Chapter 13 The Francis Counsel Gooding Family

Francis Counsel Gooding was the father of Annie Gooding, and the grandfather of Eva Lane Pittman and Stella Rosa Pittman. The Gooding family resided in Jones and Craven County.

The Gooding family appears as early as 1752 in Craven County, with the will of Nathan Goodwin (Gooden). His son, Aaron Gooding died about 1787 and his will was probated in Jones County. Numerous Goodings lived in Jones County, however the line is obscure. Francis C. Gooding first appears conclusively in the 1850 Jones census, and migrated to Craven County shortly thereafter.¹

Francis C. Gooding was born about 1815 and died before 1880.²,³ He married Julia Lane on September 17, 1854 in Craven County.⁴ Julia Lane was born on September 6, 1822 and died on January 2, 1895 in Craven County.⁵ Julia was the daughter of Samuel P. Lane and Nancy Cox of Craven County.⁶

Francis C. Gooding appears in the 1850 Jones County census, in the Cypress Creek District in the household of Andrew Gooding, farmer, likely his older brother.⁷ In the 1860 Craven census, Francis appears in Russell's District, occupation overseer, along with wife Julia Lane and two daughters, Hallie and Annie.⁸ The family appears in the 1870 Craven census, in the 9th Township (renamed from Russell's).⁹ The 1870 Craven census lists Francis as a farmer, with real estate of \$6,000. In the 1880 Craven census, his wife Julia Gooding, is listed as mother-in-law, apparently a widow, living in the household of daughter Annie, and son-in-law, Charles M. Pittman.¹⁰

The children of Francis C. Gooding and Julia Lane were:

- A. Hallie Gooding (1856 1934) Hallie married Albert R. Wooten on January 1, 1883 in Craven County. ¹¹ Albert R. Wooten was born in 1857 and died in 1955. Hallie and Albert Wooten are buried in the Vanceboro Cemetery in Vanceboro, NC.¹²
- B. Annie Gooding (1857 1954) Annie was born on June 18, 1857 and died on December 5, 1954. ¹³Annie married Charles M. Pittman on December 20, 1880 in Craven County at the residence of Julia Gooding.¹⁴ Charles M. Pittman was born on May 11, 1857 in Lenoir County and died on November 20, 1950.¹⁵ Their nine children were: Harold C. Pittman, Henry Bryan Pittman, Hattie G. Pittman, Eva Lane Pittman, Samuel Lane Pittman, James K. Pittman, Stella Rosa Pittman, Annie Pittman, and Robert H. Pittman.¹⁶ Annie Gooding and Charles M. Pittman are buried in the Maplewood Cemetery in Kinston, NC.¹⁷

See Chapter 11 The Elijah Vail Pittman Family.

Andrew C. Gooding was born in 1811 and died on December 12, 1891 in Craven County.¹⁸ Andrew married Eliza Lane on July 24, 1861 in Craven County.¹⁹ Eliza Lane, the daughter of Samuel P. Lane and Nancy Cox, was born in 1826 and died on August 10, 1908. ²⁰ Andrew and Eliza appear in the 1870 Jones County census along with daughter Elizabeth (1863) in the Cypress Creek District.²¹ Andrew and Eliza are buried in Cedar Grove Cemetery (Lot 850) in New Bern, NC.²²

Overview of Francis C. Gooding Family

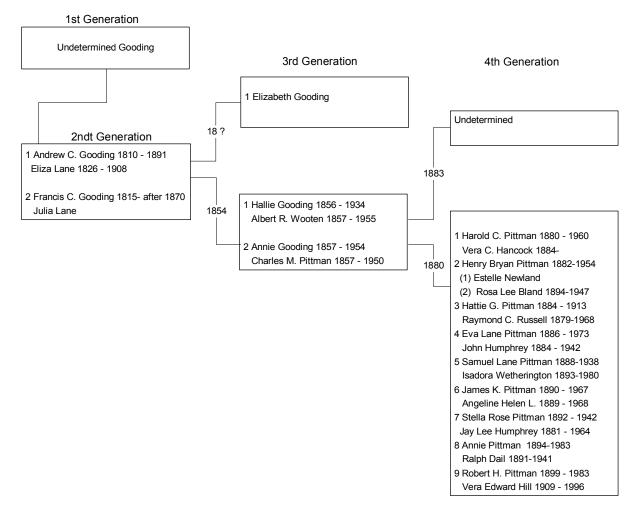


Figure 72 Overview of the Francis C. Gooding Family

First appearing in the Jones County 1850 census, the Gooding brothers migrated to Craven County and married two Lane sisters. A large number of Goodings lived in Jones and Craven County, and the link to these families has not been determined.

Endnotes Chapter 13 The Francis C. Gooding Family

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³ 1880 Craven County Census. 9th Township. Microfilm. Craven County Library.

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¹³ Maplewood Cemetery Survey, Kinston, NC. Pittman Plot. 2001 by the author.

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¹⁶ See chapter 11, Children of Charles and Annie Pittman.

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² 1870 Craven County Census. 9th Township. Microfilm. Craven County Library.