

OUR BERRYS

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PREFACE

At the beginning of the search of my Berry family, I had no idea it would lead me down the pathway that it did. I only knew the names of my grandfather, Wiley P. Berry, and great-grandfather, John Robert Berry, and that was it. I had just learned about the software available to help in researching family trees. A family friend amazed me by displaying my paternal family tree on his computer. I had no idea that the information about my Henderson family was out there for the world to see. Shortly after that, one of my first cousin's wife died and my wife and I attended the funeral and burial ceremonies. Another first cousin, Harold Bernard Berry, suggested that somebody needed to work up a Berry family tree. I thought this sounded like a good idea. I started searching the internet and after about a year I made contact with a distant cousin who was related to Hannah Cate Berry. We were struggling with how things fit together in the family and slowly we started making some progress. From these humble beginnings our knowledge of the family has almost exceeded my capacity to manage it.

As time went by, I gradually became acquainted with some more Berry researchers. I discovered that there was a wealth of information in my State Genealogy Library and the internet. From these three sources, things just started to grow. I cannot begin tell you how valuable the internet, Family Tree Maker, Ancestry.com, and my new found cousins are. With the easy access of email and the help of other researchers, we started filling in the gaps and making some giant leaps in our Berry family history. The next Berry cousin I met was Martha Mangum from Georgia. For many years, she had been researching the David J. Berry line, whose family located just north of Atlanta around 1828. Martha and I had determined that David J. Berry was part of the Robert Berry family from Orange County, North Carolina. A few years later this fact was verified by Y-DNA. Martha's family, along with some of her local cousins (Jo Patterson and her son, Lois White and her husband, Martha Mangum and her daughter and grandson) attended our W. P. Berry reunion in 2002 in Orange County, North Carolina. These cousins were the second group of extended Berry cousins I met in person. Several years before, Elizabeth Merckle and her husband came to North Carolina for a day. My wife and I met them in Hillsborough, N.C., and we escorted them around the property of our Berry family in the Little River community of Orange County, North Carolina.

A short time later we became involved in the Berry Y-DNA project and this validated much of our archival research. Many other doors opened as more and more Y-DNA tests were completed. As it turned out, one of our own Berry cousins, Cookie Paulson, actually started the Berry Y-DNA project. She had been searching many years for John Berry, who was born in North Carolina in 1815. In desperation, she decided to start a Berry Y-DNA project.

Although we had no paper trail to link her John Berry to my Berry family, Cookie and I had corresponded several times over the years. I remember telling her that we had a John Berry in our Orange County family. At one point she even told me in an email that she was about willing to accept any John Berry from North Carolina as her John Berry who was found in the 1860 Rusk County, Texas, Census. We have done a huge amount of research together since that time and I have learned she would never, ever, claim a relationship between two people in her research without the proper documentation. She convinced one of her Berry cousins to take the simple Y-DNA test. He was number 8 in the project. I asked my mother's youngest brother (Wiley Person Berry Jr.) if he would take the Y-DNA test. He became number 18 in July. It was on the same day in July that we were having our local family reunion when I got an email from Cookie telling me that we had a positive Y-DNA match between her cousin and my uncle. This

was one of the most exciting events in my entire Genealogical experience and I made the announcement at our local Wiley P. & Ida Ann Wilson Berry reunion in Orange County, North Carolina, that day.

There are so many other Berry cousins who have contributed to our research and the Y-DNA project. I am indebted to every one of them and without them this book would never have become a reality.

I slowly began to learn how to create a web page, with a lot of study and an enormous amount of help from my son, Aaron Henderson. I was able to setup berrytree.org in late 2007. This effort was done in order to share my research with our expanding circle of cousins and the world. The dividends of that effort continue to increase our knowledge of the Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry family from Orange County, North Carolina.

On July 21st, 2007, many of Robert Berry's descendants visited the land that Robert Berry Sr. chose to homestead in 1751. We saw the chimney he built for his Fiddleton plantation house in 1766 and visited the Robert Berry Fiddleton Cemetery. It was located in a beautiful wooded property covered with huge trees. It certainly must have been a beautiful site to Robert Berry as he first viewed his new property two hundred and fifty six years ago. It was still a beautiful environment on our special 250th Robert Berry Fiddleton reunion day. The virgin trees are gone but the forest must have looked in 2007 somewhat as it did in 1751.

We stood there at the cemetery in silence with a feeling of tranquility, pride, and reflection. The tall hardwoods shaded out the sun from the earth below. This shade was so complete that small vegetation scarcely grew. It was as if someone had cleared out all the underbrush and left a carpet of leaves. As we read the inscriptions on the headstones and stared at the field stones that mark most of the 23 graves where our departed heroic pioneer ancestors now rest, everybody seemed to withdraw into their own private thoughts. Reverend John Allen Berry said a prayer over our ancestor's graves and then we observed a moment of silence. There seemed to be a hush over the forest during this time of respect and reverence.

The grief and sorrow that has been felt at those 23 sad occasions has long past into oblivion but somehow there was a special feeling that still seems to linger there for me.

Two of the descendants who were at the cemetery died a short time after the reunion. My uncle, Wiley Person Berry Jr., was one of those who died a month later, but he was there and I asked him to say the blessing at our lunch. We were all in a circle and holding hands when he began the blessing by saying "Feel the Love, Feel the Love", and you definitely could. This moment seemed to describe the purpose of the entire reunion. This may well be the greatest thing I could ever have done for my mother's youngest brother or him for me.

Fred Anderson was the other family member who attended the 2007 Fiddleton reunion and passed away shortly afterward. They both will forever be loved and missed.

Robert Berry Sr. (OC) died in 1814 and was probably the first person buried in the Fiddleton Cemetery. This funeral was probably attended by many members of his family and neighbors. Some family members who were likely at his funeral would have been: Elizabeth Cate; Henry Berry; Isaac Berry; Robert's wife, Elizabeth Cate Berry; Joshua & Nancy Berry & their family; David J. Berry & his family; Robert Berry Jr. & his family; Jacob & Catherine¹ Pickle; Hannah Cate Berry and her two children, Thomas Person Berry age 6 and Elizabeth Berry age 2; Robert's daughter Elizabeth Berry and her daughter Mary and her son in-law Thomas Berry from Person County.

Some of Robert's neighbors who may have attended his funeral in 1814 could have been the William Stagg family, the Thomas Rountree family, Ruth Holeman, the Samuel Wilson

family, the William Armstrong family, the William Robinson family, and the John Dickey family, . Most of these families lived their entire lives as neighbors. They built the roads in the wilderness, they served on the juries, they raised their children, they built their homes, they formed their community, they built their plantations, and they served in the revolutionary war.

Those early pioneer settlers could never have imagined that their children, grandchildren, cousins, nieces, nephews, and many of their descendants would intermarry and spread across this great country like Kudzu for the next 250 years. The idea that so many of us would return so many years later could never have occurred to any of them. Back to the future was such a wonderful concept; I wish it were possible, at least temporarily.

At the 2007 reunion, I did have a strong feeling that someone above was taking a very special interest in this event because it was such a beautiful, bright, sunny, and perfect day. The humidity was very low and the temperature was in the 70's. This never happens during the month of July in Orange County, North Carolina, and yet it did on the day that the Robert Berry descendants returned home to their roots. I will be eternally grateful to all my many cousins for traveling so far and participating in this remarkable event. For many reasons, it can never happen the exact same way again, but there are equally just as many wonderful reasons to be happy that once it did.

I am also extremely blessed by getting to know so many of my wonderful cousins first hand. I sincerely appreciate all that they have contributed to our Robert Berry Genealogy. Without their efforts, hard work, and contributions this story would have never been known.

I also want to thank my dear wife for being extremely helpful in the 2007 reunion, so patient, so involved, and so supportive of my incurable affliction with the Genealogy Bug.

I would like to express my eternal thanks to: Elizabeth Robinett, Martha Mangum, Jo Patterson, Lois White, Billy Wayne Berry, Wiley P. Berry Jr., Aaron Henderson, Benjamin Berry Henderson Jr., John Allen Berry, Jeffrey Bryon Berry, Michele Berry, Nellie Berry, Kenneth R. Berry, David Lee Berry, Dane E. Berry, Charles Thomas Berry, Billy J. Berry, Harold Bernard Berry, George Wesley Berry, Thomas Keith Berry, Carolyn (Cookie) Paulson, Sam Pickle, Shelley Hanson, Betty Moake, Doris and Don Meadows, George Pettett, Bill Berry, Jim Berry- our Berry DNA project coordinator, Carol Vass- assistant coordinator for our Berry DNA project, and all my other close and distant cousins, friends, and family too numerous to list here. They have contributed information about their families, money for our Y-DNA project, money for the reunions, traveled to our reunions, and have been completely supportive in all that we have accomplished.

Due to the fact that I knew nothing about research when I began this endeavor, I failed to keep proper notes in the early years. I am making every effort to source the references in this book before publication. I do have a sincere confession to make here. I probably enjoyed all of this as much as, if not more than, anybody else. Thanks to each and every one of my cousins for everything you have contributed to this effort. Because of the volume of information I now have about Our Berry Family, I am unable to record all of it in this book. In the future, I will continue making as much additional information available on my website as time permits.

ROBERT BERRY WEBSITE

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Figure 1 Ben at age four

My Family Berry

Since I am young for goodness sake
I see no need to hurry
My own sweet time I'll always take
While writing the book, my family Berry

Some facts in history I will take
And mix my kin into the slurry
Plot on some maps the routes they take
And find my family Berry

Wills and Deeds they always make
Search and search till eyes get blurry
Census forms those are not fake
Tell all about my family Berry

O K! this was a piece of cake.
Life goes by in such a flurry
Tomorrow, a ged-com file I'll make
Bout my family Berry

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Now it seems my book took forever.

CHAPTER 1

WILLIAMSONS, FOSTERS, BERRYS & KEMPS

I have been researching the Robert Berry family from Orange County for fourteen years. When I first started researching, I soon found some things I needed to look at very carefully. In the Census forms from 1790 to 1840, the head of household given and surnames were the only names listed on the forms. Sometimes they would be listed alphabetically, which was not totally useless but not very helpful either. When the families were listed in the order of where they lived it became much more valuable. I would search the census forms from the very early years and become familiar with as many of the surnames in the county as possible. The cluster of surnames in one county often varies greatly from the surnames listed in the very next county. The clusters of surnames in a close community were often related to each other. This seemed to be a pattern throughout other states as well. I always paid particular attention to the very close neighbors' surnames in the area that I was searching, and where they lived in respect to each other. This is a very important tool. Since there were really not very many people in the early settlements, many of them migrated there together. Many of them were friends but a lot of them were related by blood and many by marriage.

As the children of the original settlers found it necessary to migrate to other areas, many of them would form wagon trains and travel together. When you find a group of familiar family surnames living close to each other in a new location, it is almost a sure bet that they are the relatives you are searching for. The 1850 census added three great features. In the 1850 census wives' names, children's names, ages, and the state where they were born were enumerated.

Grouping of surnames also works in reverse. As the settlers were immigrating to the Colonies in America from England and establishing the first settlements along the coastal waters, many of them formed close relationships through marriage and religion. In our Robert Berry family, a concentration of surnames that are related to each other were found in Princess Anne County, Virginia,² and many of these same surnames are known to be related to each other in our Orange County Robert Berry family as well.

This is not really surprising. When pioneers relocated from one area to another, they needed to go with family and friends for safety and support. Warring Indians were frequently a threat as the white settlers headed to the West and also as they settled their new homesteads. They had to help each other while traveling or when they started building their homes in the new settlement. When they reached a suitable location to settle, they already had a readymade community of people who had known each other for a long time. Many of them were related and wanted to stay together. The logical thing to do was to build a new community together. If they located in established settlements, they merely expanded the size of the hamlet or town.

From my own research and the information from many other sources, I know without a doubt that our Robert Berry family was in the American colonies long before it became a Nation. The newest information we have indicates that our Robert Berry family has been here since some of the very earliest settlements were established on the shores of Virginia.

The earliest members of our family to arrive in America currently known to us are Roger Williamson³ and John Carraway. John Carraway⁴ and Roger Williamson were good friends and came to America on the ship *Constance*⁵ in that year 1642. They were headrights of Christopher Boyce.⁶

In 1645, Roger Williamson married Ann Foster,⁷ who was born in England in 1620.

This union produced three children by the year 1650.

Children: of Ann Foster and Roger Williamson:

Richard Williamson married Mary Kemp.

Bartholomew Williamson.

Sarah Williamson married Matthew Mathias

Robert Berry's (OC) Maternal Line to Roger Williamson

Roger Williamson married Ann Foster about 1640 in England or in Norfolk County, Va.

Richard Williamson married Mary Kemp about 1670 in Norfolk County, Va.

Mary Williamson Married Robert Berry around 1690 in Norfolk County, Va.

Robert Berry married Elizabeth Cate around 1758 in Orange County, North Carolina.

George Kemp married Mary Hutchinson and homesteaded at Kemps Landing.

This community just south of Virginia Beach is currently known as Kempsville.

I think George and Mary Kemp are Robert Berry's (OC) great- grandparents. All of the documentation listed above has been well documented. The only documentation that is missing is documenting that Robert Berry Jr. in Princess Anne County, Virginia, is the same Robert Berry who settled in Orange County, North Carolina. I will attempt to prove they are the same person in this book. The best way to accomplish this is to look at known family surnames where our known ancestors lived.

Robert Berry⁸ is first found in Norfolk Rent Rolls in 1704.⁹ Very little is known about him or his origin. Most of the information we have on him comes from his wife's family. We know for sure that he married Mary Williamson and that he had more than two children. Robert¹⁰ lists the name of his first son Richard, his youngest son Robert,¹¹ his wife Mary, and all my other children in his 1730 will. Robert's son, Robert Berry Jr., was only about one year old when his father died.

Since Mary Williamson's entire family came to America from England and lived in an English colony, I think it is reasonable to believe that Robert Berry also came to America from England.

Richard Williamson married Mary Kemp¹² about 1670. Mary Kemp was the daughter of George¹³ and Mary Hutchinson Kemp.

Richard and Mary's daughter, Mary Williamson,¹⁴ married Robert Berry in Norfolk County, Virginia, around 1690.

I have no idea how long Robert Berry (PAC)¹⁵ had been in America, where he came from, or who his parents are.

Robert Berry and Mary Williamson had a son, Robert Berry Jr., born in 1729.

Robert Berry's mother and grandmother were both named Mary. His mother was Mary Williamson and his grandmother was Mary Kemp.

Robert Berry (OC) named his first daughter Mary Berry. Because of the traditional

English naming pattern, I have thought for many years that when I found Robert Berry's (OC) mother her name would be Mary.

Roger Williamson died before 1650 and Ann Foster Williamson married her husband's good friend, John Carraway.

Ann and John Caraway also had three children. They were John, Mary, and Elizabeth.

Their son, John Caraway, married Ann Kemp, who was Mary Kemp's sister.

Richard Williamson and John Carraway were half-brothers and when John Carraway married Ann Kemp, they became brothers-in-law as well. Ann Foster Carraway died in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in 1692.

Children of Ann Foster and John Caraway:

Mary Caraway married **Lancaster Lovett**.

Elizabeth Caraway married **Nicholas or Nichols**.

John Caraway married **Ann Kemp**.

Searching for where Robert Berry (OC) was born;

I will refer to Robert Berry from Princess Anne County, Virginia, as Robert Berry (PAC).

I will refer to his son, Robert Berry from Orange County, NC, as Robert Berry (OC).

Ann Kemp, who married John Caraway, and Mary Kemp, who married Richard Williamson, were sisters. Ann and Mary's parents were George and Mary Hutchinson Kemp of Kemp's Landing in Princess Anne County, Virginia. Kempsville, Virginia, is named for George Kemp. Many sources support the Williamson and Kemp family relationship. There is a great deal of information about these families in the Genealogy Library in Virginia Beach, Virginia. You will see that many other Surnames found in the early Virginia Colony are clustered around Robert Berry (OC) and his family many years later.

Tully Robinson is found in 1704 Virginia Tax Roll living in Norfolk County and Princess Anne County, Virginia.

William Robinson is found in the 1755 Orange County Tax Roll on page 25.

William Robinson signed Robert Berry's will as a witness in 1812 on page 68.

Nancy Robinson and Alex Robinson were living three farms away from Henry Berry in the 1820 Orange County Census.

Henry Robinson was granted land in Fayette County, Alabama, on May 18th, 1824.

Robert Berry Jr and his son, George Berry, were granted land in Fayette County, Alabama on the 26th of April, 1824.

John Robinson was living on one side of Robert Berry Jr. and David Middleton Berry was living on the other side of his father in the 1830 Fayette County, Alabama, census.

Robert Berry's aunt, Sarah Williamson, married Mathew Mathias in Princess Anne County, Virginia.

Mathew Mathias was living very close to Robert Berry (OC) in the 1755 Orange County Tax List and is listed on the same page. (**See page 26**)

I will point out many more examples like this in this book.

[illegible]

You can see a transcription of this will (**Fig: 4 Page: 17**).

Robert
Berry's
apprment

A True Inventory of the goods Chattels of Robert
Berry deceased, at his late dwelling house, of 4
Sale to Robert Berry the 2 day of November 1780: by
Jm. Murray Jm. Nicholas & Antho: Webb as followeth

one bed & high bedstead 3/6	one 2 ^d low 20/-	2. 15/-
two Tables & one old Trunk		8. 0. 0
one chest and box old 7/6	three pails 3/-	10. 6
two little old boxes & one old Chest		2. 6
one old Chest 8/-	old chairs of best Ironwork	19. 0
a parcel of old Earthenware		2. 6
nine bottles 2/6	two old foal Glases 1/-	3. 3
a parcel of Coopers ware		1. 5. 0
25 powder 22/6	three raw hides 6/-	14. 8. 6
three pots one old Iron on Cottol		15. 0
best old Iron on 2/6	two large Jugs 3/6	5. 6
		<u>2. 8. 6. 9</u>

Brought For
one pair of shoes one side l
four head Cattle 50/-
one Sow & eight Sh

John M m
Jm. Nicho
Antho: l
Presented in c o
and ordered to b

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Transcription of Robert Berry's Will, Princess Anne County

WILL OF ROBERT BERRY September 20th 1730

In the name of God Amen: The twentieth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand and ~~six~~^{seven} hundred and thirty. I Robt Berry of Princess Ann County in Virginia being of perfect mind & memory

vis I give and bequeath to my loving wife Mary Berry my plantation I now live on with

houses cleared ground orchard sharing her gift after her decease to my son Richard Berry and the heirs lawfully begot of his body forever. I give unto my son Richard my gun cupboard. vis I give to my son Robt Berry the plantation I had by my wife farming upon bought this Land of George Williamsons land being about one hundred acres of land to himself and the heirs of his body lawfully begot forever

vis I give to my loving wife Mary Berry all the rest of any Estate both within & without assessing his ——— one young mare my desire is she may be sold & of his proceeds to be divided among all my children in the estate

I so hereby nominate, appoint & ordain my loving wife Mary Berry to be My whole & sole executor of this my last will & testament disposing all former Wills by me made establishing confirming & allowing this to be my last will and Testament & none other——— Testimony whereof I now hereunto to

Set my hand and seal.

His mark

Signed & sealed

Robert—I Berry Seal

In presence of us

Bartho Williamson

Sarah S Mathyas

Presented at court held the 7th October 1730

named then the above last will and testament

Robt Berry died in Princess Ann County

His Executor made oath that she is Mary Berry

Proved by the oath of both his witnesses

Hereunto is ordered to be recorded.

Figure 4: Transcription of Robert Berry's Will 1730 (PAC)

Seeking Information about Robert Berry's (PAC) Origin

Most of Robert Berry's maternal family was located in South Norfolk County, Virginia, in the 1700's. I decided it might be a good idea to search for Berry family surnames in Norfolk County, England. I searched the British Chancery Records 1836–1558 on Ancestry.com. I did this by typing in the surname and looking at where they resided in England. Nearly all of the Robert Berry (PAC) family surnames can be found there. Here are a few family surnames that were found in Norfolk County, England.

Name: Richard Williamson
Place: Norfolk, England
Date: 1538-1544
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Name: Richard Foster
Place: Norfolk, England
Date: 1538-1544
Volume 8
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Bundle 1030

Name: Robert A. Berra
Place: Norfolk, England
Date: 1538-1544
Volume 8
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Bundle 1065

Name: John Cade
Place: Norfolk, England
Date: 1486-1493-1504-1515
Volume 3
Page 305
Bundle 167

Ann Foster married Roger Williamson and they named their first son Richard Williamson. Ann's father was Robert Foster and she was born in England in 1620.



Suffolk County, England¹⁶



Norfolk County, England¹⁷

It seems that whoever named Norfolk and Suffolk in the American colony of Virginia may have had some connection to these two counties in England. Both have about the same physical relationship to each other in America and England. It is a well known fact that many of

the early settlers in Virginia did come from England. Jamestown in America was the first successful English Colony and this is where South Norfolk County was located.

Known Naming Patterns Used In My Berry Family.

The English naming pattern:

First male child was named for his paternal grandfather

Second male child was named for his maternal grandfather.

Third son would be named for his father.

First daughter was usually named for the paternal grandmother.

Second daughter would be named for the maternal grandmother.

Third daughter was named for her mother.

Robert and Mary Williamson Berry seemed not to follow the conventional English naming pattern if you assume that Richard Berry was their first son. This may not be the case at all. Their first son may have been named for his paternal grandfather and the second son, Richard Berry, named for his maternal grandfather, Richard Williamson. The first son may have died after Richard Berry was born and the third son would be named for his father, Robert Berry Senior, or grandfather. This would fit the correct order for naming sons by the English pattern.

A variation of this naming order was used in my line of the Berry family. My grandmother, Ida Ann Wilson Berry, named her first daughter after her paternal grandmother and their second daughter (my mother) for her maternal great-grandmother. This is still naming the first daughter for the paternal side of the family and second daughter after the maternal side.

My third great-grandfather was Thomas Person Berry and his father was **William Berry**. Thomas P. Berry's wife was Sarah Lunsford and her father was named **William Lunsford**. Thomas and Sarah named their first son, William H. Berry, for his paternal grandfather and their second son, Willie Berry, for his maternal grandfather. My Berry family was still following the English pattern in 1836 and 1838.

My mother told me that she was German, Scot-Irish, and English. Her maternal grandparents were Coleman and Wilson (English and Scot-Irish), her Paternal grandparents were Berry and Bowling (English and English). I do not know where the German ancestry came into the mix. Mother did have a maternal great-great-grandmother named Elizabeth Rux Garrett who may have been of German descent, or it might be the Waggoner connections.

Robert Berry (OC) and Elizabeth Cate named their first daughter Mary (paternal mother, Mary Williamson, or paternal grandmother, Mary Kemp,) and their first son Robert Berry Junior (for his father or the paternal grandfather Robert). Their second son was named John Berry for his maternal grandfather, John Cate. Their third son was named Joshua Berry for Elizabeth's older brother, Joshua Cate.

Roger Williamson and Ann Foster married about 1640.

Richard Williamson and Mary Kemp married about 1670.

Mary Williamson and Robert Berry (PAC) married about 1690.

Robert Berry Jr. was born in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in 1729.

Robert Berry Jr. was only about 1 year old when Robert Berry (PAC) died.

Robert Berry (OC) was born about 1729 and died in 1814 at the age of 85.

Robert Berry (OC) and Elizabeth Cate married about 1758. We have not located the father of Robert Berry (PAC) who lived in Princess Anne County, Virginia.

[illegible]

to my daughter Mary Bury w^{ife} of Rob^t Bury

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1704 Virginia Rent Rolls

Aldridge Jno	Parish of St. Peters and St. Paul, 1704
Aldridge Wm	Prince George County, 1704
Ashley Dennis	Norfolk County, 1704
Berrey Robert	Norfolk County, 1704
Blalock Jno	Parish of St. Peters and St. Paul, 1704
Bolling John	Henrico County, 1705
Bolling Rob[t]	Henrico County, 1705
Bowles Henry	Norfolk County, 1704
Bowles Jno	Elizabeth City County, 1704
Bowles John	Parish of St. Peters and St. Paul, 1704
Bowles Robert	King & Queen County, 1704
Bradford John	Accomack
Bradford Richd	Charles City County, 1704
Bradford Wm	Accomack
Carraway John	Princess Anne County, 1704
Crawford Wm Capt	Princess Anne County, 1704
Foster Henry	Norfolk County, 1704
Foster Anne	Surry County, 1704
Foster Wm	Surry County, 1704
Franklin Simon	Princess Anne County, 1704
Gibbs Jno Capt	Princess Anne County, 1704
Gray Jno	Surry County, 1704
Gray Wm Capt	Surry County, 1704
Gray Wm Jun	Surry County, 1704
Holeman James	James City County, 1704
Holman Orphans*	Warwick County, 1704
Hopkins John	James City County, 1704
Hollowell Elener	Norfolk County, 1704
Hollowell Jno	Norfolk County, 1704
Hollowell Jno Sen	Norfolk County, 1704
Hollowell Joseph	Norfolk County, 1704
Hopkins John	James City County, 1704
Hopkins Wm	Parish of St. Peters and St. Paul, 1704
Keeling Adam	Princess Anne County, 1704
Keeling Jno	Princess Anne County, 1704
Keeling Thomas	Princess Anne County, 1704
Kemp James	Princess Anne County, 1704
Martin Wm	Princess Anne County, 1704
Kemp Jno	Princess Anne County, 1704
Lovett Lancaster	Princess Anne County, 1704
Lovett Randolph	Princess Anne County, 1704
Lovett Robert	Princess Anne County, 1704
Lovett Wm	Princess Anne County, 1704
Macklakan Nath.	Princess Anne County, 1704
Macklalin Jno	Princess Anne County, 1704

Mathias Matthew	Princess Anne County, 1704
Moseley Jno	Princess Anne County, 1704
Moseley Widow	Norfolk County, 1704
Moseley Wm Capt	Princess Anne County, 1704
Moseley Wm	Princess Anne County, 1704
Mosseley Edward Mr. Sen	Princess Anne County, 1704
Nash Richard	Norfolk County, 1704
Nash Thomas	Norfolk County, 1704
Nicholls Elizabeth	Princess Anne County, 1704
Nicholson Henry	Norfolk County, 1704
Nicholson Jno	James City County, 1704
Nicholson Jno	Norfolk County, 1704
Nicholson Wm	Accomack
Nicholson Wm	Norfolk County, 1704
Norman Wm	King & Queen County, 1704
Pickles Tho	King & Queen County, 1704
Robinson Tully, Mr.	Princess Anne County, 1704
Robinson Tully*	Norfolk County, 1704
Roundtree Thomas	Nansemond County, 1704
Thorowgood Adam	Princess Anne County, 1704
Thorowgood Argoll, Mr.	Princess Anne County, 1704
Thorowgood John Capt	Princess Anne County, 1704
Thorowgood Robert	Princess Anne County, 1704
Walk Thomas	Princess Anne County, 1704
Whithurst Richard	Norfolk County, 1704
Whithurst Richard	Princess Anne County, 1704
Williamson Bartho	Princess Anne County, 1704
Williamson Jno	Norfolk County, 1704
Williamson Richard	Princess Anne County, 1704
Wishart James	Princess Anne County, 1704
Wishart Wm	Princess Anne County, 1704

This is a selected list of names from the 1704 Virginia Rent Rolls.

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Many of Robert Berry's (PAC) family surnames are his in-laws. They are related to his wife, Mary Williamson. Many of these family surnames seen in these early 1704 Virginia Rent Rolls also appear in the 1755 Orange County, North Carolina, Tax List (**Pages. 25 & 26**).

Since there are so many family surnames appearing in both lists, the odds are that many of them may be related in both locations. You will see many other documents in many areas of America connecting the family relationships of the Kemp, Williamson, Carraway, and Berry families. At this time, all evidence suggests that Robert Berry (OC) is the son of Robert and Mary Williamson Berry from Princess Anne County, Virginia.

NOTE: Robert Berry (OC) was even named Robert Berry Jr. in his Granville Land Survey of 1753. **(See Pg. 47)**

The year Robert Berry (OC) was born, 1729/1730, is exactly the time I had deduced from my earlier research many years ago. Since Robert Berry (OC) died in 1814, he would have been 84 or 85 years old at the time of his death. We know that Robert Berry (OC) died before January 14th, 1815, because this is the date that Mary Berry Camp's children drafted their power of attorney to claim their mother's inheritance **(See Pg. 87)**.

David Edgar Berry tried to connect Robert Berry (OC) to Scotland but I have serious doubts about his research. One major error made in David's work states that Elizabeth Cate Berry died in Tennessee. This is absolutely not true and can be proven. She died in Orange County, North Carolina, about 1815 or 1816. Her husband, Robert Berry (OC), named her in his will that he wrote in 1812 **(See Pg. 68)**. The will was probated in 1814 in Orange County, North Carolina. Elizabeth and her son, Henry Berry, were administrators of that will. There are many other misstatements in his research that can be proven incorrect. Many electronic family tree files quote David's information verbatim, but my research brings out many serious questions about its validity. Martha Mangum and I made attempts to work with David soon after he had published his tree. David died before our views could be reconciled. I only mention this to caution you not to be too quick to believe that Robert Berry (OC) was of Scottish descent.

I have only two sources of information that list a Robert Berry who was born about 1730. This is the appropriate age for our ancestor Robert Berry (OC). Robert Berry appears to be originally from England in both or them.

In Peter Wilson Coldham's book¹⁹ recorded on a CD:

"The record states that in 1744" Robert Berry of Devon, England, 14 years of age is shown as indicted, convicted and sentenced to 14 years in gaol (jail). He is reprieved and transported to Kent County, Maryland. He arrives there on 15 April 1744 where he is indentured.

Individual: Robert Berry

Place: Maryland

Year: 1744

Primary Individual: Berry, Robert

Source Code: 6419.10"

I do not think the above record is our Robert Berry (OC).

One reason I do not think this is our Robert Berry (OC) is because he would not have had very much money in 1751. After having been indentured as a virtual slave for 7 years, it is likely he would have had very limited means. If this Robert Berry served his full 7 year indenture, he would have been a free man in 1751. The general rule was that after an indentured man completed his obligation, the Master only had to provide the indentured person with a gun, shot, powder, and a new suit of clothes.

Robert Berry (OC) had funds when he made entry for his Granville Land Grant on February 6th, 1752. There is also no evidence that he ever had any problems making his quitrent payments or taxes, either. Robert Berry Jr., who was born in Princess Anne County, Va., inherited property from his father and would have had money.

Here is a record that is more likely to be our Robert Berry (OC).

The fact that Robert Berry (OC) indentured himself to Samuel Hollowell²⁰ in Virginia leads me to believe that he is our North Carolina ancestor. Samuel Hollowell is thought to have been married to Robert Berry's (OC) sister. After Mary Williamson Berry died, Robert Berry

(OC) apprenticed himself to learn the carpentry trade in 1746, and 5 years later he was in Granville County, North Carolina.

A person over 15 years old could bind himself to servitude from 2 to 7 years. The Court indentured Robert Berry during his minor years in 1746 to Samuel Hollowell. Robert Berry would have been 21 years old in 1751 and would have been free from that indenture because of his age. This is the exact same year that our Robert Berry came to North Carolina.

“Name: Berry, Robert.

Apprentices of Virginia: Master: Hollowell, Samuel

Apprentices of Virginia: Beginning date: 08/19/1746

Apprentices of Virginia: Sex: male”²¹

In both of these records Robert Berry’s birth year is very close to what we know about Robert Berry’s (OC) age. They were both free of their indenture by 1751, also. As far as I can tell, there is no other evidence that the 14 year old Robert Berry from Devon, England,

.. is Robert Berry (OC) and even if he was, he would still be from England and not Scotland.

Some Early Family Surnames In England

Here is a source of English surnames that appear in Norfolk County, England, Norfolk County, Virginia, and Orange County, NC. These same names show up in many other places in this country where the descendants of our Robert Berry (OC) lived.

The Norfolk Ancestor is a journal of the NFHS (Norfolk Historical Society). In the March 2008 issue they published surnames of many of their residents. I have selected a few of our family surnames who resided in Norfolk County, England.

SURNAME	PERIOD	MN
“BARTON North Central	Pre 1810	10616
BERRY South East	all time periods	10837
BOWLES North Central	all time periods	10678
BREEZE North East	all time periods	10773
CROWE North East	all time periods	10656
KEMP South East	Pre 19 century	10683
LAWRENCE all sections	all time periods	10613”

From the December 2007 issue of the Norfolk Ancestor:

SURNAME	PERIOD	MN
“FORSTER North Central	1700-1900	10475
WILLIAMSON North West	1700	10468”

Some Early Family Surnames In North Carolina

I have marked on the 1755 Orange County Tax List some known names associated with Robert Berry in Orange County, North Carolina, Princess Anne County, Virginia, and in England.

Thomas Brooks	1 0	Abraham Mc Daniel	1 0
John Mahery	1 0	John Beasley	1 0
Owen Reed	1 0	Thomas Berry	1 0
John Dunagan	1 0	Thomas Vestal	2 0
James Dochester	2 0	William Vestal	1 0
Hugh Taylor	1 0	John Alfred	1 0
John Ferguson	1 0	James Crawford	1 0
Timothy Coe	1 0	Joseph Wells, Senr.	1 0
Daniel May	1 0	William Leachey	1 0
William Gorsort	1 0	George Hobson, Senr.	2 0
Aaron Skaggs	1 0	Joseph Wells, Junr	1 0
Dial Parry	1 0	Thomas Carr	2 0
John Kogle	1 0	Samuel Krieffen	1 0
William Aldrige	1 0	John Jones	1 0
Simore York	1 0	Peter Hilton	2 0
Edmond Chambers	1 0	Henry Whitfills	1 0
Luke Smith	1 0	Jacob Summers	1 0
Peter Hilton, Junr.	1 0	Daniel Mc Daniel	2 0
James Hilton	1 0	Samuel Chapman	1 0
William Cop	1 0	Giles Chapman	1 0
John Hornaday	1 0	Lodwick Suring	1 0
William Mc Harson	1 0	Conrod Low	4 0
Richard Camp	1 0	William Brown	1 0
Joseph Doan	1 0	William Nelson	1 0
John Doan	1 0	Aaron Jones	1 0
Anthony Chamnee	1 0	Adam Trolinger	2 0
Simon Dickson	1 0	Nicholas Butts	1 0
Harmon Davis	1 0	Conrod Straiden	1 0
Patrick Coyle	1 0	Christian Morris	1 0
William Robinson	1 0	Gasper Prarr	1 0
James Nickelson	1 0	George Clap	2 0
James Vestal	2 0	Jochariah Cox	1 0
Peter Gfland	1 0	Tetter Leaney	1 0

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Some more known names associated with Robert Berry in Orange County, North Carolina, Princess Anne County, Virginia, and England.

Edward Cator	1 0	David Mitchell	1 0
Joseph Maddock	4 0	Daniel Bradford	1 0
Crook Lewis	1 0	Alexander The Craiken	1 0
Fredrick Watt	1 0	John Green	1 0
John Janson	1 0	John Tenant	2 0
Thomas Davis	1 0	Robert Baray	1 0
Francis Day	3 0	Caleb Bentley Bently	1 0
James Elliot	1 0	David Pinkerton	2 0
James Burney	2 0	Joseph Duncan	1 0
Robert Davis	1 0	Hackey Warren	1 0
James Latta	1 0	William Holton	1 0
James Denny	1 0	James Wilkinson	1 0
Moses Ridley wt his		James Horton	2 0
wife Mary & Mulattres	0 2	George Douthen	1 0
Henry Mayner wt. Peter,		Joseph Vouse	1 0
a negro	1 1	James Anglan	1 0
William Hartin	1 0	Henry Waynan	1 0
Matthuer Matress	1 0	George Waynan	1 0
✓ Ephraim West	2 0	Benjamin Cadle	1 0
Henry Gould	2 0	Lawrence Thompson	3 0
John Burd	1 0	James Mordock	1 0
Thomas Crompton	5 0	Patrick Rodefod	1 0
James Suaford	1 0	Hosea Tapley wt. Codger,	
John Embray	1 0	Sara & Annaga, negroes	1 3
Moses Embray	1 0	John Anderson	4 0
Thomas Holden	4 0	Robert Lytle	2 0
James Campbell	2 0	Zachariah Cadle Junr.	1 0
Cairns Tenant	1 0	Nicholas Colbertson	3 0
Alexander Leackey	1 0	Griffen Humphraye	2 0
John Krist	2 0	Edmond Crouchfield	1 0
Thomas Thompson	3 0	Richard Kibbe	2 0
James Hart	2 0	James Mc Alister	2 0
James Taylor	3 0	John Alison	1 0
		Isaac Gaddis	1 0

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Henry Waggoner is George Waggoner's father, and Patrick Rutherford owned the property adjoining Robert Berry's (OC) Fiddleton Plantation in 1780. The rest of these surnames can be found in PAC, VA. It is a fact that Robert Berry (OC) was in North Caronia in 1751. He had already built a small cabin in the northeast corner of his property near Thomas Bradford's southeast corner before he made entry for his land grant on Feb. 6th, 1752, in Granville County.

Transcription of John Kemp's 1723 Will

"In the name of God Amen I John Kemp and Elder of the parish of Linhavon & county of Princess Anne and Colony of Virginia being sick in body but sound of mind & memory blessed by God do make this My last Will & testament in manner following Vis: First I bequeath my soul into the hands of my merciful creator & my body to the earth to be decently buried according to the decision of my executor. In hopes of a joyful resurrection through the merits & by the meditations of Jesus Christ.

Second I give and bequeath to my cousin **John Williamson** the said plantation which I now live to him and his heirs forever.

Third I give and bequeath to my cousins **George Kemp & Roger Williamson & John Williamson** the remaining part of that tract of land sold to **Matthew Mathias**. And my will is that my cousin **George Kemp** to have the North and or share where my hogg pens are, the other part to be divided between said **Roger** and **John Williamson** I give the said parcel of land to them my two cousins & their heirs forever. I give and bequeath unto my sister **Elizabeth Smith** & cousin **Mary Wishard** & cousin **Roger Williamson** pewter and earthenware Except two basins I give to my cousin **John Williamson** to be first chosen & (unreadable word) and remaining to be equally divided between my sister and the two cousins before mentioned to whom I give the same. I give and bequeath the bed whereon I now lay .to my cousin **John Williamson** with the covering that belonging it. I give and bequeath to my cousin **Mary Wishard** my new bed & furniture that is with it. I give to my cousin **Roger Williamson** my old bed. I give unto my sister **Eliz Smith** eleven and a quarter Brown Holland, Eight yards fine linen now in house. I give and bequeath to my cousin **Ann Cooper** wife of **Thomas Cooper**. Four ewes & four lambs' young ewes. I give the remainder of the sheep to be divided between my cousins **Roger & John Williamson** & cousin **Mary Wishard** equally. I give my cattle & hogs only excepted which give my cousin **James Kemp** at my hog pens to be equally divided between my three cousins **Roger & John Williamson** & cousin **Mary Wishard** I give my sister **Eliz Smith** the benefit. I give unto my cousin **Roger Williamson** my Negro Woman, Nany to him & his heirs forever. give unto my cousin **Thom Wishard** the older my riding Saddle & bridle. I give and bequeath unto my cousin **Mary Kemp daughter of George Kemp** my crab spice Mortar & pestle & great Bible & wicker basket on mantle piece. to her & her heirs. I give unto my cos: **Jhn Williamson** My new curb bridle & my broad Cloth: riding Coat & new coat & vest now made. I give unto my brother-In-law **Will Smith** my circuit cutter riding coat. viz I give unto my Cus : **Roger Williamson** all of remaining part of my cloths: Vis I give unto my sister **Eliz Smith** my cousin **Mary Wishard** & cousins **Roger & Jhn Williamson** all the remaining part of my estate Except only the Great Bible which do give my cousin **Mary Kemp**.to them & their heirs. Lastly I do hereby nominate, appoint, & empower **Thoms Wishard & Geo Williamson** my executors to do & perform this my last will and Testament according to the aforementioned & in witness of & confirmation whereas have set my hand & seal 4th day of March 1723...

Jn. I Kemp

Signed & sealed in presence of.....Princes Anne open court --- first April 1724
Exect **G Williamson** Sam grandbery.....within last will of **Jhn Kemp** and was
presented in

Autho Walke.....Court by his exors who made oath thereunto being proved by
.....all of witnesses therefore is admitted to record."

Some Norfolk County Court and Land Records

Deed Book 5 page 11²²

“Indenture 5 Aug 1735 **Roger Williamson** leased to Edward Thurston of Norfolk, Va. For 5 schillings 50 acres land given by **John Kemp, Sr.** to his cousin **George Kemp** and **Roger Williamson** bound to **James Kemp, John Williamson, Henry Mathias** and **William Robinson** Aug 6 1735.”

William Robinson was listed in the 1755 Orange County Tax list (**Page 25**).

William Robinson is five dwellings away from Thomas Berrey in the 1755 Orange County Tax list.

William Robinson witnessed Robert Berry’s (OC) will in 1812 in N.C. (**See Pg. 68**)

“P 155 Release of land from Wm. **Craford** to George Williamson dated 6 Dec. 1727”

James Craford is on the 1755 Orange County Tax list (**Page 243**).

“August 1751 On motion of **William Martin**²³ it is ordered that he have the Labor of two Negro boys named Hercules and Ceasar as an apprentice for taking George Askis an apprentice and its further ordered that the said **Martin** have leave to carry said Negro into North Carolina with him provided he give bond and security in the sum of 200 lbs current money of Virginia to see he said Negroes fourth coming when lawful remanded.”

These men are listed on pages **25 & 26** in the 1755 Orange County Tax List.

