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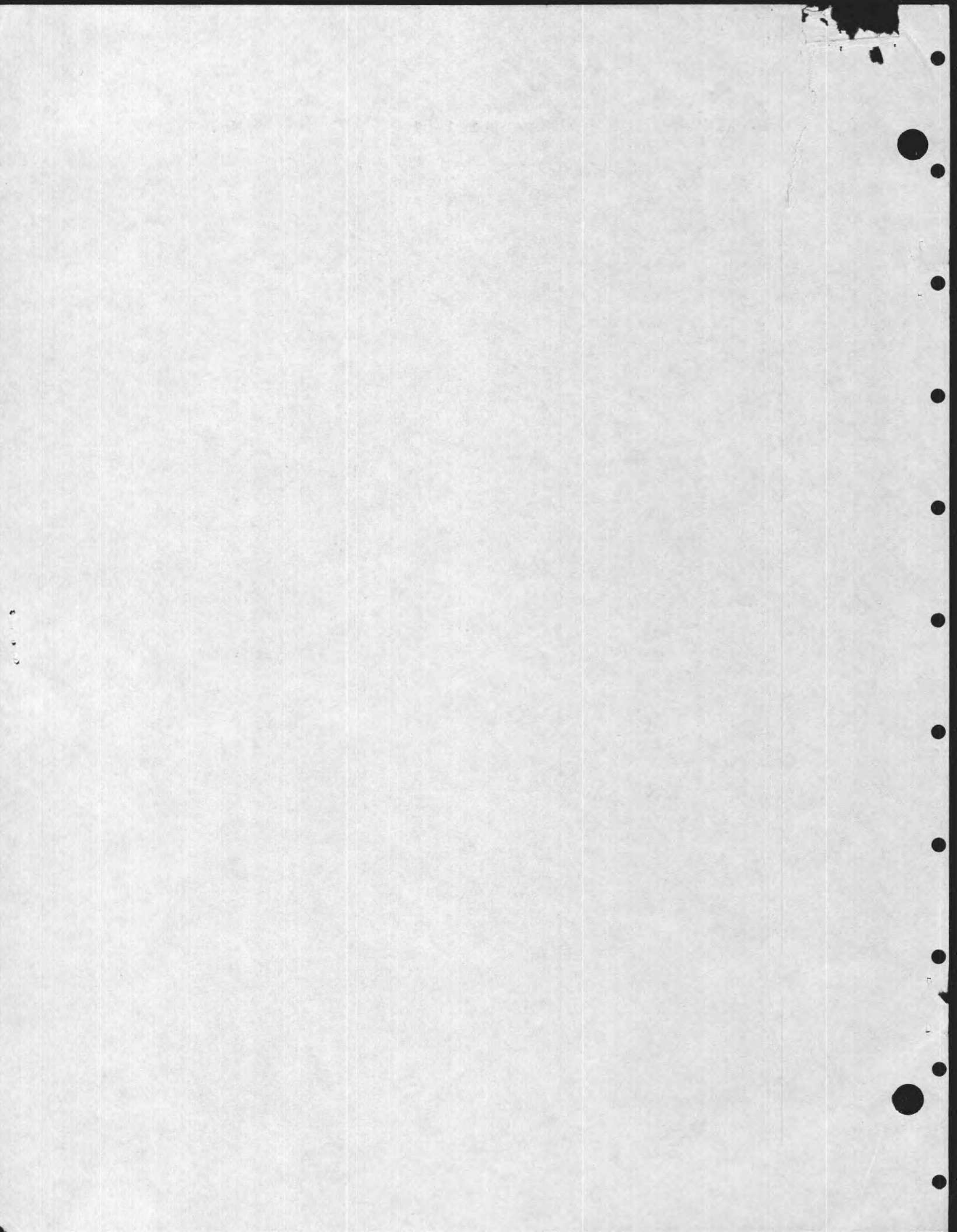
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COFFEYVILLE JOURNAL

March 27, 1876

School report: Intermediate department for month ending March 24th. Those not absent: Mary Counce, Fannie Kneeland, Alice Powell, Alvin Brooks, Curtis Mahood, William Rhodes, Charles Sims, Frankie Isham, Emma Oswald, Ettie Sims, Charles Kneeland, Sherman Peffer, John Rhodes, Robert Selby. Not late so far this year: Mary Counce, Frankie Isham, Sherman Peffer. Mrs. E. B. Lovejoy, teacher.

April 12, 1876

One half of Cowley County is yet owned by the government,

Arkansas City is to have a steamboat line.

Charles H. Miller is U S Marshall of Kansas.

April 5, 1876 Georgie K. infant son of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kinkead died at the age of seven months.

March 27, 1876

At Parker in Montgomery County Kansas Mrs. Mary McSpadden died. She was a member of the Presbyterian church, and died strong in the faith of her Redeemer. The bereaved family has the sympathy of a large number of friends.

At his residence in Fawn Creek township in Montgomery county 9th day of April 1876 W. M. Parnell, age 37 years 8 months 11 days died. He was elder in the Christian church, good neighbor, true friend, devout Christian. Three years ago he lost his wife and he leaves three orphans the oldest 16 years. They will be cared for by uncle Cal May.

HISTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY KANSAS  from previous DESCENDER

This was the first case in any Court from the locality which has since burdened the criminal Court Records of the County, and been known by the crisp but inelegant name "Hell's Bend." Since that time there has been in the District Court from that vicinity, nine convictions of criminals and several got away. But the end has ~~been~~ reached. The courts have settled all the old feuds by giving the ~~rights~~ ^{titles} thereto over to the custody of the State and the people of ~~the~~ locality, possessing one of the finest valleys of land in the County, are prosperous and happy.

Bunker's Court superseded the Independence Claim Club, and was one of the institutions of which the old settler has a lively recollection. At first it was a little difficult for the Court to enforce its decrees, but Frank would swear the mandates of his Court must be obeyed, and re-enforce the constable. His rulings were prompt and unstudied--the second often reversing the first but the cause proceeded with despatch, and the decision often based more on the Court's private opinion of the parties to the action, than the law and evidence. Frank Bunker was a native of Main, a man of some rare native talents and in some directions fine culture. A natural musician and easy and brilliant writer, and in conversation he deluged his bearers with song and story. His fund of humor was rich and his sparkling witticisms truly a bonanza. His long continued ill health had made him whimsical, and at times very irritable, but withal Frank was a genial fellow and a generous friend. After traveling from the Pacific to the coast of Africa in a vain search for health, he died in Massachusetts in the autumn of 1876.

From 1870 to 1873 Montgomery County enjoyed what would now be called a "boom". There was then no particular name for it, but the record made is convincing that it was veritable "boom". Towns boomed, emigration boomed, prices boomed, everything was on the boom. Old settlers look back to those halcyon days with pleasure and wonderment. This was the "gilded age." Speculation ran riot, economy was thought to be a whim of our ancestry, and "pay as you go" one of the lost arts. Everything must be broad gauge and first-class. Not only were corporate authorities reckless and extravagant, but the epidemic extended to individuals and was general. Men would expend their means in making valuable improvements on their claims without waiting to know where the lines would be located. Sometimes the survey would throw two or three houses on a single forty acre tract, and then there would be more money spent in contesting than would buy the land twice over. The Land Office at Humboldt was thronged with self styled Land Attorneys, who charged the contestants from ten to twenty-five dollars per day for submitting questions that had as much to do with the "Geneva Arbitration" as with the contestants rights. Men were in hot hast to procure titles to their land and would borrow the purchase money at 36, 40 and even 50 per cent per annum and expect to build a house plant an orchard, fence and put in cultivation a farm, pay exorbitant taxes, maintain their families and pay the debt with such usury.

HISTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY KANSAS, Contd.

So fascinated were the first settlers with this sunny clime, and so confident of the possibilities of its soil that their hopes and ambitions knew no bounds. In many instances, by force of endurance and skillful management, they succeeded, but in many others they pulled stakes and went west to try it again. And yet had it not been for this class of hardy, whole-hearted, brave and generous men and women, whose ambition refuses to be longer hedged in by the customs and circumstances of older communities, who demand the free air of the wild prairie and the opportunity not only to build for themselves independent homes, but to have a part in developing and shaping the civilization of the great west, this County would have remained as they found it and as nature left it.

