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Introduction by Ben Franklin, Editor 2nd Edition

I have just finished re-indexing this manuscript, and I have a few observations. Based on this material, Mr. Leonardo Andrea was a prolific researcher of various lineages in the old Chester District of South Carolina. He accrued and authored a number of research notes, letters, will abstracts, deed abstracts, etc. It is possible that these may have never been intended to be published in book format. He appears to have compiled this to share much or all of the material with a correspondent named John H. Pierce. Nevertheless, these notes may prove useful, and for this reason they are presented here.

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Originally, this was distributed to subscribers of the FFRU newsletter in 6 parts. I have marked the beginning and ends of these sections for your information. Mr. Andrea has dated the various sections of this manuscript according to various Holy Days:

- Part I- Part V: Feast Day of the Holy Family 1950
- Part VI: Feast Day of St. Francis of Assisi 1948

You will note that there are a number of repetitions of the same information. There are a number of cryptic, unexplained notations, which I cannot further illuminate. Mr. Andrea explains, "Deed, and also in Franklin, I refer to Book and page simply as Q-19 which means Book Q, and page 19." Unfortunately, it is frequently not clear what series of books this refers to or where they can be found. You will also observe by reading the Table of Contents that this is lacking in overall organization, and that several topics are repeated in various forms.

I have changed the numerous date formats to a standard, uniform format: nn Mmm YYYY. I have expanded the numerous abbreviations for place names for uniformity. Both of these changes facilitate computerized searches of this material.

I DO NOT have access to the original notes from which this was taken. If you have questions about this, unfortunately I will not be able to answer them.

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1. This data on Franklin has been compiled from data on file in Chester County, South Carolina. The book and the page are numbered of file numbers are listed e.g. Book W page 301 as W-301... or Estate File as File 28 case packet 32 as 28-32.
2. The 1790 Census for Chester County, South Carolina should be referred to often as well as the Revolutionary files in my former paper.

A-433

3. Edmund Franklin with dower by his wife, Rachel Franklin signed 28 Nov 1782 and deed to Anderson Thomas for 200 acres of land on Sandy River which was an original grant to Edward Franklin 29 Apr 1761/62.

Witnesses: John Doyle, William Doyle and Owen Franklin

* In the body of this deed was written "This land when granted was to Edward Franklin through error and my name is Edmund Franklin" and he goes on to state he signs the deed as Edward but real first name is Edmund... Note in #7 that the Index in Columbia has this grant as 1768 when by this deed it was some years earlier.

- 3a. I looked for a will or an administration for this Edmund Franklin but there is none... It may be at Camden where there are some early estates from Chester.
- 3b. This Edmund Franklin seems the first of the name to appear in Chester County on Sandy River... However deed #3 is the only reference I was able to find for him.
4. Edmund Franklin and two deeds after 1800 but not this Edmund... I did not check or abstract them except to note he was a younger Edmund... Not in 1790 Census tho many men by name of Edmund.
5. Onne Franklin and Oane Franklin deed lands after 1795 until 1805 in Index but I did not check these deeds... Likely for the Owen Franklin who was witness in #3.

19-299

6. Thomas Franklin... His Estate and the original will is the only page in the file... Will signed 4 Jan 1789 probated in Summer Court 1789 Wife, Priscilla Franklin (Executor). Children:

John Franklin... to have the Caswell Tract or else Caldwell
 Thomas Baker Franklin (Executor)... To have the tract where I live
 Frances and no surname
 Mary and no surname
 Elizabeth Franklin

"My wife is to have my newly acquired plantation etc."

Witnesses: Elijah Nunn, John Cockerell and John Wier.

- 6a. The original signature on this will is the same as the signature on Revolutionary claim of which I sent photostat #A664 Book Q and also see front # ? Q464... None of the other Thomas Franklin Revolutionary _____ with the signature on the will, except G464.
- 6b. Photostat of the signature on the will... There is no photostat place in Chester... A photographer often takes pictures of these old papers... He was not of Chester and I was never able to see him. We did see his wife and she told us she thought the picture for this size will would be \$7 but she was not sure... I left the name of the file and the will with the clerk in the Office of the Judge of Probate...

If you decide you want a picture of the will, write to Miss Margaret Jordan, Office of Judge of Probate, Chester, South Carolina. Miss Jordan will attend to this matter for you direct and will get a definite price for you.

The DAR has often accepted my word when the file number of the Estate is given and a copy of the Will sent to them, therefore unless you want the photograph for your own files, it will not be necessary to have this photograph.

I will now take up what data I was able to find on the widow and wife of Thomas Franklin.

A-108

7. Thomas Franklin with dower by his wife, Priscilla Franklin a deed to William Trussell signed 9 Apr 1786 for 138 acres of land part of an original grant to Thomas Franklin (Date not given) on Sandy River.

Witnesses: Richard Evans, John Franklin and James Trussell.

- 7a. This William Trussell, Jr. married Frances Franklin, the daughter in will of Thomas Franklin #6. She had one child by him and he died. The child was Martha Franklin Trussell or Patsey Trussell. There is more data on her in the section sent on Rogers-Wood, et al.
- 7b. There are also other deeds by Thomas Franklin and his wife, Priscilla Franklin, but they have no genealogical data and hence not abstracted.

J-259

8. Mrs. Priscilla Franklin resided for some years in Pendleton District and showed there in the 1790 Census. However by 1800 she was back in Chester. Here is the final record on Priscilla:

Mrs. Priscilla (Her (X) Mark) Franklin a deed, signed 6 Aug 1802 and for "The Love and affection, I bear toward my son, Thomas Baker Franklin, All My Lands in South Carolina, My household effects, my personal as well as any real estate I own anywhere in South Carolina"... Then to me an important clue... "And all Legacies and properties which may be due to me in the State of Virginia in Caroline County"... etc.

Witnesses: Peter Corbell, John Franklin and Charles Boyd, J.P.

- 8a. This indicates that Mrs. Priscilla Franklin may have been a native of Caroline County, Virginia and definitely she had, or thought she had some Legacies due her in "Caroline County, Virginia."
- 8b. There is some evidence that the maiden name of Mrs. Priscilla Franklin may have been Priscilla Rogers and this in the Rogers-Wood section.
- 8c. This entry is the last record of Mrs. Priscilla Franklin. There would be no administration or will for her since she gave all she had to her son, Thomas Baker Franklin. While she did not directly state this, the inference was that Thomas Baker Franklin, on his part was to support his mother as long as she lived and to look after the two maiden daughters of Priscilla Franklin.
9. Miss Elizabeth Franklin and Miss Mary Franklin... in one paper state "Late of Pendleton District but now of Chester."

O-45

10. Thomas Baker Franklin a deed, signed 1 Feb 1807 and no dower (However a dower was not necessary when deed for Love and Affection). For the love and affection, I bear to my sisters, Mary

Franklin and Elizabeth Franklin... 75 acres of land by the lands of Michael Gore and they to hold as long as they live etc. and then to revert to me.

Witnesses: John Stowe* and Thomas J. Mobley. X marks used.

* John Stowe was from New England and a Unitarian-Universalist... see later.

- 10a. Mary Franklin and Elizabeth Franklin a deed, signed 27 Dec. 1809 to Grief Puckett, the same 75 acres of land in #10.

Witnesses: Edmund Colvin and Eli Colvin... Thomas Baker deeded this land to the sisters to hold forever and then revert to him and I do not know how they sold it and made a good deed... Andrea.

O-292

11. Miss Elizabeth (Her (X) Mark) dated 19 Dec 1809, a deed to Edward Mobley and for a part of the land on Sandy River of the home tract willed to Thomas Baker Franklin and by him given to his sisters, Mary and Elizabeth as their home upon their return from Pendleton. Alexander Robinson and William Atkinson as witnesses.
- 11a. I was never able to find where Thomas Baker Franklin ever gave his father's home tract to his sisters by any deed... However, in the old Chester C. H. which was at Pinckneyville, there were many deeds up to 1800 and also estates... Both the Judge of Probate and the Clerk of Court told me that many of these were destroyed when the records of Pinckneyville were burned. Chester was once a part of Pickney District cut off from Camden after 1790. Therefore Chester records not complete... I know this lot of land was not part of the 75 acres in deed #10 for they sold all of that 75 acres eight days after Elizabeth sold this lot of land.
12. The 19 Dec 1809 is the last record of the sisters, Mary and Elizabeth Franklin. This was twenty years after the date of their father and both were still single women.
13. Mrs. Frances Grisham... a deed, signed 3 Jul 1801... Love and Affection to my sister, Miss Mary Franklin... a deed of gift, of all my furniture and my farming implements etc... My stud horse and my mares. My cattle and my cows etc. which I have at my plantation house etc.

Witnesses: Thomas Jinkins and William Wood.

I-94

14. Miss Mary Franklin signed 2 Jul 1802 a deed and for "Love and Affection, I bear to my niece Martha Trussell" all that was given to me by my sister, Mrs. Frances Knight who when she gave to me was Mrs. Frances Grisham by a deed dated 3 Jul 1801 (See #13)... etc.

Witnesses: Thomas Jinkins and John Grisham.

15. Scraps of paper in a mass of miscellany... 1 Dec 1788... Thomas Baker Franklin as Guardian... rest missing... Also scraps of Estate of William Trussell, Jr., leaving a widow and one minor child. This I am sure is where Thomas Baker Franklin was named guardian of his niece, Martha Trussell. However not enough proof to state definitely but enough which tallies with later data, to make one reasonably sure. See this in full in Wood-Rogers section.

I-76

16. John Franklin and T. B. Franklin dated 15 Feb 1802... an agreement to sell to Notley Coats of Newberry County... 198 acres of land which was part of a grant to John Franklin, Thomas Baker

Franklin and Major Grisham and granted to them regarding Trussell (Which I did not understand and no detail.

Witnesses: John Dungan and William Wood.

Later there was a deed to Notley Coats... Dowers by Mourning and by Ann Franklin.

17. Major Grisham... His will signed 16 Oct 1800, probated November Court 1800 Wife, Frances Grisham (See #6 as daughter of Thomas and Priscilla). Children and all minors:

John Rogers Grisham
Priscilla Grisham
Sallie Grisham

Thomas Baker Franklin Grisham
Frances Franklin Grisham

“My step-daughter” Pattsey Trussell and to share equal with my children.

Executors: Thomas Baker Franklin and Cornelius Dorsey.

Witnesses: William Wood, Mary X Franklin and John Dorsey.

- 17a. I merely took this will and did not go into the file. I now realize that I should have delved into this file for several reasons. First, I may have obtained an original signature of Thomas Baker Franklin. Second, I may have found the name of the third husband of Frances Franklin Trussell Grisham... for note in #14 by 2 Jul 1802 she was then Mrs. Frances Franklin Trussell Grisham Knight. It seems that the sister Frances made up in marrying for her two maiden sisters, Elizabeth and Mary still in single blessedness by 19 Dec 1809... #11.
18. Many deeds by Major Grisham and dower by his wife, Fanny Grisham and Major Grisham and his wife Fanny Grisham. In fact Major Grisham bought and sold lands equal to Thomas B. Franklin... noted later but did not abstract any.
- 18a. Several of these Grisham children after 1810 began to make Power of Attorney from Smith County, Tennessee and from Pendleton District, South Carolina to Issiah Franklin and others in Chester County with regards to selling the lands owned by Major Grisham in his life time... A fairly good picture of this family may be obtained.
19. Knight... I found no estates of Knight or any early deeds by Knight with a dower by Frances... After 1875 some Knight Estates. Trussell... Also many deeds to and from Trussell up to 1825 and some estates... see one in Rogers-Wood section.

Before I take up the two sons, John and Thomas Baker Franklin, I will type in other Franklin Estates.

A-120

20. Thomas Franklyn and no dower... signed 30 Sep 1785 to James Dungan a tract of 150 acres granted to Thomas Franklyn 21 Jan 1785.

Witnesses: William Boyd, John Wier and Thomas Baker Franklin.

Then dated 29 Sep 1785... a deed by Thomas Franklyn to Jacob Dungan for 150 acres of a grant to Thomas Franklyn. This deed however was signed by John Franklyn. Then 5 Jul 1786 Thomas

Franklyn acknowledges this deed which was signed by John Franklin*.

*Franklyn is how the clerk recorded the deeds and perhaps not how they were signed. There seems to have been a lack of dower and the Dungans wanted later a better deed... Then see #21.

John Franklin with dower by his wife, Mourning Franklin and Thomas Baker Franklin with dower by his wife, Ann Franklin... two deeds signed 23 Feb 1793. To Jonathan Dungan... 77 acres and 200 acres on Sandy River which were once part of lands of Thomas Franklin and by him deeded to Jacob and James Dungan but due to lack of dower etc. same being part of the lands of John Franklin, Thomas Baker Franklin and William Trussell, Jr. and Major Grisham...etc.

Witnesses: James Kennedy and Jacob Dungan.

This seemed a title to clear an earlier title.

H-87

21. Mrs. Ann Franklin the wife of Thomas Baker Franklin signed 17 Nov 1800 A Dower to John Pratt and on a tract of land in which the dower was not signed when said land was sold etc... by Thomas Baker Franklin, her husband.

G-228

22. T. B. Franklin of Stuartstown a receipt signed 9 Feb 1800 to Samuel Johnston for the sum of \$1200.00 for the purchase of a negro man named Ceasar and his wife named Chleo and their two sons, Joe and Aleck.

Witnesses: George Kennedy.

I think this is the only time in the body of a paper did the name show as "T. B."... Andrea.

A-349

23. Thomas Franklin in body of deed but signed as Thomas Baker Franklin a deed, signed 14 Sep 1787 and no dower... a tract of land to Robert Dunlap, it being the same land deed to Thomas Franklin by John McCombs with dower by his wife, Ann McCombs... etc.

19-295

24. Esom (also as Isom and as Isham) Franklin... His estate administered 4 May 1810 by his widow, Mrs. Hannah Franklin and her bond signed by Mason Huey and Gideon Whitted... Appraisers named 23 May 1810 as Dr. Ephriam Butler... Gideon Whitted... John Colvin... Henry Head, J.P. At the sale 26 Oct 1810... Buyers were James Lay bought razor and case... Shaving box and ___eirs and iron; James Billings bought a lot of plows.

Mrs. Hannah Franklin bought all the rest of the Estate. It was a rather large estate. Mention is made of property in Fairfield County.

13 Apr 1810, Allen DeGraffenried writes a receipt to Mrs. Hannah Franklin, the widow of Isom Franklin... for the gilly mare which I (Allen DeGraffenried) lent to Isom Franklin when he moved to the new Indian lands. See Isham Franklin in 1790 in Pendleton District.

No list of heirs in file.

This Isham Franklin as you will note was in the Revolution.

J-253

- 24a. Isom Franklin and no dower... a deed, signed 23 Sep 1794 to Thomas Baker Franklin of Chester District... I forgot to type in that Isom Franklin of Fairfield District... 50-1/2 acres of land which was granted to Isham Franklin in 1793.. etc.

Witnesses: William Cockerell and Thomas Cockerell.

No further data on Isham Franklin.

25. Lewis Franklin, (His (X) Mark), a deed with no dower signed 1 Apr 1802 to Allen DeGraffenreid, Jr. for 300 acres on the drains of Sandy River which was a grant to John Muller, 6 Apr 1773.

Witnesses: John McCapin and Tscharner Hopson.

B-51

26. Thomas Baker Franklyng (as recorded) dated 6 Jan 1789... A License to run a Tavern and Bar at his home on the Sandy River on the Great Road and he is firmly bound to furnish a wholesome diet, clean lodgings and beds and linens, A stable and pasturage for horses and good wines and liquors etc... for the passengers who come by stage or otherwise. His bond was signed by Patrick McGriff and James Gore.

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27. Thomas Franklin of Broad River Post Office and a dower by his wife, Mary Franklin... a deed to Robert Nix... for that tract of land which was granted to Archibald Roberts in 1784 on Sandy River.

Witnesses: John Parks, William Parks and Archibald Roberts... deed signed 8 Dec 1794.

Some two or more other deeds by Thomas Franklin and his wife, Mary Franklin and all before 1800.

- 27a. This Thomas Franklin signed without a X mark and never once did he sign as with a B in middle of his name. I am at a loss to identify him, unless he is the Thomas Franklin who signed his Revolutionary claim from Broad River and of whom you have a photostat. The Revolutionary claim dated at Broad River is definitely not the same signature of the Thomas Franklin with #6. It is beginning to appear as if there were three Thomas Franklins from Chester area in the Revolution. This Thomas Franklin and Mary Mary disappear from Chester County records before 1800.

28. Thomas (His (X) Mark) Franklin... a deed, signed 15 Oct 1805 and No Dower to William Colvin and for a tract of 304 acres of land which was an original grant to Thomas Jenkins and bounded by the lands of Martin Elam, William Colvin and Henry Colvin... "Thomas Jenkins to whom the land was originally granted is now deceased."

Witnesses: Martin Elam, Richard Elam and Thomas Lyles of Fairfield.

This deed seemed some sort of a division of lands of Thomas Jenkins, deceased... I am not sure for there is no separate record of this deed but it is combined with a deed dated 11 Dec 1826 by the Heirs of Martin Elam, deceased and a division of his lands by his widow and children to their brother and son, George Elam and deed signed by the following.

Mrs. Mary Elam, the widow
 Richard Elam, a son
 Mrs. Sarah Davis, Widowed daughter
 Elizabeth wife of Solomon Coleman, daughter
 Mary Elam, Jr., daughter
 Nancy wife of Wiley Coleman, daughter
 Martha Elm,¹ daughter
 Patience Elam, daughter
 Frances Elam, daughter
 Susannah wife of Nicholas Colvin, daughter

This home plantation of the late Martin Elam on Welch Fork of Sandy River.

- 28a. This Thomas Franklin is very likely the same Thomas Franklin who made his mark in Chester County in the Revolution. He completely disappears from Chester records in and after 15 Oct 1805 when he deeds the 304 acres of the Thomas Jenkins deceased, lands... When he signed the deed, no dower was signed. Why it is mixed?
29. This Nicholas Colvin who married Susannah Elam... The Judge of Probate told me resided in eastern part of Chester County and was one of the richest and most prominent planters Chester County ever had. The Judge also told me several people had been in Chester searching for the maiden surname of the wife Susannah of Nicholas Colvin and never a single one had found her maiden surname until I showed her this Elam deed which for some reason was listed under Thomas Franklin in Index.
- 28b. I am sure this Thomas Franklin #28 is not the same Thomas #27 with a wife Mary for he signs his name without a mark.
30. John Franklin (His (X) Mark) in the Revolution from Chester County was not the son of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin. This John Franklin asked for a Revolutionary pension from South Carolina and it was granted in 1833/34. There was evidently a division of his Estate by a series of deeds in Chester County in and after 1840. A series of deeds which I did not check... #46 in my old paper.
31. In #52 and in #52a I stated definitely that two Thomas Franklins served in the Revolution from Chester County. I think I may have to change that for when I found the deeds by Thomas Franklin and wife Mary of Broad River I came to conclusion that three Thomas Franklins served... Definitely the Thomas Franklin of Will #6 is the same Thomas Franklin of service Q-464 for signature of Revolutionary claim and on will is the same...

Study Thomas Franklin (His (X) Mark)... on one claim.

There is the same signature as on will and I am inclined to think that the Thomas Franklin who signed the will prepared the Revolutionary Order to John Swilla for the other John Franklin to make his X mark on.

32. A deed, signed 10 Jan 1819 to Fleming Caldwell and All of Fairfield County... 350 acres of land on Rocky Creek (East Chester) it being an original grant to John McKeown in 1768... Deed signed by:

Margaret wife of John Franklin
 William Caldwell
 Ann Caldwell

1. This "Elm" is at it appears in the first edition. I don't know if this is a typo for "Elam". Editor, 2nd Edition

“For all of our interest in said land”... This may be the John Franklin who asked for Revolutionary pension for after 1840 there were deeds by Mrs. Margaret Caldwell Franklin, et al. regarding the estate of a John Franklin in Fairfield and eastern Chester... Perhaps heir #30.

X-275

33. Archibald Freeman... His Estate... Sale of his lands to Daniel McMillan. The 246 acres “Where we reside” and formerly lands of Archibald Freeman, deceased and we his heirs. Deed signed by:

Mrs. Agnes Franklin	Patsey Freeman
Johanna Freeman	Archibald Freeman, Jr.

Witnesses: Moses McKeown and Nancy Knight.

Here is the name of Knight but not Frances Knight (maiden name Freeman) and widow of William Trussell, Jr., and widow of Major Grisham. I do not suppose this Pastey Freeman’s maiden name was Patsey Trussell? Note that Agnes and Nancy are the same first name in genealogy at this period... See later on.

34. Estate of John Franklin Administered 8 Mar 1830 by Mrs. Nancy Franklin... But in file of another and earlier John Franklin... I think it is a second administration.
35. Mrs. Nancy Franklin... A mortgage to Patsey Freeman (See #33) dated 6 Dec 1825... Over my 1/3 Dower in lands of John Franklin, deceased and also over my 1/3 dower in lands of Archibald Freeman, deceased.

Witnesses: John Trussell and Thomas Cockerell...

I take this to be the same Agnes in #33 and same Nancy in #34.

36. Will of Mrs. Nancy Franklin and also Administered by W. C. McNinch. The will signed 79-1240 but could not be located.

“Bury me at Purity Presbyterian Church.” Two children named: Johanna Wilson... my daughter... see her as Johanna Freeman in #33. Julia Minter... my daughter. Likely she was a Franklin.

Grandchildren named as:	Maria Minter	Nancy Caroline Minter
	Lucy Ann Wilson	Rebecca Wilson

Executor: Barney H. Pressley.² He did not act and W. C. McNinch took over.

Witnesses: S. D. Barron and John M. Young. I was unable to find the file.

37. I now begin with family of John Franklin, son of Thomas and Priscilla. (see #20). John Franklin and wife, Mourning Franklin have almost as many deeds to and from as does Thomas Baker Franklin. There were also other John Franklins in Chester area. This John Franklin was in the Revolution and was the one who did not use an X mark to sign his name. See Revolutionary data.

2. “Barney” here, “Burney” elsewhere in this document. Editor, 2nd Edition

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38. John Franklin with dower by his wife, Mourning Franklin a deed, signed 20 Apr 1790 to Robert Kennedy. The 200 acre tract granted to Thomas Franklin 24 Dec 1772 who by his will gave it to his son, John Franklin, etc.

Witnesses: John Wilson, Samuel Craig and John Kennedy.

This is the first deed signed by Mourning Franklin as wife of John Franklin. She was from Fairfield County and there is strong evidence but no proof that she was the former Mourning Winn or Mourning Minor... for both early Winns and Minors in Fairfield had daughters named Mourning Winn and Mourning Minor.

38a. There are in all seven deeds signed by John Franklin with dower by his wife, Mourning Franklin up to 1810... later there are deeds signed by John Franklin with dower by wife, Nancy Franklin after 1813... One deed.

20-306

39. Newton Franklin (son of John and Mourning Franklin) administered in Chester County 7 Dec 1818 by his widow, Sarah Franklin and Henry Head and their bond signed by John Kennedy and John Reedy. First Inventory signed 17 Dec 1818 when James Coats, William Head and Gideon Whitted were named... Second Inventory made 20 Jan 1819 by Samuel Clark, John Jennings and Hancock Suthard. Aale... I did not check. The following proved accounts were paid.

Mrs. Priscilla Darby
Asa Darby
Dr. Ephriam Butler

Mrs. Nancy Franklin Mourning Franklin
Dr. Solomon Beach
Woods and Johnston, Attorneys

39a. Mrs. Nancy Franklin 8 Jan 1830... see #34. Places a claim against the Estate of Newton Franklin for \$400... which she claims that Henry Head and Sarah Franklin, Administrators, did not pay to her... etc. Nancy seems to have reopened the estate of her husband, John Franklin in #34 to try to collect this \$400. Nancy was constantly in law suit with the heirs of her deceased husband, John Franklin... I noted three such suits in Court of Equity which I did not check. Newton Franklin died without children... 1/3 was set aside for his widow... 2/3 set aside for his brothers and sisters. (Nancy the step-mother seemed to try for a share but failed). Final division (due to protracted law suits) was not made until 15 Jan 1830.

1/3 paid to Sarah the wife of Nathaniel Corley of Newberry County, she being the former widow of Newton Franklin.

The other 2/3 paid in equal shares to the following: See #39b.

39b. The other two third of the Estate of Newton Franklin was paid to the following brothers and sisters. His step-mother under the law would have no share... also under South Carolina law, a half-brother or sister does not share if any whole brothers or sisters are alive or have heirs.

Issiah Franklin
John Franklin
Alfred Franklin
Benjamin Rogers Franklin

J. E. B. Lyons for his wife Nancy
James Huey for his wife Priscilla
Mrs. Sarah Brown (widow of Peter)
Mourning Franklin... a minor and paid to Henry Carter, Guardian.

As stated before, Sarah Franklin, the widow of Newton Franklin, was paid one third (15 Jan 1830) as then wife of Nathaniel Corley. Please pay attention to these heirs of Newton Franklin, for a complication comes later in the Estate of John Franklin, his father.

40. John Franklin, the son of Thomas #6 and of Priscilla Franklin, from dower, we know that by 1790 this John Franklin had a wife named Mourning Franklin. She seems to have died about 1812, soon after a John Franklin has a deed made by him with a wife as Nancy Franklin. This was in 1814.

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41. John Franklin. His Estate Administered by his widow Mrs. Nancy Franklin and his son, Newton Franklin and their bonds were signed by Henry Carter and Henry Head. Newton Franklin dies (See #39) and a new administration was made by Mrs. Nancy Franklin, alone (South Carolina law gives a widow first right to administer) and her bond was signed this time by Archibald Freeman, Jr. (See #33), Henry Head and Dr. Ephriam Butler. Inventory was made by William Head, Chr Thompson, James Coats, Amos Tims and James Head. (All of these appraisers resided along the Fairfield County line and over the river in Newberry County). This begins a series of lawsuits with Mrs. Nancy Franklin vs. Heirs of John Franklin. I noted three suits in Court of Equity but did not abstract any of them. The heirs claimed that Mrs. Nancy Franklin was running the Estate into debt.
- 41a. One suit was in file: Thomas Blewitt vs. Mrs. Nancy Franklin. He claimed that she had sold some of the land to him, or else had allowed some of the heirs to sell land to him and he did not know that Mrs. Nancy Franklin had incurred some \$4000 of debt over the Estate etc. This next puzzles me and taken from the Suit:
“Mrs. Nancy Franklin, who administered upon the Estate of her late husband, John Franklin, and incurred debts over his estate, after she administered also died intestate etc., dated 13 Jul 1829. I find her alive, or it seems to me, she was alive and same as #36.
- 41b. I see I failed to type in date of first administration which was Summer Court 1816. Second administration was 3 Mar 1818 after Newton Franklin had died. Here the name of Archibald Freeman is spelled as “Archibald Foreman” by the clerk.
- 41c. The debts were in suit. Two tracts of the land were ordered sold to pay the debts. One tract on Little River of Broad River and by the lands of John Franklin, deceased, land of William Head, and lands of Elizabeth and Moses Cockerell* (Here I wondered if Elizabeth Franklin in #6 and other places had married Moses Cockerell). The other tract on branch waters of Sandy River of Broad River and by the lands of William Head, Rebecca Cockerell and Moses Cockerell.

Cockerell-Calhoun I did some work on these families of Fairfield and some went into old Pendleton District.

- 41d. John E. B. Lions of Putnam County, Georgia, a Power of Attorney to Issiah Franklin of Chester County, South Carolina, “To attend and sign for me all papers Re. Estate of John Franklin and of the Estate of Newton Franklin, etc.”

Witnesses: John Franklin Date 3 Feb 1824

- 41e. John Franklin of Putnam County, Georgia, 3 Feb 1824. “Power of Attorney to my brother, Issiah Franklin of Chester County, South Carolina. To sign and act for me in Estates of John Franklin, Sr. and of Newton Franklin, etc.”

Witnesses: Joel McClendon

- 41f. Mrs. Sarah Brown, widow, of Putnam County, Georgia, Eatonton, Post Office, 3 Feb 1824. “Power

of Attorney to my brother, Josiah Franklin (Clerk very evidently copied Josiah for Issiah) of Chester County, South Carolina. To act for me in estates of John Franklin, Sr. and of Newton Franklin, etc.”

Witnesses: John Franklin.

- 41g. The Two Land Sales in #41C. The Citation for sale was served as follows (It puzzles me): “To Mrs. Nancy Franklin and her minor child, the widow of John Franklin, deceased and to Issiah, John, Benjamin and Alfred Franklin, and to Sarah Brown widow of Peter Brown and her Children Prissy Hughey, Nancy Lyons and Mourning Franklin.” The other Citation for sale of this land reads

“Mrs. Nancy Franklin widow of John Franklin, deceased, and her child a one-third interest and to child.

Isiah Franklin,
John Franklin,
Benjamin Franklin,
Alfred Franklin,
Mrs. Sarah Brown, widow of Peter Brown, and child
Mrs. Pricey Huey
Mrs. Nancy Lyons and
Mourning Franklin”

Here is the inference that Priscilla Huey, Nancy Lyons and Mourning Franklin, are children of Mrs. Sarah Brown. See the list of heirs of Newton Franklin in #39b. I asked the Judge of Probate, Mrs. Hattie Yarborough Hardin, for advice and interpretation. She was as puzzled as I. We thought that perhaps all the above were children of Newton and that his widow had married second Peter Brown and third Nathaniel Corley. This would not work for if these were her children, Issiah, Benjamin, John and Alfred Franklin in intestate estate were not heirs and we know from #41f that Sarah Brown was a sister of Issiah Franklin.

Conclusions reached by me and Judge Hardin:

Sarah was a widow of Newton Franklin and since Newton died after his father, she would have been entitled to a one-third share of what Newton inherited from his father, John, and her children would have inherited the other two-thirds due to their father, Newton. But Sarah calls Issiah Franklin, her brother, but could mean Brother- in-law. Yet, if Newton Franklin had had children, his brothers, Issiah, Benjamin, Alfred and John, would not have received any share of Newton’s estate. Since we know Sarah was widow of Peter Brown, she could have wed again to Nathaniel Corley, but in Newton’s file, she is never listed as Mrs. Sarah Brown.

Again, Nancy could have been widow of John Franklin, son of John, Sr. But we know in 1830 the son John was alive. Also note #41a and again note #34 and #36.

42. Our final conclusion is the clerk was careless in writing out the heirs. We think:

John Franklin, son of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin, married first to Mourning and before 1790 or about 1790 and by her had:

John Franklin, Jr. of Putnam County, Georgia.
Benjamin R. Franklin of Fairfield County, South Carolina.
Issiah Franklin of Chester County, South Carolina.
Alfred Franklin of Chester County, South Carolina.

Sarah Franklin widow of Peter Brown
Nancy Franklin married John E. B. Lions or Lyons of Putnam County, Georgia.
Priscilla Franklin married James Hughes-Huey.
Mourning Franklin, whose guardian was Henry Carter of Sandy River.

John Franklin wed second to Mrs. Nancy (Agnes) Freeman, widow of Archibald Freeman and by her had one child... see #36

Julia Franklin married _____ Minter.

This is the final conclusion reached by us. To this list of the first children of John Franklin, Sr. will be added:

Newton Franklin of Chester County. Married Sarah _____ and as his widow she married Nathaniel Corley.

We may be incorrect if clerk made no error on the citation.

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43. Benjamin R. Franklin with dower by his wife, Susannah Franklin of Fairfield County. A deed, signed 7 Jan 1821 to Reuben Manion, the tract 285 acres of land of my father, John Franklin, Sr., which was set aside for me, etc.

Witnesses: Gideon Whitted and Sampson Manion.

Several other deeds by Benjamin and Susannah up to 1830.

44. Mrs. Susanna Franklin of Bear Creek, Kershaw County (Bear Creek is partly in Fairfield) her will signed 27 Apr 1829, probated 11 Jan 1830. No husband is mentioned and I presume a widow. Two children and minor

Benjamin Franklin

Mary Franklin

Executors: Dr. Shubal Blanding and Dr. William Blanding

Witnesses: James S. Smythe, William A. O'Cain and A. Poincignon, Jr.

Whether this is the Susanna in #43, I do not know.

45. Issiah Franklin and no dower. A deed in Chester County 12 Jan 1820 to William Head. Tract of land on Little River.

Witnesses: Henry Head and B. T. Franklin.

Issiah sells other tracts including what he got from his father, John Franklin, Sr., never any dower. By 1832 he sells his last land and disappears from Chester records.

46. Alfred Franklin. Deed in Chester signed 6 Dec 1825 and no dower to Burr Harrison Head. All the lands I received as a legatee of John Franklin, Sr.

Witnesses: James Head and John H. Gray.

No further record of Alfred Franklin in Chester County.

47. “Our Claim and interest in the lands of Richard Yarborough Estate” a deed to Elisha Yarborough... signed by:

Bentley (X) Franklin Levina Franklin (Her (X) Mark)
Richard Yarborough

Witnesses: Romantizer Seymour and Roden Seymour... Failed to copy data.

Later you will see why I went into detail on this family of John Franklin, Sr. who was a brother of one of the Thomas Baker Franklins. The clues here may assist you further.