William Hartin? (Martin. H was transcribed in place of M) was living next door to **Mathew Mathias** in the 1755 Orange County Tax list (**Page 26**).

Robert Berry (OC) is the nephew of **Sarah Williamson & Matthew Mathias** (**page 14**).

Henry Gould (Gold) was living two dwellings away from **William Hartin (Martin?)** in the 1755 Orange County Tax list (**Page 26**).

Henry Gold was the sworn chain carrier in Robert Berry’s (OC) 1753 survey for the Granville Land grant. (*Gould family is in the 1704 Rent Rolls from PAC, VA.*)

David Bradford was listed three dwellings away from Robert Berry in the 1755 Orange County tax list. Thomas Bradford’s property joined Robert Berry’s Granville Land Grant on the north boundary in 1753.

James Nickleson is in 1755 Orange County Tax list (**Page 25**).

Richard Camp is six dwellings from William Robinson and can be seen on the 1755 Orange County tax list (**Page 25**). **Wm. Robinson** is also a witness to Robert Berry’s will. (**See Pg. 68**).

It is very likely that this group of young men came to North Carolina with Robert Berry (OC) from Princess Anne County, Virginia. Some were relatives, others were neighbors and friends. **John Cate** and his brother, **Thomas Cate**, may have come to Orange County with this group, also. John was born in Prince George County, Va., which was created from Norfolk County, Virginia, as was Princess Anne County, Virginia.

All of these recently found facts indicate that Robert Berry (OC) was born in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in 1729. We know he lived about 65 years in Orange County, North Carolina, and is buried on his own plantation in the private Fiddleton cemetery. He died in 1814 at the approximate age of 85.

Many of Robert Berry’s (OC) neighbors are buried in the Little River

Presbyterian Church Cemetery. The Presbyterian movement was brought to America by Scotch-Irish settlers.

The cemetery may be viewed at this URL address:
<http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/orng/cem039.html>

From the 1723 Richard Williamson will: ²⁴

Richard names family members:

Wife: not mentioned by name but referred to as My Wife. (Mary Kemp)

Sons: Roger, John, Bart, George,

Daughters: Mary Berry, wife of Robert Berry; Sarah, wife of Matthew Mathias;
Ann Whitehurst, wife of Hugh.

Grandson: Caleb, son of his daughter Ann Whitehurst, wife of Hugh.

Witness: Anthony Webb, George SHIRLEY, Mary SHIRLEY,
Princess Anne County, Virginia

Abstracts of Property Lines and Robert Berry's Relatives

Most of Robert Berry's (PAC) wife's family owned property adjoining George Shirley's land in Princess Anne County. Princess Anne County was formed from Lower Norfolk County in 1691. There is a known marriage relationship between the Kemp family and the Shirley family in England. (See Page 32)

George Shirley and the Williamson family were large land owners.

"The lines between Jno **Whitehurst** and Hen **Whitehurst** and Anthony Webb and Jno Whitehurst, **Robt. Berry** and Antho Webb processioned **Geo: Wmson** and GEORGE SHIRLEY present.

The lines between **Robt Berry** and **George Wm'son** and **Robt Berry** and GEORGE SHIRLEY processioned **Hen Whitehurst** and **Jno Whitehurst** present.

The lines between GEORGE SHIRLEY and Jno Achis and GEORGE SHIRLEY and Fra' Corbet and Jno Ackis and Fra Corbett, **Robt Berry** and **Hen Whitehurst** present.

Ye lines between **Charles Smythe** and Fra Corbett and **Hen Whitehurst** a dn **Charles Smyth** and **Hen Whitehurst** and Fra Corbet processioned **Robt Berry** and Edw Holmes

Neighbors of George Shirley

June ye 3rd 1724 An account of land procesioned [no location listed] by **John Murray Junr**

The line between John Murray and Edw Wood and Henry Nichlos and Edw Wood [?] and Henry Nichlos and Mr Botillios and Jno Scott and **Jno Murray** and Mr. Botillios processioned in ye lines of **Richd Nichlos** and **Jno Murray**,

the line between David Scott and Mr. Bo[] prossessioned Fra Goram present,

the lines between **Jno Murray** and David Scott and **Robert B**[] and David Scott and Jno Murray and **Robt Berry** and **Jno Murray** [] **Hugh Whitehurst** and **Henry Whithurst** present. The lines between Jno Murray and Geo burk and **Jno Murray** and Wm [] processioned **Hugh Whitehurst** and **Henry Whitehurst** present.

The lines between **Robt Berry** and **Wm Nichlos** and **Robt Berry** and David Scott and Wm [] processioned **Henry Whitehurst** and **Jno Murray present**,

The lines between David Scott and **Elenor Whitehust** and Between David Scott and [Hen Wise?] and **Wm Nichlos** and [Hen Wise?] and **Wm Nichlos** and **Henry**

Whitehurst processioned **Robt Berry** and Wm Edmonds present.
The lines between **Henry Whithurst** and **Jas Whitehurst** and Henry and Elenor Whithurst processioned **Robt Whithurst** and **Hugh Whithurst** present.
The line between David [] and **Wm Nichlos** and **Henry Whitehurst** and **Wm Nichlos** processioned in ye presence of **Hugh Whitehurst**
The line between **Wm Nichlos** and Stephen Pew processioned David Scott present.
the line David Scott and **Hugh Whitehurst** processioned **Wm Nichlos** present
The line between **Henry Whitehurst** and Stephen Pew processioned in ye precesence of us **Anthony Webb** and Hen Wiles
The lines between Jno Whitehurst and Hen Whitehusrt and Antho Webb and Jno Whitehurst, Robt Berry (PAC)²⁵ and Antho Webb processioned Geo: Wmson and GEORGE SHIRLEY present.
The lines between **Robt Berry** and **George Wm'son** and **Robt Berry** and GEORGE SHIRLEY processioned **Hen Whitehurst** and **Jno Whitehurst** present.
The lines between GEORGE SHIRLEY and Jno Achis and GEORGE SHIRLEY and Fra' Corbet and Jno Ackis and Fra Corbett, **Robt Berry**²⁶ and **Hen Whitehurst** present.
Ye lines between **Charles Smythe** and Fra Corbett and **Hen Whitehurst** a dn **Charles Smyth** and **Hen Whitehurst** and Fra Corbet processioned **Robt Berry** and Edw Holmes
Ye lines between Capt Walke and **Char Smyth** and Fra Corbett
Neighbors of George Shirley Murray and Robt Berry and Jno Murray [] Hugh Whitehurst and Henry Whithurst present.
The lines between **Jno Murray** and Geo Burke and **Jno Murray** and Wm [] process signed **Hugh Whitehurst** and **Henry Whitehurst** present.
The lines between **Robt Berry** and **Wm Nichlos** and **Robt Berry** and David Scott and Wm [] processioned **Henry Whitehurst** and Jno Murray present,
The lines between David Scott and **Elenor Whitehurst** and Between David Scott and [Hen Wise?] and **Wm Nichlos** and [Hen Wise?] and **Wm Nichlos** and **Henry Whitehurst** processioned **Robt Berry** and Wm Edmonds
Sept 17 1731 An account of land processioned on ye South Side of ye Eastern Branch by me Thomas Wiles
The land of Aron Fentris processioned with a quet procession in the presence of Moses Fentris and John Fentris
The land of Moses Fentris...in the presence of Michael Fentris and James Fentris
The land of **Capt George Kemp**...Capt John Ivy and **James Kemp**
The land of John Shipp...Moses Fentris and William Shipp
The land of Francis Ackiss...**George Williamson** and Richard Corbitt
The land of George Williamson...John Whitehurst and Richard Whitehurst
The land of Anthony Webb...**John Whitehurst** and James Fentris
The land of **Robert Berry** ...**George Shirley** and Richard Corbett
The land of John Corbitt...**George Shirley** and **John Whitehurst**
The land of Col. Anthony Walke...Francis Ackiss and **James Kemp**
The land of George Shirley...George Wiliamson and Richard Whitehurst
The land of Moses Fentris Jr...**George Shirley** and **Tho: Whitehurst**
The land of James Fentris ...Michael Fentris and **Geo: Williamson**

The land of John Whitehurst...George Shirley and Richd: Whitehurst
 The land of Thomas Whitehurst...Anthony Webb and George Shirley
 The land of William Fentris...**John Murden** and **John Hopkins**
 The land of **John Hopkins** ...**John Murden** and John Fentris
 The land of **Lemuel Nicholason**...**John Hopkins** and John Fentris
 The land of **Mark Wood** ...**John Hopkins** and John Fentris
 The land of **John Murden** ...William Shipp and Anthony Webb
 The land of Wiliam Shipp...William Fentris and Anthony Webb
 The land of Thomas Wiles... William Edmons and John Fentris
 The land of **Mary Whitehurst**...**John Whitehurst** Moses Fentris
 The land of **Nathanial Nicklis**...Samuel Wiles and Michael Fentris
 The land of **John Wiliamson** ...William Ackiss and Richard Corbitt
 The land of **Roger Williamson** ...William Ackiss and Richard Corbitt
 Ye lines between **Charles Smythe** and Fra Corbett and **Hen Whitehurst & Charles Smyth & Hen Whitehurs t&** Fra Corbet processioned **Robt Berry** & Edw Holmes
 The line between John Murray and Edw Wood and Henry Nichlos and Edw Wood
 [?] and Henry Nichlos and Mr Botillios and Jno Scott and Jno Murray and Mr.
 Botillios processioned in ye lines of Richd Nichlos and Jno Murray,
 the line between David Scott and Mr. Bo[] prossessioned Fra Goram present, the lines
 between Jno Murray & David Scott & **Robert B**[] & David Scott & Jno present.
 The lines between **Henry Whithurst** and **Jas Whitehust** and Henry and Elenor
Whithurst processioned **Robt Whithurst** and **Hugh Whithurst** present.
 The line between David [] and **Wm Nichlo**²⁷s and **Henry Whitehurst** and **Wm Nichlos** processioned in ye presence of **Hugh Whitehurst**
 Neighbors of George Shirley June ye 3rd 1724
 An account of land procesioned [no location listed] by John Murra Junr The line between
Wm Nichlos & Stephen Pew processioned David Scott present.
 The land of William Ackiss...**Roger Williamson** and Richard Corbitt
 The land of Murray **John Mathias**...**John Williamson** and Richard Corbitt
 The land of Henry Matthias...John Williamson and Roger Williamson
 The land of William Cartwright...**Capt Kemp**²⁸ and **John Williamson**
 The land of Bartholomew Williamson ...John Williamson and Richard Corbitt
 The land of George Pardy...William Cartwright and Richd Corbitt
 The land of **Tully Smyth**...**Capt Kemp** and Richard Corbitt
 The land of **Coll. Craford**...Moses Fentris and **George Shirley**
 The land of **William Robertson**...**Capt Kemp** and Moses Fentris
 The land of **Palmer Moseley**...**Capt John :Moseley** and William Cartwright
 The land of **Capt John Moseley**...**Palmer Moseley** and William Cartwright.
 Nearly all of the highlighted names are related to **Mary Williamson** and her family.
 Mary Williamson was the Wife of Robert Berry (PAC).
 Craford, Murray, Murden, (Maden), Wood, Webb, Hopkins. (See Pages 239 – 251)
 All of these surnames are also found in Orange County, North Carolina; Kemp, Mathias,
 Murray, Wood, Webb, Nichols/Nichols, and Hopkins. There are connections between the Berry
 family in Orange County, NC, and most of these names. There is a Hopkins Family living with
 Henry Berry in the 1850 Orange County, North Carolina, Census. (See Page 202)

George Kemp's Will

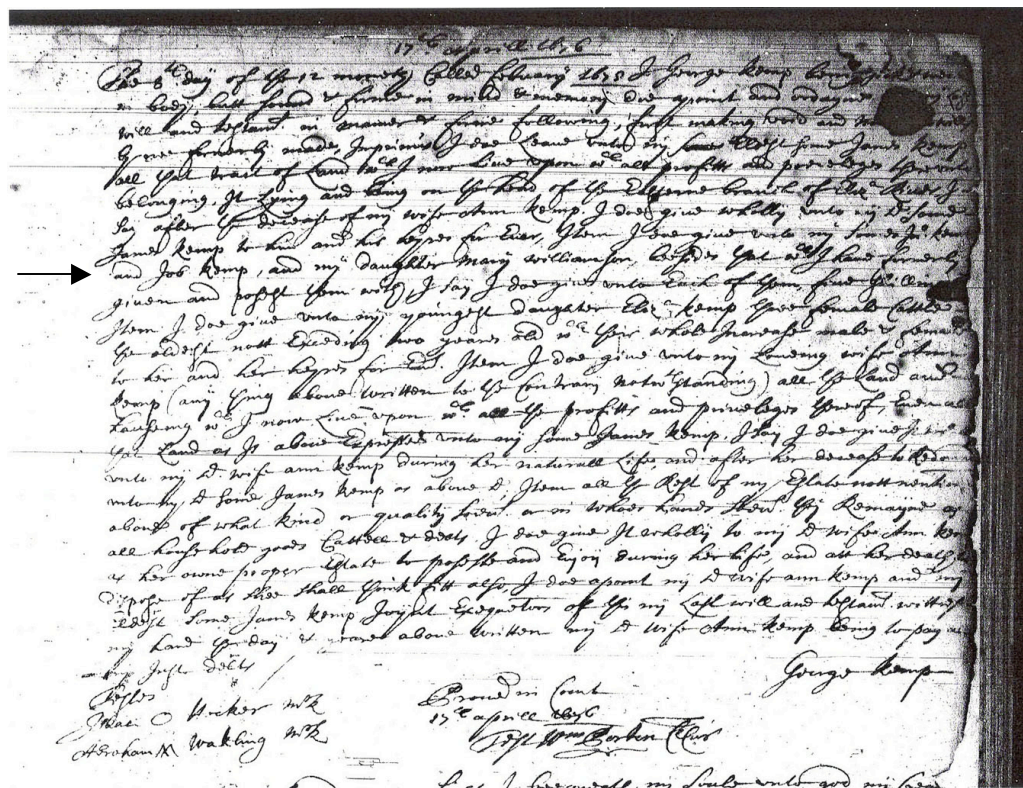


Figure 6: George Kemp's Will 1678

George Kemp names his daughter in this will as Mary Williamson. I have located a connection between the Shirley family and the Kemp family. We already know that many members of the Williamson family, including Robert Berry (PAC), owned property adjoining George Shirley in Princess Anne County, Virginia (See Pages 29 to 31). George and Mary Shirley were also witnesses on Richard Williamson's will (See Fig. 5, Pg. 20).

Some Information from the Shirley Family Association Web Page ²⁹

"In 1640, George Kemp is 28 years of age".

"Ann Kemp was the wife of Sir Thomas Shirley, the elder. Her brother, Sir Thomas Kemp, was the father of Mary Kemp who married Edward Digges, son of Sir Dudley Digges. Edward and Mary went to VA."

"A John and George Kemp appraised Rev. Josias Mackis estate in 1718 in Princess Anne Co. John Shirley, Sr. is mentioned." *I think that Josias Mackis may have been Josias M. Ackiss.*

Many surnames associated with our Robert Berry (OC) family are listed in Norfolk County, England; South Norfolk County, Virginia; the 1704 Virginia Rent Rolls, and the 1755 Orange County Tax List. ³⁰ Starting at the top of page 29 and continuing to page 31 you see George Shirley owns property adjoining Robert Berry, the Kemps, Williamson, Mathias, Nichlos, Wood, Hopkins, and Whitehurst families. It also connects the Kemp family to the Shirley family by a marriage. The Williamson family married into the Kemp, Whitehurst, Mathias, Nichlos, and Berry families. See John Kemp's will (See Page 27) and Richard Williamsons will (See Fig. 5, Pg. 20).

Two of Robert Berry's (OC) children married descendants of the Kemp family in Orange County, North Carolina. Mary Berry first married George Waggoner, who died from wounds received at the battle of Guilford Courthouse in 1781, and then she married **James Kemp** around December, 1781.

Robert Berry Jr. married James Kemp's sister, **Mary Kemp**. Robert Jr. and Mary Kemp Berry's first child was a little girl they named Catherine. Catherine Berry was born in 1785. Their first son was named **George** Berry who was born about 1786. All of their children were born in Orange County, NC. Robert Berry Jr. is the only son of Robert (OC) and Elizabeth Cate Berry to use the name **George** as a given name. **George Kemp** in Princess Anne County, Virginia, is most likely Mary Kemp Berry's ancestor. My guess is that **George Berry** was named for **George Kemp**. This exact relationship remains to be proven.

I have the wills of:

Richard Williamson (Fig. 5, Pg. 20)

John Kemp's will transcription. (Pg: 27)

Robert Berry (PAC) (Fig. 3, Pg. 16)

George Kemp (PAC) (Fig. 6, Pg. 32)

Robert Berry (OC) (Page 68)

A Court Record that states: Robert Berry indentured himself to Samuel Hollowell.

Princess Anne County, Virginia, to Orange County, North Carolina.

This Berry/Kemp family connection in Princess Anne County, Virginia, continued into North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, and Alabama for many years. Mary Berry married James Kemp/Camp and Robert Berry Jr. married Mary Kemp/Camp in Orange County, N.C. Both of these families migrated directly from North Carolina at different times and homesteaded in South Carolina and Alabama.

In the 1755 Orange County Tax List, most of the men who may have come to North Carolina together were young single men. Some of them may have been married and left their wives and families back home. Richard Camp, William Robinson, James Nicholson, Thomas Berry, James Craford, William Martin, Mathew Mathias, and Robert Berry all listed as single men with no slaves and this usually meant that these men were staking out property to establish a homestead. Henry Gould and Richard Gibbs both listed 2 in their household. A listing of 2 would usually mean that the head of household was married. When 2 men shared a dwelling, both names were enumerated. Since John Cate was born in Prince George County, Virginia, and that county lay west of Princess Anne County and on the route to Granville County, North Carolina, I think it is possible that John Cate and his brothers may have joined the group of young explorers traveling to North Carolina. The distance from Princess Anne County to Hillsborough, North Carolina is 238 miles today. This could be done on horseback in about 12 to 14 days. There is always a possibility that the Cate and Berry families may have had other connections in Virginia or even in England that we have yet to discover. All the evidence indicates that they had a very close relationship after arriving in North Carolina.

The part of Orange County where Robert Berry (OC) and John Cate homesteaded was in Granville County when they arrived in North Carolina. A short time later that part of Granville County became Orange County. By settling near the Flat River and moving south to stake their

claims, these young men obviously arrived there together. If they had gone into the area that is now Hillsborough, they would have been moving north to claim available land there. There was a gap of unclaimed land between the Flat River settlement and the Hillsborough settlement. When the 1755 Tax List was compiled, clusters of names in the two areas clearly pointed out this fact. I think most all of the settlers in the Flat River area were second or third generation Americans. In an article quoted below written about Francis Nash, the author very clearly described conditions in Orange County when our ancestors first arrived there.

“FRANCIS NASH, fourth son of John and Ann Owen Nash, was born at Templeton Manor, the homestead of his father in Prince Edward County, Virginia, about 1742. I have given some account of his ancestry in the sketch of his brother, Governor Abner Nash. His father was a well-to-do planter and gave his sons such an education as befitted their condition. Francis Nash certainly had a good English education and some acquaintance with the classics.

The two brothers, Abner and Francis, seem to have come to Childsburg, now Hillsborough, in late 1762 or early 1763. Francis located there, while Abner in a few months went elsewhere. Childsburg had then all the roughness and rawness and raggedness of a back country settlement. It had been the county seat about nine years of a county that was great in territory but small in population. At this time, there were about a dozen dwellings in it, and all of these except three or four were simple log cabins. Two at least of the frame buildings were taverns. Only two of the streets had been laid off, and these at their north and west ends were mere broad roads through a forest. The courthouse was built of logs, while the jail was a small log cabin surrounded by a high stockade. There was no resident minister of the gospel, no church and no schoolhouse. There were two or three small stores on the corners near the court-house. Edmund Fanning had come a few months before and, besides practicing law, was a partner in one of these mercantile establishments. Francis Nash brought some capital with him, and he also invested in a store.”

Source: (Biographical History of North Carolina from Colonial Times to Present, By Samuel A. Ashe, Vol. III, published 1906)

After considering the routes to North Carolina that were available to the migrating settlers in 1750, I think I can explain why Robert Berry (OC) located where he did in North Carolina. I also think I can explain how Robert Berry (OC) first met John Cate and his family. It seems reasonable that a group of young men who were traveling into the wilderness would follow a river or stream when they could because this is where the wild game would come to drink water. Since wild game would be the major source of their food, it would make sense to use as little effort in securing their food as possible. The James River in Virginia can be followed from eastern Virginia to Richmond or to the Old Indian Trail. There was an old Indian trail that connected Richmond through Petersburg to the Eno River where the Occaneechi Indian village was located. The old Occaneechi Indian Village is in Hillsborough, N.C., today. As Robert Berry and his party of explorers left Princess Anne County, Virginia, westward along the south side of Chesapeake Bay, they had to pass through Norfolk, Nansemond, Isle of Wight, Surry, Prince George, Charles City, and Henrico Counties to reach Petersburg, Virginia.

Robert Berry and his party may have met the Cate family as they journeyed through Surry County. John Cate, his sons and brothers likely joined this group as they passed through

Surry County on their way to North Carolina. According to the research that I have seen, our Cate family lived in Surry County, Virginia, before coming to North Carolina. Unfortunately, I have never been able to find documentation substantiating this. I do think Robert Berry knew John Cate and his family before he entered North Carolina.

Shortly before the pioneers reached the Eno River on the Old Indian Trail, they had to cross the Flat River. Immediately after crossing the Flat River, they made a sharp turn to the north. As they traveled up the Flat River it gradually veered slowly to the west. It eventually led to the exact point where John Cate's Granville Land Grant was surveyed on **December 4th, 1753**. A statement that is in the description of John Cate's Grant reads: "land surveyed on both sides of Flat River."

After John Cate had located his land, Robert Berry (OC) headed south from that Flat River following a tributary known as Lick Creek. The first available unclaimed land that Robert Berry (OC) found was south of the Thomas Bradford property. Robert Berry (OC) claimed this land in 1751. He made entry for this property on February 6th, 1752, and the survey for his Granville Land Grant was done on **December 3rd, 1753**. Thomas Cate was a sworn chain carrier on Robert Berry's (OC) and John Cate's surveys.

John Cate was granted two separate tracts of land in Orange County, North Carolina. This land was later included in Caswell County, and it eventually became part of Person County. The first tract was surveyed on December 4th, 1753, (**See Page 37**) and the second tract was surveyed on October 13th, 1758. (**See Page 39**) It was the second tract of land that has been located near Lick Creek in the Google maps on **page 40**. I am unsure where the earlier grant was located but I think it was very close to the second grant property.

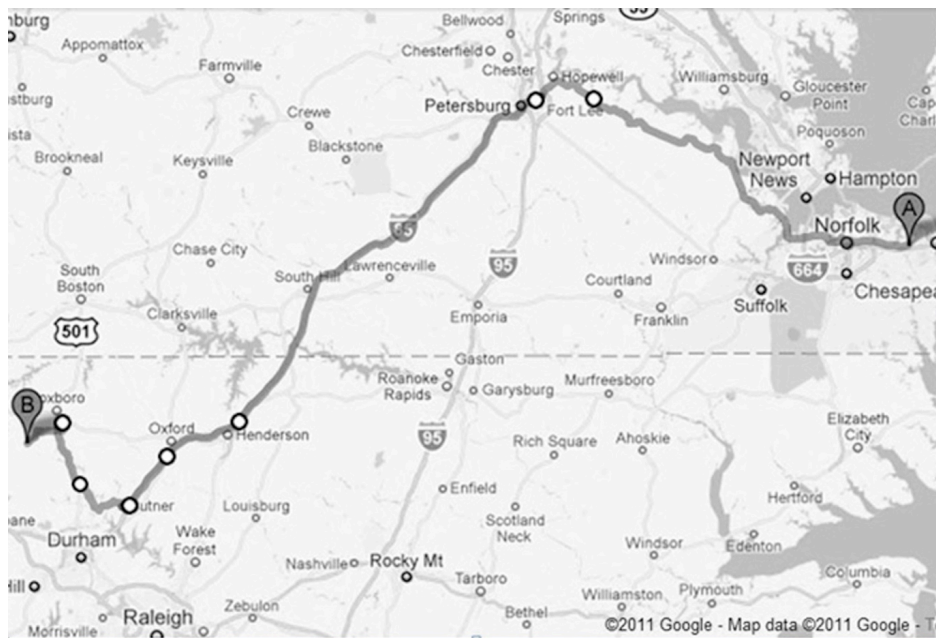


Figure 7: Route from Virginia to North Carolina

This was a route used by many fur traders from the early 1700's as noted on page 36. In his book *"A NEW VOYAGE TO CAROLINA"*, John Lawson describes part of the Old Indian Trail between Hillsborough and Haw River which became Orange County, North Carolina, in May of 1851.

This Old Indian Trail passed through Granville County, North Carolina, in February of

1851 when Robert Berry (OC) first came to the state.

For a very long time, I thought Robert Berry (OC) came down the Shenandoah Valley from Maryland. This was based on the first record I ever found about a Robert Berry, who was indentured in Maryland, and who was the right age to be our Robert Berry (OC). This was the reason I thought Robert Berry chose the land he did. There was an expansion from the North Carolina line toward the South and there was land being granted starting at Hillsborough in a northern direction. There was a gap of unclaimed land between the two expansions. There was obviously a path of some kind between Fiddleton and Hillsborough because that is where Robert's quit rent was paid and where he went to serve on jury duty many times.

If Robert Berry (OC) was born in Princess Anne County, Virginia, he would have entered North Carolina via the Old Indian Trail that leads from Petersburg, Virginia, to Hillsborough, North Carolina. Robert Berry's Granville Land Grant was 14 miles north of Hillsborough. Traveling at 20 miles per day, it would take about two weeks to go from Princess Anne County to Fiddleton.

John Lawson³¹ describes some land close to Hillsborough in his book. Even though Lawson was there in 1704 and Robert Berry (OC) arrived there about 47 years later, I doubt that much had changed in the Occaneechi Indian Village that John Lawson called the "Achonechi Town". John Lawson's book is the earliest known record of Native Americans and description of the natural virgin wilderness in North Carolina. His reason for being there was to catalog the plants and herbs that could be made into medicines of the day. In 1704 John Lawson wrote in his book, "*A NEW VOYAGE TO CAROLINA*",³² as he was traveling from Haw River to the Indian Village on the Eno River. Lawson's party had spent the night near Haw River, which was about 20 miles west of Hillsborough:

"As soon as it was day, we set out for the *Achonechy* Town, it being, by Estimation, 20 Miles off. Which, I believe, is pretty exact, We got about half way, (meeting great Gangs of Turkeys) when we saw, at a Distance, 30 loaded Horses coming on the Road, with four or five Men, on other Jades, driving them. We charg'd our Piece, and went up to them: Enquiring, whence they came from? They told us *Virginia*. The leading Man's Name was *Massy*, *Who* was born about *Leeds* in *Yorkshire*."

There was some more conversation between the two parties and then:

"The Virginia Men asking our Opinion of the Country we were in? We told them, it was a very pleasant one. They were all of the same Opinion, and affirm'd, That they had never seen 20 Miles of such extraordinary rich Land, lying all together, like that betwixt *Hau-River* and the *Achonechi* Town."

It is very interesting that the party of men John Lawson met were headed south and coming from Virginia. This was 47 years before Robert Berry came south from Virginia to the community that would later be known as Hillsborough. Robert Berry (OC) would have been on the very same trail that was used by the men Lawson met and would have seen the same Indian village at Achonechy Town. **(See trail on page 35)**

JOHN CATE'S GRANVILLE LAND GRANTS.

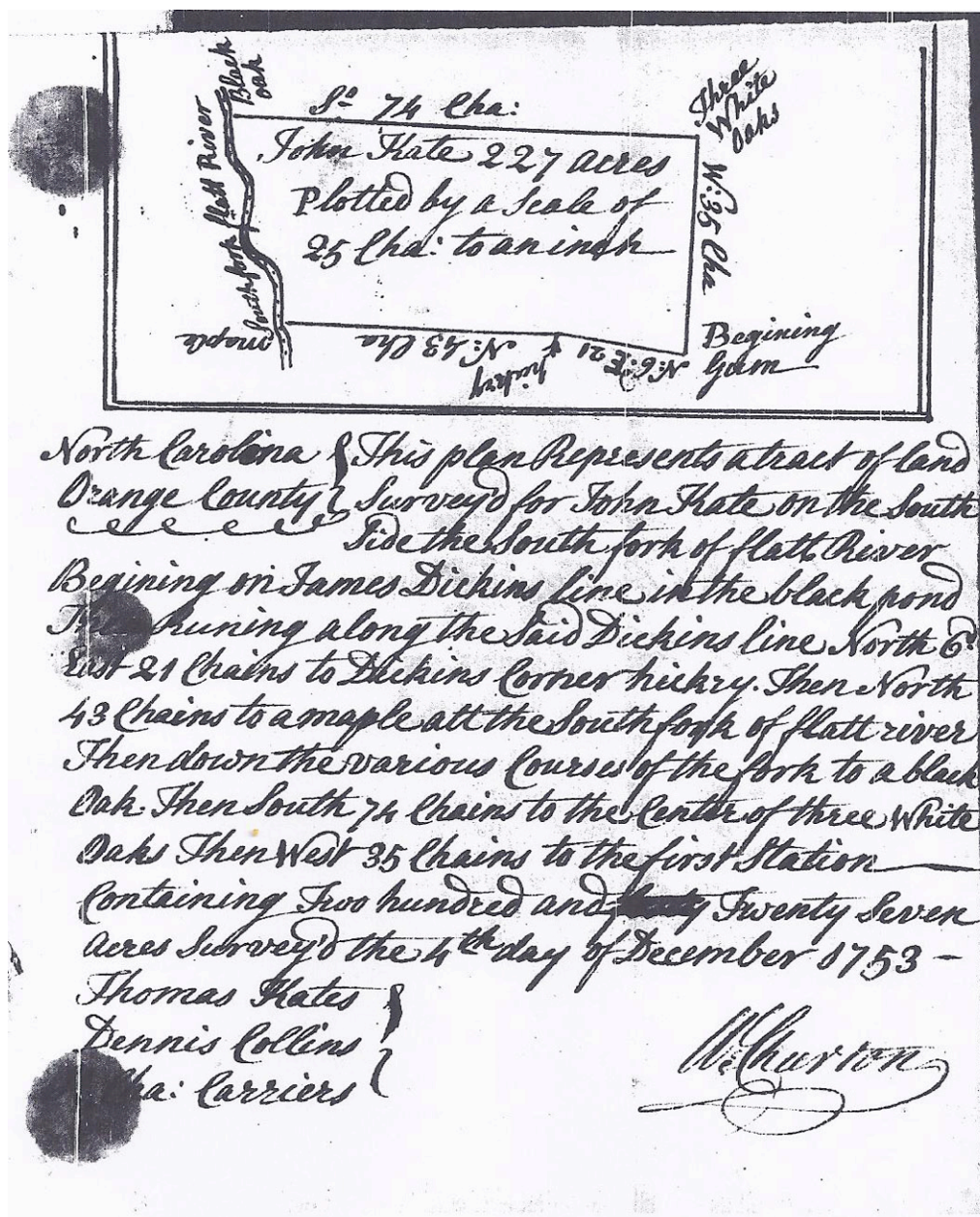


Figure 8: John Cate's First Land Grant

John Cate's Land Grant Survey was done on December 4th, 1753; the very next day after Robert Berry's Land Grant Survey was done. This tract of land was granted to John Kate on May 9th, 1755. In the 1755 Orange County Tax document, we see that John Cate, his two sons, and Robert Berry (OC) list only males in their households. It is interesting that the Cate men listed on this document were John Kate and Thomas Kate. This may have been a mistake in spelling or an

attempt to get more land. Since land was plentiful, I tend to think it was a spelling error.

It is my opinion John Cate and his two sons staked out their property and built a cabin. After their land was granted to them, I think they returned to Virginia and brought the females in their family to North Carolina. This is when our grandmother, Elizabeth Cate (Berry), first came to North Carolina. I think Robert Berry (OC) and Elizabeth Cate were married very soon after Elizabeth came to Orange County, North Carolina.

We know from **page 63** that Margery Lawrence and John Cate witnessed in the trial of Robert Berry against Richard Gibbs in 1756. This time frame correlates very closely to the time Robert Berry (OC) was awarded his Granville Land Grant in 1757. I think this establishes approximately when Robert Berry and Elizabeth Cate were married. Robert and Elizabeth Berry's first child, Mary Berry, was born about 1758 -1759. The fact that Thomas Cate was a chain carrier for Robert Berry's survey on December 3rd, 1753, also tells me that Robert Berry (OC), John Cate, and his two sons were very close friends from the time Robert entered North Carolina. It also leads me to believe they came from Virginia together.

Three Transcribed Person County 1817 February Court Records:

"Page 273: Division of negroes of Richard **Holeman** on 27th November 1816 Richard Holeman: children of **Elizabeth Persons**: Joshua Cate."

"Page 275: Account Sales of property of John Cates decd; by Jesse Evans and J. Rountree."

"Page 277: Inv. Estate of Jane Holeman decd. taken 4th May 1816 by Rachel Cate adm."

Joshua Cate must have married one of Richard Holeman's daughters and Elizabeth Holeman must have married one of General Thomas Person's relatives. This may explain why Hannah Cate named her youngest son Thomas **Person** Berry. Elizabeth Cate Berry's older brother was named Joshua Cate, and this Joshua may be her brother or more likely his son. I always thought there was some type of family connection to **General Thomas Person**.

John Cate's daughter, Elizabeth Cate, has been found in four sources.

In John Cate's will he named his daughter, Elizabeth Berry.

On 13th of June, 1777, George Smith of Caswell County sold to John Cate 76 acres of land for 105 pounds, lying on the Flat River, land that joins John Cate's own property. Witnesses: **Elizabeth C. Berry, Robert Smith**, John Cate Sr. (Deed Bk. A, Pg 43)

Elizabeth (Cate) Berry purchased 1 Keeler for 8 schillings at William Cate's estate sale in 1803. William Cate may have been Elizabeth Cate Berry's cousin. (**See Page 164**) William Cate was also the father of two of Elizabeth's daughters-in-law, Hannah and Sarah Cate.

Robert Berry named his wife, Elizabeth, in his 1812 will. (**See Page 68**)

John Cate's second Land Grant Survey was done on the 13th of October, 1758, and was granted to John Cate on August 20th, 1759.

While I have not been able to locate John Cate's first land grant, his second grant was much easier to locate. On the following pages you can see where this property is located. You can tell by the shape of the property where the grant matches the present day Google Map of Flat River. On page **40** you can see that the property is located very close to where Lick Creek joins Flat River. The second grant may have been made to Elizabeth Cate Berry's brother, John Cate. The document does not say it was John Cate Jr. Thomas Cate was a chain carrier on this survey.

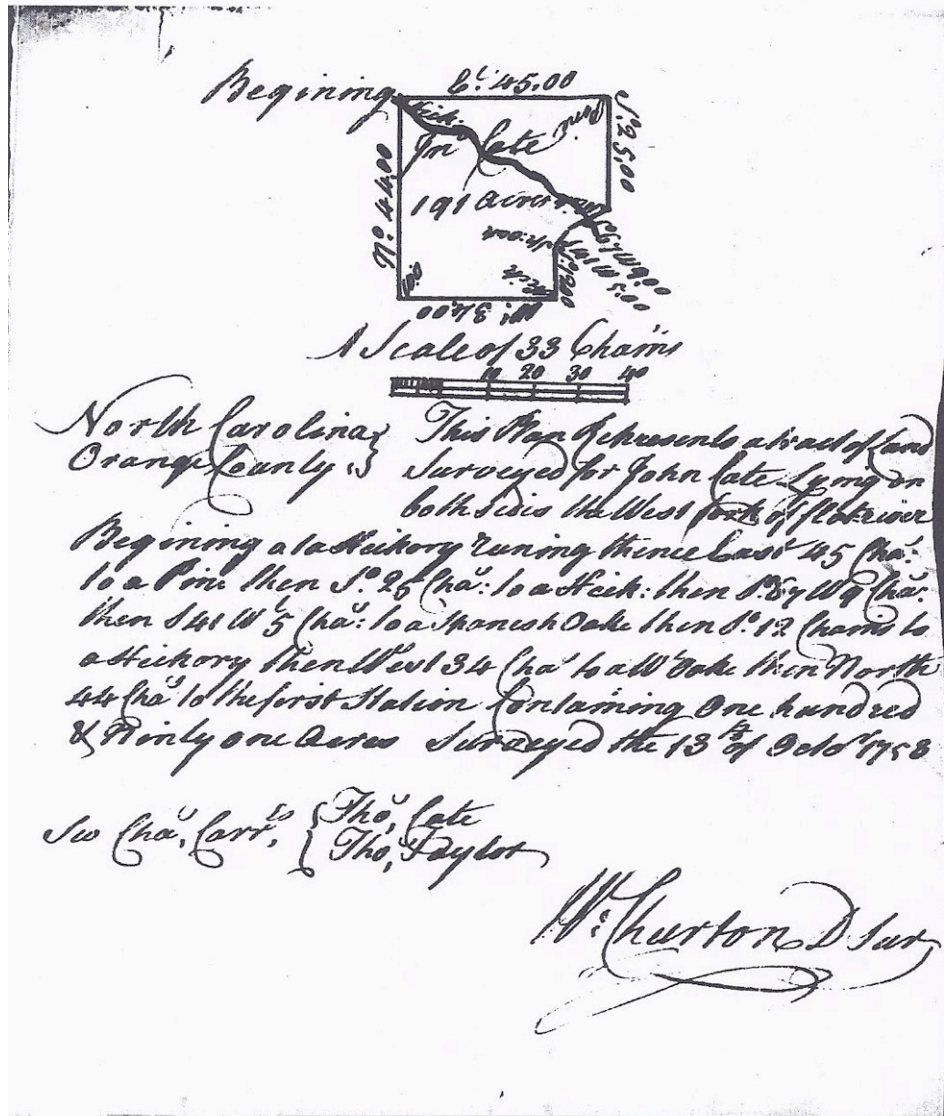


Figure 9: John Cate's Second Land Grant

The map below clearly shows the locations of Robert Berry's land on Lick Creek and John Cate's land on the Flat River.

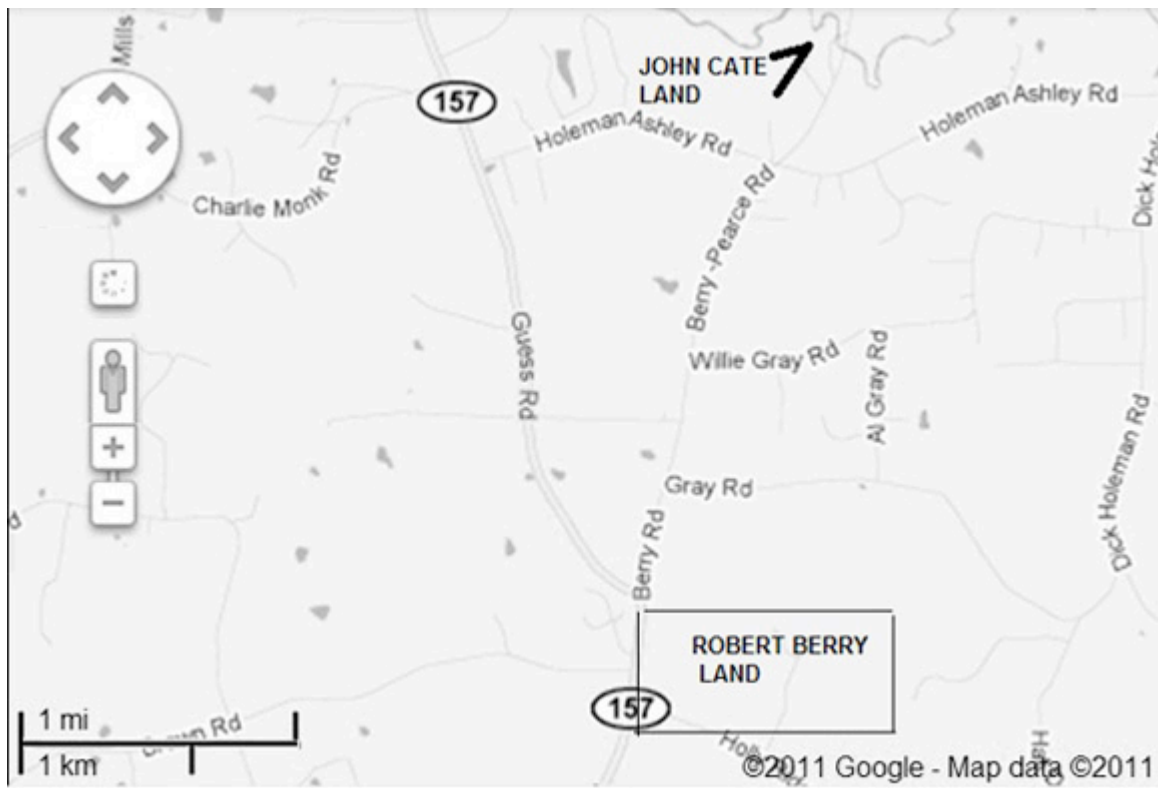


Figure 10: Location of John Cate and Robert Berry's land Grants

John Cate will in 1785

In the Name of God amen, This 6th day of January
 1785. I John Cate Junr. of the County of Currituck State
 of North Carolina being sick and weak in body but of sound
 perfect mind and memory do make and bein this my
 Last Will and Testament. First I commend my soul into
 the hands of God that gave it me & for my body I commend
 it to the Earth to be buried in a Christian like manner
 at the Discretion of my Executors, And as it hath pleased
 God to bless me with worldly Estate it is my Desire to
 dispose of in the manner and form as follows, That is
 to say, I give grant and bequeath to my grand daughter
 Ann Pryor the bed and furniture which I lay on, also one
 flax, one large pewter dish, one Basin & two plates —
 And to Margaret Pryor I give my other bed & furniture
 and one supper — And to my youngest son Thomas I give
 One cow and Three Shoths, One young steer and all my
 Farming Utensils — And I give to my Daughter Elizabeth
 One cow and calf — And to my grandson Joshua
 Cate I give One Chest and one Table, And to my son Joshua
 Cate I give all my Wooden Vessels of all kinds, And one Gun
 to Joshua Pryor my Grandson. And all the rest of my
 Goods and Chattels to John Pryor, Except five pounds good
 money to be paid by said Pryor to my grandson John Cate the
 son of my son John, And one large Hog to my Daughter Nancy
 Gruffy & this I bein my last will and Testament in execution
 of all other gifts grants whatsoever In Witness Whereof I have
 hereunto set my hand & seal the day & date above written
 Signed sealed & signed in presence of
 Elisha Robinson
 Luke Coque
 John Cate } Executors
 John Pryor }
 July Court 1785
 This will was duly proved in open Court by
 the oath of Joseph Coque a subscribing Witness thereto & recorded
 at the records —
 Test William Spring 1785

Figure 11: John Cate will 1785

Information gained from John Cate's will:

John Cate made his will on the 6th of January, 1785, in Caswell County.