After all, the "Send Offi" need not be a matter of great surprise. The prosperous times in which the County was settled, and all the circumstances were favorable to a "lively gait." A population of from ten to twelve thousand persons from all the States of the Union, were thrown together in a single year. They were an active, busy and enterprising people, and demanded all the comforts and conveniences that were attainable. Not only so, but the demand was immediate, there must be no waiting. They were too far in the afternoon of the Nineteenth Century to think of being without a railroad. School houses and churches must be built, roads must be located, iron bridges must be thrown across the streams and everything that pertains to a well ordered community must be had, and that quickley. The cost was lost sight of by putting pay-day far in the future. Bonds maturing when dreams of future wealth and greatness should be realized, were issued and thrown upon the market at a discount of from ten to twenty per cent and the proceeds invested in expensive material and high priced labor. In two years a bridge was built and furnished eighty school houses that would be a credit to any County in any State. And there followed in some cases charges of mismanagement and misappropriation. For instance, the Township of Cherokee has \$8,000 in bonds, maturing in 1893, voted by the people of the Township for a bridge across Pumpkin Creek, which by some legal leger-de-main was sold to the County for one thousand dollars and built across Caney River, in Caney Twp. Caney has the bridge, and Cherokee the bonds, which after paying the annual interest for twenty years and the principal, amounting in the aggregate to \$24,000, she will have "paid the debt according to the contract," besides contributing by County taxation for the construction of it as a County bridge. Still another notable instance is the old school building at Independence City, which W. H. Watkins's has very aptly named the "Tannery." This was built by the District, at a cost of \$23,000, and before the bonds all mature, will doubtless be replaced with a better and cheaper one. Newspapers and their correspondents have always referred to the magnificent cost, but no citizen has even looked upon the ungainly form of the structure with any degree of pride. Lightning and storms have twice played with its cornices, but a mysterious Providence preserves it as a monument to the extravagance of early days.

HISTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY KANSAS, Contd.

In 1870, while the County was still an Indian Reserve and the white's trespassers, the process of bonding or mortgaging the real estate of the County began, and for two years following was carried to an entire success. Below we give the items which made up such a magnificent legacy.

County Railroad Bonds	\$200,000.
Bridge Bonds	35,000.
Independence Twp R.R. b'ds	50,000.
Lewisb'g Twp bridge b'ds	5,000.
Cherokee Twp bridge b'ds	8,000.
Independence City funding	4,000.
Funding bonds	58,975.
Independence Twp bridge b'ds	3,500.
Independence City R.R. bonds	25,000.
Parker Twp bridge bonds	16,800.
Cherokee Twp funding	1,100.
87 School dtst's aggregating	120,000.
Floating debt of County	35,000.
TOTAL	<u>\$563,375</u>

In addition to this the Townships, Cities and School Districts generally had floating debts. And then there were voted other bonds as donations which some good fortune seemed to have saved the County from having to pay. Independence Twp. voted \$1000,000 aid to the State Line, Oswego and South Kansas Railroad. The popular favor with which bonds propositions were entertained may be judged from the vote on the last named. Out of a total of 566 votes only 34 were cast against it. The township of Liberty voted \$30,000 to the same road. Parker City voted \$25,000 for the building of a branch road from Coffeyville, a distance of three miles. Liberty voted bonds to aid in the location of a mill and Independence City voted upon an Omnibus bond proposition of \$35,000 to aid certain, manufactories and issued \$10,000 in City scrip, which for two years passed current as money. Travellers would carry this scrip back to their homes east unnoticed and then write back to the Mayor of the City to know if the bank was good. Independence City also had a grand scheme for establishing Water Works, Gas Works, &c., and employed a "Superintendent of Cemetery," at a salary of \$35.00 per month, when the average death rate was perhaps one in twenty days. County warrants were hawked on the streets at 60 to 75 cents on the dollar. Clerks and Judges of Elections were paid from two to eight dollars. Township Assessors charged from two to four hundred dollars, and every fellow, mosquito like, put in his bill. The cost of the single item of books for the first two years was \$5,000. Not succeeding in getting all the aid that was voted accepted, there was still the handsome sum of more than half a million dollars of 7 to 10 per cent interest bearing debt and the county scarce four years old. Right in this hey-day of the boom came the panic of 1873, crashing and tearing through commerical circles, reducing prices, destroying values and sharpening the greed of creditors, especially of the 36 per cent mortgages.

HISTORY OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY KANSAS, Contd.

Then came a rainless season with hot summer winds, drying and parching everything on the farm except the mortgage and taxes. Last came the Rocky Mountain Grasshoppers (and who has written a history of a county in Kansas without their help) in swarms, with appetites for everything that grows except interest. Interest became due just as regularly and was demanded just as promptly as though the harvest had been bountiful. Then was a time when Montgomery County came near joining in that sad old wail, "Send Aid to Suffering Kansas". A year of fair crops followed and not a man could be found in the county who ever dreamed of asking aid. Taxes were so high that men called it paying rent, and the uninitiated were suspicious that it was some scheme of plunder being planned and perpetrated by the county officials. "Where does all this money go to?" was answered by the tax levy, showing that one-third of the annual tax levy went to pay principal and interest on bonds. A record is something men boast of, and herewas one in which every citizen had an interest and a right to his share of the pride.

But on the debt and tax question the county has turned the corner, and the burden is being materially lightened. The floating debt is about all disposed of, nine-tenths of the school bonds have been paid and all of the township and county bonds that have matured, reducing the bonded debt in the aggregate about \$180,000 and the debt per capita more than one-half. Should the annual reduction of the debt be continued at the rate of \$20,000, and the products, wealth and population of the county make a reasonable gain, the time is near at hand when taxes will cease to be a burden to property owners and a stumbling block to land seekers. If there was a time when the ability of the county to pay her debts dollar for dollar was doubted, the time is past forever. Let this new era upon which she has just entered be one of legitimate growth from industry and economy, free from brag and bluster and she will soon reach the place which her resources should entitle her to in the scale of counties.

Montgomery County was named in honor of the Irish-American General, Richard Montgomery, who fell at the battle of Quebec, shouting "Liberty or death."

The county was organized by proclamation of Gov. James M. Harvey on the 3rd day of June, 1869, appointing H. C. Crawford, H. A. Bethuran and R. L. Walker, Special Commissioners, E. C. Kimball, Special Clerk, and designating Verdigris City as the temporary county seat. Verdigris City was on the east side of the river, on the W $\frac{1}{2}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 22, T.33, R.16. At this date the county was represented as having a white population of six hundred. On the 11th day of June, 1869, the board thus appointed met at the county seat and qualified before Capt. W. S. McFeeters, Notary Public. The Captain was perhaps the first notary commissioned in the county. He was a lawyer by profession, and was the first to locate at the county seat, having his office in the log court house. Not relying alone on the slow and precarious way of making a livelihood by the practice of law in a new county, he was the following winter at Girard, Kansas, convicted of horse stealing and sentenced to the penitentiary for a term of years. The board organized by the election of H. C. Crawford as chairman

THE 1907 - 1908 CITY DIRECTORY, INDEPENDENCE, KS, continued from
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KOONS, Robert Bruce Portland Cement r 400 South 2nd
KOPPLIN, Wm. mt mkt r 225 s Penn
KORS BROS (TS & PV) jewelers, 108 east Main
 , Harry D. clk r 511 West Laurel
 , Preston, V r 511 West Laurel
 , Ted S r 511 West Laurel
KOUNTZ, Clark H. clk, rms 217 East Myrtle
KOYLE, Fred, fireman r 504 North 13th
 , William Santa Fe, r 412 North 14th
KRAMER, Joseph D., City Clerk r 404 South 3rd
KRETZER, Bertha, r 611 South 16th
 , Guy, ball player r 611 South 16th
 , John C. r 611 South 16th
KRIENHAGEN, Girard, r 410 South 11th
KUNTZ, Irene (c) r 315 South 19th
 , Mary (c) r 315 South 19th
KURZ, S. Otto, Independence Ice Cream, Laurel & Depot