[End of Part I]

[Beginning of Part II]

48. I have a school mate (Like me, over 60 years old) the Reverend George Washington Jones, rector of the Episcopal Church of the Epiphany, Sherwood, Tennessee. When students together, I often visited his home, Birdsville Plantation, RFD, Millen, Georgia. He is the son of Dr. G. W. Jones, Sr. and of Mrs. Martha “Mattie” Anderson Jones, both now deceased and buried at Birdsville in the Rose Garden along with six generations of Jones. I last visited Birdsville some eight years ago when I went to the funeral of his mother, Mrs. Martha Anderson Jones. The plantation at Birdsville is now owned by the only daughter, Bess Anderson Jones who married Ben Franklin.
- 48a. In talking with Ben Franklin, Sr., he remarked to me, “The Jones and Anderson families take pride in tracing their families back to original immigrants to America. I must get busy on my Franklin and which I can trace but back to my great grandfather who settled near Eatonton in Putnam County, Georgia. As soon as I saw #s 41d, 41e, 41f, I immediately thought of Mr. Ben Franklin, Birdsville Plantation, RFD, Millen, Georgia. Mr. Ben Franklin told me that all that he had ever heard the older generation of his Franklins say “The family came originally from Maine or some state in New England.” I do not know whether Mr. Ben Franklin of Birdsville Plantation has ever searched his family tree or not, but I suggest that you write to him. When I talked last with him eight years ago, he knew little of his family lineage.
49. I asked the Tax collector about Tax returns in Chester by Franklin. He said that he did not think a single tax return was made from Sandy River area of Chester since about 1840. The Sheriff and also the Clerk of Court and the Judge of Probate all told me they did not think any Franklins ever resided in Sandy River area for the past 125 years. All Franklin deeds cease in Sandy River area by 1843 when some deed by heirs of John (X)Franklin, the Revolutionary soldier with a pension seem to show up. I was told of a Franklin Family who reside in eastern Chester. Three of them reside in Chester, I contacted two, Mr. Clyde S. Franklin, the Probation Officer for Chester County and his sister. Mr. Clyde S. Franklin told me:
- 49a. My father was John William Franklin who died in 1945 aged 83 years. He was a native of Iredell County, North Carolina. I have heard my father speak of his family. I know his parents and grandparents are all buried in an old Franklin Family Graveyard in Iredell County, North Carolina, but off hand, I cannot give their names. My father was the only one to ever come to Chester County where he settled on a farm in eastern Chester County... He was in school in North Carolina. and there met my mother, Martha Jane Simpson who was also in school in North Carolina. My mother was the daughter of Martha Cherry and Green Simpson and we have the Simpson-Cherry lines worked out to original immigrants. Children of Martha Jane Simpson and John William Franklin, in order of birth:

John Green Franklin married Lottie Jordan
Abigail Franklin, who died single several years ago.
William Cox Franklin, deceased, married Estelle Evans
Nettie Franklin married Joseph E. Love and they reside in Chester.
Eli Franklin married Ora Stewart
Clyde Simpson Franklin married Eva Killian
Annie Franklin married A. C. Allen
Martha Franklin married Ray Love
Fannie May Franklin married N. W. Rice
Mamie Franklin married William James of Iredell County, North Carolina
Thomas Kell Franklin died single, World War wounds.

Mr. Clyde S. Franklin told me his family are only Franklins in Chester County except Mr. Charley H. Franklin who came here from Newberry.

50. I immediately went to see Mr. Charley Herbert Franklin, manager of The Smith Furniture Company of Chester South Carolina. He was preparing to leave Chester on a business trip, but very kindly gave me some time. He is extremely interested in his Franklin lineage and he and his brother have worked quite a bit on the lineage. He has offered to allow me to see all the work he and his brother have done.

50a. Quote from C. H. Franklin:

“My father was Roman Franklin who married Ida Darby. His full name was longer, but I forget what came after Roman but I have heard my father state he was named for a kinsman who had the long name (I, as I began to type my notes, saw Romantixer Seymour on #47 and now I wonder if Mr. Roman Franklin had that Seymour first name... Andrea) The children of Roman and Ida Darby Franklin are:

Lonnie W. Franklin married Janie Vines and reside in Washington, D.C.
Augustus Howard Franklin who died single in 1935.
Charley Herbert Franklin married Doran Elam*.
Hiram Terry Fant Franklin married Minnie Boyd.
Otto Kletner Franklin (Named for a friend of my father) and he and his wife reside in the state of Maine.
Iola Franklin married William H. Templeton.
Marion Davis Franklin married a Miss Davis.
Roman Franklin resided in Newberry County across the river from Fairfield County on lands inherited from his father, Benjamin Franklin.”

51. Continued quote from C. H. Franklin”

“My grandfather, whom I knew well, was a soldier of the Confederacy. His name was Benjamin Franklin and he was left an orphan when he was not eight years old. He settled in Newberry County and had four children, all sons, and they were:

D. I. Franklin who settled in Orangeburg County, South Carolina.
Howard H. Franklin who settled in Orangeburg County.
A son who died in his teens and I forget his name just now.
Roman Franklin, my father.

I have listened to my grandfather, Benjamin Franklin, tell of the old family and he always said, "My first Franklin ancestor to Chester County came from Maine" (See #48a). Grandfather Ben Franklin got interested in family history when he gave to me some old Franklin Land Grants from the King of England. One of those grants also said "From Maine." I began to visit among Franklin kin in both Fairfield and Newberry and got together some of Franklin Land Grant from the King and also got some eight land grants to Franklin after the Revolution. These I found stored in old trunks among my kinsmen."

52. Mr. Charley H. Franklin told me that he has these old grants and had exhibited them in more than 30 cities in the USA including New Orleans. He took a great pride in this collection of original land grants. They were in storage and a thief broke in and carted them off. He states he still has some two or three which he did not place on display since they were so badly in need of repair. He has had a reward out for the return of the set of his collection of original Franklin Land Grants.
53. Charles H. Franklin married Dora Elam and he has heard the Elams say also they have a Franklin connection back in Chester County somewhere along the line. He has never investigated the Elam-Franklin angle, see #28. Write to Mr. Charley H. Franklin, 123 Church St. Chester, South Carolina.
54. Mr. Charley H. Franklin told me that his brother, Lonnie W. Franklin who works in Washington but maintains a residence in Newberry, South Carolina. has all their Franklin data at his home in Newberry. Lonnie W. spends part of his time in Newberry and is there two weekends a month. He suggested that when he knows that Lonnie is to be in Newberry, that on a Sunday (only day Charley has free) that I join him in Newberry and that we go over all the Franklin Data they have. He feels that it may help our problem and will be glad to have us make use of his data. However, he states that if your Franklin line is not from New England, that it will not likely be the same as yours.
55. Charley H. Franklin told me that he used to hear his grandparents and even his mother tell of crossing the Broad River from Newberry County into Fairfield County to attend service at the old Universalist Church in Fairfield situated near Blairs, South Carolina. At the present time none of the family are Unitarian or Universalist in religious faith.
56. This brings me to the Unitarian and Universalist Churches in South Carolina. Wherever New Englanders settled in South Carolina. in any number, they founded Congregational Churches. In Charleston and at old Dorchester, these two historic churches were early. In the up-state no Congregational Church was founded. However in Fairfield, Edgefield and in Chester were organized three Unitarian Congregations and quite early. In New England when the Unitarian Church was split by the Universalist dogma and in New England many congregations split off from the Unitarian Church, in South Carolina, the three Unitarian congregations up-state (The Charleston Congregation remained Unitarian and that church is still a large congregation... Andrea) split off from the Unitarian Church and became Universalist. The one in old Edgefield County (Now Saluda) is still an active congregation and some of its early members were Franklins. The Church in Chester was on Sandy River and the one in Fairfield was at Jenkinsville toward Columbia. In time these congregations became so small, that about 1830 these two Universalist congregations united and did away with the old church houses and built a new Universalist Church in Fairfield, some six miles below Sandy River and near the present site of the village of Blairs. This congregation is small but still active today. The sites of the older Unitarian-Universalist Church in Chester and in Fairfield are forgotten. Franklins were leaders in this Unitarian Church or rather meeting as early as 1775.
57. John Franklin. 11 Oct 1802, a deed for 1-1/2 acres of land on west side of Sandy River. For the Worship of the One God (Evidently Unitarian) and for building thereon a Publick Meeting House, etc. To trustees:

Notley Coats, William Woodward, Richard Evans, Daniel Trussell Jacob Dungan, Eli Cornwell,

James Huey, Negrus Whitted, Mason Hughey, Daniel Pierce

These Trustees to hold same 1-1/2 acres of land for purposes stated and for a Burial Ground.

Witnesses: Thomas Baker Franklin and Gideon Whitted.

Two years later John Franklin deeds another 1/2 acres of land "Where the family burial ground is" and all sides adjacent to lands of John Franklin. This time Thomas Baker Franklin is a trustee.

Here began a search by me, hunting the location of this old Church site. The Judge of Probate, Mrs. Hardin, who is somewhat a historian, had not even heard that there was ever a Unitarian-Universalist Church in Chester County.

58. Search for the site of this old church. Mrs. Hardin, Judge of Probate got so interested that she began to ask the sheriff, Clerk of Court and other officers. Nobody had any idea as to the location of this church, an old farmer came in and was listening to the conversation. He said that he was from that area of Chester when he was a boy and had heard old people and negroes speak of the old Sandy River Meeting House and of an old grave yard there. He said it was up the river from the mouth where Sandy River flows into Broad River. As a boy he said he had hunted up and down Sandy River but had never seen this old graveyard. I asked him if any Franklins there? He said he had heard of an old Franklin plantation somewhere near where that old Sandy River Universalist Church stood. Mrs. Hardin called several local historians, male and female, over the phone and to no avail, some said there had never been a Universalist Church in Chester. At last a Mrs. White and a Mrs. Wylie, said they had heard of the old church but had no idea in particular where it was situated. They had a general idea it was in southwest Chester County on Broad River and not far from the Fairfield line. One lady told us that the present and later church of the Universalist denomination situated near Blairs in Fairfield County was a combination of the older Sandy River Church and the older Jenkinsville Church. She thought that combination took place about 1835 but was uncertain. I was told to contact some of the few remaining members of that old congregation of Unitarian and Universalist and they might be able to tell me. They all seemed to think that the few members now are remnants of the older congregation. They based this on the fact that nobody ever joined up with those Universalists except the old ones from New England and their descendents or of families who had married into these old families. It seems the present congregation has not over a couple of dozen members and the pastor of the old organization in Saluda County (Formerly part of old Edgefield) comes over to Blairs for service there once a month. They do not think any old Franklin graves will be at the Blairs building for it did not begin until after 1835 by a combination of the older meetings at the first two churches. I went by to see a lawyer, a Mr. Franser, a local historian, he told me he had no idea where the old site was. He did state that there was evidence that the Unitarians held meetings in homes as early as 1770 but never any formal congregation was formed until the Universalists had split off from Unitarians.
- 58a. If your lineage comes through these Unitarian-Universalists, that is added likelihood that you will be connected with the New England set of Franklins. Likely they stopped over en route in Pennsylvania, Virginia, or North Carolina. But C. H. Franklin says he has the proof they came from New England and state of Maine for his branch. If this is your set, Caroline County, Virginia is likely where they stopped first en route from New England (Recall that Chester County, South Carolina. was named for Chester County, Pennsylvania and at least half settlers of the original settlers in Chester County, South Carolina came from Chester County, Pennsylvania, and further north).
59. Thomas Baker Franklin. Office Bond signed 15 Apr 1799. To take over the Office as High Sheriff of Chester County. Bond made for Office and performance of same to Robert Witherspoon,

Treasurer. He signed the bond (As the clerk recorded it) T. B. Franklin. The men who went on the bond with him were Allen deGraffenreid and John Pratt, witnessed by Samuel Lacey. He seems to have acted as the high sheriff for but one term of four years. I was unable to find the early sheriff papers to see if I could find an original signature of Sheriff Thomas Baker Franklin.

60. Thomas Baker Franklin and Thomas Baker Franklin. These two men by same first name confuse me. There was no way to find an original signature of them for comparison. They seem to be cousins and both resided in Sandy River area down along the Fairfield line. Both owned, bought and sold much land and all the land was along Sandy River except for one farm which a Thomas Baker Franklin owned in eastern area of Chester (Likely a farm he had bought which he and his wife, Ann, sold to Greenberry Montgomery.)
61. Signatures of these two men by same name: All that I have to go by is the recorded copies made by the clerks who recorded the papers. From 1782 to 1811, clerks changed as denoted by the forms of writing and style. For the first 10 or more years a clerk who recorded always placed the names as Thomas Baker Franklin and as Thos. Baker Franklin, then a clerk recorded both as Thos. B. Franklin for a few years. Then another clerk took over and recorded as Thomas Baker Franklin. Then a new clerk took over and recorded as Thomas Baker Franklin and as T. B. Franklin. Then another clerk took over and recorded all as T. B. Franklin, even then in the deed or paper itself would be "I, Thomas Baker Franklin, for and in consideration etc." the clerk would invariably at the bottom of the deed record the signature as "T. B. Franklin" for both men.
62. The Franklin household in the Chester Census for 1790 in Chester County:

Edmond Franklin	1-1-1	John Franklin	1-0-1
Lewis Franklin	1-2-1	John Franklin	1-3-4
Lewis Franklin	1-1-2	John Franklin	1-0-5
Thomas Franklin	1-2-6	Owen Franklin	1-1-2
Thomas B. Franklin	1-0-5	Lawrence Franklin	2-1-5
T. B. Franklin	1-2-4		

Then in Pendleton District, many miles far from Chester were these:

Edmond Franklin	1-1-3	Isham Franklin	1-2-3
Priscilla Franklin	0-1-3	Thomas Franklin	1-2-2

What sort of kinship were these Franklins? We know that Isham Franklin was back in Fairfield by 1793 and died in Chester by #24. We also know that Priscilla Franklin and her daughters were back in Chester County by 1801. Of the three John Franklins, one was #41 and son of Thomas and Priscilla, one was the John Franklin who asked for a pension about 1833/34, and one Thomas Franklin was likely the Revolutionary soldier who made his mark. The other Thomas Franklin of Broad River, also a Revolutionary Soldier, well, one of these two was likely in Pendleton in 1790. The other Revolutionary soldier, Thomas Franklin (Father of Thomas Baker and John) was dead by 1790 and his widow Priscilla was then in Pendleton. Most all of these families of Franklin, sold their lands and removed from Chester.

63. The two Thomas Baker Franklin men. One always sold lands with a dower signed by his wife, Ann. The other Thomas Baker Franklin always sold land and no dower was ever signed. Yet in 1790 both were heads of homes, however it is possible that one was single and those in home widowed mother and her children.
64. Thomas Baker Franklin who married Winnifred Wood. No dower was ever signed by a wife named

Winnfred. Ann, I know was used for Nancy, but never have I found anything except Winny or Winnie ever (several words not legible on printed page) first name.

65. Thomas Baker Franklin bought the following lands as recorded in Deed Books. Year is when deed was recorded:

John Dougherty	1787	Major Grisham	1787
James Trussell	1788	Major Grisham	1787 (second)
Archibald Roberts	1789	Minor Winn	1791
Minor Winn	1791 (second)	Robert Dunlap	1794
William Wood	1795... see Wood	William Estes	1797
Joshua Gore	1798	Jacob Morris	1798
Joseph Bennett	1798	John Pratt	1798
John Scarborough	1799	Thomas Jinkins	1799
Abner Wilks	1799	William Stewart	1799
Patrick McGriff	1800	Eli Cornwell	1800
John Pratt	1800	Phillip Noland	1800
David Boyd	1800	William G. Sanders	1805
John Wright	1805	G. Grisham	1805
Herod Griffin	1805	Joshua Gore	1805
William Britton	1805	Jeremiah Kingsley	1814

Remember these are the years the deeds were recorded. I read each deed and abstracted a few. There were also other deeds and I began to abstract all as I read. These next deed will shown in #66.

66. Deeds to Thomas Baker Franklin as recorded in Book J. These do not show in #17 since I had already abstracted, they will show here. The number is page in Book J.

100. William Henderson, a deed to T. B. Franklin (Use T. B. to save typing but in each deed to Thomas Baker Franklin) 18 Sep 1802 for 100 acres of the original grant to Joseph Hill. Once as Japhet Hill in body of deed.

102. Eleazer Gore with dower by his wife, Elizabeth Gore, 21 Mar 1801 to T. B. F. 176 acres part of original grant to Zachariah Isebl the year 1762 and 65 acres of another piece or parcel.

Witnesses: Wm. Woods and Michael D. Gore.

106. James Bennett and no dower, 4 Oct 1802 to T. B. F, 55 acres of the original grant to John McCombs of 600 acres in 1786.

Witnesses: John Dallis, Jacob Bennett and Joseph Bennett.

108. Col. Patrick McGriff and dower by wife, Mary McGriff now of Montgomery County, Georgia but late of Chester County, South Carolina. 20 Jun 1803 to T. B. F. for 100 acres of land granted to Col. Patrick McGriff in 1786.

Witnesses: Thomas McGriff, Peter Thomas and Davis Gore.

111. Amos Timms, Sr. No dower 14 Oct 1797 to T. B. F. (Recorded in 1803) 75 acres of the original grant to James Timm.

Witnesses: Silvanus Estes, William Estes and Joseph Bennett.

113. Noan Bennett and no dower, 18 Nov 1802 to T. B. F. 91 running feet of the original grant to John McCombs (This seemed a deed to straighten a line in deed by James Bennett above)

Witnesses: William G. Sanders and Charles Boyd.

116. Thomas Lehre and dower by wife, Susannah Lehre of Charleston, South Carolina. but formerly of Fairfield, 20 Feb 1802 to T. B. F. 200 acres of land on branch waters of Sandy River and originally granted to Thomas Lehre.

Witnesses: James Nicholson, Nathanie G. Clary and Joseph Sabb.

118. Thomas O'Neal and dower by wife, Esther O'Neal of Newberry 16 Mar 1803 to T. B. F. 104 acres of land.

Witnesses: Patrick Hamilton and David Boyd.

120. William Bradford and no dower 30 Jan 1802 to T. B. F. 108 acres on Sandy River.

Witnesses: Michael D. Gore and Patrick Hamilton.

122. Joseph Bennett, Sr., and James Bennett and no dowers. Joint deed to T. B. F. 18 Nov 1801, 257 acres of the original grant to Jephthah Hill and 99 acres of Bennett lands.

Witnesses: Charles Boyd and David McCreary.

133. Samuel Thorton and no dower, 15 Jun 1802 to John Franklin, 72 acres on Sandy River

Witnesses: Peter Corbell and Henry Head.

257. Amos Tims, Jr. and no dower, 10 Nov 1803, 273 acres of the original grant to Joseph Timms

Witnesses: Hugh Glackling and Thomas J. Maherly.

#66 completes lands to T. B. Franklin.

67. Here follow a few deeds of land sold by Thomas Baker Franklin which I abstracted. Also see #68.

D-396 William Wood with dower by his wife, Sarah Wood, for 100£ as the consideration, 1 Jan 1794 to Thomas Baker Franklin, 150 acres and it being a part of the original grant to Edmund Wilson on a branch called Stony Fork of Sandy River of Broad River in Craven County and when granted bounded by lands of John Basker, Edmund Wilson and vacant land conveyed by deed, signed 15 Apr 1792 by Edmund Wilson to William Wood.

Witnesses: Martin Elam (See #28) Letisha (X) Stone and John Pratt.

Same day William and Sarah Woods deed to John Allen and to James Huey and also for 100£ cash consideration.

B-315 John Franklin with dower by wife, Mourning Franklin, 20 Apr 1790 to Robert Kennedy.

The 200 acre tract willed to John Franklin by his father, Thomas Franklin and it being an original grant to Thomas Franklin 24 Dec 1772.

Witnesses: John Wilson, Samuel Craig and John Kennedy.

Fragment of paper

John Hays and James Trussell, consideration 1000£. Release of Rights in certain lands to Thomas Baker Franklin, Guardian of ... [the rest missing] I take this to be Thomas Baker Franklin as guardian of his niece, Martha Trussell (see #15).

G-120 T. B. Franklin (And seemingly only time in any body of a deed as T. B.) 9 Mar 1799 and no dower, to John Kennedy, a lot in the town of Chester with 165 front feet and next to my dwelling house in the town of Chester on the Charleston Road, etc.

Witnesses: George Kennedy and Jesse T. Wallis.

See #59 and this is likely the Sheriff Thomas Baker Franklin Several other lots in Chester were sold but never with any dower.

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Thomas Baker Franklin with dower by his wife, Ann Franklin. 30 Oct 1798, a deed to Jeremiah Roden. The 100 acres of land granted to Thomas Morris, now deceased and who by his will left same to James Morris, who sold same to John Humphreys who conveyed to William Moore, the late sheriff of Chester County.

Witnesses: Samuel Lacey and John Johnston. Same day and same witness, Thomas Baker Franklin and wife, Ann Franklin sell to Nathaniel Rhoden, 100 acres of land.

A-341 Major Grisham and dower by his wife, Fanny Grisham, 16 Aug 1788. The tract of land on Sandy River granted to Mager Grisham in 1786.

Witnesses: Patrick McGriff and Edmund Nunn and James Nunn.

Also Major Grisham and wife Fanny deed land to James Huey and his wife, Sarah Huey.

68. Here follows the complete list of lands sold by Thomas Baker Franklin. The various clerks used Thomas Baker Franklin, Thos. Baker Franklin, Thomas B. Franklin, Thos. B. Franklin and T. B. Franklin as they recorded these deeds. Note: those with dowers and those without dowers. I read each deed to see if any data of genealogy. There were so many I did not abstract.

Thomas Baker Franklin sold to: (Year is when recorded)(Note)(Acreage)

John Franklin	1789	no dower ⁴	200 acres
James Stewart	1791	no dower	50 acres
Dennis Carrol	1791	no dower	131 acres

3. This is found in Book G, page 36, Editor 2nd Edition

4. Dower was not necessary when the land was sold to family.

Major Grisham	1791	no dower	21-1/2 acres
John Franklin	1792	no dower	265 acres
David Weir	1793	no dower	103 acres
Jonathan Dungan	1793	dower by Ann	38 and 35 acres
This a joint deed to Jonathan Dungan by Thomas Baker and Ann Franklin and by John Franklin and Mourning Franklin (See #20)			
Notley Coats	1793	no dower	178 acres
Stephen Siddel	1794	Dower by Ann	150 acres
David Weir, Sr.	1795	no dower	
Recorded in 1795 but sold 1789			
William Shaw	1795	no dower	113 acres
James G. Timms	1797	Bill of sale and not a deed.	
Robert Witherspoon	1799	Bond for Office	(See #59)
Nathaniel Roden	1799	Dower by Ann	100 acres (See #67) ⁵
Jeremiah Roden	1799	Dower by Ann	100 acres (See #67)
Samuel Lacey, Jr.	1799	Bill of Sale of Slaves.	
William Fullerton	1799	Dower by wife Ann	10 acres
Reason Blissett	1799	no dower	1/4 acre lot on Chester
Reason Blissett	1799	no dower	7-3/4 acre lot in Chester
John Kennedy	1799	no dower	Lot in Chester (See #67)
John Combest	1800	no dower	
Samuel Johnston	1800	Bill of Sale	
William Morrow	1801	no dower	
Samuel Thornton	1801	no dower	
(See also where John bought of him #68)			
William Morrow	1801	no dower	
Notley Coats	1801	no dower	
William Murray	1801	no dower	two deeds, same year.
Eli Cornwell	1802	Dower by Ann	
two deeds to Eli Cornwell			
Jacob Dungan	1802	no dower	
Thomas McClurkin	1805	no dower	
two deeds to Thomas McClurkin			
Hannah Colvin	1805	Dower by Ann Franklin	
Phoebe Travis	1805	no dower	
Amos Tims	1805	Dower by Ann	
Amos Tims	1808	no dower	
John Franklin	1806	Bill of Sale of Slaves	
Capt. Edward Mobley	1806	dower by Ann	
Moses Grisham	1806	dower by Ann	
Biggers Mobley	1807	dower by Ann	Two deeds
Mason Huey	1807	no dower	
Henry Mitchell	1807	no dower	
John Cornwell	1805	no dower	
Jane Roden	1803	no dower	two deeds
James Roden	1815	no dower	

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John Combest renewal of a burned deed made in 1803
1803 no dower.

This last deed in 1815 was made by Thos. Baker Franklin and no dower to James Rhoden or Roden. It was a renewal of a deed which was originally made in 1803 to James Roden by Thos. Baker Franklin and no dower.⁶

69. Thos. Baker Franklin, as the clerk mostly recorded the deeds, not once ever had a wife who signed a dower with him. The last time any record of Thos. Baker Franklin in Chester was in 1815 when he renewed the burned deed he made to James Roden in 1803. He disappears from Chester County by 1815 completely.
70. Thomas Baker Franklin and all indications that he was the son of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin. See him and his brother, John, in #20 making a sort of a new deed for the land Thomas Franklin sold when his wife failed to sign a dower. This indicates they were the brothers and both sons of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin #6. Other proofs also.
71. Baker: The middle name of Baker indicates a Franklin-Baker marriage a generation back of Thomas and Priscilla. For two men in same area had Baker for a middle name and the name Baker likely came from a common ancestor by name of Franklin who wed a Baker wife.
72. Thomas Baker Franklin was definitely married to a wife, Ann, by the year 1793. See #20 and dated the 23 Feb 1793 Ann Franklin the wife of Thomas Baker Franklin signs her first dower. This shows they were married before the 23 Feb 1793. Ann Franklin the wife of Thomas Baker Franklin in 1807 signs two dowers when Thomas Baker Franklin sells two tracts of land to Biggers Mobley. The last legal record of Thomas Baker Franklin and wife Ann Franklin is 15 Aug 1807, they sell lands to Biggers Mobley in two deeds.
- 72a. Thomas B. Franklin in the 1790 Census (See #62) had himself and five females in his household. Whether he was a married man and this was a wife and four daughters, I do not know, likely they were other females of his family.
- 72b. T. B. Franklin, with himself (see #66) and 2 boys over age 1 and under age of 16 in his household, and also 4 women. He could have been a married man or these other members of his family and not a wife or children. Note in #68 that the Thomas Baker Franklin deeds, one in 1789, three in 1791, one in 1792, and one in 1793 had no dowers signed. Then one in 1793 with dower by Ann to Jonathan Dungan (See #72) and another in 1783 with no dower to David Weir, Sr. (But sold in 1789 and recorded in 1793). These dowers not signed, indicate that one of the Thomas Baker Franklins was a single man and sold all the land.

From your data and only exact birth you sent: Alfred Sexton Franklin, born 8 Apr 1802, died 9 Nov 1855. If Winnefred Wood was his mother she evidently died in childbirth, for by 23 Feb 1793 Ann was wife. NO-NO-NO! When I began typing this, I was thinking Alfred Sexton Franklin was born in 1792.

- 72c. Note that John and Mourning Franklin had a son named Alfred. Do you suppose that it is possible that you have the wrong father for your Alfred Sexton Franklin? Is it possible that after John and Mourning Franklin died, that Alfred was reared by his Uncle Thomas Baker Franklin? Definitely, Thomas Baker and Ann Franklin by 1802 were the parents of Alfred Sexton Franklin, if he was a

6. Feb 1813, Chester District South Carolina. Thomas B. Franklin of Ouachita Parish, Louisiana to James Roden of Chester of \$300, 150 acres joining James Gore "to replace deed that was lost." Book R, page 199. Editor 2nd Edition

son of a Thomas Baker Franklin of Chester County.

73. From your data, you state that it is definitely known that Winnifred Woods Franklin married John Thomas Cabean and that she was born in 1792. Do you know exact date? By 23 Feb 1793 Ann was the wife of one of the Thomas Baker Franklin's in Chester County and if Winnifred Woods was mother of the daughter, Winnifred Woods Franklin Cabean, then the mother died evidently at childbirth, for soon after, Thomas Baker Franklin had a wife named Ann.
74. John Rogers of Chester, single man, his will signed 10 Jan 1789, probated 5 Apr 1789 (From Record Book). Estate to:
Priscilla Franklin John Franklin Thomas Baker Franklin
Executor: Thomas Baker Franklin.
- Witnesses: Robert Gorrell, William Boyd and John (X) Franklin.
- Appraisers: Elijah Nunn, James Gore, Joseph Timms. John Turner swears them in.
75. Estate of Jacob Rogers of Sandy River. Citation 17 Dec 1791 to be read at Big Meeting at Sandy River for Joseph Timms to administer. No further data found. His citation is wrapped by a paper which had on outside "Priscilla Franklin as Executor of Thomas Franklin." In mass of papers but I have no proof that it belongs to this Jacob Rogers Estate. John and Thomas Baker Franklin have no objection to administration, their mother Priscilla, being an heir.

Neighbors on Sandy River

76. Last evening I went to the South Carolina Archives and read some of the wills of neighbors of the Sandy River Franklins and made some brief abstracts which follow:
77. Martin Elam. His will (See #28) names Sarah Elam who is widow of Caleb Davis. Other data in will corresponds to #28.
78. Benjamin Carter. His will was probated Fall Court 1789. Wife simply called "my wife," children and no surnames.
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| Henry (See #39b) | Francis (a daughter) |
| Mourning (See #20) | Eunice |
| Churchill (Executor) | John |
| Sally | Elizabeth |

Witnesses: William Morris and George Blissett

79. Richard Evans (Recall that Thomas Baker Franklin received Richard Evans' Revolutionary pay) of Pickney District (old name for Chester, see #11a). Will signed 7 Nov 1799, probated 29 Jul 1806. Wife, Catherine Evans, children as written and no surnames:
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| 1st Mary | 2nd John "My eldest son" (Executor) |
| 3rd Samuel | 4th James |
| 5th Isaac | 6th Hannah |
| 7th Moses | 8th Catherine |
| 9th Ann | |

Witnesses: Adam Mills, Samuel Evans and Isaac Evans.

I had thought that since Thomas Baker Franklin bought extensively at this sale that his wife may have been the daughter of Richard Evans who had a daughter named Ann Evans. However, in the

will in one place she is called “Ann Evans” and likely still single.

80. John Colvin. Will signed 6 Jan 1793. Wife, Hannah Colvin and children with no surnames except for a deceased daughter.

Thomas	Tarleton
William (Executor)	Sarah, deceased, wife of Benj. Trust
Daniel	John
Nicholas (See #28)	Edward
Rhoda	Mary
Charlotte	Levicey

Witnesses: John Pratt, John Price and Sarah Price.

81. John Cockerell. Will probated Jan Court 1799. Wife, Mary Cockerell and children with no surnames.

Sandeford	Lyles	Moses (See #41a)
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Ex. wife with James Huey.

Witnesses: James Huey, Richard Head and James Taylor.

82. Richard Head. Will signed 11 Apr 1800. Wife, Sarah Head and children.

Henry Head (Executor)	William Head
Richard Head	Peter Newport Head
Thomas Head	James Head
Frances Tabor, married daughter Lucinda Head	
Sarah Head (Likely wife of Newton Franklin #39)	

Witnesses: James Head and Charles Atterbury.

83. Robert Owen (Note, Owen Franklin). Will signed 28 Oct 1801. Wife, Kitty Owen, “my two sons and both minors” only one son is named “John Leak Owen, the eldest of my two sons.” Lands in Kentucky, Virginia, also in York and Chester Counties, South Carolina. Other relatives named in will:

John Owen, my father of Halifax County, Virginia (Executor)
Rachel Owen, my mother in Halifax County, Virginia
David Owen, my brother
Betsy Owen, my sister
Rachel Donald my sister
Priscilla Winbourne, my sister

Witnesses: Charles Boyd, Joseph Moore and Richard Morris.

84. Priscilla Owen is witness to the will of Samuel Griffin signed 24 Apr 1796. Did not abstract this will.

85. Joseph Timms, Sr., Will signed 6 Jul 1801. Wife, Mary Timms (Executor) with children:

Amos Timms (Executor)	Joseph Timms, Jr.
Sarah Estes	Mary Carter (See #78)
Frances Boyd	Elizabeth Timms

Witnesses: John Pratt, Thomas Mobley and John Gore.

86. James Lay, will probated 1820. Names daughter Levina Lay and one witness was Barnet Franklin. (See #47). Ambrose Nix will signed 16 Jul 1818, wife, Hannah Nix and one daughter named as Anny Darby. It may pay to have all Sandy River neighbors of Franklin, read sometime. Nunn, no wills but in Chester there are early administrations for Nunn.
87. Robert Gorrel (See #73) will signed 13 Nov 1808. Wife, Agnes Gorrell (Executor). Balance of estate to Ralph Gorrel, the son of Robert Gorrel, Jr., David Gorrel of Guilford County, North Carolina. (Executor)
Witnesses: John Walker, William Walker and Patrick Spence
- 87a. Miss Elizabeth Pierce was married to Mr. John Gorrel, both of Pendleton District. Issue of *Pendleton Messenger*, 1 Sep 1832.
- 87b. Robert Gorrell took his land grant on Sandy River for 200 acres in 1774 and 50 acres in 1767.
88. Gore family on Sandy River married into Mayfield family and the Mayfield family married into the Wood family. Most came to old Spartanburg, Greenville and Pendleton after the Revolution.
89. Amos Tims with dower by his wife, Frances Tims, 13 Nov 1778, a deed to James Timms on Sandy River.

Witnesses: Robert Sanders and Joseph (?)

90. Conclusion: I did not go to Fairfield County at Winnsboro to check data there. I covered all data I thought of value and perhaps some I may not have thought of value, in Chester. All Court of Equity files were of Nancy, the second wife of John Franklin and I did not check that data. No suits of Thomas Baker Franklin were in the Index in Court of Equity, which deals with estates.