Margery Lawrence Cate must have been deceased at the time John Cate wrote this will. There was no mention of her in this will.

Witness, Administrators, and family members mentioned in William Cate's will:

Granddaughter Ann Pryor

Daughter Margery Pryor

Youngest son Thomas Cate

Daughter Elizabeth Berry Robert Berry (OC) wife.

Grandson Joshua Cate

Son Joshua Cate

Grandson Joshua Pryor

Daughter Nancy Griffin

Son-in-law John Pryor

Lyle Robinson, Witness

Joseph Pogue. Witness

Thomas Cate, Administrator

John Pryor, Administrator

Proven in open court in July of 1788.

John Cate must have been living in Caswell County when he wrote his will. Person County was not formed until 1791, which was 6 years after John Cate wrote this will. If all of John and Margery Cate's children are named in this will then they had three daughters and two sons.

Richard Mathias Cate is reported to be John Cate's son. If this is true, then it is of extreme importance because Robert Berry's (OC) aunt, Sarah Williamson, married Matthew Mathias in Princess Anne County, Virginia. This may indicate that there is a family relationship between Robert Berry and John Cate's families in Virginia.

John and Margery Lawrence Cate's children:

Richard Mathias Cate (not named in John Cates will)

Joshua Cate

Thomas Cate

John Cate

Margery Cate married John Pryor

Elizabeth Cate married Robert Berry

Nancy Cate married Griffin

CHAPTER 2

ROBERT BERRY 1729-1814

Robert Berry came to a part of Granville County, North Carolina, which was soon to become Orange County, NC. We know that he built a small cabin in the northeast corner of his staked out land. This cabin was documented in Robert Berry's Entry for his Land Grant. Thomas Bradford owned the land just north of Robert Berry's claim.

On February 6th, 1752, Robert Berry (OC) made entry in Granville County, North Carolina, for the land he had homesteaded. **(See Pg.46)**

From the 1755 tax list, we know that Robert Berry (OC) was not alone in the wilderness. He had friends and relatives who came to North Carolina with him from Princess Anne County, Virginia. We know for sure Robert Berry (OC) was acquainted with the Cate family. This was proven by the fact that Thomas Cate acted as chain carrier on Robert Berry's Land Grant Survey in 1753. **(See Fig: 12, Pg: 47)**. Thomas Cate was probably John Cate's brother.

Robert Berry (OC) married Elizabeth Cate, John and Margery Lawrence Cate's daughter, sometime between 1757 and 1759. Robert Berry's Land Grant Survey was done on December 3rd, 1753, and John Cate's Land Grant Survey was done the very next day on December 4th, 1753. No marriage records were kept during the early years in Orange County, North Carolina. Some time before 1757, John Cate was granted his land on the Flat River, which was part of Orange County at that time. This property is currently located in the southern part of Person County and lies very near the Orange County line. Thomas Cate, who was a chain carrier for Robert Berry's survey,³³ was probably Elizabeth Cate's uncle.

Like Robert Berry (OC), John Cate was living in Granville County, North Carolina, when he made Entry for his Grant. He then became a citizen of Orange County when that County was formed in 1752. In 1771, when Caswell County was formed from the northern part of Orange County, John Cate became a resident of Caswell County. Twenty years later in 1791, Person County was created from the eastern half of Caswell County. So John Cate was then a resident of Person County, NC. John Cate lived in four North Carolina counties, never having moved.

John Cate wrote his will ³⁴ on January 6th, 1785. He willed property to his granddaughter, Ann Pryor, and his daughter, Margery Pryor. He gave a cow and a calf to his daughter **Elizabeth Berry**. John Cate also named his son, Joshua Cate, and his grandson, Joshua Cate Junior, in this will. He named Joshua Pryor as a grandson. Nancy Griffith was also named as his daughter. John Pryor must have been his son-in-law. The will was probated in the July court, 1785. The executors were his youngest son, Thomas Cate, and his son-in-law, John Pryor. Margery Lawrence Cate must have died before 1785, because John does not mention her in his will.

John and Margery Lawrence Cate's sons were Richard Mathias Cate (not mentioned in the will), Joshua Cate, John Cate, and Thomas Cate. Their daughters were Nancy Cate Griffin, Margery Cate Pryor, and Elizabeth Cate Berry.

John Cate was living in Caswell County when he wrote his will. In reality John Cate never moved from his Granville Land Grant Property. Orange County was very large when it was formed in 1752. The county was subdivided two more times. When I first read that John Cate wrote his will in Caswell County, I thought he had moved.

Our Robert Berry (OC) was granted his land grant on May 12th, 1757³⁵. He was identified on the document as Robert Berry Jnr. **(See Pg. 68)**. The fact that he was a junior suggests that his father's name was Robert Berry. This is further proof to us that Robert Berry's (OC) parents were Robert and Mary Williamson Berry from Princess Anne County, Virginia. We also have some documentation that shows Robert Berry (OC) was indentured to Samuel Hollowell, who lived in Princess Anne County, Virginia. Many times in colonial America young men were indentured to a craftsman in order for them to learn a trade. We believe Samuel Hollowell was Robert Berry's (OC) brother-in-law. We think that Robert Berry (OC) was learning the carpenter trade. This was mentioned in court minutes.

Our Robert Berry (OC) must have had some money when he made entry for his grant. His quitrents seemed to have been paid regularly and he never had his property confiscated. This was happening a lot in Orange County around 1780 and was one of the main problems that led to the Regulator Movement. Money was very scarce because most business was done by the barter system. About the only cash available was obtained by selling farm products, furs etc., that were shipped back to England. It was very hard for local farmers to raise money as a result. Taxes and quitrent were a very real problem and many planters lost everything because of the lack of hard cash and a few crooked politicians. Robert Berry apparently had what it took to succeed because he continued to prosper throughout his entire life. More than likely, Robert raised hogs, cattle, sheep, tobacco, corn, wheat, and flax. The animals could free range and required very little feed or attention. Robert probably also did business with the fur traders. Deer skins and bear skins would bring in cash. Small animal skins would also be in demand. I know that in the 1930's my grandfather, Wiley P. Berry, sold small animal skins that he had trapped in Lick Creek and other streams around Fiddleton. It makes me wonder if the skill of trapping animals for their fur was passed down through the Berry family from Robert Berry (OC).

In 2006, Dane Berry, Bernard Berry, and I explored the original Granville Land Grant property and located a foundation of a cabin that measured about 20 by 30 feet. This site was located near the very center of his original Land Grant. It is thought that this was the plantation home from about 1758 until Robert built a much larger two story Plantation Home in 1766.

Public records show very clearly that Robert Berry (OC) was a valuable member of his local community. He served on several juries in Hillsborough, even though it was about a day's ride and 14 miles from Fiddleton. The first official record of Robert Berry (OC) was the entry date of February 6th, 1752 on the Warrant granted in Granville County, NC. **(See Pg. 46)** The warrant was issued in Granville County, and the survey and Granville Land Grant, were issued in Orange County, NC, which was finally granted five years later on May 12th, 1757. **(See Fig. 15, Pg. 54)**

When William Churton ran the survey in December of 1753, he started at the southeast corner of Thomas Bradford's property. Robert Berry's **small cabin** **(See Pg. 46)** was very close to that point in the northeast corner of his claim. This cabin site has not been located at this time, but we know about where it would be.

The instructions given to William Churton in the Warrant read: "Begin at red oak above a **little cabin**, Joining Thomas Bradford's line. Assemble lines on both sides of lick creek for temp Tennant ". There is a lot of information connected to this document. The granting of land by a Granville Grant required several steps be followed. First there was the entry and then the Warrant. Then came the survey and the grant. The survey and the grant were located in the records of Orange County, North Carolina.

Many years went by before the Entry and the Warrant were found. This is because Orange County was split off from Granville County in the middle of Robert Berry's (OC) Land Grant procedure. My thanks go to Dane Berry, who was visiting North Carolina for the 2007 Fiddleton reunion. Dane and I were searching for records in The North Carolina Genealogy Library in Raleigh, NC. It was Dane who suggested that we look at the Granville County records. I had been searching for these records for many years and had overlooked the fact that Orange County was being formed at the same time Robert Berry (OC) was applying for his Land Grant. This is where we found the two missing records. Robert made his Entry in February 1751 and Orange County, NC, was formed in May of 1751. The Warrant was not issued until March 20th, 1753. (See Pg. 46). The actual survey was made 9 months later on December 3rd, 1753.

Copy of Robert Berry's Warrant Dated March 20th, 1753

NORTH-CAROLINA.

JAMES INNES and FRANCIS CORBIN,
Esqrs. Agents and Commissioners, of the Right Honourable
the Earl GRANVILLE, &c. &c. &c. sole Lord
and Proprietor of a certain District, Territory, or Parcel of
Land, lying in the Province of North-Carolina &c.

To *M^r William Hurston*, - - - - - His
Lordship's Deputy-Surveyor for the County of *Granville*

YOU are forthwith to admeasure and lay out, unto
Robert Berry jun^r - a Tract of Land, containing
six hundred & forty Acres, lying in *Granville*
County, within the said District; *begⁿ at a Red Oak above*
a little cabin, joyning Thomas Bradfords line, & down the
line, on both sides of which said oak is for complement.

Observing our Instructions, for running out Lands; Three
just and fair Plans whereof, certified under your Hand,
you are to return to us, within Six Months from the Date
hereof: Which Survey of the above-mentioned Lands, so
to be return'd as aforesaid, shall be good and valid for the
said *Robert Berry*, - provided he the said *Robert*
Berry - do, within Twelve Months after such
Return, take out a Grant of the same Lands, to compleat
his Title: Otherwise this Warrant, and such your Return
thereof, shall be void, and of no Force, and the said
Lands be deemed vacant and free to be taken up by any
other Person that shall apply for that Purpose. Dated and
Signed the *20th* - Day of *March* - - - 1753.

Entered in the Office of the
Right Honourable the Ear
Granville, at *Granville* the
6th Day of *Feb^r*
Anno Dom. 1752;

John Corbin

Robert Berry (OC) Granville County Land Grant Entry 1752

Granville Grant Land Survey Dec 3rd, 1753

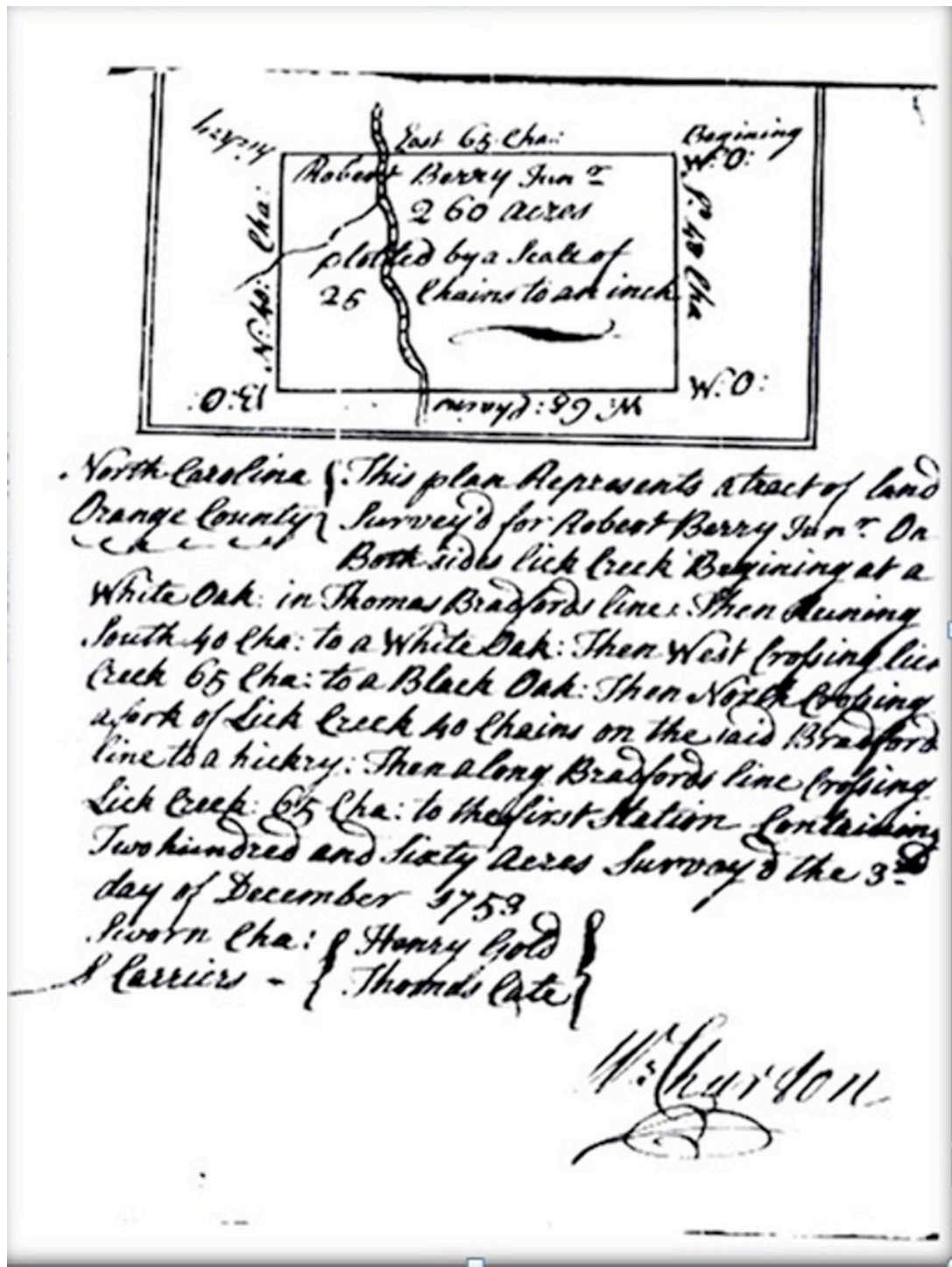


Figure 12: Robert Berry's Land Grant Survey in Orange County, N.C.

The chain carriers listed on the survey map are Thomas Cate and Henry Gold. Thomas Cate was probably John Cate's brother. John Cate's survey was done the very next day on Dec. 4th, 1753. You should note that Robert Berry (OC) was also called Robert Berry Jr. in the land survey document. This means that Robert Berry's (OC) father was named Robert Berry. Based

on the English naming patterns of that period, I always thought that Robert Berry's (OC) father would be named Robert and his mother would be named Mary. Locating Robert and Mary Williamson Berry with a son named Robert in Princess Anne County, Virginia, is very strong evidence that we had indeed found Robert Berry's (OC) parents. Further proof that we have located the right parents was the 1729 birth year of Robert Jr. in Princess Anne County, Virginia.

After Robert Berry (OC) married Elizabeth Cate and they named their first son Robert Berry Jr., two things happened: Robert Berry (OC) dropped the junior from his name and their first son was named for his paternal grandfather. This is also the reason it was necessary to devise a way to identify each of these three Roberts. Robert Berry (OC) should be for Orange County, Robert Berry (PAC) should be for the grandfather and Robert Berry Jr. should be Robert and Elizabeth Cate's baby son born about 1760 in North Carolina.

The name Robert Berry Jr. also appears in the Granville Land grant document, as further proof that Robert Berry's (OC) father's name was Robert Berry. **(See: Fig. 15, Pg. 54),**

It should be noted that William Churton signed the survey map. William Churton was the principal designer of the city of Hillsborough and chief surveyor for Lord John Carteret, Earl of Grandville. Henry Gould (Gold) was listed in the 1755 Orange County Tax List. **(Pages 26)** William Churton also listed in the 1755 Tax List. **(Page 240)**

It was a standard requirement that a homesteader must make an improvement on his land before making Entry for a grant. This improvement was usually a crude one-room cabin that would be used as the planter's first home. After the Land Grant was made, the planter had to pay quitrent, which was specified in the grant document. In Robert Berry's grant, he was obligated to make a quitrent payment in the spring and the fall. The number of acres granted to the pioneer, or planter as they were called, determined the size of the payment. This quitrent for Robert Berry's grant was set at three shillings for every hundred acres of land granted. This quitrent was to be paid yearly on the 25th day of March and the 29th day of September in equal portions. Robert Berry's yearly rent amounted to ten shillings, five pence. His quitrent was to be paid to John Earl Granville or his heirs.

In the 1790 Census, there were only four Robert Berrys in the entire 13 colonies. One Robert Berry was living in Orangeburg, South Carolina; one was living in Lincolnton County, North Carolina, and two were living in Orange County, NC. The two Robert Berrys who were living in Orange County were father and son, Robert Berry Senior and Robert Berry Junior. There was a 50% chance that any information about a Robert Berry living in America in 1790 was our Robert Berry or his son Robert Berry Jr.

Robert's Granville Grant Property Survey Description

"On both sides of lick creek beginning at a White Oak in Thomas Bradford line. Then running South 40 chains to a White Oak. Then West crossing Lick Creek 65 chains: to a Black Oak: Then North crossing a fork of lick creek 40 Chains on the said Bradford line to a Hickory: Then along the Bradford line crossing Lick Creek 65 chains: to the first station Containing two Hundred and Sixty Acres. This land was Surveyed 3rd day of December 1753." **(Fig: 12, Pg. 47)** If you read the description carefully you will notice that the only adjoining property that was already deeded at the time of this survey was only on the North boundary, which is land Thomas Bradford owned. It was normal for the description of property lines to name the adjoining property owners if there were any. From the 1755 tax list we find a group of people who came down from Princess Anne County, Va. They were listed on 2 adjoining pages in the list. **(See: Pages 25, & 26,)** Since this group of pioneers knew each other in Princess Anne County,

Virginia, it seems logical that they would locate close together in North Carolina. Since this 1755 Tax records support this, I think it strengthens my position that Robert Berry (OC) was born in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in 1729.

Even though Robert had no land owning neighbors in 1753 to his east, south, or west, his close neighbors may have been living on adjoining land that they were unable to own at the time.

Six years after Robert Berry (OC) was granted his Granville Land Grant, the first Earl of Granville, Lord John Carteret,³⁶ died. Lord John Carteret died on January 22, 1763. The Granville Land Grant Office was then closed and no more grants were made until the State of North Carolina started making grants in 1780. This was done at that time to encourage enlistment in the North Carolina Continental Army. Because of this 17 year gap when no grants were made, we have no idea when the land west and south of Robert's land may have actually been homesteaded. During this period of 17 years, many of the eventual owners of land joining Robert Berry (OC) appeared with Robert on Jury duty and road building assignments.

In 1780, Robert Berry was granted 293 acres of land joining his own original grant on his east boundary. Patrick Rutherford and John Wilson were granted land on his South boundaries. **(See Fig. 13, Pg. 50)**

Thomas Rountree was appointed overseer of the road building in the 1777 November term of the Orange County Court. The men ordered to report to Thomas Rountree in the same session of court were: James Allison, William McKee, James Murdock, Moses Gwin, John Murdock, John Wilson, Archelias Wilson, William Wilson, **William Robinson, William Armstrong, Robert Berry, Michael Robinson**, and Daniel McMahan. Most of these men were also listed in the 1755 tax list, so they must have been living on land that was later granted to them. If this is the case, then Robert may have had more neighbors than first thought. Other important names on the 1755 Orange County NC Tax list:

John Cate and his 2 sons, & William Churton are listed on **Page 240**.

James Hopkins is listed on **Page 247**. **William and John Hopkins** are on **Page 248**.

Jacob Mosley and James Murray are seen on **Page 245**.

William Stutley Shurly listed on **Page 248**.

William Armstrong is found on **Page 247**.

Peter Martin is on **Page: 246**.

Peter Martin can also be found in Fayette County, Alabama. **(See: Page 103.)**

NOTE: William Martin can be found on page **99** with George Berry. There was a William Martin who got permission to bring slaves into North Carolina in 1751 on **page 28**.

Thomas Berry listed on **Page 25** in the 1755 tax list. Thomas Berry must have been an older man because he wrote his will in 1781. This will is very hard to read because it was faded and written in such small letters. Fortunately the names of his family members listed in his will are very clear. Thomas named his wife, Elizabeth Berry; his sons, James Berry, Thomas Berry, Benjamin Berry, William Berry deceased; his daughters, Nancy Berry, Margaret Berry Mason; his son-in-law John Mason; a grandson, William Berry; and a granddaughter, Luna Berry. Witnesses to his will were John Mason and William A. Nash

The Thomas Berrey family just seem to evaporate from Orange County after this will was probated. David Edgar Berry and others thought that Thomas Berrey was Robert Berry's (OC) father. I have never been able to connect the two men in any way. He may have been an older uncle or cousin but the family must have moved somewhere shortly after Thomas died.

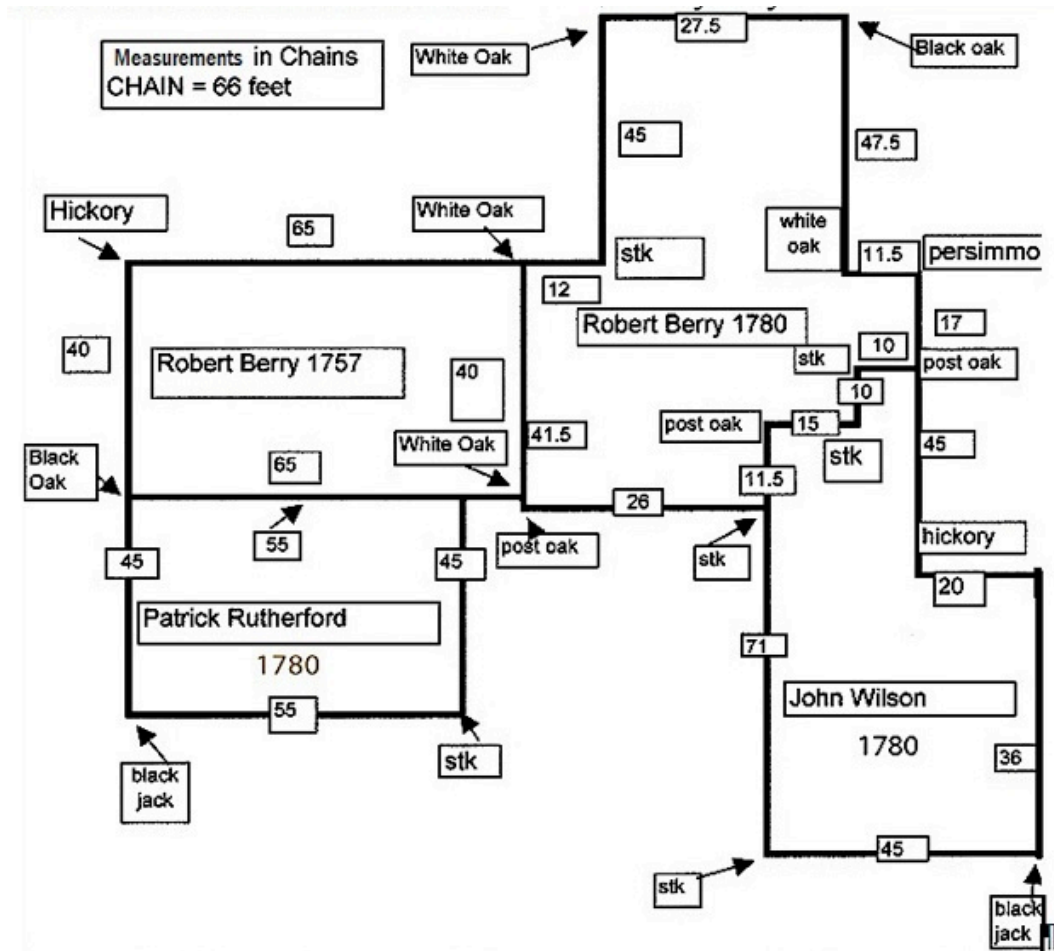


Figure 13: Robert Berry and Neighbors property Orange Co., NC

Robert Berry's Granville Land Grant GPS Readings

NW Corner = $36^{\circ}13'54.52''\text{N}$ $79^{\circ}1'31.58''\text{W}$
 SW Corner = $36^{\circ}13'28.37''\text{N}$ $79^{\circ}1'31.58''\text{W}$
 Alt SW CORNER = $\text{N } 36, 13' 25.4''$ $\text{W } 79, 01' 07.8''$
 SE Corner = $36^{\circ}13'28.37''\text{N}$ $79^{\circ}0'39.16''\text{W}$
 NE Corner = $36^{\circ}13'54.52''\text{N}$ $79^{\circ}0'39.16''\text{W}$
 Cabin Location $\text{N } 36 13' 38.4$ $\text{W } 79 01' 08.7''$
 Cemetery Location (White marker with black star)
 $\text{N } 36 14' 07.3''$
 $\text{W } 79 01' 30.8''$

Thomas Bradford Property Lay to the North of Robert's First Grant



Figure 14: Google map with overlay of property lines

On the map in fig 14, the corners of the original Granville Land Grant are marked with white arrows. The arrow with the C in it marks the chimney. This landmark is all that remains of the Fiddleton Plantation Home which was built in 1766. The white balloon with the square is the location of the original family cabin. The balloon with star marks the site of the Robert Berry Fiddleton family cemetery where 23 of our ancestors are buried. The tract of land with the white star was granted to Robert Berry (OC) in 1780. Robert sold most of this tract to William Armstrong on October 14th, 1800. (Deed bk13 Pg.330) The unmarked tract on this map was granted by North Carolina to the Wilson Brothers in 1780.

The State of North Carolina required an oath of allegiance when an application was made for the North Carolina Grants in 1779. Much of the land granted in 1780 had been confiscated from the Tories. This would have been considered treason only a few years earlier but North Carolina was no longer an English Colony after 1776.

The settlers who migrated into the central piedmont from Maryland came through the

Shenandoah Valley of Virginia. They were largely of Scottish descent. Many of these settlers lived very close to Fiddletown. They were friends and neighbors of Robert Berry's (OC) family. Neither Robert Berry (OC) nor his children were members of Little River Presbyterian Church. This religion was brought to America by the Scots and the Scot-Irish. The Presbyterian followers were very devout in their belief and attended their churches. This fact alone leads me to believe that Robert Berry (OC) was not from Scotland, but I think he was English.

Robert and Elizabeth raised ten children to adulthood and he and his wife lived very full and long lives. They were both born around 1730 and Robert died in 1814. Elizabeth must have died around 1816.

As you will see as you read through this book, many of their wives' relatives migrated with our Berry ancestors as they consistently removed to the West. Victor Glenn Berry did an excellent job in his book "*Wagons South Wagons West*" identifying and tracking descendants of Robert Berry Junior. Most of Glenn's book dealt with William Clarence Berry, who migrated from North Carolina to Alabama and later to Texas. Victor was a descendant of William Clarence Berry.

Victor Glenn Berry had also connected his Fayette County, Alabama, Berry family to Robert Berry (OC) but he had errors in the Orange County Information. Victor Glenn also refers to David Edgar Berry's research connecting our Berry family to Scotland. I am truly sorry that I never met Victor Glen Berry before he died. We could have shared information and his Orange County Information would have been more reliable. I highly recommend his book if you can find one. I have a copy and will use much of the Alabama & Texas Berry family information from it.

I have met a good number of Robert Berry (OC) descendants over the Internet and in person. Many of them have developed family trees and researched their own branch of the Robert Berry (OC) family. Our cousins were at different stages of their research when we first met. By combining our information, we were able to fill many gaps, which continued to improve the reliability of our data. Once Y-DNA testing began in our family, we were able to verify our own family connections without checking every family in America who had a Robert, John, William, Thomas, Henry, Isaac, Joshua, or David Berry in their tree. Almost every Berry family in America used these same given names. This had made genealogy research of the Berry family very difficult before the Berry Y-DNA project was started. Before we started testing DNA, all of us thought that we would eventually trace our families to one Berry. This is far from true, as you will see in the Y-DNA chapter of this book..

We have found that by studying families who lived in close proximity to each other, we could locate parents, cousins, in-laws, children, nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles. This was very true as the first three or four generations of pioneers settled in America. We were able to locate such family groups in Princess Anne County, Virginia; Orange and Person Counties, North Carolina; Fayette County, Cobb County, and Henry County in Georgia; Fayette County, Alabama; Wayne County, Tennessee; Rusk and Burnett Counties in Texas. By the time the fifth generation of a family were pioneering ever westward, the groups of family members became smaller, because some of the older family members had become well established where they were living. It was usually the younger members of the family that pursued new land opportunities. The migrating parties often included a lot of families who were not related to our Berry family.

I created a Web Page, www.berrytree.org, to share our Robert Berry family with descendants and the interested public. I am cognizant that the Web Page will not last forever, so this is my reason for writing this book.

Robert Grant Document Transcription Berry's Granville

This Indenture, Made the **Twelfth** Day of May in the Year of our Lord, One Thousand Seven Hundred and **Fifty Seven** BETWEEN the Right Honorable **John Earl Granville**, Viscount **Carteret**, and Baron **Carteret**, of **Hawns**, in the county of **Bedford**, in the Kingdom of Great-Britain , Lord President of His Majesty's most Honorable Privy Council, and Knight of the Most Noble Order of the Garter, of the one Part, and **Robert Berry Junior of Orange County in the Province of North Carolina Planter** of the other Part. WHEREAS, His most Excellent Majesty King George the Second, in and by a certain indenture, bearing Date the Seventeenth Day of **September**, in the Eighteenth Year of his Reign, and in the Year of our Lord 1744, and made between his most *Excellent* Majesty, of the One Part, and the said **John Earl Granville**, (by the Name, Stile and Title of the Right Honorable **John Earl Carteret**,) of the other Part: DID, for the Considerations therein mentioned, Give and Grant, Release, Ratify and Confirm, unto the Said Earl, (by the Name, Stile and Title of the Right Honorable John Earl **Carteret**, as aforesaid,) and his Heirs Assigns forever, a certain District, Territory, or Parcel of Land, in *North-Carolina, in America*: and all the Sounds, Creeks, Havens, Ports, Rivers, Streams, and other Royalties, Franchises, Privileges and Immunities within the same, as they are therein set out or described, allotted, and granted, and confirmed, to the said **John Earl Granville**, as aforesaid for One Eighth Part of the Charters granted by King Charles II, in the Fifteenth and Seventeenth Years of his Reign, to Eight Lords Proprietors of *Carolina*, as by said Indenture, duly enrolled in the High Court of Chancery in *Great- Britain*, and in the Secretary's Office *in North-Carolina*, Reference being thereto had, will more fully appear. NOW THIS INDENTURE WITNESSETH, That, as well for, and in Consideration of the Sum of Ten Schillings *Sterling* Money, to the said **John Earl Granville**, in Hand paid by the said **Robert Berry** at or before the Sealing and Delivery of these said Presents, the Receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and also for and in Consideration of the Rents, Covenants, Exceptions, Provisos, and Agreements herein after mentioned, reserved and contained, and by, and on the Part and Behalf of said **Robert Berry junior his** Heirs and Assigns, to be paid, kept and performed, he the said Earl HATH Given, Granted, Bargained, Sold and Confirmed, and by these Presents, DOTH, from himself, and his Heirs Give, Grant, Bargain, Sell and Confirm, unto the said **Robert Berry junior his**

Heirs and Assigns forever, all that Tract or Parcel of Land, situate, lying and being in the Parish of **St, Mathews** in the County of **Orange** in the said Province **On both sides of Lick Creek Beginning at a White Oak: in Thomas Bradford's line. Then running South 40 cha: to a White Oak: Then West crossing Lick Creek 65 chn: to a Black Oak: Then North Crossing a fork of Lick Creek 40 chains on the said Bradford line to a Hickory: Then along Bradford line Crossing Lick Creek 65 Cha: to the first station.** Containing in the Whole **Two hundred Sixty** Acres: All which said Premises are more particularly described and set forth in Plan or Map thereof, hereunto annexed together with

all Woods, Underwoods, Timber, and Timber Trees, Water Courses, and Privileges of Hunting, Fishing, and Fowling, in and upon the Premisses, and all Mines and Minerals whatsoever therein to be found, excepting and reserving always, out of this present Grant, and to the Kings Most Excellent Majesty, his Heirs and successors, One Fourth Part of all the Gold and Silver Mines, to be found in and upon the Premises; and also, excepting and always reserving thereout, unto the said **John Earl Granville**, his Heirs and Assigns, one Moiety, or half Part of the remaining Three Fourths of all such Gold and Silver Mines: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract or Parcel of Land, and all and singular of the Premises, with their Appurtenances, (except as before excepted) unto the said, **Robert Berry junior his** Heirs and Assigns for ever YIELDING AND PAYING therefore, Yearly, and every Year, unto the said **John Earl Granville**, his Heirs and or Assigns, the Yearly rent of **Ten Schillings and Five Pence** which is at the Rate of Three Schillings *Sterling*, for every Hundred Acres, and so in Proportion for the less Quantity, at or upon the Twenty-fifth Day of *March*, and *Twenty-ninth* Day of September, in every Year, by even or Equal Portions; and to be paid at the Court-House for the said County of **Orange** ____ unto the said Earl, his Heirs or Assigns, or to his or their lawful Attorney, or Deputy Receiver for the Time being the first Payment thereof to be made on such of the aforementioned Day of Payment as shall first happen after the Date hereof and the said **Robert Berry Jun.** For **himself his** Heirs and Assigns, and for either and every of them **Both** hereby Covenant, Promise, and Agree, to and with, the said Earl, his Heirs and Assigns, and to and with either and every of them, by these Presents, in a Manner and Form following: That is to say, That Robert Berry his Heirs or Assigns, shall and the Time being, on the Days, and at the Place aforesaid; the said Yearly Rent or Sum of **Ten Schillings and Five Pence** by half Yearly Payments, as aforesaid: Provided always, and Present Grant is hereby expressly Declared and Agreed by and between the said Parties, to be nevertheless UPON THIS CONDITION, vis. That if it shall happen that this said Yearly Rent of **Ten Schillings and Five Pence** or any part thereof, shall at any Time hereafter, be behind or unpaid for the space of Six Months, next over or after any or either of the aforementioned Days of Payment (and no sufficient Distressed can be found on the Premissis, to levy such Rent and Arrears, with the full Costs, Charges, and Expenses in making the same) That then, this present Grant, and Assignments thereof, shall be utterly void, and of none Effect: and it shall be lawful for he said Earl, his Heirs and Assigns, to re-enter into the said Lands, and to re-grant the same, to any other Person or Persons whomsoever, as if the Grant and such Assignment thereof, had never been made. IN WITNESS whereof, the Parties above-named, have hereunto set their Hands and Seals, the Day and Year first above-written.

Signed, Sealed, and Delivered

In the Presence of Us,

W Churton

his

Robert R Berry

mark

Figure 15: Robert Berry (OC) Granville Grant Transcription

FIDDLETON

Robert Berry (OC) is believed to have named his Granville Land Grant plantation Fiddleton. There are two sources of information where the name Fiddleton is used when referring to this property.

There was a “MAP OF ORANGE COUNTY N.C.” which was drawn in 1891 ³⁹ by George W. Tate that placed the name Fiddlenton on the west end of Robert Berry’s (OC) Granville land grant property. (See Page 211)

Robert Berry’s (OC) grandson, Thomas Person Berry, owned this property when he died, intestate. There was a big court case about the property. His third wife, Elizabeth Peed Bowles, said in a deposition that the “Fiddleton plantation had a large number of fruit trees which were on the land of her widow’s dower.” Part of the original Granville Land Grant is still owned by some of Robert Berry’s (OC) 4th great- grandchildren.



Figure 16: Robert Berry’s Fiddleton Plantation Home built in 1766

Robert Berry built this house in 1766 near the southern property line of his Granville Land Grant. At the time he built this home, he and Elizabeth probably had five children: Mary Berry, Robert Berry Jr., John Berry, Joshua Berry, and Isaac Berry. Their other five children were probably born in this home. These pictures were taken before 2007 and they are the only known pictures of the plantation house before it was destroyed. The house was donated to the Chapel Hill Fire Department to be burned in a training exercise. The present owner of the property took these pictures just before it was burned to the ground. The chimney is still standing at the original location.

Burning of a Pre 1776 National Treasure



Figure 17: Burning of Fiddleton Plantation Home by a local Fire Department

I wish I had known about this house while it was still standing. I have been by it many times in my lifetime but nobody in the family ever talked about who built this house. I am not sure anybody in the family even knew this information. Some boards were taken from this house by the present owner's brother and were used in his home in Greensborough North Carolina. I have never met him or seen the wood. This grand old plantation house was the home for 12 of our Berry ancestors and the activity there must have been equivalent to a small factory. Food had to be available for three meals each day for family members and the 10 slaves. The slaves most likely prepared their own meals in their cabins. This still amounted to about thirty six meals a day to be cooked for the family in this fireplace. Most likely Robert and the older boys had to hunt for wild meat three or four times a week. The younger children would pick wild fruit, berries, and nuts in season. In addition to all this work, cows had to be milked and butter churned. Water and wood also had to be transported from the well and the woods for the kitchen. Many other chores had to be completed every day. This was a very hard life but also a very healthy one.



Figure 18: Fiddleton Plantation Home Fire Place built in 1766

Children of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry:

Mary Berry	born cir1758 died about 1795 in South Carolina
Robert Berry Jr.	born cir 1760 died cir 1845 Fayette County, Alabama
John Berry	born cir 1762 died cir 1804 Jackson County, Georgia
Isaac Berry	born cir 1764 died cir 1845 in Orange County, N.C.
Joshua Berry	born cir 1766 died October 8 th , 1838
Elizabeth Berry	born cir 1768 died 1815 in Person County, N.C,
Thomas Berry	born cir 1770 died cir 1810 in Tennessee
David J. Berry	born cir 1773 died October 3 rd , 1837, in Georgia
William Berry	born cir 1774 died 1860 in Tennessee
Henry Berry	born 1776 died 1855 in North Carolina

These are the children who warmed their hands, their feet, and backs by this fireplace.

By knowing when Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's last child Henry was born, we can get a fairly good idea of when their first children were born. Henry Berry was born in 1776⁴⁰. By working backward and allowing two years between the births of each child, here are the results:

Year Born	Robert's Age	Elizabeth's age
1776 Henry Berry	47	43
1774 William Berry	45	41
1772 David J. Berry	43	39
1770 Thomas Berry	41	37
1768 Elizabeth Berry	39	35
1766 Isaac Berry	37	33
1764 Joshua Berry	35	31
1762 John Berry	33	29
1760 Robert Berry Jr.	31	27
1758 Mary Berry	29	25

NOTE: I may have Isaac and Elizabeth reversed in this list but I think the rest are listed in the order of their births. This would be a total of 18 years from the time Mary Berry was born until Henry Berry was born. If Elizabeth Cate Berry was born in 1733, she would have been 25 years old when Mary Berry was born and 43 years old when Henry Berry was born. These birth years seem very reasonable. The first child, who was Mary Berry, would have been born in 1758. Robert Berry (OC) got his Granville land Grant issued on May 12th, 1757. This would have been a logical time for him to get married and start a family. I have no information indicating that any of the children were twins. We know that Robert Berry (OC) was a single man in 1755. **(See Page: 26)** *I tested this method on my father's family of 14 children and it proved out very well.*

The 1800 census was the first year that any attempt was made to identify family members. They listed the number of individuals in one of several age brackets. Robert listed one male between 16 and 25 years old. This would be Henry Berry, because he was born in 1776. Isaac Berry was visiting somewhere else when the 1800 census was taken. Robert listed himself in the over 45 age bracket. Robert was probably 71 years old at the time. On the female side of the census form he listed one female between the ages of 10 to 15. This would have been his granddaughter, Mary Berry, who was 8 years old at that time. Also listed were Elizabeth Berry, age 32, his daughter, and Robert's wife, Elizabeth Cate Berry, age 67, in their age brackets.

In the 1810 Orange County Census, Robert Berry (OC) listed two females. His daughter Elizabeth was listed in the 26 to 45 bracket. By the chart on page 51, she would have been 42 years old. Robert (OC) listed his wife, Elizabeth Cate Berry, as over 45. Her age would have been 77 years old. Robert (OC) listed himself in the over 45 bracket and he would have been about 81 years old. He listed Henry and Isaac in the over 26 and less than 45 bracket. Henry would have been 34 years old and Isaac would have been 44 years old based on my chart.