LACEY, Herbert W. driver Robinson/Richards
 , Richard F. carp r 13th and Santa Fe
LACKEY, Mrs. May r 605 N 9th
LA COSTE, Chas H. baker r 913 West Locust
LA DUKE, Beulah, dom r 401 N 8th
LAIRMORE, Wm. M. lab Santa Fe St
LALOGUE, Frank, Santa Fe & Mo PAC
LAMBERT, E. J. atty - 200 N Penn
LAMBORN, Paul T. newsdealer rem Opera House
LAMBRIOTT, August, glass blower r 112 S 15th
LANCASTER, Liza (c) dom r 524 N. Penn
LONDON, John M. KS Nat Gas r 300 W Main
LANEER, Harry (c) helper Carl Leon Hotel
LANEY, Chas W., dep Co Treas. r 208 S 1st
 , J. S. rms 206 N 6th
 , Leo C. oil producer r 300 East Maple
LANGLEY, Jennie M., stenorem 118 S 14th
LANNING, Margaret, wid John r 600 N 11th
LANPHEAR, Holly, Miller Bowen Milling
LANTZ, Wm W. contr driller, 225 W. Main
LARKIN, H. Emmet, contr & bldr r 700 N 12th
 , Wm. L. driller r 516 N 9th
LASSEY, Sarah A. r 720 W Laurel
 , Wm, tank man, Independence Ice Co, r 720 W Laurel
LALCHAM, John B. r 723 E. Main
 , John W. driver Independence Bottling, r 723 E Main
LA TOURETT, Clinton J., painter, r 707 W Main
LAUREL HOTEL 119 E Laurel

LAVERY, Wm. R. contr bldr, 121 W Myrtle
 LAWLER, Wm. clk Prairie Oil & Gas
 LAY, Kate L. 304 East Locust
 LAYTON, J. Edward, cabman r 1212 West Myrtle
 , Wm. E. r 1212 W. Myrtle
 LEDBETTER, Dora , 1403 W Locust
 LEE, Allen, , mess. Western Union, r 112 N Penn
 , David (c), Carl Leon Hotel
 , Lora H., carp r 705 Washington
 , L. D. plumber b. 300 N 9th
 LEEK, Fred E. grt handler r 604 W Main
 , Jean Mrs. 316 N 11th
 , Jule A. r 604 W Main
 , Louis E r 604 W Main
 , Minnie K. r 604 W Main
 , R. Roy, r 205 S 14th
 , Wilhelminia, wid Gottfred, r 205 S 14th
 LEINBACH, John H. 301 N 13th
 LEITHMAN, George M. sexton Mt Hope, r 612 N 12th
 LEMMON, Clarence mgr Green House r 400 W Sycamore
 LENHART, Charles E. r 412 W Main
 LEROUX, Edward H. clk Prairie Oil & Gas r 214 N 3rd
 LESLIE, Carie A., 301 N 2nd
 , Fred E., 301 N 2nd
 , Jessie C. student r 301 N 2nd
 , John C. lab r 301 N 2nd
 , Louis D. tchr r 301 N 2nd
 LESTER, George, r Main St and W limits
 LEVAN, Willard, r 500 S 11th
 , Harry M. r 500 S 11th
 , Willard S, Clk 500 S 11th
 LETT, Alta E dom, DeMott Flats
 , Matthew, lab r 115 E Oak
 , Wm. rms 300 W Maple
 LEWELLEN, James W. Furniture r 512 N 9th
 LEWELLEN FURNITURE 103 E Main
 LEWIS, Bessie G. r 711 Railroad
 , E. Thos. feed, 1100 West Main
 , Frank, lab r 404 S 18th
 , Harry W, plumber, 4 400 E 11th
 , James T. clk r 739 W Sycamore
 , Michael K, r 809 W Pine
 , Ora F. r 408 S 2nd
 , Ralph L printer, Reporter r 308 N 5th
 , Robert R clk r 739 W Sycamore
 , Robert W. r 739 W Sycamore
 , Samuel, Minister, 803 S 19th
 , Solomon S, brick inspector, r 711 Railroad
 , Z. B. mgr M. G. Tracy 115 W Myrtle
 LEWIS & METZGER GROCERS, 731 Sycamore

GLEANINGS FROM INDEPENDENCE by Virginia
Continued from previous issue of Descender

WEDNESDAY, May 15, 1872

New folks in town: Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Waggoner of Toledo, Ohio,
attorney of ability.

MARRIED:

BAIRD & Stratton at the Champagne House on the 9th inst by Judge W.
H. Watkins, Mr. W. F. Baird to Miss Emma Stratton both of Elk City.

PARKHURST & GROSCLOSE in the residence of the bride's mother at Chetopa
on the 11th inst by Judge W. H. Watkins, Elijah Parkhurst to Miss
Elizabeth Grosclose.

STEWART & HEMAKER at the Champagne House on the 14th inst by Judge
Watkins, D. B. Stewart of Humboldt to Miss Rebecca Hemaker of Havana.

KEY & DEWESE on the 9th inst by Esq D. W. Young at the resident of
the bride's father, Ulysses S. Key to Miss Josie Dewese.

SHERIFF'S SALE John & Rounds vs Satchell & Ford
Hymer Teague vs John Ford
S. B. Davis vs Alex Rich
David S. Eddy vs James Robinson
J. J. Sprague vs Wm. H. Buntin
E. W. Culver & C. H. Rowe, partners (Culver & Rowe)
vs Wm. H. Buntin & Co.
Wm. Eller vs Prudence Eller - divorce

Probate in the matter of estate of Asa W. Burbank, deceased by Emily Burbank
Divorce - Emma Gleason vs Albert A. Gleason

L. T. Stephenson gave his resignation as District Clerk, Judge Webb has
appointed Mr. J. L. Scott.

Strayed from hom of Cary Oakes, 3 miles NW from Coffeyville on the 7th inst
13 head Texas steers - reward offered.

T. A. Trent and George Mowry of Sycamore report on corn plowing.

I O G T elect officers ----L. M. Knowles; Miss M. B. Reeves; Miss Sonora
Haywood; Charles C. Yoe; Aura Smith; Stacey F. Weatherby; J. Z.
Gapen; Miss Lou McCormick; Charles Adams; Rev. J. P. Way; W. F.
Johns; Miss Kate McCormick; Miss Lou Bradley.

WEDNESDAY, May 22, 1872

DEATH: on the farm of Samuel Morton, Sycamore, Mr. Charles Clark, son of
Salmon Clark, aged about 21 years, accident - falling in a well
trying to retrieve a frog.....2nd son lost within a few months...
first in hunting accident...

GLEANINGS Contd.

WEDNESDAY, May 22, 1872 Contd

SHERIFF'S SALE: Frederick Lewington vs Alex Rich - land
W.S. Ryan vs U. R. Dannettelle

DIED: In Montgomery County on the Sabbath, May 19, Sarah, wife of
N. H. Hall, aged 28 years, 5 months, 15 days.

POLICE NEWS: Judge Shannon and Marshall Touvelle and assistants
stated on Monday Mrs. Smith and Jesse Cornell were
arrested and each fined---Lillie Johnson and Maggie
Moore (or brick top) also fined.

NOTICE - INDEPENDENCE, May 13, 1982-

The following list of goods are in Wells Fargo & Co's Express
Office at this place awaiting owners to claim them: One box
each for: M. Bass; J. E. Conner; Miss E. Dunn; Isdda Frill;
W. H. Frost; Thos Gray; M. Hemmingway, J. S. Hedges; W. P.
James; W. H. Jones; S. Judson, J. Maddon; D. C. McEntyre; H
Nickel; W. S. Osburn; Miss E. Brice; A. Patton, M. C. Parks
& Co., J. Redding. O. F. Rodges, J. Russel, Mary Taylor, J.
Webb.

One pacakage each for W. H. Jones; W. Van Note, J. C. Nye;
C. Pugley, Mrs. E. L. Ross

One bundle for C. R. Fletcher

One sewing machine for A. P. West

M. D. Henry, Agent.

WEDNESDAY, May 29, 1872

SHERIFF SALE: H. T. Johns & Silas Rounds vs Wm. Satchell & John Ford - land
Hymer Teague vs John Ford

LIST OF LETTERS remaining unclaimed in the Post office at Independence, KS
May 20th, 1872. To obtain these letters the applicant should say advertised
and give date of List. Care should be taken to stamp all mail matter as
they will be held for postage if not stamped. Office hours, from 7:30 am
to 8:30 pm A. H. Moore, P. M.

