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CORRECTION

Submitted by #513, Ann Butler-Blackburn

Page 1276 should read **Elizabeth WATERS** was born approximately between 1635 & 1641. I don't know how the error was made.

Women married and gave birth at a very young age because their life span wasn't very long in those days. **Richmond TERRELL** and Elizabeth's first child was born between 1650 and 1656 which means she and Richmond must have married during the same time period.

I figured this out from reading page 19, *Terrell Genealogy*, by **Emma DICKEN**. Also in the same book, there is an ancestral chart which shows Elizabeth's last name as being **WATERS(?)**. Also, and I quote, "Among passengers brought over from England 1647 and 1649 was **Elizabeth WATERS**, who presumably was a woman old enough to make the voyage without the protecting care of her family. It is not known if she was young, old, married, or single. She **PROBABLY** went to the Isle of Wight County with the parties who paid her passage in order to obtain land in that county, so we found no connection with the **TERRELLS**." I'm curious - was this Elizabeth WATERS Richmond **TERRELL**'s wife? She would have been old enough at age 12 or so. This information came from page 57 of the **DICKEN** book.

It could also have been that Richmond sent for her to come to America from England **AFTER** his arrival. There is

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evidence that he was in York County in 1654 when he dismissed a deed AND also - according to *The Tyrrells or Terrells of America* by Joseph Henry TYRRELL, England, 1910, "Richmond and William settled in Virginia. The former prior to 1650 and the latter before 1657."

We may never know if the above dates are correct; but when going back that far, so many things must be figured out by using information that is available and hoping that we are close to the right date.

CHANGES

Births, Marriages, Moves, Deaths
You let us know: Who? When? Where?

HERBERT LINDSAY WILKERSON PASSES

We regret to inform you that Mr. **Herbert Lindsay WILKERSON**, member #29, surviving spouse of **Oleta COOK Wilkerson**, descendant of **John TERREL** of Henry Co. GA & **Ignatius TERRELL** of Pike Co. GA, passed away 02/16/1999. I have written asking for obit or other info, but did not receive any in time to include in this issue.

Herbert & Oleta were the driving force behind the second reunion of the Society that was held in Athens TX in 1985. Without their help, dedication, and continued support we would have had a much harder time starting the Society.

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V-P HELPS NEW MEMBER

Submitted by V-P **Jeddie Terrell**

On page 1246, *Trails* is an inquiry from Ms. **Ella Timlin** of San Francisco concerning her husband's ancestors which sounded familiar to me.

I pulled down some of my family records in the nature of wills and some papers from the National Archives and found the reason.

The ancestors she named, **Austin & Antoinette TERRELL**, were slaves of my great-grandmother, **Frances Elizabeth BATTLE TERRELL** on her farm at Cedartown, Floyd County, Georgia.

I sent her documented proof of this fact and computer pictures of my great-grandparents. I am enjoying the correspondence with Mrs. Tumlin and I still need to do more research for her.

Editor's Note: This is the primary reason we have existed for fifteen years. Members are willing to share info with other members. You never know what a query will uncover.
DFB

GENEALOGY? ASK DAN!

Q. The Christiana Presbyterian Cemetery, Newark, DE is where gggrandad **George TERRELL**, gggrandmom **Margaret WHANN**; John **TERRELL**, their son; **Eliza Jane TERRELL**, their daughter along with **John WHANN**, **Nancy WHANN**, & **William WHANN** are buried. I don't know how these WHANNs are related to my gggrandmom.

Sheet contains lineage:

Mary Beth SHORTER (me)

Parents: **Dorothea Oleta TERRELL** b. 09/14/1913 DE & **William Walker SHORTER** (no dates)

Grandparents: **Harry Gilbert TERRELL** b. 01/19/1870 MD, d. 02/06/1940 DE & **Mamie M CULENEY**

Ggrandparents **George C. TERRELL** b. 06/14/1825 DE, d. 10/27/1889 MD & **Rose Anna (Rosina) Shaw HEILEN-MAN**

Ggggrandparents: **George TERRELL** b. 12/12/1791 PA, d. 08/21/1851 (Not listed) & **Margaret WHAN/WHANN**

Ggggrandparents: **George TERRELL** b. 10/15/1761 MA, d. 03/24/1845 & **Jane STREET**

Ggggrandparents: **Isaac TIRRELL** & **Alice SHALL** (no dates or locations).

A cousin had **Ruth L Wagner**; e-mail Hsrooter@aol.com work on the line. Contact her if you would like more info about any name on this list.

I copied the following from Maryland Census Film, 1880, soundex T640. Since MD census is not always available, I am passing it on.

Hartford county MD, 1880

Delamere G. TERRELL; male; white; 28; b. PA
Sarah J.; wife; 24 b. MD
Rosa; dau; 6; MD
Cora; dau; 4; PA
Ida; dau; 2 MD

Cherry Hill Maryland, 1880

George TERRELL; male; white; age 52 DE
Rosina; wife; 41; PA
George; son; 12; MD
Harry G.; son; 10; MD
Flora; dau; 7; MD
John; son; 3; MD

Living in Baltimore MD, 1880

Geo. W. TERRELL; male; white; 39; VA; **Mary**; wife; 37; VA
Walter; son; 15 VA
Alice; dau; 8; MD

Living in Baltimore MD, 1880

H. N. TERRELL; male; white; 40 b. VA
Amanda; wife; 41; VA
Ambra; son; 18; VA

Joseph; son; 4; MD

H. S. RYAN; s-n-l; 38; VA

John RYAN; n [none/nephew?]; 18; VA

We are considering placing a family TERRELL file with the Delaware Historical Society. We would hope that the records would be available to anyone who wishes to search their history. Should we consider not placing current generations for privacy reasons? What is your opinion. *MBM*

A. Last question first; privacy is a sticky subject. The policy of the **TERRELL SOCIETY** is: "If it is submitted, it is for publication, unless the submitter specifically states that it is not for publication." Actually, we prefer that you keep information you do not want made public to yourself. That way we can't accidentally publish it!

The computer and the web have opened up a whole new can of worms because anyone with the equipment and the connection can publish anything and it can be read by anyone who has access to it.

Privacy concerns vary from individual to individual. I see checks for dues that have more personal information printed on them than I would carry in my wallet! On the other hand, we had a member who got upset because we published a photo (submitted by a relative) that had her in it in **TRAILS** where circulation has never exceeded 250 copies per issue. We have another who does not want name or anything else on our web page of members. The rest of our 500+ past and present members have not expressed any opinion on the matter.

If you have the current addresses and/or phone numbers of current relatives, it would be common courtesy to contact them again with a new form on which they could list only the information they wish to make public. Place a signature line on the bottom and keep the forms in a safe place. This is the only way I know to give everyone a choice and avoid possible legal snags later. For those that you do not know how to contact, use your own judgement. If indoubt, don't.

I usually don't get into the "who was my ancestor" type question in **TRAILS**. In this case, I am going to make an exception because of the conflicting information regarding the usefulness of Family Tree Maker's discs and genealogy site because that is the only place on the web where I found reference to the families you named.



ANCESTORS OF MARTIN & ELIZABETH JOHNSON

From: Family Tree Maker's Genealogy Site; User Home Page owned by **Mr. Robert Allen Johnson**; RT 1 Box 248B; Laurel DE 19956; 302-875-0554; bobroots@shore.intercom.net

Gedeon [Gideon?] TIRRELL b. ca 1720, (no location); m. **Mary NASH** (no date or location) [Undocumented, unverifiable, no lead for research, of no more value than family tradition]

Their son: **Isaac TIRRELL** b. (1740—1827 Boston MA) m. **Alice SHAW**, d/o **Joseph SHAW** b. ca 1720 & **Mary BLANCHARD** b. ca 1720 (no locations for SHAW or BLANCHARD) [Undocumented, unverifiable, only one lead (Boston) for research, of little more value than family tradition]

Their son: **George TERRELL, Sr.** (10/15/1761 Braintree MA—03/24/1845 Cecil Co. MD) m. **Jane STREET** b. ca 1760 (no location) d/o **Goodenow STREET** b. ca 1740 (no location) & **Lydia HOWE** b. ca 1740 (no location or ancestors for Goodenow or Lydia) [Better, two locations for verification/research, Braintree MA & Cecil Co. MD]

Their son: **George TERRELL, Jr.** (12/12/1791—03/21/1851) m. **Margaret WHAN** (01/17/1796—11/09/1880) on 05/11/1812. (no location for birth, marriage, or death; no parents for Margaret WHAN) [Nothing new except dates to limit the search period]

Their daughter: **Margaretta Buckingham TERRELL** (07/25/1813—09/27/1884) m. **Francis Asbury PORTER** (03/14/1811—05/05/1858 DE) ca 1832 (no marriage location); children: **Mary E. PORTER**; **Margaret B. PORTER**; **George C. PORTER**; **Theophilis W. PORTER**; **Richard C. PORTER**; **Francis Asbury PORTER** (below) & **Arlington Terrell PORTER** (12/15/1856—05/15/1915) m. **Hannah NOT LISTED**. [Finally, some siblings to help verify documents; new leads for wills, etc.]

