#### LADY HOMESTEADERS OR HINTS FROM PATENTEE LISTS

Women were allowed to homestead land. When my great, great grandparents moved from Vermont to Kansas in 1872 with a family of grown but still single children, the parents and each child homesteaded a section of land, that is a square mile, consisting of 640 acres. Their son who was my mother's grandfather raised my mother. She recalled him talking about the regulations concerning how much time you were required to spend on your claim to finally get title to it. Each child and the parents has a separate claim, but none wanted to live a mile from the nearest person, all alone. Eventually all the children married, but until they did, they devised a schedule so that the brothers spent some of the required time with the sisters on their claims, so they would not be all alone on the vast prairie. The schedule had to allow each brother to spend enough time on his own claim, and they were sharing the duties of developing each homestead. A few years ago, a cousin sent a picture she had just taken of the four mile long rock fence my great grandfather built around his mile-square claim in the mid-1870's.

However, in Christian County, the lady homesteaders were relatively rare. Most homesteaders were men. When a woman's name appeared as a patentee, chances are the record leads to a story. Most often, this is a story of a death, occasionally of marriage or divorce or independence. Sometimes, the patent record leads to court records or unexpected evidence. Here are some women homesteaders and what the record verifies of what we may have already known. Here too are the unknowns whose records may point us at another time toward research solutions.

## WHO WERE ELIZABETH ANDERSON AND SARAH CARTER?

ANDERSON, ELIZABETH N½ 25	SW 27N 22W Sec	c 06 1845 (	Oct 01	2194
MO5270313				
CARTER, SARAH W½ 1NW	27N 22W Sec 06	1845 Oct 01	2378	
MO5270 .336				

Elizabeth Anderson and Sarah Carter patented land in the same section on the same day, October 1, 1845. In the same section, range and township and registered the same day as:

MASSEY, EPHRAIM	E½ 1NW	27N 22W Sec 06	1845 Oct 01	2180
MO5270312				
MASSEY, EPHRAIM	E½ 2NW	27N 22W Sec 06	1845 Oct 01	2180
MO5270312				
MASSEY, EPHRAIM	$W^{1/2}$ 2NE	27N 22W Sec 06	1845 Oct 01	2180
MO5270312				

Ephraim Massey was probably the son of James H. and Faithful Elizabeth (Strickland) Massey, born about 1815 to 1817. If so, his younger brother, Nathaniel J. Massey 5 Apr 1818 - 8 Apr 1869, was a great grandfather of one-time Christian County Prosecuting Attorney, Gordon J. Massey. This Ephraim Massey's family married into the

Rountree, Bass and Jarrett families. But, that doesn't answer the question, "Who were Elizabeth Anderson and Sarah Carter?"

Greene County records show that Ephraim Massey married Eliza Warren 7 Jul 1836. The 1840 Greene County census shows Ephraim's household consisting of a white male and female, each age 20 - 30 and one white male under age 5. I could not locate Ephraim anywhere on the 1850 census, suggesting the possibility that he had died. Perhaps, Elizabeth Anderson may be the former Eliza (Warren) Massey? In that case, the land and certificate should be identical. Though they are adjacent, they are not the same property.

According to the Reminiscent History of the Ozark Region account of Ephraim's brother Harvey Massey, their Irish born father, James Massey, fathered 22 children by two wives. The 1840 shows, in addition to separate households of his sons Ephraim, Nathaniel, and James H., that the father's household consisted of a white male age 5 to 10, a white male age 15 to 20, two white males age 50 to 60, one white female 15 to 20, one white female 20 to 30, one male slave under age 10, four male slaves age 10 to 24, one female slave under age 10 and one female slave age 36 to 55. By 1850, the 70 year old father has a 30-year old wife and children ages 9, 7, and 3 years and 6 months. He does let his wife catch up a bit by the neat trick of remaining the same age in 1860 as he was in 1850, while she turned 40 and the household grew by adding four new children then ages 8, 6, and 2 years and four months. Since known children number only 14, several either must have died young or the RHOZ information is incorrect. The Reminiscent History says the father "died during the war" and the estate was probated in 1864. Whether he was in about 84 or only 74, he was definitely older than most parents of toddlers. Does that leave room for daughters who might be two women neighbors of Ephraim Massey? Perhaps. However, a totally different Elizabeth is known to be a daughter, so Elizabeth Anderson is probably not his daughter. Since Sarah isn't mentioned by name in published sources, she is also an unlikely candidate.

What became of Ephraim and Eliza (Warren) Massey and their daughter? They don't appear in any recognizable form on the 1850 census. Did they die? No legible tombstone has been read and published for them near this land. Did they move? The questions remain unanswered. An 1981 account of the James Massey family in Ozar'Kin does not mention Ephraim Massey. It does say there were additional children from James' first marriage whose names are unknown and a query in Ozar'Kin by a lady writing a history of the family of one of Ephraim's brothers, Robert Massey, asked if anyone knew what became of this family of Ephraim and Eliza (Warren) Massey. It is intriguing but probably coincidental that the submitter of the family account was named Massey Carter. Perhaps the estate settlement of James Massey in 1864, where he says that after his youngest child turns 18 and his wife is provided for, the rest of his estate is to be divided among all his heirs, might give a lead to what became of Ephraim.

The 1850 Greene County census does not list any Elizabeth Anderson. It is tempting to speculate that this person many have had a connection to the Martha Anderson who when she was 18 and James Massey was 58 (according to the Ozar'Kin family summary) became James Massey's second wife 10 Jul 1838 in Greene County. No proof has been found. Another puzzling fact is that no Elizabeth Anderson appears on the 1843 Greene County, Missouri, Tax Assessors' List. If that was her name in 1843,

she should have appeared then. If it wasn't her name at that time, the record should have been in both her name then and the Elizabeth Anderson name, but it was not.

But, who was Sarah Carter? A Sarah Carter, 52-year-old North Carolina born widow with a daughter Hannah F., 20 born Illinois, and son James A. 18 and daughters, Sarah E. 16 and Mary E. 9, all born in Missouri, is in household 784 of Porter Township of Greene County, Missouri in 1850. The list of her neighbors make clear that she is in the vicinity of Section 6, Township 27N, Range 22 W, or about three miles west and a mile north of the current west Nixa city limits on Highway 14. She probably is the Sarah Carter in this BLMGLO record. In 1850, she is living next to William Sanders. The 1840 Greene County census show a Sarah Carter living next to a William Sanders. Her household consists of one white male age 5 to 10; two white females age 5 to 10; two white females age 10 to 15; and one white female age 40 to 50. It is probably the same woman, but we STILL don't know who she is. Circuit County records show that Sarah Carter sued Littleberry Hendricks in Greene County, Mo in 1842 and received a judgment to collect a debt and damages of \$154.18 - and that he counter sued her in the next court session. Is this the same Sarah Carter?

According to The History and Directory of Springfield, in 1835, a cholera epidemic struck Springfield when infected goods arrived in a shipment from St. Louis. The first victim was Springfield's first blacksmith, James Carter, who became sick at 9 a.m. and died at 2 p.m. the same day. He had operated his shop near the northeast corner of what later became the Springfield square. Was this the husband of Sarah Carter? It sounds likely. The Greene County, Missouri Court Book A in the September term 1835 as transcribed and compiled by Marsha Hoffman Rising "Approves Littleberry Hendrick's account of the estate of James Carter, deceased". In February 1837, in Book B, page 122, "Sarah Carter, widow of James Carter, by her attorney John S. Waddle, asked for support of minor heirs of the following names: Nancy, Elizabeth, Francis, James, Sarah and David. Peter Apperson appointed guardian of David Carter, minor heir of James Carter." Finally, in May 1837, a Daniel Coach or Kootch of Lawrence County, Tennessee files a deposition in his case against the estate of James Carter.

Sarah appears to James Carter's widow, but we STILL don't know who SHE was. Maybe the answer is in another state. Two marriages in and adjacent to the Lawrence County, Tennessee residence of the man filing a claim against James Carter's estate are for men named James Carter marrying women named Sarah. James Carter and Sarah Ann Kutch married 9 January 1826 in Maury County, Tennessee. James Carter and Sary Perremore married 10 Feb 1830 in Lawrence County, Tennessee. Similar as the Kootch/Kutch/Coach names are and as tempting as it is to speculate that this is the couple, the fact remains that James Carter died in 1835. Nine years between a marriage and the husband's death is a short time to accumulate the six children for whom she seeks support in 1837. Also, the age of 55 on the 1850 census would make this Sarah Carter 31 at the time of an 1826 marriage. That suggests that either this was a second marriage or, we have the wrong couple. Still, the five children listed with her on the 1840 census could have all been born after 1826.

In 1850, James and Sarah's daughter, Nancy Carter who had married James Mathis 21 Feb 1848, was living directly next door to Sarah and may well be one of the daughters mentioned in James' estate settlement.

Several ladies named Elizabeth live near Sarah Carter on the 1850 census. All of them would have minors in 1845. An obvious question is "Could Elizabeth Anderson be James and Sarah Carter's daughter Elizabeth?" There were two early Greene County marriages of women named Elizabeth Carter: James Banfield to Elizabeth Carter 20 May 1844 and Robert E. Cimmins to Elizabeth Carter 18 Nov 1847. Neither couple is on the 1850 Greene County census.

A lot of Christian County land patents were filed on 1 October 1845. One was this:

HENDRICK, LITTLEBERRY E½ 1NW 27N 23W Sec 01 1845 Oct 01 2347 MO5270 .331

HENDRICK, LITTLEBERRY E½ SW 27N 23W Sec 01 1845 Oct 01 2347 MO5270 .331

Remember the person settling James Carter's estate and the 1842 lawsuits? Well, 27N 23W Sec 01 is immediately west of 27N 22W Sec 06. Hendrick's place is three quarters of a mile west of Carter's homestead. This is likely the same Littleberry Hendrick who served as the Judge of the 14<sup>th</sup> Missouri Judicial Circuit in Springfield. His will was probated in December 1864 in Greene County.

The Ephraim Massey with whom we began this enquiry appears, to our current knowledge, to have no kinship with either woman, not even a documented common former residence. Coincidence, it seems, may be yet alive and well - maybe.

As is often the case with genealogy, we end with more questions than began.