LADIES' LIST

Miss Callie Anderson	Miss Melcenia Brooks	Miss Anna Day
Mrs. E. A. Dunham	Miss Mary Dreamer	Miss E. G. Duncan
Mrs. Lodenia Gillett	Mrs. Mary T. Goodwin	Mrs. S.A. Gray
Sarah E. Hadley	Mrs. C. H. Hill	Miss Ada Henderson
Miss Vivia Hutchins	Miss Sophie Melander	Mrs. Laura Miner
Mrs. J. N. Mathews	Mrs. Morrison	Miss Ella McLaren
Miss Sarah McIntyre	Miss Mary L. Nelson	Mrs. Carrie Powley
Mrs. Eunice Rose	Mrs. Amanda Randall	Liddie E. Randall
Miss Carrie Reed	Mrs. Nettie Smith	Mrs. Roxiana Scott
Mrs. A. Stinchfield	Miss Hester E. Stafford	Mrs. Mary Tillison
Mrs. Mary Taylor	Mrs. G. W. Weikert	

Wednesday, May 29, 1872, Contd.

Letter left at Post Office Contd.

GENTLEMEN'S LIST

Wm. Armstrong,
R. R. Brady;
Charles L. Boyd
John Brister
Charles M. Briggs
Mr. Burrous
Roddie P. Cassil
Wm. Catton
Frank Chambers
S. N. Class
Wm. D. Dunlay
Valentine Datin
John W. Foster
Dr. Fray
S. E. Grant
Wheeler J. Garrecht
E. Holcomb
W. A. Hyde
Ed R. Hamilton
O. T. Hayward
W. A. Jones
W. F. Kiser
U. S. Landold
Wm. Lousburg
James L. Libby
Wm. Mellon
R. F. Morgan
Harlan J. Milner
Mr. Morganstine
Dr. C. W. McHugh
Joseph McEvers
Peter Odell
H. Prindle
Willie Pinches
John Russel
Joel W. Reed.
E. R. Ray
Fredrick Shaar
J. W. Strong
A. Schloos
Charles Schornfield
C. H. Tryppson
Thompson & Leftwick
George R. Wheeler
W. H. Waggoner
Wm. Watt
Samuel Wickery

Wesley Allen
J. Bell
Patrick Breen
A. V. Blair
C. A. Bosely
Barnard & Piper
W. Cooley
Charles Camp
Joseph A. Carr
Fredrick
C. L. Darr
C. Disney
Wm. T. Falwell
W. Ficklen
John J. Gill
Enoch Gilbert
Leander Hotchkin
S. Hibbons
C. W. Hagan
Wm. Hide
M. Kinney
Fredrick Koutz
Gurdeon Leonard
John Loyd
B. M. Miles
P. B. Meed
Alex G. Minger
Charles Millis
Robert Martine
Wm. McKeehen
Thomas A. Noble
Peter Ostash
Charles Parrot
Shelbourn Reed
T. S. Rutabaug
Elisha D. Reed
Wm. M. Stewart
Henry Stiffler
J. M. Scudder
Warner W. Snyder
Henry Smith
James Tera
F. F. Taylor
Charles Welden
J. H. Watkins
N. Well
Wilson & Pendleton

David Allis
J. W. Barnes
William Bowers
Valentine Bowersox
William Burkshire
Wm. Culbertson
J. A. Clayton
Col. J. A. Coffey
Randal Clark
W. H. Carpenter
Jas Duncan
Joseph Darr
Mike Fitzpatrick
Jno Fetzer
A. B. Gould
Geo W. Hubble
Wm. A. Hunt
A. R. Humphreys
J. C. Harman
Paul Herzog
Albert D. Kendall
Jacob Kirchner
Jason Luceford
W. T. Beard
Edward Martin
James Estes Mountain
W. S. Mathews
Wm. T. Miller
Edward McEntee
Leroy McQuinney
John M. Neal
Arthur G. Pike
Rufus Perry
H. A. Rasor
Mr. Robson
Mr. Reed
Wm. Shey
H. Schrader
James Schools
Asa Toole
James Taylor
Turner & Son
Mr. Ves Vogt
Samuel Wood
Thomas Wickery
O. H. Williams

Wednesday, May 29, 1872, Contd

SHERIFF SALE; H. T. Johns & Silas Rounds - real estate vs Wm.
Satchell & John Ford
Hymer Teague vs John Ford

WEDNESDAY, June 5, 1872

DIED: in this city on the 23rd inst Edward Thomas infant son of
Edward & Priscella Owen, aged 1 year, 2 months, 19 days.

MARRIED: on Friday May 31st in Parker Mr. John Donlavy to Miss Pauline
Bowman both of Independence.

In Rutland twp on May 7 Mr. J. D. Engle to Miss Anna Hadley
in the resident of S. A. Hadley, Esq. by Rev. S. Engle.

on the 3rd inst by Judge W. H. Watkins, Mr. David Johnston
to Miss Sarah Palmington all of this county.

WEDNESDAY, June 12, 1872

MARRIED: by Rev. Mr. Stoddard on Thursday, last
Mr. J. Durkee of Pontiac, Michigan and Mrs. E. L. Rose
of Independence

at the residence of Mr. Boles, Dist. Attorney, Mr. Frank Willis
and Miss Eva S. Boles

Mr. James Johnson married Miss _____ whom he had sent for
all the way from New York.

ASSASSINATED-----Mr. John Bodkin on Sunday night.

MARRIED: In Independence on the 7th by W. H. Watkins, Judge, Mr. N. W.
Parker, Otter Creek, Cowley County, KS, to Mary A. Troscott,
Ticondaroga, NY.

DIED: near Independence on June 1st of a disease of the liver old Mr.
William Kence, aged about 50 years. Four children left in
destitute circumstances.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 1872

D. C. Krone of Sycamore reports good prospects for corn in Elk valley.
D. W. Kingsley of Rutland has about 200 gal. of pure sorghum for sale.
L. H. Bean is selling Mitchell wagons at fair price.
John Stich has the foundation up for a large Boot and Shoe House
Mr. W. B. Chamberlain reports good corn crop on the high prairie

Reporter thanks Mrs. Walker Mustain for a fine mess of beets and other
favors.

EARLY CITIZENS OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, KANSAS

The following biographies appeared in the History of Montgomery County, Kansas published in 1903 by I Wallace Duncan, Iola, Kansas.

MRS. SARAH F. MATHEWSON

Mrs Sarah Mathewson, a well-known resident of Montgomery county, is a native of Bradford county, Pennsylvania, and was born January 23, 1844. Her parents were Joel M. and Elizabeth (Gross) Tozer, both of the Keystone State. Her father was a son of Col. Julius Tozer, a native of Connecticut, whose name is honorably associated with the war of 1812.

Col. Tozer married Hannah Conklin, a daughter of Ananias Conklin, and to the marriage were born thirteen children: Hannah, Elsie, Bersie, Samuel, Julius, Lucy, Dorothy, Guy, Albert, Susan, Joel M., Mary A. and Cynthia. Joel M. married Elizabeth Gross, the fourth child of Philip and Hannah Gross, whose family numbered six children: Elsie Knowles, of Scranton, Pennsylvania; Julius, of Bradford county, Pennsylvania; Job, of Ashland, Oregon; Sarah F. of Montgomery county, Kansas; Ida, of Bradford county, Pennsylvania; and Guy, of Dallas, Texas. Sarah F. Tozer became the wife of William H. Mathewson, who was born in Palmyra, New York, March 23, 1823. His father was a native of Connecticut and the mother, whose maiden name was Harriet Stephens, was born in the "Keystone State," the daughter of Ira and Abiel Stephens. There were eight children in the Mathewson family: George, Elizabeth, Washburn, William, Constant, Harriet Delano, Elias, Emily Tozer and Lydia Buck.

William H. Mathewson and wife, Sarah, with their children, Dora, George and Mary, came to Montgomery county in February of 1862, and located on the farm of one hundred and sixty acres, where they now reside. Only two of the children survive: Dora Young, of Kansas City, whose three children are Glenn, Clyde and Dale; and George, living at home with his mother, and superintendent of the farm.