Their son, **Francis Asbury PORTER** (04/14/1840 Burrsville DE—07/07/1915 Burrsville DE) m(1). **Mary L RAUGHLEY** (no date or location); Children: **Lida PORTER**; **Nettie M. PORTER**; **Infant PORTER**; **Francis PORTER** b. 1888 d. 1889.

Francis Asbury PORTER (04/14/1840 Burrsville DE—07/07/1915 Burrsville DE) m(2). **Mary Frances THAWLEY** (10/19/1842 Burrsville MD[sic]—05/04/1874

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Burrsville DE) on 04/03/1867 d/o **John THAWLEY** (08/31/1806—09/24/1878 MD) and **Rachael SMITH** (07/08/1814—09/17/1878 MD) who m. ca1832. **John THAWLEY** was son of **James THAWLEY & Mary PORTER**. **Rachael SMITH** was d/o **James Henry SMITH & Araminta "Minty" RUSSELL**. Eleven **THAWLEY** brothers & sisters are listed, but only **Mary Francis** is expanded upon.

Children of **Francis PORTER & Mary THAWLEY**:

John Fletcher PORTER (06/24/1868—05/17/1873)b/d Burrsville DE

Salema PORTER (01/02/1870—07/22/1870) b/d Burrsville, Kent Co, DE

Infant son b/d 05/01/1871 Burrsville, Kent Co. DE

Mary Anna PORTER (05/16/1871[sic] MD—07/08/1930 DE) m. **Howard Emmett HARDESTY** on 12/21/1895

[Not sure if there is a Burrsville MD or if this is typo for DE; at least, we finally tied the family down to a specific location (Kent Co. DE) for additional research]

Howard Emmett HARDESTY (04/21/1873 Harrington DE—06/30/1947 Bridgeville DE) s/o **George Washington HARDESTY & Maria Elizabeth CAHOON** m. **Mary Anna PORTER** 12/23/1895 (no location); children:

Paul Hildreth HARDESTY (07/24/2897—01/20/1903) b/d Bridgeville, Sussex Co. DE

Julian Porter HARDESTY (10/24/1899—02/11/1903) b/d Bridgeville, DE

George Francis HARDESTY (06/26/1903 Bridgeville-Harrington[sic] Sussex Co DE—06/16/1961 Dover, Kent Co. DE) m. **Lottie B. HILL** 02/09/1927 (no location)

Mary Elizabeth HARDESTY (06/27/1910—07/10/1976) b/d Bridgeville, Sussex, DE; m. **"Boob" Martin Wilson JOHNSON** 09/16/1932 in Sussex Cty. DE.

[Locations are getting more specific; still no documenting notes on wills, marriage certificates, etc.]

"Boob" Martin Wilson JOHNSON (02/21/1910 PA—08/14/1983 Laurel, Sussex DE) s/o **Martin "Wilson" JOHNSON & Rose Gertrude HARKIN** m. **Mary Elizabeth HARDESTY** 09/16/1932 in Sussex Cty, DE; children: **Martin Wilson JOHNSON** (03/03/1933—) b. Laurel, Sussex Co. DE; m. **Suzanne GAHANN** 1955

Mary Ann JOHNSON (02/27/1934—) b. Laurel, Sussex DE; m(1). **Leroy FASOLD**; m(2) **William James HOPKINS** 1954

Constance Elizabeth JOHNSON (04/02/1938—) b. Laurel, Sussex DE; m(1). **William JOSEPH**; m(2). **Robert**

JUSTIS 08/26/1970 in Girdletree MD

John Frederick JOHNSON (04/28/1941—04/07/1974) b. Laurel, Sussex DE, d. Sussex Co. DE; m. **Joanna BEDSWORTH** 1964

Lorraine Katherine JOHNSON (02/02/1949—11/11/1966) b. Salisbury, Wicomico Co. DE, d. Laurel, Sussex, DE

Robert Allen JOHNSON (02/04/1952—) b. Salisbury, Wicomico Co. MD; m. 3 times.

Robert Allen JOHNSON [compiler of the tree from which the above **TIRRELL** descendants were abstracted] (02/04/1952—) m(1). **Mary Elaine NEINAST** 1983 W. Palm Beach FL; child, **Britain Allen JOHNSON** (11/19/1985 Salsibury, Wicomico Co., MD—); m(2). 1984 **Rebecca Sue MUSGROVE** d/o **L. Wayne MUSGROVE & Betty MARTIN**; m(3). 12/30/1992 in Laurel DE, **Rhonda Lea MESSICK** d/o **Monroe Lee MESSICK & Betty Lou SIRMAN**.

[Dates for contemporaries are cited here because they are already on the web where anyone can access them, we have not revealed any "secret" information.]

If you choose to accept this undocumented tree, we have added one generation (**Gedeon [Gideon?] TIRRELL** b. ca 1720, (no location); m. **Mary NASH**) to the info you had. Otherwise, we have given you the names of some contemporaries that may have marriage certificates, wills, deeds, or other documents that will aid in your search (If the compiler above has not moved.).

Regardless, we have analized one Family TreeMaker Tree and can see the value to the serious genealogist. *DFB*

TERRELLS IN WAGON TRAIN TO MEXICO 1865

Submitted by #501 Mr. **John F. Terrell**

The photo of this wagon train has been copied several times and the qyality is not good. My great grandparents and other family members traveled with that train.

In 1865, twenty-five to thirty covered wagons made the trip from Colorado & Guadalupe Counties in Texas to the area of Tuxpan, Mexico. It is said that these ex-Confederates feared reprisal from the Yankees and that among some were thoughts of enlisting the aid of the Mexicans to fight again. The families of **TERRELL**, **BLEDSON**, and others left



their farms to endure the hardships of the trip. This wagon train crossed the Rio Grande at Brownsville, Texas.

Information is that after four or five years, most returned to their farms, some by way of ships which landed at Galveston. There were children born, marriages, and deaths during those years. **Tom TERRELL**, son of **John Tyler TERRELL** was born in Mexico in 1869. John's daughter, **Cayloma TERRELL**, once told someone that she was three years old at the time of their trip to Mexico.

Another train, headed by **General SHELBY** also traveled to Tuxpan, but they crossed the Rio Grande further west and went first to Mexico City. It is unknown if any **TERRELLS** traveled with that train.

Some who were in Tuxpan, presumably between 1865 and 1870 were: **T. J. M. RICHARDSON**, Brazoria County; **E. LUTER**, Goliad; **Youngs COLEMAN**, Goliad; **H. G. LITTLE**, Fort Bend County; **John A. KINO**, DeWitt County; and **John G. MONTGOMERY**, Colorado County. It is not known by which route these and the following came to the Tuxpan area. Additional names as furnished by **Georgia S. BURDEN** who was born near Tuxpan are: **ALDRICH**; **Dr. A. A. ALEXANDER**; **Dr. T. O. ALFORD**; **Pen ANDREWS**; **Frank BLANKENSHIP**; **BLEDSON**; the **BLYMARS**; the **BOND** family (**Robert**, **HENRY**, **William**, & **Alice**); brothers, **Robert** & **Frank BOYD**; **Thomas L. BROWN**; **CHRISTIAN**; **COLLINS** family; **Capt & Mrs. COOK**; **DEITZ**; **Dr. John DRAYTON**; **Catherine LOEBNITZ**; **ECKARD**; **EVANS**; **FINSTABAR**; **FLANDERS**; **GALLAHAWES** or **GALLAGHER**; **GIBBS**; **GOFF**; **GRIMES**; **HEAD**; **HUMPHRIES**; **JOHNSON**; **KIRKLAND**; **LACEN**; **LAKEY**; **LESTER**; **Gideon LINCECUM**; **LINDSEY**; **MESSIC**; **MIMMS**; **MITCHELL**; **NEWELL**; **NEWMAN**; **PHELPS**; **POINDEXTER**; **POTTER**; **RUSSEL**; **SMITH**; **SOJOURNER**; **SPRINGALL**; **STEADMAN**; **STEVENS**; **TESSIER**; **TOWNSEND**; **VINCENT**;

WELLS; WILLY; WOLLETT; YN-TRIAGO; & YOUNG.

If anyone has information about the train which crossed at Brownsville, TX, please contact: **John F. Terrell**; 809 Stuckert Dr; Burleson TX 76028; phone 817-293-3568; fax 817-293-1652;

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QUERIES

Limited to two per member per year & limited to 50 words each maximum.

