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### *From the Editor. . .*

Past-President and Webmaster Jim Long provided two interesting articles for this quarter's *Journal*. One features Irish railroad crewmen who were living in Stewart County in 1860. These immigrants were working their way across the country along with the railroad.

Mr. Long's second contribution is a bit more lively – the story of a case of bigamy from Stewart County. This goes nicely with the current Marriage Law installment, which is about the minimum age of consent for marriage in Tennessee.

We often think about what happened to our ancestors when the Civil War came to Tennessee with such force and violence. But even after those trials had been endured their troubles were not over. The Reconstruction Era brought a social and economic revolution that no one was prepared for.

In this issue two articles focus on that period. The first is about a convention where hundreds of angry Democrats from Coffee, Franklin, Giles and Maury Counties gathered to try and overthrow the Radical Republican regime in 1868. The second is a look at Tennessee businesses in Franklin, Pulaski and Columbia at about the same time, when these communities were trying to rebuild their economies.

Have you got an idea for an article in mind? I would love to hear about it! The *Journal* is always ready to receive article submissions long or short.

***Chuck Sherrill***  
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# Nine Years Old and Already a Wife

## Marriage and the Law in Tennessee

by Charles A. Sherrill



9-year-old Eunice Winstead and her 22-year old husband, of Hancock County, Tenn., were featured in LIFE magazine in 1937.

Although modern literature is replete with research showing the ways in which women are kept at a disadvantage when society allows men to marry them at such a young age, the literature of early 1800s does not seem to address the issue. Where the topic is discussed, the writers are concerned with cases where property owned by a young bride is taken through marriage to a scoundrel. Concern for the health and happiness of the women does not appear. This may still be the case today in countries where women are still not regarded as equals.

Under English Common law, for centuries the age of consent to marry was established at 14 for men and 12 for women. In 1741 North Carolina's General Assembly passed "An Act, Concerning Marriage" that required parental consent to marry under the age of 21, for both brides and grooms. This law remained in effect until 1787, just after the Revolutionary War, when the new state of North Carolina revised the law back to comply with the common law age limitations of 14 for men and 12 for women.<sup>1</sup>

The age of consent established by common law was affirmed by the Tennessee Supreme Court in *Smith v. Rector* in 1849. In that case Thomas Smith was the father of Elizabeth Smith, a minor under the

age of 21. Elizabeth married Lewis Rector in Washington County in 1848, without her father's consent. It was later discovered that Rector already had a living wife, having married Susan Widby (or Woodby) in Johnson County, Tenn., eight years earlier.<sup>2</sup>

Thomas Smith sued Rector and his co-signer on the marriage bond, a Mr. Ryland. Smith claimed that his character and that of his daughter had been subjected to "great infamy and damage" because of the illegal marriage. He expected Rector to pay damages of \$1,250, the standard amount written on every Tennessee marriage bond.

The court ruled that North Carolina's 1787 marriage law reinstating the common law age of consent was still in effect in Tennessee. Justice Robert J. McKinney opined that while Rector's bigamous marriage was illegal due to his prior marriage, the fact that Elizabeth Smith was a minor and that her father had not consented was irrelevant. Elizabeth was legally able to enter into a contract of marriage so long as she was aged twelve or more.

Furthermore, Thomas Smith had no standing before the court to sue Rector, because Thomas was not the damaged party. Young Elizabeth was the person who might be able to sue if she chose. The Court found Rector not guilty of the charges brought by Thomas Smith. Whether Elizabeth chose to bring a separate suit for bigamy is a matter for further research.

<sup>1</sup> Thomas G. Bradford, *Public Acts of the General Assembly of North Carolina and Tennessee, enacted from 1715 to 1813, in force in Tennessee*. (Nashville: T.G. Bradford, 1815), pp.137, 197.

<sup>2</sup> *The Governor, for the Use of Smith, vs. Rector and Ryland*, 29 Tenn. 57.

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Lewis Rector himself evidently found greener pastures, as a man by that name appears in the 1850 census of Warren County, Kentucky, with a wife – not Elizabeth, not Susan, but Jane. Lewis was by then 27 years old, Jane was 25, and they had three children.<sup>3</sup>

The case of Nicholas Cooper of Union County is quite different. In Nov. 1854 a 17-year-old Nicholas promised to marry Mahulda Warwick. The marriage never took place, but they had a child together. Upon arriving at the age of 21, Nicholas decided that he didn't want to marry Mahulda after all, and married Polly Keller. Mahulda was not happy about that, as you might expect, and filed suit against her former lover. Using the common law rules, the Union County Circuit Court judge determined that a contract made by a minor could be revoked upon the minor's attaining his majority. The court ruled that Nicholas could set his first marriage promise aside. When the Tennessee Supreme Court reviewed the decision, they came to the same conclusion.<sup>4</sup>

Justice McKinney also wrote the decree in this case. He said:

The age of *consent* to marriage by the common law, which we have adopted, is, fourteen in males and twelve in females. If a marriage takes place, either party being under that age, it is inchoate [partial or imperfect] and voidable; yet, if the parties, when they arrive at the age of consent . . . agree to continue together . . . they need not be married again. . . . Yet the contract, or promise of marriage, of an infant under the age of twenty-one, so long as it remains *executory* [not legally performed], may be avoided. . . . His infancy is a good defense to the action.<sup>5</sup>

Mahulda, evidently an orphan, had to go back home to her sisters and take work as a domestic servant. She is found in the 1860 census aged 25; a 5-year-old boy named George W. Warwick is also in the household and may be her son by Nicholas Cooper.<sup>6</sup> In 1880 Mahulda Warwick was still in Union County, listed as a 45-year-old widow, and with her was George W. Cooper, age 9.<sup>7</sup> Cooper? Yes, Cooper. Therein lies another genealogical mystery for someone to tackle.

Look again at the quote from Justice McKinney's opinion above. He states, "If a marriage takes place, either party being under that age, it is . . . voidable." It was not illegal, but it could be voided later if either party wished. Boys under 14 and girls under 12 could be married at younger ages provided their parents consented. Hard to believe as that sounds to us today, it did happen.

On February 4, 1937, *The Tennessean* reported that Charlie Johns, a 22-year-old tobacco farmer living in the mountains of Hancock County (near the Virginia line), had married his 9-year-old neighbor, Eunice Winstead. According to the article "It was approved by the parents of both. The marriage is legal under Tennessee law, there being no age limits."

That marriage somehow came to the attention of the national media, and little Eunice was featured in a *LIFE* magazine photo essay titled "The Case of the Child Bride."<sup>8</sup> A public furor resulted, and lawmakers in Tennessee were subject to ridicule. Only a decade earlier they had endured the nation's scorn over the Scopes Trial. This time, they determined

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<sup>3</sup> 1850 U.S. Census, Warren Co., Kentucky, Dist. 2, p. 215A (stamped), family 793, Lewis S. Rector, digital image, *Heritage Quest.com*

<sup>4</sup> *Warwick v. Cooper*, 37 TN 659 (1858).

<sup>5</sup> *Warwick v. Cooper*, pp. 660-661. Also *Warwick v. Cooper*, Tenn. Supreme Court Case Files, Record Group 191, East Tenn. box 1159, Tenn. State Library & Archives.

<sup>6</sup> 1860 U.S. Census, Union County, Raccoon Valley, p.461 (stamped), family #607, headed by Elizabeth Warwick age 29 and including Mahulda 25, Emily 23, Hugh 24, Willis 21, Lelia 18, Elizabeth 16, Sally 14, George W. 5.

<sup>7</sup> 1880 Census, Union County, Dist. 2, page 41, ED 111, family 337, headed by Jane Hendly, age 36.

<sup>8</sup> Tsui, Anjali, "Married Young: The fight over child marriage in America," National Public Television *Frontline*, ([www.pbs.org/wgbh/frontline](http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/frontline)).

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to nip the controversy in the bud by rushing through a new law establishing 16 as the minimum age for marriage, for both males and females.

In case you are wondering how little Eunice fared, in 1984 the front page of the *Tennessean* featured a picture of Eunice and one of her grandchildren in their home near Sneedville. Emma and Charlie Johns had been contentedly married for 47 years by then and had raised eight children. Neither had much to say about their newsworthy wedding, other than to regret all the fuss that was made.<sup>9</sup>

Today, Tennessee law requires both brides and grooms to be at least 17 at the time of marriage. Exceptions are made for 16 year-olds who have parental permission.<sup>10</sup>

A recent study shows that the median age for the first marriage in the 21<sup>st</sup> century is 29.5 for men and 27.6 for women.<sup>11</sup> We know that our ancestors married much earlier, but did they really marry at 12 and 14, or earlier, as the law allowed? An informal study of marriages in two Middle Tennessee counties provides some answers.

*A note about the following data:*

Marriage records are based on Ancestry.com transcription of marriage records dated 1849 from Wilson and Robertson counties. Some records may have been mistranscribed. The records of Robertson, in particular, were hard to read and the indexers made many errors.

Census records are based on a search of the 1850 census as indexed by Ancestry.com. Again, transcription errors should be considered. Ages given in the census may also be incorrect. Ages in 1850 were reduced by 1 to calculate the age at marriage in 1849.

Despite the limitations of the data, the findings are informative. In each case, the search continued until 30 couples married in that county in 1849 could be identified in the 1850 census. Of the 60 grooms, the oldest was 49 and the youngest was 19. The average age was 26.7. If we remove the three men in their 40s (presumably marrying for the second time) the average drops to 25.7.

The oldest bride was 40, and the youngest was 15 – there were three 15-year-olds. The average age was 21, but if we drop the three oldest brides (aged 31, 36 and 40), the average age at marriage drops to 20 years old.

Looking at the difference in age between men and women in this group of newlyweds, the average came to 6 years. The largest age difference in the sample was between Hillery Fisher and Elizabeth Flood of Robertson County. He was 44 and she was 25. In five cases the wife was older than the groom, but only by a year or two. Andrew Joyce and Angeline Marble of Wilson County were the exception, with Angeline at age 27 being three years older than Andrew.

We can conclude from the data found here that it was not common in Middle Tennessee for girls and boys to marry at the youngest ages permitted by law. The youngest marriage age for girls was 15, but there were three brides of that age in the sample, so it was not uncommon. Men, on the other hand, tended not to marry until they were at least 20. In our sample only one male was younger than 20 – Samuel Page of Robertson County married at age 19.

The tables showing which couples were included in this study are included below.

This data only shows us what was happening in 1849. Could the practice have been different two generations earlier? To get an idea about that, a very small sample of five marriages from each of the same two counties was studied.

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<sup>9</sup> Carolyn Shoulders, "Child Bride Sparked Furor." *Tennessean* [Nashville] 11 Mar. 1984, p. A-1.

<sup>10</sup> *Tennessee Code Annotated* 36-3-105, 106.

<sup>11</sup> "Population Indicators: Median Age at First Marriage," Population Reference Bureau, ([www.prb.org/usdata/indicator/marriage-age-women](http://www.prb.org/usdata/indicator/marriage-age-women))

*A note about the data:*

A search was made for couples in which both man and wife were over 50. The names were taken from the 1<sup>st</sup> District census of Wilson and Robertson counties. The census does not specify that these were husband-and-wife couples (relationships not stated), and the ages given may not be reliable. These couples were then searched in the Public Family Trees section of Ancestry.com. Descendants had identified birth dates and marriage dates for the couple. The data was not always accompanied by reliable citations, but an effort was made to select only couples for which the data appeared to have been thoroughly examined.

In three cases the 1850 census listed a second wife, but the Family Tree data enabled identification and dating of the man's first marriage.

Although it is from a very small sample, this data indicates that women who married in the period 1800-1820 did tend to marry at a younger age. Of the ten women studied, two married at age 13 and one at 15. The average age for brides was just under 19. Men, however, were still marrying at 19 and up, with an average age of almost 23.

**Age at Marriage 1800-1820**

Husband	Wife	1850 Residence	Husband Birth Year	Wife Birth Year	Year of Marriage	Male age at marriage	Female age at marriage
Alexander, Benjamin	Cloyd, Sarah	Wilson	1783	1789	1802	19	13
Buntin, John	Allison, Adelia (1 <sup>st</sup> wife)	Robertson	1795	1797	1819	24	22
Byrum, Moses	Crawford, Elizabeth	Robertson	1798	1791	1820	22	28
Eatherley, Isaac	Robertson, Mary Polly	Wilson	1773	1783	1800	27	17
Gossett, Leroy	Bond, Mary Polly	Robertson	1780	1785	1805	25	20
Horton, James E	Evans, Sarah	Robertson	1783	1794	1807	24	13
Payne, Solomon	Reed, Elizabeth (1 <sup>st</sup> wife)	Robertson	1789	1789	1810	21	21
Reed, John C	Kennon, Clarissa	Wilson	1789	1798	1813	24	15
Sweat, Edward	Rash, Mary Polly (1 <sup>st</sup> wife)	Wilson	1786	1788	1808	22	20
Tate, Zachariah	Williamson, Rebecca	Wilson	1786	1788	1806	20	18

**Age at Marriage in 1849**

Groom	Age in 1849	Bride	Age in 1849	County of Marriage	Census Family Number	Difference in Age
Albert N West	22	Marinda Ann Wright	15	Robertson	563	7
William A Patterson	23	Darcus W Cox	15	Wilson	1350	8
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Calvin Cowager	20	Abigail Sooter	16	Wilson	598	4

William R. Doyal [Doil]	20	Harriet Choat	17	Robertson	255	3
William G. Avery	20	Lenore E G Ellington	17	Wilson	342	3
James P Hearn	21	Clarenda Tatom	17	Wilson	1404	4
Isaac B Watton	22	Louisa Cage	17	Robertson	1335	5
Bethel Phillips	23	Hicksey Bass	17	Wilson	DeKalb	6
Smith King	24	Catherine N Lumon	17	Wilson	1043	7
W[esley] F Cobb	27	S M Darden	17	Robertson	1165	10
Willie Gossell [Gossett]	29	Elizabeth Ayres	17	Robertson	1128	12
Samuel James	29	Martha Ann Gilliam	17	Wilson	1530	12
Robt R Mayer [Mayes]	20	Elizabeth E Watson	18	Robertson	1298	2
William A Warren	20	Mary Elizabeth Callis	18	Wilson	1114	2
Uriah Jennings	22	Hulda James	18	Wilson	1649	4
John C Jones	23	Angeline Burch	18	Robertson	378	5
George Thompson	23	Eliza Ann	18	Wilson	1469	5
Wm A Bettis	27	Mary Corum	18	Wilson	633	9
Jesse W Rowlett	28	Lucy Hickman	18	Wilson	670	10
Isham Tredway	32	S I Githd [L.J. Gilbert]	18	Robertson	745	14
William V Murry	23	Frances Ann Woodman	19	Wilson	396	4
Sandford M Arnold	25	Elizabeth J Wheeler	19	Robertson	Logan KY	6
Harrison [Harmon] Kelly	23	Nancy Rose	20	Robertson	442	3
Benjamin J Esken	24	Susan E Jackery	20	Wilson	501	4
John H Ashby	24	Dolle Ann Mason	20	Wilson	412	4
Levi M Williams	24	Sarah Ann Patterson	20	Wilson	1026	4
Abner Keller	27	Sarah Starke	20	Robertson	176	7
C H Abernathy	27	N J Hollis	20	Robertson	1672	7
Saml W Page	19	Eliza Smith	20	Robertson	Logan KY	-1
Robert Watson	23	Martha J Adams	21	Robertson	1279	2
Briant Green	23	Lodusky Winters	21	Wilson	1244	2
Winfield S Durger	23	Seram White	21	Wilson	1022	2