JACKSON GRAY

In the early spring of 1869, Jackson Gray, in company with the settlers, Sylvester Gray, G. W. Leedy and Alfred Catron, with families, drove through from Carter Co. Kentucky, and each head of a family took a claim in Montgomery county, Kansas. A wife and three children and a few household goods, together with his team, constituted the Jackson Gray possessions and he established himself on one hundred and sixty acres in section 4, township 31, range 16, where he erected a small cabin, 14 x 14 feet. This modest and rude dwelling was of short duration for it was fired by the torch of one of White Hair's band of Osages and the family was left homeless and even ordered not to rebuild in this county. The band absented itself from the county soon after this and while it was away a new house went up on Jackson's quarter and its owner treated the returning band so kindly and dealt with them so liberally that he won their friendship and remained undisturbed in the peaceful possession of his claim.

The tribe so ingratiated itself upon the confidence of the Gray family as to warrant the parents in permitting their son, Samuel, then just large enough to run about, to visit the village of White Hair's people, near by, and play with the little papooses and be thrown up in a blanket just as the Red Man was wont to do. But while Mr. Gray was unmolested in his residence he was not allowed to cultivate more than a small tract of land until the Indians were removed from the county in accordance with the arrangements made in the treaty for the Osage Diminished Reserve.

When the county was left in undisputed possession of the white man, the settlers engaged in earnest in the peaceful pursuits of agriculture and grazing. Mr. Gray, among others, was encouraged to exert his best efforts in behalf of his family and to the end that, today, his farm embraces, instead of a single quarter of land, five hundred and forty-five acres, much of which is under and yielding to the magic touch of its intelligent and practical owner. The second pioneer cabin gave way, in ten years, to a modern and comfortable farm residence, then one of the best in the township. Barn came into existence as fast as they were needed for the accommodation of the grain and stock, and the decoration of the landscape with trees and shrubs during all the years produced a pleasing and civilizing effect and marked the Gray settlers as substantial and

progressive citizens.

Jackson Gray was born in Wythe co., Virginia, Sept. 13, 1840. He received a meager education in the schools then common to the state and was employed, as he neared manhood, as a brick-moulder. In 1861, he went to Carter co, Kentucky, where he purchased a farm and was occupied with its cultivation 'till his removal to Kansas in the spring of '69.

Elizabeth Gray, mother of our subject, was a native of Wythe Co., Virginia. She had four children, viz: Sylvester, of Neodesha, Kansas; Mrs. Eliza Newman, of Smith Co., Virginia; Jackson, and Mrs. Mary Leedy, of Montgomery county, Kansas.

Jackson Gray married Catherine Shelton, a native of Wythe, co. Virginia and a daughter of Creed and Mary (Haunchell) Shelton, of North Carolina and Virginia respectively. Mr. and Mrs. Gray are the parents of William S., of Montgomery county, with children, Samuel and William; Samuel Gray, of Montgomery county, with children Edward and Howard, and Miss Lucy Gray, yet with the domestic circle.

In his political relations Jackson Gray is a Democrat and he holds a membership in the Methodist church.

MRS. MARY DAUGHERTY

Introducing this personal record is a West Cherry township settler of the year 1876, who, on Sept. 13th of that year, came to Montgomery county with her late husband Samuel W. Daugherty, and purchased the Murphy claim for \$650, near the north line of West cherry township. A pole shanty served the farmer family as a dwelling for a time, but a frame house took the place of this and the primitive hut was installed as the Daugherty's "Kansas barn." For five years Mr. Daugherty lived on his original settlement and then added by purchase one hundred and sixty acres in section 16, township 31, range 15, the present family abiding place.

Samuel W. Daugherty was one of the well-to-do modest farmers of his township. Industry and good management made him thrifty and when death removed him in September 1897, a good and worthy citizen was taken away. He served as a public officer in his township, both in Ohio and Kansas, was a Democrat in politics and an Elder in the Cumberland Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Daugherty was born in Coshocton Co., Ohio, April 6, 1848, and was a citizen of that county until her removal to Kansas, with the exception of three years when she resided in bureau county, ILLinois. She was the daughter of John W. and Susanna (McLary) Norman, natives of Ohio and grand daughter of Isaac Norman and Abraham and Sarah (Miller) McLary; the McLarys, of Maryland and Pennsylvania, respectively. The Normans had a family of seven children as follows: Mrs. Mary Daugherty, our subject; Isaac, of Iowa; Mrs. Belle Shrock, of Avondale, Ohio; Mrs. Hannah Stiner, of the same place; Mrs. Hester E. Nichols, of Kidder, Missouri; Mrs. Geneva Emerson, deceased; Lester J., of Newcomerstown, Ohio.

Mary M. Norman was married Nov. 28, 1866 to Samuel W. Daugherty, born in Tuscarawas Co. Ohio, June 12, 1840. He graduated from the Westerville, Ohio, academy and taught school twenty years. He enlisted in 1861, in Coshocton, Ohio, in company "G". 122d Ohio Vol. Inf. in Capt. Gibson's company, Col. Ball's regiment; Mr. Daugherty being the Colonel's private secretary. He was in the service three years, and among other engagements participated at the 2nd battle of Bull Run.

Mr. Daugherty was a son of John Daugherty, of Ohio, and of Irish stock. His mother was Rachel Mears of Irish descent and the mother of the following children: William, Robert, Nathan, John J., Jane, deceased, and Samuel, our subject. The last named was the father of five children namely: Lester L. of Neodesh, Kansas, with children: Grover C., Otho A. and Reno C.; Alva E., of Montgomery county, with one child, Anna Belle; Mrs. Bertha B. Stewart, of Cherryvale, with three children: Lona L., Daisy M., and Pearl M. J.; Mrs. Nellie Farling, on the home farm, with a child, Leota B.; Mrs. Hester L. Mahorny, of Wilson county, Kansas, one child, Samuel A.

CURTIS RORK

Curtis Rork, one of the successful and most progressive farmers of the county, was born near Lawerenceburg, Indiana July 15, 1838. He came to this county in 1894, locating on a farm of 240 acres of fine land in section 24, township 33, range 15, and began farming on a large scale. Theophilus Rork, of Salem, Ill., the father of Curtis, was the son of Daniel Rork, a native of New Jersey, where he spent his boyhood days. When he grew to manhood he located in Hamilton county, Ohio, where he worked at his trade of blacksmithing. That part of

the country was at that time a vast wilderness, and many, many were the trips taken through this wilderness driving horses to South Carolina, and many and varied were the experiences on these trips.

In the day of her need Mr. Rork valiantly went forth to fight those traitorous hands that would have throttled his country. He became, on August 8, 1862, a private in company "K" 79th Ill. Vol. Inf. under Capt. Martin and Col. Gwinnet. This regiment became a part of the Fifteenth Army corps, Western division, and during Mr. Rork's six months' service it saw some heavy work at Crab Orchard, Stone river and Murfreesboro. After this last battle he became incapacitated for service on account of sickness and received an honorable discharge.

Daniel Rork's family consisted of children: Theodosia, Theophilus, Lydia, Daniel, Wesley and William.

Theophilus, a superannuated minister of the United Brethren church of the Miami conference (Ohio), was born March 3, 1813. Since his retirement from active service in the ministry thirty years ago, he has lived on his Illinois farm in Edwards county. His wife was Deborah Edwards, daughter of Curtis and Percillia Edwards. Their family numbered fourteen children, twelve of whom are living --- Daniel, of Horton, Kansas.; Curtis, our subject; Mrs. Emily Smith, of Eureka, Ill.; Franklin, of Sullivan, Ill.; Mary Rork of West Salem, Ill.; Mrs. Kate McKinney, of Carmargo, Ill.; Mrs. Jennette Bowen, of Indianapolis; Martha of Iowa; Charley, of Valpraiso, Ind Mrs. Susie Haven, Lottie Rork and William W., all of West Salem, Ill.

When Curtis Rork, the second child and subject of this sketch, was only a year old, his parents removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, where they remained five years, afterward removing to Butler county, that state. The family lived here until Curtis was nineteen years old, when they came out to Douglas county, Ill. Here Mr. Rork spent the years until 1894, when he settled in Montgomery county, Kansas.