My great great great grandmother **Ruth TERRELL** m. **Isaac BROOKS**. Her father was **Timothy TERRELL**. I need info on Timothy and his male ancestors for admission to Colonial Dames, Magna Carta Dames, etc. #545 **Gretchen S. Kauffman**; 1320 Road 20 Apt 49; San Pablo CA 94806 phone 510-237-8234

Want info on **Martha Jane TERRELL** b. 10/29/1850 at SC (per 1880 Elmore Co. AL Census), d. at Tallassee, Elmore Co. AL 03/24/1893 and her spouse, **William Dennis EUBANKS** b. 05/10/1849 at Tallapoosa Co. AL, d. Tallassee, Elmore Co. AL 06/30/1921; m. 09/29/1874 Elmore Co. AL (Film #1034779 Vital Records Elmore Co. AL 1874-1885; birth & death dates per headstone Rose Hill Cemetery, Tallassee, AL in my possession) #530 **Kathryn Morgan Hickey**; 520 Wagman Drive; San Jose CA 95129

My great-grandmother was **Amy Frances TERRELL** b. 03/10/1845 Brownsville, Haywood County, TN, d. 08/03/1933 Alpine TX. I believe her father was **William TERRELL** b. ca1820 in Brownsville TN. **Marye Jane B. Jolly** 5801 Arlene St; Metairie LA 70003-1707

I don't know if you can help or not. I am looking for descendants of **William TERRELL** born 1824 Devonshire England, s/o **Samuel**. William married in England c1848 **Maria PROWSE** also born England. They came to Canada in 1870 it is also believed that some of their children or even perhaps William's siblings (I do not have any info on or if there were) went to Georgia. One of the descendants told his children that he went to a plantation in Georgia to visit family members. One of William's children also went to Los

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Angelos CA. Would anyone have info on this family. Thanks. **Joanne Steed R.R. # 1, Hillsdale Ontario, L0L 1V0 Canada <doug.steed@sympatico.ca>**

I can see I'm a little late getting on scene. I am shocked at the amount of information available on the TERRELL family name. I am a member of the SAR through my Mother's family (**FLORENCE**, used to be **FLORENCE**). I would very much like to trace my line back as far as I can and be able to verify the relationship in some manner.

I'll start with me and see if any of the names ring a bell for you. I got most of the old stuff from my 2nd cousin, and have no idea of the validity.

Russell Neal TERRELL (me); **William George TERRELL** (brother); f **George Washington TERRELL** m **Frances Viola FLORENCE**; gf **John (Johnny) Wesley Terrell** gm **Emma MANN/HAYSLIP** (illgit - can't verify last name); ggf **George Washington TERRELL** (Dad's namesake) ggm was wife #2 **Mary or May Frances ROBERTS**; gggf **Solomon TERRELL** gggm **Nancy PARKS**

Any help would be appreciated. If I need to join I don't mind. Just give me an address and the amount you need if I'm eligible. By the way, it's amazing how the names keep repeating. My daughter's name is **Jan Elizabeth** and my sons are **Adam Thomas** and **David Andrew**. As I ran through genealogy.com I kept seeing the repeat. My brother's son is **Jonathan William**. I don't believe we did this to our children consciously. Thank you for your consideration. **R78789@aol.com**

My update is my new e-mail address is
millie@echoweb.net

My Query is searching past the link of my grandfathers grandfather **Charles P. TIRRELL**, bom Dec. 1847 Ky. died Feb 1916 Morehead Ky. married to #1 **Sarah ?** and #2 **Evaline**. Children by Sarah... 1) **Francis Ozias TIRRELL**, bom 29 March 1867 m. **Martha Jane LYKINS**, 2) **Elijah Lincoln TIRRELL**, bom July 1874 m. **Cornelia J. POSTON**, and 3) **Susan A. TIRRELL** bom 1870 m. **G.L. MO-CABEE** (and I have a postcard from her to **Francis** with a last name of **LAYNE**.) Is there anyone in our society that may have any information on these names? **Francis** being my link to **Charles P.**, and then nothing. I do know that **Charles P.** was the County Clerk of Rowan County at the turn of the century. Who were his parents? This is where my link ends. Maybe there are others seeking same link. I love my Terrell Trails and I curl up and go through it very

thoroughly every time I get one. Keep up the good work. You are appreciated more than people let you know. #269 **Millie E. Wright**; P O Box 427; Merlin OR 97532-0427; <millie@echoweb.net>

SARAH TALIAFERRO — MOTHER OF TERRELL/LEWIS DESCENDANTS

Submitted by Miss **P J Achramowicz**

Editor's Note: The following is condensed and paraphrased from *Rebutting Direct Evidence with Indirect Evidence: The Identity of Sarah TALIAFERRO Lewis of Virginia* by **Margaret Amundson, CG** [Certified Genealogist] *National Genealogical Society Quarterly*, Vol 87, #3, September 1999, pages 217-240.

The article is too long for a full citation, but due to the number of TERRELL/LEWIS descendants involved, the information is too important to fail to report. Sumames have been converted to capitals and names are boldfaced in keeping with *Trails* format.

The original contains 96 footnotes pointing to exactly what supporting documentation was used and where it was found. If you have a direct interest in this line, I strongly suggest that you read the original article. *DFB*

TALIAFERRO & LEWIS researchers have long asserted that **Sarah TALIAFERRO** who about 1850 wed **John LEWIS**, son of **David LEWIS & Anne TERRELL**, was **Sarah**, bom 7 June, 1727 in Caroline Co. VA, d/o **Richard TALIAFERRO & Rose BERRYMAN**. This is widely circulated from very respected early genealogical publications through the LDS Family Search files and the World Wide Web. Marital information published online for **Sarah TALIAFERRO Lewis** is 100 percent in agreement and 100 percent wrong according to this article. This paper not only proves the error, but makes the case that she was the daughter of **Robert TALIAFERRO** and his second wife **Ann PITTMAN**.

Does it matter? **Richard & Robert TALLIAFERRO** were first cousins, but the maternal halves of their ancestral charts are radically different. Yes, it does matter, both to descendants and to academic historians. There is nothing sacred about any source. Bible records can be misbegotten, misread, or misinterpreted. Informants can be biased or mistaken. Credible facts are established by a thorough study of all relevant and original material; and a careful study of indirect evidence often exposes fatal flaws in direct evidence

that has gone unchallenged due to either reputation of the researcher or other reasons.

Original sources, if any are cited, point to two Bible Records: one for **Richard & Rose BERRYMAN TALIAFERRO** and a second for **John & Sarah TALIAFERRO**. Typescripts of both are widely circulated but when compared to the originals, the assertions exceed the evidence therein.

Richard TALIAFERRO & Rose BERRYMAN wed in 1726 and did have a daughter **Sarah** b. 07 June 1727. Photocopy of the original reveals that it is in the 1756 Bible of their son **Charles**. The family record offers no marriage info for **Sarah** or her siblings except **Charles**.

The offspring of **John & Sarah** also left a Bible, but the sheet has been removed from the original so the book's title and publication data are unknown. All entries spanning 1752—1836 are in a single hand which attests that the record was created almost a century after the **LEWIS/TALIAFERRO** marriage. No birth date and no parental data for **Sarah** appear in this **LEWIS** Bible. At some point in circulation, someone penned in date 1727 within the space that had been left blank after **Sarah's** birth. However well intentioned or innocent the addition may have been, the results still mislead.

Citation from *Richmond (Virginia) Standard* 04/30/1881 lists children of two **TALIAFERRO** brothers, **John & Richard**. Under **John** sisters **Margaret** m. **Hiram GAINES**, a relative of Gen. **Edmund Pendleton GAINES**, CSA and **Sarah**, m. **John LEWIS**, who d. Albemarle county in 1784. Much of that has been disproved in the century since. **William Terrell LEWIS** corrected one error when his family history appeared in 1893. He abandoned identification of **Sarah & Margaret** as daughters of **John**, but still presented them as sisters—without other siblings or parents.

Another publication identifies the source of his data on **Sarah** and **Margaret**. **Sarah TALIAFERRO** who m. **John LEWIS**, of Albemarle Co. VA., had a sister **Peggy** or **Margaret**, who m. **Hiram GAINES**. Their daughter m. **James(?) NIMMO**. I obtained the[se] particulars from **Jesse LEWIS**, a RSV who d. in Albemarle Co. VA in 1849.

Jesse Pittman LEWIS was sixth child of **Sarah**—suggesting that he was likely correct in identification of his mother's sister. Bible data shows that he was not born until 1763, that his mother died before he was six and that his father soon married into another family. He may not have known his other aunts, uncles, and grandparents. Limited contact be-

tween the **TALIAFERRO** and **LEWIS** sides of his family is also implied in the letter that **Jesse** sent to his nephew, **William Terrell LEWIS**—recently found in the Alabama State Archives. Writing on the **GAINES** branch, **Jesse** reported, "**Hirom GAINES** married **Peggy TALIAFERRO**, the Sister of my mother. The **LEWISES** have no thought they [the **GAINESSES**] are our connection." Another hypothesis for **Jesse's** failure to name his grandparents is that they may have died before he was born or old enough to know them.

To this day, no published account identifies the **Margaret TALIAFERRO** who m. **Hiram GAINES**. The most probing work was done in the 1950s by the late **Mary Reid RILEY** of Anderson SC with assistance of the late **George Harrison Sanford KING**, FASG of Fredericksburg, VA. According to one letter written by Miss **RILEY** to Mr. **KING** in 1958, "I have been searching for a **GAINES-TALIAFERRO** or **GAINES-FRENCH** marriage of Albemarle Co. VA. **Henry HARPER** m. in Albemarle Co. VA **Martha GAINES** and among their children was **Mary Taliaferro HARPER** b. 1777 who m. **HEIROM NIMMO** and **Margaret French HARPER** who m. **Meredith MC GEHEE**. **Margaret** was b. 1792 at Harper's Ferry between Elberton GA and Abbeville Co. SC. . . . Some of the descendants of the **John LEWIS-Sarah TALIAFERRO** marriage came to Pendleton Dist., SC and the *Lewis Genealogy* states that her sister, **Margaret TALIAFERRO** m. **Hiram GAINES** and that **David NIMMO** of Albemarle married their daughter."