## BATY, ELIZA J.

BATY, ELIZA J. SESW 26N 19W Sec 07 1894 Nov 30 9606 MO6000\_\_.068

BATY, ELIZA J. SWNE 26N 19W Sec 07 1894 Nov 30 9606 MO6000\_.068

BATY, ELIZA J. W½ SE 26N 19W Sec 07 1894 Nov 30 9606 MO6000\_.068

BATY, GEORGE SESW 26N 19W Sec 07 1894 Nov 30 9606 MO6000 .068

BATY, GEORGE SWNE 26N 19W Sec 07 1894 Nov 30 9606 MO6000 .068

BATY, GEORGE W1/2 SE 26N 19W Sec 07 1894 Nov 30 9606 MO6000\_\_.068

George M. Baty - Liza A. Perkins 24 Jul 1885 03/223 Cummins W B j p Eliza Batey - William Baty 13 Feb 1894 05/222 Dray Isaac j p

1880 Mo Christian Linn Twp, Household #246

A. G. BATY Self M Male W 50 AL Farmer NC NC
Martha BATY Wife M Female W 45 AL Keeping House SC GA
George BATY Son S Male W 16 IL Farm Hand AL AL
Thomas BATY Son S Male W 13 IL Farm Hand AL AL
Wiley BATY Son S Male W 11 IL Farm Hand AL AL
Alexander BATY Son S Male W 7 MO AL AL

Name Relation Marital Status Gender Race Age Birthplace Occupation Father's Birthplace Mother's Birthplace

Isaac PERKINS Self M Male W 56 TN Dead Beat --- --Nancy PERKINS Wife M Female W 39 TN Keeps House TN TN
Tressey PERKINS Dau S Female W 17 MO At Home TN TN
Eliza PERKINS Dau S Female W 11 MO At Home TN TN
Etta PERKINS Dau S Female W 8 MO TN TN
PERKINS Son S Male W 1M MO TN TN
Thomas PERKINS Son D Male W 23 MO Doing Nothing TN TN

I don't if this is the right one, but whoever it is, the person giving the occupations of the adult men in the household was in a mood to speak their mind. I wonder if they could have imagined that we would be reading the response a century and a quarter later.

#### **BOLIN, PARILEE (RUYLE) HARPOOL**

BOLYN, PARILEE SESE 27N 21W Sec 19 1873 Feb 01 761 MO5820\_\_.259 HARPOOL, PARILEE SESE 27N 21W Sec 19 1873 Feb 01 761 MO5820\_\_.259

Martin Harpool/Harpole was born in Cannon County, Tennessee about 1833 to 1835 to Daniel Harpool and his first wife. At least, he was born in the territory which in 1836 became Cannon County. He married 27 Feb 1858 in Greene County, Missouri Parilee Ruyle, born about 1835 in Illinois to Tennessee natives John W. & Sarah C. (Pruitt) Ruyle. Family researchers believe Parilee is part of the Ruyle/Rule family who had been friends, neighbors and intermarried with Harpool/Harpole families earlier in Virginia and Tennessee and later in Missouri. Daniel's parents are believed to be a Martin and Elizabeth (Ruyle) Harpool. In Missouri, Martin's father, Daniel Harpool and his brother Henry Harpool married two sisters who, like the Harpools, were from Cannon County, Tennessee. The daughters of Jacob and Lucy (Matthews) Melton, Mary the older daughter married Daniel and Tolitha, the younger daughter married Henry Harpool.

On the 1860 Christian County Census, Martin and Parilee (Ruyle) Harpool are listed with their daughter Sarah age 1 and Charles Ruyle age 4. Next door is Granville Bolin, son of William and Millie (Cates) Bolin., who is married to Parilee's sister, Cassinda (Ruyle) Bolin. Martin Harpool died July 13, 1864.

The widow married second on 16 January 1868 her brother-in-law's brother, Elisha Bolin. In 1870, Elisha and Parilee are listed in household 411 of Galloway Township, Christian County, Missouri with Charles Ruyle age 15, Sarah Harpool age 11, Martha Harpool age 7 and Thomas Bolin age 2. As happened sometimes, it appears neither the census taker nor the person giving the information saw to it that the three

older children's surnames were recorded as their birth names. All four children appear to be Bolins. Two Bolin sons, Robert and W. Bedford, were born after this census, and only the three Bolin sons appear with Parilee on the 1876 agricultural census of Christian County. Elisha was living in a different household, so apparently they had separated before 1876. The parentage of Charles Ruyle is uncertain. He might have either been Parilee's son born before her marriage or a relative she was raising after his parents were unable to do so. At any rate, he disappeared from the area between 1870 and 1876.

Parilee and her youngest son are buried in Collin County, Texas.

The fact that the patent was issued in both of Parilee's married names indicated that the process had begun while her name was still Harpool and completed it when her name as Bolin. Because Martin Harpool's name is not on the document, she apparently first applied for the land between Martin's death in 1864 and before her marriage to Elisha in 1868. The fact that Elisha's name was not on the document may mean nothing, but it could indicate that the couple had separated by February 1, 1873. At any rate, Parilee apparently considered the land her own property.

# BROTHERS, LAURA BELLE (GARRISON) HARLESS and maybe FEEHAN, WILLIE HAZEL (HARLESS)

GARRISON, GEORGE W.	NWNE 25N 19	9W Sec 23	1894 Sep 07	33517	
MO5790378					
BROTHERS, LAURA	SWSW	25N 19W Sec	13 1904	Dec 01	14703
MO6250396					
HARLESS, LAURA SWSV	V 25N 19	9W Sec 13	1904 Dec 01	14703	
MO6250396					
HARLESS, WILLIE H.	SWSW	25N 19W Sec	13 1904	Dec 01	14703
MO6250396					
BROTHERS, JOHN W.	NENE 25N 19	9W Sec 23	1911 Jun 05	1109	203239

George W. Garrison - Sarah A. Mills 29 Sep 1874 01/242 Martin J J p g Laura B. Garrison - William H. Harless 24 Dec 1896 06/019 Peace E M rev Jasper N. Brothers - Sarah A. (Mills) Garrison 3 Sep 1898 06/164 Dorland Geo W j p John W. Brothers - Laura B. (Garrison) Harless ? Jul 1899 06/254 Mills Charles j p Note: Laura & John were married by Sarah's brother, Charles Mills

Laura Belle Garrison was born 15 Oct 1877 in Garrison, Missouri, the second child and oldest daughter of George Washington and Sarah Ann (Mills) Garrison. Her grandparents were James S. & Nancy (Halbert) Garrison and Melburn Martin and Samantha M. (Bradburn) Mills. As Melburn had died during the Civil War, Laura would have grown up knowing as a grandparent her mother's step-father, Charles Henry "Hank" Burk, a veteran of Sherman's March. George and Sarah ran a general store in the little town. Most researchers believe the town was named for George.

George Washington Garrison died 6 May 1896. Months later, Laura married William H. Harless 24 Dec 1896. A daughter, Willie Hazel Harless was born to them the following December. As sometimes happens, the 1900 census calls Willie H. male, but the 1910 census calls her Hazel W. Harless, female, same age, same household, though

the 1910 calls Laura's daughter a "servant". It is unclear whether William died or there was a divorce, but the fact that the land record was in his wife and daughter's name make it likely that he died. It is unusual for six year old girl to be listed on a land patent, but it appears to have happened here. Or, with the daughter sharing the same first and last name and middle initial as her father, this may be William H. Harless and his widow.

Sarah Ann (Mills) Garrison married second 3 Sep 1898 Jasper Newton Brothers. Jasper's first wife, whose maiden name was Pinkey Anderson, had died 7 April 1890. Between then and 1898, he was briefly married to Laura Alice (Bilyeu) Keithley Tittsworth.

Ten months later, Laura Belle (Garrison) Harless married her step-brother, John W. Brothers. The 1910 and 1920 censuses show they were the parents of Ernest born 1910 and Carl born 1914 and a daughter Fern born 1912.

Jasper Newton and Sarah Ann (Mills) Brothers moved to Peoria, Ottawa County, Oklahoma. Both died in Oklahoma but were returned to Garrison for burial. A typo in Jasper's obituary made him appear, for the first record in his life, as James Newton Brothers.

John W. and Laura Ann (Garrison) Brothers were living in Bruner on the 1930 census and in Sparta at the time of Jasper's death in 1935. Between then and 1948, they moved to Sacramento County, California, near their son, Ernest Brothers and Laura's daughter. Laura Ann (Garrison) Brothers died in Sacramento, California 17 Jan 1948, age 70. Her husband and son were still there decades later at their own deaths. John W. Brothers died 27 Sep 1963 in Sacramento, California, age 91. Ernest Gifford Brothers died in Sacramento, California 22 December 1994, age 93 years 11 months and 4 days.

As for Willie Hazel Harless, she is almost certainly the Willa Harles Feehan, born 16 Dec 1897 in Missouri to a father named Harles (sic) and mother with the maiden name Garrison who died 30 Jan 1985 in Sacramento, California.

#### **BURKHART, NANCY J. (ROBERTS)**

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BURKHART, NANCY J. N½ SW 25N 19W Sec 23 1898 Feb 09 11172 MO6030__.234
BURKHART, NANCY J. SESW 25N 19W Sec 23 1898 Feb 09 11172 MO6030__.234
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Who is Nancy J. Burkhart? From the 1870 and 1880 Christian County censuses, we know she was the mother of Oliver Burkhart. The 1912 Plat Book of Christian County shows that the 120 acres in this grant is owned by Oliver B. Burkhart.

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1870 MO Christian County Marion Twp. Household 800
Burkhart, Nancy 40 TN
, Oliver 8 MO
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These two are not found on the 1876 agricultural census of Christian County.

1880 MO Christian County Marion Twp, Household 242 Burkhart, Nancy 50 f head TN

#### , Oliver 18 m son MO

The personal property tax index shows that Nancy J. Burkhart had livestock or other personal property of her own for several years between 1879 and 1900.