The ages for all of Robert and Elizabeth's children may vary slightly from the chart above but not by much.

Elizabeth Cate Berry would have been 81 years old when her husband, Robert Berry Sr. (OC), died in 1814. Considering how many women died at childbirth in those days, Elizabeth Cate Berry must have been a very strong and healthy woman to raise 10 children to adulthood and live to the age she did. Many of the women who died at child birth were usually less than 50 years old. My fourth great-grandmother on the Wilson side of my family also raised 10 children to be adults. She lived to be about 90 years old. My Wilson family was also in Orange County in the mid 1700's. The Wilson Family did belong to the Little River Presbyterian Church and many of them are buried there. The Wilson surname is in Clan Gunn from Scotland. It is very true that many of the people who settled in Orange County, North Carolina, were originally from Scotland but I have never found anything to suggest that our Robert Berry (OC) is Scottish. All of my research strongly suggests that he was of English heritage.

In 2005, three of Robert Berry's (OC) descendants explored an area of land that we thought was part of the original Granville Land Grant. Dane Berry, his wife, Bernard Berry, and I located a foundation, rectangular in shape that measured about 25 by 30 feet. We had information that lead us to believe there was a cemetery located in this area. We had not discovered the Fiddleton cemetery that was only about three hundred yards away from the cabin Robert had built for his wife and young family about 1757. We also had not discovered the chimney from his 1766 Plantation home which was no more the three or four hundred yards away to the south. View figures 15 & 16 for the remains of the first family cabin.

Robert and Elizabeth's First Cabin Location

Before Robert Berry built the new plantation house in 1766, he and his family were most likely living in a cabin that he built around 1758..

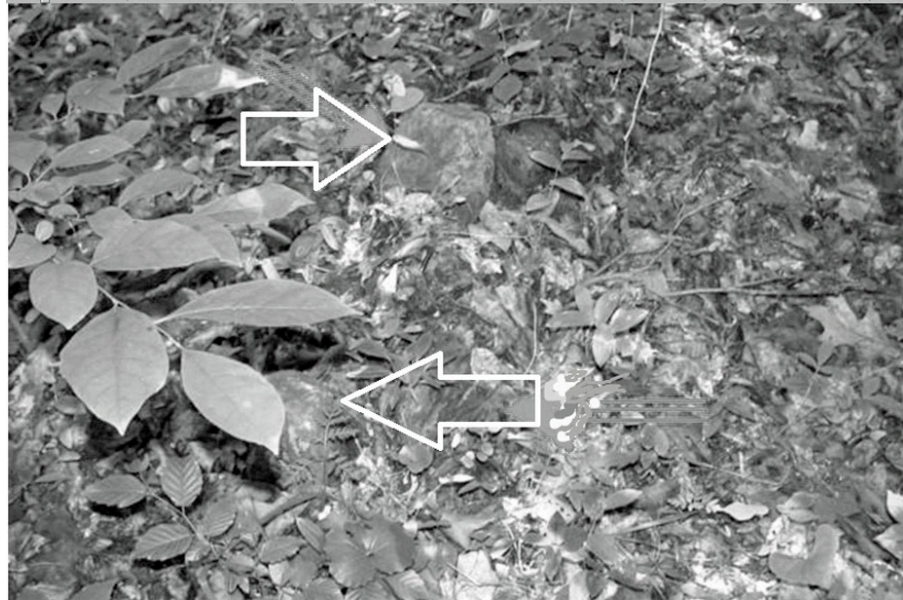


Figure 19: Rocks from foundation

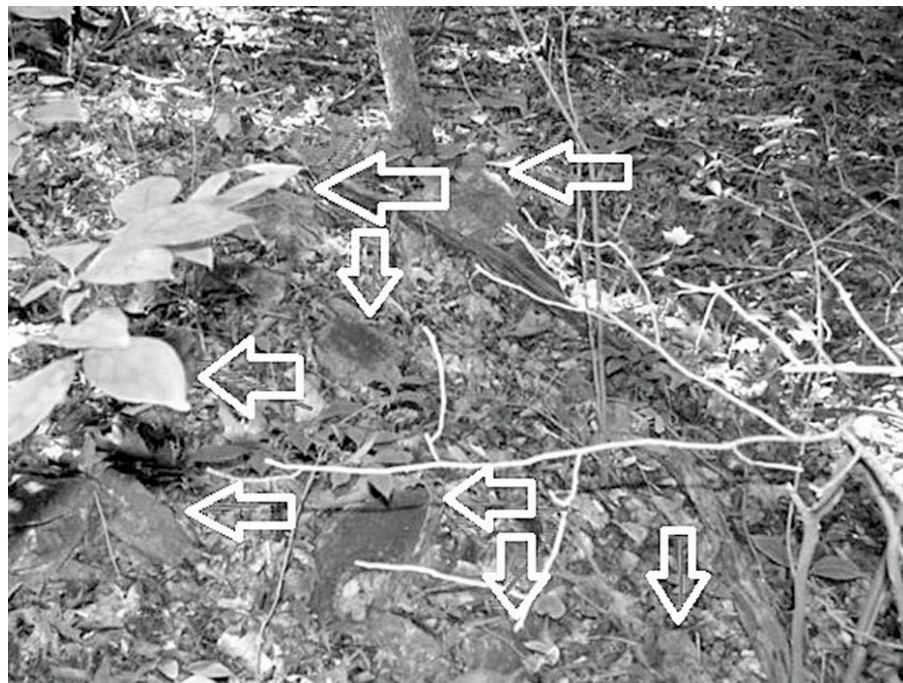


Figure 20: Pile of rocks from the fallen chimney of first Robert Berry family cabin.
GPS reading for this site: 36,13'39" N 79, 01'09"W

You can see a few of the rocks used for pillars that were originally arranged in three rows. (Fig. 19, Pg. 59)

In Fig. 20, Pg. 59, there is a pile of rocks that we think is the remains of a chimney. This was most likely Robert's second home. Robert Berry most likely built this larger cabin about the time he and Elizabeth Cate were married.

GPS reading for this site

36, 13'39 " N 79, 01'09"W

At the time Dane Berry located this cabin foundation remains, there were three rows of rocks and all three rows were parallel. It appeared to be one row on each outside wall and one row in the center of the building. The site appeared to be about 25 feet wide and 30 feet long. The Chimney appeared to be built on the west wall of this cabin. The foundation rocks seemed to be on a north- south orientation.

This would have been a rather large cabin that would have provided approximately 750 sq feet of living space. Most likely Robert, Elizabeth and their five children lived here between 1759 and 1766. This is probably where Mary, Robert Jr., John, Joshua, and Isaac Berry were born. Lick Creek was about 200 feet due west of this cabin location and would have been a source of very clean water. There seemed to be the remains of a very old trail on the south side of the cabin location. This trail was running east and west and most likely led from Robert's cabin to his west property line where a major road from Hillsborough to Roxboro in Person County is currently located. Highway 157 has been moved about 50 feet north of the original roadbed. Very likely Robert Berry (OC) and the road building crews built this road in the 1770's. This cabin was located very close to the center of the original Granville Land Grant property.

I can only assume that Robert and Elizabeth Berry had many happy memories with their five young children working and playing in this lovely environment. There had to be a lot of wild animals around. I suspect that wild animal meat was abundant and provided an important source of food for the growing Berry family.

I doubt if Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry ever lived in the small cabin that Robert built in the northwest corner of Fiddleton that was mentioned in the Warrant on page 40. I think this cabin was being built very shortly before or after Mary Berry was born. I think all five of the first children were born right here. This would include Mary Berry, Robert Berry Jr., John Berry, Joshua Berry, and Isaac Berry. The other five children were born after 1766 in the new Fiddleton Plantation home.

Robert Berry's Revolutionary War Pay Vouchers

Here is a copy of Robert Berry's pay voucher that identified him as a private in the Continental Line of North Carolina. He was paid fifty three Pounds, eight Schillings with interest to be paid in May of 1792.

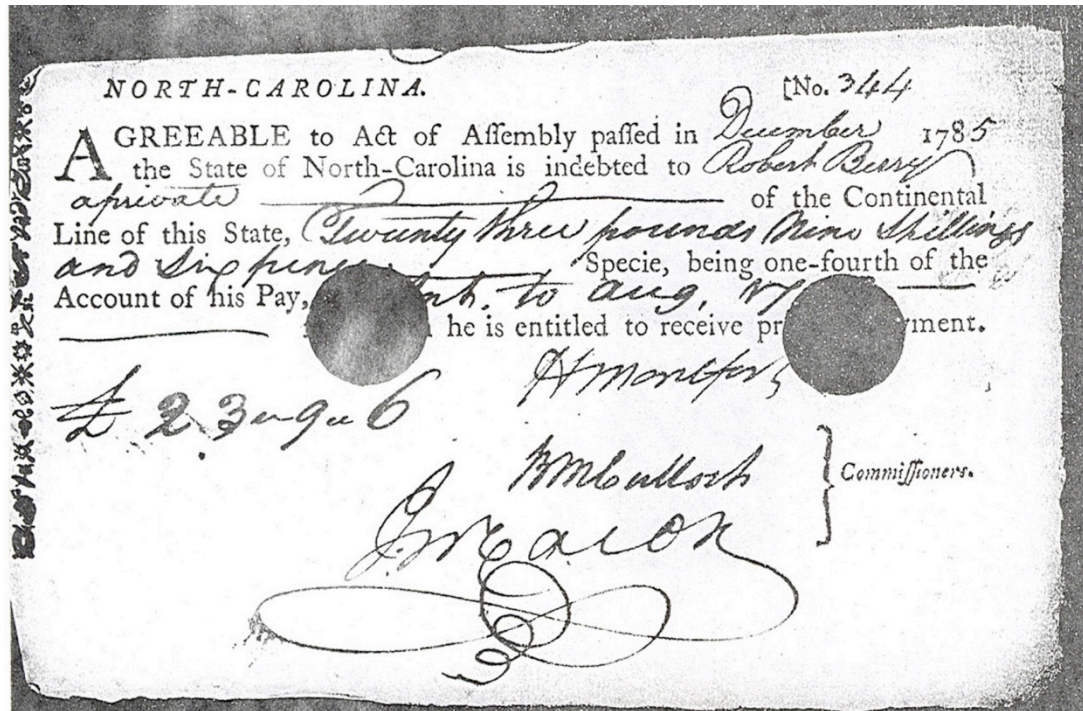


Figure 21: Pay Voucher # 344 of Robert Berry

The commissioner of Orange County purchased 200 pounds of beef from Robert Berry.

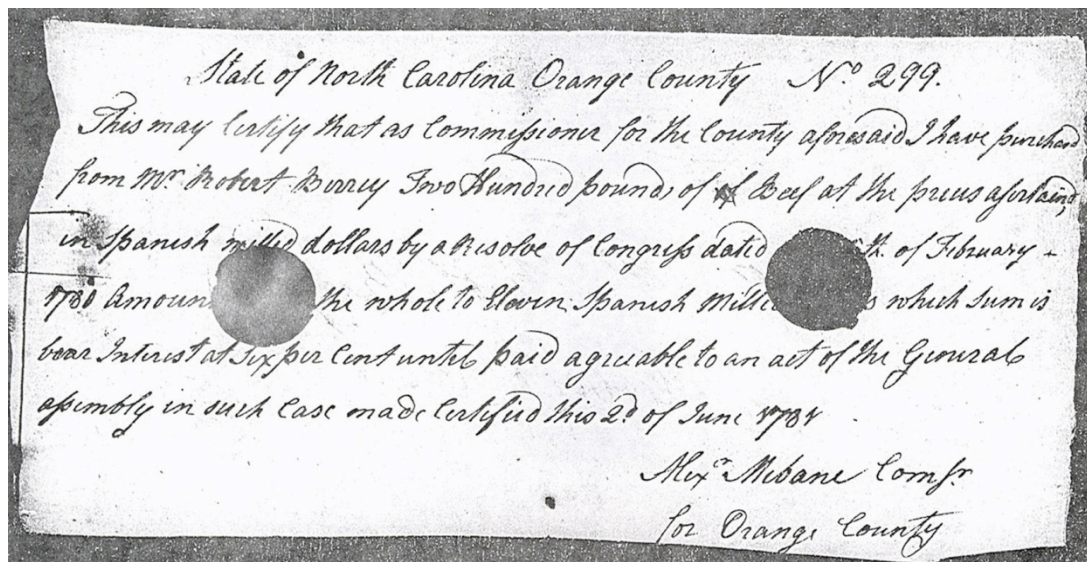


Figure 22: Pay Voucher Number 299

Voucher Number 344 on page 61 was issued for 23 Pounds 9 Schillings 6 Pence specie being one fourth of the Account of his pay to Robert Berry, a private of the Continental Line of North Carolina.

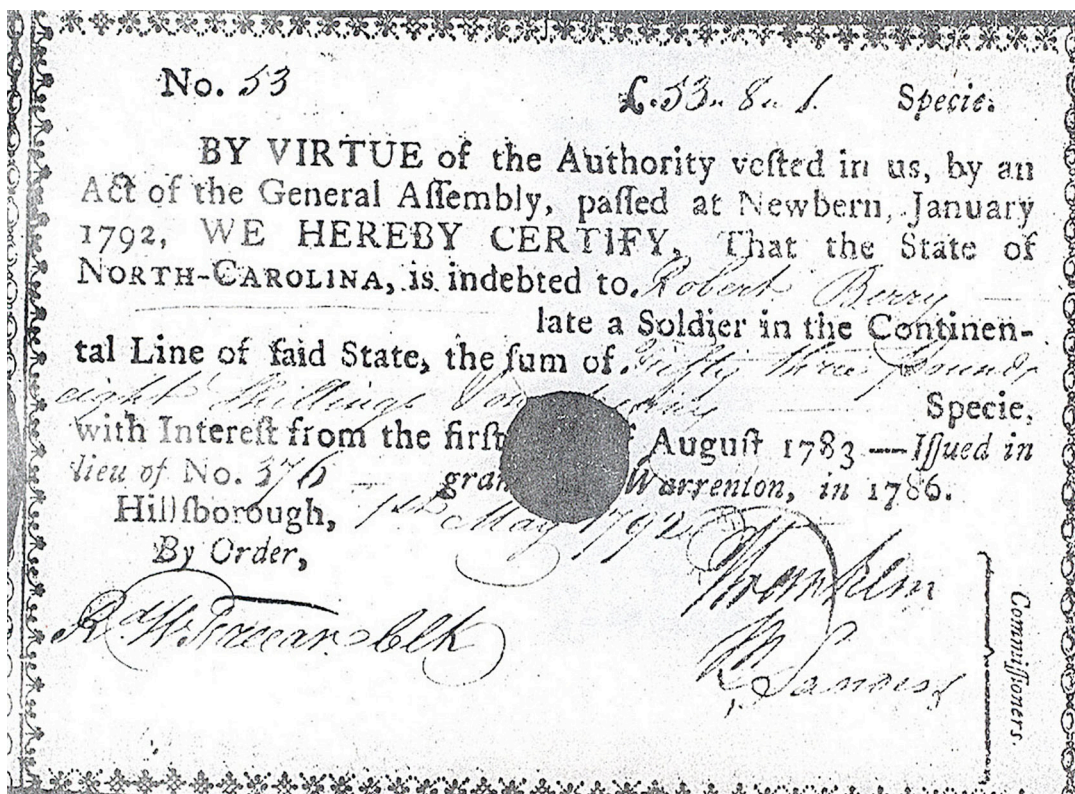


Figure 23: Voucher # 53

Robert Berry appeared before the Hillsborough Auditors Office on the 7th day of August, 1782, and presented a claim that was allowed for nine pounds four shillings specie.

Three battles were fought in Orange County, North Carolina, during the revolutionary war. Below is a list of these battles: ⁴¹

February 17, 1781- Harts Mill between Hillsborough and Efland

September 12, 1781- Kirks Farm

September 21, 1781- Hillsborough

Because of his service in the Revolutionary War, all of Robert Berry's (OC) descendants are eligible to join the SAR or the DAR. Both male and female descendants of Robert Berry (OC) have already been accepted in each of these organizations.

After the war was over, the state of North Carolina confiscated land that had been owned by the loyal Tories and granted it to the patriots who had fought for the American Revolution. Robert Berry was granted 293 acres of land by the State of North Carolina on March 13, 1780. The North Carolina state land office opened January 29, 1778, and Robert Berry made entry for this grant on December 4th, 1778. There were many entries made by Robert Berry's friends and neighbors during the twenty-six months that the North Carolina land Office was open.

Robert Berry Court Records in Orange County

Minutes and Abstracts

“The Collet Map⁴² of 1770 stands as the first reasonably accurate record of the permanent geographical features of Burke County. The map, prepared by Capt. John Abraham Collet, a native of Switzerland who served in the British army at Fort Johnston on the Cape Fear River, was based primarily on information gathered by William Churton of Edenton, Churton, who had served as surveyor of the Granville District, died in 1767, the year Collet arrived in America. Gov. William Tryon turned Churton’s map material over to Collet, who completed the work.” **William Churton was the Granville Land Officer for Lord John Carteret**

Granville Grant **Robert Berry** 12 May 1757 --SCC **Henry Gold, Thomas Cate, W Churton** surveyor 3 Dec 1753 “Plat reads surveyed for Robert Berry Jr.” Patent Book 14:334
Robert Berry (OC) won a case against Richard Gibbs in 1757.

September 1758 Orange County, N.C., Court Minutes: A deed of sale from the Earl of GRANVILLE to **Robert BERRY** for 260 Acres of land was proved in open court by the oath of William CHURTON and was ordered to be registered.
John Carteret, the first Earl of Granville, died in 1763. His land office was promptly closed, never to reopen. He died in his house in Arlington Street, London, on 22 January, 1763.

There was a second earl of Granville, but there was no land granted between 1763 and 1778. Many of the battles of the Revolutionary war were being fought during these years. The North Carolina state land office opened January 29, 1778, and closed March 30, 1780.

Granville Grant Nathaniel Walton 15 July 1760-Archalus Wilson, **Robert Berry SSC**, W Churton Surveyor, 26 May 1758 Patent Book 12:56·Granville Grant James Murdock 26 Nov 1762-SCC Michal. Robinson, **Robert Berry** 26 Nov 1762 Patent Book 12:1
North Carolina Grant, John Willson March 13 1780 surveyed 12th June 1779 by Thos. Mulhollan D.S. **Robt. Berry & Wm. Willson** SCC Patent Book 32:411
December 1756 Orange County, N.C. Court Minutes:
Robert Berry agt, Richard Gibbs: Thomas Williams’s security delivered up the Principal, Order’d the Sherriff take him into custody & committ.
March 1757 Orange County N.C. Court Minutes:
John Russell proved his Attendance as an Evidence in Suit **Berry** vs. Gibbs.
Phoebe Ran proved her Attendance as an Evidence in Suit **Berry** against Gibbs.
Lawrence Winfield proved her Attendance as an Evidence in Suit **Berry** vs. Gibbs
John CATE & Margery his wife, proved her Attendance as an Evidence (sic) in the Suit **Berry** against Gibbs for Plaintiff.

John and Margery Cate are Elizabeth Cate’s parents. John Cate made a will and in it he identified Elizabeth Berry as his daughter and the wife of Robert Berry (OC). John Cate did this by willing a “cow and a calf to his daughter Elizabeth Berry”. **Robert Berry** agt. Richard Gibbs: In Case. And the defendant by his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and where &c. and Saith that he did not assume in manner and form as the Plaintiff against him declared and of this he puts himself upon the Country and the Plaintiff Likewise Therefore let the Jury come agreeable to act of Assembly to Recognize &c. The same came the Parties by their

Attorneys whereupon came also a Jury to wit: &c. who being elected tryed and sworn the truth to speak upon the issue Joined on their Oath do say that the Defendant did assume in manor and form as the Plaintiff in his Declaration hath set forth and do assess Damages to four Shillings and nine Pence, Therefore it is the opinion aforesaid in form aforesaid Assessed and his cost by him in that behalf expended and the defendant in mercy &c. Judgment L-: 4:9, Clerk 3:9:11

March 1759 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

The Following Persons Were Sworn As Grand Jurors: Aaron Vanhook, Lawrence Rambo, Gabriel Davey, Thomas Clark, James McGowen, Andrew McBroom, Thomas Thompson, William Basket, **Robert Berry**, Thomas Dobbin, Henry Lemon, Robert Donelson, Robert Patterson, John Satterfield, James Dinkins, Thomas Whitehead, Hugh Wood, Hugh Smith.

Robert served on jury in the December term of 1769 [351] 176 bk. 1 pg 99.

Robert Berry was excused from jury duty on May term [1777] 115 folio 57 bk3 pg59. He may have been serving in the North Carolina Continental Army at that time.

November term 1777 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

Issd. Ordered That The Following Persons Work On The Road Under Thomas Rountree To Wit: James Allison, William Mckee, James Murdock, Moses Gwin, John Murdock Sen, John Wilson, Archd Wilson, William Wilson, **William Robinson**, William Armstrong, **Robert Berry**, **Michl, Robinson**, & Danl. McMahan. This is the first notice that I have found where the local residents were decreed by court to build roads in the county. I think each of these men was granted land on March 13, 1780. Very likely the state authorities recognized the need for roads as the American Revolution was being waged in the colonies. They may also have stipulated this roadwork as a prerequisite to entering a request for the grant. These state authorities may have been anticipating the coming actions in North Carolina based on the increased activity of the English armies in Georgia and South Carolina.

February term 1778 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

The Grand Jury To Wit: Saml, Allen Foreman, John Dickey, Robert Anderson, Wm. Comb, Gilbert Strahorn, James Murdock, **Robert Berry**, John Kelley, William Robinson, Hugh Finley, William Armstrong, Benjamin Thompson, Henry Waggoner, & Andrew McBroom Being Impaneled & Sworn Received Their Charge And Withdrew. Wortham Glenn Appointed Constable To Grand Jury. [1107] Bk. 3.

November term 1781 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

The last Will & Testament of George Waggoner Dec'd was duly prov'd in open Court by the oath of George Clower a subscribing Witness thereto & ordered to be Recorded at the same time **Mary Waggoner & Robert Berry** Qualified as Executor & Executrix to the same. Ordered that letters Testamentary issue to them accordingly.

Mary Berry Waggoner was married to George Waggoner. George Waggoner wrote his will on April 2nd, 1781, which was only 18 days after the battle of Guilford Courthouse in the Revolutionary War. Due to the fact that Mary and Robert probated George Waggoner's will in the Orange County November, 1781, term court, it is very likely he died from wounds suffered in that battle. The delay in filing the will may have been caused by Robert serving in the North Carolina Continental Army. General Green led General Cornwallis to the Dan River and after Green got his army across the river, taking all available boats with him, the river was flooded by spring rains and the British General could not get across to pursue General Green's army. I have every reason to believe that Robert Berry was serving in that army at that time. All of this activity was taking place within a distance of about 40 miles as the crow flies from Robert

Berry's Fiddleton Plantation. Elizabeth Berry had probably driven all their animals into the woods, and she and the children may have been hiding out there as well.

February term 1782 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

· An Inventory of the Estate of George Waggoner Decd. was returned on Oath by Robert Berry & *Mary Kemp* (sic) Exr. & Executrix &c. and Ordered to be Recorded.

It was during the span of time between November, 1781, term of court when **Mary Waggoner** was named Executrix, and before the February, 1782, session **Mary Berry Waggoner** married James Kemp and signed the George Waggoner inventory as **Mary Kemp**. George named two young daughters in his will. It is unknown if Mary Berry Waggoner is their mother or not.

May term 1782 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

Robert Berry is excused from attending as Juror at this Court, he having shewn sufficient Reasons &c.

May 1782: *Robert Berry* may very well been on active duty in the North Carolina Continental Army at this time.

May term 1784 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

Issd. **Robert BERRY** is appointed Overseer of the road in the room of James Murdock [1429 190 folio 37 bk. 3 pg90.

August term 1786 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

Issd. Michael Robinson is appointed Overseer of the road in the room of **Robert Berry** from Caswell line to the South fork of Little River.

August term 1789 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

Robert Berry is appointed overseer of road in the Room of T Bowles.

May term 1791 Orange N.C. Court Minutes:

Wm. Jamison vs. **Robert Berry**, Certiorari. Same Jury as to No. [blank] Sworn find Verdict for Plaintiff for L 1:4:9 & cost. Robert lost this case and had to pay Wm Jamison One Pound, 4 Shillings, 9 Pence. Court Minutes [2092]-54. Bk. 4 p 106 this may have something to do with George Waggoner's estate.

November Term 1791 Orange N.C. Court Minutes: Book 4 pg 114

Issd. Administration of the estate of James Waggoner is granted to Catherine Waggoner at the same time she entered into Bond with **Robt. Berry Jun.** Secy. in the sum of L 50.

November Term 1791 Orange N.C. Court Minutes: Book 4, pg. 115

Tho. Burks Exrs. Vs Geo. Doherty & Wm. Mebane: Debt. Jury Sworn To Wit: 1. Martin Parmer, 2. Brice Collins, 3. Tho. Brewer, 4. James Murdock, 5. **Robt. Berry**, 6. Jno. G. Rencher, 7. Jno. Armstrong, 8. Henry Terrel, 9. Tho. Connelly, 10. Jno. Mccollum, 11. Davd. Mccauly, 12. Benj. Peelor, Find The Deed To Be The Act & Deed Of The Defts, And That The Same Is Not Pd. & Assess The Plaintiffs Damages To L 12:4:10 & Cost. Stay Ex. Til 15 Days Before Next Court.

November Term 1791 Orange N.C. Court Minutes: Book 4 pg 116

The Execution of a Deed from Wm., James, and Thomas Rutherford To **Robert Berry** Was Duly Acknowledge In Open Court By Joseph Taylor Esq. Atto. & c. and Ordered to be registered,

Most of the records listed above belong to Robert Berry (OC). Robert Berry (OC) discontinued using the Jr. with his name after his son Robert Berry Jr. became of legal age. The young Robert Berry Jr. posted bond for the James Waggoner estate.

Robert Berry Jr. was the bondsman for **Aldridge, Peter & Judith Waggoner 4 Feb., 1786.** Robert Berry Junior's son, George Berry, many years later married Susanna Aldridge, Peter Aldridge and Judith Waggoner's daughter, in 1814. Robert Berry Jr. and his family were living in Person County when the 1810 Census was taken.

1790 Orange County Census listed 4 Berry men:

Robert Berry, Robert Berry Jr., Joshua Berry, John Berry.

Robert was involved in many civic activities. He served on the jury in March 1759, November 1777, February 1778, and November 1791. Robert was excused from jury duty on May 1791. I do not know the reason for this.

Robert had deeds entered in the court records on May 12, 1757, September 1758, and November 1791

Robert was a chain carrier on July 15, 1760, November 26, 1762, and March 13, 1780.

Robert was involved in law suits in December 1756, September 1758 and May 1791.

Robert Berry was appointed overseer of road in May 1784 and August 1789. He was appointed to a road building crew on August 17, 1786.

Robert Berry's Civic Activities

- 1756 Robert Berry vs Richard Gibbs
- 1757 Robert Berry vs Richard Gibbs
- 1757 Granville Grant issued to Robert Berry
- 1758 Granville Grant proved in open Court
- 1759 Robert Berry served on Grand Jury
- 1760 Robert Berry was a chain carrier for Nathaniel Walton
- 1762 Robert Berry was a chain carrier for James Murdock
- 1777 Robert Berry ordered to work on road building under Thomas Rountree
- 1778 Robert Berry served on jury
- 1791 Robert Berry was on the grand jury of Governor Burke's Estate trial.
- 1781 Robert Berry and Mary Berry Waggoner probated George Waggoner's will.
- 1782 Robert Berry & Mary Berry Kemp: inventory of Geo. Waggoner's Estate entered.
- 1784 Robert Berry was appointed overseer of road in James Murdock's room
- 1786 Michael Robinson appointed overseer of the roads in room of Robert Berry
- 1789 Robert Berry appointed overseer of the roads in room of T Bowles

Robert Berry's Land Transactions

- 1757 Granville Land Grant 260 acres on May 12th
- 1780 North Carolina Land Grant 293 acres on March 13th
- 1785 Purchased 200 acres from John McCulloch for 25 pounds 4 Schillings proclamation money
- 1787 Purchased Rutherford Property 247.5 acres that adjoined his Southern Boundary: Deed book 4 Page 516
- 1791 Rutherford heirs deeded property to Robert Berry.

- 1800 Robert Berry sold his first piece of property to William Armstrong on October 14th, 1800. (Deed Bk. 13, Page 330), This was the same property that Robert Berry acquired from the North Carolina land grant in 1780.
- 1807 He sold his second tract of land to William Stagg on February 27th, 1807. (Deed Bk. 39, Pg 396) William Stagg married Uley Waggoner on January 22nd, 1805. Jacob Waggoner was their bondsman. This is another example of the Waggoner and Berry families' relationship.
- 1811 Robert sold the west half of his original Granville Grant to his son, Joshua Berry, on February 24th, 1811. (Deed Bk. 14 Page 57)

Total acreage acquired by Robert Berry (OC) from 1787 until 1800 was 1000.5 acres. Robert began to sell off his property in 1800. Most of his children were married and moving away from home. He had three children who were deceased. He was getting older and probably used some of the money to buy some younger slaves. This would allow him to keep the plantation running. When Robert died, he still owned 600.5 acres of land and 13 slaves.

Robert Berry's 1812 Will, Transcribed

Written April 16, 1812¹

In the name of God Amen. I Robert Berry being of perfect mind and memory calling to mind. That all men are born once to die, do make and appoint this my last will and testament: First will my soul to the Almighty God who gave it me and my body to the grave to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my executors, Secondly I will and bequeath to my loving wife Elizabeth four of my negroes the names of which is old Jack and Rose, Frompey and Sall, also my possessions of land her lifetime, I will and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Berry one of my Negroes named Doll, also two cows and calves her lifetime and then for them and their increase to be property of her daughter Mary. I will and bequeath to my son Robert Berry one negroe boy named Solomon, I will and bequeath to my son Joshua Berry one boy named Aaron, I will and bequeath to my son Thomas Berry Deace'd, children one Negro girl named Mariah; I will and bequeath to my son Isaac Berry one negroe woman named Lydia also one horse to the value of thirty dollars and two cows and calves, This my son Isaac Berry's legacy to be left in the care of my son Henry Berry so as for the aforesaid Isaac to have the benefit of it but not so he can sell or dispose of it without Henrys Approbation also this my son Isaac Berry's legacy at his death be divided among my heirs equally provided he has no heirs born after this will is wrote also This my son Isaac Berry legacy to be given to him for to be at his disposal if he comes to his proper reason, if he does not come to hid right reason to be left as above mentioned, I will and bequeath to my son David Berry one negroe girl named Tamer; I will and bequeath to m son William Berry one pound. I will and bequeath to my son Henry Berry two Negroes named young Jack and Nicy and two cows and calves also my possessions of land at his mother's death provided he gives to my son Isaac Berry one hundred dollars fifty to be paid one year after his mother's death and the other fifty in two years after his mother's death. I will and bequeath as much of my property shall be sold as will discharge all lawful debts, and all such to be discharged. I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary Kemp Deces'd heirs one pound. I will and bequeath to my son John Berry Deceas'd heirs one negro girl named Luinda. The remainder of my property I will to my wife Elizabeth to be at her own disposal. I disannul and disavow all other will or wills; I do constitute and appoint my wife and my son Henry Berry my executors to execute this said will. Signed, sealed and perfected the year one Thousand eight hundred and twelve April the 16th day in the presents

Test J Rountree X (Jnr.)

Robert Berry (SEAL)

Test Wm. Robinson

When Robert wrote this will he named his wife, all 10 of his children, and one granddaughter, Mary, by name. All 13 of his slaves were also identified by name in his will.

Children: Mary Berry Kemp/Camp, Robert Berry Jr., John Berry, Joshua Berry, Isaac Berry, Elizabeth Berry, Thomas Berry, David Berry, William Berry, and Henry Berry.

Slaves: Old Jack and Rose, Frompey, and Sall, Doll, Solomon, Aaron, Mariah, Lydia, Tamer, Young Jack, Nicy, and Luinda. There were 8 female and 5 male slaves.

A Study of Robert Berry's Personal Character

As you can tell from the public records listed above, Robert Berry (OC) was a responsible member of the community. I think he also had a great love for his family.

Robert continued to prosper from the time he entered Granville County in 1751 until he died in 1814. He started with a 260 acre Granville land grant in 1757 and owned 1000 acres of land by the year 1800. He raised 10 children to be adults and he owned 13 slaves at the time he wrote his will.

The character of the man really stood out when he wrote his will on April 15, 1812. He went into very lengthy detail to see that the less capable members of his family would be cared for after his death. He made sure that his daughter Elizabeth inherited property, even though she had given birth to a bastard child. Mary Berry, his granddaughter, was the daughter of William Riley and Elizabeth Berry. There was a bastardy bond issued on William Riley in 1792. Robert Berry (OC) also stipulated that Elizabeth's inherited property be passed to his granddaughter Mary upon Elizabeth's death. Elizabeth Berry and her daughter, Mary, also lived with her parents until Mary got married in 1809. At that time Mary Berry, her husband Thomas Berry, and her mother Elizabeth removed to Person County, North Carolina. They were there when the 1810 Person County Census was taken. Robert Berry Jr. was living next door.

Robert Sr. also went to very great lengths to see that his son Isaac, (who was apparently mentally retarded), was well provided for after his death. Isaac was placed under the care of Robert Berry's (OC) youngest son, Henry Berry. Robert very clearly explained in his will what conditions were to be observed in the management of Isaac's inheritance.

Robert Berry (OC) served as a private in the North Carolina Continental Army in the American Revolution. He must have decided to take sides with the revolting citizens and not remain loyal to the British government.

The Regulator Movement and the Battle of Alamance may have made that decision for him. This was when Governor Tryon sent troops to the area to put down the Regulator Movement. Some historians believe this was the very first battle of the Revolutionary War. Governor Tryon had been approached several times about the unfair tax collection practices in Orange and other surrounding Counties. The Governor agreed to have a fairer tax collection implemented but nothing ever changed. The longer the situation continued, the angrier the local citizens became.

Robert Berry may have waited until General Cornwallis was approaching Orange County in the spring of 1781 before he decided what he had to do. We have no way of knowing when the decision was made, but Robert Berry (OC) did make the right one. .

It is almost certain that Robert Berry (OC) was involved in the Battle of Guilford Courthouse on March 15, 1781. Robert Berry's son-in-law, George Waggoner, suffered mortal wounds in this battle that led to his death a short time later. George Waggoner's will was written on April 2nd, 1781, and probated in August, 1781. Robert Berry and his daughter, Mary Berry Waggoner, were executor and executrix of that will.

Mary Berry Waggoner was married to James Kemp / Camp before February, 1782, when she signed George Waggoner's property settlement. This is known because she signed the property statement as Mary Kemp.

Conditions under which Robert Berry and his neighbors lived from 1751 until 1776 required that they be very self-reliant and independent. As long as quit rents and taxes were paid, they could live their lives much as they wanted to. Dealing with the natural surroundings and

their growing families were probably the most challenging problems in their lives. Robert Berry apparently managed his plantation very well, because he became very prosperous over time. Wild food and other resources were abundant, so most everything he needed to survive was there from the beginning. Making a decision on which side to support in the Revolutionary War, considering the freedom he had experienced, may not have been a very hard choice at all. Robert Berry had been living in North Carolina for at least twenty-five years when the Declaration of Independence was signed in 1776. He can truly be classified as an original pioneer. Robert Berry may not have been completely aware of how great freedom was and how much it would reward him until he had experienced it firsthand. He essentially declared his personal independence as a free man long before 1776.

It is not entirely clear when Robert Berry's neighbors staked out their claims. Lord John Carteret Earl of Granville died in 1761 and the Granville grant office closed. There were no more grants issued in North Carolina until 1780.

I know that Patrick Rutherford was listed in the 1755 Orange County Tax list.

In November, 1777, Thomas Rountree was in charge of roads. John Wilson, Archilias Wilson, William Wilson, **Robert Berry**, **William Robinson**, **Michael Robinson**, and William Armstrong were to work under him.

Fiddleton Cemetery

The URL for the FIDDLETON cemetery:

<http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/org/cem233.htm>

Many of Robert Berry's neighbors came to America from Scotland. There have been researchers who have tried to say that Robert Berry was from Scotland also.

There was a Presbyterian Church formed very early in the Little River community just North of Hillsborough. The Little River Presbyterian Church was organized in 1761. The Presbyterian movement in America is definitely an institution of the early Scot-Irish settlers. Today, Little River Presbyterian Church has a very large cemetery, but Robert Berry was buried in his own private cemetery in 1814. There are only 4 Berry Graves in the Little River Cemetery and the earliest Berry grave was of James Berry, Company D, 56th Infantry, C.S.A. Little River Presbyterian Church is only seven miles south of Robert Berry's Granville Land Grant property. Very likely Robert Berry was not affiliated with any Church during his lifetime. His descendants who remained in North Carolina were mostly Southern Baptist and Methodist, and many of them were very active in their faiths.

Many of Robert Berry's Scot-Irish neighbors are buried in the Little River Presbyterian Church Cemetery. There is no record of Robert Berry or any of his children ever belonging to this church. These two facts are added reasons for me to believe that Robert's ancestors came from England. I feel certain, if Robert Berry had come from Scotland, he would have been a member of the Little River Presbyterian Church and he would have been buried there. I have ancestors on the Wilson side of my family who are buried there.

URL for Little River Presbyterian church
Church<http://cemeterycensus.com/nc/orng/cem039.htm>

Fiddleton Cemetery Orange County, North Carolina



Figure 24: Robert Berry's Fiddleton Plantation Family Cemetery 23 graves

On **Fig. 15, Pg. 54**, Robert Berry's family cemetery is marked with a balloon and a star in the center. These cemetery pictures were taken in January, 2007. There are 23 graves located in this Robert Berry Family Cemetery. Six of these graves are marked with gravestones identifying who is buried there. The rest are fieldstones without any identifying markings. Robert Berry was probably the first of our relatives to be buried in this cemetery. Elizabeth Cate Berry may be the second grave located here.



Figure 25: Susan A. King Crabtree 1920

Susan A. Crabtree is the daughter of Thomas and Mary (Polly) King.

Susan was born on June 4th, 1848, and died on March 28th, 1921.

Mary King is the wife of Thomas King. They are the couple who inherited the Plantation home that Henry Berry was living in when he died in 1855. Mary was raised by the name Mary Ashley but, as it turns out, she was Henry Berry and Fanny Ashley's daughter. There had always been a question in my mind about this inheritance because it did not seem reasonable to will the home outside the family. (See support information in Chapter 12, pages 197-207)



Figure 26: Mary Ashley (Berry) Kings Headstone

Mary Ashley was really Mary Berry, daughter of Henry Berry and Fanny Ashley. This information was a secret until Susan A King Crabtree died in 1920. On her death certificate, her mother was listed as Mary Berry.



Figure 27: Anne Belle Berry and Her Brother's Graves at Fiddleton

These are two children. Anne Belle Berry was buried in 1912 and her brother, James Berry, was buried in 1896 in the Fiddleton Cemetery. They are the grandchildren of Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry. They are the children of James P. and Artelia Wedding Berry.



Figure 28: This is a Special Headstone and may be Robert Berry's (OC).

This was the most perfect unmarked stone in the cemetery, as you can see by the other fieldstone markers on this page. **This was most likely the headstone for Robert Berry (OC).** The reason I think this is because Elizabeth would have wanted an appropriate stone for her husband and would have been able to have her slaves make one. This was the only old stone that seemed to be shaped and crafted by hand to this quality. It is almost certain that Elizabeth Cate Berry was buried beside her husband about two years later in 1814. The next member of the family to be buried here may have been Isaac Berry.



Figure 29: Unmarked gravestones in the Fiddleton Cemetery

Headstones for two of Thomas Person's three wives



Figure 30: Sarah Lunsford and Lucy Brown

Sallie Lunsford was Thomas Person Berry's first wife. They are my great-great-grandparents. Sallie/Sarah Lunsford Berry was born July 25th, 1811, and died on December 27th, 1870. Sarah and Thomas had four sons. (**See page 208**) Sarah was 59 years old when she died.

Lucy Brown was Thomas Person Berry's second wife. There was an error made on Lucy Brown Berry's headstone. The headstone was placed on Lucy Brown Berry's grave many years after she died. It was probably placed there by her children. Lucy and Thomas had a son, Daniel, who was born December 23rd, 1880, and Lucy died on January 8th, 1881. Edna H. Berry, the oldest daughter of Thomas and Lucy, was only 9 years old when Lucy died. I have every reason to believe that the young children of Thomas P. Berry thought his middle name was **Passon**. All records in the North Carolina Genealogy Library refer to him as Thomas **Person** Berry. I read somewhere that General Thomas Person had the same problem with the pronunciation of his name. I think that Person sounded like *Passon* because of a *strong colloquial southern accent*. Thomas placed the headstone of his first wife, Sarah Lunsford Berry, with the inscription "**wife of Thomas P. Berry**". If Thomas had placed the headstone for his second wife, the inscription on Lucy's headstone would have read "**Second wife of Thomas P. Berry**". Thomas was sick at the time his second wife died, and I am sure he did not feel up to placing a headstone at his second wife's grave.