What did exist unknown to them was a **TALIAFERRO-FRENCH** marriage ca. 1710 union of **Robert TALIAFERRO** and **Margaret FRENCH** that was not documented until the evidence had been assembled and published in 1995. The discovery of this marriage and the fact that **Margaret** was not a name common to the **TALIAFERRO** family suggested that **Robert & Margaret FRENCH TALIAFERRO** were viable possibilities for antecedents of this line.

Records on **Richard TALIAFERRO** of Caroline Co. VA are scant. The most valuable surviving records are the order book entries left in the wake of **Richard's** death. On 9 Dec. 1748, his "relict" **Rose** obtained a letter of probate over the objection of her in-law, **William TALIAFERRO**, gentleman, guardian of the estate of her son **Benjamin** (still a year short of majority) to oversee his financial interests. Both **Benjamin** and widowed **Rose** died during probate, apparently during spring 1751. **Richard's** land fell to the next

oldest son, **Zachariah TALIAFERRO**. Soon after he reached majority, he was ordered to sell his father's land in Lunenburg County and Port Royal to pay **Edmond PENDLETON** for maintaining the **TALIAFERRO** minors. The children are not named but estate related events shed some light. 14 Nov 1754 **Beheathland TALIAFERRO** chose **Zachariah TALIAFERRO** as her guardian. 13 Feb. 1755 **Peter TALIAFERRO** chose **Edmond PENDLETON**, Gent., as guardian. 11 Dec 1755 **Charles TALIAFERRO** chose **John EVANS** as his guardian. 08 Jan 1756, **Zachariah TALIAFERRO** was ordered guardian to **Elizabeth, Rose, Frances, and Mary TALIAFERRO**, orphans of **Richard**. Neither **Sarah TALIAFERRO** nor her husband **John LEWIS** she had wed on 3 Mar 1750—was part of these proceedings.

The 1746-51 diary of Rev. **Robert ROSE**, a minister who rode circuit through that part of Virginia contains two entries that give clue to the marriage of **Sarah**. 13 Mar 1746, Dined and came to Capt. **R. TALIAFERRO's** at Night, advised against **G. BERRYMAN's** marriage to **S. TALIAFERRO**. 28 Mar. 1750 ... **Mrs. TALIAFERRO & her Daughter BERRYMAN** went homeward this morning.

G. BERRYMAN was **Gilson BERRYMAN**, a first cousin of **Richard & Rose's** daughter, **Sarah**. Did the couple marry despite the reverend's advice? Yes—although an error in one relevant record clouds the issue. **Sarah** was about 19 in March 1746 and no other daughter of **Richard & Rose** reached their teens prior to the 1750 reference to **Mrs. TALIAFERRO & her daughter BERRYMAN**. The **BERRYMAN-TALIAFERRO** marriage apparently occurred in 1746 or early 1747. The baptismal register of St. Paul's Parish records the baptism of **Rose BERRYMAN**, daughter of "**Gilson and Rose [sic] BERRYMAN**" on 28 December 1747. The baptismal entry simply erred in the identification of **Gilson's** wife as the following sequence of records indicates: 04 Apr 1749, **Gilson BERRYMAN** d. in St. Paul's Parish; 28 March 1750, Rev. **ROSE** noted, "**Mrs. TALIAFERRO & her daughter BERRYMAN** went home this morning."; 12 June 1750 will of **Gilson BERRYMAN** was submitted for probate, Stafford County; 20 August 1752 **Sarah BERRYMAN** wed **Cadwallander DADE** in St. Paul's Parish; 09 March 1761, **Sarah DADE** of Stafford county, late relict of **Gilson BERRYMAN** of same county, relinquishes her rights in his personal estate in favor of his children: **John, Beheathland, Gilson, & Rose BERRYMAN**.

Richard & Rose BERRYMAN TALIAFERRO had no daughter named **Margaret or Peggy** who could have been the **Mrs. GAINES** recalled by **Sarah's** son **Jesse**. Second, **Sarah TALIAFERRO**, daughter of **Richard and Rose** wed twice: (1) about 1746-47 to **Gilson BERRYMAN** who d. 1749; and (2) 20 Aug 1752 to **Cadwallander DADE** and she was still **Sarah DADE** as late as 10 November 1761. Thus **Richard & Rose's** daughter was clearly not the wife of **John LEWIS** between 1750 and 1769.

Having disproved the traditionally accepted identification of **Sarah**—asserting her to be the daughter of **Richard & Rose**—a foundation has been laid for a far more probable identity as the daughter of **Robert & Ann PITTMAN TALIAFERRO**. That was accomplished through the accumulation of indirect evidence of collateral kinships, associations, and onomastics.

Robert TALIAFERRO, the son of **Robert** by **Sarah CATLETT** had no **TALIAFERRO** siblings and appears not to have been especially prolific. By his first wife, **Margaret FRENCH**, he fathered two known daughters, **Ann** and **Elizabeth** who were explicitly named when **Robert** conveyed to each of them as slave in January 1724/5. (That event probably represented an estate settlement to them in anticipation of his remarriage. A circumstantial case has been made elsewhere to identify the adult **Elizabeth** as the wife of **Robert MADISON** of Halifax Co. VA. The fate of **Ann** remains unresolved.

With virtual certainty, **Robert & Margaret** produced as son, **Samuel** between 1710 and 1716. A strong circumstantial case can be made that **Samuel** produced two offspring whose actions and connections are valuable in this study: a daughter (named for his own mother), **Margaret "Peggy" French TALIAFERRO**, wife of **John HILL**; and a son, **Francis**, who carried the **TALIAFERRO-GAINES** link to the frontiers of Kentucky. Similarly, **Peggy** produced a daughter—one **Tabitha HILL** whose support network included not only the **GAINESSES** but also the son of **Sarah TALIAFERRO Lewis**.

Above Caroline County lay Spotsylvania, a county with no definite western boundary until Orange County was established there in 1734. In 1749, Culpeper County was carved from northern Orange. That division shrank Orange to a shallow crescent, along whose southern line the counties of Louisa and Albemarle developed in the mid 1740s. All the key families in this study—**TALIAFERROS**, **GAINESSES**, **LEWISES**, and their **GARTH** in-laws would appear in these

newly developed counties where they would interact and support each other in various combinations.

From his marriage to **Margaret FRENCH**, **Robert** sold his inherited estates one parcel after another. Incidents of indebtedness appear frequently in the county's surviving court-order books. In 1736, the court attached the remains of his inherited estate; the coroner sold his slaves, presumably to satisfy debts. **Robert** then drops out of the known records of Caroline, except for situations during 1741-43, in which he played supporting roles to **Samuel**.

The interaction between **Robert & Samuel** is consistent for a father-son relationship. **Samuel** is not common to either **TALIAFERRO** or **FRENCH** families, but a logical one for **Robert** to bestow upon a son. **Robert's** parents enjoyed scarcely a year of marriage; as a young widow, his mother wed **Samuel SALLIS** who then reared baby **Robert**. To name his son **Samuel** after the step-father would have been fitting.

Samuel came of age in Caroline Co. in the 1730s. In his first known record, he is a beneficiary of the will of **Samuel SALLIS [Jr]** which was presented for probate in 1730. **SALLIS** bequeathed his young breeding mare to his "cousen" **Samuel TALIAFERRO**—in one of those maddening uses of language that frustrate modern genealogists. The term cousin, in that era, was synonymous with relative which includes all types of kinships. *Stepuncle* would be appropriate here.

In 1737, **Samuel** purchased his first land, as "**Samuel TALIAFERRO** of Drysdale parish, Caroline County." That record establishes a birth period by implication; assuming he had turned twenty-one of before 1716 and after the 1710 marriage of his parents. Virginia law did not set a minimum age for land purchases but a father or other guardian should have acted for him if he had been a minor.

The newly acquired land lay on the Staunton River in Orange Co.—a part of Orange that became Culpeper in 1749 and Madison Co. in 1786. He assumed the obligation of **Judge GARTH** who headed a family whose name cropped up frequently in this study.

Samuel's residence on the Orange-Culpeper frontier was short lived and curiously parallel the activities and financial affairs of **Judge GARTH**. In March 1742, as "**Samuel TALIAFERRO** of Caroline County," he sold the **GARTH** land to **Robert KAY** for 45 pounds.

The meagre remains of Caroline County's eighteenth-century historical documents shed little light on **Samuel's** livelihood. His proceeds from the 1742 sale were invested in part in purchasing a slave girl from **Robert**. In April & May 1743 he was prosecuted by **Isaac SMITH**, a tavern keeper and former neighbor in Culpeper. **Samuel's** surety was **Robert**. In another pair of documents in April 1749 and February 1750/1 **Samuel** took on two apprentices: **William PEARCE**, orphan of **George PEARCE** and **John BAYLERY**, who was to serve until he turned twenty-one. After an 11 May 1751 petition against one **John RENN**, which was dropped because of **RENN's** death, **Samuel** disappears from Caroline County's surviving records.

