Therefore, it is considered by the court that the plaintiff recover against the defendent the sum of four hundred and ninety eight dollars damages so assigned by the jury in form aforesaid. Also his cost by him about his suit in this behalf expended.

Henry Small Esq. produced a commission from under the hand of John Sevier, Governor, as a Justice of the Peace. Took the necessary oath of qualification.

Dempsy Kennady constable proves his attendance on the grand jury this term 3 days.

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17) <u>Deed of Conveyance</u> Jacob Rush to Absolam Tribble for one hundred and thirty seven acres acknowledged in open court by Jacob Rush and his wife, Burchell Rush. Acknowledged before Shadrack Tribble and David Pritchard Esq. before whom she was seperately examined.

James Fentress, Thomas Smith, Henry Small Esquires on the bench.

REDMUN D. BARRY vs DEMPSY KENNADY - Appeal. Jury viz: Hugh F. Bell, John Trousdall, John Henderson, Joseph B. Whitehead, Jesse Tribble, Robert More, William Long, Spilsby Tribble, John Coffee, Thomas Travis, William Good, David Brigham, being duly elected, sworn and say that they find for the plaintiff the sum of \$15.00 judget. - accordinglymotion for a new trial - motion overruled. John Barns a witness in the above suit proves four days attendance. Two hundred and forty miles riding. H (torn) Barns a witness the same.

STATE vs MOSES FORD - Inditement

Samuel Batie comes into court and acknowledges himself bound in the sum of \$50.00 to be levied off his goods and chattels but to be void on condition that he make his personally appearance at our next county court to be hold in Clarksville on the first Monday in March next. Then and there to give testemony in behalf of the State against Moses Ford and not to depart the court without leave.

David McGraw records his stock mark - a swallow fork in the right ear and under bit in the left.

Nathan McGraw records his stock mark - a crop off the left ear and over bit in the right.

Ordered that Robert Prince Esq. and Isaac Shelby have permission to erect a cotton gin under the direction of the law in that case.

JOHN FORD vs SPILSBY TRIBBLE - Case. Ordered that DPT Issue? to take the deposition of J_Ohn Stennet in the Indian Territory. Thirty days notice to be given to the defendent.

John Blair Esq. proved a commission from under the hand of his Excellence John Sevier as a Justice of the Peace and took the necessary oath of qualification.

18) Deed for two town lots in the new addition to the town of Clarksville, no 17 and 18. Amos Bird To Thomas Travis. John H. Hide swears he heard Peter D. Roberts acknowledge the said deed and said Bird's power for transacting the same. Ordered the same to be registered.

LEWIS ELLIOTT, SEN. vs MORGAN BROWN - Appeal. Lewis W. Elliott a witness proves 3 days attendance in said suit. John Louther a witness proves three days attendance.

ROBERT WELLS vs JAMES TRIBBLE - Detinue? The defendant in this case prays an appeal which is granted. Gives bond and security with Shadrick Tribble and Spillsby Tribble his securities bound in the sum of two hundred dollars. James Fentress, Henry Small and Thomas Smith Esq.

(To be continued next quarter)

QUERIES

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RAND: Edward H. Rand b. Mass. 1807. Came to Tenn. circa 1836. Bought and sold property in District #13 1838-1850. Children born 1838-1841 (1850 census). Moved to Ark. after 1852. Wife's name Agnes. Who were her parents? Mrs. Ann Brown, 717 Madison Street, Clarksville, Tenn. 37040

BURTON, ADKINS: David Burton b. Mar 15, 1816. Married Martha Ann Adkins April 1, 1835. She was born July 13, 1813. Three Children (1840 census). Moved to Ill. after 1842. Who were their parents? Mrs. Ann Brown, 717 Madison St., Clarksville, Tenn. 37040

BOSWELL, GARDNER: Walter Boswell m Susannah Gardner, Mar. 16, 1801, Orange Co., N. C. Had son John William b. May 31, 1802, perhaps in Summer Co., Tenn. Land purchased in Stewart Co., Tenn 1810. Where were they between 1801-1810? Susannah was dau. of John Gardner (wife Ester). Info. wanted on this couple. Ursula Smith Boach, 512 Madison St., Clarksville, Tenn. 37040

WEBB: Need info. regarding Sara Louvenia Webb b. Montgomery Co., Tenn May 10, 1856. Parents wanted. Mrs. Oscar Beach, 512 Madison St. Clarksville, Tenn. 37040

BAGWELL, GOODMAN: Need parents of Samuel Pleasant Bagwell b. ca 1820 in Va. (census) m. Willanna Goodman. Was in Montgomery Co. 1849. d. near Murray, Kentucky 1873. Mrs. Barbara Ussery Davis, Route One, Clarksville, Tenn. 37040

BINGHAM, COLE, GREEN, LEIGH: Stephen Bingham d 1759 King William Co. Va. Will names wife Jane (she was Jane Cole), ch. Stephen; Jack; Susannah Green; Alice; Leah and Rachel. Who was the 1st wife? Did Leah m John Leigh and Rachel m Richard Leigh, his brother? Rachel d. 1827 and Richard d. 1814 in Montgomery Co. Will exchange. Mrs. Anita Whitefield Darnell, 638 Madison St., Clarksville, Tenn.

MEACHAM, STANDIFORD: Did the James Meacham who m. Elizabeth Standiford in Orange Co., N. C. 1796 go to Christian Co., Ky., later to Montgomery Co. Tenn.? Mrs. Sinclair Darnell, 638 Madison Street, Clarksvillo, Tenn. 37040

BARTLETT, VAUGHN, BLAIR, HODGES: Want info. on Benjamin Bartlett m. Elizaveth Vaughn. Had Calvin, James, Ann, Benj. Jr., and Sarah Elizabeth. Lived in New Providence, Montgomery Co., Tenn. 1860. Benj. Jr. m. Mary Hodges. Sarah Elizabeth m. (1) Daniel Blair and (2) Marcus Hodges. Mrs. Oscar Beach, 512 Madison St., Clarksville, Tenn. 37040

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HALSEL: Would like info. on Thomas and Elizabeth Halsel in Montgomery Co. early 1800s. Mrs. Oscar Beach, 512 Madison St., Clarksville, Tenn. 37040 For sometime those working in the field of genealogy have felt the need of a publication specializing in Montgomery County research. During the past few years hundreds of queries have come in from people interested in this county. With this in mind THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY GENEALOGICAL JOURNAL has been started.

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