When Lucy died on January 8th, 1881, Thomas was left with a new son who was only 16 days old. He also had four young daughters ranging from 4 to 9 years old. Thomas Person Berry's third marriage to Elizabeth Peed Bowles was a marriage of convenience. He needed a wife to care for his 5 young children. Thomas was apparently in declining health at the time of, or shortly after, Lucy's death. Thomas Person Berry died only 38 months after Lucy Brown Berry died. There are no headstones for Thomas Person Berry or his third wife located in the Fiddleton Cemetery. They are both probably buried there.

Ages of Thomas and his family in 1880

Thomas P. Berry age 72
Lucy Brown Berry age 33
Edna H. Berry age 8
Martha Berry age 7
Etta E. Berry age 6
Della P. Berry age 4

Era's Ending & New Beginnings

As Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry were approaching the end of their lives, their children's families were growing in numbers, creating the need for their own new land & farms. Land was becoming scarce and expensive at home. Grants were being made in other states for service in the wars and new opportunities to own large amounts of virgin land were becoming available in the South and West.

Wagons South Wagons West is a book written by Victor Glenn Berry.⁴³ I think Glenn named the book very appropriately. Although the book was primarily written about only one of Robert Berry Junior's sons and his family, it aptly describes what so many of our ancestors were facing at that time.

Robert & Elizabeth Cate Berry's children started migrating to the south as early as 1782, when Mary Berry married James Camp and relocated in Rutherford County, North Carolina. John Berry may have departed Orange County shortly after he married Martha Stepp on December 16th, 1793 (more about this in Chapter 5). All of the rest of their children remained in Orange County until about 1808, when two of the boys decided that they needed to explore the possibility of acquiring land in the West, as it was called in those days. This meant South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, and Tennessee.

Young men from many other families in Orange County, and other North Carolina Counties, were compelled to move south and west to locate new homesteads. One reason is because they did not inherit land from their fathers. Most young men would live at home until their father died, and after only one of the sons inherited their father's plantation, the rest of the children had to seek their own land elsewhere. It does seem logical that the youngest son in the family should inherit the homestead. This is a way to keep your property in the family as long as possible. This happened in our Robert Berry (OC) family. We do not know if Robert advised Thomas and William to seek new land in 1808. Was it visionary, did they anticipate who their father would will the plantation to, or was it just their Pioneer spirit? It may well have been that Robert Berry's service in the Revolutionary War qualified his sons to be eligible for land grants in Tennessee. We also know that one of Joshua Berry's sons (**James Berry See Page 137**) was able to acquire land in Tennessee around 1825. We also know that Robert Berry wrote his will on April 16th, 1812, and by then Thomas Berry was already deceased.

There were always good reasons to migrate to the west and it had been going on since settlers first set foot on American soil. Seeking available land was high on the list of desirable things to do. The federal government was making treaties with the Indian Tribes in Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia. The government was running land lotteries and granting land for homesteading. Many second and third generation young men were leaving the communities where they grew up to stake claims for this new land. Often they would band together and travel on horseback for security and convenience as they journeyed into the undeveloped western wilderness.

Henry Berry, the youngest of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's children, was born in 1776, the year of the Declaration of Independence. Henry was the only child to be born in the new nation. All of their other children were born in North Carolina while it was still under English rule. Much of this time Orange County, North Carolina, was considered the Western Frontier.

Five of Robert Berry's (OC) sons relocated to new frontiers. By the year 1850, there were many more of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's descendants living in Georgia, Alabama, Texas, Mississippi, Kentucky, Ohio, and Tennessee than there were in Orange County, North

Carolina. This pattern continued for Robert Berry's (OC) descendants for many more years. As the great southwest and the great northwest frontiers were opened, many of our Berry family pioneered those lands, too.

When virgin land was there, it seems our family always had a new crop of Berrys ready to load up the wagons. It was not just our family, but countless other families were experiencing the same pioneering life. I read one time that in Salisbury, North Carolina, which was on the main route south, there would be as many as 1000 wagons a day passing through. This was the same time that Robert Berry Jr. and his family departed for Fayette County, Alabama.

After the land grants disappeared, job seeking continued to instigate movement of our family members. Many of our Berrys migrated north and west, seeking jobs during the early & mid 1930 depression years. My mother and father were married in 1928 and only made a short move from Hillsborough to Raleigh, N.C., which was about 50 miles.

Picture of Robert Berry Descendants at the 2007 Reunion



Figure 31: 2007 extended family reunion

We gathered in Hillsborough, North Carolina, on Thursday, July 19th, and on Friday, July 20th, 2007, we spent the day in the 256 year old city of Hillsborough, North Carolina. William Churton laid out the streets that have never been changed, other than resurfacing them with modern materials. There were two reasons I chose these dates for our Fiddleton Reunion. My mother was born on July 20th, 1908, and Robert Berry (OC) was granted his Granville Land Grant on May 12th, 1757. On Saturday, about 70 of us explored the original Granville Land Grant property. We visited the Cemetery where Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry are buried.

All of the out of state cousins were staying in the Holiday Inn Express in Hillsborough and we had rented the conference room where all could share information and relay our stories to

each other. We also formed groups to visit the register of deeds office to view all of the old deeds and assorted records. The deed books dated back to 1750 and the grooms and brides books were also very popular. There were a total number of 116 Berry family members who attended the reunion dinner on Saturday at the Schley Grange Hall. Many pictures were taken with still cameras and video cameras. We had a golf cart which made it possible for the less mobile cousins to visit the cemetery. We visited Berry's Grove Baptist Church, where many of Robert Berry's North Carolina descendants are buried. John Robert and his wife, Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry, gave the land to the Church. John Robert Berry is the great-grandson of Robert Berry (OC).

After spending Saturday morning visiting all the points of interest, we motored to the Schley Grange Hall, where we had a dinner of southern pork Bar-B-Q. Schley is about halfway between Fiddleton and Hillsborough. On Sunday, we all said goodby. I had many favorable comments and I think everybody really enjoyed this reunion.

1766 is the date scratched in the mortar between two stones on the rear of the chimney. I have no idea if Robert Berry (OC) scratched this date on the chimney, or if Henry Berry did it after he inherited the Plantation house in 1814. We colored the date with dark chalk so the date would show up better in pictures

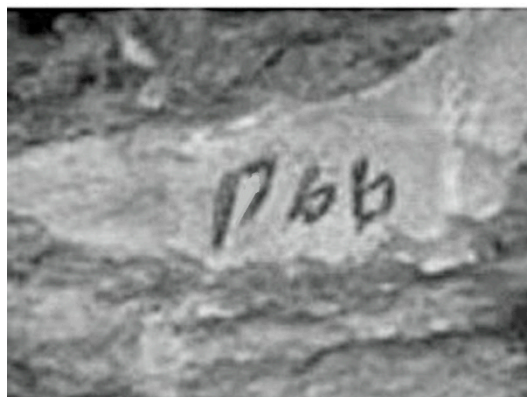
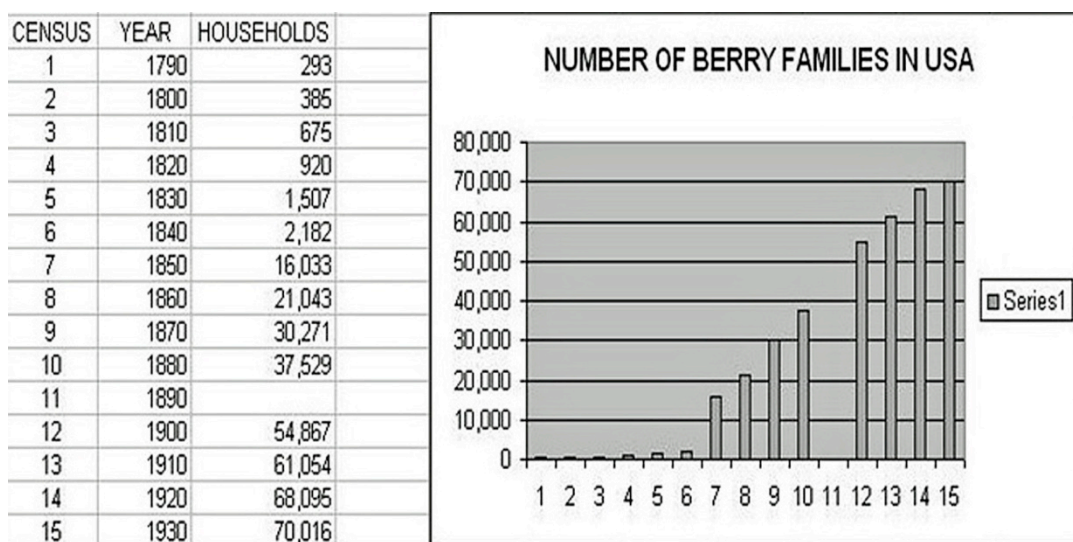


Figure 32: 1766 marks on Chimney at Fiddleton

The GPS location of this chimney is: 36°13'26.36"N 79° 1'31.82"W

Number of Berry Families Households in America

This chart shows a couple of interesting facts that should be noted.



There were very few Berry families in America until about 1850. The number of new Berry households increased by only 92 in the 10 years from 1790 to 1800. Four of our Robert Berry's (OC) children (Joshua, David, William, and Thomas Berry) account for four of these 92 new Berry households.

In the 1850 US Census, there was a huge increase in Berry households in America. The majority of these new Berry families were coming from Ireland as a result of the potato famine.

From the chart, you can see there were 2182 Berry households in America in 1840. Ten years later in 1850, there are 16,033 Berry households in America. That is an 800% increase in ten years, or about 1400 new Berry households each year.⁴⁴

DISTRIBUTION OF BERRY HOUSEHOLDS IN THE ORIGINAL 13 COLONIES

STATE	1790	1840	1850
NEW YORK	30	250	1589
MAINE	46	245	1500
PENN.	26	137	1052
VIRGINIA		134	821
NEW HAMPSHIRE	37	139	718
MASS.	34	94	667
MARYLAND	40	57	425
NORTH CAROLINA	35	72	346
SOUTH CAROLINA	37	60	307
CONNETICUT	11	15	90
VERMONT	2	27	64
RHODE ISLAND	4	7	55

Robert Berry's (OC) 42 known Grandchildren

John Camp	1784 ?	James and Mary Berry Camp
Sarah Camp	Nov. 9 1785	
+ Shadrick Humphries		
Robert Berry Camp	1787 ?	
Starling Camp	Oct. 22 1793	
Joseph Camp	1795 ?	

Catherine Berry	1785	Robert Jr. and Mary Camp
+Jacob Pickle		
George Berry	1787 ?	
+ Susan Aldridge		
John Berry	Unknown	
Henry G. Berry		
+Elizabeth Farquhar	1792	
William Clarence Berry	Oct. 17 1803	
+ Sally Bowles		
2 Massa Thompkins		
Thompson P. Berry	December 18 1801	
+ Rosanna Gutman		
David Middleton Berry	April 14 1805	
+ Didama Box		

Polly Berry	John & Martha Stepp Berry
Betsy Berry	This may or may not be our John Berry
Robert Berry	
Joshua Berry	
William Berry	

Robert Berry		Joshua & Nancy Ellison Berry
+ Sally Cates		
Dicey Berry	1798	
+ Andrew Murdock		
James Berry		
+ Mary		
Joahua Berry Jr.	April 15 1801	
+Anna Thorpe		
Deliliah Berry		
+John Hightower		
Lewis Berry		
+Sally Toilar		
Nancy Berry (Spinster)	1810	
Charlotte Berry		
+William Waggoner Sr.		
Eli Berry	Oct. 10 1821	
+ Judy Betsy Tolar		

David Berry +Elizabeth Shipman Eleanor Berry + John Reed	1802	Thomas & Sarah Cate Berry
Sarah Berry + William Abraham Cates Winifred Berry + Joshua Norman David J. Berry Jr. + Margaret Erwin Mary Berry +Thomas Howard Barton Henry Berry George N. Berry Robert Berry + Elizabeth Everett William G. Berry + Jane Beck Thomas Berry Joshua Berry + Elizabeth J. Cates		David J. and Mary Blalock Berry
Lydia Berry	1815	Isaac Berry & Unknown spouse
Mary Berry + Thomas Berry		Elizabeth Berry & William Riley
Thomas Person Berry + Sarah Lunsford	June 1 1808	William & Hannah Cate Berry
Mary Berry + Thomas King	1809	Henry Berry & Fanny Ashley
Robert C. Berry + Sarah Chappell There are other female grandchildren who are unknown.	1806	May be the son of William and Hannah Cate Berry

CHAPTER 3

MARY BERRY 1759 -1795 to 1800

Mary Berry was the first child born to Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry and was born sometime between 1757 and 1759. Unfortunately, she was born and married before such records were kept in Orange County, North Carolina. We have located several documents which give us a little peek into Mary's life. George Waggoner left a will that he wrote on April 2nd, 1781, which named Mary Waggoner as his beloved wife. Mary and her father, Robert Berry, were named executors of his will. **(See: Fig. 34, Pg. 84).**

The battle of Guilford Courthouse was fought on March 15th, 1781. This conflict was only about 40 miles from Fiddleton, and I know Robert Berry (OC) was a private in the North Carolina Line in 1781. I think that George Waggoner was mortally injured in that battle and Robert helped his son-in-law, George, return to his family before rejoining General Nathan Green's troops. The early spring rains had swollen the Dan River, so General Green made a brilliant decision to confiscate all of the boats along the river and ferry his army into Virginia. General Green kept all the boats on the north side of the Dan.

When General Charles Cornwallis' troops arrived at the river, he had no way to attack General Green's army. General Cornwallis claimed victory and turned his troops back toward central North Carolina in search of food and reinforcements. A British statesman named Charles James Fox made the statement: "another victory like Guilford Courthouse and Cornwallis' army will be completely destroyed."⁴⁵ When General Green crossed back into North Carolina, he split his troops into two parts and proceeded to lead the exhausted British army all over central and southern North Carolina. The English fully expected loyalty from the planters in western North Carolina. This expectation did not materialize. After a short time, General Cornwallis and his army marched into Virginia, where he finally surrendered at Yorktown on October 19th, 1781.

In the August, 1781, term of Court, the Last Will and Testament of George Waggoner Decd. was duly proven in open court by the Oath of George Clower, a subscribing witness thereto, and ordered to be recorded at the same time. Mary Waggoner and Robert Berry qualified as Executor and Executrix of his will. The court ordered that letters Testamentary issue to them accordingly.

George Waggoner left property to his wife Mary, his daughters Elizabeth, Ann in his will. George mentioned "My daughters" several times in his will, which leads me to believe they were his children by a previous marriage. The will was produced in open court in the November term of 1781⁴⁶ at Hillsborough, North Carolina. Robert Berry was very likely away in the army until General Cornwallis surrendered in October of that year. We know that Robert Berry was back in Orange County in February, 1782, because he signed George Waggoner's inventory sale, and we also know that Mary Berry Waggoner had remarried because she signed her name on this document as Mary Kemp. We know that Mary Berry married James Kemp sometime after November, 1781. This was verified by an affidavit **(See Fig. 35, Pg. 85)** signed by James Kemp's sister, Annie Naomi Camp,⁴⁷ naming Mary Berry as the daughter of Robert Berry and all of James and Mary's five children. In Naomi Kemp Hill's affidavit, she said that her brother's family lived in Rutherford County, North Carolina. The Power of Attorney written on the 14th day of January, 1815, was signed by all of James and Mary Berry Kemp's children who were named in the affidavit. (See Page 87)

Transcribed George Waggoner's Will April 2nd, 1781

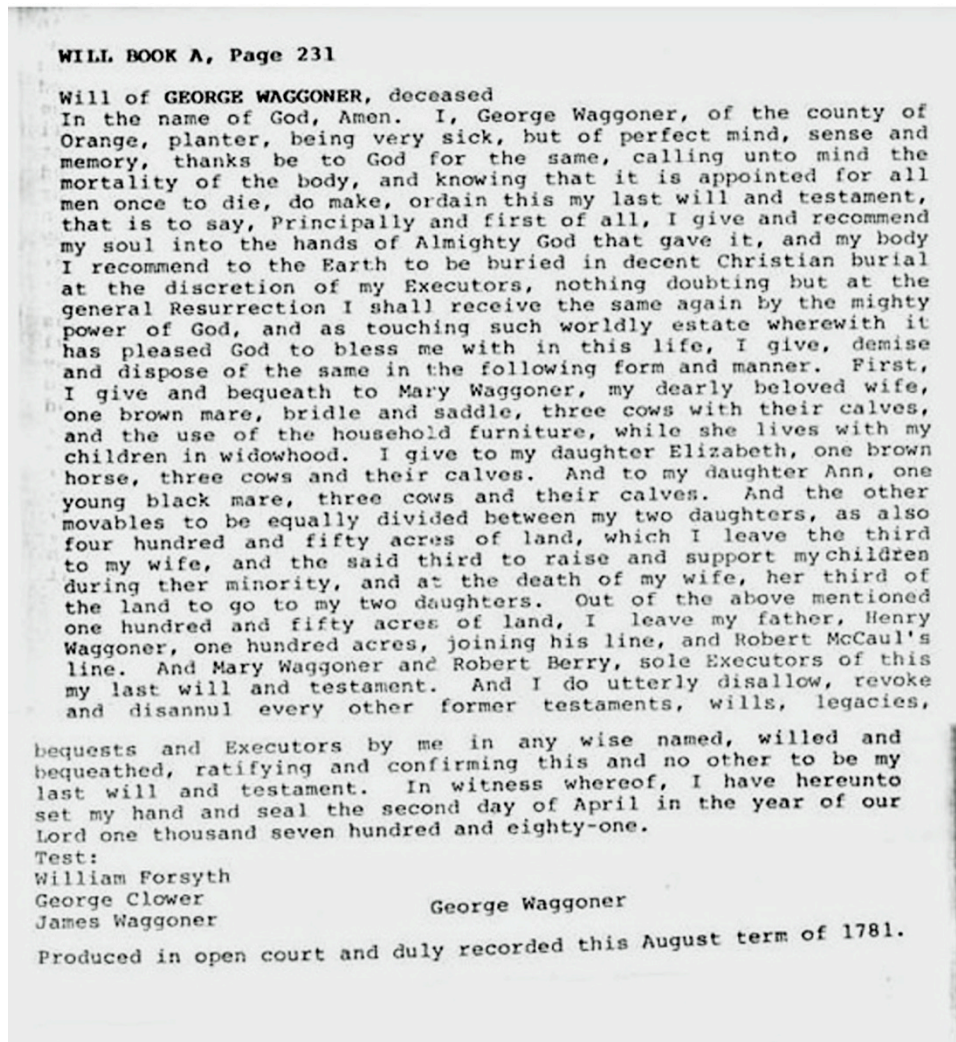


Figure 33: George Waggoner's Will Transcription

James and Mary Camp's first child was a boy and was probably born in Orange County, NC. He was likely the first known grandchild of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry. I thought Catherine Berry was the first grandchild for a long time. We know the names of all of Mary and James Kemp's children, thanks to the affidavit.(See **Fig. 35, Pg. 85**). The affidavit states that all of James and Mary Camp's children were born in North Carolina.

Children of James and Mary Berry Camp

John Camp	born about 1783.
Sarah Camp Humphries	born November 9 th , 1785.
Robert Berry Camp	born about 1787.
Starling Camp	born October 22 nd , 1793.
Joseph Camp	born about 1795.

Affidavit Of Annie Naomi Camp Hill March 29th, 1848.

I, one *William M. Tangle*
 an acting Justice of the peace in said county
 Annyony Hill and being duly sworn in
 terms of the law Depose and say on
 oath that she knew James Camp
 and Mary Camp his wife and Mary
 Camp wife of James Camp had five
 children that she knew one by the
 name of John Camp and one by the name
 of Robert B. Camp one by the name
 of Joseph Camp one by the name of
 Sterling Camp and one daughter
 by the name of Sarah Camp
 who married a man by the name
 of Humphris, and that she saw
 all them five children such Mary
 Camp wife of James Camp often times
 and that they were all born in North
 Carolina four of them was born in
 Rutherford County and that she was
 present when John and Robert B. Camp
 was born and went to see Mary Camp
 the next day after Joseph Camp was
 born, and they moved from Rutherford
 County North Carolina to South Carolina
 near the line of Lawrence and Oconee
 Districts sworn to and subscribed to before
 me this 29th March 1848
Annyony Hill

Figure 34: Affidavit of Annie Naomi Camp Hill.

From this document, it seems that James and Mary Berry Camp removed to South Carolina the next day after Joseph Camp was born. I have no idea why Annie Naomi Camp Hill was giving this affidavit in 1848. This document was a very important addition to our research about Mary Berry. It established without a doubt that Mary Berry Camp was the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry from Orange County, North Carolina. There was also a lot of information about her five children. Joseph Camp remained in South Carolina after his sister and three brothers removed to Fayette County, Georgia. Joseph Camp became an attorney and drafted a Power of Attorney for his three brothers and his sister, who were living in Fayette County, Georgia, in 1815 after Robert Berry Senior died.



Figure 35: Headstone of Annie Naomi Camp

. Mary Berry Camp's children were trying to claim their mother's inheritance with the Power of Attorney that Joseph Camp delivered to his uncle, Henry Berry, in Orange County, North Carolina, on December 29th, 1816. The power of Attorney proves that Robert Berry (OC) died before that date. We know he was alive on April 15th, 1812, when he wrote his will.

Little did they know that the inheritance was probably much less than the cost of the attorney's fee. There was only one pound left to Mary Kemp in her father's will. Joseph Camp apparently returned to Orange County in 1816 on behalf of his siblings to deliver this document. I am sure he was happy to see his uncle, Henry Berry, who was the administrator of Robert Berry Senior's will, but I am equally sure he was disappointed in the settlement the family was entitled to. I have a copy of this document and Henry Berry's signature is on the back of it.

Mary Berry married James Camp in 1781. We have no record of exactly how long James and Mary lived in Orange County before they removed to Rutherford County, North Carolina. From the affidavit, it appears that this move occurred between 1784 and 1785, after their first child, John Camp, was born.

We know from Annie Naomi Camp Hill's affidavit that four of their children were born in Rutherford County, North Carolina. Most likely Mary had given birth to her first child, John Camp, before 1784.

Transcription of Mary Berry Camp Children's Power of Attorney

GEORGIA Jackson County

To all men by these presents -----John Camp, Robert Camp, Starling Camp Snr., and Shadrack Humphres the husband & representative of Sarah Humphries formally Sarah Camp have consulted and appointed Joseph and by his presents so commission & appoint Joseph Camp of the State of South Carolina, Greenville District our Power of Attorney henceforth revoking and annulling all other Power of Attorney for given and trusting a special trust in our Attorney to transact for us successfully & in our stead all business matters elective to the estate of our grandfather Robert Berry sen.(deceased) which we claim the rights of our mother Mary Berry since Mary Camp (deceased) giving full power to our said attorney to bring suit or suits for the sum any monies or goods or chattels lands or tenements, acquire any monies & accept for the reasons--- --- undeliverable sums as though we were personally present thereby satisfying & confirming whatsoever our said Attorney shall lawfully do ----- our ----- interest in said Estate. Given under our hand & seal this 14 th, day of Jan 1815 The word mother underlined and assigned In presence of S John Camp seal Hosea Camp J.J.C Robert Camp seal Starling Camp seal Shadrack Humphries seal

I Edward Adams Clerk of the Superior Court & in aforesaid county of Jackson I hereby certify that Hosia Camp Esquire before to whom the written power of attorney its presents have been acknowledged.

STATE OF GEORGIA

JACKSON COUNTY

Henry Berry signed on the back of the power of attorney:

"I Sign over the written power of attorney to

Henry Berry December 29th, 1816

witnessed by

Joseph Camp Thomas Rountree"⁴⁸

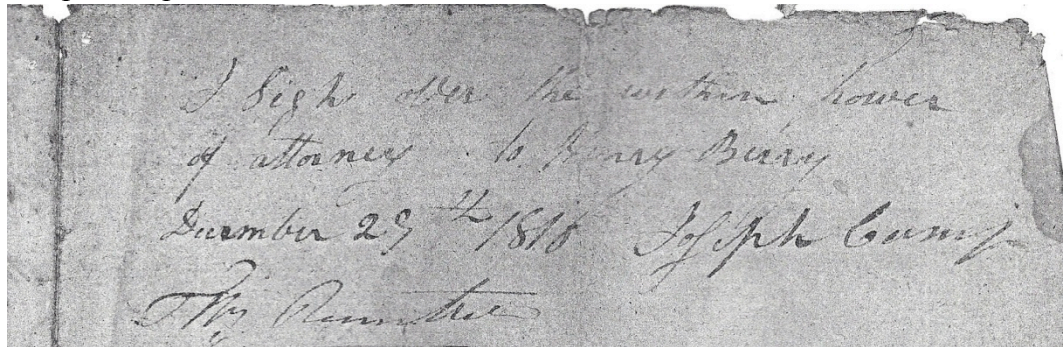


Figure 36: Henry Berry's signature on Power of Attorney

In Annie Naomi Camp's affidavit, she stated that all of James and Mary's children were born in North Carolina and after Joseph Camp was born, her brother and his family removed to Laurens, and Greenville District, in South Carolina. **(Fig. 39, Pg. 89)**

At this point I searched in the 1800 Laurens County, South Carolina, Census and found James Camp had listed two sons under 10, two sons 10 to 15 and himself age 26 to 45. James



Figure 38: Location in South Carolina where Mary Berry Camp probably died

This is about all that is known about Mary Berry's life

Listed in the US Census Records from 1850 you will find that:

There are 427 Camp families in Georgia.

There are 160 Camp families in Alabama.

There are 50 Camp families in Texas.

Joseph Camp is in Rusk County, Texas, with his young family in 1850.

He was born in Georgia in 1825.

Joseph Camp	25	born in Georgia.
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Ann Camp	23	born in MO
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Benjamin F Camp	4	born in Texas
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Frances E Camp	0	born in Texas
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Since Benjamin was born in Texas, it would mean that Joseph had been in Texas at least since 1846. John Berry, a grandson of Robert Berry Jr., was listed in the 1860 Rusk County, Texas, Census. We know that John Berry's family was in Texas in 1850, but we cannot find where they were.

There were no Berry families living very close to Joseph Camp and his family in 1850. This Joseph is not Mary Berry Camp's son, but he is probably a member of the Mary Berry Camp family.

There were 70 Camp families living in Mississippi in 1850.

There were 135 Camp Families living in Tennessee in 1850

There were 107 Camp families living in North Carolina in 1850

There were 23 Camp families living in South Carolina in 1850

We know a few living descendants of James and Mary Berry Camp.

CHAPTER 4

ROBERT BERRY JR. 1760-before-1850

Robert Berry Junior was born in Orange County, North Carolina, about 1760 or 1761. He lived in North Carolina until after his parents died. He was listed as a revolutionary soldier (**See Fig. 41, Pg. 96**) and he listed in the 1790 & 1800 Orange County Census. Robert Berry, Jr., moved to Person County and is listed there in the 1810 Census.

In the 1790 Orange County Census Robert Berry Jr., Robert Berry Sr., Joshua Berry, and John Berry were the only Berry heads of household who listed in that Census. Was John Berry who listed in the 1790 Census Robert Berry Junior's brother? I do not know. It is a fact that Joshua Berry and Robert Berry Jr. were brothers.

Robert Berry Jr. has not been found in any 1820 US Census. He was granted land on April 6th, 1824, in Fayette County, Alabama (**See Fig. 45, Pg. 101**). Robert Jr. would have been about 64 years old at that time. He listed in the Fayette County, Alabama, Census in 1830 & 1840. Robert Berry Junior was listed in the 70 to 80 bracket in the 1840 census, which means he was probably not born before 1760. Roberts's wife, Mary, was also listed in the 70 to 80 year bracket. Both Robert and Mary apparently died between 1840 and 1850. Neither of them was listed in the 1850 Fayette County, Alabama, Census. This is unfortunate because this would have verified that her name was Mary. The oldest member in our Berry family living in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1850 was Susan Aldridge Berry. She was 58 years old and listed head of household with her son, James Berry, age 15. Susan was George Berry's wife. She was the daughter of Peter Aldridge and Judith Waggoner.

Peter Aldridge married Judith Waggoner on Feb 4th, 1788, and **Robert Berry Jr.** was their bondsman. Robert Berry Junior's oldest son, George Berry, would grow up and marry Peter and Judith Waggoner Aldridge's daughter, Susana Aldridge, who was born about 1792 in Person County. Judith Waggoner had a sister named Uley Waggoner who married William Stagg January 22nd, 1805.

Nearly all of the Robert Berry, Junior, family migrated to Fayette County, Alabama, around 1820. William Clarence Berry is the only son who remained in Orange County, North Carolina, at that time. William Clarence Berry finally did join the rest of his family in Fayette County, Alabama, after his first wife, Sally Bowles Berry, died in 1833. We know that William Clarence Berry was in Fayette County, Alabama, before 1838. William Clarence and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, had a son born in Alabama that year.

These court documents give us some glimpse of Robert Berry Jr. and his family's life in North Carolina.

Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry's first baby was a little girl born in 1785 and they named her Catherine Berry. Catherine Berry married Jacob Pickle in Orange County, North Carolina, on February 20th, 1802. This probably means that Robert Berry Jr. had not moved to Person County by 1802. Robert Berry (OC) sold 200 acres of land to William Stagg in 1807. (**See Page 67**). Robert Berry Jr. and his family could have been living there at that time and this may be when he and his family moved to Person County. In the 1810 Orange County Census, Jacob and Catherine Berry Pickle were living right next to her Uncle David and Aunt Mary Blalock Berry. They listed 3 sons under 10 and one daughter, also under 10. Jacob was 35 years old and Catherine was 25.

November Term 1791 Orange N.C. Court Minutes: deed Book 4 pg. 114 .
Issd. Administration of the estate of James Waggoner is granted to Catherine Waggoner⁴⁹ at the same time she entered into Bond with **Robt. Berry Jun.** Secy. in the sum of L 50.

Robert Berry Jr. signed Catherine Waggoner's bond. James and Catherine Waggoner were probably Judith Waggoner Aldridge's parents. I have no idea what relationship she was to Robert Berry Jr. or why he and Mary named their first daughter Catherine Berry.

Robert Berry Junior's oldest son, George Berry, married Susan Aldridge, daughter of Peter Aldridge and Judith Waggoner, about 25 years after her parents were married. Both families were living in Person County by then.

James and Mary Berry Camp's son, John Camp, was born in 1884 and Catherine Berry was born in 1885. These two cousins were the first grandchildren of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry (OC).

When Robert Berry Jr. listed in the 1800 Orange County Census, he listed in the 26 to 44 age bracket. This bracket means that he was born between 1756 - 1774.

Robert Berry Junior and his family moved into Person County sometime between the 1800 and the 1810 Census. The Person County line is only about a half mile north of his father's Fiddleton Plantation home.

This listing for soldiers in the American Revolution verifies that Robert Berry Jr. also served in that war. A list of Revolutionary Soldiers (**Fig. 41, Pg. 96**).

There were only four Robert Berrys listed as heads of household in America in the 1800 Federal census. Two of those who were listed are members of our family, Robert Berry Sr. and Robert Berry Jr., who listed in Orange County, NC.

1800 Robert Berry Jr. Orange County Census Listing

2 males under 10

3 males 10 to 15 **George Berry age 14, John Berry**

0 males 16 to 26

1 male 26 to 44 Robert Berry Jr. about 39 years old

2 females under 10

1 female 10 to 15 Catherine Berry would have been 15 years old.

1 female 16 to 25

1 female 26 to 44 Mary Camp Berry born between 1756 and 1774

Robert Berry Junior's father died about 1814 and his sister, Elizabeth, and his mother died around 1815 or 1816.

Since Robert Berry Jr. had served in the revolutionary war and his son, George, had served in the war of 1812, land became available to Robert and George Berry⁵⁰ by a Land Lottery in Fayette County, Alabama. Robert Berry Jr. and his entire family removed to Fayette County, Alabama, with the exception of William Clarence Berry. George Berry and his father acquired 640 acres of land there together in 1824. (**See Pg. 101**). Berry, Alabama, is located where Robert Jr. and George Berry's land was granted. Berry, Alabama, was named for Robert Berry Junior's son, Thompson P. Berry, 1801-1871.

Robert Berry Jr. listed in the 1810 Person County Census.

1 male under 10 Thompson P. Berry age 9

1 male 10 to 16 David Middleton, age 5, or William Clarence, age 7

2 males 16 to 26 George Berry, age 23 & Henry G., age 18

0 males 26 to 45

1 male 45 and over Robert Berry Jr. age 49
 1 female under 10
 2 females 10 to 16
 0 females 16 to 26
 0 females 26 to 45
 1 female 45 & over Mary Camp Berry about 49

Children of Robert Jr. and Mary Camp Berry

Catherine Berry	born 1785
George Berry	born cir 1787
John Berry	born cir 1790
Henry Berry	born cir 1788
William Clarence Berry	born October 17 th , 1803.
Thompson P Berry	born December 18 th , 1801.
David Middleton Berry	born April 14 th , 1806.
Robert Cate Berry	born cir 1805.

George's wife, Susan Aldridge Berry, was 58 in the 1850 Fayette County, Alabama, Census. She would have been 8 years old when the 1800 Person County, N.C., Census was taken.

You should find her listed as less than 10 in Peter Aldridge's 1800 Person County, NC, Census.

In 1815, George and Susan Aldridge Berry had their first child and named him John Berry. George and Susan may have married around 1814. This is the same year that George's grandfather, Robert Berry, Senior, died. They were probably married after George returned from serving in the war of 1812.

George Berry was listed number 47 in the War of 1812 Person County roster under Captain John Bradshaw. William Martin ⁵¹ was listed in the same roster as number 46. (**See Page 99**) This would not be the same William Martin who came to Orange County before 1755, but he is likely to be his grandson. (**SEE Pages 28**).

George and Susan Aldridge Berry's oldest child was a son. John Berry was about 7 years old when the family removed from North Carolina to Fayette County, Alabama. John Berry acquired a land grant in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1839. He married Mary Howell and started his family in Alabama. We think George Berry was killed around 1837 and the family was granted land in Texas. Susanna Berry stayed in Alabama but John and his family arrived in Rusk County, Texas, sometime before 1850. The family has never been found in any 1850 Census. The land that was granted in Texas was probably a result of George's military service. **See NOTE on page 288.**

See Fayette County, AL, Marriage and Probate Records p 263 George Berry Estate Henry Berry administrator; Susan Berry, widow; Heirs: John Berry, Henry Berry, James Berry, Moses Ray (Husband of Susan Berry), Mary Brasher (wife of James H. Brasher), George Berry (minor heir). Sept 1851.

John and Mary Howell Berry had 12 children. Only 4 of their children were born in Fayette County, Alabama. The first child to be born in Texas was James Berry, who was born in 1746. A separate book could be written about this family but I will write about only three of their children and list their 1860 Rusk County, Texas, Census:

John Berry	age 45	Born in NC.
Mary	age 41	Born in Ala.
Sanford	age 17	Born in Ala.
Thomas	age 14	Born in Ala.
James	age 13	Born in Texas
Amanda	age 12	Born in Texas
Robert	age 8	Born in Texas
A	age 7	Born in Texas (Alexander Howard Berry)
Louisa	age 5	Born in Texas
Eliza	age 3	Born in Texas
Emma	age 1	Born in Texas
Rhoda Trawick	age 45	Born in Ala. (Mary Howell's sister)
S. Traywick	age 10	Born in Ala.

Their oldest daughter, Sarah Berry, was already married to Francis M. McClure by the time the 1860 Rusk County, Texas, Census was taken.

Here is a list of Sarah Berry's husbands;

Hiram Howard	November 24 th , 1853.
Francis M. McClure	January 5 th , 1859.
Robert A. Taylor	May 18 th , 1863.
Henry B. Stonham	August 29 th , 1868.
Hinrick Dippold	February 15 th , 1880.

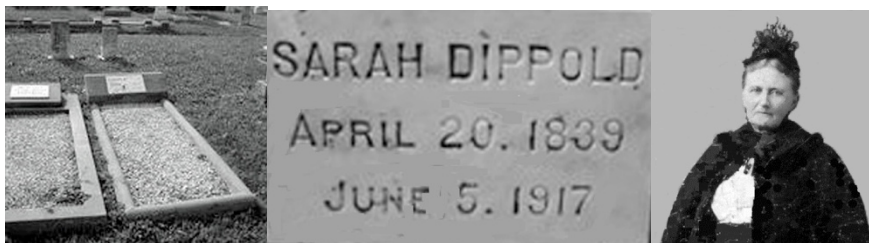


Figure 39: Sarah Berry Dippold Grave

The picture of Sarah Berry Dippold's grave was taken in 2006 at Galveston, Texas.

Sarah Berry was the oldest child of John and Mary Howell Berry and was already married when the 1860 Census was taken. She was born in Fayette County, Alabama, on April 20th, 1839. Sarah Berry married Hiram Howard on November 24th, 1853; she married Francis M. McClure on January 5th, 1859; she married Robert A. Taylor on May 18th, 1863; and she married Henry B. Stoneham on August 29, 1868. Sarah Berry married her last husband, Hinrick Dippold, on February 15th, 1880.

Sarah did not have children by all of her marriages, and she spent the last 37 years of her life in Galveston, Texas, where she died on June 5th, 1917.

Francis Marion Berry was born on February 23rd, 1861, and died on January 8th, 1943. Francis was living in Sunray, Moore County, Texas, when he died. Francis was married to Fannie Lily Hudspeth. Francis Marion Berry was the youngest son of John and Mary Howell Berry and was not born when they listed their 1860 Census. This is a picture of his family.



Figure 40: Francis Marion Berry Family

Alexander Howard Berry is an older brother to Francis Marion Berry. He was born in Rusk County, Texas, on August 24th, 1854, and died in Amherst, Lamb County, Texas, on February 18th, 1926. Alexander Berry married Josephine Priscilla Gregory on April 17th, 1877. Josephine was born on July 7th, 1858. The picture below shows them standing in what looks like a peach orchard. See the story (**on Page 229**) about this family when they went to Colorado seeking jobs. They were the parents of six children.



Children of Alexander Howard and Prescilla Gregory Berry;

Mary Etta Berry	b. Jan. 15, 1878	d. Oct. 27, 1958
Willie Howell Berry	b. Feb. 22, 1882	d. Nov 7, 1958.
John Cleveland Berry	b. Aug. 6, 1884	d. Oct 11, 1961
Mack Griffin Berry	b. Jan. 6, 1888	d. July 29, 1952
Rosetta Rosie Berry	b. 1892	d. 1895
Leona Onie Berry	b. Nov 19, 1894	d. July 20, 1971

Robert Berry Jr. Revolutionary Record

IN THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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No.	Name & Rank	By Whom Received	Remarks
2273.	Navy Bateman	William Sanders	
2506.	Robert Beech	John Marshall	
2308.	Samuel Boyett	do	
2333.	Job Branch, C.	Nathaniel Williams	
2334.	Job Bright	do	
2338.	John Brown, Lt.	Philip Fishburn	
2349.	Samuel Barkley	do	
(?)2366.	George Bell	do	
2392.	James Brabble	Griffith Dange	
2401.	Jacob Borean, Lt.		not receipted for
2417.	William Beasley	Benj. McCulloch	for Selby Harney
2420.	James Brown	Nathl. Williams	
2426.	Richard Bailey	Cosmo Medeci	
2437.	Thomas Brinkley	Robert Fenner	
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2445.	Matthias Betts	William Lytle	
2450.	James Barnhill	Thomas Pearson	
2452.	William Bushop	Robt. Alexander	
2468.	John Bentley	T. Dixon	
2502.	Thomas Breece	John Daves	
2518.	David Brothers	do	
2520.	Frederick Blount	do	
2526.	Archibald Bogle	Charles Guerard	
2531.	William Bochner	John McNees	
2543.	Thomas Best	William Sanders	
2546.	William Banks	do	
2554.	Samuel Burnham	do	
2555.	Jacob Bright	do	
2562.	Jesse Brown	Benjamin McCulloch	
2563.	Solomon Brown		not receipted for
2566.	Christian Barnhunt	Philip Fishburn	
2577.	Robert Bartlett	John Price	
2578.	James Barton	do	
2582.	Joseph Bartlett	do	
2592.	Isham Branch	do	
2595.	Solomon Bruton	do	
2612.	Randall Britting	John McNees	
2630.	John Bolton	William Sanders	
2637.	James Butler	do	
2639.	James Blanchitt	do	
2642.	James Ballard	do	
2643.	Arthur Bright	do	
2646.	Thomas Brooks	do	
2656.	Morris Barker	Thomas Butcher	
2662.	Job Benbow	do	
2673.	Jesse Bunn	Jesse Hammond	
2687.	Henry Blurton		not receipted for
2704.	Robert Berry, Jr.	John McRee	
2716.	Henry Butcher	John Price	
2735.	Aaron Butler	do	
2747.	Elisha Britt	do	
2749.	Joshua Bennett	do	
2758.	Jacob Bostian	Philip Fishburn	
2759.	Andrew Bostian	do	

Figure 41: Robert Berry Jr. service record in Revolutionary War

I think that John McRee is a typo and was really John McKee. There were no McRee families in Orange County. There were several McKee families in the county.

Robert Berry Jr. listed three daughters in 1810 Person County Census and we have not indentified any of them.