At some point during these years, **Samuel** acquired a wife and produced at least one child. No known evidence points to that wife's identity although circumstances suggest he may have married a **GARTH**. The lack of a wife's dower release at the time of his 1742 sale implies that he had no living wife. At the same time, the subsequent 1742 purchase of a female slave from **Robert** suggest the need for a domestic servant—not a field hand—a shift often necessary when widowers had motherless offspring to tend. If this paper's reconstruction of his life is reasonably accurate, then that child could have been **Peggy French TALIAFERRO**—subsequently discussed.

By 1751 **Samuel** appears to have settled in the newer county of Albemarle. His finances appears to have been up and down. Transactions between 1751 and 1758 did not involve a wife. No female joined him in any sale and no wife relinquished her dower. In 1762, a wife named **Ann** relinquished her dower rights. Meanwhile, evidence for his son, **Francis**, suggests a birth about 1759.

Ann's identity remains unknown. On 11 June 1752, **Samuel** signed as security for the widow **Mary LIVELY**, executrix of **Mark LIVELY**—a type of financial obligation that men of that era commonly assumed for trusted kin or in-laws. One hypothesis, yet unproved, is that **Samuel** married **Ann ABNEY**, widow of **Abner ABNEY**, who d. 1751—a theory based on a pair of Albemarle transactions of 1768 and 1771. The first reports a survey of 100 acres on the Branches of Moo[re] Creek of the Rivanna River in the name of **Milly ABNEY** "an infant" represented by her guardian, **Samuel TALIAFERRO**. Subsequently, the land was transferred from **Milly's** name to that of **Samuel**; and on 12 Sept. 1771, **Samuel** sold it to **John MOORE**.

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Samuel's finances appeared to go downhill after his marriage. By 1762, he had sold his estate to clear debts and subsequently moved to Charlottesville where he was a tavern keeper and the ordinary. Various records continue for **Samuel** through 1796 and for the apparently younger widow **Ann** through 1815.

Evidence points to two children for **Samuel**: a daughter, **Margaret "Peggy" French TALIAFERRO** (wife of **John HILL**), born of **Samuel's** unidentified first wife; and a son, **Francis TALIAFERRO** who appears as **Ann's** child.

Due to the meagerness of records on **Peggy** and her husband, it is necessary to follow the trail of evidence through the life of their daughter **Tabitha** in order to assemble adequate data.

The register of Reverend **William DOUGLAS** began in September 1753. He chronicled the pastoral acts he performed in St. James Northam Parish of Louisa Co. and adjacent Goochland from which Albemarle had been carved. There are three relevant baptisms. 30 Oct. 1757, **John HILL & Tabitha BAILEY**, a son **Samuel Parks [HILL]** born May 22 1757. 14 June 1764 **John HILL & Peggy French**, a daughter named **Taboth**, born 7 June 1763. 22 Feb 1770, **John HILL & Peggie TOLLIVER** {pronunciation of **TALIAFERRO**}, a Daughter named **Betty** born 23 July 1769.

A recording error surely—given that no other **Peggy FRENCH** or **Peggy TALIAFERRO** (Tolliver) appears in the by now well combed records of colonial Virginia. **HILL's** wife of 1764-70 was surely **Margaret French TALIAFERRO** and familiarly called **Peggie**. As such, her most logical place among the **TALIAFERROs** is among the offspring of **Robert TALIAFERRO & Margaret FRENCH**. Timewise, placement requires that she be the daughter of **Samuel**. **Peggy's** marriage between 1757 and 1763 suggests that she was born about 1737-42, to **Samuel** and his yet unknown first wife.

The identification of **Peggy** as **Samuel's** daughter is reinforced by the 29 March 1786 marriage of **Tabitha HILL** to **Alexander MC KENZIE** in Albemarle. She gave her own consent, being 23 years of age at the time. Her bondsman was neither her father nor a brother—it was **Samuel TALIAFERRO**, her proposed grandfather. There remains virtually no room for doubt the acceptance of **Samuel, Peggy, & Tabitha** as son, granddaughter, and great-granddaughter of **Robert & Margaret FRENCH TALIAFERRO**.

The case for **Francis** as a second child of **Samuel** is implicit, but solid. Evidence implies that he was born about 1759 and married for the first and only time about 1795. He first appears in May & June 1775 when a company of volunteers was raised in Albemarle. His dates for marriage, leaving home, etc. suggest that he barely met the minimum age of 16 for liability for compulsory military service.

That dated his birth at 1759 and the presumption is that he was born of the wife **Samuel** acquired between December 1758 and January 1762.

Francis appears twice in records of the American Revolution: 8 February 1777 volunteering for one year in Capt. **John MARK's** Company of Fourteenth Virginia Regt. commanded by Col. **Charles LEWIS**; and in 1779 when he and his father were among the Albemarle males who signed the oath of allegiance to the Commonwealth of Virginia. After the war he remained single more than a dozen years and appears to be one of three males in **Samuel's** house during the 1782 state enumeration. Tax rolls of 1782 & 1787 explicitly charge **Samuel** with his tax.

Between 19 Feb. 1791 and 15 Feb. 1795, **Francis** married a young heiress named **Letitia "Letty" HUGHES**, daughter of **Stephen HUGHES**. 29 March 1796, **Samuel** deeded 3 slaves and their increase to **Francis** "in consideration of ... natural love and affection" without citing a relationship. Under the terms of that gift, **Francis** could not take possession until after the death of **Ann**. On 4 July 1798, as administrator of **Samuel's** estate, **Francis** returned an inventory and he continued to file annual returns until 1815, which likely represents the year of **Ann's** death. **Francis** thereafter moved his family to Todd County, Kentucky where he died intestate in 1826.

Three individuals introduced as descendants of **Robert TALIAFERRO** and his first wife, **Margaret FRENCH**, provide significant associational links between **Robert** and his proposed daughters by **Ann PITTMAN**: **Sarah & Margaret**. Those are: **Samuel**; his son **Francis**; and his granddaughter **Tabitha HILL**. The following highlights a few of the connections.

GAINES—1751 Albemarle, **Hiram GAINES**, husband of **Margaret TALIAFERRO**, had land surveyed on the South Branch of Buck Island. (2 May 1751, the **Samuel TALIAFERRO** homestead was surveyed on the South Branch of Buck Island.) 1758 Albemarle, **Hiram GAINES & Samuel TALIAFERRO** had surveys made on new Buck Island tracts on the same day, 3 May. 1815-20 Kentucky,

children & grandchildren of **Richard GAINES** migrated to Todd County Kentucky with **Samuel's** son **Francis**.

GARTHS—1737 Orange, **Sameul TALIAFERRO** bought his first land from **John GARTH**, left Orange simultaneously with **GARTH** and was subsequently sued for debt by one of **GARTH's** creditors. 1762 Albemarle, **Samuel TALIAFERRO**, mired in debt sold his homeplace to **Thomas GARTH**, **John's** son; lack of an official witness implies an interfamily transaction. c1783 Albemarle, **Margaret TALIAFERRO Gaines's** son **Richard GAINES** wed **Ann GARTH**, **Thomas's** daughter.

LIVELY—1752 Albemarle, **Samuel TALIAFERRO** served as surety for the executrix's bond posted by **Mary LIVELY**, widow of **Mark**. ca1780 Albemarle, **Francis GAINES**, son of **Margaret TALIAFERRO GAINES** married **Judy LIVELY**. ca1812 Albemarle, **Sarah Hughes TALIAFERRO**, daughter of **Francis TALIAFERRO**, wed. **John H. LIVELY**. A witness to the marriage was **Abaslom MC KINZIE**, apparent son of **Tabitha HILL**.

LEWIS—ca1740s Albemarle, **David LEWIS** (father-in-law of **Sarah**) and sons settled several tracts upon Ivy Creek, Meadow Creek, & Moore's Creek. 1762 Albemarle, **John LEWIS** (husband of **Sarah TALIAFERRO**) bought from **Joel LEWIS**, 200 acres on Moore's Creek, adjoining **William & David LEWIS**. (This year, 1762 also marked the appearance of a wife for **Samuel TALIAFERRO, Jr.**—possibly the widowed **Ann ABNEY** of Moore's Creek for whose child **Samuel** served as guardian.) 1763 Albemarle, **Jesse Pittman LEWIS** was born to **John & Sarah TALIAFERRO LEWIS** in Albemarle County on 13 May. 1768 Albemarle, **Samuel TALIAFERRO** sued **Thomas WEST** for defaming **Samuel's** wife **Ann**; the arbiters he chose to settle the suit included **David LEWIS**, **John's** brother. 1769 Orange, **William Terrell LEWIS**, brother of **John**, was a witness for **Francis KIRTLEY** in the case of **Samuel WOOD v. KIRTLEY**. (**Robert TALIAFERRO's** land in Culpeper County had been purchased from **Francis KIRTLEY**, **Samuel's** land had lain just off Kirtley Mountain, and **Thomas GARTH** rented Kirtley land after selling his patent to **Samuel TALIAFERRO**.) 1777 Albemarle, **John LEWIS** sold his land, prior to leaving the county; witnesses to the deed were **Samuel TALIAFERRO** and his son **Francis**. 1804 Albemarle, **Francis TALIAFERRO** witnessed the marriage of **Jane LEWIS**, daughter of **Jesse Pittman LEWIS**. 1807 Albemarle, **Jesse Pittman LEWIS**, son of **Sarah TALIAFERRO** joined **Francis TALIAFERRO** to make

a deed of trust conveying to **Francis's** wife and children the share that **Francis** inherited from his wife's parents. 1840 Kentucky, **Tabitha HILL Mc Kenzie**, proposed granddaughter of **Samuel** petitioned a widow's pension based on the Revolutionary service of her husband, **Alexander**. To support her application, she wrote **Jesse Pittman LEWIS** of Albemarle and obtained his deposition.