Burkhart, N. A.	Marion#0211	1883	\$74	0.90	
Burkhart, N. J.	Marionp013 1881	\$89	1.07	Paid	
Burkhart, Nancy	Marionp015	1879	\$83	1.15	Paid in full Mar 18
1880					
Burkhart, Nancy	Marion#0214	1882	\$90	1.08	
Burkhart, Nancy J.	Marion#0224 1884	\$154	1.85		

The Chaffin Funeral Home record shows that her son's mother's maiden name

was Nancy Roberts:

Name: OLIVER B.BURKHART Lifespan: 19 Feb 1861 - 5 Dec 1927

Parents: Son of ? & Nancy (Roberts) Burkhart

Birthplace: MO

Marital Status: Widower Spouse: Jones, Mary E. Send bill to: Workman, John

Occupation: Farmer

Mortuary book & page: Chaffin 23-28 p268

Cemetery: Garrison Cause of death: Cancer

Place of death: Home, near Garrison

Physician: Farthing, Dr. Minister: Applegate, Rev.

Her tombstone in the Old Boston Cemetery shows that she had died more than a year before this patent was issued., yet the patent is in her name alone.

(ROBERTS) NANCY J. BURKHART 1833 - 13 Feb 1897 Old Boston Dau of ? Mar Burkhart, M gw Age 64 years old. As a wife, devoted; As a mother, affectionate; As a friend, ever kind and true" - Tombstone does show her three years younger than 1870 and 1880 censuses do.

Family records call Ann (Roberts) Burkhart 15 Mar 1815 - 9 Aug 1902, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Groves) Roberts and wife of Harvey "Henry" Burkhart 15 Jun 1823 - 5 Jan 1907, Nancy Ann. Nan, Nancy and Ann were often were used interchangeably. However, if this Harvey's wife Ann actually was Nancy Ann (Roberts) Burkhart, Jacob and Elizabeth (Groves) Roberts probably could not also be parents of Nancy (Roberts) Burkhart who was a neighbor of Harvey and Ann (Roberts) Burkhart, was nearly a generation younger than Ann, and still remains the wife of an unknown man. None of Jacob and Elizabeth's sons were old enough to father a daughter in 1833, so she could not be a granddaughter of Jacob and Elizabeth.

Several on-line sources confuse Oliver B. Burkhart born in 1861 to Nancy (Roberts) Burkhart born in 1833 with a son of Harvey and Annie (Roberts) Burkhart of same name and age. Harvey and Annie are always listed together in one household as husband and wife, without any son named Oliver or Oliver B. Nancy and Oliver are always listed together in a different household as mother and son. So, calling Oliver B. a son of the older neighbor couple, Harvey and Annie (Roberts) Burkhart clearly is contrary to original records.

A thorough check of 1850 and 1860 censuses failed to show anyone anywhere who could be this Nancy Roberts.

#### **COOK, CAROLINE**

COOK, CAROLINE SESW 25N 19W Sec 27 1866 Oct 10 39207.5 MO3240 .371

JAMES A. COOK 8 Aug 1856 - 25 Jan 1919 Prospect m Farmer, Lucinda Caroline (FARMER) LUCINDA CAROLINE COOK 30 Aug 1855 - 7 Jan 1943 Prospect Dau of Farmer, William & Margaret (Preston) mar Cook, James A.

gw

Who was Caroline Cook? I don't know.

James A. Cook married Lucinda Caroline Farmer. But, in 1866, James and Caroline were children, and she was a Farmer. This is not that Caroline Cook. No other Caroline Cook has been found with a legible tombstone in Christian County. There is no other Christian County marriage record which produced a lady with this name.

Caroline Skaggs, daughter of Thomas and Martha "Patsy" (Cook) Skaggs, married Alfred Hammond in 1865. But, it was her mother who was the Cook and by 1866, she was a Hammond.

Ten years after this Land Patent was issued this land was listed in the Land Tax records as being owned by F. M. Stephen. A Francis M. Stevens, likely the same person, claimed adjoining property in 1901.

Going back to who else had property in the area before 1866, one name seems a clue:

COOK, JAMES W½ SW 25N 19W Sec 27 1848 Nov 01 8855 MO5320\_\_.339 COOK, JAMES NWSW 25N 19W Sec 22 1854 Sep 15 14225 MO5430\_\_.178 COOK, JAMES NESE 25N 19W Sec 21 1859 Jun 01 25159 MO5630\_\_.160

Is there a connection with THIS James Cook? The two main candidates for this man are James Cook 1772 - 1864 who is buried in White Cemetery and his son, James Cook 1805 - 1888. I find no daughters or daughter-in-laws or either man named Caroline.

COOK, LURANA E. SENW 25N 21W Sec 25 1893 May 16 9172 MO5990 .147 1893 May 16 9172 FRIEND, LURANA E. SENW 25N 21W Sec 25 MO5990 .147 1893 May 16 9172 COOK, LURANA E. SENE 25N 21W Sec 35 MO5990 .147 COOK, LURANA E. W½ NE 25N 21W Sec 35 1893 May 16 9172 MO5990 .147 FRIEND, LURANA E. SENE 25N 21W Sec 35 1893 May 16 9172 MO5990 .147 1893 May 16 9172 FRIEND, LURANA E. W½ NE 25N 21W Sec 35 MO5990 .147

#### **DEWITT, REBECCA (WILKERSON)**

DEWITT, REBECCAE½ NW	25N 20W Sec 20	1907 May 01	15707
MO6310004			
DEWITT, REBECCAN½ SW	25N 20W Sec 20	1907 May 01	15707
MO6310004			

Who was this Rebecca DeWitt? There's a candidate buried in Christian County.

REBECCA MORRIS (MCGUIRE) DEWITT 6 Mar 1862 - 19 Jan 1931 Rose Hill Dau of McGuire, Josiah & Elizabeth (Ball) married Dewitt, Charles Anthony

This lady is buried in Rose Hill in Billings. The land is totally surrounded by national forest. It off H Highway, then down Tabor Hollow to DeWitt Cave. The nearest settlement is Pine Ridge. In short, these are nearly as far apart as you can be within Christian County, easily 45 miles by road. While it is certainly possible that a family could move from one place to the other, it seems far more like that the lady who is living in that township.

1900 MO Christian Linn 078 Rebea DEWITT W F Head May 1845 55 W 11-10 MO TN VA Farmer Jack DEWITT W M Son Mar 1873 27 S MO MO MO Farmer DEWITT W F Dau Sep 1881 18 MO MO MO Rebecca S Georgia DEWITT W F Dau Mar 1884 16 S MO MO MO At School DEWITT W F Dau S Mav Oct 1887 12 MO MO MO At School

Since the county line is as rarely considered in burial as it is in postal delivery district or school attendance, I checked the cemetery near this land.

Sure enough, Rebecca DeWitt 1845 - 1908 is buried in Meadows Cemetery near this land, but actually in Taney County. She married about 1864, as his second wife, John Perry DeWitt 1832 -1898. According to a summary of this family in the White River

Valley Historical Quarterly, Rebecca Morris (McQuire) DeWitt and Rebecca (Wilkerson) DeWitt would have been married to half-brothers, though they were many years apart in age. John Perry DeWitt was the firstborn of the George Washington DeWitt's wife. Charles Anthony was from George's second marriage.

#### DRAPER, MARY C.

DRAPER, MARY C. S½ 1SW	25N 21W Sec 07	1896 Apr 03	10418
MO6010369			
DRAPER, MARY C. N½ 1NW	25N 21W Sec 18	1896 Apr 03	10418
MO6010 .369		-	
DRAPER, MARY C. N½ NE	25N 21W Sec 18	1896 Apr 03	10418
MO6010369		•	

# FISH, LUCINDA S.

FISH, LUCINDA S. NESW 28N 22W Sec 35 1852 Nov 01 11501 MO5380 .033

## FRAZER, VICTORIA (DEAL)

MO6140 .462	13465
WOU140402	
FRAZER, VICTORIA W½ SE 25N 20W Sec 23 1902 Dec 30	13465
MO6140462	
FRAZER, SAMUEL T. N½ NE 25N 20W Sec 26 1902 Dec 30	13465
MO6140462	
FRAZER, VICTORIA N½ NE 25N 20W Sec 26 1902 Dec 30	13465
MO6140462	
1900 MO Christian Linn 059	
1900 MO Christian Linn 059 Samuel F. FRAZIER W M Head Nov 1844 55 M 32 WV VA VA	Farmer
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S. T. Frazier is buried in Swan/Baker Cemetery in Taney County, Missouri, with no dates or other information on the stone. He dies a year before the patent was issued. I found no stone for Victoria Frazer who died in 1904.

According to a World Connect file by Don Miller, Samuel Thomas "Blackeyed Sam" Frazier 19 Nov 1844 - 21 Sep 1901 married 31 Mar 1868 Victoria Deal. The family apparently moved to Nebraska before 1888.

Although the family would have had to live on the land to complete the patent, they do not appear on the Personal Property Tax list for 1879 - 1900 in Christian County.

Date: 19 Jul 2004

Name: Samuel Thomas FRAZIER

NICK: Blackeyed Sam

Sex: M

Birth: 19 Nov 1844 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, West Virginia

Death: 21 Sep 1901 in Sto, Christian, Missouri

Marriage 1 Victoria DEAL b: 23 Apr 1847 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, West Virginia

Married: 31 Mar 1868 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, West Virginia

Death: 19 Jun 1904

#### Children

Gertrude "Gertie" FRAZIER

b: 7 Nov 1868 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, WV: 3 Mar 1949 Napa County, CA Robert FRAZIER

b: 14 Mar 1873 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, WV: 14 Sep 1942 Hominy, Osage County, OK

Fountain FRAZIER

b: 14 Feb 1875 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, WV d: 17 Oct 1964 Oroville, Okanagon County, WA

Samuel Ambrose FRAZIER

b: 17 Mar 1877 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, WV d: 30 Jun 1911 Fort Benton, Chouteau County, MT

Silas FRAZIER

b: 31 Jan 1879 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, WV; d: 13 Jan 1964 Springfield, Greene County, MO

Bernard FRAZIER

b: 28 Feb 1881 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, WV; d: 4 Sep 1950 Callaway, Custer County, NE

Clista FRAZIER

b: 20 Dec 1883 in Fraziers Bottom, Putnam, WV; d: 4 May 1908 Neck City, Jasper County, MO

Norman FRAZIER

b: 14 Aug 1888 in Callaway, Custer, NE; d: 29 Dec 1962 Everett, Snohomish County, WA

Barbara Victoria FRAZIER

b: 16 Apr 1891 Callaway, Custer, NE; d: 12 Dec 1971 Larned, Pawnee County, KS County, KS

# GREEN, AMANDA MELVINA (EDENS) AND MATHEWS, RACHEL E. (CLAYTON)

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GREEN, CHARLES 2NE
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GREEN, MANDY M.
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MATHEWS, JOHN A.
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MATHEWS, JOHN A.
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These couples lived a couple of miles apart. The land patents were issued nearly two years apart. They weren't kin. So why discuss them together? Students of Christian County history will readily see why.