I want to check the data collected by Charley Franklin which is in Newberry.

91. The Thomas Franklin who served in the Revolution (One of the three men from Chester area by name of Thomas Franklin in Revolution) who was the father of John and Thomas Baker Franklin with wives, Mourning and Ann, is definitely the Thomas Franklin whose photostat you have for 5 sheep and 73 days of service. His signature on Q464 is the same signature on the will #6. This is the Thomas Franklin who you will have to join under for DAR. Sons used to often write similar to their fathers. Study the signature of Thomas Baker Franklin on Richard Evans and on John Butler, note the similarity of the same writing on Thomas Franklin A464 Book Q.
92. Thomas (His (X) mark) Franklin of Chester County, I feel he is the same man who sold his land to Colvin and went to Pendleton District. I base this on the fact that Lt. Thomas Wimpey and Lt. Nimrod Mitchell both went on to old Pendleton. This is likely the Thomas Franklin in #62 in 1790 Census in Pendleton.
93. Please advise me of your opinions, especially as to whether you think that Ann Franklin and Winnefred Franklin are one and the same person. I am sorry that I so hastily made examination on 2 Nov 194? and wrote you that there were dowers in Chester by Winnefred Franklin. Do you know the name of the last wife of Thomas Baker Franklin? You sent the list of the three children he had by a last wife, I would like to have her name.

Tison-Vince-Fleming

94. This week I have been working on Tison-Vince-Fleming and had to check some old Camden wills of what is now District. As I made the search, I took time out to abstract some Sandy River wills.

95. Peter Nance. will signed 13 Feb 1780, probated 16 May 1783: Wife, Elizabeth Nance, Ex. with brother in law, Phillip Sandes, and children:

William Nance (Executor)	
Pattie Tims	John Nance
Sallie Cloyd Nance	Peter Nance
Elizabeth Mary Ann Nance	Richard Nance
Ellinor Nance	Hannah Nance

Witnesses: Amos Tims, Joseph Tims, and Thomas Humphries.

96. William Coats. Will signed 15 Jun 1783, probated 15 Dec 1784. Wife, Frances Coats (Executor) and children:

Ann Stark	Priscilla Coats and not 21
Barton Coats	Wilson Coats
William Coats, not 21	Benjamin Coats, not 21

Witnesses: Notley Coats, James Gore and Elisha Gore. (You will recall Notley Coats in Franklin papers.)

97. William Rogers. Will signed 24 Feb 1784, probated 15 Mar 1784. No wife or children (many of these Rogers were bachelors). Estate to:

Mother, Margary Rogers	Bro. Ralph Rogers (Executor)
Sister, Margaret Rogers	Sister, Edith Wood
Sister, Rachel McManus	Bro. Clayton Rogers (Executor)
"My other brothers and sisters" (not named)	

Witnesses: William Bostiad and Floyd Bostiad. But upon further examination, I found that the WPA had copied wrong and the witnesses names were Bostick.

98. John Winn. Will 1781. Did not have time to abstract but one of the executors was named as "my friend" Thomas Baker and one witness was Naomi Hampton. Several sons and one daughter who I recall as Mary Winn. No Franklin names but I was struck by the fact that one executor was named as "Thomas Baker, my friend."

99. John Wood. Will signed 24 Jan 1777 and no probate date. Wife, Susanna Wood (Executor) with children:

Samuel Wood (Executor)	John Wood
William Wood	Mary Wood
Archillus Wood	

Witnesses: Winnefred Wood, John Pratt and William Wood.

100. Stephen Bronson. Will signed 6 Sep 1817, codicil 9 Feb 1818, probated 24 Mar 1818. Wife, Mary Bronson, and children:

Jeremiah Bronson	Suubeal Bronson
Russell Bronson	Sylvester Bronson
Edward M. Bronson	Horace Bronson

Mention is made of lands inherited in Connecticut.

Executors: James Brown and Peter Warren.

Witnesses: to will: Joshua Reynolds, Joseph L. Orr and William Blanding.

Witnesses to codicil: John Blair, B. Bineshaw and John Joseph Kershaw.
Bronson and Branson are mostly now known as Brunson. All came from (?????)

[End of Part II]

[Beginning of Part III]

Office of Clerk of Court
Chester County, South Carolina
Equity File #65
Filed 15 Jun 1830

Nancy Franklin, Administratrix of John Franklin, dec'd.

States that:

About the year 1817 John Franklin died intestate leaving as his known heirs:

Nancy, his wife
Julia Franklin, their daughter and oratrix
Also, his children by a former wife:

Benjamin Franklin	Isaiah Franklin
John Franklin	Alfred Franklin
Newton Franklin	Morning Franklin
Sarah Brown, widow of Peter Brown and her children	
Nancy Lyons	
Priscilla Hughes (or Hughey) (indistinct)	

Nancy Franklin, the widow, states that the children of the first wife claimed a great deal of the personal property, and she also stated that Newton Franklin was administrator of his father's estate. The spring following, Newton pretended dissatisfaction and relinquished his administration. Nancy Franklin, the widow, then became administratrix.

Newton Franklin later died leaving his widow, Sally, as his administratrix and Henry Head as Administrator. Sally later married Nathaniel Corby.

Statement of Sally Corby, wife of Nathaniel Corby and widow of Newton Franklin:

That both Sally and Nathaniel Corby live in Edgefield, about 60 miles distant. Sally states that she married Newton Franklin in the fall of 1818. That she came with him to Chester from Edgefield, where she lived. That about two weeks after they were married he sickened and after lying sick about 4 weeks, he died.

Extracts from letter received 28 Jul 1931, from Mrs. Byfield Walker (Sarah Elmira Lephiew, Granddaughter of Ethelbert Sexton Franklin, and great-granddaughter of Thomas Baker Franklin).

“My great-grandfather whose name I believe was Stacy and his wife, Winifred Wood, came from Carolina in an ox wagon; they came to Farmerville, Louisiana, for a short period and then to Bradley County in Arkansas, settling on a creek and they call it Franklin Creek to this day - 2-1/2 miles from Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas. Great-grandfather Franklin had five sons and one daughter by his wife Winifred Wood.

As I recall their names were Ethelbert Sexton, Alfred, William, Thomas, Ike, and the daughter's name was Winifred Wood. There were two sons by a second marriage, Benjamin and Washington. When Grandpa was 12 years old⁷ they came to Arkansas and that was a long time ago. The logs of that first house were still standing when I was there. Dr. Cabeen, Aunt Winifred's husband, came from the same place in Carolina, also Hamptons and Meeks. Of course, you know the place. The Franklins were English Welsh. It is in the past, when I read in the Gazette I think it was concerning those who came over on Mayflower, and they gave the name of J. C. Franklin. If I could go to Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas, maybe I could get some information from court house. I don't think the Martin's know their mother was a Franklin. Dr. Martin got his best help from Franklins.

This is what I find in the old Bible - nothing

Ethelbert Sexton Franklin and Delilah Hudgens were married in 1827. Children born to them were:

Nancy Wood	1829	Elizabeth Ann	1830
Ethelbert Sexton, Jr.	1832	John Cabeen	1835
Jacob Stacy	1837	Winifred Wood	1839
Sarah Jane	1842	Ellen Euphemia	1844
Frances Emily	1848		

Deaths

Nancy Wood	1839	Jacob Stacy	1850
Ethelbert Sexton, Jr.	1851	Delilah Hudgens	1850
John Cabeen	1867		
Ethelbert Sexton, Sr. 1873 (Grandpa Franklin)			
Grandma Caroline Clary, second wife, 1880."			

Sarah Elmira Lephiew's brother, James Elbert Lephiew, told me in 1923 that his great-grandfather was named Thomas and his first wife, Winifred Wood, and that he married a second time, but he did not know this wife's name. He gave the children of Thomas (he didn't know the middle name) Franklin and Winifred Wood as: Thomas, Ethelbert Sexton, Jefferson, Winifred, Alfred S. By the second marriage: John Washington, Isaac, Benjamin and a daughter, whose name he did not know. There was an Ann Franklin who married Richard Miller in Union County, Arkansas on 3 Jan 1839. She could have been a late child of a second marriage.

Children of Alfred Stacy Franklin, son of Thomas Baker Franklin

Alfred S. Franklin, born 8 Apr 1802, in South Carolina, died 9 Nov 1855. He married Anatolia Jane Levillain in 1824. She was born in Louisiana. on 1 Oct 1809 and died 29 Oct 1843. Their children were:

Ann Franklin, born 22 Sep 1826; died 16 Jul 1840.

Thomas Baxter Franklin, born 18 Dec 1828 (Is it possible this was "Baker" instead of "Baxter" and was misread by the person copying it first from the Bible?)

Mary Elizabeth Franklin, born 1 Jul 1830; died 21 Nov 1919; married 9 Feb 1848, Dr. J. W. Martin.

Alfred Franklin, born 9 Nov 1832; married Harriet Davis.

John Edwin Franklin, born 9 Jan 1835; died 9 Jul 1858.

William Wood Franklin, born 25 Feb 1837; Confederate soldier, killed in battle, 1 Jul 1864.

Oliver L. Franklin, born 27 Apr 1839; Confederate soldier, killed in battle during war.

Elmira Catherin Franklin, born 5 Nov 1841; married James J. Meek.

Alfred S. Franklin married second in 1844 to Rebecca Jane Martin, born 15 Dec 1826, Alabama. Their children were:

Emily Franklin, born 25 Jul 1846; died 30 Oct 1846.

7. That would be in 1817, as he was born in 1805 according to 1850 census of Bradley County, Arkansas, jhp

Amelia J. Franklin, born 8 Dec 1847; died 18 Feb 1939; married 1876 to J. Griffin.

Susan M. Franklin, born 15 Jan 1850; died 11 Jul 1852.

George M. Franklin, born 12 Dec 1851; died 22 Jun 1852.

Julia E. Franklin, born 30 May 1853; died 1933; married Mr. Adams.

Winifred Wood Franklin married Dr. John T. Cabeen. She was the daughter of Thomas Baker Franklin and his wife, either Winifred Ann, Ann Winifred or presumably only Ann, as one cannot disprove the records. She is buried in the Franklin family graveyard, 2-1/2 miles from Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas.

Her gravestone as copied on 10 Aug 1941:

Winefred W. Cabeen
Feb 8 1853 - Age 65

(This would make the date of her birth either 1787 or 1788, depending on whether she was 65 or in her 65th year and also what time of the year her birth occurred.)

The census of 1850, Bradley County, Arkansas

John T. Cabeen, 60 farmer, born SC; wife, Winifred, 58, born SC; Living in household were Samuel Meek, 23, born AL; Mira E. Meek, 23, born AR; Ellen Franklin 21, born AR; Sarah Franklin, 26, born AR.

(I believe Ellen and Sarah Franklin were children of Winifred Franklin Cabeen's brother, Thomas Franklin, son of Thomas Baker Franklin.

The above census would seem to make her born in 1792 in South Carolina. She could have been older than her husband and did not want either her husband or the enumerator to know her age.

I believe it is best to take the record as it is. That Thomas Baker Franklin's wife (his first wife) was Ann _____. That she was the mother of Winifred Wood Franklin, Alfred Stacy Franklin, Ethelbert Sexton Franklin, Thomas and possibly others; Thomas Baker Franklin married a second time and had several children. It is certain that Ann was wife when Alfred Stacy Franklin and Ethelbert Sexton Franklin were born 1802 and 1805 respectively. I am positive that Ann, whether she was also named Winifred or not, was a Wood. It will be best not to bring up the Winifred as a second name as it only puts an air of doubt on the findings.

Thomas Franklin married Priscilla (Rogers?)

Children were:

John Franklin married Mourning Carter.

Thomas Baker Franklin married Ann _____

Frances Franklin married first William Trussell, Jr.
married second Major Grisham
married third a Mr. Knight

Mary Franklin, unmarried on 27 Dec 1809.

Elizabeth Franklin, unmarried on 27 Dec 1809.

It appears either that Ann also was named Winifred, or that the children of Elizabeth Ann Franklin Lephiew were mistaken and that Ann's mother was possibly named Winifred Wood; that they confused Thomas Baker Franklin and Ann's daughter Winifred Wood Franklin and assumed she was in turn named for her mother, or it came down to them confused in some fashion.

Children of William James Lephiew and Elizabeth Ann Franklin: (Elizabeth Ann Franklin was eldest child of Ethelbert Sexton Franklin and Delilah Hudgens)

James Elbert Lephiew (Ethelbert has been shortened)

Mary Ellen Lephiew

Fannie Cabeen Lephiew

Charles Hudson Lephiew

Sarah Elmira Lephiew
Martha Elizabeth Lephiew
Louisiana Belle Lephiew

You will note there were two Winifred Woods in descendants. Also one son of Thomas Baker Franklin had a Nancy Wood and another had a William Wood. One had an Elizabeth Ann Franklin and a Frances Emily Franklin; the other had an Ann Franklin, a Thomas Baxter (or Baker) Franklin, and a John Edwin Franklin. He also had a Mary Elizabeth Franklin.

The Bradley County settlement was mainly a settlement of former residents of Chester County, South Carolina. The gravestone in Franklin family burying ground near Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas, has a grave of Thomas Baker Franklin and he is shown as aged 64 years. His estate was admitted to probate in late summer, 1829, which would make him born in 1765. There were only two Thomas Baker Franklins in South Carolina in 1790; the other man was single according to deeds, therefore the son of Thomas Franklin and Priscilla is bound to be, positively, in my opinion the man who died in Bradley County, Arkansas. The only uncertainty is the Winifred Wood as his wife. Now we know from records that she was named Ann and from the deed from William and Sarah Wood the probability is she was their daughter. The Winifred Wood being the wife of Thomas Baker Franklin confuses the matter, but it should not. Like Woodrow Wilson, she had two Christian names and used only one, or she was Ann (Wood?) and named her child Winifred Wood Franklin, possibly for her mother. In this case the descendants of Elizabeth Ann Franklin got the name of her daughter, Winifred Wood Franklin married _____ Cabeen confused with Ann's name. I think the records should govern you. Ann was her name and then there is no uncertainty as far as I see it.

(The following was handwritten and appears to be notes)

Thomas Franklin

His will dated 4 Jan 1789, was probated 1789, Chester County, South Carolina. Recorded in Book A, Page 12, Apartment #19, Package 292.

Names: wife, Priscilla; sons, John and Thomas Baker Franklin; daughters, Frances, Mary, and Elizabeth Franklin; witnesses, Elijah Nunn, John Cockerall, John Weir.

When and where were Thomas and Elizabeth Franklin born? Who were their parents? When and where were they married?

No. 464, Book Q, Salley's Indents shows Thomas Franklin 75 days military duty, also furnished 5 sheep for continent use - issued 23 May 1785.

Is there anything in the file of supporting papers the indent that proves this Thomas Franklin was of Chester County, South Carolina? Was the notary or justice of the peace, of Chester County, if any such appears on the supporting papers?

Land Grants, Columbia, South Carolina

Bk 15-157, 24 Nov 1767, Thomas Franklyn, 100 acres on Flinthams Creek.

Bk 23-177-22, 22 Feb 1771, Thomas Franklin, 400 acres on Cedar Creek.

Bk 27-567, 24 Dec 1772, Thomas Frankland, 200 acres on Flintham Creek of Sandy Run.

Bk 2-482, 21 Jan 1785, Thos. Franklin, 138 acres on Sandy Run.

Bk 2-483, 21 Jan 1785, Thomas Franklin, 150 acres on Sandy Run.

(Weren't Cedar Creek and Sandy Run in old Camden District? Were they in Chester County?)

Thomas Baker Franklin, son of Thomas Franklin above, married Winifred Wood in South Carolina, before 1790 it is believed, and probably in Chester County as their daughter, Winifred Wood Franklin (who was

either the eldest or the second child) was born in South Carolina in 1792 according to the 1850 census of Bradley County, Arkansas in 1888 or 1889 according to her tombstone in Bradley County, Arkansas. It shows she died 5 Dec 1853, age 65. She evidently married John T. Cabeen (1819 or 1820) in Chester County, South Carolina as he was born in that county in 1790 and his father died there on 9 Dec 1801. The Cabeens came from

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about 1817 he removed from South Carolina to Louisiana settling at or near Farmerville, Union Parish, where he remained for an unknown period, possibly several years. From there he removed to Union County, Arkansas Territory, about 1823-1825, settling 2-1/2 miles from the present town of Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas. (Bradley County was created in 1840 from Union County) He died there between 26 May 1829 (When he was the co-maker of a note) and 2 Oct 1829, when letters of administration were granted to his son-in-law, John T. Cabeen. His tombstone was concrete and is partly gone. Dates broken off. All that was legible in 1941 was: - Thomas Baker Franklin, age 64 years. This would place the date of birth as 1765. In all probate entries he is named Thomas B. Franklin, deceased. The settlement book containing distribution of assets to the heirs is missing from Union County, Arkansas. records. It would be in Book A, where Books A, B, C, and D are missing.

Chester County, South Carolina Records:

There are 46 deed in Chester County in which Thomas Franklin was grantor or grantee 1794-1800:

3 deeds, 1794-1800 in which the name was Thomas (no initial). Thomas, the father died in 1789, so this must be Thomas B. or is a Thomas Franklin who is not otherwise accounted for.

Thomas B. Franklin had Tavern License 178? Jan

Book A-120, Thomas B. Franklin 1774 indenture Jacob Dugon.

By his first wife, Winifred Wood, the known children were:

Thomas Franklin, born South Carolina in ?; died 1837, Bradley County, Arkansas.

Winifred Wood Franklin, born 1792, South Carolina; died 1853, Bradley County, Arkansas
married John T. Cabeen about 1819-1820, Chester County, South Carolina.

Alfred S. Franklin, born 8 Apr 1802, Chester County, South Carolina; married Anatalia Jane
Livelloin in 1824; died 9 Nov 1855, Bradley County, Arkansas.

Ethelbert Sexton Franklin (my great grandfather) born 1805, Chester County, South Carolina;
married 1827, Delilah Hudgens; died 1873, Bradley County, Arkansas.

William Franklin

Isaac Franklin

(There may have been others)

Thomas Baker Franklin married second _____ either in South Carolina or Louisiana, probably the latter state. Children were:

John Washington Franklin, born Louisiana; married Nancy Grace 30 Aug 1833, Bradley County,
Arkansas (then Union County).

Benjamin Franklin married Malinda Ozment 31 Aug 1837, Bradley County, Arkansas (then Union
County).

Ann Franklin married Richard Miller 3 Jan 1839, Union County, Arkansas.

Desired:

1st. Proof that Thomas Franklin, Revolutionary War soldier was of Chester County, South Carolina and the

same man who died there in 1789.

2nd. If they are the same man, will need certified copy of Thomas Franklin's will, probated 1789 Chester County, from the probate clerk. Believe they will give you better service than they will me. This will be necessary for DAR papers.

3rd. Any vital statistics or information available in line with queries herein or additional there?

Franklin-Rogers-Wood

Thomas Franklin's will was probated in Summer Court, 1789, Chester County, South Carolina. Heirs were:
Wife, Priscilla (believed to be a Rogers).

Children:

1. John Franklin married first Mourning Carter, a daughter of Benjamin Carter. Their children:

Newton
John
Benjamin Rogers
Issiah
Sarah
Alfred S. (believed to be Stacy or Stacey)
Nancy
Priscilla
Mourning

John Franklin married second Nancy Freeman (widow). Their child:

Julia married _____ Minter

2. Thomas Baker Franklin married 1st: Winifred Wood and had at least one child:

Winifred Wood Franklin married John T. Cabeen

Thomas Baker Franklin married second: Ann _____ (believed to be a Wood, possibly sister of Winifred, the first wife). Their children as far as known:

Alfred Stacy (or Stacey) (Note Alfred S. above. Believe Stacy or Stacey was derived from the name of an Unitarian or Universalist Minister of Chester County, South Carolina.

Ethelbert Sexton Franklin (My great-grandfather) married Delilah Hudgens, sister of Ambrose W. Hudgens (See Hudgens sheet)

William Franklin

Isaac Franklin

3. Frances Franklin married first William Trussell, Jr. One Child:

Martha "Patsey" Trussell

Frances married second Major (Mager) Grisham. Their children:

John Rogers Grisham
Thomas Baker Grisham
Priscilla Grisham
Sarah "Sallie" Grisham
Frances Franklin Grisham
Frances married third a Mr. Knight.

4. Mary Franklin still single on 27 Dec 1809.

5. Elizabeth Franklin married after 27 Dec 1809 to Moses Cockerell, Jr. as his second wife.

Franklin Comments: Thomas Franklin may have been from Virginia, as it appears his wife was from Caroline County, Virginia, but he and his wife may have met and married either in Virginia or South Carolina and yet he could have come from another state. He may have been part of the colony who came from Chester County, Pennsylvania from which they named Chester County, South Carolina. Or, he may have been from New England as his children, John and Thomas Baker Franklin, were members of a Unitarian, then Univer-

salist, then Congregationalist Church in Chester County, South Carolina. John Franklin deeded the land upon which the church was built. (Do you have any book or manuscript in your archives giving the history of the Unitarian and Universalist Churches in North/South Carolina? They also established church in Charleston, I believe.) I think it unlikely either Thomas Franklin or his wife Priscilla were born in South Carolina but in these cases you never know what clue will lead to the missing link. *South Carolina Hist. and Gen. Mag.* Vol. 23, p. 67, Saint Helena Parish register had this birth: Thos., son of John and Jude (or Jane) Franklin born 24 Dec 1735. Do the records there have anything on this Thos. which would show what became of him, his children, etc. tending to confirm or disprove that he was the Chester County man. The age of birth is just about right for Thomas Franklin, died 1789, Chester County, South Carolina.

Priscilla Rogers (?) - Note both John Franklin and Frances Franklin had children whose middle name was Rogers. Also two single men, John Rogers and Jacob Rogers died in Chester County, South Carolina. John Rogers left a will giving his entire estate to Mrs. Priscilla Franklin and her two sons, John and Thomas Baker Franklin. No relationship is mentioned in the will. Jacob Rogers died intestate, but from scraps of paper in the probate file it is known that Priscilla Franklin was an heir. No list of heirs as such is now in the file, but Priscilla Franklin "did not object" to the appointment of Joseph Tims as administrator of estate of Jacob Rogers. Priscilla appears to have been from Caroline County, Virginia as Book J, page 259, Deed Records, Chester County, South Carolina has a deed conveying all her property in South Carolina to Thomas Baker Franklin; also "And all legacies and properties which may be due to me in the State of Virginia in Caroline County." Of course this is not conclusive as the family may have come from any other State and settled in Caroline County, Virginia only a few years before 1802 when Priscilla signed this deed. It may have been other brothers or sisters, or it may have been one or both of her parents who were living in Caroline County, Virginia in 1802.

Wood

It has come down in the family in Arkansas that the first comer to Arkansas was Thomas _____ Franklin (I never heard the middle name Baker until I checked the gravestone in the old Franklin graveyard in Bradley County, Arkansas, where Thomas Baker Franklin died in 1829. His name is spelled in full on the concrete marker.) and that his wife and the mother of the Arkansas children (known children who died in Arkansas) was Winifred Wood. But, the records of Chester County, South Carolina clearly show that from 1793 to about 1808 all deeds were signed by Ann, as wife. Before that they were signed as a single man. There seems no question that Winifred Wood was a first wife, as Winifred Wood Franklin who married Thomas Cabeen, was born before 1791, probably in 1788 (Her gravestone shows this date, but she gave her age as 58 in the 1850 census in Bradley County, Arkansas). Then she was evidently dead by 1793. Alfred Stacy Franklin was born in 1802 (1850 census) and Ethelbert Sexton Franklin was born in 1805 (1850 census), so as Ann is shown in the records as Thomas Baker's wife during the years 1802 and 1805, they of necessity were Ann's children. I think as Winifred Wood Franklin was so much older than the other children that the tradition came down in the family that her mother, Winifred Wood, was also the mother of the other children of Thomas Baker Franklin. I do believe though that Ann was also a Wood and doubtless the sister of Winifred Wood, for the following reason.

William Wood and his wife, Sarah Wood, for and in consideration of the sum of 100£ paid to us by Thomas Baker Franklin... a deed dated 1 Jan 1794 for 150 a land which was granted to Edmund Wilson on Broad River in Craven County on a branch called Stony Fork of Sandy River in Craven County and when granted bounded by lands of John Basker, Edmund Wilson and vacant... this 150 acres was conveyed to William Wood by a deed dated the 15 Apr 1792.

Witnesses: Martin Elam, Letisha (X) Stone and before John Pratt, J.P.

Deed Book D, page 396, Chester County, South Carolina.

At the same time, William Wood and his wife, Sarah Wood, deed tracts of land to John Allen and to James Huey. Mr. Leonardo Andrea commented on this: "Since the Huey mix in later with Franklin, the wife of this

James Huey (Also as Hughey) was named Sarah. I wondered if these deeds were to sons-in-law of William and Sarah Wood. In none of these deeds was anything which indicated to sons-in-law. Each had a cash consideration of 100£. After these deeds by William and Sarah Wood, they disappear from Chester County.

Old Camden District Will:

John Wood, will signed 24 Jan 1777 and no probate date. Wife, Susanna Wood (Executor).

Children:

Samuel Wood (Executor),	William Wood,
Archillus Wood,	John Wood,
Mary Wood.	

Recorded 19 May 1783. Witnesses: Winnefred Wood, John Pratt and William Wood. That appears to be a Winnefred and William Wood of a generation earlier in the same vicinity. Were Winnefred and William Wood husband and wife? Here is another will, but the Pasadena, California, lady who went to both Chester County and Columbia, South Carolina last summer working on the same Franklin-Wood line for a distant cousin in Pasadena, descendant of Winnifred Franklin and John T. Cabeen, failed to show what county it was recorded in and I do not have it listed in the copy I made of will from the Index of South Carolina wills.

Franklin-Rogers-Wood

Dock 1 Sect. B p. 495

William Wood

Dau: Margaret Lewis

Sons: James Wood, Richard Wiin Wood and Wm. Wood

Dau: Ann Wood

Land 1000 acres in Greenville County

Land 200 acres in Spartanburg County

3 youngest daughters: Wineford Wood, Roselly Wood, Elizabeth Wood.

Eldest daughter Margaret Lewis

Brother: Moses Wood.

6 Aug 1793 (I don't know whether that is date of will or date of probate. The "copyed" below may be date of probate.)

copyed the 25 day of Jan 1794

Box 32, package 3

Not included in will Book A

Wm. Lancaster O. S. D.

Note that Ann Franklin was married to Thomas Baker Franklin by Feb 1793, as she signed dower in that month. It may be that she was single and at the time the will above was written and no change was made in the will of her name after marriage. The deed of Wm. and Sarah Wood was dated 1 Jan 1794 and he could be the same William if he died after that date and before 25 Jan 1794. Anyway, the names Ann and Wineford in the will are worthy of note.

There occurs in Chester County a marriage settlement between Joseph Timms (that was the name of the man who was administrator of Jacob Rogers will) and Winnifred Wood. Rolly Wood was witness. This was 2 Dec 1837. Evidently another generation of Winifred Wood.

I believe Ann (?) Franklin, wife of Thomas Baker Franklin was a Wood. I would like to know her name and the names of her parents if possible.

Toney-Brown

(blurred) great-great-grandfather, William Toney, born 1780, South Carolina; married Cynthia Hardin, born 1782. What month and day and where in South Carolina was he born? Cynthia Hardin, was daughter of Wm. Hardin, Revolutionary War soldier (Capt. under Francis Marion). He was born in Pittsylvania County, Virginia. Who were William Toney's father and mother? When and where were they born? Did the father have Revolutionary War service?

Census of 1790

Shows following Tony and Toney families:

Virginia

Toney, Alexander	Fluvana County	4 white, 0 black
Toney, Edmund	Powhatan County	14 white, 18 black
Toney, Edmund	Powhatan County	8 white, 4 black
Toney, Sherwood	Pittsylvania County	5 white, 0 black

North Carolina

Toney, Charles	Rockingham County	1-2-3-0-0
Toney, Dennis	Guilford County	1-1-4-0-0
Toney, John	Fayetteville Town	0-0-0-5-0 (Cumberland County)
Toney, Sherwood	Rockingham County	1-3-1-0-0

(This might be the son of the Virginia Sherwood Toney or it might be the same man who was listed under a tax list prior to 1790 in Virginia and was in North Carolina in 1790 at census-taking time. Evidently the same man as there were five in family in both cases.)

Tony, Anthony	Bertie County	0-0-0-4-0
Tony, Arther	Caswell County	Name from tax list
Tony, John	Halifax County	0-0-0-7-0
Tony, John	Burke County	3-3-3-0-0

South Carolina:

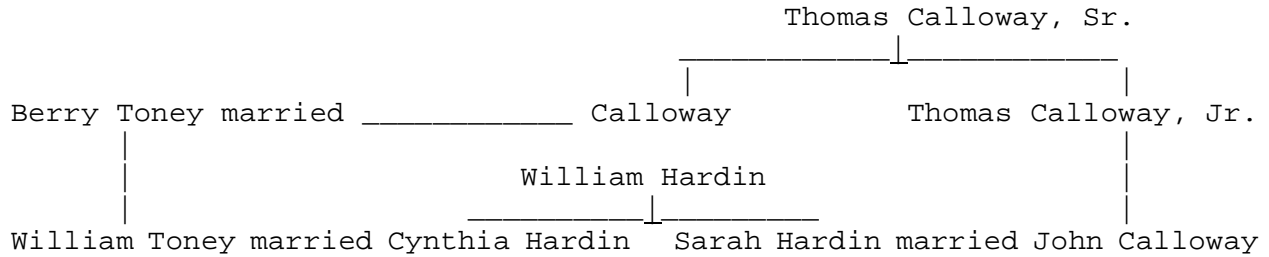
Tony, Abraham	Orangeburg District	1-0-2-0-0
Tony, Benj.	Orangeburg District	2-0-5-0-0
Toney, Littleberry	Pendleton County	2-1-6-0-0
Toney, Timothy	Greenville County	1-7-5-0-0

Abraham, Charles and Drury Toney filed claims for Revolutionary War Service (Janie Revill's book on claims filed for Revolutionary War Service.⁸) Drury was either dead at the time of 1790 census, was omitted in error, or had removed to territory where records were burned in War of 1812, or where the census was not taken.

I believe that William Toney's father is more likely to be - first, Littleberry Toney, second Sherwood Toney.

8. Revill, Janie; *Copy of the original index book showing the Revolutionary claims filed in South Carolina between August 20, 1783 and August 31, 1786 : kept by James McCall, auditor general*; Baltimore : Genealogical Publishing Company, 1969, 387 pages. Editor 2nd Edition.

Littleberry Toney: A letter received a few years ago by my wife's Uncle from a descendant of Wm. Hardin said that John Shirley and "Berry" Toney married Calloway sisters; Calloways lived in Wilkes County, North Carolina, the locality was later placed in Ashe County at its formation. Land was granted to Thomas Calloway, Jr. in 1805 in Wilkes County, (now Ashe County) North Carolina, which stated the land adjoined that of Berry Toney. But note that in 1790 Littleberry Toney was living in Pendleton County, South Carolina and was a party to a deed there in 1792. There is no record of his estate being settled in Anderson County. Where did he die? Georgia? Below is a chart showing how this woman's ancestor, Sarah Hardin, is tied in with Toneys:



This is the line if Littleberry Toney was the father of William Toney. Now, Wm. Hardin originated in Pittsylvania County, Virginia and later removed to western South Carolina, probably Pendleton Dist; then to Franklin County, Georgia just across the river from South Carolina where he died. The Calloways later removed to Pendleton District or near there in South Carolina. There was another William Toney - a different man - who married in Greenville District, South Carolina on 16 Jan 1803, Mrs. Jane Benson, relict of Major Joseph Benson.

My second choice for the father of William Toney is Sherwood Toney of Pittsylvania County, Virginia, because that is the county where William Hardin lived prior to the Revolutionary War. You will note that Sherwood was living in Pittsylvania County, Virginia at the time (probably about 1787) of the tax list which was used in place of the destroyed 1790 census of Virginia. By 1790, you will note he was in Rockingham County, North Carolina. William Hardin lived in North Carolina during the Revolution although he fought under General Francis Marion. In 1790, he was in Laurens County, South Carolina thence by Greenville County, Anderson County, to Franklin County, Georgia where he died in 1810.

Wanted: Any data as to dates, places, persons, connected with William Toney and his ancestry as far back as you may find records. Also, of course, the ancestry of the wives of these Toney ancestors if you find anything on them.

William Toney, first above, had the following children and possibly others:

William Hardin Toney, (my wife's great-grandfather), born 1799, South Carolina (Where?); died 25 Sep 1857, Greene County, Alabama. He was a resident of Tuscaloosa, Alabama at the time of his marriage in 1821 to Jane Buford, born about 1795, South Carolina. She was the daughter of Lunsford Beauford and Hannah Brown.

Charles Cotesworth Pinckney Toney, born 1806, South Carolina; died 1854, New Madrid, Missouri.

Martin Toney

Mark Toney

Hannah Brown, above, who married Lunsford Beauford, in South Carolina about 1794. Want any possible information on her and her ancestry.