Three sets of known data are especially useful for this [onomastic] study of naming patterns: names carried by the children and grandchildren of **Sarah**; names carried by the offspring of her sister, **Margaret**; and names carried within **Robert TALIAFERRO's** line.

Sarah bore the name of **Robert TALIAFERRO's** mother; her sister **Margaret** bore the name of **Robert's** first wife—a common practice of that era.

Sarah named her first son **Robert**, the name of her proposed father; **Margaret** had two grandsons who carried the name **Robert & Robert TALIAFERRO**.

Sarah named a son **Jesse Pittman**, the surname of her proposed mother.

Margaret named a daughter **Ann P[ittman?]**, the name of her proposed mother.

Margaret's daughter, **Ann. P.** named a daughter **Martha French**, the name of **Robert's** first wife.

The names of **Ann & Elizabeth**, **Robert's** two previously known daughters appear in both **Margaret's & Sarah's** grandchildren.

Neither **Margaret** nor **Sarah** bore a daughter named **Rose**, nor does the name appear among any of their offspring for the three generations studied.

Sarah did name a son **Richard**, but not until her sixth son did she use the name; **Margaret** named her first son **Richard**, but the name was also a **GAINES** name.

Two of **Margaret's** granddaughters carried the names **Tabitha Hill & Hill**, the name of the granddaughter of **Margaret's** proposed brother, **Samuel**.

All points considered, the onomastic evidence points strongly to a conclusion that **Sarah & Margaret** were indeed offspring of **Robert & Ann PITTMAN TALIAFERRO**.

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"Historical research is not an exact science. It is an art, but researchers are seldom lucky enough to find explicit engravings of the needed data; and the family portraits verbally painted in secondary literature may be impressionistic works. More commonly, conclusions about identity are mosaics that researchers must piece together for themselves from fragments of indirect evidence. Even when long-accepted identities seem to be reinforced by direct evidence from original sources, cautious genealogists usually refrain from accepting identities and relationships that have not been verified by independent research. That verification process is a hallmark of reliable scholarship in every research field—including genealogy."

Editor's Note: There you have it "from the horse's mouth." Now you know why I constantly harp that printed materials, including *Terrell Trails* should be used only for leads for further research to prove or refute what is printed! DFB

GENERAL/JUDGE ALEXANDER WATKINS TERRELL (1827-1912)



Alexander Watkins TERRELL, jurist, Civil War officer, and statesman, the son of [Dr.] Christopher Joseph (Johnson per DICKEN) and Susan KENNERLY TERRELL, was born in Patrick County, Virginia, probably on November 3, 1827 (DICKEN says 3 October).

In 1831 his Quaker parents migrated to Booneville, Cooper County, Missouri, where TERRELL grew to maturity.

After graduating from the University of Missouri, he returned to Booneville to study law in the office of Judge **Peyton R. HAYDEN**. He was admitted to the bar in 1849 and practiced law in St. Joseph, Missouri, until 1852, when he moved to Austin, Texas.

There he soon won a reputation as a courtroom protagonist of great astuteness and skill. TERRELL was elected judge of the state's Second District in 1857. Due to his office and his friendship with Governor **Sam HOUSTON**, an ardent Unionist, he took no part in the secession movement.

Upon the expiration of his judicial term in 1863, however, he joined the First Texas Cavalry Regiment, Arizona Brigade, of the Confederate Army, as a major. Within two years he was assigned the rank of brigadier general by Gen. **E. Kirby SMITH**, commander of the Trans-Mississippi Department, but the war ended before his promotion was confirmed. As commander of what came to be called "**Terrell's Texas Cavalry Regiment**," he participated with distinction in the battles of Mansfield and Pleasant Hill during the campaign in northern Louisiana against Gen. **Nathaniel P. BANKS** (see RED RIVER CAMPAIGN).

When the war ended he fled to Mexico, where he briefly served Emperor Maximilian as a battalion commander. TERRELL returned to Texas in 1866 and resumed the practice of law in Houston, but the following year, disgusted with the turmoil of Reconstruction politics, he temporarily retreated to his plantation in Robertson County.

Here, for four years, he experimented with scientific agriculture and studied. In 1871 he and Judge **A. S. WALKER** formed a partnership in Austin, and five years later he entered the Texas Senate, where he served four terms (1876-84). Later he served four years in the state House of Representatives (1891-92, 1903-05).

During his years in the legislature, he authored several acts: a bill requiring jurors to be literate; the enabling legislation for the Railroad Commission; the *Terrell Election Law* which required candidates for public office to be nominated by direct primaries instead of by state or local conventions; and the measure which pledged the resources of three million acres in the Panhandle to the Chicago-based Capitol Syndicate to construct the Capitol.

TERRELL's reputation as an advocate of the small farmer and consumer spread beyond the state. At the invitation of

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Corrected Family Tree found converted to HTML on the web

the University of Missouri, he returned to the campus of his alma mater in June 1885 to address a social problem of his choice. In a notable speech, he criticized private corporations that had too much power in politics and threatened independent labor. Two years later he failed to secure legislative nomination for a seat in the United States Senate.

In 1893 President Grover CLEVELAND appointed TERRELL minister plenipotentiary to the Ottoman Empire, a post he held for four years. In 1897 he returned to Austin to reenter private practice and state politics.

After Governor Thomas CAMPBELL appointed TERRELL a regent of the University of Texas in 1909, TERRELL led the campaign to raise funds for a new library building and helped design it. With his partner Judge WALKER, TERRELL reported and annotated thirteen volumes of Texas Supreme Court decisions (vols. 38-51); subsequently he alone reported eleven more volumes (52-62). He also published several articles in the Southwestern Historical Quarterly and in 1912 served as president of the Texas State Historical Association. His memoir, From Texas to Mexico and the Court of Maximilian in 1865, appeared in 1933.

TERRELL was married three times. His first wife, Ann Elizabeth BOULDING of Howard County, Missouri, bore him five children before her death in 1860. By his second wife, Sarah D. MITCHELL of Robertson County, Texas,

who died in 1871, he had three children. He married his third wife, Mrs. Ann Holliday ANDERSON Jones, in 1883.

TERRELL died in Mineral Wells, Texas, on September 8 or 9, 1912, while on the way home from visiting family in Virginia. He is buried in the State Cemetery in Austin. Terrell County is named in his honor.

Source: The New Texas Handbook

Emma DICKEN, in *Terrell Genealogy* did not name either of his wives and named only two of his children: Mrs. Lillie TERRELL Rector of Austin, TX; & Howard D. TERRELL of NM. She made no further comment on them.

A Family Tree converted to HTML on the web concurs with DICKEN's birth and death dates as well as parent's names and children's names. However, the tree disagrees with DICKEN on the name of his grandfather, but not his grandmother.

Emma DICKEN differences and/or additions from *Terrell Genealogy* are enclosed in brackets [] with page numbers cited. The tree lists ancestors of Alexander W. TERRELL as follows:

Christopher J. TERRELL [b.07/18/1798, Campbell Co. VA, p. 172]

TITLE: Dr. [received M.D. from University of Pennsylvania; practiced a while in Lynchburg VA then in Patrick Co. VA until 1831 when he moved to Boonville, MO. Family stopped in Sumner Co. TN where: **Dr. TERRELL** was ill with Typhoid fever; their son **Joseph Christopher TERRELL** was born; and daughter **Jane** died on 10/02/1831. They reached Boonville MO 12/28/1831 and he died 08/18/1833 of Asiatic Cholera during an epidemic. His widow was a lovely lady, married three times and died at age of 92 years and six months. (neither of her subsequent husbands are listed, place of her death ca09//1895 not listed) p. 172]

Father: **Benjamin TERRELL** [Edward TERRELL, p.171]

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Mother: **Jane JOHNSON** [m. 10/19/1794 second wife of **Edward**, same parents from Goochand Co. VA; first wife was **Mary JOHNSON** m. 1772, d/o **James JOHNSON & Lucy MOORMAN** of Louisa Co. VA, p.171]

Family 1: **Susan KENNERLY** [b. 03/27/1805, Amherst Co. VA, same parents, p.172]

MARRIAGE: 22 Aug 1822, Amherst Co., Va.