These two records are two sides of a single story. One woman lost a husband and a brother. The other lost a husband, nearly lost a nephew and had a son jailed and a brother-in-law sent to prison.

Rachel Elizabeth Clayton was born 20 Feb. 1850, probably in Webster County, Missouri to John and Sarah (Collins) Clayton . On 13 Jul 1867 in Christian County, Rachel married John Andrew Mathews, Jr., youngest son of John Andrew and Sarah (Weatherman) Mathews who had come to Taney County from Illinois and later spent time in Arkansas.

In March 1887 Rachel was expecting the couple's ninth (some say the tenth) and youngest child. John was an active member of the Baptist Church, and many records refer to him as Deacon John A. Mathews. After his death, Rachel moved her family a few miles north to near the corner of Webster, Douglas and Christian Counties. She never remarried and raised her large family alone except for the help of the older children and other relatives. She died 12 Aug 1933 and is buried in McHaffie Cemetery.

Amanda Melvina Edens was the daughter of James and Elizabeth Edens. One account says she was born in Wisconsin and a book on the Baldknobbers says she was born in Kentucky about 1870 or 1871. All efforts for locate the family on the 1880 census have been unsuccessful. So have efforts to locate her in 1900. We can only guess her age and birthplace from other evidence. If her reported age in 1887 is correct, Melvina could have been no more then 13, perhaps as young as 12, when she married Charles Green, son of George W. Green. About 1883, the young couple and both sets of parents settled near Oldfield in Christian County, Missouri.

Melvina had a brother, William Edens. On 25 Mar 1885, William married Emma Bridges. Born about 1869, Emma's parentage is uncertain, but she appears most likely to be a daughter of Joshua and Nancy G. (Reed) Bridges, even though she also appears to be listed in her grandparents' household on a census and listed as a Reed.

Melvina had a three-year old child and was herself 16 when she gave birth to her second child in January 1887. As she was very ill, Melvina and her family were staying with her parents on the night of Thursday, Mar 10, 1887 - the four of them sleeping in a bed in one corner of the one-room cabin. Her parents normally slept in a second bed in another corner of the room but her father, James, had stayed awake to give her her medicine and was the only person in the room awake when the Baldkobbers arrived. The Edens' son, William Edens and his 17-year old pregnant wife, Emma (Bridges) Edens were sleeping on a pallet in the floor between the beds. The Baldknobber visit - made first to the empty adjacent home of William & Emma (Bridges) Edens - was in response to a derogatory remark William Edens who,

with the Green father and son were all members of the opposing "Slicker" group, had made about the Baldknobbers. Several of the Baldknobbers were armed. Both William Edens and Charles Greene slept with their loaded guns beside them, and James Eden's loaded gun lay beside his sleeping wife. When it was all over - a matter of a very few minutes, both young husbands in the cabin were dead; James Eden was badly injured, Melvina (Edens) Green had had the tip of one finger shot off; at least two Baldknobbers had suffered less life-threatening gunshot wounds; and George Green was already in the Edens cabin with his dead son and the other injured and dying.

Many Baldknobbers were arrested. Several were sent to prison. Four - Christian County Baldknobbers leader, David "Bull Creek Dave" Walker, Dave's son, William "Billie" Walker, John Andrew Mathews and John's nephew, Wiley Mathews - were sentenced to hang. Wiley escaped and was not recaptured. On May 10, 1889, the other three men were executed on the Ozark square.

Amanda Melvina (Edens) Greene married second 31 Aug 1889 G. M. Sawyers. Emma (Bridges) Edens married James G. Scott twice 19 Sep 1889 and 13 Aug 1892. William and Emma (Bridges) Edens' son, William "Willie" Edens, born June 1887, is listed three times on the 1900 census, with his mother and twice in the Marion and Nancy Jones family. His name is spelled Eaton in all three places. Melvina (Edens).

Other land patents in this story, though most did not involve women would include:

SIMMONS, CHARLES O. N½ NE 26N 19W Sec 33 1891 Nov 23 6141 MO5950\_\_.231
SIMMONS, CHARLES O. NWNW 26N 19W Sec 34 1891 Nov 23 6141 MO5950 .231

Rev. Charles O. Simmons was the Baptist Minister who led his congregation in some of the raids on saloons, gambling dens and similar establishments. He had just preached the funerals for William Edens and Charles Green when he was arrested for attending the final meeting of the Christian County Bald Knobbers and possibly having been present in the cabin that night. He admitted being in the cabin, but said he was unarmed. He was sent to prison on the charge.

PRICE, PETER H. S½ NW 26N 22W Sec 26 1891 Nov 23 7433 MO5950 .354

Rev. Simmon's brother-in-law, as indicated in the following story of his marriage.

"W. L Franklin" wrote: While doing some research on something else, I ran across this article in the "Springfield Express" for Friday January 20, 1888. I thought some of you would be interested.

#### A Bald-Knob Marriage

Ozark, Mo. January 16- A most novel wedding occurred at the Bald-Knobber camp, near the jail, in Ozark, this morning. The contracting parties were Pete Davis, one of the Bald-Knobbers, indicted for the murder of Edens and Green, now out on bail, and Miss Elizabeth Simmons, sister of the famous regulator, Parson C.O.Simmons. That nothing should be wanting to make this the most unique hymeneal affair that ever occurred in Christian County, Parson Simmons was taken out of the jail to solemnize the ceremony. In the presence of the sheriff, Mrs. C.O. Simmons, wife of the officiating minister, the bride's aged mother, and a number of eager witnesses, the Knobber preacher, tied the first matrimonial knot he had the pleasure of manipulating since his clerical work was suspended last spring by his arrest, which followed the Edens-Green massacre.

Since last August, when the Bald Knobbers were brought from Springfield and confined in the new Ozark Jail, the bride, in company with her mother, has been occupying an old storehouse near the jail, ministering to the wants of the prisoners. It was while confined in jail here last summer that Peter became infatuated with Elizabeth, and when prison bars no longer separated him from the object of his devotion, he tendered the buxom lass his hand and fortune. The wedded pair took the train immediately for Chadwick, the home of the groom's parents.

MATHEWS, JAMES A. NENW26N 19W Sec 29 1901 Mar 03 12774 MO6100 .022

James A. Mathews, the oldest son of John Andrew and Rachel E. (Clayton) Mathews, was the youngest person arrested in the Green-Edens case. The press gave him the nickname "The Baby Baldknobber".

MATHEWS, LEFFORD F. W½ NW 25N 19W Sec 05 1889 Jul 01 5431 MO5920\_\_.222

MATHEWS, LEFFORD F. NENE 25N 19W Sec 06 1889 Jul 01 5431 MO5920 .222

The older brother of John Andrew Mathews, Lefford was the father of Wiley Mathews, the other Bald Knobber who was convicted and condemned but who escaped custody and the sentence was never carried out.

ANDERSON, HIRAM SESE 25N 20W Sec 28 1892 Apr 09 33213 MO5790\_\_.108

The Grand Jury handed down two indictments for Hiram Anderson , for the 21 Aug 1886 beating accused pologamist Greene Walker of Linden and for the 9 Nov 1886 raid on the tavern of John Rhodes & Russell McCauley

GANN, JAMES M. SESW 26N 20W Sec 04 1876 Aug 23 2956 MO5860\_\_.361

The Grand Jury handed down one indictment for James Gann, for the 21 Aug 1886 beating accused pologamist Greene Walker of Linden.

HYDE, JOSEPH J. N½ SE 27N 18W Sec 05

MO6000\_\_.126

HYDE, JOSEPH J. NESW 27N 18W Sec 05

MO6000\_\_.126

HYDE, JOSEPH J. SWSE 27N 18W Sec 05

MO6000\_\_.126

HYDE, JOSEPH J. SWSE 27N 18W Sec 05

MO6000 .126

Joseph Hyde was indicted by grand jury for the William Edens & Charles Green murders.

NASH, JOHN W. S<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> NE 26N 19W Sec 32 1891 Nov 23 7377 MO5950 .305

NASH, JOHN W. SENW 26N 19W Sec 32 1891 Nov 23 7377 MO5950 .305

John Nash was indicted by grand jury for 9 Nov 1886 raid on tavern of John Rhodes & Russell McCauley

WALKER, DAVID E½ NE26N 20W Sec 11 1871 Dec 30 410 MO5810 .399

WALKER, DAVID W½ NW 26N 20W Sec 12 1871 Dec 30 410 MO5810 .399

"Bull Creek Dave" (to distinguish him from all the other Dave Walkers) Walker and his son William "Billy" Walker were the other two men executed on 10 May 1889. Bull Creek Dave Walker's father-in-law, Abraham Shipman was married to John Andrew Mathews' older sister, Phoebe. Some say she once lived in Barry County and had married first a man named Nance. All I have been able to prove was that her married name was definitely Sloan at the time she married Abraham Shipman. Abraham and Phoebe were the only couple I know about who were closely related to all four condemned men.

STANDLEY, HANNAH W½ 2NE 27N 19W Sec 04 1896 Jul 27 10438 MO6010 .504

This is probably Hannah (Clayton) Stanley, wife of William H. Standley and sister of Rachel Elizabeth (Clayton) Mathews.

William Stanley was indicted by the grand jury for murder of William Edens & Charles Green. He agreed that he was in the cabin but said he was unarmed. He was sentenced to several years in prison.

Many, many more names were associated with the Baldknobber and Anti-Baldknobber groups which existed from 1883 to 1887. Unlike the popularly assumed notion, these were not groups that existed during or shortly after the Civil War. Generally, Baldknobbers were vigilantees protesting the lawlessness, unpunished murders and general upheaval of the late 1860's through the early 1880's and deciding to protect the citizens and punish evil-doers as the law had been unable or unwilling to do. Generally, the Anti-Baldknobbers were protesting the idea of individuals taking the law

into their own hands. On both sides, there were those who came to enjoy and abuse the power of enforcing their ideas on others and there were situations which got far out of control.