Eli T Harron [Herring]	24	Araminta Williams	21	Robertson	1524	3
James B Morris	24	Eliz Murrah	21	Robertson	1635	3
John A Horton	25	S A Groves	21	Robertson	627	4
Lemuel Warren	31	Charity Winn	21	Robertson	1953	10
Geo McCauley	31	P L A [Penelope] Darden	21	Robertson	780	10
John M Fakes	31	Elizabeth Ann Hibbitts	21	Wilson	745	10
Asa Daubs	32	Prudence Turner	21	Robertson	1300	11
W H Clayton	21	S E Willis	22	Robertson	422	-1
Joseph Young	21	Nancy Marks	22	Wilson	1564	-1
W J Harris	22	Sarah A Winn	22	Robertson	1084	0
David H Wheeler	25	Louisa McDonald	22	Wilson	1203	3
David Sanders	25	Martha F Forter	23	Robertson	1369	2
Joe [Sol] Jackson	29	Mary C Howard	23	Robertson	1098	6
Till Sawyers	36	Ellen Quarles	23	Wilson	1142	13
William Gower	25	Rosanna Durham	25	Robertson	1448	0
Aaron Caudell	26	Sarah Stringer	25	Robertson	Simpson KY	1
Alxd H Williams	28	Nancy A Shaw	25	Robertson	1571	3
Edward M Richards	38	Pency Payne	25	Robertson	664	13
H[illery] Fisher	44	Elizabeth Flood	25	Robertson	474	19
Andrew Joyce	24	Angeline Marble	27	Wilson	409	-3
John C Craddock	45	Martha Jane Ryon	28	Wilson	1546	17
William D Chadick	32	Mary Jane Cock	30	Wilson	853	2
Nathel S Overall	37	Dicy Carlunght	31	Wilson	364	6
Luois [Lewis] Thomas	49	Mary Peil	36	Robertson	116	13
John J Martin	38	Elizabeth Mitchell	40	Wilson	1218	-2

# Remembering an 1899 Wedding in a Buggy

From *The Tennessean*, Nov. 10, 1949

Just 50 years ago Saturday a young man and woman drove up to the home of a justice of the peace in White county and asked to be married in the groom-to-be's shiny new buggy.

Close behind them were an 18-year-old girl and a 15-year-old lad, both on horseback, who were to be the witnesses in the wedding.

There was nothing unusual in the fact that the bride and groom remained in their horse-drawn buggy and the other principals stayed on their mounts during the ceremony. The squire just struggled into his heavy overcoat and went outside to read the words that tied the well-known knot.

## THAT'S HOW IT BEGAN

Just so began the married life of Samuel Thomas Cashdollar and the former Sadie Florence Brewster.

"In those days, a buggy was the slickest thing on the road," the perky Mrs. Cashdollar, now 69 years old and a resident of 123 S. Seventeenth St., recalled yesterday.

She and her 72-year-old husband plan to celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Sunday by being married in a horse-drawn buggy just as they were Nov. 12, 1899....

The anniversary ceremony will appear somewhat more unusual in this day of automobiles than did the first ceremony back when horse and buggy weddings were quite a fad. In fact, the Cashdollars had to look around a while to find someone from whom to borrow a buggy.

## WILL REAFFIRM VOWS

They have planned the ceremony for Sunday "to reaffirm" the wedding vows they have abided by since the chilled justice of the peace first tied the knot, she said.

**Cashdollars, Still in Love, Plan To Repeat Horse, Buggy Wedding of 50 Years Ago**

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—Staff Photo by Robert C. Holt Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Cashdollar, who will be married again in a horse and buggy ceremony on their golden wedding anniversary Sunday, look through the family album.

Their attendants will be the same attendants who sat on horseback to witness the wedding in 1899; Finley Brewster, 65, brother of the bride and now a grocer in Dallas, Texas, and Miss Nannie Cashdollar, 68, of Miami, Fla., a niece of the groom....

## COURTSHIP RECALLED

Recalling the courtship which began in Shady Grove grammar school near Sparta, Tenn., and ended in the marriage which will be 50 years old, Mrs. Cashdollar said she and her husband always faced their problems together.

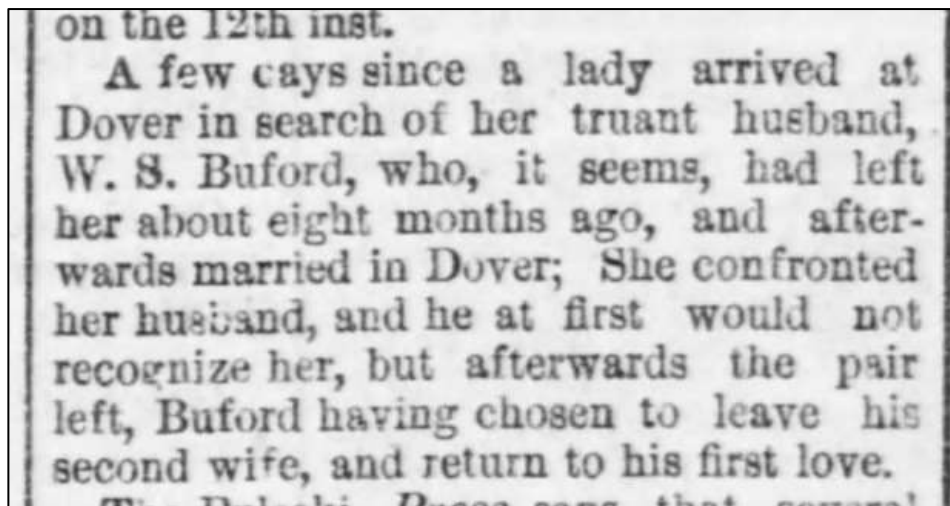
They moved to Nashville 37 years ago and her husband is still active in the ministry of the Nazarene church and in his own contracting business. He was organizer of the congregation for what is now Third Church of the Nazarene at 1622 Tenth Ave., N.

# Mr. and Mrs. Bufford, and Mrs. Bufford:

## Bigamy in 1870's Baltimore and Dover?

by Jim Long

This article appeared in the July 15, 1871 issue of the *Nashville Union and American*<sup>1</sup>:



“A few days since a lady arrived at Dover in search of her truant husband, W. S. Buford, who, it seems, had left her about eight months ago, and afterwards married in Dover; She confronted her husband, and he at first would not recognize her, but afterwards the pair left, Buford having chosen to leave his second wife, and return to his first love.”

The “truant husband” mentioned in the article, William Smith Bufford, had been born about 1841 in Stewart County to William C. and Harriet (Boyte) Bufford<sup>2</sup>. The Bufford family had been in the county as early as 1810. By 1860, William S. Bufford is a 19-year-old farm laborer living in District 9 of the county, in the household of his grandparents, Lemuel and Sarah Boyte, his mother Harriet having died in 1854<sup>3 4</sup>. Enumerated next door in the census is his 3-year-old first cousin, Sarah Moody, daughter of Robert and Mary (Boyte) Moody.<sup>5</sup>

When the Civil War broke out, William S. Bufford enlisted in Company E, 14<sup>th</sup> Tennessee infantry, at Fort Donelson, on May 18, 1861.<sup>6</sup> The 14<sup>th</sup> Tennessee was attached to the Army of Northern Virginia and saw action at some of the more-well-known battles such as Second Manassas, Antietam, Fredericksburg and Gettysburg.

W. S. Bufford’s Compiled Military Service Record indicates that he came through almost 3 years of war unscathed,

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<sup>1</sup> *Nashville Union and American* (Nashville, TN), 15 July 1871, page 3, accessed at Newspapers.com

<sup>2</sup> 1850 Stewart County census, dwelling #207 (William Burrford), accessed at Ancestry.com.

<sup>3</sup> U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current (online database), H. M. Bufford, Keel Cemetery, Stewart Co., TN, accessed at Ancestry.com.

<sup>4</sup> Kentucky, Death Records, 1852-1910, Calloway, Campbell, Carlisle, Carroll, Carter counties, Kentucky, death record for H. M. Bufford of Stewart Co., TN, daughter of L. & S. Boyte, died 4 Dec 1854 in Graves Co., KY, accessed at Ancestry.com.

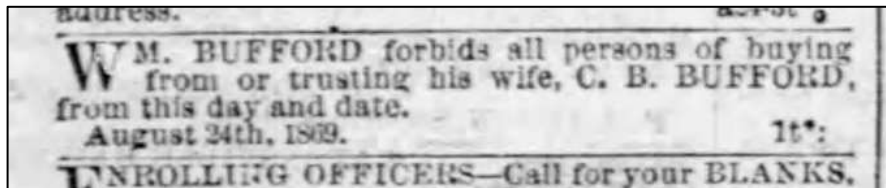
<sup>5</sup> 1860 Stewart County census, District 9, dwellings #1045 (Dawson Boyt) and #1046 (Robert Moody), accessed at Ancestry.com.

<sup>6</sup> Compiled Military Service Record for William S. Bufford, Company E, 14<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Infantry, CSA, accessed at Fold3.com

but it seems that he had seen enough during the winter of 1864. His service record indicates that on February 14, 1864, he deserted his regiment at winter camp in Harrisonburg, Virginia.<sup>7</sup>

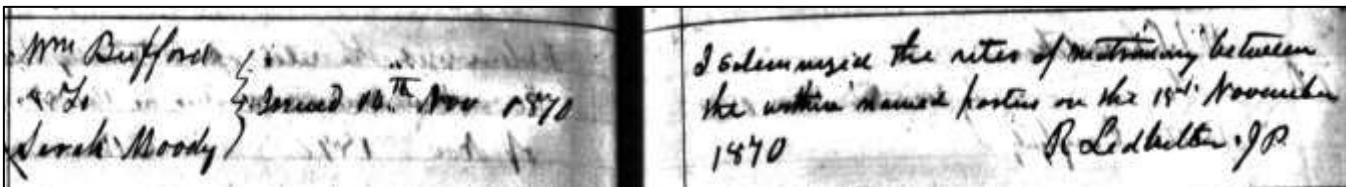
Perhaps W. S. Bufford had love on his mind when he left the Army, as less than two months later, on April 6, 1864, he married Catharine B. Dolan in Baltimore, Maryland, the ceremony being performed by a Rev. Hendricks.<sup>8</sup> William Bufford appeared in the 1868 Baltimore City Directory as a laborer, living at 2 Abraham Street.<sup>9</sup>

Five years into their marriage, however, all was not perfect with William and Catharine, as shown by this notice published in the August 25, 1869 issue of *The Sun*.<sup>10</sup>



The marriage survived, perhaps tenuously, as evidenced by the August 27, 1870 U. S. census of Baltimore, showing William Bufford, age 35, laborer, born in Tennessee, and Kate, age 35, born in New York, living in the First Ward.<sup>11</sup> The city directory for that year shows William Bufford, laborer, still living at 2 Abraham Street.<sup>12</sup>

Things must have gone downhill quickly for William and Catharine as soon as the census-taker left. Less than three months later, on November 15, 1870, William S. Bufford was not only back home in Stewart County, Tennessee, but had married his first cousin from next-door in the 1860 census, a now 13-year-old Sarah Moody<sup>13</sup>:



As reported at the beginning of this article, the first Mrs. Bufford, Catharine, came to Dover 8 months later, looking for her husband, and apparently got him back, according to the July 1871 newspaper article. Despite the article's mention that William and the first Mrs. Bufford had "left", William S. Bufford was still in the county a year later, voting in the 1872 Presidential election at Dover.<sup>14</sup>

Research into the Circuit Court execution docket, minute books and loose records of Stewart County reveal no charges brought against William S. Bufford for his apparently bigamous marriage to Sarah Moody, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. Bufford. On February 14, 1874 (perhaps only coincidentally, the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his leaving the Army), he filed in Stewart Circuit Court for divorce from the first Mrs. Bufford, Catharine. In his petition, he explained his reasons

<sup>7</sup> Ibid.

<sup>8</sup> Maryland State Archives, Baltimore City Marriage Records, License Book 1851-1865, Page 66.

<sup>9</sup> Baltimore City Directory, 1868, Wm. Bufford, accessed at Ancestry.com (U.S. City Directories, 1822-1995 collection).

<sup>10</sup> *The Sun* (Baltimore, MD), 25 August 1869, page 3, accessed at Newspapers.com

<sup>11</sup> 1870 Baltimore City census, First Ward, page 124, dwelling #714 (William Bufford), accessed at Ancestry.com.

<sup>12</sup> Baltimore City Directory, 1870, Wm. Bufford, accessed at Ancestry.com (U.S. City Directories, 1822-1995 collection).

<sup>13</sup> Stewart County, Tennessee Marriage Records, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Stewart County Microfilm Reel #29.

<sup>14</sup> Tennessee State Library and Archives, Record Group 87 (Election Returns), Box 37, Stewart County, November 5, 1872 returns.

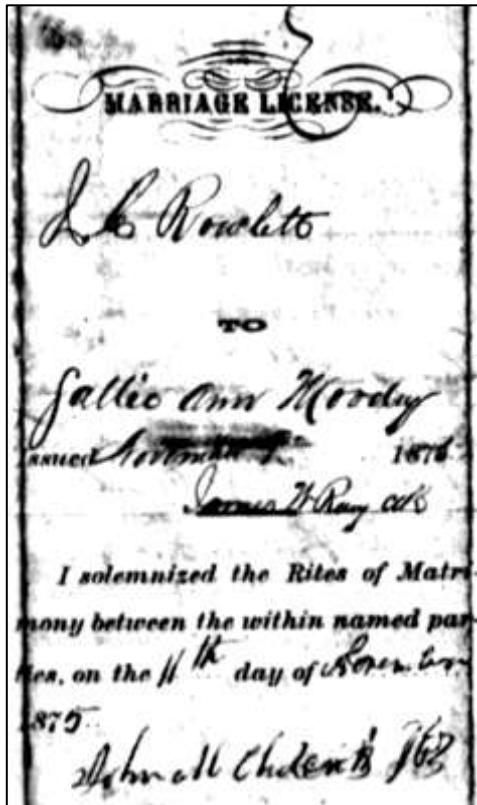
for wanting a divorce:

*"...during about the year 1866 in Baltimore, Maryland, he was united in marriage with said defendant. Petitioner states that shortly after his marriage with said defendant, he found that he was partnered for life to a woman who was regarded as almost a fiend by every one that knew her, defendant's own mother, three days after the marriage, having warned petitioner of said defendant, telling him that no one had ever been able to live with her any length of time owing to her terrible temper.*

*"...during the fall of 1870...defendant picked up a whole brick and through [sic] it at petitioner, hitting him in the head with same, knocking petitioner wholly senseless for a time and splitting his head open in such a manner as to require seven stitches to draw it together.*

*"...again in June last, said defendant hid a corn knife behind a door, and calling petitioner to come to her, and petitioner not deeming anything wrong, started towards her when she drew the knife from behind the door and, for the fourth time in the last four years, she attempted to murder petitioner..."<sup>15</sup>*

W. S. Bufford stated in his petition that there were no children from the marriage. The petition was signed by the court clerk when filed, but no further record of divorce proceedings exists in the Circuit Court or Chancery Court records. Perhaps W. S. Bufford had reconciled - again - to the first Mrs. Bufford.