Children:

+**Alexander Watkins TERRELL** [b. 10/03/1827, Patrick Co. VA]

+**John Jay TERRELL** [Doctor, b. Patrick Co. VA 08/08/1829, d. 11/07/1922, age 93, at the old family home in Campbell Co. VA, p. 172; when he was about fourteen, he returned from MO to the old home in VA and lived with his maiden aunt, Miss **Judith TERRELL**. She left him *Rock Castle Farm* where he made his home for the rest of his life. He graduated in medicine from Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia PA in 1853. During the Civil War, he was assistant surgeon in a hospital in Lynchburg VA. It has been said that Gen. **Jubal EARLY** would not have anyone prescribe for him except Dr. **John Jay TERRELL** or his son, **Alex (Dr. Alexander Watkins TERRELL**, obviously named for his uncle, the Judge). Dr. **John Jay TERRELL** m. **Sue Helen WADE** 03/1857 and they had 9 children born and reared on the old **Edward TERRELL** home, *Rock Castle Farm.*, p. 173]

+**Joseph Christopher TERRELL** [b. 10/29/1831, Sumner TN, d. 10/15/1909 at his home in Ft. Worth TX. p. 172]

Jane TERRELL [b. not listed (longest span between children is between marriage and birth of Judge **A W TERRELL**); d. 10/02/1831 see above]

Benjamin TERRELL [acquired large tracts of land in Pittsylvania Co. VA just south of Bedford Co. and lived near **WARD's** Ferry on Valentine Creek. Some of his land bordered on the Staunton River. From 1814 to 1820, he sold some of his land and moved to Ohio where he and most of his children made their home. p. 169]

BIRTH: 7 Nov 1750, Louisa Co., VA.

DEATH: 15 Jun 1834, Clinton Co., Ohio Father: **David TERRELL II**

Mother: **Sarah JOHNSON**

Family 1: **Sarah PARROTT** [of Louisa Co. VA, p. 169]

Children:

William TERRELL

Robert TERRELL

Elizabeth TERRELL

George TERRELL

Sarah TERRELL

Nancy TERRELL

John TERRELL

Family 2: **Jane JOHNSON** [no second marriage listed for **Benjamin TERRELL**, p.169]

Children: [lists these as children of **Edward TERRELL** & second wife, **Jane JOHNSON**, p. 171]

Judith TERRELL [b. 08/28/1796 d. 06/10/1882, unmarried, resided *Rock Castle Farm* in the same home where her parents had resided near Lynchburg VA. p. 171]

Christopher Johnson TERRELL

Gerard TERRELL [b. 11/03/1800 d/y, p. 171]

Jane\Jean TERRELL [b. 12/25/1802, d/y, (probably source of name of **Christpher Johnson TERRELL's** daughter who also d/y) p. 171]

David TERRELL II, s/o **David TERRELL, Sr** and **Agatha CHILES** was b. 1728 or 1729 at Golansville, Caroline Co. VA; d. 02/14/1805 in Campbell Co. VA. His will dated 02/10/1804, a codicil dated 02/13/1805, probated 07/08/1805 Campbell Co. VA (W. B. 2, p. 198-205)

David married three times, first in Green Springs, Louisa Co. VA to **Sarah JOHNSON** by Quaker Ceremony 01/19/1749. If 21 years of age, he must have been born in 1828.

Sarah JOHNSON, b. 10/04/1729, d. 1775-1780; d/o **Benjamin JOHNSON** (b. 1706) & **Agnes CLARK** (b.1712) m. 1728; d/o **Christopher CLARK** b. in England.

Children:

Agatha TERRELL b. 12/17/1749, m. Mr. **PULLIAM**, d. Ohio {obviously named for her grandmother, **Agatha CHILES**}

Benjamin TERRELL b. 11/07/1750 d. 06/15/1834; m. **Sarah PARROTT** of Louisa Co. VA. {obviously named for his grandfather, **Benjamin JOHNSON**}

Edward TERRELL b. 02/12/1753 Louisa Co. VA, d. 1820 Campbell Co. VA. {father of **Christopher Johnson TERRELL**, must have been named for a **JOHNSON** ancestor as no **Edward** appears in the **TERRELLs** for over 3 generations before him.}

Sarah TERRELL b. 01/10/1755 m. **Benjamin ARTHUR** 11/26/1781

Mary TERRELL b. 04/06/1757 m. 11/07/1782 **John RICHARDSON** in Campbell Co. VA, ceremony by Rev. **John W. Holt**.

Winnifred TERRELL b. 10/14/1760 m(1). **Edward WOODHAM** 11/26/1781 in Bedford Co. VA; m(2). **William MOORE** 11/03/1789 in Campbell Co. VA & moved to Ohio.

David TERRELL, III b. 03/11/1763 m. 1788 **Mary "Molly" ANTHONY**

Henry TERRELL b. 08/13/1767 m. **Charity JUDKINS**

Samuel TERRELL b. 12/12/1769 m. **Nancy REYNOLDS**

Susannah TERRELL b. 08/09/1769 m. **Chas. JOHNSON**

Ann TERRELL b. 1773, d. 02/24/1799 unmarried.

Editor's Note: The family of **David TERRELL II** was cited directly from **DICKEN**, p. 167-169. Either Miss **DICKEN** or the typesetter created some confusion on these pages by listing subtitle lineages that includes **David III** above persons who are not his children including **David TERRELL II**, his father!

It is obvious that an error has occurred in the online family tree. This may have been due to either marriage input error, merging GEDCOM files, or the computer conversion from GED to HTML. Regardless of the reason or how innocent it may have been the great uncle of **Judge Alexander Watkins TERRELL**, **Benjamin TERRELL** {brother of his grandfather **Edward TERRELL**} is listed as his grandfather.

Unfortunately, I grabbed the tree without reading it on line and found the error later so I cannot cite the exact location of the erroneous information except that it is somewhere in Family TreeMaker.com. It was easily found with a search for "Terrell" and probably could be found more quickly with a search for "Benjamin Terrell." The compiler of the tree was not listed on any of the pages I viewed.

I hope someone knows how to pass this constructive criticism to the proper person to have the tree corrected before any already confused researchers become more confused.

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VERNON LAGRANGE TERRELL 4th MS Cavalry

Adapted from the 4th Mississippi Cavalry web pages. The following was submitted to the web by Mr. **Kinloch McCollum**. He is a descendant of **Duncan McCollum**, the last commander of Company A, 4th Mississippi Cavalry.

V. L. TERRELL was born on December 21, 1832, the seventh of the ten children of **John TERRELL & Mary GILLILAND** of Covington County, Mississippi.

Vernon Lagrange TERRELL was one of the three Honor Graduates of the University of Mississippi in 1857 and then was elected to the state legislature in 1858 to represent Covington County. He was re-elected three times, serving from 1858-1861.

He joined the Confederate Army in 1861 and was elected the First Lieutenant of a cavalry company, which would eventually become **NORMAN's Cavalry Company**, commanded by **James Montgomery NORMAN** of Copiah County, on October 26, 1861.

Norman's Cavalry was sent to the Mississippi Gulf Coast in late 1861 and then on to eastern Louisiana in the spring of 1862. They were at *Camp Moore* (near the town of Tangiphoa), Louisiana, on May 14, 1862, when the company was divided, apparently along geographic lines, and a new company was formed. Captain **NORMAN** remained in command of the men from Copiah County, while Lieutenant **TERRELL** took command of the new company, known as *Terrell's Mounted Dragoons*, that seems to have been made up of the Covington County men that had originally been in **NORMAN's Company**. **TERRELL** was elected Captain on May 14.

The 'Dragoons', as did **Norman's Company**, continued to operate in eastern Louisiana. Captain **TERRELL**, and six of his men, boarded, captured and burned the Union steamer *Lone Star* on the Mississippi River, below Plaquemine (between New Orleans and Port Hudson) on November 27, 1862. Captain **TERRELL's** report of the action is in the Official Records.

The Confederate cavalry forces in eastern Louisiana were consolidated in the spring of 1863 in response to the Union siege of Port Hudson, **TERRELL's Company** becoming Company B of **Thomas STOCKDALE's Mississippi Cavalry Battalion**. After the surrender of Port Hudson, **TERRELL's Company** was one of the units that were assigned

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to the 4th Mississippi Cavalry Regiment when it was formed on September 14, 1863. It was designated Company B, 4th Mississippi.

Captain **TERRELL** resigned from the Army on August 9, 1864, soon after the Battle of Tupelo (July 14, 1864). **John POPE**, the First Lieutenant of B Company, became the new company commander.

After the war, **V. L. TERRELL** was a banker in Crystal Springs, Mississippi, where he was living when he passed away on September 7, 1894.

He married **Eliza Hamer FUQUA** (1840- 1921), of Yazoo City, on October 31, 1861, in Jackson.

Sources: Captian's Terrells's Confederate Service Records are with the records of the 4th Mississippi Cavalry in the National Archives, additional information was provided by descendants of Captain Terrell.