#### GOBLE, MARY G.

GOBLE, MARY G. SWSE 26N 21W Sec 24 1896 May 22 10496 MO6010 .433

HALL, ELIZABETH T. W½ NW 27N 22W Sec 20 1845 Jun 01 6085 MO5230 .462

## HANCOCK, LILLIE F. (JOHNSON)

HANCOCK, JOHN C.	$S\frac{1}{2}$ 2SW	26N 20W Sec 19	1904 Oct 27	14523
MO6250123 HANCOCK, LILLIE F.	S½ 2SW	26N 20W Sec 19	1904 Oct 27	14523
MO6250123 HANCOCK, JOHN C.	N½ 2NW	26N 20W Sec 30	1904 Oct 27	1/1523
MO6250123	1N/2 Z1N W			
HANCOCK, LILLIE F. MO6250 .123	$N\frac{1}{2}$ 2NW	26N 20W Sec 30	1904 Oct 27	14523

For some lady homesteaders, anyone familiar with Christian County history need not guess why both names are on the land patent. This is another of those cases.

James Carroll Hancock was born in June 1866 to Martin and Margaret (Jackson) Hancock.

The same month, James N. McCoy was born. I believe, but have not been able to prove, that this James McCoy was the son of William and Missouri (Applegate) McCoy. It was a common name. Early censuses of William and Missouri's son give birth dates a couple of years off from his 1900 census.

In 1886, James N. McCoy married James Carroll Hancock's sister who was just a year older.

Eight years later, James married Lillie Johnson.

The stories don't say exactly when or how these two brothers-in-law came to dislike each other so much.

J. C. Hancock - Lillie F. Johnson 21 Nov 1894 05/282 Melton G B m g Amanda J. Hancock - James N. McCoy 23 Dec 1886 04/052 Some j p

JOHN CARROLL HANCOCK 4 Jun 1866 - 11 Aug 1903 Prospect Son of Hancock, Martin & Margaret (Jackson) mar Johnson, Lillie F. M gw m 21 Nov 1894; murdered by , James N. McCoy h/o his sis, Amanda J. (Hancock) McCoy

1900 MO Christian Linn 066

John	HANCOCK	W M Head	Jun 1866	33	M 5	MO TN TN	Farmer
Lillie	HANCOCK	W F Wife	Nov 1876	23	M 5 3-	3 TN TN	I TN
Carrie	HANCOCK	W F Dau	Jun 1895	5	S	MO MO TN	
Nora	HANCOCK	W F Dau	Aug 1896	3	S	MO MO TN	
Ethel	HANCOCK	W F Dau	April 1900	7 mo	S	MO MO TN	
1900	MO Christian	Finley/1 053					
James	MCCOY	W M Head	Jun 1866	33	M 13	MO TN TN	Farmer
Manda	a MCCOY	W F Wife	Jun 1865	35	M 13 7	7-7 MO T	N TN
Leota	MCCOY	W F Dau	Feb 1888	12	S MC	) MO MO	At
Schoo	1						
Della	MCCOY	W F Dau	Oct 1896	3	S MO	MO MO	
Claud	MCCOY	W M Son	Oct 1889	10	S MO	MO MO	At
Schoo	1						
Charle	ey MCCO	OY WMS	Son Oct 18	391	8	S MO MO M	O
	At School						
Ros	MCCOY	W M Son	Oct 1894	5	S MO	MO MO	
Walter	r MCCOY	W M Son	Oct 1893	6	S MO	MO MO	

John Carroll Hancock 13 - He married Lillie F. Johnson 21 Nov 1894 CCM In 1900, he is in Linn Twp Household 66 with wife and three daughters - Carrie born June 1895; Nora born Aug 1896; and Ethel born Apr 1900. Nora married Everett U. Holley 27 Nov 1916 CCM; Ethel married John Holly 20 Dec 1916 CCM.

### **HEAGERTY FAMILY**

HEAGERTY, CHRISTIAN	SESE	27N 24W Sec	28 185	3 Dec 01	13067
MO5410098					
HEAGERTY, JAMES	SESE	27N 24W Sec	28 185	3 Dec 01	13067
MO5410098					
HEAGERTY, MARY SESE	27N 24	4W Sec 28	1853 Dec 0	1 13067	
MO5410098					
HEAGERTY, RICHARD	SESE	27N 24W Sec	28 185	3 Dec 01	13067
MO5410098					
HEAGERTY, WILLIAM	SESE	27N 24W Sec	28 185	3 Dec 01	13067
MO5410098					
REESE, CATHERINE	SESE	27N 24W Sec	28 185	3 Dec 01	13067
MO5410 .098					

This is clearly an estate. On 4 March 1850, on page 125 of Greene County Guardian Bond Book 1833 - 1864, Neal McNeal was named principal and John McCall, Thomas Jones and W. J. Hood securities for \$3,000 for William Heagerty, Catherine Heagerty, James Heagerty, Mary Hearerty and Christian Heagerty, minor heirs of John

Heagerty, deceased. On page 26 of Greene County, Missouri Probate Court Minute Book B, in the March 1850 term, Joseph Rinker is appointed guardian for the estate of Richard Heggerty, minor heir of John Heagerty, deceased and Neal McNeal was appointed guardian for William Heagerty, Catherine Heagerty, James Heagerty, Mary Hearerty and Christian Heagerty, minor heirs of John Heagerty, deceased. Also the court ordered the hiring out of Negro boy Isaac and Negro girl Hannah. According to a footnote in the transcription of these records by Marsha Hoffman Rising, Catherine Heagerty, widow of John Heagerty, married Elijah Reese before 1854 and moved to Lawrence County, Missouri. She cites Greene County, Missouri Deed Book G page 11.

1850 MO Greene County Polk Twp Household 754-754

Hagerty, William 60 m IN

, Mary 50 f IN

1850 MO Greene County Polk Twp Household 755-755

Hagerty, William 20 m NC

- , Catherine 18 f NC
- , James 17 m NC
- , Richard 14 m NC
- , Mary 12 f MO
- , Christian 11 m MO

#### HORN, RACHEL ADELINE or CHAPMAN, RACHEL ADELINE (HORN)??

HORN, RACHEL A. SWSE 28N 21W Sec 33 1845 May 01 6238 MO5240 .094

Who was Rachel A. Horn? Rachel A. Horn certainly in what would one day be Christian County about this time. In fact, several people with this name lived there over the years. But who was the Rachel A. Horn who patented this land?

Rachel Adeline Horn 1 January 1827 - 24 October 1870 was the oldest child of Thomas and Elizabeth (Knox) Horn to live to adulthood. In addition to some who died young, she had two younger sisters, Drucilla Ann (Horn) Chapman 2 October 1828 - 30 October 1913; Elizabeth Caroline (Horn) Cox 6 October 1830 - 7 April 1918; and a younger brother James Rud Horn 22 November 1834 - 1 January 1865.

Rachel Adeline Horn married Matthew Chapman 15 August 1844. Rachel and Drucilla married brothers. Elizabeth Carolina married a widower with children. Rachel's widower married James Rud's widow, Mary Ann (Wilks) Horn. This can be a confusing family to research. So, of course, can many families.

However, as a candidate for someone who would have patented land in 1845, Rachel Adeline (Horn) Chapman had real problems. She had just turned 18 when the patent was finalized, certainly not time for her to have normally satisfied the requirements. She also had been married for a year, and her last name at the time was Chapman.

In 1875, this land patented by Rachel A. Horn is owned by N. A. H. Murphy, a son-in-law of Elizabeth Caroline (Horn) Cox. Immediately next door in the SE ½ of SE ½

as well as part of the NE ¼ of the SE ¼ is M. Chapmen, most likely Rachel's widower, Matthew Chapman.

Going back to the land patents, in 1844 and 1845, Thomas Horn patented six parcels near this land, William Horn patented two parcels and Caleb, Joshua and James Horn each patented one parcel. Who were Caleb, William, James and Joshua Horn?. Rachel's brother, James Rud Horn, was only 9 when the patent for James Horn was recorded. Thomas Horn's father, James Horn 12 January 1771 - 22 February 1860 was living there at the time as were two young men named James Horn, one of them from Illinois. In Finley Township of Greene County, Missouri on the 1850 census - three heads of household in four consecutive residences were named James Horn. William R. Horn, age 40 was there - with a 5-year old daughter, Rachel A. Horn. Caleb Horn, age 34 was there. Caleb's daughter Rachel A. Horn was age 8. Joshua Horn, age 36, also was in Finley Township although, (gasp!) he had no Rachel A. Horn among his eight children. Archibald Horn, age 65, was listed among the three household headed by men named James Horn.

According to an on-line file by Alan Whitney Thrailkill, Jr, James Horn and his brother Joshua Horn married sisters Ann and Susanna Couch in Orange Co., North Carolina. They were in Tennessee by 1820, possibly earlier. James and Ann Couch Horn left Giles Co., Tennessee in 1837 and moved to what is now Christian Co., Missouri, taking with them their children Rachel, William R., and Caleb. Their oldest son Thomas was in Greene County, Missouri by 1832-1835 and served as sheriff. Their son James stayed in Tennessee, either in Giles or Shelby County. James Horn served in the War of 1812. Joshua and Susanna Couch Horn stayed in Shelby Co., Tennessee.

If this is all correct, I wonder who were the parents of the two young men named James Horn living by the 86-year old James Horn in 1850.

Although I can find neither a legible tombstone nor a marriage for her and do not know when she died, it appears that this patent was proven by a single lady, Rachel Adeline Horn born in 1807 to James and Ann (Couch) Horn. I had the right family, the wrong generation.

Incidentally, another daughter of James and Ann (Couch) Horn was in Christian County, too. Margarette (Horn) Keltner's husband, Absolem Keltner was not patenting land beside the other Horns. George Keltner, George M. Keltner, and James A. Keltner were right beside them.