The wife of Mr. Rork's youth was Josepha Watson, daughter of William and Leonora Watson. Their only child, Maud Todd, lives at Independence, Kansas. To a second wife, Leonora Watson, a sister of the first wife, was born one child, Mrs. Josie Henneman, of Independence.

The lady who now presides over the home of Mr. Rork was Mary, daughter of John and Susan O'Dare. They have one son, Theophilus, named for his paternal grandfather.

MILO M. LONG

One of Montgomery county's good citizens whose four years residence in the county has been sufficient to establish the fact that society is not the loser by reason of his coming, is Milo M. Long, a worthy farmer of Independence township.

Mr Long's nativity dates in Peoria, county, Ill., April 4, 1845. For fifty-four years he lived on the home farm, coming to Montgomery county, Kansas in March 1899. Mr. long's family is an old and honored one, whose different members in their time have contributed much to the upbuilding of our free institutions and were always found on the side of right and patriotism in the different contests of arms which the republic has waged.

Henry Long, paternal grandfather of our subject, came to this country from Ireland in the early part of the 19th century. He married Miss Irwin, and to them were born, near Natchez, Miss. two sons, John and James. The latter at maturity, came up into Illinois and was there joined in marriage with Nancy Proctor, daughter of Reuben and Sarah (Mathews) Proctor. Their children were: Milo M., honored subject of this review; Mrs. Mary J. Rose, of this county; John H., of Oklahoma; Sarah C., Mrs. Richardson, of Illinois, now deceased.

Mr Long was happily joined in marriage with Mary E., daughter of John and Eliza (Benner) Kleffman. Mrs. Long was a native of Peoria, Ill, born April 7, 1856. One son, Oscar, now a schoolboy, has come to bless their home.

In Illinois home of Mr. Long he was highly regarded, having been for a number of years a member of the school board and also prominently identified as a member of the A. H. T. A. He has been a life-long member of the Methodist church and is a staunch Prohibitionist and temperance man.

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Robert L. Davidson, __, of Elk City and Cora Gregory 20, of Elk city at Independence on September 14, 1887 by W. R. Brown, P. J.

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Wiley M. Stewart, 21, of Independence, Ks. and Dora Tomlinson, 18, of Independence, at "my residence at Harrisonville" on 23 Sept. 1887 by Isaac lindley, minister of Friends Church.

R. B. Lyon, 47, of Neodesha, Ks. and Henrietta Sturgis, 47, of Neodesha, Ks. at Independence, Ks on 27 Sept. 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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Leroy Coals, 33, of Lay, Ks., and Rachel Perkins, 31, of Crane, Ks., at Independence, Ks. on Sept. 29, 1887 by W. R. Brown, P. J.

I. M. Watkins, 36, of Elk Citu, Ks. and Lizzie R. Bryant, 20, of Elk ity, Ks., at "my office" on Sept. 27, 1887 by M. J. Simmons, J. P.

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Joseph B. Scott, 20, of Independence, Ks., and Minerva B. Milton, 18, of Oak Valley, Ks., at Independence, Ks. on 30 September, 1887 by W. R. Brown Probate Judge.

Clarence E. Gifford, 24, of Grand Rapids, Mich., and Ellia Hiatt, 20, of Independence, Ks., at Independence on 3 October, 1887 (?) by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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William Webber, 21, of Independence, Kans. and Lizzie Jones, 22, of Independence, Ks. at Independence on Oct. 3, 1887 by W. R. Brown.

Peter H. Starr, 26, of Pittsburgh (KS?) and Emma C. Griffith, 28, of Cherryvale, Ks. at Independence, Ks. on Oct. 4, 1887 by W. R. Brown, P. J.

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George W. Riggle, 24, Arkansas City, KS., and Amy Henderson, 20, of Independence, Ks at "W. D. Henderson's" on 6 Oct. 1887 by John F. Woods, Minister of the Gospel.

G. J. Griest, 31, of Olpe, Ks., and Helen Meacham, 19, of Independence, Ks., at Independence, Ks on 5 October 1887 by R. B. Herron, Minister.

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Charles Miller, 26, of Neodesha, Kans, and Sarah Lockwood, 20, of Neodesha, Kans. at Independence, Kans. on October 5, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

Joshua Taylor, 36, of Caney, Kans, and Millie Kaufman, 24 of Caney, Kans, at Independence, Kans, on Oct, 5, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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M. B. Thompson, 32, of cherrylvale, Kans. and Ettie M. Raysville, 20, of Cherryvale, Kans, at Cherryvale on 10 September 1887 by Rev. Geo. W. Parker.

John Willis, 28, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Maggie Glockley, 19, of Coffeyville, Kans, at Coffeyville, on 18 Sept. 1887 by Rev. Thompson C. (or L?) Smith, minister of the Gospel.

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Lucius T. Barbour, 47, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Alice Hover, 27, of Coffeyville, Kans, at Independence, Kans. on October 14, 1887 by W. R. Brown Probate Judge.

H. H. Marshall, 21, of Neodesha, Kans. and Ida A. Woolis, 19, of coffeyville, Kans. at "my residence" on September 25, 1887 by H. C. Mills,

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Charles L. Chandler, 23, of Elk City,--Kans. and Lizzie H. Wright, 21, of Elk City, Kans. at Elk City, on 10 October, 1887 by G. P. Ash, Baptist minister.

Herbert J. Hammond, 28, of Elk City, Kans, and Martha Chandler, 24, of Elk City, Kansa at Elk City on 10 October, 1887 by G. P. Ash, Baptist minister.

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William J. Allen, 21, of cherrylvale, Kans. and Dollie Dawson, 17, of Liberty, Kans. at cherrylvale, Kans. on Oct. 9, 1887 by M. Lowe.

Jonathoan V. McClintic, 23, of La Fountain, Kans. and Lucy C. Clark 24, of Elk ity, Kans. at Independence Kans. on October 9, 1887 by C. R. Rice, Pastor M. E. church.

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Allen Bromhal, 28, of Cundiff, Kas. and Fannie Karnes, 18, of Richie, Kas., at the house of Henry Karnes, on 9 October, 1887 by J. R. Evans, a minister of the Gospel.

Alonzo Flinn, 29, of Altoona, Kas. and Viola Barnhill, 20, of Altoona, Kas. at Independence, Kas. on 11 October 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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Elias Davis, 27, of Elk City, Kans. and Martha Gilstrap, of Elk city, Kans. at Elk City, Kans. on Oct. 16, 1887 by T. M. Walker, Minister of the gospel.

J. M. Hole, 32, of Independence, Kas. and Charlotte McGuire, 17, of Independence, Kas. at Independence on October 16, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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George H. Lowe, 38, Kansas City, Kans, and Fannie Edwards, 20, of Cherryvale, Kans. at Cherryvale on 16 October, 1887 by R. T. Harkins, minister of Methodist Episcopal church.

Thomas Thompson, 3, (illegible) Cana, Kas. and Martha Jane Roberts, 23, of Cana, Kans. at the city of Caney Kans. on 11 October, 1887 by J. W. Hodges, Justice of the Peace.

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Isaac C. Beard, 25, of Independence, Kans. and Verina McDaniel, 20, of Independence, Kans. at Independence on October 16, 1887 by J. W. Ferrel, Minister, Christian Chyrch.

O. H. Jeffries, 29, of Winfield, Kans, and Ida, M. Berry, 24, of Atlanta, Georgia, at Coffeyville, on October 19, 1887 by Rev. Thompson L. Smith, Rector of St. Paul, Coffeyville, Kans.

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James H. Truskett, 41, of Caney, Kans. and Malinda Casto, 17, of Caney, Kans. at City of Caney on 23 October, 1887 by J. W. Hodges, Justice of the Peace.

Lewis F. Garr, 23, Independence, Kans. and Eva M. Scott, 16, of elk City, Kans. at Louisburg township on 26 October, 1887 by C. H. Jones, M. G.