Note: The following is taken from *Lawyers and Lawmakers of Kentucky*⁹

Sterling B. Toney of Louisville, Kentucky was born in Russell County, Alabama, 24 May 1850. His grand-

father, Col. William Toney, was a wealthy planter and slave owner of South Carolina and founded the city of Greenville; won title through valiant service in War of 1812 in which he commanded a cavalry regiment. He was one of the most extensive cotton growers in the south. Washington Toney was the father of Judge Toney and he was born in Spartanburg, South Carolina 1810 and graduated at University of South Carolina and died 1874.

I expect the Col. William Toney above was the same man who married Mrs. Jane Benson, relict of Major Joseph Benson in Greenville District, South Carolina, 16 Jan 1803. I don't know anything about the truth or untruth of his having founded the city of Greenville but if he was a wealthy man there might be something on him in the archives there. It is my supposition that my wife's William Toney and this man were probably descended from a common grandfather, who no doubt lived in Virginia.

Benjamin Pierce

Benjamin Pierce, born in Pennsylvania in 17__, died in Hamburg, Edgefield District, South Carolina about 1827. He married Rachel Rambo, daughter of Benajah Rambo and Rachel Adams, about 1821, probably in Edgefield District or the northern part of Orangeburg District, as the Rambo family lived in both districts, believed first in Orangeburg District and later in Edgefield District. (This is my great-grandfather.) Who were his parents?

Known children of Benjamin and Rachel (Rambo) Pierce were:

1. John Pierce, born about 1822; died in southwest Georgia in 1884. He married Caroline Thigpen. He removed from Edgefield District, South Carolina to Southwest Georgia.

Known children were:

- A. Mary Pierce married John Pickens Butler Inlow. Lived and died in Bainbridge, Georgia;
 - B. John Henry Pierce, born in Southwest Georgia, returned to Augusta at outbreak of Civil War, enlisted in CSA there and after war was over returned to Richmond County where he died. He married Emma Rambo, a cousin and descendant of Benajah Rambo and Rachel Adams.
Children:
 - (1). Wallace B. Pierce
 - (2). Benjamin Pierce, lawyers in Richmond County at the present time.
 - C. Albert B. Pierce, born 24 Nov 1846, lived and died in Colquit, Miller County, Georgia; Laura, died May 1892; Evelyn, died 1886; Julia died 1887.
2. A child who died in infancy.
 3. Silinary Pierce, born 1823, Edgefield District, South Carolina; died Jefferson County, Arkansas.
 4. Albert Gallatin Pierce, born 17 May 1824, Edgefield District, South Carolina; died 3 Jul 1890, Jefferson County, Arkansas. This was my grandfather.

There was a Benjamin Pierce married Barbara Kennedy, 30 Oct 1808, at Augusta, Georgia. She died in 1820 at Augusta, Georgia. I believe this was his first marriage and the marriage to Rachel Rambo was his second marriage. The Benjamin Pierce who married Barbara Kennedy seems to have lived in Augusta, Georgia during the time he was married to her. I have had the records of Richmond County, Georgia and Edgefield District, South Carolina searched without producing any reference to Benjamin Pierce except the sale of property by Benjamin Pierce, of Augusta, Georgia. No reference in either county to any parents. There were a family of Pierces' about that time and earlier who lived in Edgefield County, South Carolina but Benjamin does not appear to be of this family insofar as the records show.

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9. Levin, H; *The Lawyers and Lawmakers of Kentucky*; 1897; Reprint, Greenville, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1982. This book is indexed and contains several hundred biographies of Kentucky lawyers. Editor, 2nd Edition

Rachel Rambo, above, married second in Edgefield District, South Carolina William Weir. They came to Arkansas, settling in Jefferson County, bringing with them Silianry and Albert Gallatin Pierce and six Weir children who were born in Edgefield District.

I don't know whether Benjamin Pierce came to South Carolina or Georgia first with his parents from Pennsylvania or whether he left Pennsylvania as a young man and came to Georgia first and then to South Carolina.

Page 153 of *Pierce Genealogy, No. IV, being the Record of the Posterity of Capt. Michael, John and Capt. Wm. Pierce*, by Frederice Clifton Pierce (published 1889), has the following reference:

“Benjamin Pierce ⁶, (Nathan ⁵, Mial ⁴, Ephraim ³, Ephraim ², Michael ¹) born 29 Jan 1747; married 21 Jan 1771, Content Luther, born 1752, died 24 Jul 1786; married second Fanny _____, born 1756, died 5 Aug 1836. He died in South Carolina in 1796. Residence, Rehoboth and Swansea, Massachusetts, and Bristol, Rhode Island”

She no doubt died in South Carolina also. The children by the first wife are published and there is no Benjamin in these. The children by Fanny are not given and he may be their child. They could have lived in Pennsylvania for a few years before coming to South Carolina.

Chester County, Pennsylvania. In 1729, there were a Henry Pierce, Sr., and Henry Pierce, Jr. living in this county. The records of Holy Trinity (Old Swedes) Church, Wilmington, Delaware show the following, page 587: Baptized on 15 Aug 1757, several children of Henry and Anne Pearce (I believe this is the Henry Junior above). Among these children were Benjamin, born 31 May 1751. This could have been the father of my great-grandfather. Probably it was this Benjamin who married Mary Folk in May 1773.

James Adams

From John H. Pierce, 1907 Schiller Ave. Little Rock, Arkansas

James Adams signed by mark his will, dated 14 Oct 1781, probated 26 Apr 1782, Abbeville Courthouse, South Carolina. Box 105, Pack 2565. He shows of Ninty (sic) District. Wife, Sarah; children, Thomas, Drury, Littlebury, Benjamin, Sarah, Elisabeth, Rachel, James, Jr., John, Mary, Thomas, Rebecka. Test: John Herndon, John Golding, Benjamin Moseley (His (X) mark); Hannah Moseley (Her (X) mark).

Desire all possible information on James Adams, and his wife, Sarah, but most of all the names of their parents. Was this James Adams a Revolutionary War soldier, or was he too old? He bequeaths land on Horns Creek.

His daughter, Rachel Adams, married Benajah Rambo, son of Laurence Rambo, Sr. Their daughter, Rachel, married Benjamin Pierce, my great-grandfather. Of course, I do not have dates and places of marriages, births and deaths, and I know how hard, if not impossible it is to find such data in South Carolina. I have the Rambo line back to the immigrant, Peter Rambo, from Sweden to New Sweden (now Delaware) on the second voyage from Sweden.

Did Mary Adams, daughter of James Adams above, marry Laurence Rambo, Jr. or was this marriage to Laurence Rambo, Sr.? The latter looks just about impossible to me, but some descendants say she did marry Laurence Rambo, Sr. and some say she married Laurence Rambo, Jr. which is my opinion, and that Laurence Rambo, Sr. married a Mary Jackson. (See Rambo page enclosed with this or to follow)

Hudgens-Robinson

Jacob Hudgens, my great-great-grandfather, married Elizabeth Robinson, 4 Feb 1802, probably in South Carolina as he came from there via Texas to Arkansas in 1826 or possibly some years earlier. He died 4 Apr 1833, in Jefferson County, Arkansas Territory. She died 2 Oct 1842, in Jefferson County, Arkansas. When and where were they born? Who were their parents? When and where born? When and where married? Children of Jacob Hudgens and Elizabeth Robinson were:

Mary Hudgens, born 27 Jan 1803; died 15 Mar 1810.

John Hudgens, born 19 Sep 1805; died 5 Jan 1822.

Delilah Hudgens, born 5 Mar 1808; died 6 Jul 1848, Bradley County, Arkansas; married 1827, in Arkansas to Ethelbert Sexton Franklin, son of Thomas Baker Franklin (which see) (She is my great-grandmother. My Grandfather, John Ambrose Hudgens, and Frances Emily Franklin were first cousins.)

Sterling M. Hudgens, born 9 Apr 1811; died 10 Mar 1833.

Ambrose Westley Hudgens (my great-grandfather), born 4 Feb 1814, in what is now Red River County, Texas; married 18 Feb 1836, to Eliza Irwin, in Pine Bluff, Arkansas; died 13 Jun 1889, Lincoln County, Arkansas.

Rosannah Hudgens, born 18 Jan 1817; died 7 Feb 1817.

Elizabeth Hudgens, born 18 Jun 1818; died 6 Aug 1862; married 14 Dec 1837, at Pine Bluff, Arkansas, to Prosper Levillain.

Jacob P. Hudgens, born 12 Jan 1821; died about 1880 in Arkansas.

Isaac F. Hudgens, born 26 Oct 1825; died 14 Oct 1827.

I believe that Jacob Hudgens first above was the son of Delilah Hudgens, widow, head of family in Spartanburg County, South Carolina at the time of the 1790 census. She had one son over 16 (I believe this was Jacob, 3 sons under 16 and 2 daughters. I base this belief on the similarity of names. Note that Jacob Hudgens had a third child named Delilah. Then note that the fourth child was named Sterling M. Hudgens. There was a Sterling Hudgens who sold land in 1805 in Spartanburg County, South Carolina. He was probably a brother of Jacob. Now note that Elizabeth Hudgens above who married Prosper Levillain had a child named Michael Sterling McGuire Levillain. The "M" in Sterling M. Hudgens' name above was therefore probably McGuire and it could be that Delilah Hudgens of 1790 census was either a McGuire or a Sterling. A search of Spartanburg County records did not reveal anything bearing on a solution of these problems; no mention of Jacob, no administration of will of Delilah, nor of a husband. It may be that her husband died elsewhere or that record of his estate is in Charleston; it may be that Delilah Hudgens removed from Spartanburg to some other county of South Carolina or to some other state.

Elizabeth Robinson, wife of Jacob Hudgens, above, was probably a Spartanburg County resident at the time of her marriage, though she may have been from one of the neighboring counties. There is no probate of a Robinson who mentions a daughter Elizabeth. However, one of Elizabeth's descendants wrote me that she was of Dutch descent. There was a Zechariah Robinson and wife, Elizabeth, who made a deed in 1798 to John Rainwater for 200 acres on Lawsons Fork Creek. These might be the parents.

William Hudgens, 20 Aug 1767, was granted 300 acres on a branch of Little River. Columbia Land Grants, Book 14, page 522. This might have been the husband of Delilah of the 1790 census.

Other Hudgens of South Carolina

No connection with my line, except it is believed both lines, or all of them had a common ancestor, possibly grandfather.

Laurens County

1790 census shows an Ambrose Hudgens 2-0-1-0-4. This must have been Ambrose whose wife was Joanna. In 1784, Ambrose and wife, Joanna, sell 100 acres on Little River; 1793, the same sell 100 acres on Cain Creek; in 1797, the same sell 100 acres on Little River. (Note that William Hudgens, 1767, was granted 300 acres on Little River. Evidently this is the same Ambrose Hudgens, who left a will recorded in 1800, Anderson County, South Carolina. Wife, Joanah; son Ambrose, Jr., daughters Phebe Anderson and Margaret Milwee; sons John and Robert.

Ambrose Hudgens, Sr., 1790 census 1-1-4. These children do not exactly agree but one of his children

(daughter) shown in census may have died before reaching maturity and hence have been unknown or not mentioned by descendants. This is on the assumption that this is the Ambrose Hudgens, Sr., born Virginia in 1762; died in Laurens County, South Carolina 30 Jan 1844 or 30 May 1844. Soldier in Revolutionary War; married in 1783 to Elizabeth Anderson. She died in 1833. Children were:

Sarah born 1784, married John Planthom

William born 1786, married Fannie Cunningham. They had:

Nancy

Betsie

Cynthia

Susan

Pollie

James married Elizabeth Allison

William married Isabella Madden

John B. "Jackey" married Onie Shell

Henry married Jane Miller

Sallie

Nancy born 1788, married John Yeargin (?)

Ambrose, Jr. born 1790, married Agatha Wescot. Children:

William

Ambrose III

Samuel

Mary

Peggy

Margaret born 1794, married Herbert Martin

Mary "Polly" born 1796, married Hastings Dial

Martha "Peggy" born 1799, married Ocy Garrett

John born Dec 1801, married Katie Watts Allison. Children:

Thomas Allison

William L.

John B. "Jackey"

Henry

Sallie

Samuel born 1803, married Tempie Cunningham. Children:

William

John. (This is the family to whom you referred in previous communication.)

You can readily see that Jacob Hudgens, married 1802, born probably about 1775-1777, was not of this family directly but probably a nephew, the son of an older brother.

The William Hudgens, land grant 1767, could have been the father of both Ambrose, Sr. as well as most of the Hudgens of Laurens, Newberry and Spartanburg Counties, in 1790.

Newberry County

Ambrose Hudgens, 1790 census, 1-1-5. This must be the man whose wife was Hannah. They sell 95 acres in Newberry County on Bush River, to Joseph Wagstaff in 1818, the land originally granted to Thomas Cary. He died 1822. Austin Hudgens, Administrator. Wife, Hannah: Present at sale of property: Josiah Hudgens, Ambrose H., Jr. Stephen Hudgens. Joseph Hudgens (unaccounted for as to family) in Newberry County in 1827.

Spartanburg County

Delilah Hudgens, 1790 census, 1-3-3 (already mentioned)

James Hudgens, 1790 census, 1-2-2-0-1. This could have been Jacob's father. There is no record of proba-tion of his estate as far as my record searcher in Spartanburg found out.

I did not check Hughens nor Hutchens in the census. There may be more under this heading. Drury Hutchens was in Spartanburg County in 1793. There was a Drury Hudgens in Virginia, 1790 census, or rather tax list of 1787.

Arthur Hutchens was in Spartanburg in 1797.

John Hudgens, Spartanburg County, witnessed deed 1789; also witnessed deed there in 1796.

(????????) (pub. 1945) had this note not further explained: Ambose Hudgins, and wife, Wit. Saint Mark's Parish, 96th District, South Carolina 16 Feb 1774... William Hudgins signed. (probably a deed)

Rambo

Laurence Rambo, Sr. in the District of Ninety Six, in Granville County¹⁰ and Province of South Carolina, planter, signed will 11 Jun 1775. Witnesses: John Rainsford, The mark of John J. Roebuck, and Rebekah Adams (Note that James Adams had daughter Rebecka). Probated 16 Aug 1782. Executors, John Herndon (son-in-law) and Laurence Rambo, Jr. Please bear in mind in reading the following that will mentions lands adjoining Walter Jackson.

Children of Laurence Rambo, Sr. and Mary, his wife.

Reuben Rambo born 1747; Res. Orangeburg District.

Laurence Rambo, Jr. born about 1750, in North Carolina, died Edgefield District, South Carolina 1800. I believe his wife to be Mary Adams, daughter of James Adams, whose sheet please see. He married about 1784. His wife was living in 1800.

Benajah Rambo, born North Carolina about 1753, died Edgefield District, South Carolina, married Rachel Adams, daughter of James Adams (q.v.) He was Revolutionary War soldier. He was my great-great-grandfather, through his daughter Rachel, who married as the second wife, Benjamin Pierce.

Joseph Rambo married Susanah Hogg

Elender Rambo

Elizabeth Rambo

Rebecca Rambo

Margaretta Rambo

Ruth Rambo married John Herndon, an executor of her father's will.

Laurence Rambo, Sr. above, was born in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1713. He was Captain in Colonial Army in 1750 in North Carolina and in 1772 settled in South Carolina. Was his wife, Mary Jackson, daughter of Walter Jackson, his neighbor? If so, who was her mother and etc.?

I have about fifty pages of various South Carolina and Georgia descendants of Laurence, Sr., but lack vital statistics where lacking above.

State of South Carolina

Richland District

By James J. Guignard, Esquire, Ordinary of the Said District.

10. Granville District, South Carolina. was originally called Carteret District until 1700 when the name was changed to Granville. Editor, 2nd Edition.

Whereas Jemima Franklin and Henry Franklin hath applied to me for Letters of Administration on all and singular the goods and chattels, rights and credits of Thomas Franklin, late of the District aforesaid, deceased.

These are therefore to cite and admonish all and singular, the kindred and creditors of the said deceased, to be and appear before me, at our next Ordinary's Court for the said District, to be holden at Columbia on the second day of July next to show cause, if any, why the said administration should not be granted.

Given under my hand and seal, this eighteenth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eight and in the thirty second year of American Independence.

James J. Guignard
Ordinary

(On back)

Estate Tho^s. Franklin

Citation

Aron Wootan

Recorded in Record Book

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(Top of page was a sketch of property)

State of S. Carolina

Richland District

Pursuant to a warrant from Martyn Alkin

Esq^f. Commisoner of locations for Richland District

I have measured and laid out unto Thomas Franklin a plantation or tract of land containing Eight hundred and forty three acres Situate in Richland District on the Streams of Cane Creek waters of Broad River and bounding S E and N W on Jessy Beasley's land and S E by Isaac Busbys land and all others sides by vacant land and hath such shape form and marks as the above plat represents Surveyed April 9th, 1802.

Alexr. Hennessy, D. L.

Dr The Estate of Thomas B. Franklin in account with Cr.
180 Jemima and Henry Franklin Admrs.

To Cash paid Christian Lightner for note dated 20 Mar 1807	\$20.00	By Cash Received of Benjamin Carpenter \$10.
To Cash paid Henry Franklin's proved acct.	25.00	By Amount of sales as per return made
To Cash paid James Wilson's proved acct.	13.00	Ordinary 152.11
To Cash paid Lewis Richardson's proved acct.	20.61	
To Cash paid Chris Lightner for 34 bushels of corn at 75 cents	25.50	
To Cash paid Saml. Daugherty and Moses Duke for 30 Bush. d ^o at 50 cts.	15.00	
To Cash paid Ordinarys fees in full	9.00	
To Commissions on paying and receiving \$162.11 at 5 per Cent	<u>8.10</u>	

	\$136.21	
balance on hand	<u>25.90</u>	
	\$152.11	\$152.11

(On Back)

Thos. B. Franklin
 Annual Returns
 filed January 1809 but the two
 vouchers not being sufficiently
 proved was postponed passing
 until 6 Oct 1809

South Carolina
 Richland District

Personally appeared Jemima Franklin and Henry Franklin
 who being duly sworn made oath that the written amount of Expenditures made by them in behalf of the
 Estate of Thos. B. Franklin is just and true and that they have received no monies on Acct. of Estate except-
 ing the sum of \$162.11 as is within stated.

Sworn to before this
 6 October 1809.
 James S. Guignard
 Ordinary

Henry Franklin
 her
 Jemima X Franklin
 mark

Richland Crane Creek and State of South Carolina 9 Jul 1808

Bill of Apraisment of the goods and Chattles of Thomas Franklin

Deceased Voz	Dol ^{rs}
4 Cows with yearlings and 1 with a young calf	60. "
1 two year old heyfer 5 Dols 11 head of hogs at 1 Dol. each 11 Dol.	16. "
11 head of wild hogs in the woods not seen	5.50
1 Three year old filly or colt	15. "
4 Beds bedsteds and furniture	60. "
2 wooling wheels and two pair cotton cards	4. "
1 Table 1 Dolr. 1 Small chest 50 cents	1.50
2 Chair 1 Dolr. 1 loom 3 stays and 3 shekles 4.50	5.50
3 bells 1.50 1 plough 5 hoes and one ax 2.50	4.00
1 hamer 1 pinchers gimblet and bolt 1.	
3 pails 2 pigins 1 tray 1 Churn and 1 mortar	2.50
1 Diner pot 1 oven 1 Skillit 1 pan and 1 pair smothing irons	5.
2 pewter dishes 2 D ^o plates 2 D ^o basons	1.50
1 lot of crockery some bottles and Jugs 1.50	
knives and forks and sheeres 50 cents 1 mean gum 25 cents	.75
1 lot of sole leather 4 Dols. 2 books 1.50 some plough Geen 25 cents	5.75

189.50

As appraised by us John Thornton
Samuel (X) Watkins Senr.
(his mark)
James Phillips

(On back)

Thomas Franklin Appraisement

Recorded in Book E, Folio 148
19 Jul 1808

(appears that top of page was cut off when copy made)

	Head of Cattle	at	\$ 30.0
To Ditto ...	5 Head of Cattle		25.0
To Ditto ...	11 Head of Hogs	at	10.0
To Ditto ...	11 Head of wild Hogs	at	6.0
To Ditto ...	1 Colt...	at	17.0
To Ditto ...	1 Bed ...	at	21.0
To Ditto ...	1 Bed ...	at	16.0
To Ditto ...	1 Bed ...	at	10.0
To Ditto ...	1 Table ...	at	0.50
To Ditto ...	1 Whele ...	at	1.75
To Ditto ...	1 Whele ...	at	1.50
To Ditto ...	1 Loom ...	at	1.0
To Ditto ...	2 Castins .	at	1.0
To Ditto ...	3 Castins .	at	1.0
To Ditto ...	1 Pot ...	at	2.30
To Ditto ...	Coopers ware	at	2.19
To Ditto ...	Pewter and Earthen	at	0.50
To Ditto ...	1 Lot of Iron Tools	at	1.50
To Ditto ...	1 Meal gum	at	0.12-1/2
To Ditto ...	Cheers and Books	at	1.75
To Jacob Blizard	1 Saddle	at	1.25
To Jamima Franklin	Traces and Collars		0.25
To Ditto	1 Chest	at	.50

152.11-1/2

I certify the above to be a true account of the sale of Thos. Franklin's Estate which took place the 8th day of August, 1808.

Henry Franklin

(On Back)

Henry Franklin Sales

Recorded in Book E
Folio 152 and 153

Items from History of Southern Arkansas Counties

Bradley County

page 741 - In 1827 when Chas Seay - to the county found living there -

Ben Franklin (not copying other names)

page 741	In 1832 - among those who had died - Ben Franklin
page 742	on Grand Jury in 1841 - E. L. Franklin
page 743	Circuit Judges included - C. D. Wood
page 744	John D. Franklin - judge in Pennington township
page 746	J. W. Franklin buys lot in Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas - 1843 for \$30.00

No Biographies on Woods, Franklin or Rogers Names.

Ashley County - borders on Bradley County

p. 900 James B. Franklin, born South Carolina 22 Nov 1823, son of G. M. Franklin pioneer farmer of South Carolina his native state, and a private in the Revolutionary War and who in about 1832 moved to Alabama until 1842, then to Illinois and in 1850 to Ashley County.

next - John B. Franklin, born Mississippi about 1849, son of John A. Franklin, etc.

next - George W. Franklin, son of J. A. Franklin, born Mississippi 1846

p. 926 A. B. Woods, born Alabama 1838 and in 1857 to Arkansas with his father W. W. Wood

A. B. Woods married Sallie Robinson, daughter of Thos. B and Sarah Robinson

next - Reverend John S. Woods, born Wiggs County, Georgia, 2 Feb 1822, son of John and Susan (Evans) Wood, also Georgians, the former of Irish and the latter of Welsh ancestry. Came to America prior to the Revolutionary War and John Woods a Major in War 1812 (much more follows, not copying)

Drew County - was part of Bradley at one time.

p. 970 James F. Rogers, born Tippah County, Mississippi, 9 Jun 1843 son of James P. and Mathilda (Thornton) Rogers. He was born in Georgia in 1803, and she in Georgia 1813, married 1829, etc.

p. 814 B. H. Woods and J. B. Woods sons of Wm. and Mary Wood, who had 12 children and were natives of Mississippi to Arkansas 1840, etc.

Cleveland County - was once part of Bradley or Bradley formed partially from Cleveland.

p. 627 H. W. Rogers, born Madison County, Tennessee, son John Rogers, who born Middle Tennessee and from North Carolina his parents from North Carolina. etc. others of family lived Dallas County, Arkansas.

Dallas County - Bradley formed from parts of Dallas.

p. 730 Sparous Rogers, born Bedford County, Tennessee 10 Apr 1816, son of Henry and Sarah (Johnson) Rogers of North Carolina. Henry Rogers died Madison County, Tennessee 1860 age 75 and his widow in Dallas County, 1867, age over 115 years. Her husband Henry having been the younger by many years (He would have to be.¹¹) They married in North Carolina (no date or county) etc.

p. 738 Dr. P. W. Wood, born Pontotoc County, Mississippi 1840, son of Solomon Wood, native of probably

11. Comment by Ruth Geupel

Alabama and Lucinda White, native of Lawrence County, Tennessee. She died and he remarried.
In all married four times.

Bradley formed from parts of all the above counties in 1846 and also Lincoln County.

Lincoln County

p. 995 Fred A. Wood, born Greenwood, Mississippi 1848, son Jesse and Elizabeth (Tadlock) Wood. Jesse Wood was son of Jesse Wood, who died Kentucky. No county or wife given)

Mr. Andrea,

I do not know that any of above worth anything to you or not but glad to check and copy - can copy in full- if any worth while.

See that I do not have more paper.

We have had a very warm winter- few flowers in bloom- but even hedges budding- yesterday all records broken-and now today its turning cold - and trying to sleet -and to be 20 by morning. We so far this winter have been influenced mostly by south winds even to the storm in early January which came up from Texas, through Kentucky and Tennessee to us.

Yes - I'd like to copy the Royalists in South Carolina it could be of great interest. Bought 6 books in November through the Indiana Library, Indianapolis- used of course- but out of print- however they have nothing on South Carolina and we simply cannot afford new books. If you ever see the 3 volumes on Augusta County, Virginia by Chalkley ¹² in any of your used book stores- please ask price and let me know - we need them so much. Or for that matter any used books on South Carolina... not county tho- we cannot go into counties as yet.

I must stop - but first, in your Hardy work- where you found the Ingram items or step-daughters - do you have record of when he got to South Carolina. John Hardy from Lunenburg he probably married there- now I wonder- of the children by second wife - the way you copied it rather confusing.

John Hardy - will probated June Court, Edgefield 1799- wife "my second wife" and no name- "My two step-daughters, Fanny Ingram and Betsy Ingram by my first wife" and "My children by my first wife, Sarah Cunningham, Mary Anderson and Richard Hardy"... Since all children by first wife married, likely the two step-daughters also married.

So, now guess the children were by Ingram children- by second wife.

Like to hear from you at any time you have time - and oh yes, congratulations to Aunt Jane on her 100th birthday. Also my best to you, for this new year.

Sincerely,
Ruby Geupel

[End of Part III]

[Beginning of Part IV]

Franklin

12. Chalkley, Lyman; *Chronicles of the Scotch-Irish settlement in Virginia: extracted from the original court records of Augusta County, 1745-1800*; 3 Vols; Copyright 1912. Note, this was reprinted in 1980 by Genealogical Publishing Company, Baltimore.

Old Unitarian-Universalist Church

If you are fortunate enough on one of your trips to Chester to learn the names of some old members of the present church they may know the location of the first church. Or if you can secure the name of the present pastor and his address, by writing him he might become interested and by inquiry find out where the old church was located and even visit it and search for gravestones. You never can tell. Quite a few clergymen are much interested in genealogy and then too this is all tied up with the early history of his church in South Carolina. Site on Sandy river possible near TBF home #26 and Great Road.

3. Edmund Franklin: Wonder if this man was not the father of the other Thomas B. Franklin, who seemed to have been a widower when he deeded land, because he was evidently a family man at time of 1790 census, unless these children were those of other relations of his, living with him at the time. I thought in those cases they were listed as "other white persons."
- 6a. I judge from this that you made a copy of the will of Thomas Franklin or had a certified copy made.
- 10a. Mary and Elizabeth Franklin were deeded a life interest in this land by Thomas Baker Franklin and it was this life interest they conveyed. They could do this and it is done in this part of the country sometimes. My uncle did that with two hundred fifty acres of my grandfather Hudgens' estate. That is all they could sell or convey no matter how the deed was worded. But you can always what title or interest you have, provided you can find a buyer.
- 11a. Landrum in *Colonial and Revolutionary History of Upper South Carolina*, in note, page 45, stated that "The old official records of Cambridge are now at Abbeville while those of Pinckneyville are at Union Court House.
17. Here is best chance to find signature of Thomas Baker Franklin on next trip to Chester, as you say, in the papers of estate of Major Grisham.
26. Thomas Baker Franklin, 6 Jan 1789, License to run a Tavern and Bar at his home on the sandy river on the Great Road. He must have lived at that time on the main Coach Road as well as on the river for boat passengers. Where the Great Road crossed or touched Sandy River ought to be the location of his home. Early maps might show this Great Road.
68. Last deed in 1815 was made by Thos. Baker Franklin and no dower. By this time his wife, Ann, is dead; he hasn't married again; now he either married again and left South Carolina in the next year or two with Alfred S., Ethelbert S., and possibly Thomas and others, and went to Louisiana and thence to Bradley County, Arkansas. Of course, it is possible he did not marry the second time until he came to Louisiana. or even to Arkansas, but it is hardly likely he left South Carolina with small children, but no wife to look after them or an older girl to look after the house. Of course, there may have been an older daughter who died either in Louisiana or Arkansas and so long ago that no one of the family ever heard of her. But Winifred Wood Cabeen and husband remained in South Carolina until after 1822, as the older girl, Myra Cabeen, was born in South Carolina in 1822.
- 72c. Alfred Stacy Franklin born 1802, South Carolina and Ethelbert Sexton Franklin born South Carolina 1705 were brothers and so known by each man's descendants. That leaves the conclusion that their mother was named Ann, whatever the last name was. The William Wood ties in here, but I am not going to figure on whether Ann was a Wood or not, but I think so, until more is learned of the Wood family, possibly from Lincoln County, North Carolina. Now here is what might be termed a rather wild supposition, but it may contain the truth. Both marriages may have occurred in South Carolina. Thomas Baker Franklin may have married first Winifred Wood, had daughter Winifred Wood Franklin, possibly several other children to make the census of 1790 females appear as his wife and children; Winifred Wood died and he married her sister, Ann Wood, by whom he had Alfred S. and Ethelbert S. etc. Or Ann could have been Ann something else. But marrying sisters was common in those days; very common, and it is possible this is the truth of the puzzle. Thomas Cabeen and his

wife Winifred Wood Franklin, he born in 1790 and she in either 1788 or 1792, were much older than Alfred and Ethelbert. What they knew of the family came mostly from Thomas Cabeen and his wife, and they probably heard only talk of Winifred Wood as a mother, or the children of Alfred and Ethelbert got the two wives mixed and instead of knowing they were Ann's children, thought they were Winifred's children. This would make Winifred, Alfred and Ethelbert brothers and sister, though only in the half degree with Winifred. Something like this must be the true explanation. It is certain that there is something to the Wood and the recurrence of the Winifred Wood and the Ann also. I don't know the why and wherefore of the marriages, but usually what is handed down in a family fits in if you can only find the key.

Rogers-Wood

Jacob Rogers

Of what denomination was the Sandy River Church? Note the meeting at this church dated 17 Dec 1791, to know whether the heirs object to Joseph Timms to administer upon the Estate of Jacob Rogers. See 2d - "John and Thomas Baker Franklin on behalf of their mother, Mrs. Priscilla Franklin, being one of the heirs, have no objection to Joseph Timms to administer upon the Estate of Jacob Rogers, now deceased. I believe the letters and words in red was what this paper said. See item 75 of Franklin report.

17. Frances Franklin Grisham named a son John Rogers Grisham. Also item 39 of Franklin report, John Franklin had a son Benjamin Rogers Franklin, as you point out. All of the facts taken together makes it fairly certain that Priscilla was a Rogers though more proof is necessary to be absolutely certain of it. Report from Caroline County, Virginia may bring something to light.

Do you have name and address handy of lady who wrote you that Priscilla Franklin went to Pendleton County and who sent you abstract of will of John Rogers #1? Was she a Franklin and of this line? If you think I might learn anything of value from her please send me her address, and name.

36. Richard Evans. The next time you are in Chester County Courthouse you might check this file to see what the connection with the Franklins might be. Whether Ann, his daughter, was Thomas Baker Franklin's wife. If it was 1802, it would appear that something should show her name as Ann Franklin if this were the case.

Another Chester County Chore - Search of Moses Grisham will (#33) for signature of Thomas Baker Franklin.

Howard

James Douthit, born 13 Oct 1776, married Susanna Howard, born 11 Feb 1779. They lived in Anderson District. He was a Methodist preacher.

Desired: Names of parents of Susanna Howard. In 1790, John Douthit, father of James, was living in Greenville County, 96th District. No doubt this is where the marriage occurred and John Douthit either followed his son, James, to Anderson County or vice versa. Both died in Anderson County. In 1790, the following Howards were living in Greenville County and most likely one of them was the father of Susanna:

Thomas Howard	1-3-1-0-0	Unless widower, he is eliminated
Peter Howard	3-1-6-0-0	
John Howard	3-3-3-0-0	
Nathan Howard	1-2-2-0-0	

This is another line of my wife. Have the Douthit line traced to emigrant; also the Buford and Hardin lines

shown on the Toney sheet.

Cabeen

Thomas Cabeen, born 1752, Scotland; died 9 Dec 1801, Chester County, South Carolina, buried in Purity Presbyterian Church Graveyard. His father's name perhaps William, who bought land in 1762, according to *History of South Carolina* and died before 14 Nov 1767. (There was a John Cabeen who was 16 in 1768 perhaps a brother of Thomas.)

Thomas Cabeen married in 1778, Cumberland County, North Carolina to Euphemia Graham, born 1759; died 8 Jun 1827, Chester County, South Carolina, buried in Purity Presbyterian Church graveyard. Her father was Donald Graham, born Fordell, Scotland, died 1799, Cumberland County, North Carolina. Her mother's name was Catherine (maiden name may have been Graham). Her sisters were Mary married a Campbell; Betsy, Margaret, Sarah.