On November 11, 1875, almost 5 years to the day that she married W. S. Bufford, Sallie Ann Moody, by all accounts the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs. Bufford, married Joseph C. Rowlett in adjacent Henry County. Mr. Rowlett's bondsman for the marriage bond was Dr. John H. Bufford, the brother of William S. Bufford<sup>16</sup>!

Since Sallie Ann's name was listed as Moody in her 1875 marriage record, there must have been a divorce or annulment from Mr. Bufford granted to her, but the record of that proceeding has not been located in either the Stewart or Henry County Archives.

By the time of the 1880 census, W. Smith Bufford, age 39, and Catharine Bufford, age 42, are still together, living in District 7, Stewart County, where he is listed as a farmer<sup>17</sup>. Living with them in 1880 is a 1-year-old girl named Mary Canaday, possibly an adopted daughter.

<sup>15</sup> Stewart County Archives, Circuit Court Loose Records, Divorces, case file Bufford, W. S. vs. Bufford, Catharine, 1874.

<sup>16</sup> Tennessee Marriage Records, 1780-2002 (database online), accessed at Ancestry.com

<sup>17</sup> 1880 Stewart County census, Enumeration District 157 / Civil District 7, page 4, dwelling #32 (Smith Bufford), accessed at Ancestry.com.

Bufford, Smith	71	M	37		1	Farmer	New York	Ireland	Ireland
Catharine	71	F	42	Wife	1	Keeping house	New York	Ireland	Ireland
Canada, Mary	71	F	1		1		Ireland	Ireland	Ireland

By the time of the 1900 Stewart County census, Kate Bufford, age 61, is listed as a widow, with the only other person in the house being 3-year Iola Bufford, listed as an adopted child<sup>18</sup>. W. Smith Bufford disappears from county tax records by 1883, and no record of his death or probate has been found among the Stewart County records, including a careful search of coroner’s inquests! It’s unknown whether he died in the county or left in search of a 3<sup>rd</sup> Mrs. Bufford.

Catharine, the first Mrs. Bufford, died in Stewart County in 1902, with her brother-in-law John H. Bufford appointed to administer her estate.<sup>19</sup> Sallie Moody Rowlett, the second Mrs. Bufford, lived her married life in Stewart and Henry counties and died in Henry County in 1922.<sup>20</sup>

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# One Dead Husband, Three Living Widows

From the *Nashville American*, Feb. 17, 1907

### LEGALIZED BIGAMY

CLEVELAND, O. “Under our present marriage laws a man may have a wife in each of half a dozen different States, and yet violate no law of the land and be absolutely immune from punishment. It depends wholly on the laws of the individual States.”

This was the startling declaration made by Judge Robert Taylor of the Federal Court, in an address before the Men’s League . . . on the need of Federal supervision of marriage and divorce.

“To show what I say is not theory, let me cite that case of a man who had three wives and yet broke no law. He was married first in New York. Tiring of his wife, he went into Pennsylvania, secured a divorce under the laws of that State, and married again. New York, however, does not recognize the Pennsylvania divorce, and he was still the husband of wife No. 1. Later he went to California, secured a California divorce from wife No. 2, but h was still no less the husband of the women in New York and Pennsylvania when he was in those States. He died and three widows – not ex-wives, but widows – took dower from his estate. So long as he did not take one wife into the State where another resided he had lived within the law.”



<sup>18</sup> 1900 Stewart County census, Enumeration District 65 / Civil District 7, page 17A, dwelling #312 (Kate Bufford), accessed at Ancestry.com.

<sup>19</sup> Stewart County Archives, Administrator’s Bonds and Letters, Volume 2 (1900-1925), page 40.

<sup>20</sup> U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current (online database), Sallie A. Rowlett, Moody-Rowlett Cemetery, Henry Co., TN, accessed at Ancestry.com.

# Irish Railroad Workers Taxed in 1860 Stewart County

by Jim Long

The 1860 Humphreys County census contains a special 'district' called Rail Road, enumerated between August 7-10, 1860, and including over 1,100 names of mostly Irish families who were presumably involved in building the Memphis, Clarksville & Louisville Railroad<sup>1</sup>. A similar list of Irish railroad workers can be found in the 1860 Benton County census, Districts 8 & 9.

The Memphis, Clarksville & Louisville Railroad ran through Cumberland City, Erin, and across the southern portion of Stewart County, an area known then as District 12 of Stewart County, almost entirely contained in present-day Houston County. The railroad was completed in March, 1861, stretching 83 miles from the Kentucky state line, northeast of Clarksville, through Palmyra, Cumberland City and Erin, crossing the Tennessee River at Danville and terminating at Paris, a connection point to the Memphis & Ohio Railroad.<sup>2</sup>

An 1865 Map of Middle Tennessee by W. E. Merrill of the U. S. Army of Corps of Topographical Engineers<sup>3</sup> shows the route of the railroad through the southern part of Stewart County:



Civil War-era Railroad Crew

([www.american-rails.com/railroads-in-the-civil-war.html](http://www.american-rails.com/railroads-in-the-civil-war.html))



The District 12 tax list for Stewart County, which in 1859 had contained 168 names of land owners, slave owners and free men subject to the poll tax, in the Spring of 1860 contained 437 names, many of which were the same names found in the Rail Road section of the 1860 Humphreys County census later that year. Even though they owned no land, these railroad workers, by their residency in the county and being between the ages of 21 and 50, were subject

<sup>1</sup> 1860 U.S. Census, Humphreys Co., Tenn., Rail Road District, pages 163-191. Digital images, *Ancestry.com*.

<sup>2</sup> *The Clarksville Jeffersonian* (Clarksville, TN), March 20, 1861, page 2, accessed at *Newspapers.com*.

<sup>3</sup> National Archives II (College Park, MD), Record Group 77 (Records of the Office of Chief of Engineers), Headquarters Map File, T 84 ½ - 1, sheets 1 & 2, accessed online at <https://www.longbranchgenealogy.com/>.

to the county poll tax for 1860, which was 50 cents. Additionally, anyone taxed for land, slaves or the poll tax was also subject to a 25-cent school tax and a proportional state tax. A resident who owned no land or slaves and was subject only to the poll tax, such as the railroad workers, paid \$1.10 in taxes that year.

It is unclear at this point why the railroad workers were enumerated in the 1860 census for Humphreys County instead of Stewart County. The Memphis, Clarksville & Louisville Railroad did not pass through Humphreys County, although it was within 5 miles of the Humphreys County line. The railroad that was built through Humphreys County was not built until 1863-1864, as an extension of the Nashville & Northwestern Railroad that had previously terminated at Kingston Springs.<sup>4</sup>

Below is a transcription of the 1860 Stewart County District 12 tax list, showing land owners, slave owners and all free men subject to the poll tax that year<sup>5</sup>. Additionally, Stewart County levied a tax on any cash-on-hand, labeled *Personalty* in the tax list. Approximately 250 of the men enumerated were Irish railroad workers.

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
Thomas Atkinson	160	600					0.15	0.41	1.30
W. J. Adcock	88	400				1	0.35	0.62	1.97
David Alsup	25	150				1	0.29	0.35	1.43
William Alsup heirs	500	500					0.13	0.34	1.09
Andrews, Summers & Dudley	200	100					0.03	0.07	0.22
D. O. Askew	484	4000	15	14500	125		4.56	12.52	40.51
Harmon Alsup						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Alsup						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Joseph Alsup						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Alsup, Summers & Baker	329	500			1000		0.45	1.01	3.26
H. R. Atkinson						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
S. T. Andrews	700	3000	8	7700	100	1	2.95	7.64	24.59
S. T. Andrews, guardian for Wynns heirs			1	900			0.27	0.60	1.96
G. W. Bell	180	800				1	0.45	0.89	2.80
L. A. Bell	159	1600			47	1	0.66	1.46	3.68
James M. Brack						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
W. H. Busby						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
H. L. Bell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Barnes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Willie Barnes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Alexander Brown	50	150					0.04	0.10	0.36
Jane Brown	26	75					0.02	0.05	0.16
Sarah Barnes	200	400	1	1000	260		0.42	1.12	3.61
James Baker	9	75				1	0.27	0.41	1.27
Ann Brigham	307	1500			150		0.33	1.10	3.65
James Barnes Sr.	137.5	1000			1800		0.72	1.89	6.09
William A. Barnes	700	700			300		0.25	0.67	2.18
Allen Barnes Sr.	970	3500	9	9000	60		2.14	8.48	27.31
Hosa Bell	137	1000				1	0.50	1.03	3.27
Robert Busby	100	100				1	0.28	0.42	1.32

<sup>4</sup> Nashville & Northwestern Railroad history, accessed online at <http://nashvillenwrr.tripod.com/id1.html>.

<sup>5</sup> 1860 Stewart County tax list, original volume accessed at the Stewart County Archives, Dover, TN.

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
Thomas Brack						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Burcham						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. W. Brigham	240	350				1	0.32	0.57	1.82
Henry Barnes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
C. Buchannan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Allen Barnes Jr.						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James D. Barnes	260	400					0.10	0.67	2.17
James Barnes Jr.	50	200				1	0.30	0.49	1.54
Peter Brembe						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michel Broom						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Mallery Burnes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
E. Breman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Breman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Morris Burnes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
E. Burke						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Burke						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Breman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Breman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
W. Butler						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Bell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
S. Breman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
T. Berry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
T. Buchanon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
O. Boyle						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Barton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Barnes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Barnes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Breman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Barrett						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Burk no. 1						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Burk no. 2						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Burk						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Branch						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Brown						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Miles Barrett						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
E. A. Biggins						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Barrett						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William A. Cook	360	1200	1	1000			0.55	1.48	4.78
William A. Cook guardian for Barnes heirs	400	800	2	2000	100		0.58	1.95	6.30
James M. Collins	50	150				1	0.29	0.36	1.43
F. M. Collins						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
B. F. Collins						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Annis Collins	40	100					0.03	0.07	0.22
J. W. Collins	62	150				1	0.29	0.36	1.42
Elisha Crosswell	417	417					0.10	0.28	0.91
George Cathey	252	1812	2	2050			0.97	2.62	8.40
Archibald Cathey						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Willie Cathey			1	850	300	1	0.55	1.14	3.61
William G. Cathey						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
A. P. Crosswell	60	475					0.12	0.32	2.13
John H. Chadwick	200	300				1	0.33	0.55	1.75

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
James A. Cook	200	400					0.10	0.27	0.87
Carroll Cook						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Edmund Cook						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
P. A. Carlton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Jacob Crouse	140	600					0.15	0.41	1.31
John Cain						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Cremon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Cain						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
B. Criags						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Cain						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Anthony Coyle						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Conley						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Coyle						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
A. Cormac						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Clark						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Cuff						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Connors						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Conly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Connor						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pall Casey						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
D. Connor						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Clark						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Connely						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Clagherty						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Carroll						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Conry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
F. Connelly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
F. Cumings						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Corbett						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Conry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Coleman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
L. Connelly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Conry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
T. Connell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Dennis Cohite						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Cannon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Connelly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Connelly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Connell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Crosby						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Cook						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Conner						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Conner						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Mike Cooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Campbell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Crothy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Cosgrove						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Cauley						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Conry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
C. N. Crosswell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Joseph Duffell	300	300					0.08	0.20	0.66
Susan Duffell	40	100					0.03	0.07	0.22
Ransom Dudley	370	1200	5	4550	80		1.45	3.90	12.57

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
James L. Daniel	100	500				1	0.37	0.69	2.19
W. H. Daniel					170	1	0.29	0.47	1.47
Benjamin Daniel						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Doyle						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Daneger						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Dennis Dewey						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Dolen						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Devin						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Donnelton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
D. Donnelly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Dorherty						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Dolen						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Devin						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Edmond Dooley						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Duddy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Deleevy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Daly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Drescoll						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
R. Eagan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Eagan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James H. Ellis	1450	1600			400		0.50	2.10	4.35
Samuel French	400	1000			163		0.29	0.79	2.53
R. J. French	100	100				1	0.28	0.42	1.32
G. W. French						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
W. H. French	200	300				1	0.33	0.56	1.76
B. A. French						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. W. Finch						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Farrell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Owen Fumery						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Flannagan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
F. Flannagan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Flannagan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Frai						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Francis						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin French						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Foley						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Fay						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Fay						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
L. Fennerty						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Fennerty						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Garret Fennell						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Farry no. 1						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Farry no. 2						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Faha						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Christy Fallon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Fala						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John W. Gray	139	300					0.08	0.21	0.65
N. W. Gillmore	105	400				1	0.35	0.62	1.97
William Gaddy	486	500					0.13	0.34	1.09
G. W. Gitchie	363	1000				1	0.50	1.03	3.27
Pat Gallaher						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Garvey						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Garmon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
James Golly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Goblera						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Grealy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Goream						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Gallegar						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Dennis Gillen						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Galhully						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Grealy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Grant						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Grant						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Gilganiff						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Gohenny						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Glynn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Gilganiff						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Giblonnery						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Grealy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Grealy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Glynn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
L. Gaddy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
A. W. Holmes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Nathaniel Holmes	100	100					0.03	0.07	0.22
O. D. Holmes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
R. C. Holmes						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Joseph Hedgecock	150	350				1	0.34	0.59	1.86
J. M. Hazlewood						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Vinson Harris						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Henry Hancel	260	800					0.20	0.54	1.74
Henry & Shackelford	1300	3000					0.75	2.02	6.52
J. Harnet						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
R. Haydon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. L. Houston						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Harlon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
O. Herahan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Hannsey						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Healy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Hesky						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Healy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Healy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Haygan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Hession						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Hern						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Herbare						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John J. Ivy	700	2600	3	3000	1575	1	2.19	5.60	18.01
Andrew Irwin	180	1100					0.27	0.74	2.39
George Irwin						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
David Irwin heirs	3700	2200					0.55	1.48	4.78
J. L. Jones	140	400				1	0.35	0.62	1.97
David C. Jones	260	400					0.35	0.62	1.97
C. A. Jones						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Joyce						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Kerry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Kelly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Kerrigan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
Frank Kerry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Kerry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Kelly						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. T. Lankford						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Henry Lockhart	200	500				1	0.37	0.69	2.19
F. M. Lankford	178	100				1	0.28	0.42	1.32
John Lankford heirs	167	2000					0.50	1.35	4.36
C. Lightle, T. B. Summers agent	560	500					0.10	0.34	1.18
Elizabeth Lankford	85	666	1	800			0.37	0.99	3.19
E. D. Largent	776	4000	7	7000	388		2.85	7.70	24.77
William Lockhart	140	500				1	0.37	0.69	1.18
J. W. Lacy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Lever						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Lyons						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Linsky						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Lenard						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Lintch						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Lydon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Margaret McCauley			1	1000			0.25	0.67	2.18
McNeal & Co.	5000	4000					1.00	2.70	4.35
R. McAuley						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John McCaskill						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas McIntosh	1337	1250			215	1	0.62	1.34	3.29
Daniel McAuley heirs	905	700					0.18	0.48	1.52
William McAuley	184	1200					0.30	0.81	1.61
Daniel McDonold	287	1000					0.25	0.67	2.17
Lewis McDaniel						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Marable heirs	300	300					0.08	0.20	0.65
Benjamin McIntosh	400	600			210		0.20	0.55	1.78
Malcolm McCaskill	200	200					0.05	0.14	0.44
Robert Miller	50	200				1	0.30	0.49	1.53
Daniel McCauley	288	800				1	0.45	0.89	2.84
Kenneth McCaskill	372	2500				1	0.92	1.36	5.44
Alexander McCaskill					70		0.02	0.05	0.16
William McCaskill						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Norman McKinnon			2	1600		1	0.65	1.43	4.58
J. W. McDonold						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
F. M. McCarroll					116		0.03	0.08	0.25
Jeremiah Mobley	176	650				1	0.41	0.79	2.51
Daniel McDonold & J. Brame	180	100					0.03	0.07	0.22
Raymond McGloughlin						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Maclem						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Matten						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Mallany						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Edmond McCabe						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
David McDevick						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas McDaugh						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl McCay						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Meran						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John McAuley						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas McDermot						1	0.25	0.35	1.10