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John D. Terhune, 32, of Cherryvale, Kans. and Maggie Brewer, 22, of Mound Valley, Kans. at Independence, Kans. on October 25, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

H. C. Berentz, 24, of Cherryvale, Kans. and Emma Truax, 17, of Cherryvale, Kans. at "home of the Bride's" on Nov. 1, 1887 by Henry Carlyon, P. C.

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Isaac H. Jordan, 32, of Coffeyville, Kans, and Nancy E. Spencer, 19, of Coffeyville, Kans. at "my residence" on 27 Oct. 27, 1887 by J. F. Savage, Clergyman.

D. L. Roberts, 34, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Nettie Bonesteel, 18, of Coffeyville, Kans. at Independence, Kans. on Oct. 28, 1887.

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Thomas J. Custer, 23, of coffeyville, Kans. and Clara Coleman, 20, of Liberty, Kans. at Independence, Kans. on Nov. 15, 1887. by W. T. York, V. D. M.

William Hiatt, 23, of Independence, Kans, and Barbara Whelchel, 18, of Independence, Kans. at Independence, Kans, on Nov. 15, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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Emmett M. Woods, 27, of Cherryvale, Kans. and Lilly G. Brown, 20, of Cherryvale, Kans. at Independence, Kans on Nov. 9, 1887 by J. S. Grimes, D. D. ,pastor of First Presbyterian church.

Frank W. Turner, 26, of Independence, Kans. and Lorena C. Wagner, 20, of Independence, Kans. at the residence of I. J. Wagner on 6 Nov. 1887 by John T. Woods, Minister of the Gospel.

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Dennis P. Simmons, 23, of Elk City, Kans and Abbie A Buckman, 23, of Elk City, Kans. at Elk City on Nov. 10, 1887 by T. M. Walker, Minister of the Gospel.

James A. Holt, 39, of Independence, Kans. and Jessie Long, 19, of Independence, Kans. at Independence on Nov. 3, 1887, A. M. E. church by Pomp Johnson, minister of the Gospel.

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John F. Pennington, 28, of Independence, Kans. and Sarah Reeder, 19, of Cana, Kans. at Independence, Kans. on Nov. 15, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

Jesse Clanton, 21, of Neodesha, Ks, and Della McKinney, 21, of Neodesha, Ks. at Independence, Ks. on 17 Nov. 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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William Stucker, 29, of Claremore, I. T. and Myrtle Clark, 18, of Claremore, I. T. at "my residence" on Dec. 3, 1887 by A. B. Peterson, J. P.

William Nickleson, 29, of Coffeyville, Ks. and Rosa B. Shaffer, 18, of Coffeyville, Ks. at Coffeyville, Ks. on Nov. 3, 1887 by John D. Lander, J. P.

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John F. Hild, 30, Brooks, Ks. and Susan Hiltz, 25, of Brooks, Ks, at Independence, Kans. on 1 Dec. 1887 by W, R. Brown, Probate Judge.

Carlos Bernard, 27, Cowata (Coweta or Nowata?), I. T. and Mary Morris, 19, of same place at Independence, Kans, by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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Humphrey R. Skimerhorn, 24, and Kansas L. Dilley, 20, both of Coffeyville, Kans, at coffeyville, Kans. on Nov. 25, 1887 at Cherokee, Township by J. L. Masters, Minister.

Jacob A. Carpenter, 22, of Crane, Kans. and Effie E. Murphy, 19, of Independence, Kans. at Sycamore Township on Nov. 19, 1887 by I. C. Hall, J. P.

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Wm. T. Calvert, 23, of Parker, Kans. and Cora A. McCorkle, 19, of same place at city of coffeyville, Kans, on 29, Nov. 1887 by Luther Perkins, Justice of the Peace.

Fred C. Evans, 25, of Parsons, Kans, and Gertie M. Brown, 23, of cherryvale, Kans at Cherryvale, Kans, on 23 Nov. 1887, by Wesley C. Harvey, Pastor 1st Baptist church, Parsons. Kans.

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Frank, M. Stillwell, 27, of Kansas City, Mo. and Bessie Selby, 19, of Elk City, Kans. at Elk City on Nov. 24, 1887 by T. M. Walker, Minister of the Gospel

Will G. Jones, 20, of Independence, Kans. and Nellie E. Rea, 17, of Independence, Kans. at rutland Township on Nov. 23, 1887 by C. H. Jones Minister of the Gospel.

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Joseph V. Kloehr, 25, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Hattie Bouilly, 20, of Coffeyville, Kans. at Coffeyville on 17 Nov. 1887, by Joel Dillon, minister of Christian church.

Harry S. White, 21, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Alice L. Martin, 17, of coffeyville, Kans at coffeyville on 16 Nov. 1887 by Thompson L. Smith, Rector of St. Paul's church.

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Charlie Jones, 24, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Ida Godwin 19, of Coffeyville, Kans. at "the residence of the bride's mother" on Nov. 27, 1887 by Rev. J. C. Pearce.

Samuel F. Keller, 23, of Fawn, Kans. and Almina Dixon, 20, of Fawn, Kans. at residence of bride's father on Nov. 24, 1887 by Rev. J. C. Pearce.

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Charley Stanley, 26 of Independence, Kans. and Sarah J. Swangle, 21, of Harrisonville, Kans. at the bride's residence on Dec. 4, 1887 by Frank Harmon, V.D. M. a minister of the Gospel.

Joseph Woods, 32, of Havana, Kans. and Clara B. McHugh, 20, of same place at J. C. Roo's residence on 11 Nov. 1887 by Rev. D. J. B. Ross.

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Patrick J. Lynn, 27, of Independence, Kans. and Elizabeth J. Freeling, 27, of Independence, Kans. at Independence on Nov. 22, 1887 by P. Scholl (Catholic Priest).

John F. Overfield, 26, of Independence, Kans. and Clara T. Rhodes, 21, of Independence, Kans. at Independence on Dec. 1, 1887 by C. R. Rice, Pastor M. E. church.

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P. M. Rushmore, ___ of Cherryvale, Kans. and Mollie Heritage, ___, of Cherryvale, Kans. at Cherryvale on Dec. 11, 1887 by E. T. Taylor.

David Walker, 51, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Minerva L. Young, 65, of Coffeyville, Kans. at Coffeyville on Dec. 12, 1887 by John D. Lander, J. P.

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Isaac D. L. Oberholtzer, 21, of Independence, Kans. and Rebecca A. Cline, 19, of Independence, Kans. at Independence on 11 Dec. 1887 by J. S. Grimes, Pastor D. D. 1st P.C.

Thomas Williams, 23, of Independence, Kans. and Lizzie A. Gregg, --, of Independence, Kans. at Independence on 10 Dec. 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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M. C. Handley, 27, of Cherryvale, Ks. and Susie Barnhart, 19, of Sedan, Kans. at Sedan on Dec. 8, 1887 by S. Sewick, minister.

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Milton Bowersock, 30, of Havana, Kans. and Nancy A. Paull, 21, of Havana at the house of Robert Paull on Dec. 27, 1887 by J. Blake, Minister.

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W. F. Crane, 23, of Bartlesville, I. T., and Mollie Elster, 20, of Same place at Independence, Kans. on Dec. 14, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

A. Douglas Neely, 21, of Parsons, Ks. and Maud Hodges, 19, of Independence, Kans. at Independence, on 15 Dec. 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

p 251C. S. Pryor, 27, of Liberty, Mo. and Ruth Arnold 22, of Brooks, Kans. at the residence of W. B. Arnold on Dec. 20, 1887 by N. R. Dale.

John Browning, 22, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Mattie Crupper, 18, of Coffeyville, Kans. at Independence, Kans. on Dec. 19, 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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Reason V. Jones, 25, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Elenora Kaufman, 25, of Coffeyville at the residence, of the undersigned on 22 Dec. 1887 by R. W. Kaufman, minister of the Gospel. Witnesses C. M. Wilson, and S. M. Caleb.

Wren A. Tucker, 20, Liberty township, and Lizzie A. Graves, 17, of Independence township at Independence township on 21 Dec. 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

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Samuel M. Nees, 24, of Independence, Kans. and Lizzie E. Sondry, 18, of Independence at Independence on Dec. 22, 1887 by I. S. Grimes, D. D.

Miles Harvey, 28, of Independence Kans. and Mollie Winset, 25, of Independence, Kans. on Dec 22, 1887 by W. R. Brown, P. J.