KELTNER, GEORGE M. MO5240 .168	E1/2 2NE	27N 22W Sec 02	1844 May 01 6317
KELTNER, GEÖRGE M.	W1/2 2NE	27N 22W Sec 02	1845 May 01 6352
MO5240201			
KELTNER, GEORGE M.	NWSW	28N 22W Sec 35	1850 Dec 10 9941
MO5340411			
KELTNER, GEORGE	NWNE27N 2	1W Sec 07 1856 I	Mar 10 15396
MO5450 .456			
KELTNER, GEORGE	$W^{1}/_{2}$ SE	27N 21W Sec 07	1856 Mar 10 15396
MO5450 .456			
KELTNER, JAMES A.	W½ 1NE	27N 21W Sec 05	1857 May 15 18814
MO5490 .396			-

KELTNER, JAMES A.	$W^{1/2}$ 2NE	27N 21W Sec 05	1857 May 15	18814
MO5490396				
KELTNER, JAMES A.	E½ 1NW	27N 21W Sec 05	1859 Jun 01	24696
MO5620318				
KELTNER, JAMES A.	E½ 2NW	27N 21W Sec 05	1859 Jun 01	24696
MO5620318				

#### **JACKSON, MARTHA (CARTER)**

CARTER, MARTHA	NW	25N 21W Sec 28	1898 May 10	10989
MO6030369				
JACKSON, MARTHA J.	NW	25N 21W Sec 28	1898 May 10	10989
MO6030369				

Everything indicates that Martha (Carter) Jackson was simply one of those young ladies, somewhat rare in Christian County, who homesteaded land on her own while she was single, but who married before the process was finalized. The closest that anything come to unusual or remarkable here is the slight discrepancy in age between censuses, mortuary record and tombstone.

### 1880 MO Christian Lynn Twp Household 155

Carter, C. T. w m 31 mar Farmer TN

, Lucy A. w f 26 wife mar Keeping House TX

, Martha J. w f 11 dau single Helper MO

, William M. w m 8 son MO , Mary E. w f 6 dau MO

Martha Carter - Isaac Jackson 9 Mar 1893 05/143 Cook Jas A m g

#### 1900 MO Christian Galloway 283

Isaac JACKS	ON W M Hea	d Jan 1870	30	$\mathbf{M}'$	7 MO	O MO KY	Farmer
Martha JACKS	ON W F Wife	Mar 1870	30	$\mathbf{M}'$	7 3-3	MO MC	) MO
Claud JACKS	ON W M Son	May 1894	6	S			
Pearl JACKS	ON W F Dau	Jul 1896		3	S		
EugeneJACKS	ON W M Son	Apr 1898	2	S			

(CARTER) MARTHA J. JACKSON 20 Mar 1867 - 19 Dec 1937 Spokane Dau of Carter, Charles & Lucy (Stewart) mar 9 Mar 1893 CCM Jackson, Isaac G. M gw wf C35-41 p 139

Name: (CARTER) MARTHA J. JACKSON

Lifespan: 20 Mar 1867 - 19 Dec 1937

Parents: Dau of Charles & Lucy (Stewart) Carter

Birthplace of parents: TN, TX
Spouse: Jackson, Isaac G.
Person ordering funeral: Jackson, Isac
Person to bill for funeral: Jackson, Isac

Occupation: Housekeeper

Religion: Baptist

Book & page of mortuary record: Chaffin 35-41 p139

Cemetery: Spokane

Cause of death: Complications

Place of death: Home, Logan Ridge, MO

Physician: Farthing, R. R., Dr. Minister: Caughron, Worth, Rev.

#### LEE, SARAH H.

LEE, SARAH H. NESW 27N 18W Sec 09 1895 Mar 13 9926 MO6000\_\_.367 LEE, SARAH H. NWSE 27N 18W Sec 09 1895 Mar 13 9926 MO6000 .367

This 80 acres owned on 1912 platbook by C. F. Reekes.

Nothing REALLY fits on identifying this Sarah H. Lee. The best candidate I see in Christian County records, from an age standpoint is:

1900 MO Christian Galloway 228 William S. LEE W M Head Jan 1852 48 M 17 TN TN TN Sarah LEE W F Wife Mar 1855 45 M 17 4-3 MO TN TN Annie LEE W F Dau Dec 1884 15 S MO TN MO At School Roy LEE W M Son Aug 1886 13 S MO TN MO At School Phoebe LEE W F Dau May 1892 8 S MO TN MO At School

(MCGINNIS) SARAH LEE 28 Dec 1854 - 29 Sep 1915 Ponce de Leon Dau of McGinnis, James & Sarah (Dalton) mar Lee, William S.

There are several reasons to suspect this is not a viable candidate. First, in 1895, Sarah and William had been married 12 years, That would mean the initial settlement on this claim likely would have been after their marriage, making the claim likely to be in William's name, not Sarah's. Second, I find nothing giving a middle initial H. for this Sarah. Third, William was living when the claim was completed, again making it very likely the patent would have been issued to William, not Sarah. Finally, although the 1900 census shows this family in Galloway Township and their and her parents' burial in Ponce de Leon right on the Stone County line, this land was about twenty miles northeast of there, almost on the Douglas County line.

#### **LOBLEY, MARGARET**

LOBLEY, MARGARET W½ NE 26N 21W Sec 33 1900 Feb 20 11954 MO6070 .289

LOBLEY, WILLIAM W½ NE 26N 21W Sec 33 1900 Feb 20 11954 MO6070 .289

This land is owned on 1912 plat map by G. G. Haworth.

I don't find any Margaret or William Lobley on personal property tax records 1879-1900, as I would have expected to had they been living on the land here. A J. A. Lobley is listed a couple of years:

Lobbley, J. A. Finley #1678 1891 \$125 1.08 Lobley, J. A. Finley #1482 1890 \$125 1.01

No Lobley is listed on Christian County census records. The closest candidate, though she would be a bit old to be patenting land was this lady in the Kansas City area on the 1900 census:

1900 MO Jackson County. Fort Osage Twp

Cole, Andrew M. w m May 1857 43 mar 19 yrs railroad worker KY KY VA

- , Ada w f wife Mar 1862 38 mar 19 yrs. 10-4 Eng Eng Scotland Immigrated 1870. In this country 30 yrs
- , Dora E. May 1880 14 MO KY Eng
- , Cora E. Aug 1891 9 MO KY Eng
- , Maggie J. Mar 1892 8 MO KY Eng
- , Jesse L. Feb 1895 5 MO KY Eng

Lobley, Margaret mother-in-law ary (?) 1827 73 widow Scotland Scotland Scotland Immigrated 1870. In this country 30 years.

The only Christian County marriage record with this surname is:

M. J.(f)Lobley - Joseph Dennis

24 Jun 1891

05/027 Smallin J W m g

This is probably this family in Van Buren Township of Newton County, Missouri on 1880 census

William LOBLEY Self M Male W 48 ENG Farmer ENG ENG Margrett LOBLEY Wife M Female W 52 SCOT Keeping House SCOT SCOT

Ada LOBLEY Dau S Female W 15 ENG At Home ENG SCOT James LOBLEY Son S Male W 12 ENG ENG SCOT

This nearby household in Newton County, Missouri in 1880 may be that of a son:

Joseph LOBLEY Self M Male W 23 ENG Farmer ENG SCOT Mary LOBLEY Wife M Female W 19 TN Keeping House --- ---

I am a descendant of James Lobley who married Dorthea Booth in Yorkshire England, They had a daughter Mary Elizabeth born 1863 in Eccup, England. They had a son named John W. also born in England. By 1880 they had moved to the City of Blue Rapids in Marshall county, Kansas where they appear on the 1880 Census. Any information on this line would be appreciated.

I am looking for information on the Lobleys who moved to the city of Blue Rapids in Marshall county Kansas between 1865-1880 from England. They appeared on the 1880 census for Marshall county as follows: James Lobley age 49 worked in woolen mill, wife Dorthea age 51 worked in home, daughter Mary E. age 17 worked in woolen mill, and son John W. age 15 in school. Any information will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you Ilene Wight

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Ilene Wight

Re: James Lobley England/Kansas

Posted by: Phil Lobley Date: February 24, 2002 at 12:16:55 In Reply to: James Lobley England/Kansas by Ilene Wight of 55

#### Ilene

I can't be sure of the following suggested family information, but it might fit in with other facts that you may have. Please let me know how you get on.

In my large Lobley database, I have the following family:

WILLIAM LOBLEY, clothier, born c. 1789 in Horsforth Yorkshire (not far from Eccup) On 20 Aug 1823, in Guiseley, he married ELIZABETH DOCKRAY and had 5 children: SARAH LOBLEY (28 Mar 1824) m.to FRANCIS MONK

JOHN LOBLEY (25 Aug 1826)

WILLIAM LOBLEY(c. 1832) m.to MARGARET?

JAMES LOBLEY(c. 1834)

JOSEPH LOBLEY (Q1 1841)

Although I have information on the family in the 1851 and 1861 Censuses (although my information is not complete), I have been unable to find them in the 1880 Census. Of the 5 children:

I know little more about Sarah or John

William: In 1880, I'm pretty sure that he is to be found in the US census at Van Buren, Newton, Missouri USA aged 48 occupation farmer born in ENG (could he have emigrated with his brother? Nearby is his eldest son: Joseph Asquith Lobley and his American wife.

James: In the 1851 census at Troy, Horsforth, aged 17, he was a woollen cloth weaver. By the 1861 census, he was still at Troy, Horsforth, aged 26, occupation bleacher. I cannot locate him in the 1881 Census. This suggests, but is not conclusive proof, that he emigrated.

Joseph: an errand boy in 1851, he was shown as a silk spinner in 1861.

I have no record of the marriage of James to Dorthea Booth. Do you know where that happened? I can confirm that I have two stray children (i.e. those that I have not yet incorporated into any family, both registered in Otley, who fit the bill for children of that union: Mary Elizabeth, born 1863 and John William born 1865.