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
A. McThyr						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Bill McDermott						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Mealy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat McCairn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Marhn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Machin McHale						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl McCormack						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
C. McCarroll						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat McDermott						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
D. McKeener						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Madden						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Murphy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
T. McKern						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Morris						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Mooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Mooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Murphy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
C. McNealy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Mullen						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John McCabe						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Melven						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Melven						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas McAdoe						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas McDermot						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James McDermot						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat McHigh						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Murphy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Mead						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Mally						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Murphy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Mamling						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas McMahan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Mullray						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Mullen						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl May						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter McDonough						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Murry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Murry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Mooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John McCable						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. S. Medlock	100	200				1	0.30	0.49	1.53
Thomas Naughton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Peter Noon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
M. Naughton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Noon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Naughton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Haston Nichols						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. H. Oguinn	212	600				1	0.40	0.74	2.41
J. D. Obarr	28	100					0.03	0.07	0.22
William M. Obarr	450	450					0.11	0.31	0.98
W. H. Oguinn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
W. R. Oguinn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
B. Oren						1	0.25	0.35	1.10

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
J. O'Brien						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat O'Brien						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas O'Donold						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Oneal						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Oneal						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Oneal						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Nathan Oguinn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Paddy						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Pannerton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Pannerton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Pannerton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Pellon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
F. G. Parker						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Pitt	237.5	800				1	0.45	0.89	2.84
Catharine Pitt	283	300					0.08	0.21	0.65
R. H. Parker						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Postlewait						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
P. R. Rushing						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Robbs	50	150				1	0.29	0.45	1.43
Jesse Rushing	100	150				1	0.29	0.45	1.43
D. L. Rushing	44	100					0.03	0.07	0.22
J. P. Rushing decd.	100	50					0.01	0.04	0.15
Ann Rushing	80	200					0.05	0.13	0.44
George Roberts	72.5	300				1	0.33	0.55	1.75
Catherine Roberts	30	160					0.20	0.04	0.13
Evan Rushing						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Reynolds						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
P. O. Reardon						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Rourk						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Rooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Rooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
William Rooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Ridge						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Readoughton						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Rowan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Redden						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Rooney						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Schally						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Michl Shields						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Swift						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
T. Smith						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. Sudrom						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Martin Shaughnifty						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Shaughnifty						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Sheely						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Spellman						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Jerry Sullivan						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
B. L. Stavely	180	200				1	0.30	0.49	1.54
Milas Summers	150	800	1 hired	50			0.21	0.58	1.75
A. D. Summers	750	2000	5	5000		1	2.00	5.07	16.42
B. P. Summers	300	600				1	0.40	0.76	2.40
C. S. Summers	2100	8625	2	2800	100	1	3.06	7.88	25.52
J. W. Slaughter	94	300				1	0.33	0.56	1.76

Names	Land	Value	Slaves	Value	Personal-ty	Polls	School Tax	Total State Tax	Total State & County
T. B. Summers	590	2400				1	0.85	1.97	6.32
T. B. Summers, guardian for Oguinn heirs					225		0.06	0.14	0.49
T. B. Summers, guardian for Lankford heirs					100		0.03	0.07	0.22
T. B. Summers, guardian for Brigham heirs			1	1100	300		0.35	0.91	2.01
T. B. Summers, agent for Lightle & Co.	109	400					0.10	0.27	0.87
J. C. Stone						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
P. C. Shortal						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. W. Slanchfield						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Brison Smith						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. T. Smith						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Lucy Tomlinson	349	1800	1	900			0.68	1.83	5.87
U. S. Tomlinson	150	175			158	1	0.33	0.57	1.83
James M. Triplet						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
F. M. Turner						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
James Turner						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Owen Teenry						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Nimrod Wyatt	127	400					0.10	0.27	0.87
John C. Wilson						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
T. J. Wilson	100	175				1	0.29	0.47	1.48
F. M. Webb	50	130				1	0.28	0.44	1.39
William Webb	290	700					0.18	0.48	1.53
Nancy Wilson	100	800					0.20	0.54	1.74
Thomas Wilson	340	1600					0.40	1.08	3.48
David C. Wilson	400	1500					0.45	1.02	3.26
John Wilson	400	1500					0.45	1.02	3.26
J. C. Wilson	100	300					0.08	0.21	0.63
John S. Wyatt	283.5	600					0.15	0.41	1.30
George Wyatt						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
J. H. T. M. Wyatt	200	400				1	0.35	0.62	1.97
D. W. Williams						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
T. J. Weaver						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas Warren						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
W. Wilson						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Walsh						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
C. Wall						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Thomas W. Westneely						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Walsh no. 1						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Pat Walsh no. 2						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
John Wynn						1	0.25	0.35	1.10
Tugs Wilson					25	1	0.26	0.37	1.15

As was the transient nature of railroad-building, none of these Irish men is found in the 1861 or subsequent Stewart County tax lists.

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# New Resource for Genealogists at the Tennessee State Library & Archives

The screenshot shows the Tennessee State Library & Archives website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the following links: Home, Death Records Search, Military Records Search, and Misc. Tenn Records Search. The main content area is titled "Search All Collections" and contains several search fields and options:

- First & Middle Name(s)**: A text input field.
- Last Name**: A text input field.
- Keywords**: A text input field.
- Location**: A text input field with a note: "Search for any City, County, or State".
- Exact Date of Death / Notice / Obituary**: A text input field with a dropdown menu for "Is greater than or equal to".
- Supreme Court Case**: A text input field with a note: "Search Supreme Court Cases".
- Collection - TN Research**: A dropdown menu with options: "- Any -".
- Collection - Death Records**: A dropdown menu with options: "- Any -".
- Collection - Military Records**: A dropdown menu with options: "- Any -".

At the bottom right of the search area, there are "Search" and "Reset" buttons. On the left side of the page, there are two sections: "Collections - Death Records" and "Collections - TN Research", each listing various record sets with their respective counts.

A new tool for researchers is now available on the Library & Archives website. The all-in-one Genealogy Index Search brings together over 1 million names appearing in 25 important Tennessee’s historical records.

Inspired by the way Ancestry.com and other online services search multiple record groups from a single screen, staff at the Library & Archives worked with the Secretary of State’s Information Technology Division over a two-year period to create this new resource for genealogists and historians.

The Genealogy Index Search includes sections on Death Records, Military Records and general Tennessee research. A listing of the individual databases and the number of entries in each is found below. The individual indexes were compiled by staff at the Library and Archives over many years. According to Ron Lee, the Assistant Director of Public Services, the work began in the late 1990s. “We had one of the first web sites in Tennessee government,

and for several years our pages drew more traffic than any other site in the state.”

The ability to create indexes to interesting or popular groups of records and post them online motivated Library & Archives personnel to collect the data from records such as the Civil War records of Nashville undertaker W.R. Cornelius. The names of nearly 5,000 soldiers, former slaves and citizens whose bodies were buried or moved and re-buried by Cornelius are included in this index.

“This is an index,” warns Lee. “People today often expect to click on a name and see the original documents pop onto their screen, but that won’t happen here.” The index allows researchers to learn that the person they are looking for appears in a certain group of records. But the user will need to visit or contact the Library & Archives to get a copy of the original record.

In a few cases, scanned records are included along with the index entry. The records of Tennesseans who

died in service during World War I, for example, will soon be linked to the files about those 1,500 soldiers which may contain military documents, personal letters and photographs. Over time, more digital images will be added to the index.

One of the useful features of the index is the ability to sort search results by facets. For example, if you search the entire collection for the surname Watson, over a thousand results are returned. Boxes at the side of the page indicate how many Watsons appear in each

of the 25 indexes that are in the search. For example, there are 10 Watsons in the Cornelius Burial Records. Additional boxes also allow the researcher to narrow the search by county and year.

The following information can be found through the Genealogy Index Search. The Library & Archives encourage researchers to give it a try. If you find something that doesn't seem to work correctly, please send an email to [reference.tsla@tn.gov](mailto:reference.tsla@tn.gov) – it is a work in progress.

Index Name	Category	Number of Records
Davidson County Death Records 1900-1913	Death	6,330
Death Notices in Nashville Newspapers 1855-1907	Death	35,540
Nashville Obituaries and Death Notices for 1913	Death	2,062
Tennessee Death Records 1908-1912	Death	92,904
Tennessee Death Records 1914-1933	Death	614,048
Acts of Tennessee 1796-1850	TN Research	22,571
Laborers at Fort Negley in the Civil War	TN Research	11,210
Family Bible Records	TN Research	27,356
Inmates of the Tenn. State Penitentiary 1831-1870	TN Research	4,431
Southern Claims Commission (Civil War)	TN-Research	3,967
Tenn. Supreme Court Cases	TN Research	52,401
Confederate Relief Assn. of Memphis	Military	538
Tennesseans in World War I	Military	83,055
Tennesseans in the Spanish-American War	Military	7,344
Tennessee Confederate Pension Applications	Military	28,024
Tennessee Confederate Physicians	Military	714
Tennessee Confederate Soldiers' Home	Military	1669
World War I Gold Star Records	Military	1543
World War I Veterans' Questionnaires	Military	4,448
Union Provost Marshal Files	Military	10,307
W.R. Cornelius Burial Records (Civil War)	Military	4904
		1,015,366

Many Library & Archives staff members and volunteers contributed to the index project. Special recognition is due the extraordinary efforts of Librarian Ron Lee and Rudy Barrett in the Secretary of State's Information Technology Division.

# Middle Tennessee Businesses, 1868

## From King's Nashville City Directory (part 1)

Tennessee's smaller cities generally did not have City Directories prior to 1900, leaving us in the dark about who lived where. Just after the Civil War, however, as railroads made it possible to do business in more than one town, business directories became an essential companion for the traveling salesman.

At this point in American history, railroads were the drivers of progress. Merchants and civic leaders worked hard to bring the railroad to their town because it guaranteed an increase in visitors and customers. When a planned railroad took a different route that bypassed a community, disappointment ran high. Many railroads were chartered and raised money from stockholders, but failed to ever build a working road. Others succeeded and made fortunes for the owners

*King's Nashville City Directory*, published in 1868, has a misleading title. It is not a directory of people who lived in Nashville, and it is not focused solely on Nashville. The subtitle makes its purpose clearer:

**King's Nashville City Directory, embracing . . . a business directory of Nashville, and all the principal towns and stations, in Tennessee, on the different railroads centering at Nashville . . . .**

Fourth Annual Issue: Nashville, Printed for the Proprietor, 1868

The volume is arranged in four sections, one for each of the railroad lines heading out of Nashville. Each stop along the railroad is described in order, as the traveling passenger would arrive at them. Some are merely depots with no businesses listed, while others are thriving towns offering a wide variety of trades and professions. These lists of businesses and their proprietors offer a glimpse into what "going to town" meant for our ancestors who lived in the Middle Tennessee countryside.

### Nashville and Decatur Railway

Formed in 1866 by the merger of three smaller railroads, the Nashville and Decatur Railway ran for 120 miles in Tennessee from its depot in Nashville to the town of Decatur in northern Alabama. In the 1870s it was merged with the Louisville & Nashville (L&N) Railroad. The road's Nashville depot was at the corner of Chestnut and Cherry (now 4<sup>th</sup> Ave. South) streets, near the City Cemetery.



Section from "Kentucky and Tennessee"  
Johnson's New Illustrated Family Atlas, 1862  
(Tenn. State Library & Archives, TeVA collection)



**Cherry Street Depot  
of the Nashville & Decatur Railway.  
It was demolished some time after 1988.**  
(Nashville Public Library Digital Collections)



**Advertisement  
King's Nashville City Directory, 1869  
(Tenn. State Library & Archives)**

Departing from the Cherry Street depot, trains on the Nashville & Decatur made the following stops as they headed south in 1868: These descriptions are from the directory's text.

**Brentwood:** A small post village 10 miles from Nashville.

**Owen:** A station 10 miles from Nashville.

**Franklin:** A county seat 19 miles from Nashville [detailed list follows].

**West Harpeth:** A way station 25 miles from Nashville

**Thompson's:** A post village 28 miles from Nashville [detailed list follows].

**Spring Hill:** A village 32 miles from Nashville [detailed list follows].

**Carter's Creek:** A way station 36 miles from Nashville.

**Duck River:** A way station, 42 miles from Nashville and 4 miles from Columbia.

**Columbia:** A county seat, 46 miles from Nashville [detailed list follows].

**Hurricane:** A flag station in Maury County, 52 miles from Nashville.

**Pleasant Grove:** A small station in Maury County 56 miles from Nashville. Population 50. Contains one General Store, Express and Post office.

**Campbell's:** A small station in Maury County 58 miles from Nashville.

**Lynnville:** A small station in Maury County, 63 miles from Nashville.

**Buford:** A small station in Giles County, 66 miles from Nashville.

**Reynolds:** A station in Giles County 69 miles from Nashville.

**Wales Station:** A station in Giles County, 74 miles from Nashville.

**Pulaski:** A county seat 79 miles from Nashville [detailed list follows].

**Richland:** A station in Giles County 84 miles from Nashville.

**Prospect:** A station in Giles County, 90 miles from Nashville.

**State Line:** A flag station 93 miles from Nashville and 29 miles from Decatur.

## FRANKLIN

The county seat of Williamson County, Tenn., is a flourishing and handsome town, situated on the left bank of Harpeth River, and on the Nashville & Decatur Railroad, 19 miles from Nashville, and 103 miles from Decatur. Population, about 1,300.