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Daniel S. Richardson, 29, of Coffeyville, Kans. and Naomi Blakeley, 20, of Coffeyville, Kans. at Coffeyville on Dec. 24, 1887 by Elder B. Ralls.

George Garshwiler, 27 of Independence Ks. and Mary A. Campbell, 21 of Same place, at Independence on 20 Dec. 1887 by W. R. Brown, Probate Judge.

To be continued.

WILL OF WATKIN WILLIAM WYNNS, N. CAR. 1812

In the name of God Amen --- I William Watkin Wynns of the state of North Carolina and the County of Martin being in a very low state of health but thanks be to God for perfect mind and memory and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die make constitute and ordain this my Last Will and Testament and first of all deliver my soul into the hands of God that gave me existence and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent like manner and burial at the descretion of my executors and as to my worldly goods that it hath been pleased Almighty God to help me with I give, devise and dispose in the following manner and form, viz: First all I will and desire that my debts and funeral charges be paid and discharged. 1

1. I give to my son Daniel Wynns the sum of five shillings with what he hath already received to him and his heirs forever.

2. I give to my son John Wynns the sum of five shillings with what he hath already received to him and his heirs forever.

3. I give to my daughter Winifred Taylor the sum of five shillings with what she hath already received to her and her heirs forever.

4. I give to my daughter Mary Evritt the sum of five shillings with what she hath already received to her and her heirs forever.

5. I give to my daughter Sarah Bennett the sum of five shillings with what she hath already received to her and her heirs forever.

6. I give to my son Thomas Wynns the sum of five Shillings with what he hath already received to him and his heirs forever..

7. I give to my son William Ward Wynns the sum of five shillings with what he hath received to him and his heirs forever.

8. I give to my daughter Ann Watts the sum of five shillings with what she hath received to her and her heirs forever.

9. I give to my son Henry Wynns one negro boy named Meading one more named Musick one cow and yearling one feather bed and furniture and one half of the land where on now I live and also one half of the land on Turkey Swamp to him and his heirs forever.

10. I give to my son Samuel Wynns one negro boy named Blount one more named Phoenix one heifer one feather bed and furniture and the rest of the land where on I now live of which Henry Wynns had one half and also the rest of the land which I hold on Turkey Swamp of which Henry Wynns had one half including the mill Site of four acres on Turkey Swamp to him and his heirs forever.

11. I give to my daughter Peggy Bennett one feather bed and furniture allready received likewise to my daughter Elizabeth one feather bed allready received and furniture also I give to the aforementioned Peggy Bennett & Elizabeth Wynns one negro woman named Betty and also all her increase which may proceed from her body likewise Negro boy named Jack to the aforementioned Peggy and Elizabeth to be equally divided amongst them to them and their heirs forever.

12. I give to my beloved wife Ann Wynns one negro man named Simon and one Negro woman named Cherry with all the rest of house hold and kitchen furniture not heretofore mentiioned also all the residue of the stock of hogs horses cattle sheep not allready given to her own proper use forever.

13. One certain tract of land lying over the Creek formerly John Pope's deeded by my son Thomas Wynns to be sold to enable my Executors to pay my Debts and Estaty. I will and appoint constitute and ordain my son Thomas and Samuel Wynns as whole and sole executors of this my last will and Testament and do hereby revoke disallow and discerned all and every other wills bequeathed legacies or gifts by me heretofore made and done and I do hereby sign seal publish and declare this and no other to be my last Will and Testament on this twentyeth day of December one thousand eight hundred and eleven signed sealed published and declared in the presence of us.

Watkin W. Wynns

(seal)

Test

John Harris

John H. Thracht

State of North Carolina Martin County June Term 1812

The last Will and Testament of Watkins W. Wynns was proved in open court by the oath of John Harris and John H. Thracht the two subscribing witnesses thereto on motion ordered to be recorded.

Henry B. Hunter, Clerk

WILL OF PETER STEPHENS SENIOR 1757 Virginia

Will Book 2, Page 266, Frederick county, Va., records

In the name of God Amen. On the 28th day of April, in the year of our Lord God, one thousand seven hundred and fifty seven, I, Peter Stephens, Sr., of Frederick County in Virginia, yueman, beingsick and weak in body but perfect sound mind and memory, thanks be to God, therefore calling unto mind the mortality of my body and knowing it appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament, that is to say; Principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gaveit, and for my body I commend it to the earth, to be buried in a Christian and decent manner, at the discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God and Touching such worldly estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give and devise, dispose of in the same in the following manner and form:

IMPRIMIS, my will is, that if it please the Almighty God to call me from this estate of life before my well beloved wife, Maria Christina Stephens, that she shall be truly and effectually invested with all and singular my Right Property and Interest of, in and to myMansion house, with the use and occupation of all and singular lands, being the quantity of 25 acres together withall and singular my movable and personal estate during her natural life, to be by her possessed without interuption or molestation of any person or persons whatsoever; and further, my will is that at and after the decease of my said wife, Maria Christina, the said mansion house and 25 acres of land shall devolve to my eldest son, Lewis Stephens, his heirs or assigns forever, as fully and amply, to all intents and purpose, as I myself in my lifetime held and enjoyed the same. Provided, and it is my will that in consideration of the said devise, my eldest son shall pay unto my eldest daughter, Maria Christina, the sum of ten pounds current money, Ten punds to my second daughter, Maria Magdalena, together with the sum of ten pounds like money to my youngest daughter, Margaret, to be by them or their heirs received and enjoyed.

ITEM --- For that I have heretofore given to my second son, Lawrence Stephens, by virtue of a certain deed of lease and release the quantity of 225 acres of land to be by him, his heirs and assigns possessed forever, &

ITEM --- Also I have heretofore given unto my third

son, Peter Stephens, by virtue of a deed of lease and release the quantity of 200 acres of land to be by him his heirs and assigns, possessed forever, &.

ITEM --- I give and bequeath to my youngest son, Henry Stephens a certain tract or parcel of land containing the quantity of 300 acres, to be the same more or less, whereon he now lives, to be possessed by him his heirs or assigns, forever.

ITEM --- My will is that a certain tract of land, containing 400 acres be the same more or less, adjoining my former tract of land, which by virtue of a Patent had out of the office of Thomas Lord Fairfax, will more or less at large appear, I give and bequeath to my eldest son, his heirs and assigns, forever, for the consideration of the sum forty pounds current money, Ten pounds of which I give to my eldest son Lewis Stephens; Ten pounds to my second son, Lawrence; Ten pounds to my third son, Peter, and ten pounds to my youngest son, Henry, to be by them or their heirs received and enjoyed &.

ITEM --- My will is that my well beloved Maria Christina Stephens, be an Executrix with my beloved son Lewis Stephens, Executrix, and Executors of this my Last Will and Testament. Revoking and annulling and making void all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made. Ratifying and confirming this and no other, my Last Will and Testament.

In witness thereof I have hereinto set my hand and seal the date and year above written. Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said Peter Stephens, as his last Will and Testament.

Peter Stephens (Seal)

In the presence of us:

Memorandum; Before signing and declaring the within above comprised will, it is willed by the Testator that after the decease of the said Maria Christina Stephens, that if any movable estate remain, it shall be equally divided between all the children surviving, or their heirs, &.

Martin Grider
Andrew (?) Ott
Joseph Carroll

At the court held ofr Frederick county, on Tuesday the 6th day of December, 1757

QUERIES

Members may run queries free. Non-members may run one query for \$1.50 for 6 lines.

Lina J. Wright born 11 January 1848 Overton County, Tennessee. She died 17 November 1919 at Hale ,Kansas. Married Asbury Oakley 1883 Independence, Kansas, had 3 children.

C B Oakley

Frank Oakley born 1885 in Kansas

Jennie Alice Oakley born 14 May 1888. Died 16 February 1928. Married E. F. Wantland, had two girls. One married Vortis Avery, the other Sherman Pinelle.

Would like infirmation on C. B. and Frank Oakley families. Also Vortis Avery family and the Sherman Pinelle family. Any help on these families will be appreciated. Mrs. Vermell Wright, 2730 Ridgeview Drive, Springdale, Arkansas 72764.