Children of Thomas and Euphemia (Graham) Cabeen:

Alexander (19) Cabeen born 1781, married 16 Mar 1809 (1, see below) Margaret Anderson.
William born 22 Jan 1784, married Jane Carnes (see below)
Nancy married Solomon Hill
John Thomas Cabeen, born 1790, married Winifred Wood Franklin (see below)
Elenore
Mary
Elizabeth
Isabella married Robert Gill
Daniel G. (#20) married Elizabeth Macon

Alexander Cabeen by his first wife, Margaret Anderson (born 1792 North Carolina; died 1816, Georgia) had at least one child, Caroline Cabeen, born 1815, Chester County, South Carolina, married 10 Mar 1833 to Blount S. Garrett. She died 7 Jan 1871, at Salem, Lee County, Alabama.

William Cabeen, born 22 Jan 1784, married 13 May 1813 to Jane Carnes, born 1794. He died 25 Feb 1838. Their children were:

Elizabeth born 3 Jun 1814; died 30 Aug 1853, married a Gardner
John Milton, born 1 Jul 1816; died 1876; married Mary Whittaker
Effie (Euphemia) born 2 Dec 1824, married 15 Nov 1841 to Capt. George W. McDuffie; died 19 Sep 1886. (They had 8 children)

Ephriam, born 26 Mar 1828, died 6 Jun 1860, married Kate Bush. Had 5 children.

Mary E. born 24 Dec 1830, married 1859 John Duncan Cameron. She died Jul 1908. They had 3 children.

Daniel B. born 28 Jan 1834, married Mary Loftin. Had 7 children.

John Thomas Cabeen, born 1790, Chester County, South Carolina married Winifred Franklin, South Carolina. He died 1869, Bradley County, Arkansas. She died Bradley County, Arkansas, 5 Feb 1853, aged 65 years. Children were:

Myra Cabeen married Samuel Meek

Nancy E. Cabeen, born 6 Apr 1822, South Carolina, died 28 Oct 1868, Bradley County, Arkansas, married John R. Hampton, as his second wife. He was born 1 Apr 1807 and died 9 Feb 1880, Bradley County, Arkansas.

Their children were:

John Edwin Hampton, born 1844
Mary Ellen Hampton, born about 1846
Charlotte Hampton, born about 1848
Frances Elmira Hampton, born about 1849
George M. Hampton, born 25 Dec 1851 (see below)

Effie Graham Hampton
Nancy Hampton

George M. Hampton, born 25 Dec 1851, Union County, Arkansas, married 31 Dec 1873 (1) Everett Wombwell, born 3 Sep 1851, died 18 Feb 1884. He died 19 Jun 1931, Pasadena, California. Buried at Fordyce, Arkansas. Children were:

Charlotte Cabeen Hampton
John Robinson Hampton
Lucius Graham Hampton
Alice Newton Hampton

Report on Rogers - Wood

The Franklin report will follow as soon as typed.

1. John Rogers. Estate to Priscilla Franklin, John Franklin, Thomas Baker Franklin. The enclosed and certified will explain itself. Buyers at the sale were:

Mrs. Priscilla Franklin	John Franklin
Major Grisham	Thomas Baker Franklin
Jacob Rogers	

The estate was some larger than the will indicated. Thomas Baker Franklin got the horse, bridle and saddle. John Franklin got the oats. Corn and cotton were sold. Silver knee buckles were sold. Priscilla Franklin bought the bed and chest. Another horse was bought by John Franklin. Some cattle by Major Grisham, etc.

2. Jacob Rogers. In the file with John Rogers is a citation to be read at the Big Meeting at Sandy River Church dated 17 Dec 1791, to know whether the heirs object to Joseph Timms to administer upon the estate of Jacob Rogers, now deceased (Note that Jacob Rogers bought at sale of #1) and that his heirs have asked Joseph Timms to administer etc.
 - a. This is wrapped by a paper which has on outside "Mrs. Priscilla Franklin, Executor of the Estate of Thomas Franklin, deceased"
 - b. No other papers regarding Jacob Rogers.
 - c. The Judge of Probate, Mrs. Hattie Yarborough Hardin, has a compartment of more than 3000 papers and all pertain to estates. These not indexed. Except she has placed all with each letter of first name under "F" if begins with Franklin or Frost etc. I went through these papers for Franklin, many are mere scraps, I found this, seemingly just a piece of paper and most torn off, what is there reads:
 - d. "John and Thomas Baker Franklin on behalf of their mother, Mrs. Priscilla Franklin, being one of the heirs, have no objec.... [from here torn] at top dated 10 Dec 1791 at Sandy River. Now, whether the missing bottom part of this paper referred to the Jacob Rogers Estate, I do not know. The date seems to fit. Since this was a man who died intestate, his children (if any) or if no wife or children, his brothers and sisters, would be his heirs.
3. Now whether the maiden name of Priscilla Franklin, wife of Thomas Franklin, was Priscilla Rogers, I would not say. The evidence seems to weigh heavily that she was. Yet, John Rogers could have been a hired man living with them, or a cousin, or a brother. Jacob Rogers seemingly was a single brother of John Rogers #1 who if single, his sister, Priscilla would have been an heir. If only the rest of paper #2d could be found and proved that they were referring to Jacob Rogers, this would likely clinch the proof. As it is now, seemingly Priscilla Franklin, was a sister of both John and Jacob Rogers.

4. Added to make it seem so, John Franklin, son of Priscilla named a son Benjamin Rogers Franklin as you will note in Franklin data. Also, once or twice more Rogers was noted as middle names for Franklins.

John Rodgers (also as Rogers) resided in eastern part of Chester and not near Sandy River. His Estate administered 18 Apr 1814 by Micajah Proctor whose bond was signed by William Knox and James Knox. Appraisers named as Daniel Kee, Reuben Stringfellow and Robert W. Ekles. Buyers at the sale were:

Henry Proctor	Micajah Proctor	Andrew Wherry
James Oliver	Henry Bradley	James Dye
Alexander Graham	Charles Drury	Martin Kee
William Smith	John Cherry	Daniel Kee
James McCullough	Francis Wylie	James Clark
Collin Rogers	Robert W. Eckles	Wm. Wylie

You will note that no Franklin was at the sale as a buyer.

Accounts Paid Out To:

Whiskey for funeral and for the sale		
Capt. Andrew Wherry,	his proved account	File 58-889
William Wylie,	his proved account	
William Gaston,	Fees of Court of Ordinary	
John Drewery (Also as Drury),	his proved account	
William Knox,	his account for making a coffin	
Jno. Cherry,	his account	

The Sale and Inventory would make one think this John Rodgers a single man. The belongings indicated a single man. No List of Heirs in the file.

5. Henry Rodgers. Also in eastern county. Died in service while serving under Capt. Campbell and Lt. Col. Hamilton. The war was not stated but I presume the War of 1812. The papers in this file was to obtain the last payments due to Henry Rodgers when he was in service and due him at his death and also any Bounty grants of land due him for service in "The Late War." The main paper consist of a declaration made 13 Jan 1821 before James Gill, J.P. by Charles Drury and Thomas Evans, who state under oath that Henry Rodgers was a man they had known for many years and knew him well before he went off to the "War" etc. They declare that as far as they knew, that Henry Rodgers never had any wife and when he died that Henry Rodgers so far as they know, never had a wife or a child. (It seems that bachelorhood ran in the Chester County Rodgers family) and they do know that both the father and the mother of Henry Rodgers are deceased (They did not name the parents) and that of the brothers and sisters of Henry Rodgers who are dead, none was married (Likely John #4 was a brother). They furthermore swear under oath that the only brothers and sisters of Henry Rodgers who are alive and his legal heirs are:

Collin Rodgers	Allen Rodgers
Thomas Rodgers	Lucy Rodgers, the wife of Henry Proctor)

(See Proctor #4) The other brothers and sisters of Henry Rodgers died single and with no wives or husbands or children, etc. File #61-937

6. No other Rogers-Rodgers Estates in Chester County until after 1884.
- 6a. I did not check the deeds to and from Rogers-Rodgers. I did note that Hugh Rogers sold lands and from Pendleton District, South Carolina and on Sandy River. No data in deeds as noted from Index which would indicate a Franklin connection. The Hugh Rogers deed had no Franklin witness nor any reference to Franklin on Sandy River. A lady wrote me that Priscilla Franklin went to Pendleton with Hugh Rogers and she is one who sent me abstract of will of John Rogers #1 and said the will left all his estate to Mrs. Priscilla Franklin. She was wrong for both John and Thomas Baker Franklin were also named.

Wood-Woods

Deed, and also in Franklin, I refer to Book and page simply as Q-19 which means Book Q, and page 19.

7. If Thomas Baker Franklin married Winnefred Woods, she died soon after they were married for by 1793 the wife of Thomas Baker Franklin was Ann Franklin and she was Ann until his last deed was signed as you will note in Franklin pages.
8. Refer to what I wrote you of my findings on Franklin on my birthday when I wrote you that Thomas Baker Franklin with dower by wife Ann selling to Greenberry Montgomery and they were in eastern Chester County. Of course, that day I made no real examination. On this trip I found the land sold to Greenberry Montgomery was the only piece of land Thomas Baker Franklin owned in eastern Chester County. Both the men by name of Thomas Baker Franklin lived on Sandy River. I had thought that I found a dower by Winnefred on that birthday trip, but I find I was mistaken when I went into the Franklin in detail. There was a Thomas Franklin with dower by wife Mary, who sold lands in Chester. The other Thomas Baker Franklin, never had a deed on which a dower was signed and my presumption that the other Thomas Baker Franklin was a single man. Sometime the same week, both Thomas Baker Franklins would sell and deed lands and often with same witnesses (At least one would be same witness) and one deed by Thomas Baker Franklin had no dower. Always, the other Thomas Baker Franklin with a deed would have a dower signed by Ann Franklin, with her mark. In fact, Priscilla and all her daughters, except Frances, always signed with a X mark.

D-396

9. William Wood and his wife, Sarah Wood for and in consideration of sum of 100£ paid to us by Thomas Baker Franklin. A deed dated 1 Jan 1794 for 150 acres of land which was granted to Edmund Wilson on Broad River in Craven County on a branch called Stony Fork of Sandy River and when granted bounded by lands of John Baker, Edmund Wilson and vacant. This 150 acres was conveyed to William Wood by a deed dated 15 Apr 1792.

Witnesses: Martin Elam, Letisha (X) Stone and before John Pratt, J.P.

- 9a. At the same time, William Wood and his wife, Sarah Wood deed tracts of land to John Allen and to James Huey.

Since the Huey mix in later with Franklin, the wife of this James Huey (Also as Hughey) was named Sarah. I wonder if these deed were to sons-in-law of William and Sarah Wood. In none of the deeds was anything which indicated to sons-in-law. Each had a cash consideration of 100£. After these deeds by William and Sarah Wood, they disappear from Chester County. Later on many deeds by William Wood and by William Woods, but never with a dower by Sarah.

10. The next time the name of Sarah Wood shows is in M-306, dated 29 Jan 1801. John Wood of Lincoln County, North Carolina and formerly of Chester County, South Carolina, a deed to Robert Sanderson

for a 135 acre tract of land on Brushy Fork of Sandy River

Witnesses: William Ray and Eleanor Woods. In the body of this deed no wife or any dower is mentioned nor is Sarah Wood mentioned as a joint owner. Yet she evidently had a share for after John Wood signed this deed, right below his name was signed Sarah Wood of Lincoln County, North Carolina. This was not signed as the usual dower. I am at a lose to know why Sarah Wood signed the... (sentence did not copy)... of deed. No indication of how John Wood...

M-307

11. Mrs. Mary Woods of Chester County a deed of love and affection I bear my five children: signed 14 May 1806*

Henry Woods	Ruth Woods	Rhoda Woods
Mary Woods	Mildred Woods	

The deed was for a negro slave "Left to me" in the will of their father"

Witnesses: John Ferguson and James Ferguson.

*I searched the Chester Index for a Woods will up to this date in 1806 and found no will. It was likely in an adjoining county. The father was not named in this deed. I often think of how beneficial to future generations these unnamed persons would have helped if they had gone on and written in the name. Same as to tombstones, which are in stone and with little more expense the name of parents (Not by initials) had been carved on the stone.

M-378

12. Mrs. Easter Woods, a deposition made 23 Nov 1791 before John Pratt, J.P. Saith that her deceased husband, William Sanders bought 100 acres from Kager Miller about 18 years ago and her husband sold it to Francis Jinkins on Sandy River and it is the same tract where Elizabeth Hawkins now resides, etc. Then Mrs. Mary Sanders continues with her deposition same date and before John Pratt, J.P. Mrs. Mary Sanders saith that her husband in his lifetime, left to her a tract of 100 acres on Sandy River where Elizabeth Hawkins now lives and her husband, John Sanders told her, as she understood it that he got the 100 acres from William Sanders and she going from Carolina to Virginia when she got back here, she found her deed paper in the hands of Joseph Timms (See him in #2) and furthermore as far as she can recollect, the aforesaid paper was put into her possession 14 years ago and she never knew of this land being sold or transferred etc.

13. William Wood Estate Administered 4 Apr 1806 by Mrs. Mary Woods (Perhaps the above Mrs. Mary Woods in #11 but no Will) and her bond signed by John Ferguson and John Cherry (Both men in eastern Chester) 4 Jun 1806, a notation which states "Mary Woods, the widow of William Woods, deceased, is now the wife of Adam Ferguson" 13 Apr 1806 a sale and largest buyers were:

Mrs. Mary Woods	James Woods	Thomas Woods
David Hyatt		

In this file, perhaps by error, dated 13 Apr 1803 David Hyatt, Administrator of the Estate of William Woods, has asked the following men to appraise said estate: James Woods, Joseph Edwards and Alexander Walker.

14. James Woods, Sr. His estate administered 5 Dec 1825 by James Woods, Jr. Thomas Watson first asked to be named as administrator but not granted to him. No Franklin names in file. I did not copy the buyers or appraisers when no Franklin names found. Only payment I noted was for the funeral expenses and for whiskey at the funeral and paying the preacher. No list of heirs. *I am always

amused by the sum paid to the preacher for preaching the funeral sermon which is invariably much more than for making the coffin, also for the bills placed for the liquor served at the funeral. Among the Scotch and Irish the liquor bill is mainly for the wake while among the English the liquor bill is for the funeral feast after the burial. James Massey of Richland County in 1801 the bill showed "Paid \$5 for preaching the funeral sermon and for the whiskey."

15. Matthew Woods, His estate administered 4 Dec 1826 by James F. Woods and William Woods. Their bond signed by James Atkinson and John Donovan. Appraisers named as William A. Sims, Lewis Morris, William Kitchings, and Richard Wilks. No Franklin names shows in file. No list of heirs in file. Buyers at the sale were:

Mrs. Margaret Woods	William Woods
James F. Woods	John Woods
William A. Sims	Matthew Young
John Atkinson	Col. Daniel Thomas

There are scores of Wood-Woods Estates in Index after Matthew Woods after 1826. I did not check any of them.

16. Wood-Woods deeds. There are more than 1200 deeds from and same number to in Index. None to Franklin save #9. I did not check any of these except number noted above.
17. John T. Cabeen married Winnefred Wood Franklin and both died in Bradley County, Arkansas which was cut off from earlier Union County, Arkansas. I decided to check to see if he made any land deeds. I found none.
18. Thomas Cabeen. Deed signed 27 Oct 1793 and no dower. Deeds land to Frances Nesbitt.
19. Alexander Cabeen and also as Cabean. Many deeds and the dower always signed by his wife, as Mary Ann Cabean. His last deed was signed 22 Nov 1826 when he sold "My home Plantation" to Adam Vance.
20. Daniel Gill Cabean. Was for many years sheriff of Chester County. He sold and bought almost as much land as did the two Thomas Baker Franklins. Always dowers signed by his wife as Elizabeth Cabeen and sometimes as Cabean.
21. Miss Charlotte E. Cabean of Union County, Arkansas signed 5 Dec 1851 and her post office as Eldorado, Arkansas. Power of Attorney to William P. Gill of Chester County. To sign for her in sale of the lands of her late father, Daniel Gill Cabean. "My guardian is Mr. Jordan Bennett"

Witnesses: Thomas G. Sheppard, W. J. Locke, Epps J. Brown.

- 21a. Same date and place, Union County, Arkansas, W. W. Cabean, Power of Attorney to William P. Gill, re: estate of his father, Daniel Gill Cabean, same witnesses.
22. I did not check the Cabean wills and estates. Other names which I did not check all for Thomas, Alexander, Daniel G. and I checked just enough to get name of wife on dower for each one.
23. Frances Franklin, the daughter of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin married first to _____ Trussell. I could not determine which Trussell she married. Some Trussell data follows.

Trussell-Evans

24. John Franklin and his brother, Thomas Baker Franklin, all are mixed up with some Trussell-Grisham-Franklin land and it shows in body of several deeds. I did not realize when I checked this that it

meant anything in particular. I did note first.

25. Thomas Franklin with dower by his wife, Priscilla Franklin, dated 9 Apr 1786 a deed to William Trussell, Jr., for 138 acres of land which was part of an original grant to Thomas Franklin.

Witnesses: Richard Evans, John Franklin (No X) and James Trussell.

26. In looking through the mass of nearly 2000 scraps of unidentified estate papers mentioned in #2d, I found and date missing but at foot 1787, William Trussell, Jr. Estate, left widow and one child. I paid no particular mind to this until I found #27.
27. John Hayes and James Trussell, dated 1 Dec 1788, for the sum of 1000£, we do release all our rights in a certain tract of land to Thomas Baker Franklin as Guardian... rest missing... I wondered who the person for whom T. B. Franklin was guardian. No witness or anything else on this fragment of paper in the pile of Miscellany.

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28. Major Grisham with dower by his wife, Fanny Grisham, deed dated 16 Aug 1788. To Thomas Baker Franklin, Guardian, the grant of land made to Mager Grisham in 1786

Witnesses: Patrick McGriff, Edmund Nunn and James Nunn (See Nunn in #1 will of John Rogers).

Then several deeds made by Mager Grisham and wife Fanny, also as Major Grisham and wife Fanny. I did not abstract them and seeing no genealogy in the deed and not thinking at the time they meant anything.

29. James Huey and his wife, Sarah Huey, a deed to Major Grisham, for the lands deed to James Huey and his wife, Sarah Huey by William Wood and his wife, Sarah Wood, see #9a, Then final:

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30. Miss Mary Franklin of Chester County, but late of Pendleton District, a deed, signed 2 Jul 1802, for the natural love and affection, I bear to my niece, Martha Trussell, the daughter of my sister, Mrs. Frances Knight who was formerly Mrs. Frances Grisham, all the property which was given to me by a deed dated 3 Jul 1801 by my sister, then Mrs. Frances Grisham.

Witnesses: Thomas Jinkins and John Grisham.

- 30a. Deed dated 3 Jul 1801 by Mrs. Frances Grisham to my sister, Miss Mary Franklin, "All the furniture, the china and silver which is at my plantation house, and all my mares and my stud horse etc.

Witnesses: Thomas Jinkins and William Wood.

31. Adam Ferguson, Jr. and his wife, Mary Ferguson, formerly Woods and see #11 and 13. A receipt to Elijah Hyatt, administrator for the Estate of William Woods, for the one third share which was inherited by her. This receipt was signed 13 Mar 1809 and recorded in Deed book.
32. My first impression was that the niece, Martha Grisham was the maiden name of Martha Trussell in #30 and had wed a Trussell. I decided to check will and estate file of Moses Grisham.
33. Moses Grisham, His will in Chester County, signed 16 Oct 1800, probated November Court 1800. Wife, Frances Grisham, Children and minors:

John Rogers Grisham

Priscilla Grisham

Thomas Baker Franklin Grisham
Sallie Grisham

Frances Franklin Grisham

My step-daughter, Patsy Trussell “Shall also share equal”

Executors: Thomas Baker Franklin and Cornelius Dorsey

Witnesses: William Wood, Mary Franklin and John Dorsey

I checked the typed copy of this will. The file is large. I see now where I should have gone into this file, but thinking it had all data I had not thought of the findings. Likely would have found the Mr. Knight, that Frances Franklin Trussell Grisham had married. More important, I never did find an original signature of Thomas Baker Franklin, but when he executed the will of Major Grisham, his signature would have shown. I see now my error. This was one of the very last wills I checked.

34. Patsy Trussell in #33 and Martha Trussell in #30. As everybody knows Pasty and Pattie are often used for Martha as Agnes is used for Nancy, Polly for Mary, Fanny for Frances, and so on. Sandy for Alexander. Conclusion: Likely Frances Franklin, daughter of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin wed first to William Trussell, Jr. and the guardianship scrap of paper in #27 and the scrap in #26 was for William Trussell, Jr. who had been the first husband of Frances Franklin.

35. William Trussell of Sandy River. His will signed 7 Nov 1803, probated October Court 1812. Wife, Susannah Trussell, my single children will have the home plantation when the mother dies:

Mary Trussell

Rachel Trussell

Susannah Trussell

Milly Trussell

My married children will divide the rest of the property equal and deceased children, their children will take the share etc. Executor: My son, John Trussell with Richard Evins and John Evins, Jr.

Witnesses: John Kennedy, Samuel Evans and Moses Evans.

Conclusion: When William Trussell, Jr. died, the older William ceased to be “Sr.” and I feel sure this is the first father-in-law of Frances Franklin.

35a. Many Trussell deeds and several estates which I did not check. I abstracted this data from typed will and did not open the file where would likely have found names of other children.

36. Richard Evans and also as Evins. I opened his file and he had a will. I did not abstract any of the data nor date knowing a copy of his will was on file here in Historical Archives. I noted no Franklin heirs, in fact there were no receipts from the heirs but all children named in will. No surnames were listed. One daughter was named as “Ann, my daughter.”

Several Franklins bought at the sale and Thomas Baker Franklin bought many articles. This was about 1802 I think, I did not copy date or any data. After I came to Columbia, I noted that Thomas Baker Franklin received the pay for the Revolutionary services of Richard Evans. Then I got to studying the fact that the wife of Thomas Baker Franklin was named Ann. I now wonder whether I should have gone more in detail into this file of Richard Evans, the Revolutionary soldier. My main reason for opening this file was Trussell and Grisham. Richard Evans belonged to the Universalist Church.

Franklin-Fairfield County, South Carolina

Deed Book H, Page 143, signed 10 Jan 1787

Edmund Franklin and no dower, planter, of Fairfield County, South Carolina

A land deed to:

William Kirkland of same, 50£ sterling, for 200 acres of land, being the lower end of a grant of 400 acres made to Thomas Franklin, Sr., 22 Feb 1771, which tract of 200 acres was left to Thomas Franklin, Jr., by will of Thomas, Sr. in the year 1774; now sold by Edmund Franklin to William Kirkland, said 200 acres sit on little Cedar Creek.

Jacob Bethany
Francis (X) Mills
William Dortit

(Note: LKC: Edumund does not say how he got the land from Thomas in this deed.)

Deed Book K, page 277, signed 31 May 1796

Gillis Franklin and Susannah his wife of Edgefield County

To Henry Walker, a land deed 8£ sterling, 100 acres of land, 50a originally granted to Michael Risell and 50 acres originally granted Thomas Franklin, Sr., situated on Little Cedar Creek, a branch of Broad River. Adjoining land of Wm. Kirkland and Elisha Haigood Compty.

Edmund Franklin
Benjamin Kilcrease

The Franklins of Chester County also had connections in Edgefield County. It shows in the Equity which settles the estate of John Franklin; who was son of Thomas of Sandy River who died Chester 1789. John's son Newton married a girl from Edgefield named Sally _____. After the death of Newton Franklin, about three weeks after she married him, Sally returned to Edgefield where she married second Nathaniel Corby.

See by Andrea papers that Edmond Franklin died testate Edgefield County, naming in his will his youngest brother Gillis. (Will signed 3 Apr 1790, probated 1804)

The Thomas Franklin, Jr. was probably the man who died Richland County, with wife Jemima, but no further data on him recorded in Fairfield.

Deed Book L, page 8, signed 24 Nov 1773, Rec. 1797

Bryant Railey and no dower of Craven County, South Carolina

A land deed to

John Franklin, of same 250£ current money, 250 acres, part of 350 acres originally granted said Railey 23 Oct 1765.

Daniel Woten
Edmund Franklin

John Franklin died about 1827/1828, his estate file Fairfield #48-740 names the following heirs: David Franklin, John Roberts and wife Martha, Solomon Beam and wife Francis, John Franklin, Edmond Franklin, William Franklin, Thomas Franklin, Mary "Polly" Floyd. By 1831 Mary Floyd had married _____ Terry.

Franklin-Chester County, South Carolina

I scanned Franklin deeds from 1785 to 1815. No Jemima signed dower in Chester County for a Franklin deed. All dowers to Thomas Franklin deeds were signed by Ann except one which was signed by Mary. The name Jemima does not appear on any Franklin deed that I scanned.

The deed below was the only connection I found which even remotely placed the Chester County with Richland County Locale.

Deed Book Q, page 259, signed date not given but note proven date below.

recorded 1814

Jacob Duncan
Benjamin (X) Carter
Ellender Duncan
Mark Killingsworth

All of Chester County, South Carolina and heirs of Jonathan Duncan, dec'd

A land deed to

John Duncan, also heir of Jonathan... "all our right and title to 332 acres on Sandy River" adjacent to the lands of:
Edmund Loun's (?)
John Franklin
John Walker

John Franklin
Mourning (X) Franklin

John Carter
Mary Carter

John Doke
William Trussel

Henry Head
Samuel Walker

All eight were witnesses; The deed was proven by John and Mary Carter on 26 Aug 1802 in Richland County, South Carolina before Richard Brown, J.Q. (Justice of the Quorum)

John Franklin proved signed of Jacob Duncan

Wm. Trussell proved signed of Ellender "

Samuel Walker proved signed of Mark Killingsworth

I have a large file on Morris which I searched for a mention of Jemima and also I scanned deeds but saw nothing to identify Jemima.

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
28 Nov 1947

Dear Mr. Andrea:

The enclosed check for \$15.00 is intended for the following use - \$10.00 to replace the \$10.00 you paid for photostats thereby restoring your Chester County fund to the original \$25.00 and \$5.00 for rent of Adams and Jackson Files for two weeks, return postage to be paid by me. I assume the two weeks means to be returned within two weeks of receipt of same by me. Please send the Adams and Jackson files at your earliest convenience.

Please be on the lookout when you go to Chester County for any information that might indicate whom Thomas Franklin's other children than Thomas Baker and John married - the other three- as the DAR always want to know whom the children married. Thomas Baker of course married Winifred Wood; John married Nancy _____ according to his will there in 1826; Frances, Mary and Elizabeth probably married in Anderson County, but there may be a deed which mentions their married names. Some of the land may have been sold in Chester County after they were grown and married.

Reference the work in Chester County and how long to stay. I would say what I said before; until you have handled it as you would one of your own family lines and are convinced you have all the information abstracted (photostats in some cases when you deem them necessary) that gives any information on Thomas Franklin (my Thomas) and Thomas Baker Franklin (my Thomas Baker) without taking up time to abstract information on other collateral Franklins. I want all the information and clues on these two Franklins and on Winifred Wood Franklin and her Wood ancestors as far as those records show such information. I don't know how long it will take - of course it only covers a rather short space of time - the deeds indicate about when the family removed from the county. I want you to do the same conscientious job, taking short cuts when you think necessary; abstracting only what you deem important in the deeds, etc. As to the cost above the \$25.00, if you wish in order to protect yourself, it will be all right for you to hold all papers until you notify me how much I owe you and then when I have sent this amount, you can send the data to me. You mention stopping over in Winnsboro, do what you think necessary about this. What I want is when you leave Chester County, you and I will know that all vital information and clues in that county have been uncovered. You might check the phone book for Franklins and call them to see if any of them are descendants of this family and if they know anything about where Thomas Franklin came from and his parent's name.

About the abstracts or photostats of land grants, land plats, memorial tax returns, etc. put yourself in my place and do what you would do for yourself - abstract or photostat what your good judgment and experience indicates. If abstract will serve the purpose, do that; if you think I ought to have a photostat, have it taken.

About the photostats which arrived at the same time as your letter, there appear to be two Thomas Franklins - one who served 100 days and who made his mark, the other who served many tours of duty and who also furnished sheep to the army. He could sign his name. This must be the man of the Chester County will 1789, as he signed his name according to the WPA copy of will there in Columbia. I am inclined to think all three were the same Thomas Baker Franklin; the signatures varying with the amount of space he had within which to sign, the haste with which he signed, etc. To me there appear to be the same general characteristics of writing in all three. However, one or more of them ought to match with any signature you might find there in Chester County.

I am enclosing three more sheets on family names:

Pierce

Toney-Brown

Howard

Please check what you have on these - it may be you have worked some of these families. If not, I would like to have you check the Archives on them.

I understand the difficulty not only about finding marriages, births, and deaths, etc., in South Carolina but of finding anything else about a family in South Carolina. And searching by persons in county records - they are hard to find and practically none of them know how to do the job or how to do it thoroughly. So when I mention marriages, etc., it is just another way of saying that I want all the information possible on the person and his or her ancestry.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ John H. Pierce

[End of Part IV]

[Beginning of Part V]

1907 Schiller Ave.
Little Rock, Arkansas
5 Oct 1949

Mr. Leonardo Andrea
4204 Devine St.
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Mr. A. S. Salley writes me that you are the best genealogist working there. That is the kind whose services I now need. I have several South Carolina family lines and I have all of them traced back far enough that the next step would appear to be search of records there in Columbia. Will you please let me know if you are willing to undertake such search; if so your charge by the hour or day, etc. and how much I should send you to begin the search.

I should appreciate an early reply and am enclosing a stamped, self-addressed envelope for your convenience.

If necessary in the course of a search, do you travel to adjoining counties? If so, how much extra do you charge?

I hope you are in position to help me. When I hear from you, my reply will contain all data I have on my South Carolina family lines. I hope by that time a finger which has been dislocated will have healed sufficiently that I may be able to type the data.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ J. H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Ave.
Little Rock, Arkansas
23 Oct 1949

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Thank you for your letter. I am enclosing \$10.00 check, although you did state you were not taking on any more orders until after Christmas. I am doing this because I am trying to get a cousin's DAR papers completed, if possible, so that she can be voted on at the December meeting. It is a new line and they need a lot of proving to accept a new line.

I am enclosing three penciled sheets of data on the Franklin family. What I wish you would do is to check the files there to see if the Thomas Franklin of Chester County, South Carolina was the Thomas Franklin of the indent shown, if not, if you can find any record of this Chester County Thomas Franklin being a Revolutionary soldier. If this can be proved by the records there in Columbia I wish you would request a certified copy of his will from the probate clerk of Chester County. He will give you better service than he will me

and charge you less if he is like most of the South Carolina clerks. If Thomas of Chester County was not a Revolutionary War soldier, there remains a rare possibility Thomas Baker Franklin was such soldier. I wouldn't care to spend the money for a certified copy of Thomas will if he was not a Revolutionary War soldier. I have an uncertified copy a lady made for me from U of South Carolina library copy.

I hope I have made myself clear and that you can make a check this week for Chester County Thomas Franklin Revolutionary War record. As soon as I can use a typewriter I shall try to work up and send you the dates desired on each of the earliest known South Carolina ancestors when I hear from you. If you can't get to this Revolutionary War record this week, please endorse my check to my order and return. I have to get some _____ on other ____ to go with the papers and (line not copied at bottom of page) ready in the way of proof to go with the DAR papers. But I don't need the certified copy of Thomas' will if we can't prove that he was a Revolutionary War soldier. The papers with the indent notary or J of P's name etc. may serve to show that that Thomas was of Chester County, or you may find a land grant for payment of the indent. I believe they liquidated many of these indebtednesses in this way. I am hopeful that you can turn up the proof without taking up much time.

In the meantime I hope I shall be able to get back to typing next week or rather later in this week. in which case I shall prepare data on the other family lines.

I hope you can find proof of Thomas Franklin of Chester County, having had Revolutionary War service, as I am anxious to get the DAR papers in as soon as possible.

Sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
5 Nov 1949

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Thank you for your letter of 29 Oct with enclosure. I have read it with much interest. Of course, I had most of the data you sent, as one usually scours every source in searches of this kind. I am having to write this with one finger of the left hand and the entire right hand which is very upsetting and you will have to excuse the many mistakes this procedure makes inevitable. But at least it will be readable.

First some comments on your letter and data which I shall make brief due to the difficulties of writing just now. I had noted the Thos. B. and T. B. Franklin in the 1790 census, Chester County, but I didn't mention it as my ancestor is definitely the Thomas Baker Franklin, son of Thomas Franklin, died 1789, Chester County. I am unable to figure out which of these two T. B. Franklins was Thomas Baker. Both of them had more females than I can account for. I can only explain this by pointing out that there were 39 years between the death of Thomas Baker Franklin in Arkansas, and the census of 1790 and that all of the daughters must have been married and settled in South Carolina before he left there for Arkansas. Winifred Wood Franklin married in Chester County, but she and her husband John T. Cabeen joined the band who came from there to Arkansas via Louisiana. In other words there were no means of intercourse between South Carolina and Arkansas - no mails, telegraph, etc. and Thomas Baker's children left no mention of the sisters who stayed in South Carolina and the descendants know the names of the children only who came to Arkansas and died there. By the way, John T. Cabeen, was the son of Thomas Cabeen, born 1752 in Scotland, and Euphemia Graham, born 1759 at (?). They were married in 1778 in Cumberland County, North Carolina. They both died in Chester County, South Carolina and are buried in Purity Presbyterian Church graveyard. I merely mention this as you mentioned the family. Of course they are no ancestors of mine.