Catherine Berry married Jacob Pickle on February 20, 1802, in Orange County, North Carolina. This would have made Catherine about 17 years old and Jacob Pickle would have been 26 years old when they married.. Catherine and Jacob Pickle were living next door to her Uncle David J. and Aunt Mary Blalock Berry when the 1810 Orange County, North Carolina, Census was taken. Robert Berry Junior purchased 50 acres of land on February 3rd, 1812, from John Minshaw for \$70. This property was on Byrd's Creek, where R. Minshaw (Deceased) had lived. The property was adjacent to Dickens property. This deed was also signed by Elisha Minshaw and witnessed by William Cooke and Robert's son-in-law, Jacob Pickle. John and Elisha Minshaw were most likely brothers. **(Person Co. Book D, Page 331)**

On December 31, 1812, Robert Berry Jr. sold a piece of property for \$90 to Lawrence V. Hargis & Co. This is the same 50 acres that he had bought from the estate of Richard Minshaw (deceased) 10 months earlier. Thomas Sneed and James Farquhar witnessed this deed. There was a \$20 profit made on this land deal, and it probably was not the land he was living on at the time. **(Book D, Page 421)** On the 6th of December, 1817, John Aldridge sold 20 and ½ acres of land to James Farquhar for the sum of \$164. The land was on the east side of Flat River in Person County, NC, and was adjoining land owned by Abraham Moore and William Blalock. The witnesses were John Farquhar and George Berry. **(Deed Book E, 54-5)**. James Farquhar was married to John Aldridge's sister, Mary/ Polly Aldridge.

Robert Vanhook, Sheriff, to George Berry (due to execution against Wright Nichols, administrator of William Blalock deceased, for \$106 and this sum recovered by James Farquhar) for 76.32 acres of Blalock being lot # 3 in division of land of Peter Aldridge, deceased on both sides of Flat River and allotted to Catherine Aldridge and was property of William Blalock when sold 22 October, 1819. Witnessed: Parthenia Vanhook, Mary Vanhook. **(Person County Deed Book E Page 196-8)**

George Berry and Susannah Aldridge Berry, his wife, to John Jackson, for \$300, 61.75 acres North side of Flat River part of tract formerly property of Peter Aldridge adjoining Samuel Evans, James Farquhar. 10 November 1819 Witnessed: Jesse Evans, William McKissack. Susannah Berry examined apart from her husband and freely agreed to conveyance.

(Person County Deed Book E pages 199–200).

This was a sale of Susanna A. Berry's property she inherited from her father, Peter Aldridge, and was completed very shortly before George and Susanna Berry removed to Fayette County, Alabama. Robert Berry Jr. and his family soon were to leave Orange and Person County, North Carolina, forever. The sale of this property is a very good time stamp marking Robert Berry Junior's preparation for his family's departure from North Carolina. Since we cannot find Robert Berry Jr. in any 1820 US Census, we can assume the family was migrating to Fayette County, Alabama, during this time period.

It might be worth noting here that John and Margery Cate were granted land on the Flat River in Person County around 1755.

1800 Orange County, North Carolina, Census

John Brown	3	"	1	3	"	1	"	2
Thomas Marks	"	"	1	"	"	1	"	1
Robert Marks	1	"	1	"	"	"	"	1
John Briggs	"	"	"	3	"	1	"	2
James Baxter	"	"	1	1	"	1	1	1
Joseph Britain	1	"	2	1	"	1	"	3
Thomas Brunch	"	"	"	"	"	1	"	3
Henry Brunch	"	"	"	"	"	1	3	3
Cuthbert Bruntton	3	"	1	"	"	1	2	3
John Bolden	"	1	1	1	"	1	"	1
William Brauway	"	1	1	"	"	1	"	"
David Bullcock	2	1	1	"	"	1	"	"
Thomas Barlow	1	1	"	1	"	1	"	"
James Baldridge	1	2	"	4	2	2	1	10
Daniel Baldridge	"	2	4	1	"	1	1	1
William Baldridge	1	1	"	1	"	1	"	"
Robert Berry	"	"	1	"	"	1	1	10
Robert Berry Junr.	2	2	"	1	1	1	"	"
Isaiah Berry	3	1	"	2	"	1	"	"
David Berry	1	"	"	4	1	1	"	"
	42	20	29	16	13	43	19	17
	25	16	13	43	19	17	25	10
	6	38						

Figure 42:1800 Orange County, North Carolina, Census.

William Brey	1	1						1																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																								
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William Berry and Thomas Berry are listed here. Robert Berry Sr., Robert Berry Jr., Joshua Berry, and John Berry are listed in the census form at the top of this page.

MUSTER ROLLS of the SOLDIERS of the WAR OF 1812

Detached From

THE MILITIA OF NORTH CAROLINA

PERSON COUNTY WAR of 1812 ROSTER		106
5 John Scoggin	→	45 Archibald Harralson
6 Morgan Fitts	→	46 Wm Martin
7 Elijah O'Briant		47 George Berry
8 Robert Carter		48 Edward Johnston
9 Samuel Wheeler		49 James Johnston
10 John Russel		50 Richard Jones
11 Downey Wade		51 David Bell
12 John Riggs		52 James Bradshaw
13 Samuel Burke		53 Henry Worsham
14 Richard Broach		54 Henry Lipscomb
15 Robert Jones		55 James Dollerhide
16 Churchwell Jones		56 Vincent Bradshaw
17 Anderson Jones		47 Vincent Lea
18 James Jones		58 McFarland Oakley
19 Mark Glenn		59 Samuel Winstead
20 Daniel Meadows		60 Wm Royster
21 Richard Farrar		61 Reuben Lea
22 Samuel Mangrum		62 Wm Southward
23 Riley Suit		63 Richard Harris, sen
24 Caswell Vaughan		64 Drury A Pulliam
25 Jeremiah Roberts		65 Thomas Marit
26 Wm Cates		66 Joseph M Stanfield
27 Seth Coleman		67 Ransom Austin
28 James Cozort		68 John Brooks
29 Daniel Hicks		69 Samuel Bull
30 Ambrose Day		70 Drury Pulliam
31 Ambrose Dary		71 Daniel Rease
32 Archibald Day		72 John Jas Brooks
33 Grant Allen		73 Allen Green
34 James Hay		74 Henry Bailey
35 John Parrot		75 John Buchanan
36 Wyatt Painter		76 Daniel Walker
37 Wm Bumpass		77 Thos Townsen
38 Thomas Gill		78 Wm Buchanan
39 Wm Elliot		79 Wyatt Ford
40 Josiah Oliver		80 John Wilkerson
41 Gilliam Mitchell		81 Hastin Blalock
42 Peter Warren		82 Wm Mann
43 Pleasant Hall		83 Wm Hill
44 John Harralson		84 Benjamin Sampson

Figure 43: George Berry & William Martin

William Martin is probably a grandson of William Martin who came to North Carolina in 1751. (See page 28) George Berry is the grandson of Robert Berry, who also came to North Carolina in 1751.

On page 100 you will see Peter Aldridge, Molly Aldridge, and Abraham Aldridge listed on the 1810 Person County Census. There are three families living between the Aldridge families and the two Berry families (Thomas Berry and Robert Berry Jr.). Robert Berry Junior's son, George Berry, married Susan Aldridge about 1814. Susan is the daughter of Peter Aldridge.

Robert Berry Jr. In 1810 Person Co. Census

A	Male of Similitude										Slaves	Sum	Value	Total
	10	16	26	45	45	50	56	20	25	25				
Will. J. Berry	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	140
George Peter	2	2	1	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	200
Alledge Kelly	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50
Alledge Thomas	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50
James Gray	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1200
Lee Givens	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100
Will. Phillips	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100
Berry Thos	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30
Berry R. H.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	75
James Givens	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	7
John Allen	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	150
Will. W. Berry	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100
Rob. Joshua	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	25
John Smith	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100
Ly. Henry	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	26
Thomas Bond	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100
John Bond	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2450
John Bond	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	200
Ly. Sarah	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	30
John Bond	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	50
John Bond	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100
John Bond	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100

Figure 44: Robert Berry Jr. 1810 listing in Person County Census.

When the 1830 and the 1840 Censuses were taken, Robert Berry Jr. and most of his children were in Fayette County, Alabama. William Clarence Berry did not leave North Carolina until after his wife, Sally Bowles Berry, died in 1833.

Certificate,
{ No. 2427.

The United States of America.

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

Whereas Robert and George Berry of Tuscaloosa County have deposited in the General Land Office of the United States, a certificate of the Register of the Land Office at Tuscaloosa in Alabama

whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said Robert and George Berry according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the East half of South East quarter section twelve in Township Section of Range Eleven, West, in the District of Tuscaloosa and State of Alabama containing Eighty acres

according to the official plat of the survey of the said lands, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General, which said tract has been purchased by the said Robert and George Berry;

NOW KNOW YE, That the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, have Given and Granted, and, by these presents do give and grant, unto the said Robert and George Berry and their heirs the said tract above described: To Have and to Hold the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances, of whatever nature, thereto belonging, unto the said Robert and George Berry, and to their heirs and assigns forever, as tenants in common, and not as joint tenants.

In testimony whereof, I, James Monroe

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the twenty-sixth day of April in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-four, and of the Independence of the United States the forty-sixth.

By the President, J. M.

Commissioner of the General Land Office.

Figure 45: Fayette County, Alabama, Grant.

Map of Key Alabama & Tennessee Counties

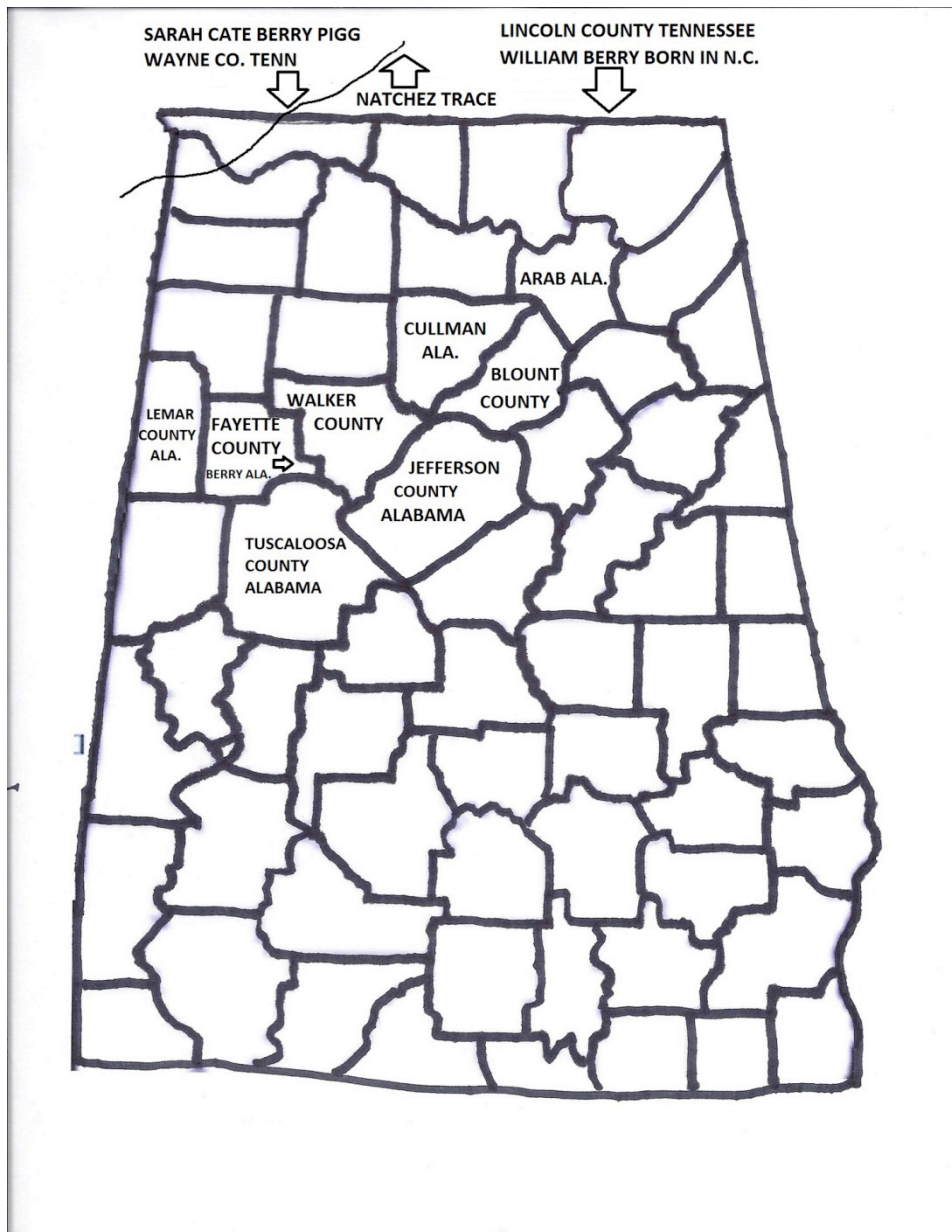


Figure 46: Key Alabama & Tennessee Counties.

Robert Berry Jr. and his family settled in Fayette County, Alabama. David J. Berry has descendants in Cullman, Alabama, today. Victor Glenn Berry, author of *"Wagons South, Wagons West"*, lived in Arab, Alabama. Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry Pigg's descendants live in Cypress Inn, Tennessee, today. It is now believed, based on the 1850 Lincoln County, Tennessee, Census, that my William Berry may have homesteaded there. The county is on the Tennessee-Alabama State line. David J. Berry's family settled just north of Atlanta, Georgia, in the late 1820's. Atlanta is only 226 miles from Fayette County, Alabama, and 249 miles from Cypress Inn, Tennessee. The town of Berry, Alabama, is 113 miles from Cypress Inn, Tennessee. (Fig.47)

List of some important land grants with dates:

Robert Berry Jr. #32	April 20 th , 1824.
Son George Berry #32 & #1	April 20 th , 1824 & September 2 nd , 1825.
Son David Middleton Berry # 18,	July 2 nd , 1860.
Son Henry Bradford Berry #20,	May 25 th , 1824 & June 20 th , 1825.
Son-in-Law Jacob Pickle # 13	October 20 th , 1824.
Eliza Howell #29 & # 30	June 20 th , 1825.
Miles Chappell #35	June 20 th , 1824.

Some of the surnames in Fayette County, Alabama, who may be related to Robert Berry (PAC) in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in the early 1700's.

Pioneers in Virginia, North Carolina, and Alabama

Thomas Caraway, who may be a descendant of John Caraway and Ann Kemp in Princess Anne County, Virginia, was granted a track of land located between John Berry and his father, George Berry. The grant was made about 70 years after John Caraway and Ann Kemp were married. Keep in mind that Robert Berry was married to Mary Kemp/Camp and that George Berry is their son. The other two Caraway men listed below, William and Thomas, may also be descendants of John and Ann Kemp Caraway.

David Lovett was granted 80 acres on 6/20/1825. (See Lovett on page 15)

Joseph Carraway was granted 40 acres on 10/21/1834. (See Caraway on page 15)

William J. Carraway was granted 40 acres on 3/30/1837. (See Caraway on page 15)

George Berry was granted 40 acres on 9/20/1839. (Robert Berry Junior's son)

John Berry was granted 40 acres on 9/20/1839. (George and Susan Aldridge Berry's son)

Thomas Cate was granted 38.87 acres on 11/4/1834. (See Thomas Cate on page 47)

Peter Martin was granted 160.35 acres on 9/20/1839. (See Page 245)

Henry Robinson was granted 79.68 acres on 5/18/1824. (See Robinson Pages 22 & 68)

James Williamson was granted 321.44 acres on 7/1/1881 (See Williamson Page 22)

NOTE: See: *Robinson, Lovett, Carraway, Berry, Martin, Williamson, Kemp*, George Shirley and others. (21 & 22 in the 1704 Virginia Rent Rolls).

Is David Lovett a descendant of Lancaster Lovett who married Mary Caraway in Virginia? (See: Page 15). This is very important information because most all of these surnames can be found on the 1704 Virginia Rent Rolls and are related to Robert Berry's (PAC) wife, Mary Williamson Berry (Pages 29, 30, 31).

Peter Martin, who homesteaded in Fayette County, Alabama, and was granted land on September 9th, 1839, may be related to William Martin who brought slaves into North Carolina from Virginia in 1751. (See page 26) The William Martin who served with George Berry in the War of 1812 may also be related.

On page 10 of Nellie Berry's book, "*JAMES E. & ESSIE DAVIS BERRY Ancestors, Descendants & Kinfolks*", Thomas Berry's son, David Berry, married **Elizabeth Shipman**, who was born in 1809. Her parents were Jacob Shipman and Rebecca **Pigg**. We also learn that Elizabeth Shipman's sister, **Rachel Shipman**, married **Peter Martin** in 1827. Sarah Cate Berry married **John Pigg** in 1815 in Tennessee. (See Fig 83, pg. 168)

Fayette County, Alabama, Berry Family Land

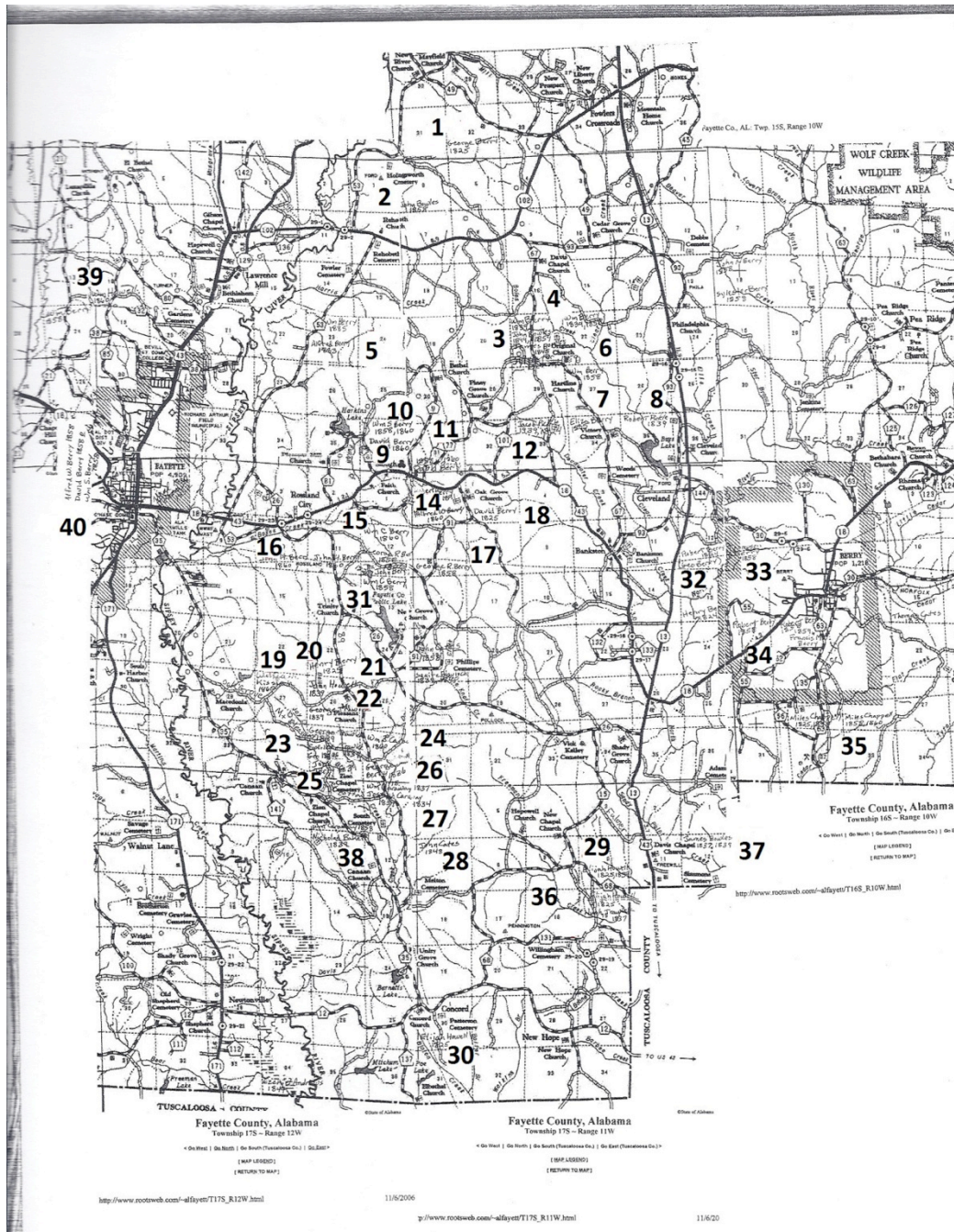


Figure 47: Land Grants of Robert Berry Junior's family in Fayette County, Ala.

Names and dates of land grants in Fayette County, Alabama

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| 1. George Berry 1825. | 2. John Bowles 1859. |
| 3. John and James Bowles 1848. | 4. William Berry 1837. |
| 5. Alfred Berry 1883. | 6. William Berry 1839-1858. |
| 7. Elizabeth Berry 1885. | 8. Robert Pickle 1839. |
| 9. David Berry 1860. | 10. William S. Berry 1858-1860. |

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| 11. David Berry 1858. | 12. Jacob Pickle 1824. |
| 14. Alfred W. Berry 1860. | 14. Robert Berry 1891. |
| 15. William Clarence Berry 1860. | 16. John H. Berry 1860. |
| 17. George Rufus Berry 1858. | 18. David Middleton Berry 1825. |
| 19. William Kizzah 1860. | 20. Henry Berry 1825. |
| 21. John Howell 1839. | 22. George Trawick 1839. |
| 23. George Trawick 1839. | 24. William J. Caraway 1860. |
| 25. John Berry 1839. | 26. George Berry 1826. |
| 27. Jesse Caraway 1834-1837. | 27. William Caraway 1837. |
| 28. John Cates 1837. | 29. Eliza Howell 1825. |
| 30. Eliza Howell 1825. | 32. Robert Berry Jr. 1824. |
| 32. George Berry 1824. | 33. Thompson P. Berry 1858. |
| 34. Robert Berry 1858-1859. | 35. Miles Chappell 1825. |
| 36. Hugh Trawick 1837. | 37. James Bowles 1827-1839. |
| 38. Nicholas Baker 1839. | 39. William Berry 1858. |
| 39. William Howell 1860. | 40. Alfred W. Berry 1858. |
| 40. David Berry 1858. | 40. William S. Berry 1858. |

With so many of Robert Berry's (OC) descendants living so close to each other, the location of the counties in the map on page 102 is very important for future research.

On the map, page 104, there are numbers that refer to who and where our family were granted land in Fayette County, Alabama.

. The markup of this map was done by Carolyn (Cookie) Paulson and her husband based on information they collected while we were staying in Florence, Alabama, for the 2008 Berry Reunion. The 2008 Robert Berry (OC) reunion was hosted by Thomas Berry's descendants who currently live in and around Cypress Inn, Tennessee.

It must have been very hard on Robert Berry Jr. and his wife, Mary Kemp Berry, as they traveled from North Carolina to Alabama. This was a very long trip and they were both about 60 years old. The distance from Hillsborough, North Carolina, to Berry, Alabama, today is 583 miles. If they averaged 10 miles a day, it would take 58 days to travel. Life in a wagon train was very hard on young people, and the elderly who survived must have been very sturdy people. There were 17 members of the Robert Berry Junior family and probably three or four wagons. The older boys probably had their own horses and herded some cattle and hogs as they made this trip. Indications that other pioneers from Orange County, North Carolina, were in the same wagon train can be based on the 1824 and 1825 land grants. The wagon train may have been quite large. I think William Clarence Berry did not go to Alabama with the rest of his family because he planned to marry Sally Bowles. He was about 17 years old when his family left Orange County, North Carolina, and he married Sally Bowles about three years later, on November 20th, 1826.

Robert Berry Junior's parents were both dead by 1820 and since he had not inherited any of his father's land, moving West made a lot of sense. Robert Berry Jr. and his son George were granted land in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1824. Since Robert listed in the 1830 and the 1840 census in Fayette County, Alabama, and did not list in the 1850 Fayette County Census, Robert Berry Jr. must have been between 80 to 90 years old when he died. Mary Kemp Berry also died between 1840 and 1850.

As you can see from pages 106 and 107, there were a very large number of Robert Berry,

Junior's, children and grandchildren who acquired land over the next 50 years in Fayette County, Alabama. George and Susanna Aldridge Berry's oldest son, John Berry, must have lived with his father and grandfather when the family first settled in Alabama. John Berry was only 7 years old when his parents removed to Alabama. Thomas Person Berry in Orange County was only 14 years old at the time. Robert Junior's son, Thompson P. Berry, was about 21 years old. This was a time of mass exodus from Orange County, North Carolina. So many of Robert Berry's (OC) descendants left by the year 1830 that there were many more Berry descendants in Georgia, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, and Ohio than were in Orange County, NC. Times were hard in America in the 1820's.

Jacob and Catherine Berry Pickle Family

I combined a picture of Jacob Pickle with one of Catherine Berry Pickle to create the combined picture on the left.



Figure 48: Jacob and Catherine Berry Pickle, Robert Berry Junior's daughter

Children of Jacob & Catherine Berry Pickle:

Mary Pickle	b. 1803 Orange County, North Carolina.
Robert Pickle	b. 1805 Orange County, North Carolina.
Henry Pickle	b. 1807 Orange County, North Carolina.
Greenberry Pickle	b. 1812.
James R. Pickle	b. 5 April 1813 in Georgia.
John Pickle	b. 1816 in Fayette County, Alabama.
Jacob Lewis Pickle	b. 1820 Fayette County, Alabama.
Nancy Elizabeth Pickle	b. 1825 Fayette County, Alabama.
Catherine Pickle	b. 9 October, 1825, Fayette County, Alabama.
George Pickle	b. 1828 Fayette County, Alabama.
Susan Pickle	b. 1833 Fayette County, Alabama.

From where and when the children were born, Jacob and Catherine Berry Pickle seem to have left Orange County, North Carolina, about 1812. This is interesting because I still think

they went to Alabama with Robert Berry Jr. and the rest of the family. Jacob Pickle was granted land in 1824, which is the exact same time that George Berry and his father, Robert Berry Jr., were granted their land.

Jacob and Catherine Berry Pickle were living next door to Uncle David and Aunt Mary in 1810 but were not in any 1820 census, because they had already left Orange County, NC. *I have not located them in any 1820 census.*

Jacob and his wife, Catherine Berry Pickle, listed in Fayette County, Alabama, in the 1830 Census. The Pickle family removed to Monroe, Mississippi, and was living there when the 1840 census was taken. They lived in Mississippi for the rest of their lives.

Robert Pickle's Cabin in Fayette County, Alabama.



Figure 49: Sam Pickle in front of Cabin Remains

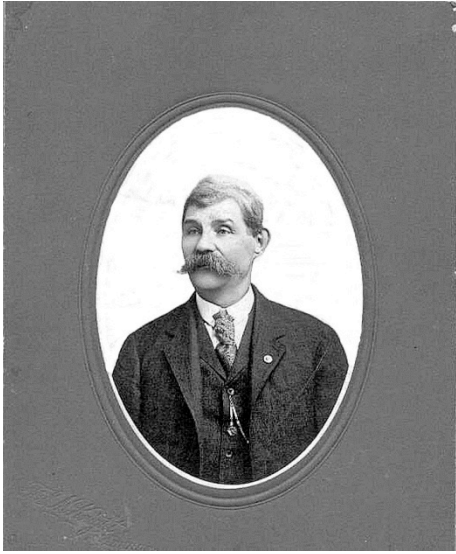


Figure 50: Robert I. Pickle



Sarah Aldridge Pickle

Robert Pickle is the oldest son of Jacob and Catherine Berry Pickle.



Figure 51: William R. Pickle & Mary E. Irvin Pickle

The group picture was taken at the home of William R. Pickle and Mary Elizabeth Irvin Pickle. The man on the left is Robert Pickle; the lady holding the book is Sarah Aldridge Pickle; the man in center of photo is Thomas Irvin, father of Mary Elizabeth Irvin; the lady next to Thomas is his wife, Sidney Towery; the young man on the right is William R. Pickle, son of Robert and Sarah; the young lady standing is Mary Elizabeth Irvin Pickle, daughter of Thomas and Sidney. The identity of the man holding the banjo is unknown.

From North Carolina to Texas via Alabama.

George and Susannah Aldridge Berry's son, John Berry, married Mary Howell and listed as head of household for the first time in the 1840 Fayette County, Alabama, Census. Two of John Berry's descendants have taken a Y-DNA test and both of them matched other known descendants of the Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry family from Orange County, North Carolina. John Berry, who is the great-grandson of Robert Berry Sr. (OC), was found living in Rusk County, Texas, in the 1860 census. John Berry is the oldest son of George and Susan Berry. He was born in Person County, North Carolina, in 1815. John Berry was 7 years old when his family went to Fayette County, Alabama. **(See: Page 94 for a listing of John and Mary Howell Berry's children in Rusk County Texas)**

Robert Berry Jr. did not list in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1850. He would have been 90 years old. Robert Berry Jr. and his wife, Mary Camp Berry, both died sometime after the 1840 Census. Both are buried at Pleasant Hill Methodist Church in Fayette County, Alabama. The picture in **Fig 61, page 123** shows graves that probably include the graves of Robert Berry Junior and his wife, Mary Camp Berry. His youngest son, Thompson Berry, and his wife, Rosanna Gutman Berry, are buried about thirty feet away from this area in the Pleasant Hill Methodist Church cemetery. Thompson P. Berry's headstone states that he was born on December 18, 1801, in Orange County, North Carolina. He died on January 8, 1871. Since the unmarked headstones are closer to the road, they are likely to be the first graves in this cemetery. This property may have been on Thompson P. Berry's land and later donated to the Pleasant Hill Methodist Church by Thompson P. Berry. He was a very rich man and the city of Berry, Alabama, was named for him.

Our Trip to Fayette County, Alabama.

On Wednesday, September 17th, 2008, Carolyn Paulson, her husband Bob, my wife Jean Henderson, and I visited Fayette County, Alabama, for a day. On the right is Carolyn (Cookie) Paulson, who is a descendant of Robert Berry Junior and Mary Kemp/Camp. On the left side of the sign is Benjamin Berry Henderson, who is a descendant of William and Hannah Cate Berry. Robert Jr. and William were brothers and sons of Robert (OC) and Elizabeth Cate Berry.



Figure 52: Benjamin Berry Henderson & Carolyn (Cookie) Paulson

Robert Berry Jr., Waggoner, Aldridge and Kemp Connections:

Robert Berry Jr. posted a bond for Catherine Waggoner to be the administrator for James Waggoner.

“November Term 1791 Orange N.C. Court Minutes: Book 4 pg 114

· Issd. Administration of the estate of James WAGGONER is Granted to Catherine WAGGONER at the same time she entered into Bond With Robt. BERRY Jun. Secy. in the sum of L 50.”

In 1785, Robert Berry Jr. and his wife, Mary Camp Berry, named their first daughter Catherine Berry. The first daughter is commonly named for her maternal grandmother. This suggests that Catherine Waggoner may have been a Kemp/Camp before she married James Waggoner.

Robert Berry Jr. was also the bondsman for Judith Waggoner when she married Peter Aldridge on February 4th, 1788.

In the 1810 Person County Census, Peter Aldridge's family were living very close to Robert Berry and his family.

In 1814, George Berry married Susana Aldridge, who was the daughter of Peter Aldridge and Judith Waggoner. The Waggoners and the Berry family were always very close and many marriages were consummated between the two families.

Robert Berry Junior was married before records of marriages in Orange County, NC, were recorded. We think he married Mary Kemp/Camp, who was the sister of Mary Berry's husband, James Kemp/Camp. Both of these marriages may connect to George Kemp from Princess Anne County, Virginia. Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Kemp named their first son George Berry.

James Waggoner was likely Catherine Waggoner's husband. Catherine Waggoner was probably Judith Waggoner's mother and Susan Aldridge's grandmother.

Spouses of Robert Berry Junior's children;

Catherine Berry married Jacob Pickle in North Carolina

George Berry married Susanne Aldridge in North Carolina

John Berry

Henry Bradford Berry married Melissa Jane Jefferies in Fayette County, Alabama.

William Clarence Berry married (1) Sallie Bowles, in North Carolina

(2) Massa Tompkins (MO) in Fayette County, Alabama.

Thompson P. Berry married Rosanna Gutman from South Carolina.

David Middleton Berry married (1) Didama Box,

(2) Frances Henderson (from SC).

All of Robert Jr. and Mary Camp Berry's children were born in Orange County, North Carolina. Thompson Berry's headstone at Pleasant Hill Methodist Cemetery in Fayette County, Alabama, states clearly that he was born on December 18, 1801, in Orange County, North Carolina.

Robert Berry Jr. is listed in the Orange County 1790 Census.

Robert Berry Jr. is listed in the Orange County 1800 Census.

Robert Berry Jr. is listed in the Person County, North Carolina, Census 1810.

Robert Berry Jr. is listed in the Fayette County, Alabama, 1830 Census.

Robert Berry Jr. is listed in the Fayette County, Alabama, 1840 Census.

Catherine Berry & Jacob Pickle are listed in the Orange County 1810 Census.
Catherine Berry & Jacob Pickle are listed in the Fayette County, Alabama, 1840 Census.
Catherine Berry & Jacob Pickle are listed in the Monroe County, Mississippi, 1850 Census.

Catherine Berry Pickle is a widow and in the Attala County, Mississippi, 1870 Census.

George Berry is listed in the 1830 & 1840 Fayette County, Alabama, Census.

George Berry's son, John Berry, also owned land and was listed in Fayette County, Alabama, 1840 Census.

William Clarence Berry is listed in father's (Robert Berry Jr.) 1810 Census in Person County, NC.

William Clarence Berry is listed in Orange County, NC, 1830 Census.

William Clarence Berry is listed in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1840, 1850, 1860, and 1870 Census.

William Clarence Berry and his second wife are buried in Burnet County, Texas.

The cemetery is south of Lampasas.

David Middleton Berry is listed in the 1830, 1840, 1850, 1860, and 1870 Fayette County, Alabama, Censuses.

Robert Berry Junior's family is said to be the first white settlers to live in Fayette County, Alabama. Collectively, they owned a huge amount of land in the county. Thompson Berry alone left about 6000 acres of land to his heirs. The town of Berry, Alabama, was named for him. Since this family was the first family to settle Fayette County, Alabama, I think it is safe to assume that most of the Berrys who listed in 1830 were Robert Berry Jr.'s family. Glenn Berry (*Wagons South, Wagons West*) thought that some of them might be cousins and I think he was right, but I think most of them were children or grandchildren.

The entire Berry listings in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1830:

David Berry family size 4.

George Berry family size 8.

Henry Berry family size 9

John Berry family size 7. 1 Slave.

Robert Berry Jr., family size 2. 1 Slave. (inherited Solomon from father?)

Thompson P. Berry family size 5. 1 Slave

In 1830, there were 35 Robert Berry Jr. family members in Fayette County, Alabama.

This is the entire Berry listing in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1840.

David Berry family size 7. Slave=0.

George Berry family size 7. Slaves=9.

John Berry family size 4. Slaves=1.

Robert C. Berry family size 4. Slaves=0. Nephew of Robert Jr

Robert Berry Jr., family size 2. Slaves=0.

Thompson P. Berry family size 11. Slaves=14 .

Wm Berry family size 12. Slaves =0.

William Clarence Berry family size 7. Slaves=0.

Z.E. Berry family size 4. Slaves= 2.

You can also see from the 1830 Fayette County, Alabama, Census that two dwellings had built on the Robert Berry Jr. property or else they bought some adjoining property.

Robert Berry Junior's family grew from the 17 who left Orange County in 1820 to 36 in 1850 Fayette County, AL, Census. Census information can reveal a lot about the relationship of people living in a community. Many times close neighbors in these early censuses were related by marriage or blood. In the 1850 Orange County Census, the sisters, brothers, cousins, and in-laws were listed side by side as you traveled in either direction from Thomas Person Berry's property in Fayette County, AL.

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53: Robert Berry Jr. in Fayette County, Alabama, 1830 Census.

NOTE: John Robinson and David Berry were living on each side of Robert Berry Jr. in 1800 Fayette County, Alabama, Census. John Robinson was probably born in Orange County, North Carolina, and is probably William Robinson's son. Members of the Robinson family seem to have migrated with our Berry family, starting in 1704. The families may even have known each other in England.

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In some of our early research, there were questions about William Clarence Berry's parents. For many years we thought that he was the son of Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry. In the pages to follow, I will attempt to prove that he is in fact the son of Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry. I think I make a pretty good case. There were a series of events that misled the early researchers concerning William and Sally Berry. The confusion came about simply because there were two women named Sally who married Berry cousins in Orange and Person Counties. Searching for names of boys and girls who were named for their ancestors is a good tool to use when you research, but it can also mislead you and make research very difficult as you will see in the next few pages.

Research of William Clarence Berry's Parents.

There was an **error** made several years ago by my group of Orange County, North Carolina, researchers. The error was made because of four documents that we used to determine who William C. Berry's parents were:

In the 1850 Orange County Census, Sally Berry⁵² listed as head of household. This family was living in the same neighborhood with other Joshua Berry family members.

Sally Berry	age 52	born	1798.
Sarah Berry	age 14	born	1836.
Rachael Berry	age 11	born	1839.

On March 6th, 1883, Eli D. Berry was appointed administrator of Nancy Berry's estate. (See Fig. 73, Pg. 147). Nancy was one of the younger daughters of Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry. In that report, Eli D. Berry named two of the heirs to Nancy Berry's estate as Rachael Neal and Sarah Jones. The ages of these girls seemed to fit a logical pattern. We knew that William Clarence Berry had married Sally Bowles on November 20th, 1826.⁵³

We knew from the 1840 Fayette County, Alabama, Census that William Clarence Berry had 3 of his older children with him. We did not understand why William Berry had taken only 3 of his children with him in 1835 while leaving 2 daughters and a wife at home. We overlooked the fact that the three children in Alabama were not included in Nancy Berry's estate settlement.

Our other mistake was that we did not know that Robert Berry, who had stayed in Orange County, was Joshua's son and married a young lady by the name of Sally Cates.

After finding out from searching Pat Hutchins family group sheets that Joshua's son, **Robert Berry**, married **Sally Cates** on November 13th, 1816, in Person County, North Carolina, it became clear who Sally Berry with the 2 daughters (Sarah Berry and Rachael Berry) in the 1850 Orange County, North Carolina, Census was. **Robert Berry** died between 1840 and 1850 leaving a widow and 2 daughters.

Now we know that William Clarence Berry had married Sally Bowles and his first cousin, Robert Berry, married Sally Cates. When you finally get enough information, all of the pieces of the puzzle fit together nicely.

We found that William C. Berry had removed from Orange County to Fayette County, Alabama, about 1835, taking his three small children with him:

George R Berry	born 1829	age 6
Elizabeth Berry	born 1830	age 5
Rose Ann Berry	born 1833	age 2

From the Fayette County, AL, Marriage and Probate⁵⁴ Records pg. 47:

William Bowles Estate: "Elizabeth E Berry and Roan Frances Berry, heirs of William C. Berry, who are heirs of the estate of William Bowles, late of Orange County, N C, deceased, requested William C. Berry be appointed their guardian. Dec. 1851."

William Berry was living beside Chesterfield Franklin in the 1830 Orange County Census. He listed a wife, one son, and himself in that enumeration. Their two daughters were not born until after the 1830 census was taken. Chesterfield Franklin was the father of Theodoric Franklin, who married Hannah Berry's daughter, Elizabeth Berry, in 1832. The Franklins also

migrated to Alabama around 1835.

George Rufus Berry was born in Orange County, NC, on Feb 28th, 1829, and died Dec. 25th, 1909, in Burnet County, Texas.

George Rufus Berry married Sarah Catherine Farquhar on Dec 1, 1847. They had six children.

Elizabeth Jane Berry was born on March 17, 1831, in Orange County, NC, and died Sept 22nd, 1893, in Walker County, Alabama. Walker County joins Fayette County, Alabama.

Elizabeth Jane Berry married Albert Galiton Whitson and they had a son and a daughter.

Roan Frances Berry was born in Orange County, NC, in May, 1833, and died Nov 8th, 1922, in McCulloch County, Texas. Roan Frances Berry married Riley Aley Kizziah on the 23rd of December, 1860. Riley was killed in the civil war in Murfreesboro, Tennessee, on Dec 31st, 1862.

Roan never remarried and went to Texas with her three brothers on December 6, 1875. Roan had one daughter. The daughter's name was Aila Frances "Fannie" Kizziah, born July, 1862. Fannie married Anderson Farquhar "Ance" McCoy on December 16, 1880, in Burnet County, Texas. In Victor Glenn Berry's book "*Wagons South Wagons West*" he states that Sally Bowles Berry died between **1833 and 1835**.

My guess is that Sally Bowles Berry died at childbirth in **May of 1833** when **Roan Frances** was born. This time frame matches when Theodoric and Elizabeth Berry Franklin also left Orange County for Alabama. **(See Page 192)** William and Person Berry also sold land in Orange County on September 19th, 1833. **(See Page 208)**

William Clarence Berry and his new wife, Massa Ann Tompkins, had a son, John Thomas Berry, born in Fayette County, Alabama, on July 28th, **1838**, and Elizabeth and Theodoric had a son, Henry Berry Franklin, born in Alabama in **1835**. **(See Page 193)** Chesterfield Franklin was not found in any census after 1840. This additional information came into our hands⁵⁵ in 2008 which seems to indicate that William Clarence Berry is the son of Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry. In the book "*Wagons South Wagons West*", Victor Glenn Berry wrote that "William Clarence Berry might be the son of Robert Berry Jr." who was living in Fayette County, Alabama.

Updated List of Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry's Children:

Catherine Berry	born 1785.
George Berry	born 1790.
John Berry	(John Berry may or may not be a brother).
Henry Berry	
Thompson Berry	born 1801.
William C. Berry	born 1803.
David M Berry	born 1804.

All of Robert Jr. and Mary Camp Berry's children were born in Orange County, North Carolina. Information on the 1850 Fayette County, Alabama, Census; William Clarence Berry, age 47, was born 1803 in North Carolina.