### Attorneys-at-Law

Bond, B.  
Buford, J.W.  
Campbell, McEwen & Bullock  
Harris, C.A.  
Hill, Wm. H.S.  
McCornice, Hicks & Thomas  
McLemore & Wallace  
Swanson, C.T.  
Turley, T.W.

### Barbers

Ewing & Scott  
Swanson, B.

### Billiard Saloons

Crutcher & Handy

### Blacksmiths

Hayes, R.P.

Moulton, Thos.

### Boots & Shoes

Anderson, B.F.  
Bliss, J.C.  
Colby & Stanclift  
Gordon, C.C.  
House, J. & M.  
Owen, R.O. & D.H.  
Owen, T.L.  
Parkes, J.L.  
Perkins, W.O.N.  
Ragsdale, R.  
Williams, A.N.C.

### Carriage Makers

Magan & Q Irwin

### Chancery Court Clerk

Winstead, Wm. E.

### Circuit Court Clerk

Andrews, Mark L.

### Clothing

Dietrich, Julius  
Frankland, J.  
Wall, C.F.

### Commission Merchant

Biggs & Bro.

### Confectioner

Marr, N.R.

### County Court Clerk

Cummins, William

### County Court Judge

Ballow, Robt. S.

### Dentist

Crutcher, J.P.

### Drugs, Medicines, etc.

Clouston, W.G. & Co.  
Eelbeck, F.C.

### Dry Goods

Bliss, J.C.  
Dietrich, Julius  
Frankland, J.

Harrison & Co.  
House, J. & M.  
Kaufman, L.  
Owen, T.L.  
Parkes, J.L.  
Perkins, W.O.N.

**Express Agent**  
Marshall, C.

**Flour Mill**  
Spencers & Dansbee

**Furniture**  
Karr, Jno. C. & Son  
Miller, Jno. D.

**Groceries**  
Bennet, J.D. & Son  
Biggs & Bro.  
Butler & Blackburn  
Colby & Stanclift  
Crutcher & Handy  
Ewing, T.C.  
Gordon, C.C.  
Nicholl & Childers  
Owen & Ragsdale  
Rainey, R.  
Sheehan, T.  
Sinclair, H.C.  
Wilkes, Geo. E.  
Wren, A.M.

**Hardware, Cutlery, etc.**  
Bennett, J.D. & Son  
Wilkes, Geo. E.

**Hotels**  
Franklin Inn, B.W. Thompson,  
Prop'r.

**Job Printers**  
Haynes, J.N. & Sons

**Leather, etc.**  
Owen, R.O. & D.H.

**Livery Stables**  
Bostick & Courtney  
Haynes & Jones  
Vaughan, Andrew C.

**Merchant Tailor**  
Craig, G. Mc.

**Milliner**  
Mortsinger, Miss Francis S.

**Meat Stores**  
Gordon & Bro.  
Owen, T.P.

**Newspaper**  
The Weekly Review, B. Bond,  
Editor

**Photograph Gallery**  
Terry, S.J.

**Physicians**  
Ewing, And. B.  
German, Dr.D.  
Hanner, Jno. P.  
Park & Wallis

**Postmaster**  
Haynes, W.H.

**Queensware**  
Owen & Ragsdale

**Register**  
Bradley, Wm. D.

**Saddles and Harness**  
Kridler & Vaughan

**Saloons**  
Brown, L.R.  
Carter & Crouch  
Crutcher, A.  
Fleming & Patton  
Foster & Samox  
Wall & Simmons

**Saw Mill**  
Spencers & Dansbee

**Sheriff**  
Lavender, F.M.

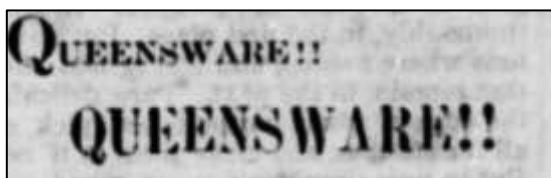
**Stoves and Tinware**  
Young & Rollfs

**Ticket and Freight Agent**  
Marshall, C.

**Treasurer**  
Crouch, Wm. H.

**Undertakers**  
Karr, John C. & Son  
Miller, John D.

**Watches, Jewelry, etc.**  
Cayce, J.M. & E.B.  
Dietrich, Julius



Queensware, as sold by Owen & Ragsdale in Franklin and by Hodge and Hardeman in Columbia, included Wedgewood and similar table furnishings like those shown here..

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### THOMPSON'S

A Post Village on the Nashville & Decatur Railroad, a distance of 28 miles from Nashville.

**Blacksmiths**

Byers, James  
Thompson, D.

**Drugs, etc.**

McGan & Buford

**Dry Goods**

Banks & Drake  
McGan & Buford

**Grain Dealer**

Kitch, William

**Grocers**

Critz & Co.  
McConnico, W.W.  
Morris, J.E.

**Physicians**

Dungan, D.H.

Thompson, E.

**Produce Dealers**

Banks & Drake

**Shoe Makers**

Burch & Son

**Wagon Maker**

King & Vaughn

### SPRING HILL

A neat little village in Tennessee on the Nashville & Decatur Railroad, 32 miles from Nashville, and 90 miles from Decatur. The surrounding country is among the finest and most productive in the state.

**Cabinet Maker**

Priest, Thomas H.

**Carriage Maker**

Crafton, J.

**Drugs, Medicines, etc.**

Bond, William M.  
Witt, William H.

**Dry Goods**

Bailey, A.M.  
Cheaires, J.W.  
Miller, J.D.  
Rainey & Harrison  
Teamanski, Bennie & Charlie

**Furniture**

Priest & Kirkpatrick

**Grocers**

Bailey, A.M.  
Blanton & Owen  
Chearies [*sic*], J.W.  
Miller, J.D.

Rainey &  
Harrison  
Stephenson, J.B.  
Teamanski,  
Bennie & Charlie

**Hotel**

Crafton, J.

**Postmaster**

McKissock, O.W.

**Saloons**

Reams, J.H.  
Smith, F.J.

**Wagon Maker**

Ritter, Peter

**\$20 REWARD**

Will be paid for information convicting the person or persons engaged in shooting cattle on the Farm during the past week.

All persons are prohibited from shooting or hunting on these premises without permission. Any one pulling down the fences or riding through the fields, will be liable to prosecution.

R.S. EWELL

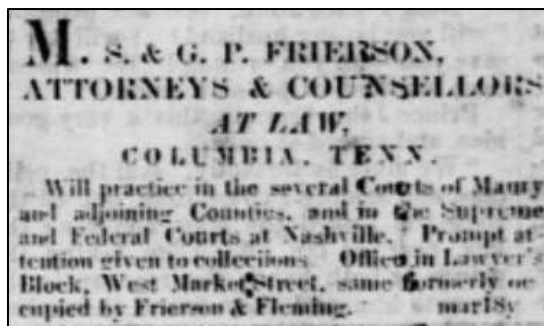
Spring Hill Farm, April 8, 1869

### COLUMBIA

The County seat of Maury County is situated on the left bank of Duck River, and on the Nashville and Decatur Railroad, 46 miles from Nashville and 76 miles from Decatur. Population about 4,500. (Advertisements shown below are from the Columbia Herald of July 23, 1869, except for Titcomb's Drugs which is from a May 1866 issue.)

**Attorneys-at-Law**

Becknell & Wilkes  
Dunnington, F.C.  
Frierson & Fleming  
Gordon & Fussell  
Hickey, J.M.  
Martin, W.P.  
Myers, L.D.  
Nicholson & Looney



**(Attorneys, cont.)**

Rainey, S.W.  
Thomas & Barrett  
Turley & Taylor  
Witthorne, W.C.  
Witthorne, W.J., Jr.

**Barber**

Hardeman, Cap.

**Blacksmiths**

Gardiner, Jno.  
Jamison, James  
Stricklin, Dan'l.

**Books and Stationery**

Engle, W.H.  
Frierson Bros.

**Boots and Shoes**

Bunch & Aikin  
Hodge, W.R. Jr.  
Patten, C.E.  
Tyler, Jno.

**Carpenter and Builder**

Vaughan, F.

**Carriage Makers**

Kuhn & Turpin

**Circuit Court Clerk**

Wilson, W.B.

**Coal Yard**

Wooten, J.C.

**Clothing**

Herstein, J. & Bro.  
Tyler, John  
Voorhies, Wm. M.

**College**

Columbia Atheneum

**Confectionery**

Chaffin & Dugger

**Cotton Dealers**

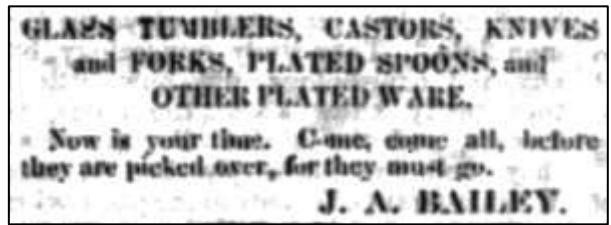
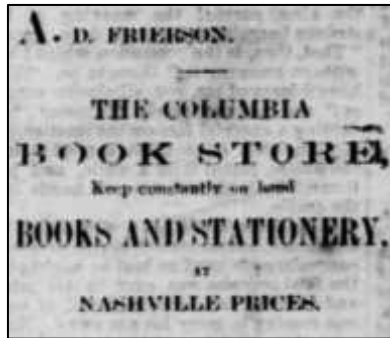
Davidson, D.A.  
Hanner, Jno. A.  
Jamison, R.H.  
Woodsides, J.B.

**County Court Clerk**

Podgett, John B.

**Dentist**

Johnston, W.R.



**Dry Goods**

Akin & Larkin  
Alexander, T.J.  
Bunch & Aikin  
Dale, W.J. & Son  
Fleming, Cooper & Co.  
Frierson, F.L.  
Herstein, J. & Bro.  
Mayes, S.F.  
Noah, J.L. & Co.  
Patten, C.D.  
Rosenthal, A.  
Sanders, H.W.

**Drugs, Medicines, etc.**

McKinney & Williams  
Rain, T.B.  
Titcomb & Williams

**Fancy Goods**

Hardeman, Cap.  
Ruttle, M.

**Furniture**

Jones, R.B. & Co.  
Lamb & Boyd

**Freight Agent**

Wooten, J.C.

**Grocers**

Chaffin & Dugger  
Cook, S.C.  
Davidson, D.A.  
Dugger, D.A.  
Harris, Frierson & Co.  
Jenkins, P.H.  
Johnson, H.A.  
McGehee, M.C.  
Martin & Pickard  
Noah, J.L. & Co.  
Phillips, E.W.  
Picket, T.J.  
Richards, P.C.  
Tucker, Jno. T.

**Gunsmith**

Smithmore, C.J.

**Hardware**

Andrews, James & Co.  
Mayes & Street

**Hotels**

Franklin House  
Nelson House

H. B. TITCOMB,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALER IN  
**DRUGS, MEDICINES,**  
PAINTS, OILS, DYE STUFFS,  
Fancy Articles, School  
Books, Stationery, &c.  
Also, Leather of all kinds, Shoemakers  
and Saddlers' Findings.  
Has Corner Public Square and South Main-St  
COLUMBIA, TENN.  
117

A. BARR,  
East side Public Square,  
COLUMBIA, TENNESSEE.  
Dealer in all kinds of  
HOUSEHOLD  
**FURNITURE**  
AND  
UPHOLSTERY.  
Has just received one of the largest and most  
complete assortments of  
**FURNITURE AND CHAIRS,**

T. W. KEESSE, J. C. WOOTEN, J. R. CHILDREN.  
**T. W. KEESSE & CO.,**  
Successors to Harris, Frierson & Co.,  
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL  
**GROCCERS,**  
AND  
COMMISSION MERCHANTS.  
Having purchased the entire stock of Harris,  
Frierson & Co., we will continue to keep on  
hand, at the old stand, a large lot of

**BEDSTEADS AND CHAIRS**  
Of every variety and price, from the most ex-  
pensive to those within the reach of the light-  
est purse.  
**MATRASSES**  
Of all descriptions made to order.  
**Uphostering**  
Done in the most skillful manner.  
**SPRING BED BOTTOMS**  
Also willing to order all kinds of  
**PICTURE FRAMES,**  
**OVAL FRAMES** of all sizes and quality. The  
**UNDERTAKING**  
DEPARTMENT  
Is complete, keeping constantly on hand all  
kinds of  
**METALIC CASSETS, METALIC CASES,**  
Solid Rosewood Caskets,  
Turned Rosewood Caskets,  
Case'd Lined Caskets,  
Inlaid Rosewood Caskets,  
Walnut Case'd Side Caskets,  
Walnut Caskets,  
Walnut Cases,  
Hain Walnut Coffins,  
Plain Paper Coffins.  
All of which will be sold at the **VERY**  
**LOWEST PRICES.**  
Thankful for the past very liberal patronage,  
I respectfully solicit a continuance of the same.  
April 25, 1868. A. BARR.

**House Furnishing Goods**

Hardeman, N.P. & Co.

**Insurance Agents**

Andrews, James & Co.

Rye, Jos. C.

Scott, J.H.

**Iron Foundry**

Stevens & Marshall

**Job Printers**

Bliss & Horsley

**Livery Stables**

McGraw, Jno. P.

Mays & Dodson

**Marble Yard**

Chanterbery & Sullivan

**Meat Store**

Haley, H.V.

**Millinery**

Ruttle, M.

**Newspaper**

Columbia Herald, Bliss & Horsley, editors

**Ominibus Line**

Mays & Dodson

**Physicians**

Brown, J.H.

Brown, W.H.

Cox, H.S.

Frierson, J.W.S.

Frierson, S.W.

Hayes, J.B.

Pillow, A.L.

**Postmaster**

Moore, Jno. D.

**Photograph Gallery**

Maire, E.G.

**Queensware**

Hardeman, N.P. & Co.

Hodge, M.

**Register of County**

Hernden, Stephen D.

**Saddles and Harness**

Helm, D.C.

White, Jas. M.

**Saloons**

Ferguson & Hunter

**THE BEST**  
**Brandies, Whiskies,**  
**AND WINES,**  
 For Medicl use, for sale by  
**McKINNEY & SMITH.**

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**SURE CURE FOR**  
**HOG CHOLERA,**  
**CHICKEN CHOLERA AND GAGES,**  
 In young chickens, at  
**McKINNEY & SMITH.**

**MARBLE WORKS.**  
 Near the Depot.  
**COLUMBIA, TENNESSEE.**  
**CANTERBURY**  
**AND SHIRLEY,**  
 Manufacturers of  
**MARBLE MONUMENTS,**  
**TOMBS AND HEAD STONES,**  
 Of the latest styles, having a good selection o  
 Designs of the finest and improved styles.