Do the indices there in Columbia show Priscilla Franklin as having had an estate administered in Anderson or elsewhere? Please let me know about this. I should like to get copy of distribution of estate from the county where she died if such is known.

This seems to be what I need you to do for me. First 2 (two) photostats of each of the claims which shown Thomas B. Franklin's signature- both the identicals and the different one; Second, 2 (two) photostats of each of Thomas Franklin's claims for services, including all papers showing his signature. One photostat of these to be sent to me, the other retained by you to be used for comparison in Chester County with Thomas Franklin's signature on will, and with Thomas Baker Franklin's signature if one is available, there in Chester County records. We ought to have a certificate of County Clerk that they are the same if such is the case; also I want two photostats of land plots, etc. of these two Franklin's grants. All of this is predicated on your being willing to go to Chester County. Search of Purity Presbyterian graveyard and the Franklin Graveyard on Sandy River may yield something.

I do not know how we stand financially, but I wish you would let me know if you would be willing to make the trip to Chester for me and how much more I should send you to defray the expenses of this trip and the photostats mentioned, as well as certified copy of Thomas Franklin's will in Chester County.

I would like to have abstracts of the Thomas Franklin and Thomas Baker Franklin deeds both as grantor and grantee made by you; however they may have a photostating machine there in the courthouse in the town of Chester in which case you might be able to talk him (clerk) into letting you have the deeds and will of Thomas Franklin photostated. I don't care about more than an abstract of the deeds unless one of them is of genealogical significance such as mentioning Thomas Baker Franklin as being in Louisiana or Arkansas or for some other reason it is worth having a certified copy. I mention photostating as it might save your time while there.

Winifred Wood - She must have been born about 1766 and the marriage to Thomas Baker Franklin must have occurred about 1784 or 1785. Before you go to Chester County if you will go for me (and I don't know what I will do if you are not able to make the trip), I wish you would search the indices there and the land grants to see what you can find on a possible father for Winifred Wood. Thus fortified you may find a clue in the Chester County records. A Pasadena (Calif) genealogist who made a trip East and whose assignments included tracing Franklin-Wood for a distant cousin of mine who lives in Pasadena, stopped at Chester, South Carolina and the earliest will she found there was about one generation later than my Winifred Wood. It was the will of William Wood (Book 1, Section B, p. 495 (Really I expect she found this will at the South Carolina Library there in Columbia) He had a daughter, Margaret Lewis, sons (can not read several names, light copying), William Wood; daughter Ann Wood; 3 youngest daughters Wineford Wood, Roselly Wood, Elizabeth Wood. Brother Moses Wood. 9 Aug 1793. copied the 25th day of Jan 1794. Box 32, package __. Not included in will book A. Wm. Lancaster O. S. D.

You will note Wm. Wood died when my Winifred Wood had been married some seven or eight years. I believe the daughter of William was named for my Winifred. He was probably her brother.

Also in the will of John Wood, Saint Mark's Parish, Craven County, dated 24 Jan 1777. Recorded: will Book A, page 56, Camden District. Witnesses were John Pratt, Winifred Wood, William Wood. This must be of the same family.

Please let me hear from you using the enclosed airmail envelope and let me know how much I shall send you to undertake this journey and to cover cost of photostats, certified copy of Thomas Franklin's will, if unable to photostat it. I anxiously await your reply and shall let you hear from me immediately.

Yours sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
12 Nov 1949

Dear Mr. Andrea:

I have been waiting for certain information before writing you but will not wait longer. I am enclosing check for \$25.00, most of which is intended for the Chester County, South Carolina trip. This in case you get a chance to squeeze this trip in during the next month. It might come up in a hurry so that you would not have time to write me first. Do you suppose there might be any records on Thomas Franklin, Thomas B. Franklin, or the Wood family at Camden Court House for the few years that Chester County was a part of Camden District?

Relative to the two contemporaneous Thomas Baker Franklins and the two wives - Ann and Winnifred. I think for the purpose of the deeds we may safely conclude that the Sandy River Thomas Baker was my ancestor and the _____ River Thomas Baker was a relative, probably first cousins, and their common grandmother was a Baker. Of course, this is conjectural, but the signatures from the photostats might be helpful as well as real estate locations as soon as the men have been identified by signatures. All this in connection with Thomas Franklin's real estate. The gravestone of Winifred Wood Franklin, in the Franklin graveyard, Warren, Bradley County, Arkansas, shows according to the age given at death, that she was born in 17___. This is the daughter of Thomas Baker Franklin who came to Arkansas. She married John Thomas Cabeen in Chester County. The census of 1850, Bradley County, Arkansas, showed her age as such that she would have been born in 17___. Naturally she did not want her husband or people in the vicinity to know she was older than her husband, so I think we are safe in saying she was born in 17___. This shows that Winifred Wood was the first wife of Thomas Baker Franklin, if he had a second wife named Ann. However, I expect they were wives of different men. Another thing, though Thomas Baker Franklin (unknown man) did marry a second time, and probably in South Carolina he did not do so until later than 1804, because Alfred S. Franklin, born 1803, South Carolina and Ethelbert Sexton Franklin, born 1805, South Carolina were sons of Winifred Wood Franklin. They both named children Winifred Wood. Then too the family have always known this to be a fact.

About the photostats: Relative to the claims of other men in which Thomas Baker Franklin signs, one photostat of each signature in each claim will do. Get the clearest one of course, or the one having the most useful information if there is any distinction here. In other words, one signature in each different man's file of claims, etc.

Thomas Franklin - Files and for Revolutionary Service - I believe you had better have two photostats made of each paper in the various files of claims for Revolutionary Service, including the signatures and statements of the service also.

Photostats (Only one photostat of each, or abstract, as the case may be.) of land plats of the original grants - I wish you would also abstract or have photostats made (if they are under 50¢ each it would appear to be about as cheap as your time in abstracting) of the following grants and memorials: Use your own good judgment as to photostats or abstracts.

Land Grant Thomas Frankland, 200 acres on Sandy River in Craven (Chester) 24 Dec 1772.

Thomas Franklin, 400 acres on Cedar Creek in Craven 22 Feb 1771.

Thomas Franklyn, 100 acres on Sandy River in Craven 24 Nov 17__.

Memorials: Thomas Franklin - 4

William Franklin 1

Land Grants after the Revolution and Index III:

Thomas Franklin, 150 acres and 150 acres on Sandy River in Camden District, 21 Jan 1785

Thomas Baker Franklin, 70 acres, 103 acres, and 363 acres in Camden District, 2 Oct 1786.

Thomas B. Franklin, 300 acres on Bear Creek in Camden District, 2 Oct 1786.

Land Grants after the Revolution in Index II.

Thomas B. Franklin, 113 acres on Caldwell Creek of Sandy River, Chester 5 Nov 1791

Thomas B. Franklin, 68 acres and 276 acres on Sandy River in Chester County 4 Jun 1798.

Work in Chester County

Photostats (2) of will of Thomas Franklin, probated 1789. In 1941, Henry O. Nichols, Nichols' Studio, photographer, quoted a lady a price of \$2.50 for negative and three prints. If he is still there, or whoever does this work who is there, it would possibly be as well to have three as two.

An abstract of all real estate transactions of Thomas Franklin and Thomas Baker (or Thomas B.) Franklin, both grantor and grantee. Dates, names of parties to sale and witnesses, number of acres, location of land, etc. If in your judgement any of these have enough genealogical value to be photostated have that done also. Of course, the same applies to any papers in the file which have genealogical value. You know about all this. Trip to Sandy River Franklin graveyard - Just let that go. You might find that some of the DAR ladies there have made a copy and you might secure any pertinent information.

I have had correspondence with Mrs. Esker and have all 1947 and the three of 1948 Wood-Woods Exchange which are all that have been issued. I thank you for your offer to send the South Carolina number to me. The Benjamin and Henry Wood you mention (of Sandy River) appear to be of the right age to have been brothers of Winifred Wood who married Thomas Baker Franklin about 1795-1786, probably born about 1766. I hope you can find in the Chester County records some mention of Winifred Wood Franklin in probate records or administration of estates, or in the deeds, or there may be marriage settlements. Do you suppose there could be a marriage settlement in the case of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin? If so, I doubt its being in Chester County, as their records do not go back that far. What I need at Chester County is all I can find on Winifred Wood's ancestry, and that of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin, also Thomas Baker Franklin, and their ancestry. I don't care about abstracts of other Franklin or Wood families, unless they throw light on my Franklin and Wood ancestors. I want you to stay there at Chester when you go until you can do a thorough job on my problem and when you leave that you do with conviction that any further information lies elsewhere.

I think I have covered all questions; if not, let me know right away. I shall try to get information on other family lines to you during next week.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
20 Nov 1949

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Supplementing my letter of the 13th, it occurred to me that it would be a good idea when you go to Chester, South Carolina to have an abstract made of the first and last deeds of Thomas Baker Franklin in which Winifred is mentioned as having relinquished dower and have these abstracts certified to by the clerk. My idea in this is it would show the period of time in which there is no question that Winifred was living and was his wife. I personally believe his second wife - name unknown - was married in South Carolina before he started the trek West. These abstracts will be helpful in determining or rather proving that certain of the children were by Winifred.

As stated previously, I want you to take enough time there at Chester to do a thorough job and to know when you have finished that no source of information on Thomas and Priscilla Franklin, Thomas Baker Franklin and Winifred Wood Franklin, and a possible second wife, has been overlooked nor neglected. If you can find the time before the first of the year - fine; if not, why wait until after the first of the year. In the event

you do the latter, I would appreciate it if you would give it first priority then.

I shall try to send you data on at least the Hudgens family by tomorrow or the day after; if I can find the time I shall include other family lines, so that you may search your files to see what data you have bearing directly on my family lines.

With all good wishes,

Sincerely yours,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
11 Dec 1949

Dear Mr. Andrea:

I have not hurried about answering your letter of 30 Nov 1949, enclosed with the Adams, Jackson and Draper papers, as you were evidently keeping busy and I wanted time to think over the Toney (William) mix-up. I should have told you on the Toney paper that Cynthia Hardin outlived William Toney and married second a Montgomery. As you will see from the chronology enclosed all four of William Toney's children were by her. Add this Toney paper to the first Toney paper I sent you - this will keep all the data on this family together, making it easier to follow than if the comments were contained in letters. I shall try to do this on other family lines as it will make it easier for you. Did you cover Anderson County thoroughly in doing your Toney search?

I note that you say about keeping the Family papers until after Christmas before returning them. I shall do as you say.

As to the Draper paper I shall return it at the same time as the others, if you have no objection. If the William Toney, grandson of Thomas Draper, is identical with Col. William Toney of Greenville, I have no further interest in this family, as there are quite evidently two contemporary William Toneys. Col. William of Greenville, presumably considerably older, and William Toney who married Cynthia Hardin. If you are sure Col. William was the Draper grandson, they (Drapers) are not my wife's line. As it does not appear the Toney paper would have much of benefit to me, I would not be interested in buying it, but would be interested in renting it at \$2.50, as there might be some clue in it which could be followed to a successful conclusion. Then too there might be something in it which would definitely close certain avenues of research, which though negative is also saving in time. Let me know if this is satisfactory. If so, I shall remit the \$2.50 and you can wait until after Christmas to send it.

Relative to the marriage of a William Toney to Mrs. Jane Benson, I know nothing about the matter except that I copied it from a *South Carolina History and Genealogy Magazine*, Vol. XXVII, No. 2, Apr 1926: "Marriage and Death Notices from the City Gazette: Married, in Greenville District, on Sunday, the 16th instant, Mr. William Toney, to Mrs. Jane Benson, relict of Major Joseph Benson, deceased." Friday, 18 Jan 1803. As it indicated another William Toney in the same area at about the same time, I copied it thinking it might be useful in tracing and avoiding getting the wrong William Toney in the course of the search.

About joining in on Howard and Rogers data, I am agreeable provided the search of Howard includes check of Anderson County and Greenville County Howard records. I believe they must have settled there (the parents of Susanna Howard) (Greenville County or Anderson County) and all I need is their names - the parents - from the settlement of the estate and any possible clue as to Susanna's mother's maiden name and where the families came from. The parents married in 1778 or earlier. The Rogers question should be pretty well settled when you go to Chester County, at least for the most part. Put yourself in my place. I want to get

these ancestors straightened out and get as much information on them as possible from the South Carolina records, but I have both of these families fairly well located as to time and place - the Rogers through your search and the Howards through my efforts - so I don't feel that half of the expense should be mine. However, the other clients may have more information to go on than I have. I am willing to go into the Howard and Rogers searches on what is an equitable basis and leave it to you what part I should bear. To illustrate, on the Chester County trip you may find the name of Priscilla Franklin's father as a Rogers and his wife as Mary Rogers. All I need then is what the archives, land grants, etc. show relative to these two Rogers. The time used in searching for other names and locating some clue for the other client shouldn't be my part of the expense. I shall leave it to your good judgment as to how the time ought to be prorated or what expense I should bear. Let me know and I shall forward it.

Douthit - I am going to make a copy of the data I have (and it is just about as complete as you can get such things and is entirely authenticated) for my wife's uncle and one for my records (all the data arranged chronologically first) and will be glad to make you one at the same time. You can reciprocated with something of equal value to me. However, you mention the Douthits of Union County.¹³ They must have been descendants from some of the other sons of the emigrant to North Carolina. I have the names of all the emigrant's children, and most of their children although I did not make an attempt especially to find these out. Incidentally there is another early family of Douthits in Virginia who spelled their name Douthat.

William Hardin - Col. William Hardin served under General Francis Marion also, but the William Hardin who was my wife's ancestor (William Toney married his daughter, Cynthia Hardin) was a Captain under General Francis Marion. He was called Colonel after the Revolutionary War and the gravestone of his widow, Sarah (Bledsoe) Hardin in Mississippi stated that he was a Col. in the Revolutionary War, and when his daughter, Susan Hardin, married Capt. Alexander Shaw in 1807, the Greenville, South Carolina paper stated she was the daughter of Col. Wm. Hardin, of Franklin County, Georgia. He died in Franklin County, Georgia, though he formerly lived in the Greenville District and vicinity. It seems I read somewhere that the Col. Wm. Hardin or Harden, or Harding you mention, went to Kentucky.

Priscilla - I am interested in what you say about Priscilla Franklin having married a second time to either a Barnwell or Barnhill in Anderson County, South Carolina. I never heard of it, but then only the people who never lose contact be reason of living in the same state or vicinity ever know of these things.

Satterwhite - I might get you a client on this family, at least for purchase of a copy of the research. She is trying to get up all her family lines. Her Satterwhite might have been North Carolina. I will check with her and let you hear further on this.

Sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
28 Dec 1949

Dear Mr. Andrea:

This afternoon I mailed you the Adams, Jackson and Draper Manuscripts plus a carbon of the Douthit I assembled. This letter will not be mailed until in the morning so you may receive the large envelope first. One page, I believe 44, was missing in the Jackson Manuscripts. However, it would not appear to have any information of value to the general client, but was of the Mississippi descendants of your client. I will write you later concerning the Toney, Adams and Jacksons in whom I am interested. I shall confine this letter to explanation of the Douthits.

13. South Carolina? Editor, 2nd Edition.

One source of this information was from the volume of *Records of the Moravians*, edited by Miss Adelaide L. Fries, and published by the North Carolina Historical Commission. No doubt your Historical Association Library has these volumes. Another source was *Bishop Asbury's Journal* which gives some personal information on John Douthit, Jr. and does fix the year of his birth and also states that he died in the summer of 1813, and certainly before 2 Aug 1813 at which time his will was probated. A little information was secured mostly duplication from Clewell's book. The rest on the early Douthits, their dates of birth, marriages, etc. was furnished by Miss Fries, Archivist of the Moravian Church at Winston-Salem, North Carolina. I could have secured much more information on the descendants of John Douthit, Jr., South Carolinas. brothers and sister, provided they adhered to the Moravian Church as their records are very copious and thorough. However, for my purpose I did not care to spend the extra money when it was of no genealogical value to me. Neither will your client need it if she is descended from either Samuel or James Douthit, sons of John Douthit, Jr. as they were both Methodist preachers. Miss Fries may have a little more information on Samuel but I doubt it. However, if your client is descended from James Douthit, she will get a lot of valuable information, some of which is not procurable through ordinary sources. Miss Carrie Pearman, Anderson, South Carolina copied John Douthit. South Carolina will and had the Probate Judge make a certified copy of the will of James Douthit of South Carolina. She also searched the records for me for any further information on these Douthits.

Correction: page 3, gives the date John Douthit, Sr. was received into the congregation as 10 Jun 1871, when it is obvious I transposed the 8 and 7 and it should read 1781. I have just corrected it in ink.

I don't believe I will get any direct value, except negative, from the Toney manuscript, but that is all right, but I wish you would do these two things for me for I believe you will see the relative values of the Toney and Douthit manuscripts. Check the early land grants to see when John Douthit received a South Carolina land grant, or grants, if any. This would tend to show when he removed to South Carolina. Also check the index on South Carolina Revolutionary War service, or pension; he may served in North Carolina before coming to South Carolina but all records I have checked do not show his name. I am going on the assumption that both of these records are indexed and that it will take only a few minutes to look in the cards.

When you have contacted your Douthit client and have gotten through with her, I wish you would send me her name and address that I may write her. I will be secretive as to our transactions in writing her. I want to find out all the background information she might have on the family, also the names of all relatives (descendants) who may know something about the family. I would like to know more of James Douthit and his ministry and his life if I can find out anything.

I suppose by this time next week we will know a great deal more of the Franklins, Woods, Rogers, etc. I do hope nothing prevents you making the trip and that you have great success in finding further information of great genealogical value on these lines of mine.

I hope you have a very Happy and Prosperous New Year.

Sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

The Abraham Toney of the *Draper Manuscript* could not have been the father of my wife's ancestor, as Abraham appears to have had no male children at the time of the 1790 census, whereas my wife's William Toney was born in 1780. I am glad that you sent it to me however, as even eliminating a Toney of the Census of 1790, though negative, is still that much progress on your search.

J. H. P.

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
22 Jan 1950

Dear Mr. Andrea:

I will secure a check in the morning and enclose in this letter for the balance due you.

Let's accept the public records as to Thomas Baker Franklin's wife's name. It is Ann and let it go at that. The William and Sarah Wood deed still points to her being their daughter. She was dead and Thomas Baker Franklin had married a second time at the time of his death in 1829 in Bradley County and information secured from two descendants a hundred year and more since his death could be wrong. They may have heard about a Winifred Wood of generations ago, who might have been Ann's mother's name, or they may have been confusing Winifred Wood Franklin who married John T. Cabeen, with her mother, Ann. Remember Ann died in South Carolina. Thomas Baker Franklin's second marriage may have occurred in South Carolina or in Louisiana where he stayed a while before coming to Bradley County, Arkansas. So don't inject the Winifred name into your typed copy of the line or a report on it.

What do you think of writing up a report of your investigation giving exactly what you found and your conclusion (as I repeat leaving out any references to Winifred), mentioning that you compared Thomas Franklin's signature to the Indent with that of his will and that they were the same, etc. The more positive facts from the records and investigation and less uncertainty in a report for attachment to DAR papers the better. Otherwise the searcher in Washington might want a lot of proof that we would never be able to dig up. My idea of this was a separate report of just what you have done on this line and Revolutionary War record, duly signed, not embodied in a letter but sent as an enclosure. My idea being to use it as an exhibit to the DAR application papers.

I will confine this letter to the above and either make comments to be attached to this or to be forwarded in the next day or so, according to the time I may have left to me today.

With kindest regards, and congratulating you on a thorough, workmanlike job, I am,

Sincerely yours,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
29 Jan 1950

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Your letter of the 24th. In the meantime I had written to Lincoln County, North Carolina regarding Sarah Wood and to Caroline County, Virginia re: Priscilla Franklin. I may hear from them within the next week or ten days. I believe it will be better to wait until I hear from them before you begin typing up your report. I shall send a copy of the DAR paper of my cousin - I have no brothers living, no sisters, no children, - when I next write. Then too, I need the time this afternoon to comment on other matters in your findings and if I finish in time I want to write Ben Franklin in Georgia. I have been so pressed for time this week and with some company coming in at nights I haven't had time to keep up the correspondence I should have attended to.

Ethelbert Sexton Franklin's second wife, Caroline Clary, was wedded in Bradley County, Arkansas, as was the marriage to his first wife, Delilah Hudgens. As the Clarys were not of my direct line, I have never inquired into their forbears. They possibly came from South Carolina also. It might well be true that Thomas Baker Franklin's marriage occurred in Newberry County. It will be better to wait I think until I hear from North Carolina and Virginia before doing anything further along this line in Newberry County.

Douthit: I am sorry now that I did not get all the data on Douthit in the files of the Moravian Church at Winston-Salem, but they (the collateral lines) were of no value for my purpose. If your Douthit client is still interested, I believe you can get the information on most of the descendants (all of it if they remained in the Moravian Church) of John Douthit, Sr., the emigrant.

I am attaching some comments on the different families so you can attach them to your file on the respective lines.

With best wishes and assuring you I shall write you in a few days, I am,

Sincerely yours,
/s/ John H. Pierce

P. S. You overlooked sending the Toney carbon to be sent in exchange for Douthit. Please send it at your earliest convenience. J. H. P.

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
11 Feb 1950

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Your letter of the 6 Feb received a couple of days ago. It found me in bed where I have been all this week until today (Saturday) which explains why I did not write later reference the page of Camden wills - "Sandy River Neighbors."

I was blanked as far as anything of value from Caroline County, Virginia and Lincoln County, North Carolina. Caroline County, Virginia records were destroyed during the Civil War and the will of Sarah Woods, wife of John Woods, (1842) mentions the name Ellen der (Ellender) Carson (step-daughter), Sarah Raum (Rohm) (eldest daughter), Margaret Arrowood (youngest daughter), John Wood (grandson), Mary Nell (evidently Neel. see below) (daughter) David Raum (grandson), William Arrowood and Sarah Arrowood (grandchildren). Book 23, page 403, deed from Sarah and Isaac Rohm to Sarah Wood. This deed is also made to Eleanor Carson, Drury Arrowood and wife Margaret. Deed from Sarah Wood, et al, to John W. Neel, Jr., book 32, page 402. Deed from Sarah Wood, et al, to Drury Arrowood, and Margaret, Book 33, page 409. Bill of sale from Sarah Wood to John W. Neill, Book 38, page 67.

John Wood probably inherited the 135 acres from some Wood estate, but no doubt he and wife Sarah either always lived in Lincoln County, North Carolina or had removed there from Chester County, South Carolina, but where he fits in to the Wood families I am unable to state.

So it looks like you might as well go ahead at your earliest convenience and work out an affidavit detailing the assignment to search for Franklin ancestors, etc., and what your investigation disclosed. I am enclosing \$1.00 in currency for the notarization.

At my earliest opportunity I am going to give Wingfield's History of Caroline County, Virginia a thorough reading, due to the fact it is poorly indexed. I may find something of value in it. I did glance in it at the library about a week or ten days ago (I was pressed for time) and found the Rogers ancestors of George Rogers Clark were of this county.

My idea in mentioning #26 and the donation of land to the church by the Franklins was to get located the most likely burying ground of the Franklins; it ought to be at this site or the Family graveyard ought to be in this neighborhood. It may be when the weather gets fine this spring you will be up in that neighborhood and can make the trip by taxicab from the nearest town. Of course, if you are not able to consider anything like this it will be all right.

I thank you for your suggestion about the split on the churches and will look into this at my earliest possible opportunity. I hope you can find the name of the present pastor. I may be able to enlist his interest in searching out the old church site and graveyard.

Do you suppose William Wood and Sarah Wood went to Kershaw or Fairfield County after leaving Chester County? If you didn't think to look for will or administration of estate of William Wood in these two coun-

ties, please keep it in mind the next time you are there.

Thomas Baker Franklin, Sheriff of Chester County, 1799. Does your library there in Columbia have a history of Chester County? If so, there might be something on the Franklin family.

I am enclosing a DAR application filled out for the most part. You can return it when you are through with it.

Relative to the Toney paper - after it seemed the Douthit paper did not clear up your problem, I decided about the best way to even us up on the matter would be to take up your first proposition; swap of Toney paper for Douthit. You can send it (Toney paper) at your earliest convenience, with what suggestions you have or information on the William Toney going to Georgia, what place, so forth.

I believe I mentioned it before - all of the Franklins in Arkansas were Presbyterians - either from choice or necessity, there being no Congregational Churches in Arkansas in those day, nor for that matter are there any now.

I expect the Joseph Wood, Craven County, will signed 9 Sep 1774, was brother of the John Wood, will signed 24 Jan 1777, recorded 19 May 1783 - the latter having wife Susanna Wood (#99) and William Wood among children. Witnesses: Winnefred Wood, John Pratt and William Wood. I thought I sent you this John Wood will when I sent you sheet of Wood data - I may be mistaken in this. Now was this William Wood the husband of the Winnefred Wood; if not what was their relationship to each other and to John Wood, the maker of the will? Were they brothers? Was this the same William Wood, who with wife, Sarah, conveyed land to Thomas Baker Franklin, and to the other two supposed-to-be sons-in-law? Was Winnefred his first wife and Sarah his second wife? That will of John Wood has always seemed to me the key to the puzzle - the signatures of Winnefred and William Wood as witnesses. I firmly believe in the records prior to organization of Chester County, or in the records of the surrounding counties after Chester County and the other counties adjacent began to keep records, the link is hidden awaiting being brought to light. What do you think of the chances of unearthing this Winnefred-William Wood connection in the surrounding counties?

I am attaching hereto a sheet on the Cabeen-Cabeans. They are not my line, but I thought you might run into some work in which this would be helpful sometime. A descendant of John T. Cabeen and Winifred Wood Franklin had her genealogist send me this data.

I am going to send to a record searcher I know in Washington, D. C. - She is a former resident of Little Rock - and have her check the sexton pensions, as well as certain census information. I shall let you know the result.

For fear of boring you I will bid you good-bye for this time.

Sincerely yours,
/s/ John H. Pierce

P.S. Joseph Timms (or Tims) married a Winnifred Wood in Chester County, South Carolina and there is a marriage settlement recorded there. (Miscellaneous Records K- 31, 2 Dec 1837) There is a still later Winifred Wood - the third generation including the Winnefred who signed as witness to John Wood will, 1777.
J. H. P.

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
18 Feb 1950

Dear Mr. Andrea:

I am returning the sheet copied by a friend of yours on family names in Southern Arkansas Counties - taken from Goodspeeds' histories of the 1889-19-- period. I am sorry there was nothing therein that gives a clue to my family problems. Of course, as a matter of fact I had copied the information contained on Bradley and

Union Counties. I have never been able to place the Ben Franklin who died in Bradley County in 1832, unless he was Ben, the son of Thomas Baker Franklin. That would have been early for him to have died, but that would appear to be the only explanation unless he is from another family of Franklins that appears unlikely.

Your information on Reverend Alfred Stacy would appear to be almost positive proof that Alfred Stacy Franklin, born 1805 about the date the Reverend returned to New England was named for the Reverend Alfred Stacy. I think that explains the Alfred sons of Thomas Baker and John Franklin.

Relative to the reference to Thomas Baker which you sent me - mentioned in will of John Winn as "my friend," page 341 of Historic Camden - Part One - Colonial and Revolutionary by Thomas J. Kirkland and Robert M. Kennedy of Camden, South Carolina has this to say:

"Jacob Brown engaged in a noted duel with Thomas Baker, in corporate limits of Camden, both principals being killed. This incident will be fully related in Volume II." I shouldn't have put that in quotations as it is the gist of the reference and not a literal quotation. Does your library have Volume II in which it is stated that the incident will be fully related? What does it say about this duel and about Thomas Baker?

I hope you have an enjoyable visit to New Bern, North Carolina next week and that you can get to the Franklin statement upon your return to Columbia. Also I hope your trip will be productive of very satisfactory results.

Sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
26 Feb 1950

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Thank you for your letter of the 21st with enclosure on the Franklin family. I will keep the yellow copy as you suggest and thank you for it. As you say you did make it long and drawn out; some of it could have been omitted, as the children of the children of the Revolutionary War soldier are not of record on the papers and such information is not required. However the DAR is very glad to get all of the information furnished by you as it can be used to check against the papers of collateral descendants or persons who have the wrong line who tie into this line of Franklins. I am sorry you did do some work which was unessential but even though some could have been omitted it makes a more finished product as you have it. It is a very fine, workmanlike job and I congratulate and thank you for it.

As you requested I am indicating typographical errors below. The two numbers as 3a-3 indicate the paragraph first 3a and the second number 3 indicates the line in which error in typing occurs. The correction will appear in red to indicate the correction in the typed line. There is nothing in the entire manuscript that has to be deleted and I think it would be better to have some superfluous matter in it than to go to the trouble of trying to condense it and thereby necessitate the entirely unnecessary work and trouble of retyping it.

Typographical Errors:

- 3a-3 County, where he sold lands and always signing with "His (X) Mark" ... The
- 4a-9 Robert Nix... said land an original grant to Archibald Roberts on
- 10a-4 sonal and real property that I may own anywhere in South Carolina... And
- 12b-13 1791 were not (delete) obtainable from the file... Other data, etc.
- 15a-20 had children by a former husband... She had one child by John

17-4 of William Trussell, Jr. He was dead by 1787 and left one child:
17a-3 sister to administer on Wm. Trussell, Jr. Estate... These two
17a-7 was not the ancestor of Mrs. Jernigan, I did not go into detail
27a-1 Mrs. Jernigan descends from the wife Ann Franklin wife of Thomas
27c-2 (Mrs. Jernigan did not send her name to me) after the wife, Ann
29-1 This much I proved by deeds made by your Thomas Baker Franklin.
29-5 Franklin, son of Thomas and Priscilla, deed lands without a dower
30-8 Ethelbert Sexton Franklin married Delilah Hudgens

These is all the typographical errors I noticed.

Sorry to learn that you have been ill. Hope your week-end rest restored you to good health and strengthened you greatly.

Again thanking you and hoping to hear from you at your earliest convenience, I am,

Sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
9 Apr 1950

Dear Mr. Andrea:

I appreciate very much and thank you for the Franklin original data duly notarized which was received by me on 17 Mar 1950. I suppose you are surprised that you have not heard from me since I received it. I was in bed with virus influenza when it was received and it is only since April 1st that I have been up and about. I consumed what little time was allotted to typing a letter to get affidavits off relative to the names of certain known children of Thomas Baker Franklin. These affidavits were to prove that Ethelbert Sexton Franklin was his son. I had to rely on affidavits due to the record of distribution of estate of Thomas Baker Franklin being missing from the records of Union County. I have received one of them back duly signed. I picked two descendants who were members of the DAR. I may be wrong but I supposed they would have more weight than an affidavit from a nonmember.

I just wanted you to know how much I appreciated this masterly exposition of the Chester County records and do not anticipate any trouble in DAR approval of the application papers. I shall write you in a few days about the other family line.

I hope you have by now entirely recovered from your illness and are feeling fine.

With all good wishes, I am

Sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

1907 Schiller Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas
30 Apr 1950

Dear Mr. Andrea:

I duly received your air mail letter of the 18th and was surprised to see it postmarked Augusta, Georgia. I haven't hurried about replying because you stated you would not be back in Columbia until the last of May, unless for a weekend about May 5th. If you have an opportunity then I wish you would send the earliest known generation of your client's Douthit line, with the names of his children. Dates and places of any births, marriages, and deaths of these two generations as far as known. Perhaps I may be able to tie it in with the other Douthit information I hope to receive as a result of Mrs. Idol's labors in Rowan and other counties, together with a partial search of Moravian Archives for an Indiana lady.

I quote from a letter received from Mr. George H. S. King, Fredericksburg, Virginia to whom I had sent a condensed statement of Franklin-Rogers hoping for assistance on Caroline County data:

"You have certainly had the services of an A-1 genealogist in that of Mr. Leonardo Andrea of Columbia, South Carolina and I see from the data which you have sent he has spent much time in delving into the time consuming loose papers to find the interesting clues presented which seem to link your family with the ancient county of Caroline, which is very near here."

He didn't tell me anything new but I thought you might want to know his good opinion of you, which I heartily "Amen."

Sincerely,
/s/ John H. Pierce

200 Slack St.
West Monroe, Louisiana
22 Aug 1950

Mr. Leonardo Andrea
4204 Devine St.
Columbia, South Carolina

Dear Mr. Andrea:

Your name was given me by the University Library in your city as a genealogist. There is some information that is lacking in my records that I would like for you to endeavor to supply.

My family records show that my Revolutionary ancestor was Charles Alexander Franklin, son of Gillis Minor Franklin, born sometime in 1760 and entered the 1st South Carolina Regiment at the age of 10 on 21 Sep 1776 until Dec 1776. It is not known who he married, when he married, his exact place of residence prior, during and after the war, when he died or where he died. In the first census of South Carolina in 1790 he was enumerated as being married, the father of one daughter (our records show 3 sons), and living in 96th District, Edgefield County, South Carolina. A great uncle of mine tells me that our family was from Newberry, South Carolina but that his search through records of Columbia did not reveal anything of importance.

Charles Alexander Franklin's son, Gillis Minor (so our records state) was born near Newberry on 6 Apr 1801. He married Martha Emma Wright who was born in Ireland 3 Apr 1797 and came to South Carolina with her parents and sisters. It is thought that their marriage took place late in 1820 or early in 1821. Proof

of birth dates of both and marriage proof is needed. They both died in Carroll Parish, Louisiana. Gillis on 14 May 1854 and his widow, sometime in 1869. This proof required. My great uncle says their graves have since been washed in the Mississippi River.