Naming of William Clarence & Sally Bowles Berry's Children

George Rufus Berry	1829	Named for William Clarence's brother, George Berry
Elizabeth Berry	1830	Named for paternal grandmother, Elizabeth Cate Berry

Rosa (Roan) Ann 1833 Named for his brother's wife, Rosanna Gutman Berry.
William Clarence Berry married his second wife, who was named Massa, about 1837.

Naming of William Clarence & Massa Tompkins Berry's Children

John Berry	1838	Named for his Uncle John Berry?
Mary Berry	1839	Named for William C.'s mother, Mary Camp Berry
Henry	1843	Named for William C's brother, Henry Berry
Lucinda Temperance	1846	May have been named for Temperance Jane Franklin
Catherine	1848	Named for William C's. sister, Catherine Berry Pickle

Naming of Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry's Children:

Robert Berry	1792	Named for Joshua's father or grandfather
Dacey Berry	1798	
James Berry	1799	
Joshua Berry	April 15 th , 1801	Named for his father
Delilah Berry	1802	
Lewis Berry	1805	
Nancy Berry	1810	
Charlotte Berry	1813	
Eli Berry	Oct 10 th , 1821	

Not a single name from Joshua Berry's children was used in naming the children of William Clarence & Sally Bowles Berry or in the names chosen for the children by his second marriage, either. Joshua and Nancy used a different set of given names from the rest of the Berry family.

It did not make sense for William C. Berry to leave North Carolina with 3 small children and no wife if he were Joshua Berry's son. There would have been plenty of help with his three young children from other members of the Joshua Berry family who remained in Orange County all their lives.

In 1883, when Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry's spinster daughter died intestate, there was no mention of William Clarence Berry in her estate settlement seen on page 149.

In the 1830 Orange County, NC, Census, William listed one male under 5, one male 20–30 and one female 20–30 and was living beside Chesterfield Franklin,⁵⁶ father of Theodoric Franklin. **(See Fig. 55, Pg. 118)** This is proof that the two families had close contact with each other. Theodoric Franklin married Thomas Person Berry's half- sister.

Theodoric Franklin married Elizabeth Berry, daughter of Hannah and John Berry **See Fig.100, Pg. 192**). They were married in Orange County on June 30th, 1832, and Elizabeth's half-brother, Thomas Person Berry, and William Bowles signed their wedding bond. Theodoric and Elizabeth's oldest daughter, Temperance Jane Franklin, was born in NC in 1832. Their next child, Henry Berry Franklin, was born in Alabama in 1835.

I think that William Clarence Berry and his three children may have traveled with Theodoric and Elizabeth Berry Franklin and their 2 year old daughter, Temperance Jane Franklin as they migrated to Alabama around 1834.

William Clarence and his second wife even named one of his daughters Temperance Berry. There probably were several other families from Orange County,

NC, who traveled with them to Alabama in 1834.

James and John Bowles were granted land in Fayette County, Alabama (**See: page104**). William Bowles, who is Sally Bowles father, signed the wedding bond of Elizabeth Berry and Theodorick Franklin. James Bowles is probably William Clarence Berry's brother-in-law.

William Berry and Person Berry bought a piece of property from their Uncle Henry Berry on November 23rd, 1830. (Orange County, NC, Deed Book 24, Page 226). I think the William Berry named in this deed was William Clarence Berry. I know Person Berry was the son of William and Hannah Berry. William Clarence and Sally Bowles were married in 1826 and Thomas Person Berry and Sarah Lunsford were married in 1831. I think the two cousins bought this tract of land together so they could start their own plantation.

William Berry and Thomas Person Berry sold that same piece of property to Samuel Wilson and his son, Felix Wilson, at a loss of \$50, on September 19th, 1833, in Orange County, NC. (Orange County, NC, Deed Book 25, Page, 431) This deed was witnessed by Charles Wilson and Robert C. Berry. Charles Wilson is Felix Wilson's brother and Robert C. Berry was most likely Thomas Person Berry's brother. Recent information seems to confirm this.

There was only one William Berry listed in the 1830 Orange County census and the enumeration fits William Clarence Berry's family exactly.

Most likely Sally Bowles Berry died at childbirth when their third child, Rose Ann (Roan) Berry, was born in 1833.⁵⁷ It is possible that Thomas Person and Elizabeth Lunsford Berry went to Alabama with his half-sister, Elizabeth Franklin, and his cousin, William Clarence Berry. If Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry went to Alabama, they decided to return to Orange County, NC, because their first son, William H. Berry, was born in Orange County, NC, in 1836. Even though Thomas Person Berry and Sarah Lunsford were married in 1831, they did not have a child until 1836. They may have been traveling to Alabama and back during this time.

In” *Wagons South and Wagons West*”,⁵⁸ Victor Glenn Berry states that William C. Berry walked with his three children from Orange County to Fayette County, Alabama, after Sally Bowles Berry died. This seems highly unlikely to me due to the fact that early settlers generally traveled in groups for safety and convenience. This would have especially been necessary for a young father and three small children, ages 2, 4, and 6.

William Clarence went straight to Fayette County from Orange County, NC, because he knew that is where his family went in 1822. Most all of them were still living there in 1835. Correspondence was slow and there were long periods when no information was shared at all, but I have been surprised over the years to learn that families kept in touch with each other far more than I ever thought possible under those primitive conditions. News and letters were often carried both ways by neighbors, relatives, or just strangers passing through. They also traveled more frequently than I ever imagined. *Wagons South Wagons West*⁵⁹ was written about William Clarence Berry's family life in Fayette County, AL, and as they moved from North Carolina to Alabama and on to Burnet County, Texas, where he died. Victor Glenn Berry was a descendant of William Clarence Berry. Based on all of these facts, I think that William Clarence Berry is Robert Berry Junior's son.

William C Berry's 1850 Fayette County, Alabama, Census

SCHEDULE I. Free Inhabitants in 14 Division in the County of Fayette State of Alabama enumerated by me, on the 21 day of Nov 1850. J. H. Moon Ass't Marshal.

Dwelling-house numbered in the order of visitation.	Family numbered in the order of visitation.	The Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	Age.	Sex.	Color.	Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	Place of Birth. Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Attended School within the year.	Persons over 20 years of age who cannot read & write.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		W. C. Berry	40	M	W			Ala				
29		David Middleton Berry	24	M	W	farmer		Ala				
		Elizabeth	17	F	W			Ala				
		Mary Ann	21	F	W			"				
30		Wm. C. Berry	22	M	W	farmer		Ala				
		Mary Ann	18	F	W			Ala				
31		David Berry	40	M	W	farmer	300	Ala				
		Virginia	40	F	W			Ala				
		Thomas	21	M	W	farmer		Ala				
		William	18	M	W	"		"				
		Alfred	16	M	W	farmer		"				
		Mary	15	F	W			"				
		Robert	2	M	W			"				
32		David Berry	22	M	W	farmer		"				
		Joseph	17	M	W			"				
33		James Berry	40	M	W	farmer	300	Ala				
		Rebecca	12	F	W			Ala				
		Stephen	9	M	W			"				
		Elizabeth	6	F	W			"				
34		Robert McChay	26	M	W	farmer		"				
		Ann	24	F	W			"				
		Elizabeth	4	F	W			"				
		John	2	M	W			"				
35		James Dennis	50	M	W	farmer		Ala				
		Elizabeth	48	F	W			Ala				
		Prudence	40	F	W			Ala				
		Robert	12	M	W			"				
		Elizabeth	10	F	W			"				
		Constance	16	F	W			"				
		Margaret	14	F	W			"				
		David	4	M	W			"				
36		William Dennis	20	M	W	farmer		"				
		Mary	18	F	W			Ala				
37		James Gardner	30	M	W	farmer		Ala				
		Rebecca	28	F	W			Ala				
		John	16	M	W			"				
		Eliza	12	F	W			"				
		James Gardner	9	M	W			"				
38		James Gardner	39	M	W	blacksmith	150	Ala				
		W. C. Berry	40	M	W	farmer	200	"				
		Mary Ann	30	F	W			Missouri				
		Elizabeth	20	F	W			Ala				

Figure 56: David Middleton Berry & W.C. Berry, Fayette County, Ala. 1850

Fig. 56 W. C. Berry is shown with his new wife. In **Fig. 57, Pg. 119** you see the rest of their children listed at the top of the page in that census.

George R. Berry and Wife Sarah Catherine Farquhar Ala. Census.

SCHEDULE I. Free Inhabitants in 15 Division, in the County of Hayden State
of Alabama enumerated by me, on the 1 day of Nov 1850. P. J. Moore Ass't Marshal.

1	2	3	DESCRIPTION			7	8	9	10 11 12			13
			Age	Sex	Color							
1	→ Mary Ann		17	F				Mo				
2	John		22	M				ad				
3	Mary		11	F				"				
4	Henry		7	M				"				
5	Quinn		16	F				"				
6	Catherine		21	F				"				
7	89 Jacob Wood		31	M		farmer	20	ad				
8	Flora		25	F				"				
9	Sarah		9	F				ad				
10	90 John H. Berry		28	M		farmer		ad				
11	Eliza		25	F				"				
12	Martha		1	F				"				
13	91 William McGowan		30	M		farmer		ad				
14	Martha		33	F				ad				
15	William		5	M				"				
16	John		9	M				"				
17	William		1/2	M				"				
18	92 George O. Berry		21	M		farmer		ad				
19	Sarah		23	F				ad				
20	93 Anthony Bell		40	M		farmer	200	ad				
21	Elizabeth		40	F				ad				
22	John		18	M				ad				
23	Martha		16	F		farmer		"				
24	John		5	M				"				
25	Holland		12	M				"				
26	Jane		7	F				"				
27	Elizabeth		5	F				"				
28	Charlotte		3	F				"				
29	Elizabeth		9	F				"				
30	94 Edmund Rogers		18	M		farmer	100	ad				
31	Bridget		33	F				ad				
32	George		18	M		farmer		ad				
33	Elizabeth		14	F		farmer		"				
34	Martha		16	F				"				
35	Daisy		12	F				"				
36	George		9	M				"				
37	Martha		6	F				"				
38	John		1	M				"				
39	95 John Rogers		32	M		farmer		ad				
40	Elizabeth		30	F				ad				
41	Jane		16	F				ad				
42	Sarah		8	F				"				

Figure 57: William Clarence Berry's Children & George Rufus Berry 1850



William Clarence Berry Home in Burnet County, Texas

William Clarence Berry was born in Orange County, North Carolina, on October 17th, 1803. His first wife was Sally Bowles, who died about 1833 leaving William with three young children. Rufus was the oldest, and he was only 7 years old. William and his three children went to join the rest of his family in Fayette County, Alabama, about 1835.

Figure 58: William Clarence Berry Home

William C. Berry married Massa Ann Tompkins about 1836 in Alabama. In the spring of 1870, William C. and Massa Berry moved their family to Lampasas, Texas. William Clarence Berry died on September 8th, 1878, and is buried in the Cauble Cemetery in Burnet County, Texas.

George Rufus Berry 1829-1909

George R. Berry was born in Orange County, North Carolina, to William Clarence and Sally Bowles Berry on February 29th, 1829. After his mother died in Orange County, his father moved with his three young children to Fayette County, Alabama, about 1835. William Clarence Berry joined his father and brothers there. George Rufus Berry married Sarah Catherine Farquhar on January 10th, 1848. In 1854, George was granted land in Fayette County, Alabama.

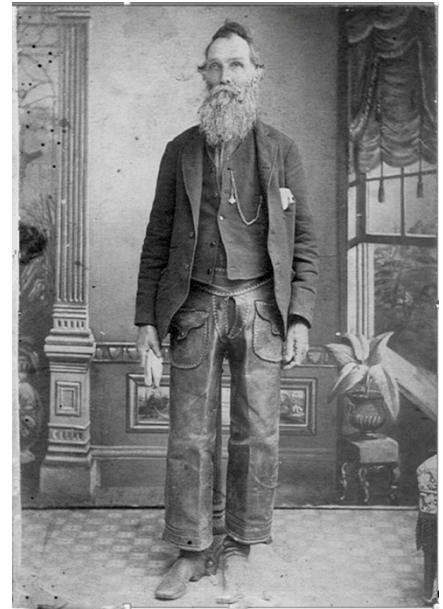


Figure 59: George Rufus Berry, Son of W.C. Berry

At one point, George R. Berry was elected constable for three years in Fayette County at Berry Beat. George took his family to Texas after the Civil War was over. He left Alabama in a wagon train on December 6th, 1867, bound for Texas. George Rufus Berry is the grandson of Robert Berry Jr.

George Rufus Berry served in the confederate army in Company 1 of the 56th Regiment of the Alabama Cavalry. As fate would decree, he was discharged at the end of the Civil War in Greensboro, North Carolina, which is only 58 miles from where he was born. When he returned home, he was traveling to Alabama from North Carolina for the second time in his life.

When I learned of this, I thought that George might have returned to Fiddleton to visit his cousins. George Rufus was born in 1829 and was only 5 or 6 years old when he left Orange County to go to Alabama with his father. I looked up the names of the Berry family who were still living in Orange County in 1870. Only two of George Rufus Berry's father's first cousins were still alive. Nancy Berry and Thomas Person Berry were the only two members of the Berry

family that George might have remembered in Orange County. There is no way to be sure if George R. Berry even remembered where he was born or if he returned there when he had the opportunity.

In 1850, everybody started catching Texas fever. This inspired another rash of migration in America and again our Berry family had no intention of being left out. New frontiers were opening and our Berry family always seemed to be there when it happened. This time was no different than it had been in the past. Look out Texas, here come the Berrys.

In the year 1870, William Clarence Berry and his family left Fayette County, Alabama, for Burnett County, Texas.

George Rufus and Katie Farquhar Berry had 6 children. Sarah E. Berry married William L. Long; Thomas P.P. Berry married Alberta Taylor; John D.D. Berry married Amelia Ann Walk; James H.H. Berry married Minnie O'Hair; George R.R. Berry married Willie Berry and then Mattie F. Butler; William A.A. Berry married S.L. Rogers.

Their youngest son, William Smith Berry (Black Bill), and his two nephews, William A. A. and George R.R. Berry, became cowboys. They drove cattle to Wyoming and Montana. When William A.A. and George R.R. Berry decided to settle down, they made their homes in Montana. George R.R. Berry later went to Compton, California.⁶⁰

Sarah Catherine "Katie" Farquhar Berry died in Burnet County, Texas, on January 23rd, 1905. Her husband died four years later on December 25th, 1909, in Burnet County, Texas.

One of Robert Junior's younger sons, Thompson P. Berry, was the owner of a cotton gin, a gristmill, a saw-mill, 14 slaves and 6000 acres of land. The town of Berry, Alabama, is named for Thompson P. Berry. In 1974, there were 4 of his great-grandchildren⁶¹ still living in Berry, Alabama. The last surviving granddaughter died Thanksgiving Day, 1973. Mrs. Willard T. Stoddard (Virgie Berry) died at the age of 92.

Figure 60: Willie Howell Berry Family



Willie Howell Berry on the right descends from Robert Berry Jr. George Berry, John Berry, Mary Howell, and Alexander Howard Berry seen on page 95.

Robert Jr. and Mary Camp Berry are probably buried here.



Figure 61: Robert Jr. and Mary Camp Berry's graves

In the picture on the right, (**Fig 61**) Ben Henderson (standing on the left of the Berry, Alabama, sign) is a descendant of William Berry and Carolyn Paulson (on the right side of this sign) is a descendant of Robert Berry Jr., who lived the last years of his life right here.

We were staying in Florence, Alabama, to attend the 2008 Robert Berry Sr. reunion at Cypress Inn, Tennessee. (**See Thomas Berry, Chapter 9, page 159**) Cookie, Bob, Jean, and I came to Alabama a few days early so we could make a trip to Berry, Fayette County, Alabama.

This was an exceptional day in my life and I feel sure Cookie felt the same way. We were in a genealogist gold mine for us and boy, were we digging as hard as we could. Carolyn and Bob returned to Fayette County the next day and located many home sites of Robert Berry Junior's family. They are responsible for the wonderful map in **Fig 48, Pg. 104**.

Thompson Berry remained in Berry, Alabama, and is buried there, but many of his close relatives, including a couple of his brothers, left Alabama and went to Texas. .

Several years ago, Thomas Person Berry's great-grandson, Wiley Harold Berry, told me that some of our folks went to Texas. We now know that some of Robert Berry Juniors folks did indeed go to Texas. In addition to Robert Berry Junior's descendants moving to Texas, Thomas Person Berry's half-sister's family also went to Texas. It is likely that Thomas Person Berry's half-sister, Elizabeth Berry Franklin's, children, who migrated to Texas around the time of the Civil War, are responsible for this information. Elizabeth Berry Franklin had returned to Orange County, North Carolina, after their mother died in 1858, and she was listed in Thomas Person Berry's 1860 Census. This story had to be passed down through my Berry family to my uncle, Wiley Harold Berry. Yet he is the only member of my Berry family who I ever heard speak of this. Elizabeth Robinett was the very first Berry cousin I met on the internet and she descends from Elizabeth Berry Franklin.

Here is a picture of some of Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry's descendants who live in Texas and Colorado. This is the Willie Howell Berry branch of that family. A member of this Berry line participated in the Berry Y-DNA project.

CHAPTER 5

JOHN BERRY 1762 before-1812

John Berry was probably the third child and second son born to Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry. John was born in Orange County, North Carolina. The first son was named for his father or his paternal grandfather. The second son was named John for his maternal grandfather. It is known that Elizabeth Cate's father was John Cate, and her mother was Margery Lawrence Cate. John Berry was most likely born about 1762 and would have been a grown man by 1782. We know that John was married and had children because Robert Berry Sr. left a slave to the children of John Berry, deceased, in his 1812 will.

John Berry and Martha Stepp Wedding Record

North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868	
Groom:	John Berrey
Bride:	Martha Stepp
Bond Date:	16 Sep 1793
Bond #:	000106659
Level Info:	North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868
ImageNum:	007637
County:	Person
Record #:	01 008
Bondsman:	Jno Hall
Witness:	Jesse Dickins
Source Information: Ancestry.com. <i>North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868</i> [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: The Generations Network, Inc., 2000. Original data: State of North Carolina. <i>An Index to Marriage Bonds Filed in the North Carolina State Archives</i> . Raleigh, NC, USA: North Carolina Division of Archives and History, 1977.	
Description: This database contains information extracted from 170,000 marriage bonds, covering the years 1741-1868, on file in the North Carolina State Archives in the United States. Most of the bonds contain the following information: groom's name, bride's name, date of bond, bondsmen, witnesses. Learn more...	

Figure 62: John Berry and Martha Stepp Marriage Record

John Berry married Martha Stepp on September 16th, 1793, in Person County, which is only a few miles north of Fiddleton. Elizabeth Cate was raised near the Flat River, which is in

the same general area. In some Person County records,⁶² John Berry's name was found misspelled as John Berrey. There are no known Berreys in the Orange or Person County area that I know about. Since this area is so close to where our John Berry was born, it gives me hope that he may be ours. John and Martha apparently died in 1804 leaving five orphan children in Jackson County, Georgia. In the book "Georgia Intestate Records" by Jeannette Holland Austin, there are abstract records from Jackson County, Georgia,⁶³ that name their five orphan children. The orphans of John and Martha were named the exact same given names as five of our John Berry's sisters and brothers. There is another Berry family claiming this family as theirs. Their Martha Berry was Martha Collier before she married. I think they are in error.

The names of the five orphan children were Robert, Joshua, William, Polly, and Betsy. Polly is a common nickname for Mary, and Betsy is a common nickname for Elizabeth. Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's son, John Berry, had sisters named Elizabeth and Mary. He also had brothers named Joshua, William, and Robert.

John Berry is known to be deceased at the time his father wrote his will on April 16th, 1812. All of these factors lead me to believe that John Berry, who left the 5 orphan children in Jackson County, Georgia, was the son of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry.

Four of Mary Berry Camp's children were living in Jackson County, Georgia, on January 14th, 1815. (See Pg. 87).

There was a John Berry who listed in the 1800 Orange County Census but he was over 45 years old, which means he was born before 1755. This John Berry had a large family and was gone from Orange County before the 1810 census was taken. I do not know who this John Berry is, but he was born before Robert Berry and Elizabeth Cate were married.

I have not been able to locate a Census for 1800 in Jackson County, Georgia. I am not sure that one exists, but it sure would help unravel the confusion about our John Berry, if one could be found. Here are some of the facts that substantiate my theory, but they still leave many unanswered questions about the John Berry who died in 1804 in Georgia.

John Camp, Starling Camp, Robert Camp and their sister, Sarah Camp Humphries, signed a power of attorney in **Jackson County, Georgia**, attempting to collect their mother's inheritance from Robert Berry's estate in Orange County. The Power of Attorney was delivered in 1816 to Uncle Henry Berry in Orange County, NC. This document states that their mother was the daughter of Robert Berry. I have a copy of this Power of Attorney. (See transcription on page 87).

From the book, "*Georgia Intestate Records*" by Jeanette Holand Austin,⁶⁴ we find the names Benjamin Camp and William Cates involved with the estate of John Berry who died in 1804. They were also involved with the guardianship of John and Martha's five orphan children.

John's widow, Martha Berry, was issued a citation on May 12th, 1804," to obtain letters of administration Cum Testaments [illegible word] on the Estate of John Berry late of this county Deceased". This was on page 93 of **Jackson County Wills**, Drawer 163, Box 30.

This is the last time Martha Berry is mentioned involving her children. She may have also died shortly after John Berry did.

1804 John Berry Intestate Records

Jackson County Georgia

Page 94 "26th October 1804 citation to **William Cates** to obtain letters to administrate C T A on estate of Jno. Berry Decd".

Page 160: "September 2 1811 ordered that **Benjamin Camp** do come on the first

Monday in October to the next court of Ordinary for the County & make a Statement of the property that he has in his hands of the estate of John Berry deceased and show he has duly paid of the said estate & {word is either advise or assess} the situation of the orphans of Said deceased.”

William Cates and **Benjamin Camp** were involved with John Berry’s estate and his orphan children. Since our family is so closely associated with the Cate and Camp families in other places, it seems reasonable to believe John Berry is from our family. Martha Berry does not appear in any other records.

“It is further ordered that the said **Benjamin** Camp be appointed guardian of said orphans who were Joshua Berry, Robert Berry, Polly Berry, Betsy Berry, and William Berry he giving bond of security of the law requiring that he to be bound in the sum of one thousand dollars for his performance.”

Unfortunately, the first 10 pages of the Jackson County Will book are missing and it is believed that John Berry’s will may have been on page 6.

The ages of the three sons of John and Martha Berry are recorded in 1804 as: Joshua age 7, Robert age 6, and William age 2. If Joshua is the oldest son in the family and was 7 years old, he was born 1797. John Berry and Martha Stepp were married in 1793, which may mean the two sisters, Elizabeth and Mary, might be older than the boys. If a couple was married in 1793 and had a child every 2 years, which was typical, then their first baby was probably born in 1793. The following births would have been in 1795, 1797, 1800, and 1802. This is very close to the ages of the children’s ages that we know about and their given names probably imply that they Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry’s grandchildren. John Berry’s death in 1804 is supported by Robert Berry’s (OC) 1812 will. John Berry’s heirs inherited a slave named Luinda in Robert Berry’s 1812 will.

Children of John and Martha Berry.

Jackson County, Georgia, in 1804

Polly Berry	Age unknown	Polly is a nickname for Mary
Betsy Berry	Age unknown	Betsy is a nickname for Elizabeth
Joshua Berry	born 1797	
Robert Berry	born 1798	
William Berry	born 1802	

I have no idea who the John Berry was who listed in the 1800 Orange County Census or what happened to him. There have been no other records about this John Berry located in Orange County, North Carolina.

I suspect that our John and Martha Stepp Berry left Person County soon after they were married and migrated to Jackson County, Georgia. Since Mary Berry Camp’s children were known to live there in 1815, I think that our John Berry is the one who died in Georgia in 1804.

I don’t know if we will ever be completely certain that John Berry who died in Jackson County, Georgia, in 1804 is our John Berry. I do think it is important to include as much information about him as we have available to us. The names of his children and the names of Camp and Cates men who were helping with his estate seem to indicate that John was related to the Orange County, North Carolina, Berry family. I can only hope that we will find a known male descendant of John Berry with a good archival trail in the future. A Y-DNA test could then

establish that he is either related to our family or he is not. Several attempts have been made to locate a male descendant with no success at this time.

Jackson County Estate/Bill of Sale 1800-1832

“Drawer 168, Box 35

BERRY, JOHN Pages 218-221

Page 218:

The Assessment of the Estate of John Berry decd. 16th February, 1805

1 sorrel horse 3 yr old	\$36
1 Bull one-year-old	20
1 old mare	25
1 bay horse 9 yr old	60
1 branded Cow & Calf	12.50
more calves, hogs, etc.	
1 mans saddle	7
ploughs, etc...	
pots, etc...	
Dutch oven & rack	2
2 Bedsteads	5
chairs, table, cradle, etc	
Old Wheel	1
Pewter dishes, plates & spoons	8
1 Woman's side saddle	1
1 Woman's cloak	1
1 feather bed & furniture	<u>25</u>
	\$336.37

Entered at bottom of Page 218:

“A Return of Joshua Berry Guardian of William Berry Orphan of John Berry decd:

Recvd. Cash in North Carolina	\$181
Amt. Of sale of land for which I have notes due	250
[First part of line illegible] to wit the year 1823	250
Paid for letter of guardianship	3.00
[Illegible item]	14.55
My own time	<u>14.00</u>
	\$31.55

Page 219:

Names of Purchasers. and Listed items bought by Cates and Camps]		
William Cates	Gun	3.00
Drury Strickland		
William Cates	Hides	1.00

Stephen Brooks		
William Cates	1 half bushel	.50
Samuel Bellah		
Jordan Stanley		
Stephen Brooks		
Samuel Bellah		
William Cates	illegible item	.50
Joshua Batts		
James Laughredge		
Geo Reed		
James Grace		
William Cates	1 mattock	1.00
Henry Ledbetter		
William Spence		
William Cates	Hay Carts and nails, 1 pole ax	3.00
James Laughredge		
William Cates	1 shovel plough	.81 ¼
Alfred Coulter		
Joshua Betts		
Thomas Camp	1 pot & hooks	1.00
William Cates	Dutch oven & pots	3.36 ¾
Edward Knowles		
William Cates	Table & Dresser	1.81 ¼
James Grace		
William Cates	2 Chaise	.81 ¼
Mathias Baty		
Larkin Camp	1 musket	3.06 ¼
James Grace		
William Cates	1 bedstead	2.00
James Lawton		
William Cate	4 head hogs	7.50
Joshua Betts		
Jordan Stanley		
Edward Knowles		
George Horry		
Menafee		
George Reed Esq.		
William Cate	dishes & plates	3.00
James Grace		
Wm Bradfield		
Edward Knowles		
William Cates	bag of ginned cotton	81 1/2
Robert McGhee		
John Hill		
Geo Reed Esq		
Sherrod Camp	1 sorrel mare	70.50

Thomas Jones	1 mare	22.50
George Horry	1 horse	90.00
Patsie Rigsby	1 saddle	7.00
		\$234.18 ½

R. Hutchings		20.00
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William Cates Administrator

Sworn in Court May 1806

His
Wm X Cates
Mark

Judgt. Vs. Camp	\$65.80
“Paid Robert Berry	56.17
“Pd Joshua Berry	82.83

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Cates sued **Jno Camp** for slander over disposition of part of estate of John Berry:
“Asked \$5000. **Camp** pleaded not guilty, October Term 1805. Jury found for Defendant
[**Camp**] With cost. Cost to Plaintiff {Cates} \$11.12
Pages 168-169.”

Wm Cates. Admtr John Berry estate, sued **Thos Camp** over 20 hogs. Part of John Berry
Estate, April
Term 1806. Jury found for Plaintiff {Cates}, \$100 with cost. Thos Camp
Appealed.”

Wm Cates, admtr of John Berry’s estate. Sued **John Camp** over 20 barrels of corn,
value
of \$60, part of John Berry estate, April Term 1806. Jury found for Plaintiff {Cates} \$50
With cost. Cost paid by defendant & appeal entered by Abner Camp (no explanation why
John Camp did not appeal) Page 422:⁶⁵

Wm Cates, admtr John Berry estate, sued Thomas Camp over notes due John Berry estate
from John Pepper [Pepper?] & Wm Jacobs, amounting to \$63. Cates charged Camp “deviously
conspired to turn notes to him, “and sought \$130 in damages. Trial, March Term 1807 Court
ruled for Defendant [**Camp**] \$7.25 cost to be recovered from Plaintiff “his cost most wrongfully
sustained.” As you see from this chapter, John Berry has proven to be the most difficult son of
Robert Berry and Elizabeth to identify and locate. Some of these John Berrys listed below may
not even be related to our Robert Berry (OC) family

The Facts we know:

- John Berry married Martha Stepp, Person County, NC
- John Berry married Martha Collier
- John Berry married Rhoda Richards, Orange County, NC
- John Berry in the 1790 Orange County Census
- John Berry in 1800 Orange County Census
- John Berry fathered a daughter by Hannah Cate Berry in 1812, Orange County.
- John Berry died in Jackson County, Ga., in 1804
- John Berry in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1830

CHAPTER 6

JOSHUA BERRY 1766-1838

NOTE: Much of our early research shows William Clarence Berry as the son of Joshua Berry. Our research was in **ERROR** and is explained starting on **page 116**.

Joshua Berry was probably the fourth child of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry. He was named for his mother's oldest brother, Joshua Cate. I think Joshua was born around 1766 and I know his wife, Nancy Ellison, was born in 1775 based on census information taken in 1850. Joshua Berry is one of the three brothers who stayed in Orange County, North Carolina.

The first record of Joshua was when he listed in the first USA Orange County, North Carolina, Census in 1790. George Washington was President of the newly formed United States of America and Alexander Martin was the governor of North Carolina.

The second record found about Joshua Berry was his marriage bond to Nancy Ellison dated January 28th, 1792. Henry Terrell was his bondsman⁶⁶.

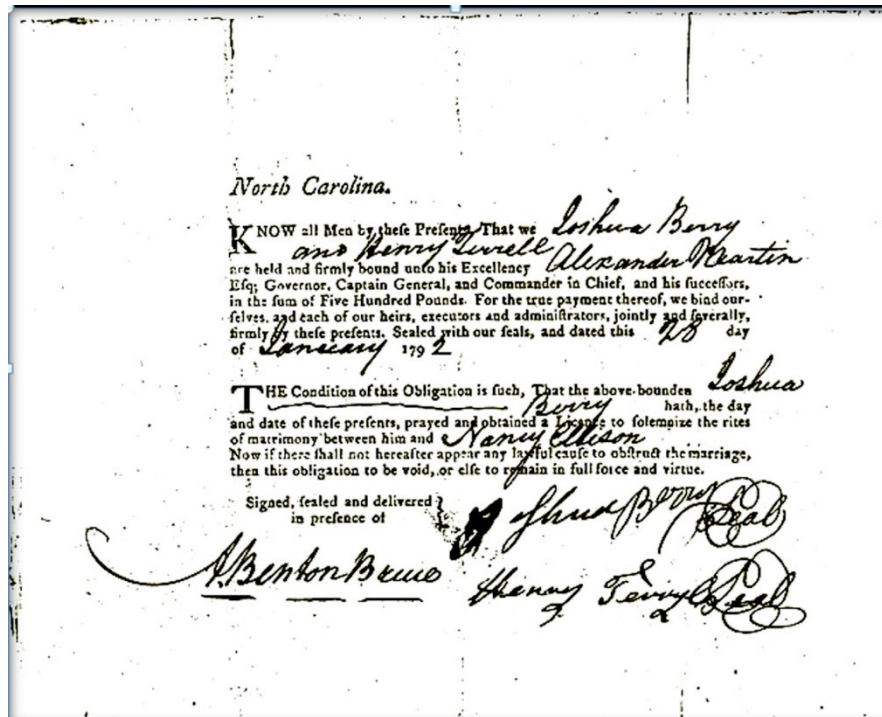


Figure 63: Marriage Bond of Joshua Berry and Nancy Ellison

Joshua and Nancy's first son was named Robert Berry for his paternal grandfather. Robert was born about 1792 and remained in Orange County until he died sometime between 1840 and 1850. Joshua and Nancy Berry had a total of 9 children and 7 children remained in North Carolina. James, their 3rd child, removed to Smith County, Tennessee, and Joshua Jr., their 4th child, removed to Gallia County, Ohio. They had a grandson, Ira Berry, and a granddaughter, Nancy E. Berry Wagoner, who removed to Union County, Kentucky, around 1854 (both are children of Lewis and Sally Tolar Berry). After Lewis Berry died in 1858, Sarah Tolar Berry joined her daughter's family in Kentucky.

Children of Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry

Robert Berry married Sally Cates, and they made their home in Orange County, NC.

Dicey Berry, born 1798, married Andrew Murdock on December 16th, 1824, and remained in Orange County, North Carolina.

James Berry, who was born around 1799, married Mary around 1829. James removed to Smith County, Tennessee, before 1840. (See Page 137)

Joshua Berry Jr., born April 15, 1801, married Anna Thorpe and was in Ohio in 1820. Joshua died in Benton County, Iowa, on May 18th, 1879.

Delilah Berry, born about 1802, married John Hightower on September 25th, 1827.

Lewis Berry, born in 1805, married Sally Tolar on October 13th, 1828. After Lewis died, Sally Tolar Berry went to Kentucky to live with her daughter, Nancy E. Berry Wagoner, and her family.

Nancy Berry was born in 1810 and died a spinster in March, 1883.

Charlotte Berry was born in 1813, married William Waggoner Sr. on August 18th, 1837. They lived their lives in Orange County, NC.

Eli Berry was born on October 10th, 1821, and married Judy Betsey Taylor on December 21st, 1846. They lived all of their lives in Orange County, NC.

Joshua Berry Jr. was just 19 years old when he was granted land in Ohio on June 16th, 1820. He was the first child of Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry to migrate from North Carolina. Joshua may have met his wife in Ohio or in Orange County, North Carolina. Anna Thorpe Berry was born in North Carolina in 1800. It is a fact that Joshua Berry Jr. and a lot of other members of Robert Berry's (OC) family were leaving Orange County at this time. Joshua Junior's older brother, James, probably left the County about eight to ten years later than he did. Joshua Jr. left about the same time his Uncle Robert Berry Jr. and his family departed for Fayette County, Alabama. I suspect that Joshua Berry left shortly before they made their decision, or he might have decided to go to Alabama instead of Ohio. I can never be sure why Joshua took the route he did. Perhaps he had talked to his cousin, George Berry, who may have served in the north-west during his service in the war of 1812. George had returned home and started his family around 1814 at just about the time their grandfather, Robert Berry Sr., (OC) died. When the will was read, Joshua Jr. may have figured that he was not going to be able to obtain any farmland in Orange County, North Carolina. Many other children and grandchildren were facing that reality after Robert Berry (OC) died. A lot of children and grandchildren would hang around until their parents or grandparents died and then strike out for new frontiers.

These examples of our Berry family heading into the opening frontiers as land became available continued for at least the next fifty years or longer. I think Joshua Berry Jr. may have helped other members of his immediate family decide to go west and north. Most of the other members of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's family headed south and then west.

Anna Thorpe was born in North Carolina, so is it possible that the Thorpe family joined up with the group of people from Orange County as they traveled to Ohio? Joshua and Anna Thorpe were married in 1820 and established their new farm in Raccoon Township, Gallia County, Ohio, in 1820. They did what so many other young couples always do. They started their family very soon after they were married. Joshua Jr. and Anna Thorpe Berry and their family lived in Gallia, Ohio, for the next 17 years.

A Transcribed 1830 Gallia County, Ohio, Census:

	Under 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	100 &	Under 5	5 to 10	10 to 15	15 to 20	20 to 30	30 to 40	40 to 50	50 to 60	60 to 70	70 to 80	80 to 90	90 to 100	100 &
	MALES													FEMALES												
James Thorpe	2	1	1			1									1	1	1			1		1				
Asa Polly	1				1											1			1							
William Blagg	3	2	1				1									1				1						
Catherine Moore		1	2													2			1							
Wm. Ridgeway	2			1		1										2			1							
Isaac Rutherford	3	1	1	2	2		1							1	1	1		1		1						
Joshua Berry	2	2			1									1	2				1							

James Thorpe in the chart above is very likely Anna Thorpe's brother. Her father was probably dead and the lady who was listed age 60 to 70 living with James was likely James and Anna Thorpe Berry's mother.

After Joshua Berry Jr. and his family removed from Gallia County, Ohio, sometime between 1837 and 1839, they located in Indiana. Their first five children were born in Ohio. All seven of the youngest children in the family were born in Indiana.

I do not know where the names Cynthia or Harrison came from unless they were named for some members of Anna's family. Their fourth child, Lewis Berry, was named for his Uncle Lewis Berry who married Sally Tolar in Orange County, N.C., on October 13th, 1828. Uncle Lewis was Joshua Berry Junior's next younger brother. Uncle Lewis and Aunt Sally Berry lived in Orange County, North Carolina, until Lewis died in 1858. After Lewis Berry died, Sally Tolar Berry joined her son, Ira Berry, and her daughter, Nancy E. Waggoner, in Kentucky and lived there until she died. (See Fig. 67, Pg. 141)

Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry's Children;

Cynthia Berry	1820	born in Ohio	died November 19 th , 1887.
Harrison Berry	1824	born in Ohio	died December 29 th , 1897.
Robert Berry	1822	born in Ohio	died 1911.
Lewis E. Berry	1826	born in Ohio	died March 6 th , 1907.
Wealthy Berry	1829	born in Ohio	died after 1880.
Nancy Berry	1831	born in Ohio	
Aleccann Berry	1832	born in Indiana	died after 1900.
John Berry	1833	born in Indiana	
Samuel Berry	1835	born in Indiana	died 1880 -1890.
Martha J. Berry	1838	born in Indiana	
William James Berry	1841	born in Indiana	died 1906.
Joseph Berry	1843	born in Indiana	died 1934.

From studying the names of Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry's children, it seems that about half of the names must have been passed down from the Thorpe family.

After living in Indiana about 20 years, Joshua Berry Jr. and his family removed to Benton County, Iowa, around 1856. Joshua Berry Jr. lived the rest of his life in Benton County, Iowa, and died there on May 29th, 1879. He is buried at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in the Canton Township, Benton County, Iowa. At one time there was a head stone at his grave but it now seems to have been removed.

Anna Thorpe Berry was last located in 1880. She was living with her youngest son, Joseph Berry, in Benton County, Iowa, and died around 1887, most likely at his home.

There is a very enlightening report on Joshua and Anna Berry's son, Lewis Berry, recorded on the Sedgwick County, KS, Gen Web site. Wichita, Kansas, is in Sedgwick County, Kansas. On March 20th, 1851, Lewis Berry married Eliza Hayward. Eliza Hayward was born on November 16th, 1833, and was six years younger than Lewis. Lewis had a very excellent reputation as a strong, well built and very healthy man. He was also a very good businessman and made a lot of money in real estate. At one time, he apparently owned twenty building lots in Wichita, Kansas. He also owned a house and two lots in the small town of Goddard, Kansas, just west of Wichita.

The following information was written by Shelley Rusk Hanson. Shelley is a descendant of the Joshua Berry Jr. line. A descendant from this family line has been verified by a Y-DNA test.

"Harrison Berry was born 31 May, 1854, in Benton County, Iowa, to Lewis and Eliza (Hayward) Berry. He was named after his Uncle Harrison Berry, the son of Joshua and Anna (Thorpe) Berry. He was the second child born to Lewis and Eliza who were united in marriage on 18 March, 1851, in Boone County, Indiana. Lewis and Eliza, along with Lewis parents, Joshua and Anna (Thorpe) Berry and Eliza's father (Abijah Haywood) had moved from Indiana to Iowa prior to the birth of Harrison. They all engaged in farming in Benton County, Iowa, Area."

"On 9 August, 1873, Harrison married Henrietta Havens in Linn County, Iowa. Henrietta was the daughter of Ransom and Olive (Usher) Havens. Harrison and Henrietta made their home in Benton County, Iowa, and had three children"

Children of Harrison and Henrietta Havens Berry;

Fred M. Berry	born	28 February, 1874	
Rosa Belle Berry	born	November, 1876	
	Eliza O. Berry	born	April, 1878.

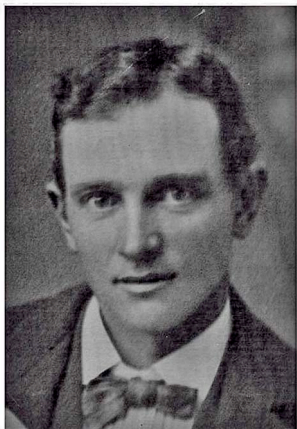


Figure 64: Fred M. Berry

Tragedy struck the family on 14 May, 1878. According to the newspaper article in the Vinton Eagle: "Her husband was cutting a large tree down close to where they lived, when Henrietta attempted to go near where he was to tell him she was going to a neighbor's, having her babe in her arms and a little girl running along with her, when the tree fell, crushing her almost to jelly, while remarkable as it may seem, the baby was still alive, though

probably fatally injured. The little girl, too, narrowly escaped.” Rosa Belle did survive, but Henrietta died instantly and Baby Eliza died within three days.”

“Harrison and his surviving children, Fred and Rosa Belle, along with Henrietta’s parents, moved west to Carroll County, Iowa, sometime prior to 1880. Harrison left for Sedgwick County, Kansas, to join his parents and many of his siblings who had moved to Kansas sometime between 1876 and 1880. Fred and Rosa Belle were raised by their maternal grandparents, Ransom and Olive (Usher) Havens, and their uncle, Charles Havens, in Iowa.”