Happy to answer any additional queries, pleased to receive any information. Best wishes

Phil Lobley

#### LOVELAND, NANCY S. (NEWBERRY) JOHNSON RIST

LOVELAND, DANIEL O. SWSW 26N 19W Sec 32 1912 Jul 18 1198 285120

LOVELUND, NANCY S. SWSW 26N 19W Sec 32 1912 Jul 18 1198 285120

D. O. LOVELAND 23 Jan 1881 - 22 Dec 1902 Old Boston Son of Loveland, Sidney & Matilda (Harvill)

Daniel O. Loveland - Nancy Newberry 15 Jan 1903 07/107 Burkhart Jacob m g Nancy Loveland - David Rist 18 Feb 1913 09/124 Holbert W T m g

1920 MO Christian County Garrison Twp #46-46

Rist, David S. 35 MO NY MO

, Nancy S. wife 34 MO AR MO

, Kennel R. son 5 MO MO MO

Loveland, Mary Stepdaughter 16 MO MO MO

Loveland, Mammie Stepdaughter 14 MO MO MO

Loveland, Myrtle M Stepdaughter 12 MO MO MO

Loveland, Susan M. Stepdaughter 11 MO MO MO

Johnson, Alice L. Step-daughter 9 MO MO MO

#### 1910 MO Christian S Marion 214

Hosey M. NEWBERRY M W Head 56M/1 35 AR US US Farmer

Phoebe S. NEWBERRY F W Wife 56 M/1 35 11-5 MO US US Farm Labor

Nancy S. JOHNSON F W Dau 25 M/2 1 4-4 MO AR MO Laborer - Odd Jobs

Alfred NEWBERRY M W Son 17 S MO AR MO Farm Labor Arthur NEWBERRY M W Son 15 S MO AR MO Farm Labor

Ella NASH F W Granddau 14 S MO US AR Farm Labor

Bessie NASH F W Granddau7 S AR US AR

Mary S. NASH F W Granddau4 S AR US AR

Mary A.	LOVELANI	F W Grand	dau6	S	MO US MO
Mamie M. I	LOVELAND	F W Grand	dau5	S	MO US MO
Myrtie LOV	ELAND FW	Granddau3	S	MO	US MO
Melvina	LOVELANI	F W Grand	dau2	S	MO US MO

This record is a classic "Something is VERY not right here" example. According to the marriage record and the tombstone, Daniel O. Loveland married Nancy Newberry two weeks after his death. Over the course of five years, Daniel and Nancy had four children, the last daughter born in 1908. In 1909, Nancy apparently remarried a Johnson with whom she had a daughter after the 1910 census. On the 1910 census, Nancy (Newberry) Loveland Johnson is living with her parents, listed as having married twice, the second time a year before this census. Her Johnson husband is not listed with the family, but Alice L. Johnson was born after the census was taken. Nancy's third marriage, to David Rist, took place in 1913. My guess is that Daniel's stone is either difficult to read or the death date on it is wrong. According to research published on-line by Gerald Hankins Johnston Daniel O. Loveland actually died 22 Dec 1909. That date does fit with the other information, except that the 1910 census says Nancy had remarried a year earlier, when it could have been no more than a few months.

1930 OK Tulsa 1795 E. Latimer Court David RIST 46 MO NY MO , Nancy 45 MO AR MO , Kenneth L. 15 MO MO MO

MCBRIDE, MARY NWSE 27N 23W Sec 11 1852 Jul 01 11135 MO5370\_\_.111

### **MCLAIN FAMILY**

MCLAIN, ADDISONNWSE	E 27N 22W Sec 20	1845 Oct 01	1827	
MO5270291				
MCLAIN, ADDISONSESE	27N 22W Sec 20	1845 Oct 01	1827	
MO5270291				
MCLAIN, ELIZABETH	NWSE 27N 22W Sec	20 1845	Oct 01	1827
MO5270291				
MCLAIN, ELIZABETH	SESE 27N 22W Sec	20 1845	Oct 01	1827
MO5270291				
MCLAIN, ISABEL NWSE	E 27N 22W Sec 20	1845 Oct 01	1827	
MO5270291				
MCLAIN, ISABEL SESE	27N 22W Sec 20	1845 Oct 01	1827	
MO5270291				
MCLAIN, JOSEPH NWSE	E 27N 22W Sec 20	1845 Oct 01	1827	
MO5270291				
MCLAIN, JOSEPH SESE	27N 22W Sec 20	1845 Oct 01	1827	
MO5270 .291				

MCLAIN, MARY NWSE 27N 22W Sec 20 1845 Oct 01 1827 MO5270\_\_.291

MCLAIN, MARY SESE 27N 22W Sec 20 1845 Oct 01 1827 MO5270\_\_.291

Who were these three McLain women and two McLain men? They don't appear on 1850 censuses in Missouri. An Addison McLain 5 Oct 1811 - 25 Aug 1873, born in North Carolina, died in Montgomery County, Illinois, is listed in a World Ancestry Tree has having daughters named Elizabeth, Isabel and Mary, but no son named Joseph. There is no indication he had any connection to Missouri, and his 1850 census shows that he had several children born in Illinois in the 1840's.

The nearest guess who these might be relates to an 1834 Greene County estate of an Abner McLean. In 1837, Joseph Porter reported that the widow, name not mentioned, has renouned administration of the estate and recommended that Robert Phaubus be named as administrator. In November 1836, Robert Forbus was noted as not having made the required report as administrator of the estate of Abner McLain.

By 1875, both parcels of land in this patent belonged to A. A. Young.

#### MCLEAN, MARGARET (SIMENTON)

MCLEAN, MARGARET SENW 26N 21W Sec 11 1848 Apr 03 7948 MO5300 .185

John McLean was born in Scotland. He married Margaret Simenton in Rowan County, North Carolina in 1820. In 1833, the family moved to Maury County, Tennessee, when John McLean died.

In North Carolina and in Tennessee, the McLean Family had a Duncan family as neighbors. John and Margaret (Simenton) McLean's oldest son, born 22 September 1821, was named Alexander McLean. In 1844, Alexander McLean and a neighbor man, Terrell Duncan, rode their horses to what would later become Christian County, Missouri. Alexander and Terrell built log houses near the McCoy Spring, 5 miles south of Ozark, Missouri. The two boys then returned to Tennessee and brought their widowed mothers and younger brothers and sisters to their new homes in Missouri. The McLean house was just north of the spring and the Duncan house was to the south. Both families carried water from this spring. The mother, Margaret, died in this home and was buried in the Prospect Cemetery near the home.

John and Margaret (Simenton) McLean are known to be the parents of these children:

1) Theophalus Erwin McLean - perhaps from an earlier marriage of John McLean. His census record in Household 1062 of Finley Twp Greene County, MO 1850 census gave his age as 32, making him age two at John and Margaret's wedding. He married Mascamolia [Macamella on 1850 census] Turner on 13 Apr 1840 in Marshall County, Tennessee. According to the research of Karen (McLean) Wolfe Caswell, Theophalus Erwin McLean moved to Australia where he was a building contractor.

- 2) Alexander McLean 22 Sep 1821 12 Mar 1867, a teacher who married a former student Emily Franklin Young and moved in January 1854 five miles west of Ozark to a farm on the Finley River.
- 3) Christopher Columbus McLean Born about 1825. Listed as age 24 with wife M. J. age 19 in household 404 of Cass Twp of Taney County, Missouri 1850 census Said to have died in Berryville, Carroll County, Arkansas. No legible tombstone on published lists, and not on Carroll County census. May have died before 1860?
- 4) Will McLean According to family records by Ethel McLean, he left Missouri in May 1850, on "The Old Beef Trail" to the California mines and died in 1852 either in California on along that trail.
- 5) Margaret J. McLean married Aaron Ring 16 Oct 1851 Maury County, TN. He died. I don't find her on any census and do not know when she was born or died. According to a family summary by Ethel McLean, when her brother Christopher Columbus McLean was very ill, she visited him in Berryville, Arkansas. She too became ill. Both died and are buried in Berryville. Unclear why she stayed in Tennessee after the rest of the family went to Missouri
- 6) Rachel Malinda McLean 5 Jul 1828 18 Apr 1864 married James Duncan 7 Jan 1849, listed in household 438 of Jasper Twp, Taney County, Missouri on 1850 census. James Duncan was in the Confederate Army. Their daughter, Margaret Simonton (Duncan) Greene wrote about all the vandalism, assaults, raids and robberies southern sympathizers were subjected to in this part of Missouri, those involved stealing all their belongings and forcing the families often composed entirely of children further and further south to try to survive.

#### MILLS, SARAH MARY "MOLLIE" (HART) ELKINS

ELKINS, EUCLID S.	½NE 22N 16W Sec 32 1895 Mar 13 9958	
MO6000397		
ELKINS, EUCLID S	½NW 22-N 16-W Sec 33 1895 Mar 13 9958	
MO6000397		
ELKINS, MOLLIE	½NE 22N 16W Sec 32 1895 Mar 13 9958	
MO6000397		
ELKINS, MOLLIE V	W½NW 22N 16-W Sec 33 1895 Mar 13 9958	
MO6000397		
MILLS, MOLLIS	½NE 22N 16W Sec 32 1895 Mar 13 9958	
MO6000397		
MILLS, MOLLIE 1/2	½NW 22N 16W Sec 33 1895 Mar 13 9958 MO600039	97

All right, so I will admit the obvious. This record is a ringer. No land in 22 North, 16 West was ever in Christian County, Missouri. It's actually in Ozark County, Missouri. But, I decided to include it anyway. The couple mentioned here married in Christian County. All of their children were born in Christian County. They are buried in Linden Cemetery. They are both relatives of mine. But, mostly, I couldn't leave out this record because it was the first one in which I realized that deaths and remarriages can be seen in the Bureau of Land Management General Land Office Records.

Euclid S. Elkins was the first child of Higdon Richard Jarrett Elkins, one of three born in Cannon County, Tennessee to first "Dick's" wife, Ruth E. Neely who died very young. Euclid's sister, Melissa Caroline Elkins was the first wife of my great grandfather's younger brother, William Lincoln "Bill" Phillips. Euclid's only full brother, Dr. Cullen Bryant Elkins, was the doctor who had to declare the three men hung on the Ozark Square May 10, 1889 dead; a member of Missouri's first medical board; and, after serving at one time or another as the head of every hospital in Springfield, the oldest practicing physician in southwest Missouri at the time of his death. Dick Elkins, Euclid's father was the youngest brother of my great, great grandmother, Martha Virginia (Elkins) Fowler. Many members of the family came to Christian County, including Dick's aunt, Ann (Elkins) Brown Pendleton, his uncle, Jacob Melton and his sister, Melissa Caroline (Elkins) Melton.

Dick's second marriage to Eliza Ann Higgins, a daughter of a cousin, ended in divorce when lingering serious problems from Civil War murders made combining a Higgins and Neely household impossible. Ironically, the vast majority of Dick's descendants are from the daughter he had with Eliza who he left behind when he came to Missouri.