**THE COLUMBIA HERALD.**

By Alfred S. Horsley. COLUMBIA, TENNESSEE, FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 1893. VOL. XIV.—NO. 26.

**H. P. SEAVY,**  
**Photographer,**  
 COLUMBIA, TENN.  
 (Successor to E. G. Maire.)

**QUEENSWARE!!**  
**QUEENSWARE!!**

Having purchased  
**S. P. HARDEMAN'S**  
**STOCK OF QUEENSWARE,**

I am determined to close it out at very low figures,  
**CHEAPER THAN CAN BE BOUGHT IN**  
**THE STATE.**

In order to make room for my stock of Dry Goods,  
 White Granite Wash Bowls and Pitchers that sold for \$2.25 are now offered at \$1.75.

**MURPHY & ATWELL,**



Manufacturers and Dealers in all kinds of  
**TIN, COPPER,**  
 AND  
**Sheet Iron Ware,**  
 South-East Corner Public Square,  
**Columbin. - - Tenn.**

THE attention of our old friends and the public generally, is respectfully called to the well selected stock of  
**STOVES and GRATES,**  
 For Wood and Coal.  
 Also, a large and well selected assortment of  
**Tin, Copper and Sheet Iron Ware.**  
 Kept constantly on hand. Among the assortment of Stoves may be found  
**COOKING STOVES,**  
 All styles and prices, for Coal or Wood.  
**Parlor and Heating Stoves,**  
 For Coal or Wood, a variety of patterns all from the best Manufacturers and at low prices. Also, a large assortment of  
**CRATES FOR COAL.**

**TITCOMB & WILLIAMS,**  
 DEALERS IN  
**Pure Drugs and Chemicals**  
**PERFUMERY,**  
**PAINTS and OILS,**  
**WINDOW GLASS,**  
**COAL OIL**  
**LAMPS,**  
**SPECTACLES,**  
 Landret, s Fresh Garden Seed.  
 We keep constantly on hand a full supply of all articles usually kept in a first class Drug Store  
**PRESCRIPTIONS**  
 Carefully put up at all hours of the day or night.  
**TITCOMB & WILLIAMS,**

**(Saloons, cont.)**

Hodge, Jas. R.  
 Jamison, R.H.  
 Kanada, Jas.  
 Rainfrow, J.P.  
 Thompson, T.A.  
 Tucker, Jno. T.  
 West, J.S.

**Sheriff**

Sullivan, Wm. M.

**Shoemakers**

Edwards, Jno. A.  
 Herkney, H.C.

**Southern Express**

Hartzell, W.J., agent

**Stoves and Tinware**

Murphy & Atwell  
 O'Neill & Clear

**Telegraph Operator**

Wilbur, J.F.

**U.S. Assessor**

Farris, R. Luther

**Wall Paper**

Frierson Bros.

**Watch Makers**

Hodge, Jas.  
 James, L.H.

**PULASKI**

The County seat of Giles County, Tennessee, is a flourishing and prominent town on the Nashville and Decatur Railroad, 79 miles from Nashville, and 43 miles from Decatur. Population estimated at 2,500. (Advertisements shown below are from the *Pulaski Citizen* of April 10, 1868, except for the first two attorney ads and the Richland Manufacturing ad, which are from the King directory.)

**Agricultural Implements**

Flautt, J.D. & Co.

**Attorneys-at-Law**

Adams, N.

Brown & McCallums

Jones, Thos. M. & Sons

Jones & Timon

Lester, J.C.

Newhill, W.S.

Rose & Gordon

Smithson, N.

Wilkes & Abernathy

JNO. C. BROWN, WM. H. McCALLUM, JAS. McCALLUM.

**BROWN & McCALLUMS,**  
**ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,**  
**PULASKI, TENNESSEE.**

Will Practice their Profession in Giles, and all adjoining Counties, in the Supreme Court, Federal Court, and Courts of Bankruptcy.

**Barber**  
Jones, A.

**Blacksmiths**  
Black, Jno.  
McKissick, Geo.  
Spear, D.

**Books and Stationery**  
Osborn, J.R.

**Boots and Shoes**  
Allison, L.  
Oliver, L.

**Carpenter**  
Mitchell, Samuel

**Circuit Court Clerk**  
McLaurne, F.T.

**Clothing**  
Fisher, J.T.  
Roseman, L.

**College**  
Pulaski Female College

**Confectioner**  
Lambeth & Co.

**Cotton Agency**  
Crow, Jas. R.

**Cotton Mill**  
Richland Manufacturing Co.,  
Sam Orr, Agent

**Cotton Yarns**  
Richland Manufacturing Co.

**County Court Clerk**  
Rose, Ed. W.

**Dentist**  
McCarthy, M.

**Drugs and Medicines**  
Mason, C.T.  
Sumpter & Percy

**Dry Goods**  
Arrowsmith, F. & Co.  
Brannan, H.K.  
Cox & Reynolds  
Duncan & Scoggin  
Ezell, J.P. & Co.  
Ezell, P.H.  
McGrew, Geo. W.  
McGuire & Ezell

THOS. M. JONES. CALVIN JONES. CHAS. P. JONES.

**T. M. JONES & SONS,**  
**ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW,**  
**PULASKI, TENN.**

Will attend promptly to any business entrusted to their care in the counties of Giles, Maury, Marshall and Lawrence.

**Special Attention to all cases of Bankruptcy.**

DR. J. A. SUMPTER & J. L. PEARCY,  
HAVE REMOVED THEIR  
**DRUG STORE**  
One Door South of their Old Stand,  
East side Square, Pulaski, Tenn.,  
HAVE just received a fresh stock of pure and reliable Drugs, Medicines, and Fancy Articles, etc., to which they invite the attention of their friends and the public generally.  
The Drug business will be under the direction of Mr. Percy, while Dr. Sumpter will continue the position of Physician. Office, back room of drugstore.  
A Fresh Supply of Landreth's, and other Garden Seeds.

**Prescriptions**  
Carefully compounded at all hours by a competent and experienced druggist. Jan 24-14

S. C. MITCHELL, T. J. FLIPPIN.

**Sam. C. Mitchell & Co.,**  
**FUNERAL UNDERTAKERS,**  
**PULASKI, TENN.**

ARE Agents for, and keep constantly on hand, A Crane's celebrated air-tight  
**Metallic Coffins of all Sizes.**  
Wood Coffins of all kinds furnished when preferred.  
We have a **Splendid Hearse,**  
and are fully prepared to wait on Funerals both in town and in the country. Mr. Mitchell will attend to the undertaking, and can be found at all times in doors above the Livery Stable, ready to wait on the public.  
**House Carpentering & Joining.**  
We have plenty of good hands, and can do all kinds of Carpenter's and Joiner's work in good style, and on as good terms as it can be done in the country.

**TERMS CASH.**  
Sept 14-14 S. C. MITCHELL & CO.

**RICHLAND MANUFACTURING CO.,**  
**PULASKI, TENNESSEE.**  
MANUFACTORY OF  
**4-4 XX STANDARD SHEETING,**  
**7-8 DOMESTIC, 7-8 DRILLING, BAGGING,**  
**Heavy Wool Jeans, Batting, Cotton Yarns, all sizes.**  
**SAM ORR, Agent.**

**ARROWSMITH & CO.,**  
**Dealers in**  
**Dry Goods, Clothing,**  
**HATS, BOOTS & SHOES & C.,**  
**WEST SIDE PUBLIC SQUARE,**  
**PULASKI, TENN.**

WE are receiving our large and carefully selected stock of  
**Spring and Summer Goods,**

**Oh, YES!**  
**OH, YES!**

HAVING purchased the interest of E. Edmundson in the stock of Ezell and Edmundson, I have removed to the large and elegant store known as May's corner, where I wish to see all our old customers, and will be glad to call them all the goods they want.

**AS CHEAP AS THE CHEAPEST,**  
**FOR THE CASH!**

I also call on all those owing the old firm of Ezell & Bro. & P. H. Ezell to call and pay up, as I am determined to settle up the old business. After the 1st of March you will have to settle with an of-  
ficer. "A word to the wise," &c.  
Jan 24-14 P. H. EZELL.

**(Dry Goods con't)**

Rosenall, L.  
Stacey & Johnson  
Taylor, J.H.  
Ward & Shepard

**Express Agent**  
Westmoreland, T.S.

**Flour Mills**  
Rainey, W.J.  
Reese, John

**Freight Ticket Agent**  
Westmoreland, T.S.

**Furniture**  
Cole, P.C. & Co.  
Cole & Miller

**Groceries**  
Bramlette, W.  
Choate, T.J. & Co.  
Fisher, J.T.  
Harris, R.  
Malone & Bros.  
McGrew, Geo. W.  
McGuire & Ezell  
Rankin & Co.  
Taylor, J.H.  
Ward & Shepard

**Hardware**  
Flautt, Jno. D. & Co.

**Hotel**  
Tennessee Hotel

**Lamps and Coal Oil**  
Mackenzie, J.N.

**Livery Stable**  
Jackson, Jas. H.  
Rainey, W.J.

**Machine Shop**  
Wilkinson & Webb

**Meat Store**  
Jackson, Jas. H.  
Smith, P.

**Milliner**  
Smith, Miss M.F.

**Newspaper**  
Pulaski Citizen, L.W. McCord, Editor

**READY-MADE CLOTHING,**

**Ladies' Dress Goods,**

**HATS, BOOTS AND SHOES,**

Hardware and Queensware,

and anything else you may call for in our line, all of which we propose to sell at a very small advance for cash. Gold, Silver and Uncurrent Money taken at Nashville rates. We ask an examination of our stock by our friends and the public generally.

Respectfully,  
nov9-4jan **WARD & SHAFARD**

**L. W. McCORD,**  
**Book and Job Printer**  
CITIZEN OFFICE,  
WHIT SIDE PUBLIC SQUARE -- NEXT TO THE HOTEL.  
PULASKI, TENNESSEE.

CASH required for all Job-work. No Job can be taken from the office until paid for.

**NEW**

**SHOE AND BOOT HAT, ING, CLOTH-**

**STORE.**

A. F. WAGNER, FRANK L. BELL

**McGuire & Ezell,**

South-east Corner of the Public Square,  
**Pulaski, Tenn.,**

**HAVE** just received complete stocks of men's and boys' Ready-made Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Hosiery, &c., &c.

To the ladies we would say that our stock of ladies' dresses and children's Boots, Shoes, Gaiters and Hosiery is complete and very desirable, and we especially invite you to an examination of our goods a price.

Our variety of Gent's. and Boys' Clothing, Hats, Boots and Shoes is immense.

We have hats varying in price from 20 cents to \$10. Coats from \$4 to \$20, and everything else in our line in the same.

**Variety of Price and Quality.**

We have exercised great care in selecting our goods, and are determined that those who favor us with their patronage shall be satisfied as to price.

We are agents for Daily, Ordway & Co., Nashville, and Southworth & Nason, Memphis, Tenn.,

**COTTON FACTORS,**  
and will furnish their customers with Rope and Bagging, pay tax and ship their cotton.

The favors of our old friends and the public generally are respectfully solicited.

oct 1897 **McGuire & Ezell.**

**HOME MANUFACTURE**  
AT THE  
**PULASKI**  
**NOVELTY WORKS.**

WE the undersigned now offer to the public our stock of Furniture, manufactured at this place, as cheap as any other establishment in the State. We also make to order to suit customers. Repairing neatly done.

**ALL ORDERS PROMPTLY FILLED.**

**Sewing Machines Repaired.**

Call and see for yourselves and we know we can suit you. Our Ware Room is located on the South-east Corner of the Public Square.

**F. C. COLE & CO.**  
F. C. Cole. [Sept-10] FRANK MILLER.

**Photograph Gallery**  
Hall, Chas.

**Physicians**  
Galowsky, M.M.  
Grant, J.F.  
Grant & Abernathy

**Post Master**  
Coldwell, R.

**Register**  
Anderson, D.G.

**Restaurants [sic]**  
Hill, W.J.  
Joyce, Philip

**Saddles and Harness**  
Tignor, F.G.

**Saloons**  
Bunch, F.M.  
Finley, A.F.  
Flippen & Co.  
Hill, W.J.  
Husband, M.H.  
Moore, J.T.  
Richardson & Kouns

**Sheriff**  
Peten, B.H.

**Shoe Makers**  
Conner, A.  
Rose, R.

**Stoves and Tin Ware**  
Mackenzie, J.N.

**Tailors**  
Markin & Shumaha [sic]

**Tannery**  
Childers, Joseph  
McGrew, Geo. W.

**Telegraph Operator**  
Townsend, N.S.  
**Undertakers**  
Mitchell, S.C. & Co.  
**Wagon Maker**

Urban, J.  
McLean, Jas.  
**Watches and Jewelry**  
Godfrey, Leon

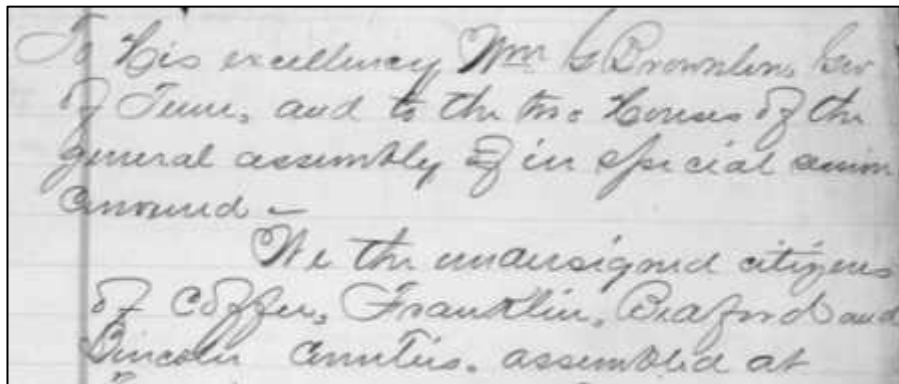


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*This concludes the list of businesses along the Nashville & Decatur Railway.  
Watch for more from King's Directory in the next issue.*

# Racism and Reconstruction at Tullahoma

Democratic Meeting in the 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, 1868



Political rhetoric was running hot in Reconstruction-era Tennessee. The state had been readmitted to the Union in 1866 after ratifying the 14<sup>th</sup> amendment, but Radical Republican Governor William Brownlow was making sure that former Confederates in Tennessee continued to feel the sting of defeat.

The sensationalist *New York World* announced:

### The Impending Conflict: A War of Races Imminent

In Tennessee the situation is . . . appalling. The unrestrained ferocity of Brownlow at the head of his "loil" militia . . . will beyond doubt lead to bloodshed, and so imminent appears this peril that on behalf of the good citizens of the State, a gentleman has been despatched to the North . . . in hopes of producing such a moral pressure upon Brownlow and his Legislature as may make them halt in their desperate designs.

Brownlow, closely associated with President Andrew Johnson, had gained a stronghold of control over his state. By denying former Confederates the right to vote or hold office, the Governor was able to place his radical friends in state and local positions and push through legislation that was hated by the majority of citizens. In particular, Brownlow insisted that formerly enslaved men had the right to vote. Thousands of black voters were added to the rolls in place of the disenfranchised whites, and civil unrest was in the air.