Emma DICKEN, *Terrell Genealogy*, p. 244 list no ancestors for either **John** or **Mary Ann GILLILAND TERRELL** whom she lists as parents of **Vernon L. TERRELL**, University of Mississippi. She lists no ancestors for the wife of **Vernon LeGrange TERRELL** whom she lists as **Lida FUQUA**. She does list some descendants.

Children of **Vernon Legrange TERRELL & Lida FUQUA**: (no sex given or any) **Lalla TERRELL**; **Lida TERRELL**; **Carey TERRELL**; **Mary TERRELL**; **Dorsey TERRELL**; **Adine TERRELL** of Crystal Springs, MS. **Lida TERRELL** m. a Mr. **BRAEME** & their daughter **Lida BRAEME** m. **John Wesley GOYER**. They live in Memphis, TN (1940-53 while **DICKEN** compiled her book), children: **John Wesley GOYER {Jr}**; and **Lida Bell GOYER** who m. **Cecil TAYLOR** of Lynchburg VA.

OTHER COVINGTON COUNTY MS TERRELLS

DICKEN, P. 243-244 attempted to list some descendants of **Micajah TERRELL** including one **Samuel TERRELL**.

It appears that **Samuel TERRELL** after living some years in Natchez, aquired land in Lawrence Co. MS and was listed as a taxpayer in that county in 1817. He or his son probably moved on to Covington Co. or were placed there by a division of counties, as the two counties are adjoining.

In Covington, was a **Samuel G. TERRELL** who d. 1879. His wife was **Eliza DURR**. It seems probable that he was son of **Samuel TERRELL** b. NC 1781. A Dr. **Samuel G.**

TERRELL, physician and surgeon of Memphis TN is mentioned in *Tennessee, the Volunteer State*, p. 540. He was born 08/04/1871 and was reared on a plantation in Covington Co. east of Prentiss MS, a son of **Samuel G. TERRELL**, a successful planter who was from an old NC family.

There was also a Dr. **J. D. TERRELL** who lived in Covington Co. east of Prentiss MS. He entered the Confederate Army at age of 18 years. He m. **Sarah DURR** of Westville in Simpson Co. MS. They were the parents of 14 children. A newspaper notice of a family reunion held in **August 1932** stated that seven of the children were then living and were: **J. D. TERRELL**, former member of the Board of Supervisors of Jeff Davis Co. [MS?]; **John TERRELL** of Bassfield [MS?]; Dr. **G. C. TERRELL**, County Health Officer, Jeff Davis Co.; Dr. **C. G. TERRELL**, Lt. Commander, U.S. Navy.; **V. L. TERRELL**, former sheriff, then tax assessor of Covington County; Mrs. **H. H. BRINSON** [no address, but possibly of Prentiss MS if this list was made as listed in the newspaper]; Mrs. **J. C. MAGEE** of Prentiss, MS.

ALABAMA TERRELL BRIDES

Terrell Brides listed in Alabama Genweb index T-U

Alivina TERRELL m. **Willis SCARBOROUGH** Nov. 25, 1866, Sumpter Co., AL
<northernwinds@geocities.com>

Comelia TERRELL m. **Wiley CLARK** 12-24-1871, Sumter County, Alabama
<northernwinds@geocities.com>

Fannie TERRELL m. **David JONES** Aug. 23, 1868, Sumpter Co., AL <northernwinds@geocities.com>

Kate TERRELL m. **John DAVIS** 07-09-1877, Sumter County, Alabama <northernwinds@geocities.com>

Lucinda TERRELL m. **James COUCH** 2/6/1823, Morgan Co., AL. <beulah@airnet.net>

Mary TERRELL m. **Alfred JOLLY** 2-27-1878, Sumter County, Alabama <northernwinds@geocities.com>

Sarah A. (TERRELL) TERRELL (1845-1924) m. **Thomas Jefferson LOWE** 01 Jan 1866 Montgomery Co, AL <dbrown27@sprynet.com>





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THE EARLY TYRRELS OF HERON IN EAST HERNDON; PART FOUR

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CONCLUSION

Of Walter's other sons, **Richard, Thomas, & William**, the writer has no information beyond that in the will of their brother, **Edward** of Downham. **Richard** undoubtedly is the man who occurs in the Essex Fines in 1415 and 1420 (cf. Essex Fines, *op. cit.*), and he is probably the **Richard TYRREL** who was knight of the shire for Surrey in 1423 and 1429 (*Parliament of England, op. cit.*).

Edward TYRRELL of Downham, a younger son of **Walter and Eleanor**, was a man of some note in Essex in his day. He was knight of the shire for Essex in 1427, 1432, and 1435 (*Ibid.*), Commissioner of Peace in Essex in 1434, 1435, 1437, and 1439. In 1426, he was Escheator for Essex, and in 1436 Sheriff of Essex and Herts. (Calendar of Fine Rolls, *op. cit.*).

His will was dated 10 Oct. 1442, and his Inquisition Post Mortem was taken in 1443. The will is long and gives

valuable information regarding the family. He married **Anne**, widow of **John BASSINGBORNE**, and had three children: **Edward** who died young and s. p., **Margaret**, and **Philippa**, as well as a bastard son, **John**. **Margaret** married **Robert MOUNTENEY**, nephew of Sir **William MOUNTENEY**, who was a minor in 1442.

Philippa, according to the Visitation of Suffolk for 1561, married **Thomas CORNWALLIS** of Brome (b.ca. 1410, M. P. for Suffolk in 1449/50, died 24 May 1484). It is also stated in the great pedigree of **CORNWALLIS**, drawn up in the second half of the sixteenth century, and this is undoubtedly correct.

Thomas CORNWALLIS was the son of **John CORNWALLIS** who occurs frequently with Sir **John TYRREL** in the records. In 25 Henry VI (1446/7) Sir **Ralph CROMWELL**, Sir **Thomas TYRREL**, knt. (i. e. Sir **Thomas** who died in 1476), **John LEVENTHORPE**, Esq., **William TYRREL** the younger, brother of Sir **Thomas** (i. e. **William** of Beeches), **Phillip MALPAS**, **John POYNINGS**, Esq., and **Henry SKEET**, Chaplain were plts. (i. e. feoffees) vs. **Thomas CORNWALLIS** Esq., and **Philippa**, his wife, defts. for premises including a mill in Harrow, Northall, and Greneford, co. Middlesex (London Feet of Fines, Richard I to Henry VII, ed. Hardy, p. 195).

In the **CORNWALLIS** pedigree above referred to it is stated that **Philippa**, wife of **Thomas CORNWALLIS**, was the daughter of **Edward TYRREL** of Downham and his wife, **Anne**, widow of **John BASSINGBORNE** and daughter of **Robert PASSHLEY** or **PASELE** and his wife, **Philippa**, daughter and co-heiress of **Richard SERGEAUX** of Cornwall. (cf. also *History of Deanery of Trigg Minor*, McClean, Vol II, p. 507).

This completes my paper upon the **TYRRELS** of Heron in East Herndon, co. Essex, as from Sir **John**, the Speaker, who died in 1437, the pedigree is quite clear. Biographies of the various members of the family who were in Parliament in the fourteenth century will be found in Wedgewood *op. cit.*

It must be noted that Mr. **TYRREL** in his Supplement to his *Tyrrel History* give the descent of the **Tyrrel**, who settled in Virginia in the seventeenth century, from a cadet branch of the **Heron Tyrrels**. In the writer's opinion this descent requires further confirmation. nothing is known as to the parentage of the **Roger TERREL** who settled in Milford CT in 1639, so far as the writer knows.

THANK YOU

Thank you for fifteen wonderful years. We could not have survived without your support. We extend a special thanks to those of you who expressed your confidence in us by renewing your membership for several years.

If you had asked me in 1984 if I thought I would still be doing this into the year 2,000, I would have said "No WAY!" I was looking forward to the challenge of building a TERRELL SOCIETY, but I had no idea that I was volunteering for a part-time career. None of the other officers knew what they were getting into either. The challenges arrived day by day and the years seemed to fly by. They always do when you're having fun!

It is hard to believe that we have published 1302 pages of Terrell Trails, but you can read the next page number and confirm the figure. I now face the challenge of indexing the last three issues of this year and merging them into an index for Vol XI-XV so we can offer a printed index. When I finish that chore, I plan to merge that index with the one for Vol I-X to place a complete accumulative index on the web. We hope to be able to offer printed copies too. Whether we do will be determined by your interest in the index. We hope to add indexes to the rest of the LENDING LIBRARY selections. We have accomplished more toward our goal of being able to search for information electronically in the past two years than we did in the previous thirteen combined. We are facing a new millennium and we are excited about the potential that it offers to you and other researchers. There has never been a generation with the capacity to accumulate information as rapidly as we. There has never been a generation that had to sift through so much hay to find so few needles. We need to be careful with our information. It must be either documented and verified, or accurately identified as either tradition, possibility, or supposition.

We look forward to serving you into the next century.

Merry Christmas Happy New Year



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We conclude this issue with TERRELL, listings of the International Genealogical Index (IGI) from the Family History Library of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter

Day Saints (Mormon) for Connecticut. We remind you that this type of information is available on all your surnames at your nearest Family History Center.

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