Dick's third marriage, to Arminda or Amanda Petty produced two sons. James Thomas Elkins was a pharmacist in Kirksville, Mo. The younger son, William Byron Elkins, married the daughter of the Springfield mayor and, among many accomplishments, is probably best known as the founder of the Elkins-Swyers Company. At his third wife's death, Dick was still in his early 30's. But, apparently, he thought three tries was enough. He spent the last 60 years of his life as a bachelor.

Higdon Richard Jarrett Elkins was named for a man who was sheriff of Cannon County, Tennessee when H. R. J. Elkins was born. Mr. Jarrett was in office at the same time Thomas Elkins was a judge in Cannon County, so both had offices in Woodbury at the time. This Mr. Jarrett later settled in Springfield, Missouri. A grade school there is named for him. A number of other Elkins descendants, including Higdon Richard Jarrett Stone and Higdon Richard Jarrett "Joe" Phillips also were named for him, but I've never found any kinship between the families.

Euclid S. Elkin's wife is closer kin than he is. Laura Ann Fowler was my great grandmother's oldest sister. Of the dozens of grandchildren of Thomas & Mary (Melton) Elkins, she was the only one mentioned in Thomas's 1864 will. That was shortly before Laura's first marriage, to William Hart. Sarah Mary Hart, called Mollie, was the only living child from that marriage when Laura was listed as a widow on the 1870 Cannon County census. Shortly thereafter, she married an older widower, John Parton, and moved to Parchcorn Holler (a name brought with the many people who came there from Parched Corn Holler along Stone's River in Cannon County) Christian County, Missouri with her daughter, his children and the two daughters they had. But again in 1880, Laura was a widow, serving as a housekeeper for Dr. Isaac Rogers for whom Rogersville was named. Only her youngest child was with her. The other girls were in other nearby homes.. Mollie was with a Stone cousin whose mother was a daughter of Ann (Elkins) Brown Pendleton. In 1880, Laura Ann married Isaac J. Wimmer, a widower whose first wife was named Frances Farmer. They had at least one son, Newton Wimmer. In 1894, they moved to Newton County, Arkansas. On the 1900 census, they were living beside her daughter, Martha Elizabeth "Bettie" (Parton) Curtis. They have never been found

after that time, but descendants of Isaac's first marriage who remained in Christian County say they believe Issac and Laura Ann went to Oklahoma shortly before it became a state and died there.

In 1885, Euclid and Mollie were married. As was common at the time, they were related. Euclid's mother-in-law was his first cousin since her mother and Euclid's father were brother and sister.

Euclid and Mollie's daughter, Ruth E., died as an infant. Their daughter, Georgia Mae Elkins, was a teacher in the Ozark schools. At the time of her death during the flu epidemic in 1918, the Christian County Republican stated that every student then attending Ozark Schools had at one time been a student of Miss Elkins. On her death bed, Georgia willed all she owned to her younger brother, Richard R. Elkins. Although word had reached Missouri from his home in Iowa, those caring for Georgia though she was too weak to tell that her brother had died from the same epidemic days before.

Euclid and Mollie moved to Ozark County, Missouri about 1889. He died there, and before the land patent was finished, Mollie had remarried.

EUCLID S. ELKINS 31 Mar 1860 - 6 Apr 1891 Linden Son of Elkins, Higdon Richard Jarrett & Ruth Elizabeth (Neely); married Hart, Sarah Mary "Mollie"

(HART) SARAH MARY "MOLLIE" MILLS 1867- 1941 Linden Dau of Hart, William & Laura Ann (Fowler); m/1 26 Nov 1885 Elkins, Euclid S.; m/2 9 Jan 1894 Mills, William Burrell

WILLIAM BURRELL MILLS 9 Jun 1851 - 22 May 1917 Sparta IOOF Son of Mills, James Matthew & Comfort J. (Cloud); m/1 28 May 1871 CCM McCroskey, Mary Virginia; ; m/2 9 Jan 1894 CCM Hart, Sarah Mary "Mollie" m/1 Elkins; children with Mary Virginia: Nancy J, John Madison, Joseph E., George E. - children with Mollie - Jessie, Essie, Jeff, Effie

Mollie's second husband was a widower, William Burrell Mills with four young children. His first wife was Mary Virginia McCroskey, daughter of John D. & Martha McCroskey, whom he married in 1872.

In 1900, William Burrell and Sarah Mary "Mollie" (Hart) Mills were in Wright County, Missouri. Some of their four children were born there.

Sarah Mary "Mollie" (Hart) Elkins Mills moved to Springfield, MO. She served as the cook for Burge Protestant Hospital there for many years. Her youngest child, Effie Mills, received her nurse's training in that hospital, and her brother-in-law, Dr. C. Bryant Elkins, served as an administrator there for a time.

#### OBRYANT, SARAH (JONES)

OBRYANT, SARAH SENE 28N 23W Sec 33 1850 Jan 01 9609 MO5340\_\_.268 OBRYANT, SARAH NWSW 28N 23W Sec 34 1852 Jul 01 11219 MO5370\_\_.192 Sarah Obryant, age 52, is listed in Household 725 of Polk Twp, Greene County, Missouri on the 1850 census with sons John H. 21, William F. 19, and Thomas A. 17. Adjacent households are George W. Obryant age 27 in #726, Elias Obryant age 22 in #727 and Mary (Obryant) Short age 24 and her husband Samuel Short in #728. A Jackson Obryant age 23 in #737 is probably a repeat of Elias Obryant in #727 as both are married to Louisa and Elias Jackson Obryant had just married Louisa Phillips in 1850.

According to research by Debryah Short-Carden, Sarah Jones born 1797 in Henry County, Virginia married 21 Dec 1813 Roane County, Tennessee Elias O'Bryant born 1788 Chester District, South Carolina. She lists 14 children born to Elias and Sarah (Jones) Obryant: James Edward born18 Sept 1814 Tennessee; Almira born 31 Jan 1816 Tennessee; Tempe (F) born 19 Oct 1817 Tennessee; Nancy born 19 Apr 1819 Tennessee; Sarah born 12 Jan 1821 Tennessee; George Washington born 18 Mar 1823 Tennessee; Eliza Jane born 14 Feb 1825 Tennessee; Mary Ann born 30 Nov 1826 Tennessee; Elias Jackson born 06 Aug 1828 Tennessee; John Harvey born 10 Jun 1830 Tennessee; William Franklin born 23 Mar 1832 Tennessee; Aaron Thomas born 12 Jan 1834 Tennessee; Andrew Calvin born 26 Feb 1836 Tennessee; and Even Riley born 13 Jun 1838 Cedar County., Missouri. Most of the children were born in Blount County, Tennessee.

According to Debryah Short-Carden's research, Sarah (Jones) Obryant was a sister of Delilah JONES born 1792, Virginia died 1877, Missouri who married 28 Jan 1813, Roane Co., Tennessee Lindsey ROBERTSON, born 13 Oct 1792, Amherst County., Virginia died 29 July 1861, Greene County, Missouri. Although this was a Greene County family, many Robertson descendants came to Christian County.

On 4 September 1849, on page 105 of Greene County, Missouri, Guardian Bond Book 1833 - 1864, G. W. Obriant was named principal and Thomas E. and Lindsey Robertson securities in the amount of \$1,200 for John H. Bryant, William F. Bryant and Thomas A. Bryant, minor heirs of Elias Bryant, deceased, late of the county of Cedar. This obviously is a record proving that Elias Obryant, husband of Sarah (Jones) Obryant had died before September 1849.

I find no record of what became of Sarah (Jones) Obryant. Unless she remarried, her name was recorded in an unrecognizable form or she left the area, it's likely she died before the 1860 census.

PETTYJOHN, MARY MO5320303	S1/2 1SW	27N 21W Sec 30	1848 Nov 01	8819
PHARISS, ANDREW L. MO5280 .046	W1/2 1NE	26N 21W Sec 03	1845 Oct 01	4156
PHARISS, ANDREW L. MO5280 .046	W1/2 1NE	26N 21W Sec 03	1845 Oct 01	4156
PHARISS, MALVINA C. MO5280046	W1/2 1NE	26N 21W Sec 03	1845 Oct 01	4156

PHARISS, MALVINA C. MO5280046	W1/2 1NE	26N 21W Sec	03 1845	Oct 01	4156
RASSIEUR, ESTELLE E. MO1150 .362	NESW 25N 1	9W Sec 13	1898 Sep 28	33892	
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MO1150362 RASSIEUR, MARY C.	NESE 25N 1	8W Sec 17	1900 Feb 08	33903	
MO1150482 RASSIEUR, MARY C.	SWSE 25N 1	8W Sec 17	1900 Feb 08	33903	
MO1150482 RASSIEUR, MARY C.	SESE 27N 1	8W Sec 29	1900 Jun 25	33910	
MO2120413 RASSIEUR, MARY C. MO2120413	SWSE 27N 1	8W Sec 30	1900 Jun 25	33910	

# ROBB, MARY E.

ROBB, MARY E. SW 25N 21W Sec 28 1894 Nov 30 9631 MO6000 .089

# **SMITH, LOUISA**

SMITH, LOUISA N	1/2NE	25N 21W Sec 11	1893 Jul 14	9218
MO5990188				
SMITH, LOUISA N	1/2NW	25N 21W Sec 11	1893 Jul 14	9218
MO5990188				

TERRELL, ELIZABETH W1/2SE 27N 23W Sec 01 1848 Sep 01 463 MO5310\_\_.208
WADDLE, JOHN S. W1/2SE 27N 23W Sec 01 1848 Sep 01 463 MO5310\_\_.208

# TILLMAN, MARGARET (DUNCAN)

TILMAN, MARGARET SWSE 27N 21W Sec 20 1848 Aug 03 7343 MO5290\_\_.100

Margaret Duncan See Index of Duncan Records at http://homepages.rootsweb.com/~dobson/index.htm

# THERYPSON, LILLY A

THERYPSON, LILLY A.	SW	25N 20W Sec 25	1893 May 16 8996	
MO5990135				
WILLARD, ELANOR M.	SW	25N 20W Sec 25	1893 May 16 8996	
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WHISENNAND, FLOREN	CE E.	W1/2SW 25N 22W Se	ec 36 1893 Mar 13	9053
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