More moderate people of both races attempted to bring unity to fractured communities. Others fanned the flames of hatred, as when Nashville's *Republican Banner* practically called for a revolutionary overthrow of white southerners to depose Brownlow and his Republicans and to take away the rights recently won by people of color.

"Today the State of Tennessee . . . this old, worthy, respectable and worthy Commonwealth, is a political prison-house, a body politic of slavery. In this state reconstruction has perfected itself and done its worst. . . . It has placed the black man over the white as the agent and prime mover of domination; it has constructed a system . . . by which all free guarantees, privileges and opportunities are removed from the people. The fewest number of white men, outside of the Radical party, possess the capability of casting a free ballot, and the idea of carrying the State for the Democratic ticket next November without a revolutionary movement is [illegible]."<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> "Shall We Organize?" Nashville *Republican Banner*, Jan. 4, 1868, p.2:2.

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Regardless of the damaging rhetoric, it was true that many, perhaps a majority, of those who had voted before the Civil War were now unable to play any part in determining the future of the state or the nation. With President Johnson having just barely avoided impeachment and soon to leave office, Tennesseans began to hope they could oust Brownlow as well.

A huge group of men gathered at Tullahoma in the fall of 1868 to elect candidates for the democratic ballot. Representing the 4<sup>th</sup> Congressional District, they came from Coffee, Bedford, Franklin and Lincoln counties. Even though many of those attending would not be able to vote in the upcoming elections, they were there to express their determination that change must occur. At that meeting more than 300 men signed this petition asking that the vote be restored to former Confederates.

Evidently each county sent elected delegates to the meeting, but it was open to everyone to attend. A report in the *Republican Banner* of August 31, 1868, mentions that Coffee County delegates had just been elected by a convention in Manchester. These delegates would go to Tullahoma the following week to nominate a candidate for Congress. The article names 42 delegates to be sent from Coffee County, along with “the officers and members of the Democratic Club at Tullahoma.” Several of the 42 also appear on the petition below: B. Ward; H.W. Carroll; E.F. Hunt; G.H. Norton; George Stillman; J.E. Bennett; J.H. Lasater and A.J. Uselton.<sup>2</sup>



**Congressman Edmund Cooper (1821-1911)**  
**Renounced the Republican party and became a**  
**champion for Confederate amnesty.**  
(findagrave.com)

On Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> the *Republican Banner* reported that “the gallant Captain Sheafe” was nominated for Congress at the Tullahoma Convention, and the Honorable Abner A. Steele was to represent the district in the Electoral College. Charles A. Sheafe was a native of Ohio who had served three years in Union army in Tennessee, remained, and settled in Coffee County.<sup>3</sup> Steele, an attorney from Marshall County, had resigned in protest from the State Legislature under Gov. Brownlow.<sup>4</sup>

Former Republican Congressman Edmond Cooper of Shelbyville also played a prominent role. At a gathering in Nashville on Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> Sheafe and Cooper addressed a “grand gathering of white and black Tennesseans” at the courthouse. Cooper, a close friend of President Johnson, had become disillusioned with Brownlow’s Republicans and switched to the Democrat side in this election. He denounced Gov. Brownlow and his Radical Republican government for their refusal to let former Confederates vote or participate in government. Sheafe went further, saying “Here in your capitol the chair that was honored by Bell and Polk and Neil Brown is now filled by a reeking mass of corruption, kept alive only by its own malignity.”<sup>5</sup>

Capt. Sheafe was elected by a majority vote, but Gov. Brownlow declared that the voting was not properly held in several key districts. Although he had no real authority to do so, Brownlow threw out the votes from those districts, causing Sheafe to lose. A major controversy and Congressional investigation followed, but that is a story for another time.

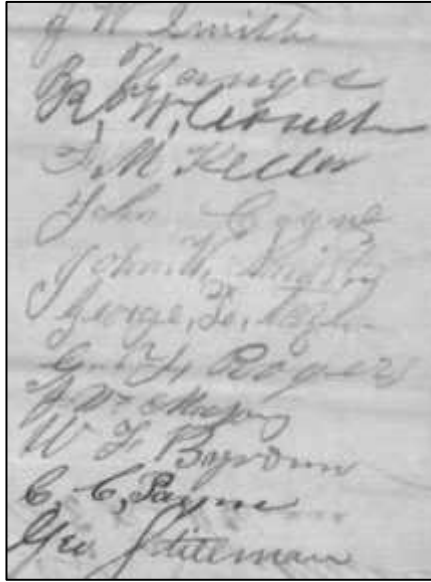
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<sup>2</sup> “Conservative Convention at Manchester,” *Nashville Republican Banner*, 2 Sept. 1868, p.1:2.

<sup>3</sup> Thomas B. Alexander, “Kukluxism in Tennessee,” *Tennessee Historical Quarterly* vol. 8 (1949), p. 211.

<sup>4</sup> Biographical Directory of the Tennessee General Assembly, Volume 1, 1796-1861 (Nashville: State Library & Archives and State Historical Commission, 1975), p.695.

<sup>5</sup> The Campaign: Opening Gun of the Tennessee Democracy. *Republican Banner* [Nashville], 18 Sept. 1868:4.



The following list of more than 340 signers of the Tullahoma petition was pieced together with the editor's best guess as to the signatures. Many were in pencil and not very legible. In order to attempt to verify at least some of the signatures, a quick search was made of the 1870 Census index on Ancestry.com, and names matched when possible. Researchers are cautioned to double-check both the petition (available online) and the census to verify that the correct person has been identified.

*To His excellency Wm. G. Brownlow, Gov. of Tenn., and to the two Houses of the general assembly in special session convened.*

*We the undersigned citizens of Coffee, Franklin, Bedford and Lincoln counties, assembled at Tullahoma, representing every shade of political opinion, as make known their earnest desire, and as we believe the desire of a large majority of the citizens of said counties, that a convention should be called for the purpose of removing the disabilities from all disfranchised citizens; (except those who have forfeited their right by crime, and*

*conviction) and thereby enfranchise a large portion of the tax paying, as well as intelligent citizens of our state – and the better to ensure peace, harmony, and an equal by all in the future prosperity and onward march of our noble state.*

*Your humble petitioners respectfully request this from an other consideration that it alienates too many citizens of our state from the proper interest in the execution of the laws and thereby renders certain laws in many locations a mere nullity.*

*The undersigned in presenting this respectful memorial would regret to be understood as aiming at in the least degree to destroy, or impair, the rights and franchises of any other persons, who are at this time in po[se]ssion of the same.*

*Hoping that this, our humble petition, may receive your attention, and proper consideration,*

*We are with great Respt,<sup>6</sup>*

<b>Signatures</b>	<b>1870 Census Possible Match</b>
<i>Page 1, Column 1</i>	
W.H. Isom	Wiley Isom in Coffee County or William Isom in Lincoln County
R.J. King	R.J. King age 59, presumed wife Mary A., Bedford County District 3, farmer, no real estate.
J.N. Ayres	Jasper age 28 or James age 24 Ayers, Bedford County District 23, farmers, no real estate.
R.C. Parks	Robert Parks age 64, presumed wife Flora, Franklin County District 6, no real estate.
J. Burt	Several possibilities
J. Ledford	John Ledford age 26, presumed wife Angeline, Coffee County District 5, farmer, no real estate
J.A. Edwards	Several possibilities
S.B. Foster	
W.[?]. Clay	Several possibilities
D.K. Poe	D.K. Poe age 26, presumed wife Susan, Franklin County District 14, farmer, no real estate
Geo. Poe	
Chas. Sanders	One in Franklin and one in Lincoln County.
Lewis Davidson <sup>i</sup>	Louis Davidson age 33 and wife Adeline, Bedford County, District 19, farmer, no real estate
Isaac Ingram <sup>ii</sup>	Isaac Ingram age 55 and wife Sarah, Coffee County, District 14, farmer, \$1000 real estate.

<sup>6</sup> "Tullahoma Assembly Petition for the Restoration of Voting Rights," *Reconstruction and the African-American Legacy in Tennessee*, Tennessee Virtual Archives (TeVA), Tenn. State Library & Archives (<https://teva.contentdm.oclc.org>).

Signatures	1870 Census Possible Match
H.L. Jones	
W.C. Lones [Jones?]	
J.O. Blanton	
M.G. Osborn	
[?].[?]. Coldwell	
Adam Nelson <sup>iii</sup>	Adam Nelson age 63 and wife Lucinda, Franklin County, District 7, farmer, \$1200 real estate.
W.A. Stafford	
A.R. [illegible]	
Wm. T. Jolly	Several possibilities.
Wm. McMillian	Wm. McMillen age 38, presumed wife N.M., Lincoln County District 8, farm laborer, no real estate.
[C?] Blanton	Coleman Blanton age 60, presumed wife Nancy, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$300 real estate
J.R. Baram	James Barham age 43, presumed wife Mary, Lincoln County District 10, farmer, \$2800 real estate
<i>Page 1, Column 2</i>	
[A?] Brown	
[S.P.?] Ray	
A.W. Barten	
Geo. W. Byrom <sup>iv</sup>	George W. Byrum age 33 and wife Victoria, Franklin County District 15, farmer, \$2500 real estate
Samuel M. Parks	
A Millsaps <sup>v</sup>	Adam Millsaps age 45 and wife Sarah, Franklin County District 15, farmer, no real estate
H. [J.?] Byrom <sup>vi</sup>	Henry J. Byrum age 30 and wife Trissie, Franklin County District 15, farmer, no real estate
G.W. Byrom	
Nathaniel Osborn	
J.W. Smith	
R. Hanges[?]	
R.W. Lionel[?]	
F.M. Keller <sup>vii</sup>	FM Keller age 26 and wife Lucinda, Bedford County District 2, farmer, \$2000 real estate
John Coyne	One in Rutherford County age 42, from Indiana.
John W Smith <sup>viii</sup>	John W Smith age 52 and wife Mary, Franklin County District 15, farmer, \$2500 real estate
George L. Taylor <sup>ix</sup>	George L. Taylor age 45 and wife Jane, Franklin County District 15, farmer, \$1200 real estate
G.F. Rogers <sup>x</sup>	G.F. Rogus [sic] age 40 and wife Mary, Franklin County District 14, farmer, no real estate
J.W. Majors[?]	Several possibilities
W.F. Byrom	
C.C. Payne <sup>xi</sup>	C.C. Payne age 37 and wife Sarah, Lincoln County District 1, farmer, \$1200 real estate
Geo. Stillman	
<i>Page 2, Column 1</i>	
J.R. Baran[?]	
A.M. Holt, M.D.	
[C.] T. W. S. Blanton	
Sanders[?] Jones	
Rev. Jas. Williams	James Williams age 56, presumed wife Eliza, Coffee County District 13, Methodist Minister, no real estate.
Henry Sweeny	
J.W. Davidson	
C. Hays	
[E.] J. Rector[?]	

<b>Signatures</b>	<b>1870 Census Possible Match</b>
D.M. Cohile[?]	
John F. Leach <sup>xii</sup>	John F. Leach age 53 and wife Rebecca, Franklin County District 15, farmer, \$2300 real estate
J.J. Hudgins <sup>xiii</sup>	John Hudgins age 66, Franklin County District 14, farmer, \$1000 real estate
B.F. Allen	
G.H. Norton <sup>xiv</sup>	George Norton age 48 (born in England) and wife Mary, Coffee County District 13, railroad agent, \$10,000 personal estate, \$200 real estate
A.G. Runnels	
James Buckner	
T. [?] Carpenter	
Jas. Mellon	
Berrey Kelly <sup>xv</sup>	Barry Kelly age 47 and wife Ellen, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$1000 real estate
J.P. Keele	
Wm. Vandiver <sup>xvi</sup>	William Vandever age 25 and wife Hannah, Franklin County District 15, farmer, no real estate
F.S. Calley[?]	
Addison Temple <sup>xvii</sup>	Addison Lemple [ <i>sic</i> ] age 72, Franklin County District 8, farmer, \$2,400 real estate
Ruben Dixon	
J.G. Burt	
P. [N.?] Hardin	
G.F. Hamilton	
J.H. Fipps	
Alex Marchbanks <sup>xviii</sup>	Alex Marchbanks age 48 and wife Barbra, Bedford County District 25, farm laborer, no real estate
S.W. Tankesley	
[?] C. Pearson	
C.L. Pryor	
A. Brown	
S.H. Scoggins	
M.L. Scoggins <sup>xix</sup>	M.J. Scragguas [ <i>sic</i> ] age 22 and wife M.B., Lincoln County District 12, farmer, no real estate
Petner Hastin	
G.W. Ham	
H.D. Bly	
Thos. Gore[?] <sup>xx</sup>	Thomas Gore age 58 and wife Elvina, Lincoln County District 1, farmer, \$5000 real estate
Jas. C. Morison	
W.R. French <sup>xxi</sup>	William Franch age 25, Coffee County District 14, farmer, \$2000 real estate
John Suitor	
L.J. Anthony <sup>xxii</sup>	Loron J. Anthony age 44 and wife Louisa, Bedford County District 25, farmer, \$2000 real estate
A.G. Ray	
J.A. Gentlener[?]	
C.F. Burt	
R.J. Potter <sup>xxiii</sup>	Robert Patter [ <i>sic</i> ] age 37, presumed wife Melaina, Coffee County District, farmer, \$700 real estate
J.W. Grisard	
J.M. [Tyler or Lyles?]	
S.M. Golder	
S. [?]Rogers	
George Damerill	
G.W. Emery <sup>xxiv</sup>	George Emery age 55, presumed wife Catharine, Coffee County District 7, farmer, no real estate
W.G. Ortur[?]	
J.W. Ethedge	
W.T. Allen	