Will you please let me hear from you immediately as to your possibility of obtaining the information desired concerning the above, your price for this, etc.

Your immediate attention will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,
/s/ Mrs. William G. Haynes, Jr.

15 Jan 1962

Dear Mr. Andrea:

I do hope by this time you are out of the hospital and well on the road to recovery. I am just now beginning to feel more like a human being after my surgery of last spring.

I have been going through your Franklin data and I am trying to come up with an answer to this problem. As you recall there were a number of Thomas (or Thomas Baker, or Thomas B. or T. B.) Franklins in Chester. One of these, with wife Ann, seems to have disappeared from Chester about 1800.

On 9 Apr 1802, Thomas Franklin had a grant of land laid out for him on Crane Creek, Richland District, of 843 acres.

On 2 Jul 1808, Jemima and Henry Franklin were granted letters of administration to serve without bond on Thos. Franklin's estate. Jemima signed with a mark.

On 9 Jul 1808, Bill of Appraisement of goods and chattels of Thomas Franklin, deceased, of Cranes Creek, Richland, South Carolina. Jemima was the sole buyer, except one item by Jacob Bligwood - Henry certified the account. (Henry was no doubt a son) Then in Jan 1809 the accounting of the estate of Thomas B. Franklin with Jemima and Henry Franklin Administrators. And on 6 Oct 1809 apparently it was all finished up on Thomas B. Franklin's estate.

The land on Crane Creek was bounded on three sides by Isaac and Jesse Beasley and by B. Jackson or Jackman (can't tell which) on a 4th side and vacant land on the 5th.

I believe this Thomas B. Franklin is of the Chester group alright but where do I place him on the Franklin tree? "That is the question before the house."

He had a son Thomas for about 1810 or 11 he with his mother and four sister got a passport into Georgia. They came on to Louisiana and there Jemima married Philip Magee, 27 Apr 1812. On 21 Apr 1812, Francis Franklin, daughter of Thomas and Jemima Franklin was married to Thomas Barlow in Saint Tammany Parish, "Jemima Franklin is a widow of the Territory of Orleans, and St. Tammany Parish" gives her consent.

So this brings the widow Jemima (who was supposedly Jemima Morris) into Louisiana and her remarriage - also that of her daughter Francis.

In 1810 census of Richland District, Jemima Franklin listed as:

Mims Franklin

2	males	to 10	2	females	to 10
2	"	to 16	3(?)	"	16 to 26
2	"	16 to 26	1	"	45 and up

Thomas or Thomas B. is not listed in Richland in 1800 but his son Henry is:

4	males	to 10	1(?)	females	to 10
1	“	10-16	1	“	26 to 45
1	“	26 to 45			

It was 13 Nov 1811. Messrs Thomas Franklin and Thomas Barlow, the former with his mother, four brothers and five sisters, all from Richland County, got a passport through Georgia.

Thomas Barlow must have fallen in love with Francis Franklin on the trip!!

Henry could have been a grown son or a brother of Thomas B. Franklin as he is finally listed in the settlement - but whatever, I am wondering which Thomas B. Franklin this is and how to dispose of him. Is it not possible that this Thomas B. is the son of Thomas who died 1789- leaving wife Priscilla - he had a daughter Frances, also. Certainly Thomas B. and Jemima had not left Chester until after 1800 as he is not listed in that census.

This family has me about “stir crazy” as the old saying goes.

It sounds that he might be at least off one of these men in Chester.

Any ideas? Do you think you could straighten me out on it? I would appreciate it very much.

Get well soon and a healthy and happy new year!

Sincerely,
/s/ Inez B. Biggerstaff
(Mrs. M. B.)

[End of Part V]

[Beginning of Part VI]

Franklin

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Franklin

This data has been compiled from the data under the surname of Franklin as found in the South Carolina State Archives in Columbia. It is not an attempt to tie in the ancestral line of either Mrs. Mack or of Mrs. Atkinson. It merely lists what is to be found under that name in the Archives.

1. Alfred Jackson Franklin was born in Kentucky on 9 Mar 1818 and died 12 Sep 1898 in Choctaw County, Mississippi. When he was a young boy his parents removed from Kentucky to Bibb County, Alabama and here in 1839 he was married to Elizabeth Amanda Woodson, born 15 Aug 1819 in Union County, South Carolina and died in Choctaw County, Mississippi, 17 Oct 1897. They had issue of:

Martha Franklin
Elizabeth Franklin
James Franklin
Alice Franklin

Nancy Franklin
Alfred J. Franklin, Jr.
J. W. Franklin
Cicero Hogan Franklin

- 1a. It is thought that perhaps the parents or grandparents of #1 removed from South Carolina to Kentucky and from thence to Alabama where they joined a colony of people who had removed to Alabama about 1828 from South Carolina.
2. Cicero Hogan Franklin (Son #1) born 10 Jul 1755 in Mississippi and died there, 24 Nov 1925. His first wife was Mary Florence Riddle whom he married 11 Nov 18 [cut from copy]. She was born 15 Feb 1854 and died 9 May 1890 and was the daughter of Mary Caroline Atkins and her husband, John Riddle. Issue 3:

John Jackson Franklin
Lester Cicero Franklin
Joseph Edgar Franklin

3. Joseph Edgar Franklin born 9 Feb 1884 at LaGranger, Mississippi, and was married 23 Dec 1906 to Julia Daisy O'Neal. Issue 2:

Leila Christine Franklin married James T. Mack
Frances Von Tice Franklin

This is the line of Mrs. Mack as far back as she has it traced.

4. James Franklin married Frances Cook, and their son:
- 4a. William John Franklin married Elizabeth Mathis and they resided in McCormick County, South Carolina. Their daughter:
- 4b. Doris Franklin was married 26 Oct 1940 in St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, Greenville, South Carolina to Robert Hix Atkinson, son of Lalla Vandiver Hix and John Russell Atkinson of Hagood, South Carolina. One son, Robert Atkinson, Jr.
5. Land Grants before the Revolution and by the King. These grants were made according to the number in the family, some years 100 acres and other years 50 acres, then 50 acres more for a wife and 50 acres for each child under the age of 16. Single men and women over or nearing the age of 16 could take grants of 10 acres or of 50 acres each depending on the rule in effect for that year. When other children were born to the couple, extra land could be taken and 50 acres for each child born after the original grant. Sometimes a man had more land than was allowed or received extra land in payment for some service for the Province. No married women could take land grants unless she was a widow. These laws were not in effect after the Revolution. Then any person could take all he could find.

Lands

- 5a. Often a new settler could find no free land just where he wanted to settle or not as much land as he was entitled to. Then he either took what free land was available at that particular spot or else bought land. So if a man does not show with a land grant, it is no reason to think he owned no land.
6. South Carolina before the Revolution had four counties. The county seat for all four counties was Charleston and hence up to 1782/85 all data on families must be searched for in Charleston files.

All deeds, wills and administrations were recorded in Charleston up to 1782/85 and after that time in the various county seats. The four counties:

- 6a. Granville County¹⁴ began with the present counties of Beaufort¹⁵ and Jasper¹⁶ and extended as a narrow county up the east bank of the Savannah River to what is now Oconee County.
- 6b. Colleton County began with the present county¹⁷ by that name and followed west up the Granville line and was supposed to have gone to North Carolina but it actually petered out some where above the town of Ninety Six, and from there down the west bank of the Edisto River to the Atlantic.
- 6c. Berkeley County began with the present county of Charleston and followed along east side of Colleton and up to North Carolina line where the present counties of Pickens and Greenville join. From there it came in a straight line to where the city of Columbia is located and thence down south banks of the Congaree and Santee Rivers to the Ocean. Berkeley was supposed to have followed up the Broad River from Columbia but did not.
- 6d. Craven County was the largest county and began at the mouth of the Santee River and followed the north bank of that river to Columbia (It was supposed then to follow up the Broad River to North Carolina but did not) and from Columbia it went in a straight line to where Pickens and Greenville join and from there it followed the North Carolina-South Carolina line to the ocean.
- 6e. Many land grants were made by the Governor of North Carolina for South Carolina lands and after the state line was finally established, the land was found to be in South Carolina and not in North Carolina.
- 6f. Many land grants in the upper part of the state were listed in a county, but actually was in another county. This was due to the poorly established county lines in the up-state.
7. Land Grants to Franklin and before the Revolution.
Agnes Francklin, 100 acres on Little Turkey Creek (No County listed) 31 Oct 17 __ (last two digits not readable)
 Thomas Frankland, 200 acres on Sandy River in Craven (Chester County), 24 Dec 1772
 Edward Franklin, 200 acres on Sandy River in Craven County, 29 Apr 1768
 Ephriam Franklin, 50 acres at Cherokee Ponds in Craven County, 19 Nov 1772
 Thomas Franklin, 400 acres on Cedar Creek in Craven County, 22 Feb 1771
 William Franklin, 150 acres on Cedar Creek in Craven County, 23 Sep 1766
 Thomas Franklyn, 100 acres on Sandy River in Craven County, 24 Nov 1767
- 7a. It seems that all the Franklin Families settled in Craven County in the eastern or middle section of South Carolina before the Revolution and as you will note they then went towards the Edgefield area. I did not abstract any of the land grants or plats, since it is needless to do so, until your first Franklin ancestor is established.
8. The Crown levied a tax on all lands granted and the tax returns called Memorials had to be given in at Charleston. If land had been bought from the original owner of the grant, his land had also to be returned. The following tax returns were made (See #8a).
- 8a. Tax Memorial Returns made in Charleston by Franklins, the number after the name indicates how

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14. Granville District, South Carolina. was originally called Carteret District until 1700 when the name was changed. Editor, 2nd Edition.
 15. This is not correct. Beaufort County was an original District. Editor, 2nd Edition
 16. Jasper County was originally part of Beaufort District. Editor, 2nd Edition.
 17. Colleton County was formed in 1798 from the Charleston District. Editor, 2nd Edition.

many returns were made. Compare with #7 and note that Thomas Franklin had bought some original land grants:

Agnes Franklin	1	Edward Franklin	1
Ephriam Franklin	1	Thomas Franklin	4
William Franklin	1		

Note 3 land grants to Thomas Franklin (Likely a father and a son or a relative) but 4 tax returns were made. This shows one of the Thomas Franklins had bought an original grant from some owner and made a tax return on that, or else the grant was made by the Governor of North Carolina and found later to be in South Carolina.

9. Land Grants to Franklin and after the Revolution and Index II. See #5 at bottom lines. Old laws not in effect.

Benjamin Franklin, 41 acres on Halfway Swamp in Sumter County, 6 Dec 1802
Benjamin Franklin, 35 acres on Ciples Swamp Creek in Sumter County, 5 Dec 1803
Benjamin Franklin, 705 acres on Bull's Branch in Edgefield District, 5 Oct 1812
Benjamin Franklin, 810 acres in Edgefield of 96th District, 1 Jul 1793
David Franklin, 316-1/2 acres at Clay Hole Swamp Bay Sumter County, 2 Dec 1816
Edward Franklin, 72-1/2 acres in Pendleton of 96th District, 1 Apr 1793
Edward Franklin, 246 acres in Pendleton of 96th District, 5 Nov 1792
Ephriam Franklin, 83 acres on Beaverdam Creek in 96th District, 2 Jan 1792
Ephriam Franklin, 576 acres and 492 acres in Edgefield of 96th District, 5 Aug 1793
Ephriam Franklin, 100 acres in Edgefield of 96th District, 4 Sep 1797
Ephriam Franklin, 190 acres on Edisto River in Edgefield District, 5 Sep 1797
Ephriam Franklin, 454 acres on Town Creek in Edgefield District, 3 Feb 1817
(This Ephriam before Revolution was in Chester County. See #7)
Henry Franklin, 230 acres and 300 acres at Greenhill Swamp in Sumter County,
4 May and and Dec 18__ (not readable on copy)
John Franklin, 48 acres on Sandy River in Chester County 5 Dec 1803
Laurence Franklin, 500 acres on Santee River in Highhills of Sumter County 4 Jan 179_
(not readable on copy)
Laurence Franklin, 120 acres in High Hills of Santee in Sumter County, 2 Dec 1805
Laurens Franklin, 155 acres on Potato Creek in Sumter County, 2 Dec 1816
Littleberry Franklin, 103 acres on Bull Creek in Edgefield County, 5 Apr 1813
Newton Franklin and Henry Mason, 500 acres on Sandy River in Chester County,
2 Dec 1811
Ralph Franklin, 179 acres in Richland of Camden District, 2 Jun 1800
Thomas Franklin, 842 acres on Cane Creek in Richland County, 4 Oct 1802
Thomas B. Franklin, 113 acres on Caldwell Creek of Sandy River, Chester County,
5 Nov 17__ (not readable on copy)
Thomas B. Franklin, 63 acres and 276 acres on Sandy River in Chester County, 4 Jun 1798
William Franklin, 991 acres on Parker Creek in Fairfield County, 1 Jun 1818

10. Land Grants to Franklin after Revolution in Index III

Francis Frankerlin, 76 acres in Charleston District, 29 Aug 1797
Benjamin Franklin, 200 acres on Moore Creek in 96th District 5 Dec 1785
Benjamin Franklin, 244 acres in 96th District, 6 Apr 1789
Edmond Franklin, 100 acres in Pendleton of 96th District, 3 Oct 1785
Ephriam Franklin, 100 acres on Savannah River in 96th District, 7 Nov 1785

Ephriam Franklin, 200 acres in Horse Creek Valley in 96th District, 6 Feb 1786
 Ephriam Franklin, 192 acres on Horse Creek in Edgefield of 96th District, 2 Oct 178_
 (not readable on copy)
 Ephriam Franklin, 200 acres in 96th District, 5 Mar 1787
 Ephriam Franklin, 286 acres and 179 acres in 96th District, 7 Apr 1788.
 John Franklin, 262 acres in 96th District, 5 Feb 1787
 Thomas Franklin, 138 acres and 150 acres on Sandy River in Camden District, 21 Jan 1785
 Thomas Baker Franklin, 300 acres on Bear Creek in Camden District, 2 Oct 1786
 Thomas B. Franklin, 70 acres, 103 acres, and 363 acres in Camden District, 5 Feb 1787
 Benjamin Frankling, 244 acres in 96th District, 5 Apr 1789
 Isom Frankling, 236 acres in 96th District, 5 Feb 1789

- 11 Take a pad and pencil and jot down all men in same locality and in this way one can get a fairly good idea of the Franklin migrations after the Revolution. Sandy River in Chester County and opposite Union County was the center of the Franklin settlement before the Revolution. After the Revolution they came to Edgefield, Pendleton, Sumter, and Richland-Fairfield.

Lands and Revolution

12. The following Land Plats show up in the South Carolina Historical Commission files as in Index of Land Plats (Some few are missing) as soon as your first ancestor is established, abstracts can be made of these land plats or photostats secured. # after each name indicates how many plats.

On looking in my note book I find that I failed to check the plats. But plats for all the grants in #s 10 and 11 show up in Index.

13. Revolutionary Files in South Carolina Historical Commission. These names under Franklin are in Index. However, all are not for service. Some are for Service, some for supplies, some merely as witnesses to Claims for Revolutionary Service. I did not abstract any of these names. It is of no use until the ancestor is established. Often two or more men are in the same file under that first name.

Abner Franklin	Ambrose Franklin
Capt. Berk	Joseph Franklin
Benjamin Franklin (Several)	
Charles Franklin	Edmond Franklin
Ephriam Franklin	Isham Franklin
Francis Franklin	George Franklin
Henry Franklin	John Franklin
Joseph Franklin	Joseph Burke Franklin
Thomas Franklin	Thomas Becker Franklin
Thomas Baker Franklin	Thomas B. Franklin
William Franklin	

14. There was a Revolutionary War Pension for one Franklin. Mrs. Mack has written for a summary sheet for him, as soon as it arrives, I will type it in and send as an extra sheet.
15. The first U. S. Census made in summer of 1790. Compare the names and localities where they resided with the #s 7, 9, 10 and 13. The first # indicates how many males over the age of 16 in the home and included the husband. The 2nd # indicates how many males under the age of 16. The 3rd # indicates how many females including the wife.
- 15a. Francis Franklin 1-1-3 in St. John's Parish, Berkeley. See #10 and 13.
16. Edgefield County of 96th District and at that time included the counties of Edgefield, Saluda and parts of McCormick, Aiken and Lexington.

Ben Franklin	2-4-2	Charles Franklin	1-0-1
Edward Franklin	1-0-1	Ephriam Franklin	3-4-4
Thomas Franklin	1-0-2		

17. Pendleton County of 96th District and at that time included the counties of Anderson, Pickens and Oconee.

Edmond Franklin	1-1-3	Isham Franklin	1-0-1
Mrs. Priscilla Franklin	0-1-3		
Thomas Franklin	1-2-2		
Edmund Franklin	1-2-5 in Greenville County which adjoined Pendleton		

18. Cleremont-Clarendon, which at that time included what is now Sumter County, a small area of present Lee County, South Carolina, and a small area of what is now Clarendon County and all of the older Salem County.

Henry Franklin	2-1-3		
Mrs. Rebecca Franklin	0-1-2	(High Hills)	
Reuben Franklin	2-3-4		

19. Chester County of Camden District.

Edmond Franklin	1-1-1	John Franklin	1-0-1
Lewis Franklin	1-2-1	John Franklin	1-3-4
Lewis Franklin	1-1-2	Owen Franklin	1-1-2
Thomas Franklin	1-2-6	John Franklin	1-0-5
Thomas B. Franklin	1-0-5	T. B. Franklin	1-2-4

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Franklin Wills

20. From a study of the Census data Chester County, South Carolina was the first home of the Franklins in South Carolina. Most of them came down from Pennsylvania to Chester which was named for Chester County, Pennsylvania since it was mainly settled up by Pennsylvania people. You can trace the Edgefield, the Pendleton-Greenville, the Sumter County Franklins all from Chester County. Note #19 and in 1790 most of the South Carolina Franklins were still in Chester and on Sandy River. They lived near the mouth of Sandy River where it flows into the Broad River just opposite the Union County line where the Woodson Family lived. Edgefield-Pendleton #s 16 and 17 have the next number of Franklin Families while Sumter has the next number. Laurence Franklin in #19 in Chester, I know came on down to Sumter.
21. When a man died without a will his estate was Intestate and was settled by an Administration and the Archives does not have copies of any Administrations. We do have copies of all the South Carolina wills from 1680 to 1850/60 on file here. These copies were made by the WPA and are about 5% inaccurate as when compared with the original wills on file in the County Court Houses. Always secure from the Judge of Probate of the County where the will is recorded, a Certified copy of the will, in preference to photostat copies from the University of South Carolina.
22. James Franklin in Abbeville dated 13 Nov 1829: "... I hereby give to James Sample, who is Administrator of the Estate of David King, deceased, a receipt for the sum of \$676.82 for the distributive shares of legatees" Signed James Franklin, as Guardian for minor Legatees. No more than this receipt in the David King Estate.

- 22a. Thomas Franklin of Sandy River, Chester County, South Carolina a will signed 4 Jan 1789, probated Summer Court in Chester 1789: Wife, Priscilla Franklin (Executor)(See #17 and by 1790 was in Pendleton), Children:

Thomas Baker Franklin (Executor) to have my home plantation
John Franklin to have the Caldwell Tract of land
Francis Franklin
Mary Franklin
Elizabeth Franklin

My wife is to have my newly acquired plantation where I am building.

Witnesses: Elijah Nunn, John Cockerell and John Weir.

23. Mrs. Nancy Franklin, widow of Sandy River in Chester. A will signed 5 Apr 1843, probate date missing. Two daughters named in will:

Johanna Wilson Julia Minter

My grandchildren when aged 21, to have a slave each and named as:

Maria Minter Lucy Ann Wilson
Nancy Caroline Minter Rebecca Nancy Wilson

Executor: Burney H. Pressley

Witnesses: L. D. Barron, Burney H. Pressley and John V. Young

24. This ends the Franklin wills in Chester. I have noted in Chester more than 20 Franklin Administrations from 1785 to 1860. Also, in Chester County on Sandy River is an old private Franklin graveyard.
25. Edmond Franklin of Edgefield County, a will signed 3 Apr 1790 and placed on record 23 May 1804: Wife, Jane Franklin (Executor) with James Smith. "No children, If I have no children born, then when my wife dies, my lands will go to my youngest brother, Gilles Franklin.

Witnesses: Issiah Chadwick and Esther Smith.

26. This ends Edgefield wills. In Edgefield from 1785 to 1860 are several Franklin Estate Administrations.
27. Matthew Franklin of Laurens County, will signed 30 Jun 1821, probated 7 May 1822. Wife, Dinah Franklin. "All my dear (none named) children to share equal."

Executors: Jesse Garrett, Sr. and Stephen Garrett and they as Trustee for my wife, will secure the slave now held by Mrs. Wolfe for her, and place said slave into my estate.

Witnesses: W. F. Downs, G. F. Wolfe and Mary Wolf.

Trustees under South Carolina Law up to 1868. A wife, when she married, had all her property subject to her husband. Often Trustees were named for the wife when she married in order for her to control her own property. In the will above, Jesse Garrett, Sr. and Stephen Garrett were called

the "Former Trustees for my wife."

28. John F. Wolfe of Laurens, will signed 3 Feb 1820, probated 5 Mar 1821. Wife, Mary Wolfe; Children:

George F. Wolfe (Executor with Samuel Davis)
Isabella Saxon
Elizabeth Milner

Trustees for share of my daughters to Hugh Saxon and George F. Wolfe.

Witnesses: Samuel Davis, Patillo Farrow and Julia Carter Matthews.

- 28a. There is some sort of kinship or close connection with these two families of Franklin #27 and Wolfe #28. Wolfe came to Laurens from Union and to Union from eastern North Carolina.

29. Mrs. Susanna Franklin, widow of Bear Creek, District, will signed 27 Apr 1829, probated 11 Jan 1830. Two children and both minors:

Benjamin Franklin Mary Franklin

Executors: Dr. William Blanding and Dr. Shubal Blanding.

Witnesses: James S. Smythe, William G. O'Cain and A. Poincignon, Jr.

30. Lawrence Franklin of Sumter County, will signed 1 Aug 1822, probated 6 Jun 1823. Wife, Judith Franklin (Judy) (Executor with Moses T. Green). Children:

David Franklin Keziah S. Kolb
Sarah H. Franklin Susanna S. Capps

Witnesses: C. Cantey, David Franklin and Keziah S. Kolb.

This ends all South Carolina wills indexed under Franklin.

31. The Old Sandy River Universalist Church in Chester County (Still an active congregation) organized about 1800 had several Franklins as members. A branch Universalist congregation of this Sandy River Church was organized in Edgefield County (Now in that part cut off into Saluda County) and many of the original Sandy River members moved their letters to the new church in Edgefield. I do not know if any Franklin names show in this removal.
32. The old Presbyterian Churches of western Chester County have many Franklin names as members before and after 1800.
33. Three distinct migrations from Chester County and Union County who joined in with Abbeville and Laurens and Newberry settlers, left in 1799, in 1806 and again in 1820 for Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Ohio and Illinois. These mainly were Baptists, Quakers and Presbyterians but the Associate Reformed Presbyterians made up the largest number of these new settlers. The Quakers were from Union and Newberry while the Presbyterians were from Chester, Laurens and Abbeville. Several Franklin Families joined in this migration to the newer states.
END.
34. Council Journal dated 31 Jan 1765. Arriving on the Ship *Dragoon* from Germany. Immigrants:
Agnes Francklin, age 14, orphan, allowed 100 acres of land, see #7
Christian Franklin, aged 3, orphan

These two children were with Zimmerman, Albright and Strum families and settled on Hardlabout Creek in Edgefield County.

35. Revolutionary Pension Archives from Washington, DC.

John Franklin, North Carolina-South Carolina Pension File # R 3 756

Birth: Veteran was born near Stump Fort Virginia and when he applied for a pension in 1834 stated he was then aged 74 years. When the Veteran was aged 4, he removed with his parents from Virginia to Burke County, North Carolina. After the Revolution he resided for a time in Green County, East Tennessee, but removed back to Burke County, North Carolina where he died 30 Sep 1837.

Service: The veteran stated he first enlisted in 1777 and that he served at various times, amounting in all to 15 months. He was a private in the North Carolina Troops under Capt. Charles McDowell, Capt. James McFarlan, Capt. LeRoy Taylor and Capt. Samuel Williams and under Col. Charles McDowell and Col. John Sevier. In Sep 1780, he took refuge with the British for 11 days. In the summer of 1781, he again enlisted in the North Carolina Line and this time under Capt. Samuel Williams and Capt. John Sevier later Col. John Sevier and Col. Charles Roberson. Then he transferred to South Carolina where he served under Capt. Donalson and Col. Maham. He left the service at the end of the year 1782 when his term expired.

Pension: He never did complete the proof of his pension claim and died before any pension was acted upon. He was not allowed a pension on his first application.

Family: The veteran never did list the name of his wife or of his marriage date. In 1853, his heirs wrote about the pension claim. They stated that these heirs were residing in North Carolina and South Carolina and were the only known living children of the veteran in 1853:

Abraham Franklin	Phoebe Erwin
Margaret or Peggy Coleman	

In 1853, it was stated by the three heirs above that the other children, of the veteran, John Franklin had moved to "The West" and it was not known whether they were alive or not. The children who had moved to the "West" were listed as:

David Franklin	Benjamin Franklin
Harman Franklin	Anderson Franklin
Cynthia Winkler	Nancy Stone
John Franklin	Levi Franklin
Samuel Franklin	

This completed the data on the Children of the Veteran John Franklin and listed as of North Carolina and South Carolina.

Death: The veteran, John Franklin, died in Burke County, North Carolina on 30 Sep 1837 and left as his heirs the children listed above.

Claim: In 1853 the Heirs of John Franklin, evidently reopened the pension claim of their father, for it was at this date that the names of his children were listed.

36. Mr. John H. Pierce, 1907 Schiller Avenue, Little Rock, Arkansas has written to me for data on the Revolutionary Claims of Franklin in South Carolina. He also sent me some data with some questions:

37. Thomas Franklin of Chester County (See #22). This is the Franklin ancestor from who Mr. Pierce descends. His question: Who were the parents of Thomas and Elizabeth Franklin? I am unable to state, but the evidence seems to point to Joseph Franklin of Union County, South Carolina or else to either William or Thomas Franklin, Sr., of the Fairfield-Chester area. Or Edward and check all

in #7. Dates of birth will be hard to determine unless tombstones are found or unless old Bibles of the family are extant. Marriage dates same for South Carolina had no marriage license law until 1 Jul 1912.

38. Thomas Baker Franklin (Son of Thomas #37 and #22) married, it is thought in Chester County, to Winifred Wood and thought before 1790. A daughter, Winifred Wood Franklin was born in South Carolina in 1792 according to the 1850 census of Bradley County, Arkansas. She was either the first or second child. About 1817, Thomas Baker Franklin removed to Louisiana and settled in Union Parish. From Union Parish, Louisiana he removed to Union County, Arkansas. In 1840, Bradley County was cut off from Union County, Arkansas and Thomas Baker Franklin resided in the area cut off to form Bradley County. He died in what is now Bradley County, Arkansas sometime between 26 May 1829 and 28 Oct 1829 from data in Arkansas. His son-in-law, John T. Cabean administered upon his estate at later date*. His tombstone in 1941 had been broken and all that remained legible was "Thomas B. Franklin / part missing where stone broken / Age 64 years. Known Children: Children by the first wife, Winifred Wood were:

Thomas Franklin, died 1837 in Bradley County, Arkansas, was he wed?
Winifred Wood Franklin 1792-1853, married John T. Cabean* about 1818/1820.
Alfred Sexton Franklin, born 8 Apr 1802; died 9 Nov 1855 and married to Anastatia Jane Zevillian (Perhaps read your script wrong. L. A.)
Ethelbert Sexton ** Franklin 1805-1873, married Selilah Hudgens***
William Franklin
Isaac Franklin
Thomas Baker Franklin married second to _____ and had:
John Washington Franklin married Nancy Groce
Benjamin Franklin married Melinda Ozment
Ann Franklin married Richard Miller

*Cabean: While I have never worked this family I know the original immigrant of Cabean in to South Carolina from Ireland and have some notes. They were in Chester, York and Fairfield Counties in South Carolina.

**Sexton: They were mainly in Laurens County, South Carolina and see #27 and Saxon and Sexton interchangeable spellings.

***Hudgens: Was a South Carolina family and mainly in Laurens County. They wed with the Milwee family and went to Arkansas.
Groce-Ozment are also in South Carolina

This completes the data sent to me by Mr. Pierce. I am not very familiar with his script and like me, he writes a running hand which is hard to read unless one is familiar with it. Correct any errors.

38. Revolutionary Abstracts from #13. The records up to Jul 1779 for the South Carolina Militia are missing. The state had no money to pay the claims for service and for supplies. After the war was ended all proved claims were paid by Indents which were a sort of script money which bore interest for several years. The interest had to be collected in Charleston. Often, the men did not want to take the long journey there and they would send an order by a friend to collect the interest. Continental Army service was paid by the USA. Militia indents can determine the residence by names of J. P. etc. Pay strict attention to other names on indents.

(There is no #39)

Revolution

40. Franklin men whose names show in the South Carolina Continental Regiments in the Revolution. These were paid by the USA in most instances:

Abner Franklin	Ambrose Franklin
Bark Joseph Franklin*	Charles Franklin
Edmond Franklin	Isham Franklin and a Bounty grant
Francis Franklin	Henry Franklin
Joseph Bark Franklin*	John Franklin
Thomas Franklin	

*The same man but indexed two different ways. I did not go to the Muster Rolls for any of these records except for Thomas Franklin #41

41. Thomas Franklin of the 5th South Carolina Continental Regiment and muster rolls shows that he enlisted 11 May 1776 and was discharged 30 May 1777. No further data. He likely enlisted a second time in the South Carolina Militia which is now the National Guard. Note further records on Thomas Franklin.
42. Benjamin Franklin, Private under Col. Robert Anderson. His claim was approved and indent issued. Then dated "Snow Hill Post Office (Edgefield County) 39 May 1785." Please pay to James Martin
- Witnesses: LeRoy Hammand, Jr. before LeRoy Hammand, Sr., J.P. Shadrack Rogers collected the interest each year for Benjamin Franklin until indent became due.
43. Ephriam Franklin (Likely brother of #42) Private under Col. Robert Anderson. Claim allowed and indent issued. Dated at Snow Hill Post Office 29 Sep 1785. "Please pay to the order of James Martin." LeRoy Hammond, J.P. The first interest was made payable to Daniel Green in payment for 100 acres of land. Then before James Fair, J.P. he sold the indent to Jacob Deccell¹⁸ for 1316 acres of land. Decell in turn sold the indent to _____ witnessed by John Hutchins before Richard Treadaway, J.P.
44. George Franklin, for his duty in the South Carolina Militia and the claim was allowed. All papers missing in file except above.
45. John Franklin. A claim for 297 days duty from 20 Apr 1781 to 5 Jul 1792 under Col. Richard Winn. Capt. Anderson Thomas who certified the claim. Lt. James Davis. Service at Orangeburg and at Four-holes, etc. Claim was sworn to with "His X Mark" in Camden District, 5 May 1784 before Amos Davis, J.P. Thomas Lewis collected the interest.
46. John Franklin: date missing. Application made for a state pension for his revolutionary service. Had been a resident of Chester County, South Carolina for upwards of 45 years. Now aged 78 years old. Served in the Revolution under Col. Farr at Drowning Creek, North Carolina, served under Col. Crawford at Wilmington, North Carolina, served under Colonel John Thomas at Savannah, Georgia. The pension application was witnessed by David Montgomery. The pension was allowed and he was paid his first pension 29 May 1834 in Chester County, South Carolina. See another John Franklin National Pension #35.
47. John Franklin: different from #45 and he signs his own name and his claim for one horse of his he lost in battle. The claim was allowed 20 Jan 1785 "Pay to Col. Edward Lacey of Chester County" and signed before John Brown, J.P. Interest collected by Benjamin Guerrad and by Charles Lining. This is the same John, I think, as #46 and also in Continentals #40 and based on fact his officers

18. Note: spelled two different ways in this same paragraph. Editor, 2nd Edition.

named in #46.