Signatures	1870 Census Possible Match
M.V. Brittan[?]	
J.W.R. Daniel	
A. [--?--ll]	
J.K. Shofner	
<i>Page 2, Column 2</i>	
James Schliesman	
W.M. Weaver	
J.G. Gilbert <sup>xxv</sup>	Jesse Gilbert age 78 or his son Jessee age 29, Franklin County District 7, farmer, \$600 real estate
J.L. Taylor	
J. Loanes[?]	
<i>Illegible</i>	
W.P. Oliver	
David O. Hicks	
J.L. Anthony <sup>xxvi</sup>	J.L.A. Anthony age 18, Lincoln County District 2, farmer, no real estate
Loid C. Paynes	
[C.?] J. Taylor <sup>xxvii</sup>	C.J. Taylor age 55, presumed wife Mary E., Franklin County District, farmer, \$1800 real estate.
W.F. Holder	
J.A. Lasater <sup>xxviii</sup>	James Lasater age 35, presumed wife Rebecca, Franklin County District 14, farmer, \$200 real estate.
[J.? H.?] Cozey	
R.B. Mashburn <sup>xxix</sup>	Robt Mashburn age 35, presumed wife Margaret, Franklin County District 15, farmer, \$600 real estate
J.D. Blakeman <sup>xxx</sup>	J.D. Blakman age 50, Rutherford County District 4, farm laborer, no real estate. This may not be correct as Rutherford was not in the Congressional District, but as a laborer Blackman may have moved frequently
J.M. Pylant	
H. [?] Jones	
George Miller	
R.P. Jones	
J.A. Silvertooth <sup>xxxi</sup>	J.A. Silvertooth age 53, presumed wife M.E., Lincoln County District 1, farmer, \$600 real estate
D.R. Puryear	
T.O. Crawford <sup>xxxii</sup>	Thomas Crawford age 25 (born Ireland), presumed wife Lucy, Coffee County District 13, revenue collector, no real estate
A.J. Uselton [Shff.?)	Andrew Uselton age 48, presumed wife Caroline, Coffee County District 3, farmer and sheriff, \$1080 real estate
[G.?] S. [-?-eetier]	
E.B. McLean	Edward McLain age 26, presumed wife Ruth, Bedford County District 11, merchant, \$1500 personal estate, no real estate.
J. [?] Poe	
M.L. Rober [Roper?]	
J.M. Hastings	
Danniel Blackman	Daniel Blackman age 62, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$1500 real estate
[D.? A.?] George	
Ransom Holder	Ransom Holder age 72 or son Ransom age 40, Franklin County District 7, no real estate
Seth Hart	
Jones A. Sl-?-rs?)	
H.D. Bevill	H.D. Bevill age 32, Franklin County District 14, farmer, no real estate
[S? J?] Allen	

<b>Signatures</b>	<b>1870 Census Possible Match</b>
W.T. Kinderick	Wm. Kendricks age 27, presumed wife Rebecca, District 24 Bedford County, farmer laborer, no real estate
W.G. Allen	
T.H. Allen	
Wm. M. Tankisly	William Tankersly age 20, Marshall County, farmer, no real estate. Marshall County is not in the correct Congressional District, but this young man was listed with his father in an adjoining county.
Earvin Adams	Ervin W. Adams age 55, presumed wife Mariah, Bedford County District 20, farmer, \$4800 real estate.
J.A. Thomas	Several possibilities
C. Lakey	Possibly Clab [Claiborne?] Locky age 25, Rutherford County, engineer, no personal estate. Rutherford was not in the Congressional district.
S.W. Carroll	Samuel Carroll age 28, presumed wife Mary, Coffee County District 14, farmer, no real estate
[J.?] W. Farris	John Farris age 34, presumed wife Mary, Coffee County District 12, medical doctor, no real estate.
W.M. Farris, M.D.	
E.P. Byrom	Edward Byrum age 36, presumed wife Emaline, Franklin County District 7, farmer, no real estate.
Wm. M. Poe	
M.M. Muse	Mansfield Muse age 24, presumed wife Amanda, Franklin County District 7, farmer, \$600 real estate
W.C. Morgan	W.C. Morgan age 37, presumed wife N.T., Lincoln County District 8, farmer, no real estate, \$4000 personal estate
J.S. Hill	Several possibilities
<i>Page 3, Column 1</i>	
A C. Crowell[?]	
J.K. Shofner	Several possibilities
John F. Sublett	John L. Sublette age 50, presumed wife Dicie Ann, Franklin County District 8, farmer, \$2500 real estate.
David [T.?] Taylor	David L. Taylor age 24, presumed wife Elizabeth, Franklin County District 12, famer, no real estate
Dewit Bennett	D.W.C. Bennett age 33, presumed wife Elizabeth, Coffee County District 13, insurance agent, no real estate
James Holt	Several possibilities
James Byrom	Polk J. Byrum age 22, Franklin County District 7, farmer, no real estate
Wm. Pence [Punce?]	
W.F. Steel	
Peter Vibert	Peter Vibbart age 68, presumed wife Susan, Franklin County District 7, farmer, \$1000 real estate
Lecil Bobo	Lecerel [ <i>sic</i> ] Bobo age 21, Bedford County District 24, farmer, no real estate
J.Q.A. Farrar	John Farrar age 53, presumed wife Bersheba, Coffee County District 7, farmer, \$2900 real estate
T.F. Mitchel	Several possibilies
J.M. [Young?]	
John [Caene?]	
B.W. Cooper	B.W. Cooper age 57, Lincoln County District 1, farmer, \$1000 real estate
S.J. Green	
J.L. Moore	
Linton Paine	
E.F. Hunt	Eliziah in Bedford or Edward in Coffee County
H.F. Smartt	Hezekiah Smart age 35, presumed wife Sarah, Coffee County District 13, surveyor, \$1000 real estate

<b>Signatures</b>	<b>1870 Census Possible Match</b>
Nathan Spears	Nathan Spears age 58, presumed wife Lucinda, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$1250 real estate
A [Dyre?]	
Wm. B. Gossage	Several possibilities
Laban [illegible]	Laban Walters age 26, presumed wife Mary, Coffee County District 6, blacksmith, \$150 real estate. (This is the only man named Laban in these counties in 1870.)
James Oldfield	James Oldfield age 34, presumed wife Caroline, Coffee County District 5, farm laborer, no real estate
Sondyriil Montgomery	Sandy Montgomery age 50, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$350 real estate
H.W. Carroll	Henry W. Carroll age 46, presumed wife Mary, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$15,000 real estate
J.F. Barton	
James Oldfield, Sen.	
D.T. [Putnam?]	Daniel Putnam age 27, presumed wife Nancy, Coffee County District 13, blacksmith, \$125 real estate
Rozel Howl [Howell?]	
W. [Quitman or Gutman?]	
H.C. Stephens	Several possibilities
John Oliver	Several possibilities
John Carroll	John Carroll age 71, Coffee County District 14, farmer, no real estate
J.P.K. Carroll	James K. Carnall [ <i>sic</i> ] age 34, presumed wife Almetta, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$200 real estate
Jessy Carroll	Jesse Carroll age 25, Coffee County District 5, laborer, no real estate
Wm. Carroll	William Carroll age 67, presumed wife Darcas, Coffee County District 14, farmer, \$300 real estate
J. [H.?] Ribbalt	
B. Ward	
G.T. Rogers	
W.H. McLenall	
J.N. Rutherford	Josiah Rutherford in Coffee or James Rutherford in Bedford County
J.H.F. Welsh	
A.J. [--?--]	
Newton Majors	Newton Majors age 57, presumed wife Mahaly, Franklin County District 15, shoemaker, no real estate
Wm. C. [Kinny?]	
J.O. Smyth	
M.H. Crognal	Matthias Crassno age 48, presumed wife Louisa, Coffee County District 13, carpenter, \$1000 real estate
J.N. Gray	
Phlegming Putman	Fleming Putnam age 38, presumed wife Mary, Franklin County District 6, laborer, no real estate
H. [Fowler?]	
Joel Mullins	Joel Mullins age 35, presumed wife Nancy, Franklin County District 15, farmer, no real estate
Walton Rogers	Two men of this name lived in Franklin County District 15, one was 52 and the other 21 years old.
Robert Worrell	
H. Powers	Henry Powers (mulatto) age 21, Coffee County District 2, farm laborer, no real estate. [It would be unusual for a person of color to sign such a petition, but it is possible.]
G.C. Reney	George Raney age 34, presumed wife Sarah, Bedford County District 20, farmer, no real estate

<b>Signatures</b>	<b>1870 Census Possible Match</b>
Joseph S. Payne	Several possibilities
T.B. Boles	Thos Bowles age 50, presumed wife M.S., Lincoln County District 23, farmer, \$400 real estate
J.J. Thurston	
James K. T. Carroll	James K. Carnall [ <i>sic</i> ] age 23, presumed wife Almetta, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$2000 real estate
J.M. Hampton	James M. Hampton age 48, presumed wife Jennette, Franklin County District 7, blacksmith, no real estate, \$750 personal estate
J.H. Cotton	John H. Cotton age 45, presumed wife Nancy, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$650 real estate
Wm. Eoff	William Eoff age 45, presumed wife Narcissus, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$13,500 real estate
W.J. Brown	Several possibilities
J.W. Murphy	Possibilities include John W. Murphy age 30, presumed wife Nancy, Franklin County District 15, teacher, \$300 real estate
[J.? D.?] Burt	John Burt age 45, presumed wife Malinda, Coffee County District 11, farmer, no real estate
J.W. Lusk	James and Joseph Lusk were both in Coffee County
Wm. Norton	Two William Nortons in Coffee County, one aged 69 and the other 26
G.H. Warren	Possibilities include G.H. Warren age 44, presumed wife S.C., Lincoln County District 1, wagon maker, \$8500 real estate
L.C. [Yailer?]	
H.N. Davis	
W.H. Crawford	William Crawford age 50, presumed wife Martha, Coffee County District 13, carpenter, \$300 real estate
Andrew Newman	The only Andrew Neman listed is a 30-year old in Rutherford County, which is outside the Congressional District
David Woener	
G.S. Newsom	George Newsom age 29, presumed wife Louisa, Bedford County District 25, farm laborer, no real estate
<i>Page 3, Column 2</i>	
R.J. Prince	
James Adams	Several possibilities
D. Jolley	Two Daniel Jolleys lived in Coffee County's District 5
J.F. Maynard	Ira F. Maynard age 46 (born in Vermont), presumed wife Mary, Coffee County District 13, retail merchant, \$2000 real estate, \$6000 personal estate
J.M. Paxton	
Geo. W. Davidson	
Nathan Earles	
Geo. N. Davidson	There are George Davidsons listed in both Coffee and Bedford counties
Wm. Gooseby	William Goolsby age 48, presumed wife Caroline, Franklin County District 15, farmer, no real estate
T.W. Chastain	Thomas W. Chasten [ <i>sic</i> ] age 39, presumed wife Mehala, Franklin County District 14, farmer, \$1000 real estate
W.H. Reeve	
M. Oldfield	Milton Oldfields age 60, Coffee County District 5, saw mill worker, no real estate
W.J. Roggers	Walton J. Rogers age 21, Franklin County District 15, farm laborer, no real estate
James M. Garland	James Garland age 32, presumed wife America, Coffee County District 13, brick mason, \$650 real estate
A Barton	
W.E. Cocke [or Roche?]	
W.W. Barten	William Barton age 50, Franklin County District 1, physician, \$3500 real estate

<b>Signatures</b>	<b>1870 Census Possible Match</b>
Simpson Gunn	Simpson Gunn age 45, presumed wife Catharine, Coffee County District 5, farmer, \$4700 real estate
G.W. Richardson	
P.R. Jones	
[Solmdrn?] Nelson	Solomon Nelson age 75 (black), Coffee County District 5, farm laborer, no real estate. [It would be unusual for a black person to sign such a petition, but it is possible.]
William Tinsley	
Will Putman	
W.W. Hanes	W.W. Haynes age 54, presumed wife Nancy, Franklin County District 8, farmer, \$2500 real estate
James Parker	Two James Parkers lived in the district, James B. in Bedford and James in Coffee County.
John T. Faull	
John McCarroll	Jno. E. McCarroll age 26, presumed wife Mary, Bedford County District 24, farm laborer, no real estate
J.W. Marshall	
<i>Page 4, Column 1</i>	
M.R. Campbell	
F. G. Bishop late 68 <sup>th</sup> NYV	This man had served in the Union Army, New York Volunteers
Silas Williams	Two Silas Williams' lived in the district, one in Bedford one in Franklin County
Samuel Weaver	Two Samuel Weavers lived in the district, one in Lincoln and one in Franklin County
Wm. B. Holt	William B. Holt age 47, presumed wife Sarah, Franklin County District 7, gunsmith, \$3500 real estate
Luris B. Morgan	Lewis Morgan 36, presumed wife Hannah, Coffee County District 13, blacksmith, \$10,000 real estate
Wm. M. Anderson	Several possibilities
J.E. Bennett	John E. Bennett age 45, presumed wife Elizabeth, Coffee County District 13, stock broker, \$9000 real estate
O.V. Anderson	
L. Enochs	
[illegible] Calvin[?]	
F. Awalt	
[E.?] W. Blackwell	
H.J. Langston	Henry Langston age 27, presumed wife Theda, Coffee County District 13, carpenter, \$400 real estate
I.J. Lichtenchtery	
David Collins	David Collins age 43, presumed wife Margret, Marshall County District 16, miller, real estate \$1600. [Marshall County is outside the Congressional district.]
J.L. Lowery	
F.S. Hill, Tullahoma	T.S. Hill age 32, Franklin County District 14, distiller, no real estate
James Tucker, Tullahoma	
C.H. Norton	Charles Norton age 26 (born Ohio), Coffee County District 13, teamster, \$350 real estate
James Arnel	
Allis[--?--]	
[G. H.?] Warren	
Asa Campbell	
John J. Bell	
J.M. Sims	J.N. Sims age 23, Lincoln County District 17, farmer, no real estate
G.W. Elkins	Gabriel Elkins age 35, presumed wife Mary, Coffee County District 10, farmer, no real estate
[A.?] Armstrong	

<b>Signatures</b>	<b>1870 Census Possible Match</b>
J.H. Lasater	James Lasater of Franklin County and John Lasater of Coffee County both lived in the Congressional district
Daniel Anthony	Danl Anthony age 37, presumed wife Sarah, Bedford County District 25, farmer \$1200 real estate
J.B. Mu[??]	
A.W. Elkins	Arey W. Elkins age 49, presumed wife Argelia, Bedford County District 23, famer, \$3260 real estate
Saul [Saml?] Sherril	
B.W. Holder	Two Benjamin Holders are listed in Bedford County and one in Franklin County
D.W. [Millsaps?]	
L. Anthony	
H.S. Hugins	
M.V. Curl	Martin Curl age 30, presumed wife Racheal, Franklin County District 15, farmer, \$800 real estate
J. P. Foster	
George Weaver	George Weaver age 28, Coffee County District 5, farm laborer, \$500 real estate
J.S. Rogers	
V.N. Rogers	
M.P. Duckworth	M.P. Duckworth age 40, presumed wife Milly, Lincoln County District 1, farmer, \$800 real estate
W.M. Holt	
C.A. [Medford?]	
J.W. Simpson	Joseph W. Simpson age 40, presumed wife Jane, Franklin County District 15, farmer, \$2400 real estate
M.J. Person	
W. Davidsen	
Henry [C.?] Berry	
Q.W. Eggleston	John W. Eggleston age 53, presumed wife Annie, Franklin County District 15, farmer \$1194
J.B. Gunn	Jesse and John Gunn both lived in Coffee County in 1870
Allen Blackwell	Allen Blackwell age 42, presumed wife Eudora, Franklin County District 7, farmer, no real estate
R.W. Cates	Rolle W. Coats age 39, presumed wife Mary, Bedford County District 5, famer, no real estate
J.W. Fly	
W.M. [Slammants?]	
Wm. C. Gilbert	William Gilbert age 49, presumed wife Mary, Franklin County District 7, farmer, \$200 real estate
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Jo. B. Marshall	
W.W. Powell	
Milferd Hoov[er?] (colerd)	
M.M. Williams in haste	M.M. Williams age 42, presumed wife Jane, Lincoln County District 18, blacksmith, \$1500 real estate
J. [L?] Bennett	