48. Joseph Franklin. An order to pay to Maj. Samuel Otterson and dated Union County, (Adjoins Chester) South Carolina 2 Jan 1786 and signed before Charles Sims, J.P. "Please to deliver to Maj. Samuel Otterson, the Indent due to my deceased son for his service in the late War under Col. Robert Anderson and killed while in service." He did not name the deceased son. In the same file is a claim for:
- 48a. Joseph Franklin, Horseman from 6 Apr 1778 under Capt. Daniel McKay and certified by Col. Thomas Brandon. Then for 60 days of service to 7 Feb 1779, again for 253 days of service from 12 May 1780 to 13 Dec 1782 under Capt. Samuel Otterson. Maj. Samuel Otterson certifies this service, Levi Casey, J.P. 13 Sep 1788 Joseph Franklin has the indent paid in full, but he does not say for a deceased son's service this time.
49. William Franklin and for Militia Duty under Col. Thomas Brandon and under Col. Robert Anderson. William Franklin is deceased. Then an order: Union County, South Carolina 16 Dec 1785 "Pay this claim to Maj. Samuel Otterson and order signed before Thomas Brandon, J.P. by Thomas Smith, Administrator for the Estate of William Franklin. Since Thomas Smith gave order as Administrator of this William Franklin, I wondered if the same deceased son of Joseph in #48. It is likely him for note Joseph Franklin signed his order 2 Jan 1786 for "My deceased son," but then only two weeks later. I am frank to say that I do not know the deceased son of Joseph in #48.
50. William Franklin and still alive 5 Nov 1787 when he signed an order on his claim (Note the other William in #49 was dead in 1785) and order witnessed by Alexander Jones. This for service and duty under Col. Thomas Brandon. The interest payments were drawn by Allen deGraffenreid and by James Thayer and both in Chester. William #49 was in Union County while William #50 was in Chester County.
51. Thomas Frankland always on Indent and on outside file, however he consistently signs with "His X Mark" as Thomas Franklin. For duty under Col. Thomas Taylor and Capt. William Robertson at Orangeburg up to Apr 1782. For duty at the 4-Holes under Lt. Nimrod Mitchell. Service was certified and sworn to in Camden District, 2 Jan 1784 before James Craig, J.P. of Fairfield County 21 Sep 1784 Thomas Franklin before James Craig "Please to deliver my indent in Charleston to John Swilla." 17 Dec 1784, Thomas Franklin sold the indent made out to Thomas Frankland, to Wadsworth and Turpin Company of Newberry, South Carolina. I did not take down the interest drawn by Wadsworth and Turpin. This man evidently resided along the Chester-Fairfield County line for James Craig, J.P. lived just below Sandy River on the Fairfield side of the Chester-Fairfield line.
52. Thomas Franklin and he always signed his name,* two claims. First claim for 73 days of service and for some sheep furnished in 1781 and with this indent he bought land. Second claim was for 56 days of service ending 7 Dec 1777, 28 days ending 3 Mar 1779, 210 days service ending 10 Apr 1781, 264 days service ending 5 Feb 1782. Camden District, 11 Jun 1784 he swore to this claim before David Hopkins, J.P. (of Chester County). Then dated at Broad River Post Office, South Carolina 17 Sep 1784 "Please to deliver my indent to Col. David Hopkins" and signed before Amos Davis, J.P. The interest was drawn twice by Thomas Lehre and twice by Ferdinand Hopkins. I know Hopkins, D. and F., were residents of Chester County and Lehre a resident of Fairfield.
- * A photostat of this signature of Thomas Franklin could be taken to Chester and compared to signature of the Thomas Franklin who signed the will in #22 and see if the same man. I think they are the same man, Andrea.
- 52a. The Thomas Franklin in #41 in the 5th South Carolina Regiment Continentals, I do not know which

Thomas he was. It is possible that he was a third Thomas, but I hardly think so. Definitely, there were two Thomas Franklins in the Revolution from Chester-Fairfield at Broad River Post Office which served a large area in Chester and Fairfield in the early days. Definitely, the following were neighbors, brother or cousins for all made out claims on same kind of paper and used same form: Thomas Franklin #51, Thomas Franklin #22, William Franklin #50, John Franklin #46, and John Franklin #47. Check the claims probated by Amos Davis, J.P.

53. Thomas Baker Franklin signs his name to three claims and all of which he collected interest or had some part in claim.

First: Claim of Lt. John Butler of the Spartan Regiment of South Carolina Militia #965 File. First interest was drawn by Andrew Thompson of Spartanburg and Union County. W. Gilbert had some interest in the claim and he signed 2 Nov 1786 all my interest in said Indent to Thomas Baker Franklin and T. G. F. dated 5 Dec 1786 with John Smither as his witness, "I hereby turn over all my rights in this indent to I. and G. Schutt Company: Lt. John Butler, 15 Nov 1786, sold the indent to John Lewis Gervais and the sale was witnessed by John Shea.

Second: Claim and indent of William Given of Fairfield County, Broad River Post Office for his service under Col. Samuel Watson of York County 12 Jun 1787 in Charleston, Thomas Baker Franklin collects the interest for William Given.

Third: Claim and indent of Richard Evans. Dated Chester County, South Carolina 16 Oct 1786 "I hereby empower Thomas Baker Franklin to receive in Charleston for me my indent due to me... etc." John Bell Esq. witness. Then dated 22 Mar 1786 Thomas Baker Franklin signs the receipt. If you have no real signature of Thomas Baker Franklin, then you can get a photostat of any of these papers with the signature on it. It seems that these three men all selected Thomas B. Franklin to do business for them in Charleston and I am puzzled that none of the Franklins up in same area did not empower Thomas Baker Franklin to collect for some of them.

54. Compare the Census with Revolutionary claims. Note that Mrs. Priscilla Franklin, widow of Thomas #22 was by 1790 in what is now Anderson County. The Lt. Thomas Wimpey and the Lt. Nimrod Mitchell in Thomas #51 in Revolution both removed to Anderson and #22 may be same man as #51 for in will #22 the wife was to have the newly acquired plantation and the house building now. I have not seen will #22 to see whether name was signed in person as in #52 or by mark as in #51.
55. Thomas Baker Franklin, Mr. Pierce writes me had some 60 odd deeds in Chester records "To and From."
56. Richmond County, Georgia adjoined Edgefield County, South Carolina and there dated 14 Apr 1794 John Franklin was witness on a deed made to Thomas Merrin.

On my birthday, Wednesday, 2 Nov 1949, I traveled in the car with a client from Washington, D.C. for work in Chester, South Carolina and had to give my time to her family records. However, I did jot down any Franklin data I happened to note and abstracted two or three records. I did not check on Probate Court for wills and administrations. Only deed and there are more than 100 Franklin deeds to and from.

57. Some deeds I noted and merely jotted down name and date:

Edward Franklin and wife, Rachel Franklin, deed in 1787
John Franklin and wife, Mourning Franklin, deed in 1790
Thomas Franklin and wife, Priscilla Franklin in 1786

Isham Franklin deeds to Thomas Baker Franklin

58. 20 Jun 1818 Caldwell Heirs: a deed to Fleming Caldwell of Chester "For our Interest" and signed by the following from Fairfield County: William Caldwell, Sr., Margaret, the wife of John Franklin, and Alexander Caldwell. A tract of 350 acres on Rocky Creek in Chester County, it being an original grant to John McKeown 25 May 1768.

Witnesses: George Mills and Samuel Gault in Book S, page 524.

59. Thomas Baker Franklin "And for the Love and Affection I bear to Mary and Elizabeth Franklin... a certain tract of land on Sandy River."

Witnesses: Thomas J. Mobley and John Stowe in Book O, page 145 dated 24 Feb 1807. Later, 27 Dec 1809, Mary and Elizabeth Franklin deed this tract of land on Sandy River to Grief Puckett.

Witnesses: Edward Colvin and Eli Colvin.

60. Book H, page 87 dated 17 Nov 1800. Ann Franklin, the wife of Thomas Baker Franklin deeds before John Pratt, J.P. her dower right in a tract of land on Rocky Creek which "My husband" lately sold to Greenberry Montgomery. I noted two Thomas Baker Franklins in Chester. One in eastern area with a wife named as Ann, one in western area on Sandy River with a wife Winnefred.

61. Thomas Baker Franklin a deed dated 9 Oct 1786 and no dower. To John Hayes, a tract of 150 acres of land near Sandy River which was an original grant to T. B. Franklin the 2 Oct 1786.

Witnesses: William Boyd, John Franklin and Abraham Mills.

It will likely take at least two or more days of work in Chester to complete abstracts on deeds and then Probate records. I even doubt if it all can be done in two days of work. There are two contemporary Thomas Franklin men in Chester and these followed by two contemporary Thomas Baker Franklin men. On deeds there is no original signature (Only recorded copy), however, I did note that there is an original signature of one Thomas Baker Franklin who signed some papers in file of Will and Estate of Thomas Franklin before 1790.

Purity Presbyterian Church: We passed the site of that old church on the Chester-Great Falls Road, but we did not stop. The grave yard is very large and from the road it seemed there are many grave stones. In the South Carolina Archives here, is a copy made by DAR of all tombstone data from old Purity. I checked this and found no Franklin inscriptions in the copy here. I did check a few Wood and Cabean stones and typed on the old Woods private grave yard.

There are typed grave stone inscriptions here for more than half the grave yards of Chester County, and I hurriedly went through all of them to see if any Franklin stones, and saw none. I could well have missed some. Purity is the only grave yard I checked carefully.

Franklin

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1. This data on Franklin in South Carolina has been compiled for Mrs. William James Jernigan, Sr. (Lucille Lephiew Tucker) for proof of her descent from Thomas Franklin and of his Revolutionary Service.
2. Thomas Franklin in the Revolution. In the Chester-Fairfield area of old Camden District, Craven County, were three men by name of Thomas Franklin who served in the American Revolution in South Carolina. I have furnished to Mrs. Jernigan photostats of these three men in the Revolution from South Carolina.
3. The first Thomas Franklin, also as Frankland on Index to the file, consistently signs all papers in his file with "His X Mark." He served under Capt. William Robertson and Col. Thomas Taylor and lists the following:

For duty at the Four-Holes under Lt. Thomas Wimpey, 20 days
For duty at 4-Holes under Lt. Nimrod Mitchell, 30 days
Duty under Capt. Wm. Robertson at Orangeburg up to Apr 1782.

This service was certified and sworn to in Camden District, before James Craig, J.P. 2 Jan 1784. On 21 Dec 1784, before James Craig, J.P. "Please to deliver my Indent in Charleston to John Swilla." 17 Dec 1784 Thomas (X) Franklin sells his indent to Wadsworth and Turpin.

- 3a. This Thomas (X) Franklin before 1790 removed to Pendleton District. He appears in Fairfield County selling lands and also in Chester County where he sold lands and always signing with "His X Mark." The last deed he signed in Chester County was dated 15 Oct 1805 and no dower. However, this deed is incorporated in a later deed and the full deed not on record. Thomas "His X Mark" Franklin a deed of 304 acres of land of the original grant to Thomas Jenkins, deceased and bounded on lands of Martin Elam, William Colvin and Henry Colvin.

Witnesses: Martin Elam, Richard Elam and Thomas Lyles.

As stated this deed is part of a deed dated 11 Dec 1826 by the Heirs of Martin Elam, deceased and made to his son, George Elam for the home plantation on the Welch Fork of Sandy River, signed by his widow and his children: Mary Elam, widow of Martin Elam. Children:

Sarah, widow of Caleb Davis	Richard Elam
Elizabeth, wife of Solomon Coleman	Mary Elam, Jr.
Nancy, wife of Wiley Coleman	Patience Elam
Susannah, wife of Nicholas Colvin	Martha Elam
Frances Elam	

George Elam, the son, did not sign since the deed was made out to him. By 1805, this Thomas (X) Franklin disappears from the Chester records. He is not the ancestor of Mrs. W. J. Jernigan. However, he is the Revolutionary Soldier who signed with his "X" mark. He seemingly went to Pendleton District, South Carolina.

4. Thomas Franklin. Service for several tours of service. This was sworn to and approved. Broad River

17 Sep 1784, "Please deliver my indent to Col. David Hopkins" etc. Photostat of this claim which has the original signature of Thomas Franklin...

- 4a. This Thomas Franklin whose signature shows on his photostat. He resided at Broad River Post Office and seemingly in Fairfield County. He owned tracts of land in Chester County. There are several deeds in Chester made by this Thomas Franklin whose wife Mary Franklin signs dowers with him. In some of his deeds he states "Of Fairfield County." The last deed made by this Thomas Franklin with dower by his wife, Mary Franklin, is in Book B, page 170 in Chester County, South Carolina. This deed, signed 8 Dec 1794 in which he sells a tract of land to Robert Nix, said land an original grant to Archibald Roberts on Sandy River in 1784 etc.

Witnesses: John Parks, William Parks and Archibald Roberts.

Later deeds by Thomas Franklin and his wife, Mary Franklin, show in Fairfield County deed books. However this is not the ancestor of Mrs. Jernigan.

5. Thomas Franklin, in South Carolina Continental Regiment 5 Muster Roll shows that he enlisted 11 May 1776 and was discharged 30 May 1777. I did not attempt to locate this Thomas Franklin. He may be one of the other three. However, the South Carolina Census for 1790 shows three Thomas Franklins and two Thomas Baker Franklins. However, the Thomas Franklin, ancestor of Mrs. Jernigan was dead before 1790 and his widow, Mrs. Priscilla shows in the 1790 Census, this shows that in South Carolina four Thomas Franklins lived after the Revolution and up to 1790.
6. Thomas Franklin - This is the ancestor of Mrs. Jernigan. His claim for 73 days of service and for five sheep furnished for the Continental Army. Service under Capt. Robert Frost. This is numbered Book Q, page 464 and shows as such on the photostat. This Thomas Franklin signed his name on his Revolutionary files. It shows in the photostat. From here on, we will consider only this Thomas Franklin.
7. File 19-299 in Chester County, South Carolina
Thomas Franklin, Will and Estate papers. Will signed 4 Jan 1789 and probated in Summer Court 1789:

Wife, Priscilla Franklin, she to have the newly acquired tract of land etc. (She evidently removed there for in 1790 Census she was in Pendleton District, South Carolina. - Andrea)

John Franklin, my son, to have the Caldwell tract (Deeds show a disposal of this land willed to him)

Thomas Baker Franklin, my son, to have the tract where I live (Deeds show where he sold this land with a wife Ann)

Frances, my daughter

Mary, my daughter

Elizabeth Franklin, my daughter

Executors: Thomas Baker Franklin and Priscilla Franklin

Witnesses: Elijah Nunn, John Cockerall and John Wier. Papers in the file show appraisal of the estate and other items.

- 7a. The signature on the will #7 is identical with the signature on the Revolutionary claim #6. I tried to get a photostat of the original will in Chester, however there is no place to take photostats and this was impossible to do. The Judge of Probate and the Chief Clerk in office of Judge of Probate agreed with me that the signature on the will was identical with the signature on the photostat of

Revolutionary file #6. The Judge said she would be glad to certify the signatures as Identical if that will help. If you need a certification by the Judge of Probate that the signatures are identical on Will #7 and Revolutionary Claim #6 you can send¹⁹

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8. Thomas Franklin with dower by his wife, Priscilla Franklin, deed several tracts of land in Chester County. One of the last deeds made by them in Book A, page 108. Thomas Franklin with dower by his wife, Priscilla Franklin, a deed, signed 9 Apr 1786 to William Trussell, for 138 acres of land on Sandy River and it being part of an original grant to Thomas Franklin on Sandy River.

Witnesses: Richard Evans, John Franklin and James Trussell.

- 8a. I am inclined to think this deed was to William Trussell, Jr. who about this time married Frances Franklin, the daughter of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin. Several other deeds made by Thomas and Priscilla Franklin can be abstracted.

9. Thomas Franklin in his life time, made agreements and signed releases to sell some of his lands to Jacob and James Dungan. It seemed that the proper deed was never completed in the life time of Thomas Franklin. Then in Deed Book D, page 35 and 38

- 9a. John Franklin with dower by his wife, Mourning Franklin

Thomas Baker Franklin with dower by his wife, Ann Franklin

Deeds signed 23 Feb 1793 to Jonathan Dungan. All rights, titles and interest in two tracts of land of 77 acres and 200 acres on Sandy River which were once part of the lands of Thomas Franklin and by him by paper of release made over to Jacob and James Dungan, and the same being parts of the lands now belonging to John Franklin, Thomas Baker Franklin, William Trussell, Jr. and Moses Grisham, etc.

Witnesses: James Kennedy and Jacob Dungan.

- 9b. This deed and with several other deeds in which John and Mourning Franklin deed lands willed to John Franklin by his father, and deeds by Thomas Baker Franklin and his wife Ann Franklin, of the lands deeded to him or willed to him by his father, prove these two as the sons of Thomas Franklin #6 and #7.

10. Priscilla, the wife of Thomas Franklin. From various papers she shows as of "Pendleton District" and this tallies with the 1790 Census which shows her there. By 1800, she was back in Chester County. The last time she occurs in records of Chester County is Book J, page 259

- 10a. Mrs. Priscilla "Her X Mark" a deed, signed 6 Aug 1802 and for the love and affection, I bear toward my son, Thomas Baker Franklin, all of my land I own in South Carolina, all of my household effects, my personal and real property that I may own anywhere in South Carolina, and all legacies and properties which may be due to me in the state of Virginia, Caroline County, etc.

Witnesses: Peter Corbell, John Franklin, and John Boyd, J.P.

- 10b. Soon after this, Thomas Baker Franklin, for the love and affection I bear to Mary Franklin and to Elizabeth Franklin. He deeds them the home tract of land, and other property. Likely this was in an agreement with his mother, Priscilla Franklin. Also many deeds to and from John Franklin and his

19. This seems to end rather abruptly, but I don't see why... Editor, 2nd Edition

brother, Thomas Baker Franklin, also to the Grishmans. This lead me to believe that Mrs. Priscilla Franklin had some sort of an agreement with her son, Thomas Baker Franklin, to turn over some of her estate to the four other children. Book O, page 45 is one of the deeds by Thomas Baker Franklin signed 1 Feb 1807 to his sisters, Mary and Elizabeth Franklin.

11. There is no will for Mrs. Priscilla, widow of Thomas Franklin #6 and 7. There was no administration and since she had already deeded in #10a all her estate in South Carolina and in Caroline County, Virginia to her son, Thomas Baker Franklin, there was no need of an administration. I have an idea she died sometime before 1 Feb 1807 (See #10b) for it was then that Thomas Baker Franklin deeded 75 acres "The Home House" to his sisters, Mary and Elizabeth Franklin. In her deed to her son, she was to be maintained at her home by the son, T. B. Franklin. Likely she died and as per prior agreement with his mother, he deeded the Home tract to the two maiden sisters. This is only a theory and was not completely proved. The evidence points however that the widow, Priscilla died about Jan 1807.
12. Maiden surname of Mrs. Priscilla Franklin. This was not proved, the evidence points that her maiden name was Priscilla Rogers. I give what clues we found in Chester as to Mrs. Priscilla, widow of Thomas Franklin, was the former Priscilla Rogers.
- 12a. John Rogers, in a will signed and probated in 1789 in Chester County. Single man and no wife or children, wills entire estate to Mrs. Priscilla Franklin and to her two sons, John Franklin and Thomas Baker Franklin. However, John Rogers did not state his relationship to his legatees in his will. There is no need for me to go into detail on this will of John Rogers for a certified copy has been sent to you. The inference is that Priscilla Franklin was a sister of John Rogers and that John and Thomas Baker Franklin were his nephews. However, there was no direct proof.
- 12b. Jacob Rogers died intestate in 1791, citation to be read at Sandy River Church. Whether it was misplaced or else belonged to this Jacob Rogers citation, is a wrapper on the citation which had outside "Mrs. Priscilla Franklin, Executor of Estate of Thomas Franklin," also in some unfiled papers in office of Judge of Probate "John and Thomas Baker Franklin, have no objection... Tims as Administrator of Estate. This is merely a scrap of paper on the Citation at Sandy River Meeting House. They stated their mother was an heir of, whether Jacob Rogers, I was unable to determine. This Jacob Rogers from the scant data found seemed a bachelor also and his brothers and sisters were his heirs. Names of none of the heirs of Jacob Rogers in 1791 were obtainable from the file. Other data shows some sort of Tims-Rogers connection. Also, Tims were mixed in with Franklin and not on Franklin side since all Tims-Franklin relationship seemed only through the Priscilla Franklin set. I was unable to prove that Mrs. Tims and Mrs. Priscilla Franklin were Rogers sisters. However, one Mrs. Tims was named Frances. I sent you in full the report on Jacob Rogers.
13. I will now take up each child of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin and give what data I found on them. Frances and John seemed the eldest children. The son, John Franklin was also in the Revolution, he did not take part until the last years. I have sent you the data on the Revolutionary Service of John Franklin, son of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin. Also, note that almost as many John Franklins from Chester-Fairfield area were in the Revolution as there were Thomas Franklins in service. Thomas Baker Franklin had no service but his name appears on several indents of other men at Sandy River where he endorsed as witness.
14. The five children of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin will be taken up separately, leaving Thomas Baker Franklin to the last place.
15. John Franklin seems the eldest son and perhaps the eldest child. There is record of his having served in the South Carolina Militia during the Revolution. Since Mrs. Jernigan does not descend through the son John, I will leave off his Revolutionary service.

- 15a. Some 15 or more deeds in Chester County with dower by a wife, Mourning Franklin, show up. The first deed with wife Mourning is in 1789 and last deed with dower by wife Mourning is in 1814. By 1816, a second wife, Nancy Franklin shows up as signing dower.
- 15b. John Franklin married first, Mourning Carter, a daughter of Benjamin Carter whose will was probated in Chester County Fall Court of 1789. By his first wife, Mourning Carter Franklin, he had these children:
1. Newton Franklin who died in 1818 soon after his father died. Newton Franklin Estate shows he had no children (His bros. and sisters heirs of intestate Est). He left a widow, Sarah Franklin who on 15 Jan 1830 was the wife of Nathaniel Corley.
 2. John Franklin of Putnam County, Georgia.
 3. Benjamin Rogers Franklin of Fairfield County, South Carolina.
 4. Issiah Franklin of Chester County, South Carolina.
 5. Sarah Franklin the widow of Peter Brown in Putnam County, Georgia.
 6. Alfred B. Franklin in Chester County, South Carolina.
 7. Nancy Franklin wife of John E. B. Lyons of Putnam County, Georgia (Also Lions)
 8. Priscilla Franklin wife of James Huey (Also as Hughey).
 9. Mourning Franklin, still a minor in 1830, her guardian was Henry Carter.

John Franklin seems to have married second about 1816 and this time to the widow, Nancy Freeman (In records also as Foreman). This widow had children by a former husband. She had one child by John Franklin, as shown in his Estate and in her will signed 1843.

10. Mrs. Julia Minter

This completes the ten children of John Franklin, nine by first wife who was Mourning Carter and one by last wife who was the widow, Mrs. Nancy Freeman (Several deeds show her Freeman children and other data. In a lawsuit over some of this Freeman land the clerk has it as Foreman which I think is error by clerk. Andrea).

16. John Franklin estate administered File 19-299 in Summer Court 1816. It was readministered 3 Mar 1818 after Newton Franklin, the son died who was co-administrator. The names and residences of the children tally with the estate settlement of Newton Franklin who died intestate in 1818 and left widow but no children, with the list in the John Franklin file whose settlement took place in 1829 and 1830. The widow Nancy (second wife of John) was constantly in a law suit with the first set of children. Powers of Attorney in deed books show the residence of these children in 1829. One has to study five Estate files, deed books and Power of Attorneys in order to get the complete list of heirs of John Franklin #15a, which is a composite piece of data from all these sources.
17. Frances Franklin (She often signed dowers as Fanny) was the eldest daughter and possibly the eldest child of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin. By 1785, Frances Franklin was the wife of William Trussell, Jr. He was dead by 1787 and left one child, Martha Trussell who was often referred to as "Patsey Trussell." Frances Franklin was, by 1788 (dower) the wife of Major Grisham. (Sometimes in data as Grissam or Grissom) and he was dead by 1800. She had, by her second marriage:

John Rogers Grisham	Priscilla Grisham
Sarah "Sallie" Grisham	Frances Franklin Grisham
Thomas Baker Franklin Grisham	

By 1802 Mrs. Frances Franklin Trussell Grisham was called "Mrs. Frances Knight." I did not examine the files to find the name of her last husband, but it will show in Grisham files.

- 17a. There is no separate file for William Trussell, Jr. Guardianship papers show that John Franklin and Thomas Baker Franklin helped their sister to administer on Wm. Trussell, Jr. Estate. These two brothers were guardians of her infant daughter, Martha Trussell. John and T. B. Franklin with Major Grisham were in deeds selling the 198 acres of land in #8 by a deed in 1802 and regarding Trussell. Since this was not the ancestor of Mrs. Jernigan, I did not go into detail on this daughter of Thomas Franklin.
- 17b. Major Grisham in his will signed 16 Oct 1800 named his wife as Frances Grisham and she was Ex. with her brother, Thomas Baker Franklin and Cornelius Dorsey. Children and all minors including "My step-daughter, Patsey Trussell." The children in the will are same as in #17 and he included the step-daughter, Patsey Trussell. I did not go into detail on file of Major Grisham.
- 17c. Frances Franklin Trussell Grisham Knight, was constantly making deeds. She with her brothers, John and T. B. Franklin and her first husband, Wm. Trussell, Jr. and her second husband, Major Grisham, all had lands together. She was also deeding to her maiden sisters.
- 17d. By 1820 and thereabouts, several of these Grisham children were giving Powers of Attorney from Pendleton District, South Carolina and mainly from Smith County, Tennessee.
- 17e. Mrs. Frances Grisham in a deed, signed 3 Jul 1801 and for the Love and Affection, I bear toward my sister, Miss Mary Franklin, a deed of gift of all my furniture, my farming implements, my stud horse and my mares and my cows, etc. all which I have at my plantation house (John, Thomas Baker, and Frances all make deeds to their maiden sisters, Mary and Elizabeth from time to time). Then in Deed Book I, page 94, Miss Mary Franklin, for love and affection I bear to my niece, Martha Trussell, all that was deeded to me by my sister, Mrs. Frances Knight, who when she gave it to me by a deed dated 3 Jul 1801 was then Mrs. Frances Grisham.

Witnesses: Thomas Jenkins and John Grisham.

- 17f. When I am back in Chester, I can examine the files of Major Grisham and secure for you the name of the third husband, Mr. Knight. And, I can also obtain the original signature of Thomas Baker Franklin as Ex. of will of Major Grisham, and compare with the photostats I have of his signature on Revolutionary orders for Richard Evans.
18. Miss Mary Franklin, daughter of Thomas and Priscilla. Several deeds by her, the last deed noted was signed 27 Dec 1809 and she was still single. She disappears from legal records after she signed this deed 27 Dec 1809.
19. Miss Elizabeth Franklin, daughter of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin, was single when she signed a deed 19 Dec 1809 and again signed a deed 27 Dec 1809.
- 19a. After this data she seems to have married Moses Cockerell, Jr. as his second wife. Moses and Elizabeth Cockerell sell lands as Moses, Jr. and dower by wife Elizabeth and some were definitely Franklin lands. However, I did not attempt to study this and as far as I can definitely state, Elizabeth Franklin was a single woman on 27 Dec 1809 when she disappears from the legal records of Chester County, unless she was the Elizabeth, wife of Moses Cockerell, Jr.
20. There is some evidence, but I did not trace it out, that Miss Mary Franklin followed some of her Grisham nephews and nieces to either Pendleton District, South Carolina or to Smith County, Tennessee. I do not have the Arkansas data to see if either Miss Elizabeth or Miss Mary Franklin went to Arkansas with their brother, Thomas Baker Franklin. There is also a possibility they could have followed some of the children of their brother, John Franklin to Putnam County, Georgia.
- 20a. This much is definite from Chester County records. By 1830 to 1835 all the set of children of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin had removed from Chester County, except Nancy, the widow and second wife

of John Franklin and her daughter, Mrs. Julia Minter. By several sources they had removed to the following places:

Smith County, Tennessee	Bradley County, Arkansas
Putnam County, Georgia	Pendleton District, South Carolina
Fairfield County, South Carolina	Newberry County, South Carolina

By 1835 (Except for the widow of John) all the children and grandchildren of John and Priscilla Franklin, had left Chester County, South Carolina.

21. Thomas Baker Franklin, who is the ancestor of Mrs. W. J. Jernigan, can be proved by deeds and other data as the son of Thomas and Priscilla Franklin.
22. There were at the same time and same Sandy River area, two men by name of Thomas Baker Franklin and both disappear from Chester County after 1815 and there is no will or administration for either of these T. B. Franklins. In the 1790 census, both Thomas B. and T. B. Franklin show as heads of households in Chester County, South Carolina.
23. Since the over 60 deeds made by these two men are recorded, I was unable to determine by comparison of signature, which was which. However, the recording clerks up to 1805 (A new clerk took over about 1805 and used initials mainly) recorded the married one whose wife Ann signed dower, as Thomas Baker Franklin. He recorded the single man as Thos. Baker Franklin. These two men seemed first cousins.
24. Thos. Baker Franklin made over 25 deeds in Chester County from 1785 to 1815 and never was a dower signed by a wife. I also checked dozens of deeds to the Thos. Baker Franklin and none of his land was obtained from Thomas Franklin. However, his lands were on Sandy River up until about 1800. After 1800, most of the lands of this Thos. Baker Franklin were in the area of Chester, South Carolina.
25. Thomas Baker Franklin also had dozens of deeds where he obtained land, much from his father and mother, Thomas and Priscilla. He also had lands in connection with Wm. Trussell Jr., Major Grisham and both his brothers-in-law. Also, this Thomas Baker Franklin and his brother, John Franklin, had many deeds in connection with the same land. Much of the land sold by Thomas Baker Franklin with dower by his wife, Ann Franklin, can be traced to the lands of his father, Thomas Franklin.
26. Thomas Baker Franklin sold lands in 1791 and no dower and this definitely, the son of Thomas #7. It seemed here he was a widower. The 1790 census showed him with a family. The Franklins in Arkansas brought with them a tradition, that Thomas Baker Franklin had a first wife who was Winnefred Wood and had some children by her who died small and one daughter who lived.

Winnefred Wood Franklin who married John T. Cabeen, came to Arkansas after her father, Thomas Baker Franklin removed to Arkansas and her children said their mother was by a first wife of Thomas Baker Franklin named Winnefred Wood.

- 26a. I never found any land deed by Thomas Baker Franklin with a dower signed by a wife named Winnefred or Winney. However, I did find in 1785 a single woman named Winnefred Wood as a witness to a Wood deed. This is the scant data on a first wife of Thomas Baker Franklin who was Winnefred Wood.
27. Thomas Baker Franklin with dower by his wife, Ann Franklin, signed their first deed together 23 Feb 1793 in Book D of Deeds, pages 35 and 38. In dozen or more deeds by Thomas Baker Franklin the dower was always signed by wife, Ann Franklin. In one or more instances she did not sign a dower on the actual deed, but I found the dower signed by Ann, and recorded separately.
- 27a. Mrs. Jernigan descends from the wife Ann Franklin wife of Thomas Baker Franklin. Whether there

was a first wife named Winnefred Wood, of Thomas Baker Franklin, does not concern the lineage or descent of Mrs. Jernigan.

- 27b. By the year 1806/07 Ann Franklin ceases to sign dower rights with Thomas Baker Franklin. She likely dies about this time, for a deed, signed 1 Feb 1807, Thomas Baker Franklin executes a deed to his sisters, Mary and Elizabeth Franklin, Book O, page 45. Here is no dower, Ann, wife of Thomas Franklin did sign a dower in October 1806.
- 27c. Thomas Baker Franklin, from data in Arkansas, did marry a wife (Mrs. Jernigan did not send her name to me) after the wife, Ann Franklin died. This last wife came to Arkansas with him and she bore him three children named:

John Washington Franklin married Nancy Groce

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28. After 1807 Thomas Baker Franklin and the other Thos. Baker Franklin continued to buy and sell land. The last deeds were in 1815. Since no dower was signed, I was hard put to decide which was which of the two T. B. Franklins. From prior deeds and location of lands, by 1809-1810 Thomas Baker Franklin, son of Thomas and Priscilla seemed to have sold all his lands in Chester County. Up to 1809 by deeds of your Thomas Baker Franklin, no dower was signed. Up to the deeds of 1815, I was unable to determine which was which. Both disappear from Chester County, South Carolina by 1815.
29. This much I proved by deeds made by your Thomas Baker Franklin. His wife, Ann Franklin, joined in dowers from Feb 1793 to Oct 1806. Ann never signs a dower after Oct 1806 and never signed a dower before Feb 1793. From Feb 1807 to Mar 1809 Thomas Baker Franklin, son of Thomas and Priscilla, deed lands without a dower and seemingly until Mar 1810.
30. Thomas Baker Franklin removed to Arkansas where he died. Mrs. Jernigan has the Arkansas data which I did not include in this paper. By a first wife or first wives, he had:

Winnefred Wood Franklin married John T. Cabean

Thomas Franklin died in 1837. Definitely by the wife Ann Franklin he had:

Alfred Stacy Franklin married Anatolia Jane Levillian

Ethelbert Sexton Franklin married Delilah Hudgens

William Franklin

Isaac Franklin

By the last wife (Name not sent to me) he had:

John Washington Franklin married Nancy Groce

Benjamin Franklin married Melinda Ozment

Ann Franklin married Richard Miller

This data sent to me from Arkansas.

31. Revolutionary Lineage of Mrs. W. J. Jernigan

I Thomas Franklin, Revolutionary soldier, wife Priscilla to their son

II Thomas Baker Franklin married before 23 Feb 1793 to wife, Ann _____ who died between Oct 1806 and Feb 1807, and to their son

III Ethelbert Sexton Franklin 1805-1873 who wed as his first wife, Delilah Hudgens, to their daughter

IV Elizabeth Ann Franklin 1830-1904 married William James Lephiew and to their daughter

V Louisiana Belle Lephiew 1867-1918 married John Hellum Tucker, to their daughter

VI Lucile Lephiew Tucker married William James Jernigan.

- 31a. Mrs. Jernigan will have to furnish the legal data on this line from Arkansas, after Thomas Baker Franklin removed there.
32. This paper contains proof that Thomas Franklin #'s 6 and 7 served in the Revolution. His wife was Priscilla. Data on his children as far as Chester County records show. His son, Thomas Baker Franklin and his wife, Ann _____ Franklin, as far as they show in Chester County, South Carolina.

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