“December 28th, 1881, Harrison married Sarah A. B. Hammon in Wichita, Sedgwick County, Kansas. Sarah was the daughter of Nic and Mary Hammon (dec.). Harrison worked for the railroad as a watchman and freight checker and remained in the Wichita area until at least 1889. It is unknown if Harrison and Sarah had any children or what became of Sarah. By 1899, Harrison was living in Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado, and was a teamster for Pueblo Transfer & Storage Company.”

“In February 1900 Harrison married Eveline C. Searls in Pueblo County, Colorado. Eveline was the daughter of Oliver and Lucinda Searls. On January 29th, 1934, Harrison died in Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado of arteriosclerosis. He is buried in the Odd Fellows Cemetery.”

Census information for Harrison Berry

“1854 In household of Lewis Berry – Polk Township, Benton County, Iowa [Iowa State Census]

1856 In household of Lewis Berry-Benton County, Iowa [Iowa State Census]

1860 In household of Lewis Berry-Benton County, Iowa [1860 US Census]

1870 In household of Lewis Berry-Benton County, Iowa [1870 US Census]

1880 Glidden Township, Carroll County, Iowa [1880 US Census]

1900 Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado [1900 US Census]

1910 Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado [1910 US Census]

1920 Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado [1920 US Census]

1930 Pueblo, Pueblo County, Colorado [1930 US Census]”

“Frederick M. Berry was born February 28th, 1874, in Palo, Linn County, Iowa to Harrison and Henrietta (Havens) Berry. When Fred was four years old in 1878 his mother, Henrietta, was killed by a falling tree.

“On April 9th, 1898, Fred married Bertha May Butrick in Glidden Township, Carroll County, Iowa. Bertha was the daughter of Francis Marion and Margaret (Whippie) Butrick.

Fred and Bertha had the following children:

Ethel V. Berry born 1902 Iowa, died May 1985 Iowa.

Lillian G. Berry born 1905 Iowa, died November 1991 Iowa.

Fred Harrison Berry born 1907 Iowa, died May 1983 Iowa.

Pearl Berry born 1908 Iowa.

William Berry born 1909 Iowa, died 1988 Wyoming.

Lora Olive Berry born 25 February 1911, died 13 March 1912 Iowa.

Virgil C. Berry born 25 Dec. 1912 Iowa, died 30 November 1971 California.

Bertha died in Lake City, Calhoun County, Iowa, on Feb. 18th, 1913

On July 13th, 1913, Fred married Sarah Ann (Miner) Kelley in Lake City, Calhoun, Iowa. Sarah was the daughter of Jeremiah and Etta May (Whipple) Miner, the widow of John Wesley Kelley and mother of two daughters, Mamie Mae Kelley born 1908 and Ida Wilma Kelley born 1911. Sarah’s parents and five of Sarah’s siblings had died tragically in a house fire in April, 1910, in Ponca, Nebraska.”



Figure 65: Fred and Sarah Berry 1925

Fred and Sarah Berry's Children (Wisconsin).

Evert Amos Berry	born	11 March, 1914	Iowa.
	died	9 October, 1999	Wisconsin.
John Joseph Berry	born	18 Aug., 1916	Iowa.
	died	10 March, 1981	Wisconsin.
Sarah Beatrice Berry,	born	22 April, 1920	Wisconsin.
Mildred Bernice Berry	born	20 Aug., 1922	Wisconsin.
	died	3 Feb., 1974	Minnesota.
Living female Berry	born	1925	Wisconsin.
Living female Berry	born	1928	Wisconsin.
Gloria Muriel Berry	born	7 Apr., 1932	Wisconsin.
	died	12 Apr., 1932	Wisconsin.
Living female Berry	born	1934	Wisconsin.
Living female Berry	born	1937	Wisconsin.

"Fred, Sarah and children moved from Iowa to Wisconsin some time between 1916 and 1920. Fred was a farmer in Barron and Polk County, Wisconsin, areas.

On the 2nd of October, 1951, Fred died in Amery, Polk County, Wisconsin, of carcinoma of the lung. He is buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Tuttle Lake, Wisconsin."

Census Information for Frederick M. Berry:

"1880 In household of Harrison Berry – Glidden Township, Carroll County, Iowa [1880 U.S.Census]."

1885 In household of Olive Havens – Glidden Township, Carroll County, Iowa [1885 State Census]

1895 In household of Charles Havens – [Iowa State Census]

1900 Lincoln Township, Calhoun County, Iowa [1900 U.S. Census]

1905 Lake City, Calhoun County, Iowa, - [Iowa State Census]

1910 Lake City, Calhoun County, Iowa, - [1910 U.S. Census]

1915 Lake City, Calhoun County, Iowa, - [Iowa State Census]

1920 Turtle Lake Village, Barron County, Wisconsin [1920 U.S. Census]

1930 Clayton Township, Polk County, Wisconsin [1930 U.S. Census]”

This family line continued to move west as far as California and at least one of the family was a gold miner at Pikes Peak, Colorado, for a time. Berry Train Station, Colorado, is named for this family line. In addition to having an excellent archival trail compiled by Shelly Rusk Hanson, one of Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry’s descendants has also been verified by Y-DNA.

James Berry, Smith County, Tennessee.

Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry’s son, James Berry, was born in Orange County, NC. James Berry was 30 years old when he married Mary (unknown last name) in 1829. Their first daughter, Nancy Berry, was born in North Carolina in 1830. The second daughter, Delilah Berry, was born in North Carolina in 1836. Their third and last daughter to be born in North Carolina was named Mary Berry. Mary was born in 1839. Their first son, James Jr., was born in Smith County, Tennessee, in 1840. He was named for his father. Martha Berry was born in Tennessee about 1841 and their last son, Clay Berry, was born in 1844. Edward Berry, a school teacher, was living with the family in the 1850 Smith County, Tennessee, Census.

Tennessee Land Grant Warrant No. 788:

“To whom granted and rank: James Berry, heir of Robert Berry.

No. acres: 640

Service in months: 84

Location and to whom deeded and date of warrant. Within the limits of the lands allotted the officers and soldiers of the Continental Line, by Law, 1783, Oct. 14: Apr. 30:

Col. Brown.”

James Berry was listed in Smith County, Tennessee, census for the first time in 1840. The ages and names of the family were determined from this 1850 Census. James Berry was able to get a 640 acre land grant in Tennessee because of his grandfather, Robert Berry’s (OC), service in the Revolutionary War. Smith County, Tennessee, is almost due West of Orange County, North Carolina, and today it is 459 miles from Hillsborough by way of I-40.

Children of James and Mary Berry, Smith County, Tenn.⁶⁷

From census information;

981	981 James Berry	50 M	born NC
	Mary	48 F	born N C
	Nancy	20 F	born NC
	Delila	14 F	born NC
	Mary	17 F	born NC
	Edward	26 M	School Teacher born in Virginia:
	James	10 M	born in Tennessee
	Clay	6 M	born in Tennessee
	Martha	11 F	born in Tennessee

I have noticed that several of Joshua and Nancy Berry’s descendants named a daughter Martha. This may mean that Nancy Ellison’s mother or grandmother was named Martha.

Smith County Marriages 1838, 1844 - 1850⁶⁸

Thomas Allen Married Nancy Berry Nov. 28th, 1850

From: SMITH COUNTY MARRIAGES 1851 – 1859

Marcus Allen married Delilah Berry Feb. 6th, 1851

From: SMITH COUNTY MARRIAGES 1860 - 1863

Burton Marks married Martha V. Berry April 11th, 1860.

Since we have not been able to locate any living descendants of James and Mary Berry, our information on their lives is very scarce. There are four facts that make me believe that James Berry is the son of Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry from Orange County, North Carolina.

The three oldest children were born in North Carolina.

James Berry had sisters named Nancy Berry and Delilah Berry

James Berry's mother was also named Nancy.

James and his wife Mary were both born in North Carolina

Ira Berry and his sister, Nancy Berry Waggoner.

Lewis and Sally Tolar Berry's son, Ira Berry, and their daughter, Nancy E. Berry Waggoner, were living in Orange County, North Carolina in 1850.

SCHEDULE I.—Free Inhabitants in *First District* **in the County of** *Orange* **State**
of *N Carolina* **enumerated by me, on the** *27th* **day of** *Novr* **1850.** *J R Nash* **Ass't Marshal**

Dwelling-house and lot in the order of valuation.		The Name of every Person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1850, was in this family.	DESCRIPTION.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each Male Person over 15 years of age.	Value of Real Estate owned.	PLACE OF BIRTH. Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Whether deaf, dumb, blind, idiotic, pauper, or convict.		
Parcel number in the order of valuation.	Family number of the inhabitant.		Age.	Sex.	Color.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1729	1729	John	13	M				N Carolina				
		Mary	7	F				N Carolina				
		William	3	M				N Carolina				
1730	1730	William Blacklock	42	M		Farmer	736	N Carolina				
		Angeline Blacklock	28	F				N Carolina				
		John	13	M				N Carolina				
		Elizabeth	10	F				N Carolina				
		William	8	M				N Carolina				
		Milie	6	M				N Carolina				
		Doctor	4	M				N Carolina				
		Edy	2	F				N Carolina				
1731	1731	Eli Berry	27	M		Wheel Right	150	N Carolina				
		Judy Berry	25	F				N Carolina				
		Lucy	1	F				N Carolina				
		Ira Berry	17	M		Wheel Right		N Carolina				
1732	1732	James Waggoner	21	M		Sabinner		N Carolina				
		Nancy Waggoner	21	F				N Carolina				
		John	2	M				N Carolina				
1733	1733	Anderson Smith	28	M		Sabinner		N Carolina				
		Nancy Smith	26	F				N Carolina				

Figure 66: Ira Berry in Orange County, North Carolina

Ira Berry was 17 years old in the 1850 Orange County Census on **page 140**. Ira was enumerated living with Eli Berry and his young family. James Waggoner and Nancy E Berry Waggoner were living next door. Nancy E. Berry Waggoner was 21 in 1850. James and Nancy Waggoner were married on June 19th, 1849, and in the 1850 Orange County Census, they had a 2 month old son named John. I was unable to identify Ira Berry's parents and they were a mystery to me for many years. In 1850, Eli Berry was only 27 years old and too young to be Ira's father. I thought that Ira had to be a grandson of Joshua and Nancy Berry because of his age. I knew that Nancy E. Berry Waggoner was Lewis and Sally Tolar Berry's daughter, but it did not occur to me that Ira Berry was their son. Ira Berry disappeared from Orange County, North Carolina, before 1860 and I had no idea where he went. In 1858, Lewis Berry died from the flu in a worldwide epidemic. Sally Tolar Berry also did not show up in the 1860 Orange County, North Carolina, census. James Waggoner and Nancy E. Berry Waggoner and their son were also missing in 1860. James Waggoner and Ira Berry may have decided to go to the west in an attempt to avoid the upcoming war. This may not be the reason they made this decision.

It was not until I learned that the actor, Ken Berry, is a member of our Berry family and that Ira Berry was living in Kentucky in 1850 that the pieces of the puzzle began to fall into place. Ken Berry is noted for his acting in "F-Troup", "Mama's Family", and "Mayberry RFD", in the heyday of television sitcoms.

After locating Ira Berry in the 1860 Morganfield, Union County, Kentucky, census, I saw that Ira and his sister were living next door to each other. I also noticed that a Sarah Berry, age 65, was also living next door with Ira's sister and her family. **(Fig. 67, Pg. 141)** In the 1860 census Ira and his new wife, Nancy Wynn Berry, had a 4 year old son named Franklin Berry, who was born in Kentucky. This information lets me know that Ira and his sister's family must have left North Carolina about 1855. Nancy and James Waggoner also had a 4 year old daughter who was born in Kentucky.

I think Ira and Nancy E. Berry Waggoner stopped in Smith County, Tennessee, to visit their Uncle James and Aunt Mary Berry. I think that Ira Berry was single when he arrived at his uncle's farm. Nancy Wynn, Ira Berry's new wife, was born in Robertson County, Tennessee, and very likely Ira met and married her while he was living with his uncle or as he and the Waggoner family were making their way to Union County, Kentucky. From Carthage in Smith County, Tennessee, to Springfield in Robertson County, Tennessee, is only 84 miles. From Springfield, Tennessee, to Union County, Kentucky, is 142 miles. This is the route you could travel today if you were going from Carthage, Tennessee, to Morganfield, Union County, Kentucky.

Ira and Nancy Wynn Berry are Ken Berry's 2nd great-grandparents. In the 1860 Kentucky Census, Nancy and James Waggoner's oldest son, John, was now 10 years old. They also had three daughters: Nancy Waggoner, age 4; Eliza Waggoner, age 2; and Lucy Waggoner, who was six months old.

Ira and Nancy Wynn Berry had three children in 1860. Their names were Franklin Berry, age 4; Thomas Berry, age 3; and Edward Berry, age 1. All of these children were born in Kentucky.

The name Edward Berry **on Page 137** brings up a question that is unanswered at this time. Ira's uncle, James Berry, in the 1850 Smith County, Tennessee, Census, had a school teacher living with him by the name of Edward Berry from Virginia. Is Edward Berry somehow related to James Berry and our Berry family? I have no further information about Edward Berry.

Ira was 23 years old and his wife Nancy was 21 years old when their first son, Franklin Pierce Berry, was born in Kentucky in 1855. Franklin Pierce Berry⁶⁹ was 23 years old when he

married Sophie Sellers in 1878. **(See their Pictures on page 142)** Franklin and Sophie are Ken-Berry's great-grandparents. Their first child was Theodore Guest Berry, who was born in 1878 in Kentucky. Theodore Guest Berry registered at the Williamson County, Illinois, Draft Board in World War I 1917-1918. He was 39 years old and he was born on November 30th, 1878. He was described as medium height and medium build with dark hair. His occupation was listed as coal miner. Odo Berry, as Theodore was called, married Verdin (Verda) Hall about 1903 and they had four children listed in the 1910 Williamson County, Illinois, Census. Odo and Verda were Ken's grandparents. Their youngest son, Darrell Berry, was one year old in that 1910 census. Darrell was 11 years old in his parent's 1920 census. In 1930, Darrell and his new wife, Bernice Larson, were living with her parents, George E Larson, age 45, and Ida M. Larson, age 40. George Larson stated in the 1830 census that both of his parents and his wife's parents were born in Sweden. Darrell and Bernice are Ken Berry's parents.

Ken Berry can trace his family back in America long before the Declaration of Independence was signed. His 5th great-grandfather, Robert Berry (OC), married Elizabeth Cate in 1758 in Orange County, North Carolina. Robert Berry (OC) was in North Carolina as early as 1751. This was 25 years before the United States of America was founded. Robert Berry (OC) built his plantation home in 1766, 10 years before the Declaration of Independence.

Our current research indicates that Robert Berry (OC) in Orange County was actually born in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in 1729.

Robert Berry's (OC) maternal line goes back to Ann Foster, who married Roger Williamson about 1640 in South Norfolk County, Virginia. Ann Foster was born in England in 1620. All of our archival research back to Robert Berry in Orange County, North Carolina, has been validated with Y-DNA.

A List of Ken Berry's ancestors:

Robert Berry (PAC) married Mary Williamson in Princess Anne County, Virginia.

Robert Berry (OC) married Elizabeth Cate in Orange County, North Carolina.

Joshua Berry married Nancy Ellison in Orange County, North Carolina.

Lewis Berry married Sally/Sarah Tolar in Orange County, North Carolina.

Ira Berry married Nancy Wynn/Winn in Tennessee.

Franklin Pierce Berry married Sophia Sellers in Evansville, Indiana

Theodore Guest Berry married Verda Hall

Darrell Berry married Bernice Larson.

Ken Berry

1860 Morganfield, Union County, Kentucky. ⁷⁰

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SCHEDULE 1—Free Inhabitants in _____ **in the County of** Union **State** Kentucky **enumerated by me, on the** 20th **day of** June **1860.** J. B. Dury **Ass't Marshal**

Post Office Morganfield Ky.

Dwelling-house in order of valuation.	Position numbered in the household.	The name of every person whose usual place of abode on the first day of June, 1860, was in this family.	Description.			Profession, Occupation, or Trade of each person, male and female, over 15 years of age.	Value of Estate Owned.		Place of Birth, Naming the State, Territory, or Country.	Married within the year.	Whether deaf and dumb, blind, insane, idiotic, pauper, or convict.
			Age.	Sex.	Color.		Value of Real Estate.	Value of Personal Estate.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
		Lewis T. Taylor	14	M			5	0	Kentucky		
		Nancy Chambers	13	F						1	
		Robert M.	4	M						1	
421	421	Marion Willard	33	F		Farmer	300	500			
		Theresa A. T.	16	F						1	
		Lewis B.	14	M						1	
		William	12	M						1	
422	422	Edw. M. Biele	23	M				500			
		Mary E.	17	F							
		Wm. T.	1	M							
		Jos. Hendry	19	M		Labour			↓		
423	423	Ira Berry	26	M		Farmer		500	N Carolina		
		Nancy M.	25	F					Tennessee		
		Franklin	14	M					Kentucky		
		Thomas	3	M							
		Edward	1	M					↓		
424	424	Jos. Wagoner	28	M					N Carolina		
		Nancy E.	25	F							
		Jos. R.	10	M							
		Nancy	4	F					Kentucky		
		Eliza	2	F							
		Lucy	1/2	F							
		Ann R. Liles	19	M		Labour			↓		
		Sarah Berry	65	F					N Carolina		
425	425	Marion Willard	40	M		Carpenter			Indiana		

Figure 67: Ira Berry in Kentucky 1860 Census

Franklin Pierce and Sophia Sellers Berry in Kentucky.

Franklin Pierce Berry is the great-grandson of Joshua and Nancy Berry in Orange County, NC.



Figure 68: Franklin Pierce Berry



Figure 69 Sophia M. Sellers

Franklin was born on July 12th, 1854, and died on January 1st, 1909.

Sophie was born on April 6th, 1860, in Anton, Kentucky, and died in 1912.

Sophie was the daughter of Orman and Louisa Ashby Sellers.

The couple was married on February 6th, 1878, in Evansville, Indiana.

There were ten children born to this couple.

Children of Franklin and Sophie Berry:

Theodore Guest Berry	born October 30 th , 1878, died 1943.
Maggie Berry	born September 22 nd , 1880.
Edward Berry	born November, 1882.
Lenon Berry	born March 5 th , 1885, died 1966.
Sophronia Berry	born March 16 th , 1887, died 1979.
Orion Weaver Berry	born September 9 th , 1891.
Maude Terrel Berry	born February 22 nd , 1894.
Frank Berry	born March 11 th , 1895.
Katherine Berry	born August 12 th , 1896; died on August 22 nd , 1966.
Pauline Berry	born September, 1901.

Katherine Berry was born in Seabee, Webster County, Kentucky, and died in Williamston County, Illinois. She is buried in Lake Creek Cemetery, Williamson County, Illinois. Kate married Benjamin Franklin Moake in Williamson County, Illinois. Benjamin Moake was the son of Ezekiel Moake and Dale Everett.

Katherine Berry Moake, daughter of Franklin and Sophia Berry

Benjamin Franklin and Kate Berry Moake



Figure 70: Benjamin Franklin and Kate Berry Moake

All four children of Benjamin and Kate Moake were born in Williamson County, Illinois.

Benjamin Franklin and Kate Berry Moake's Children:

1. Donovan Jack Moake was born on July 16th, 1914, and died on March 22nd, 1985, in Belleville, St Clair County, Illinois.
2. Lorine Moake was born on February 16th, 1916, and died in 2007.
3. Robert Moake was born on January 2nd, 1918, and died March 15th, 1985, in Los Angeles, California.
4. Frank Moake was born on August 18th, 1923.



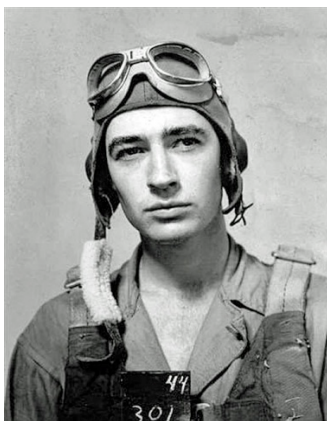
Donovan Moake



Donovan Moake



Robert Moake



Frank Moake



Left to Right: Mose Felts, Lee Crist, Ben Moake, Orion Berry, Lenon Berry



Left to Right: Maude Crist, Kate Berry Moake, Maggie Felts McDonald

Deed from Robert Berry (OC) to his son, Joshua Berry

This Indenture made *this 24th day of February in the year 1811 between* Robert Berry Snr. Of the one part and Joshua Berry of the other part WITNESSED that for and in consideration of the Sum of One Hundred Dollars to him in hand paid the said Robert hath given,, granted , bargained , sold and conveyed unto the said Joshua one tract of land being in Orange County, North Carolina on Lick Creek and bounded as follows: beginning at a hickory corner the dividing line between William Stagg and said Berry thence West twenty five chains fifty links to a black oak corner thence North forty five chains to a hickory Rountree's corner thence East Rountree's line thirty chains to Lick Creek thence up the creek as it meanders to the mouth of cattail branch thence by a line of marked trees to the beginning One hundred twenty nine acres more or less which tract of land with all the appurtenance the said Robert Berry

Warrants to Joshua Berry his heirs, executors, Administrators, assignees, against the legal claims of all persons whatsoever. In Witness he hath hereunto has set his hand and affixes his seal the day and date above written.

Signed Sealed and Delivered

Robert Berry Sen. Seal

Charles Holeman

Orange County February Term 1812

James Berry

the forgoing deed was duly proved in open court by the oath of James Berry one of the subscribing Witnesses hence is ordered

To be recorded.

Test J. Taylor C. C.

Figure 71: transcribed deed above from Robert Berry Senior to his son, Joshua Berry

I transcribed the Joshua Berry deed on August 25th, 2009, from a copy of the original.

The description of the property that Robert Berry (OC) sold his son, Joshua, amounted to about half of the 1757 original Granville Land Grant. There is a slight difference of five chains noted on the west boundary of Robert Berry's property and the deed he made to Joshua. This transfer of property took place in 1811 on February 24th (Deed Book 14 Page 57). The west boundary on the Granville Grant was 40 chains and on Joshua's deed it was 45 chains. This can easily be explained by the fact that Robert Berry acquired the Patrick Rutherford property, which joined his southern boundary, in 1787. Patrick Rutherford had died and his three sons sold the property to Robert Berry on March 2, 1787, (Deed book 4 Page 518) Orange County, North Carolina. In 1811 Robert could have made the western boundary any length he wanted up to about 90 chains.

Below is an application that Eli D. Berry submitted to the county in order to serve as administrator of his cousin Nancy Berry's estate. Nancy had inherited her estate when her mother, Nancy Ellison Berry, died sometime before 1860. Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry's spinster daughter, Nancy Berry, died in March, 1883. Nancy's brother, Eli Berry, was still alive but Eli may have known that his son, Eli D. Berry, was better qualified to manage the duties of an administrator. Eli D. Berry was only 21 years old at the time.

No. 60.—ADMINISTRATOR'S OATH.—Printed and for sale by Edwards, Broughton & Co., Printers and Binders, Raleigh.

State of North Carolina, }
 Orange COUNTY. } ss. In the Probate Court.

I, E. D. Berry, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I believe that
Nancy Berry died without leaving any last
WILL AND TESTAMENT; and that I will well and truly administer all and singularly the Goods and
Chattels, Rights and Credits of the said Nancy Berry
and a true and perfect inventory thereof return as provided by law; and that all other duties apper-
taining to the charge reposed in me, I will faithfully and honestly perform with the best of my skill
and ability; so help me God.

Sworn and subscribed before me, this 6
day of March 1883
Prudhomme } Eli D. Berry
Probate Judge.)

Figure 72: Eli D. Berry's Application

A copy of Nancy Berry's property settlement is on Page 147.

A list of the heirs is listed here: Dicy Murdock, heirs of Charlotte Waggoner, heirs of Lewis Berry, Joshua X. Berry, heirs of Nancy Ellison Waggoner, heirs of Rachel Neal, heirs of Sarah Jones.

You can see from the X over "heirs of Joshua Berry" that Eli D. Berry did not know how to locate his heirs. Rachael Neal and Sarah Jones were Robert and Sally Cates Berry's two girls. Rachael Berry and Sarah Berry can be found with their mother in the 1850 Orange County Census. Sally Cates Berry was born in 1798, Sarah Berry was born in 1836, and Rachael Berry was born in 1839. I have no marriage records for either girl and no idea where they were living in 1883. You can also see that no reference was made to **William Clarence Berry** in this document. This is further evidence that William Clarence Berry was not Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry's son. Even though Joshua Berry Jr.'s heirs were living in other states, they were still listed on this statement.

No. 81—Application for Letters of Administration.—Printed and for sale by Edwards, Broughton & Co., Raleigh.

COUNTY--In the Probate Court.

THE MATTER OF THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE ESTATE OF Nancy Berry Before Prud Jones Probate Judge.

Eli D. Berry, being sworn, doth say:

That Nancy Berry, late of said County, is dead, without leaving any **WILL** and **TESTAMENT**, and that Eli D. Berry is the proper person entitled to Letters of Administration on the estate of the said Nancy Berry.

Further, that the value of said estate, so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application, is about \$ 350.00, and that Diny Munday Charlotte Wagon and Lewis Berry, heirs of Joshua Berry, Miss Delilah Wightman, Eli Berry, Joshua Berry, heirs of Nancy Ellison Wagon, heirs of Rachael Neal, heirs of Sarah Jones are entitled as heirs and distributees thereof.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 6 day of March, 1883.

Prud Jones Probate Judge. Eli D. Berry

Figure 73: Nancy Berry's Property Settlement

I think that there was a great financial depression in the late 1820's and early 1830's. Joshua Berry must have had some money problems because he borrowed money and used his property as collateral. He ended up having to forfeit his property because he could not repay his loan. (Dead of Trust bk. 23 pg. 126 Orange County NC).

I know that President Andrew Jackson closed the Federal Reserve Bank illegally after he came into office on March 4th, 1829. Times were hard in the late 1820's and money was very scarce. It is possible that Joshua Berry got in debt over his head because of the economy.

Regardless of the reason, Joshua had borrowed money against his property that he could not pay back, which is obvious from the transcribed Deed of Trust below.

(Deed of Trust Orange County, NC Bk. 23, Page 126:)
Transcribed Deed of Trust of Joshua Berry

This Indenture made this 3rd day of, January, 1828 between Joshua Berry of the county of Orange & State of North Carolina of the one part & William Lipscomb of the same County of the other part Witnessed that whereas the Said Joshua Berry is jointly indebted to William Bowles & William Parker A bond of Five Hundred Dollars, which Thomas P. Evans is bound to the said Bowles as Security & said Parker's Bond the said Evans assigns him--- The said Joshua Berry is deserving & honest to sever assignment Of the payments of the said Debts & interest & cost ensuing therein by consigning To said William Lipscomb property herein mentioned, the said Joshua Berry in Consideration his being so indebted to Bowls & Parker & said Evans

Bound for the three Bonds the Amounts about five hundred Dollars and is
Desirous to secure the payment thereof the aforementioned, and of the sum
Of One Dollar good & lawful money to him in hand paid by the said Lipscomb

Before the sealing & delivery of those presents the receipts hereby Acknowledges, He the said Joshua Berry has given, granted, bargained & Sold unto the said Lipscomb his heirs, assignees forever, the following Properties to wit his tract of Land whereon he now lives One hundred & thirty one acres more or less, One Negro Dave, Two Stills, one cloak, three head of Horses, twelve head of cattle, Forty head of hogs, Thirty head of sheep Household & Kitchen furniture, with all other articles too tedious to Mention! Crop & Together with all & Singular his right & appurtenance To said William Lipscomb his heirs & assignees doth covenant & agree To & with the Lipscombe his heirs that he signed & probated Of a good sure, right & title to the property above mentioned & duly conveys To him the said Lipscomb his heirs against the claim of all persons Whatever, Provided nevertheless that if the said Berry his heirs or Assignees do & shall will & truly pay or cause to be paid unto the said Thomas P. Evans his heirs or assignees the aforesaid sum, interest & cost on Or before the first day of May next, then this Indenture shall cease & Become void. But if the said Berry his heirs & assignees fail to pay the said Sum interest & to the said Evans his heirs & assignees on or before the before mentioned, Then it May & Shall be lawful for the said Lipscomb his heirs a or assignees having given Ten days notice by advertisement & sell at Public Sale for ready money the property heretofore Mentioned, & out of the money deriving from such Sale pay & satisfy the said Evans his heirs or assignees the aforesaid Sum Interest & cost thereon Attending the Execution of the Trust hereby created & the surplus of any pay over to the Berry or order In testimony where of I truly set My hand & affix my seal this day & date aforementioned.

Witness

Joshua Berry SEAL

H. Terry

Wm Bowles Joshua Berry is truly indebted to H. Terry so in
A Debt due by Bond bearing each date with the above to the amount
Of thirty three Dollars ninety four cents which is to come in on the
Same property jointly above mentioned in this Trust on the above
Named Property, in witness where of I have hereunto set my name
& affixed my seal this day & date first above written.

In presence of

Joshua Berry

SEAL

Thomas P. Evans

Orange County May Term AD 1828

Wm Bowles The Execution of the foregoing Deed in Trust was duly proved in
Open Court by the oath of William Bowles one of the subscribing
Witnesses thereunto and ordered to be registered

Test

J. Taylor C. C.

After the 1830 census was taken, there is only one more record about Joshua that I have located. There was an article about his death in 1838 in the local newspaper. "Joshua Berry was murdered in a grog-shop by Martin Armstrong who had been drinking heavily and was refused more liquor by Joshua, the owner of the shop.

Martin Armstrong seized Joshua and threw him over the railing of the piazza, which broke his neck/back. Armstrong immediately made his escape. He was last seen heading east on the Raleigh Road."

This article was in the Hillsborough Recorder on Wed., 10th Oct., 1838. "The murder was Monday last." The prior Monday was October 8th, 1838.

Joshua's widow, Nancy Berry, inherited their property and her unmarried daughter, Nancy Berry, lived with her until Nancy Ellison Berry died sometime between 1850 and 1860. Joshua's widow, Nancy, listed as age 75 in 1850. Her daughter Nancy was listed as age 40 in that census. Nancy's son, Lewis Berry, died in 1858 in the worldwide flu epidemic. There were three of our Berry relatives who died that same year. My 3rd great-grandmother, Hannah Cate Berry, was one of them. Joshua Berry's wife, Nancy Ellison Berry, may also have been a flu victim. Their spinster daughter inherited Nancy's property when her mother died.

Joshua Berry listed in every Orange County, North Carolina, Census from 1790 to 1830. On February 24th, 1811, Robert Berry Sr. (OC) sold the western half of his Granville Land Grant to Joshua Berry for the sum of \$100 (Orange County Deed book 14 Page 57). Joshua's father started disposing of his land in 1800. I suppose he was in failing health because on April 16th, 1812, Robert Berry (OC) wrote his will. James Berry, Joshua's son who later went to Smith County, Tennessee, was a witness on the deed that Robert made to Joshua. The other witness was Charles Holeman, who was married to the daughter of Joshua Cate and was a neighbor of our Robert Berry family. The deed was registered in the February Term of Court, 1812. As far as I know, there was no dwelling on this tract of land. Some of the descendants of Joshua's brother, William Berry, own some of that same property today. Joshua's nephew, Thomas Person Berry, built a home on this same tract of property in 1852.

IN MEMORY

Patricia Murdock Hutchings 1928 to 2006

Patricia Murdock was married to Philip Wiley Hutchings on November 26th, 1949. They made their home in Durham, North Carolina, but I met Pat through Nellie Berry, who lives in Alabama.

Pat was a descendant of Andrew Murdock and Dicey Berry. Dicey Berry was the daughter of Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry.

Pat was accepted into the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) through Joshua



Berry and his mother, Elizabeth Cate. I have a copy of the family group sheets Pat did on the Andrew Murdock and Dicey Berry family line. Pat was a great researcher and, like me, both sides of her family were in Orange County, North Carolina, since the 1750's. The same was also true of her husband. Because of this, she said "I am a researcher of family lines, not a genealogist. She said genealogy is too complicated. Pat attended our 2002 Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry Reunion for the first and only time in 2002. This picture was taken at the Schley Grange Hall.

CHAPTER 7

ISAAC BERRY-1768-1830 to 1840

Isaac Berry was probably born about 1768. He was the fifth child of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry. I have no idea where the name Isaac Berry came from in the naming sequence of their children. I have noticed that the 5th child in several of our Berry families were biblical names. Robert may have had an uncle or a distant grandfather named Isaac. The name Isaac was later used in several branches of the family. Isaac was the only biblical name used in naming any of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's sons. I guess Joshua is a biblical name, but in this case Elizabeth Cate Berry had a brother named Joshua Cate. All of the other sons were named for Kings or other known family members in the Berry and Cate families.

Robert Berry referred to his son, Isaac Berry's, condition as not being of proper reason. No official records about Isaac are recorded in Orange County. I know that Isaac Berry lived with his father until he died and then he lived with his brother, Henry Berry, for the rest of his life.

It is obvious that Robert Berry went to great detail to make Isaac's future secure. Here is an excerpt from Robert Berry's April 16th, 1812, will about his concern for his son.

"I will and bequeath to my son Isaac Berry one Negro woman named Lydia also one horse to the value of thirty dollars and two cows and calves. This my son Isaac Berry's legacy to be left in the care of my son Henry Berry so as for the aforesaid Isaac to have the benefit of it but not so he can sell or dispose of it without Henry's approbation. Also this my son Isaac Berry's legacy at his death to be divided among my heirs equally provided he has no heirs born after this will is wrote. Also this son Isaac Berry's legacy to be given to him for to be at his own disposal if he becomes to his proper reason. If he does not come to his right reason to be kept as above mentioned."

Condition to be met for Henry Berry to inherit his father's property:

"Provided he gives to my son Isaac Berry one Hundred Dollars, Fifty to be paid one year after his mother's death and the other Fifty in two years after his mother's death."

Isaac was probably 44 years old in 1812 when his father wrote that will.

Isaac Berry died sometime after 1840 and before the 1850 census was taken in Orange County, North Carolina.

The only legal document concerning Isaac Berry that I have ever seen is his father's will. There are no other records about Isaac Berry recorded anywhere concerning marriage, land, deeds, will, or any type of court record. I think this indicates that Isaac Berry was never able to function on his own as an adult member of society.

. Isaac Berry was living with his brother, Henry Berry, in 1830. Isaac Berry was not listed in Henry Berry's 1840 Orange County Census.

In 1840, Lydia Berry listed as head of household in the Orange County Census. Lydia was between 30 and 40 years old and had a young daughter under 10. Felix Wilson was living between Lydia Berry and Henry Berry. Felix Wilson was living on land he bought from William and Person Berry in 1833.

In 1850, Liddy (Lydia) Berry was living with Joshua Cate in Person County. We find that Lydia's daughter was named Mary Ann Berry and her age was 18 in that census. This means

that Mary Ann Berry was born in 1832. Was she Isaac Berry's daughter or granddaughter?

Although we have no record of a marriage for Isaac Berry, this evidence now indicates that Lydia Berry may have been Isaac's daughter, his wife, or common-law wife.

Isaac Berry was 64 years old when Mary Ann Berry was born and he was 47 when Lydia Berry was born in 1815. Lydia Berry would have been 17 years old when Mary Ann Berry was born in 1832.

Isaac Berry's daughter or granddaughter:

Mary Ann Berry was born in 1832 and died after 1900. She married Samuel Hunley in Person County, NC.

Because Isaac Berry died between 1830 and 1840 and Lydia Berry listed as head of household for the only time she ever listed in Orange County, I think that Lydia Berry is Isaac's daughter and Mary Berry is his granddaughter. There is no way to tell when Lydia and Mary Ann Berry went to Person County to live with Joshua Cates.

(See Chapter 11, Henry Berry, on Page 189 for more details).

CHAPTER 8

ELIZABETH BERRY 1770-1816

Elizabeth Berry was the sixth child and only other daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry. I think she was named for her mother, Elizabeth, because her maternal grandmother was named Margery Lawrence Cate. This could also mean that Margery Lawrence Cates's mother was named Elizabeth. Margery Lawrence Cates also had a daughter named Margery. Elizabeth Berry was born about 1770 and was probably the third baby to be born in the new plantation house at Fiddleton. The Plantation home had been built in 1766 and that date is scratched into the mortar between the stones on the back side of the 243 year old chimney that is still standing today. (See Page 77).

There was financial turmoil in Orange County in the form of some corruption in the local government. The Regulator movement was developing in Orange and surrounding counties when Elizabeth was born. I feel that Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry were stable financially and were able to pay the taxes that were assessed. I also think that the local sheriff may not have treated the Robert Berry family as they did a lot of less prosperous farmers in the area. This being said, I do not know if Robert Berry was involved in the Regulator Movement. Many local farmers did come to the aid of the less fortunate farmers in the area.

All of the political problems probably had very little to do with Elizabeth Berry's young childhood. The family had some slaves and the plantation was most likely being run very well. I would guess Elizabeth Berry's four older brothers and her sister Mary were loving and very protective of her.

Elizabeth Berry was 11 years old when her father went off to join the North Carolina Continental Line and when the battle was fought at Guilford Courthouse. These years of war created a very different life for Robert Berry's (OC) family. The hardships were thrust on Elizabeth Cate Berry and her children. Mary Berry had married George Waggoner a couple of years earlier and I think he was serving in the North Carolina Continental Army, too. Mary had a couple of small stepdaughters by George who may have been staying with Mary's family at Fiddleton. There must have been a lot of concern as the British Army, led by Charles Cornwallis, was approaching the Hillsborough area from South Carolina. After the battle at Guilford Courthouse, Mary Berry Waggoner's husband, George Waggoner, was back home, severely wounded, and most likely only survived a few weeks before he died in the summer of 1781. By November, 1781, Robert Berry (OC) had returned home and the War, for all practical purposes, was over. General Cornwallis had surrendered at Yorktown and Robert Berry and Mary Waggoner were taking care of George Waggoner's estate. Mary remarried sometime in the fall of 1781 and when she signed the final papers on George Waggoner's Estate Settlement in February, 1782, she signed her name as Mary Kemp. Mary was also named in her father's will as Mary Kemp.

Mary left home and removed to Rutherfordton, North Carolina. Elizabeth Berry was now the only daughter living at home. We know very little about Elizabeth Berry's teen-age years. Elizabeth Berry was about 21 years old when we find some documentation on her life. She became pregnant by William Riley and Elizabeth filed charges against him on August 20th, 1791. Her daughter, Mary Berry, was probably born later that year or early in 1792.

Charges made 20th August, 1791, against William Riley

Know ye that we William Riley and William
 Armstrong ^{Both of the County of Orange} both own and Acknowledge our selves
 indebted to the Stat of North Carolina in the
 Just and full sum of one hundred and fifty
 pounds to be Levied on their goods & Chattels
 Lands and tenements

The Condition of this Acknowledgement is such
 that whereas the above bound William
 Riley is Charged by Elisabeth Berry single
 Woman that he had Carnal Intercourse of his
 body and that she the Elisabeth Berry is
 now with Child by him the said William Riley
 which Child when born will be bastard
 if therefore the said William Riley shall
 personally appear before the Justices of the peace
 at the next County Court to be held for the
 aforesaid County on the fourth monday of
 August then and there to abide by and
 and perform what shall then be Enjoin
 him by the said Court Concerning this
 premises then this Obligation to be void
 Else to Remain in force

Given from under our hands this 20th
 of August: 1791 John Pray J^{ps}
 James Baldridge J^{ps}

Figure 74: Bastardy bond on William Riley for Elizabeth Berry.

A letter to William Riley from the court describing the charges brought against him and ordering him to appear before any two justices of the county on August 19th, 1791.

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State of North Carolina
Orange County

Whereas upon the examination of Eliza
Berry, single Woman this day taken upon oath before the Justices
Lytle and William Watters, two of the Justices of the County aforesaid,
it appears that she is now with child, which child when born shall be a
bastard, and is likely to become chargeable to this County; and the said
Eliza Berry hath confessed that William Riley, of the same County, did beget the said child, and hath charged himself with
the same. There are therefore the command of you to apprehend the said
William Riley, and cause him to be brought before me, or any two
Justices of the Peace of this County, to answer the complaint aforesaid
against him as aforesaid. Given under our hands and seals, the
nineteenth of August, Seventeen hundred ninety one.

Wm Watters J. P. Seal
Will Lytle J. P. Seal

To William Abel Oring, Sheriff of the County aforesaid

Elizabeth Berry and William Riley
19th Aug. 1791

Figure 75: Letter from the court 19th Aug, 1791, about William Riley

Elizabeth Berry's daughter, Mary Berry, was probably born at Fiddleton. Elizabeth Berry and her daughter, Mary, lived with Elizabeth Berry's parents until Mary got married. Mary Berry married Thomas Berry on March 7th, 1809. Mary Berry was 17 or 18 years old when she married. Mary's uncle, Henry Berry, was the bondsman on Mary Berry and Thomas Berry's wedding bond. Thomas Berry may have been a first or second cousin, and this is a case where a Berry married a Berry who was a relative.

There is another case like this that occurred in our family years later. John Saunders Berry (Joshua Line) married Emma G. Berry (William Line) on October 15th, 1884. My mother

always told me that John Saunders Berry was from another Berry family and was not related to our Berrys. They were really 2nd cousins once removed. It is hard to believe that somebody in one of the families didn't know that they were related.

Once again Robert Berry (OC) showed how much he loved his family when he allowed Elizabeth and her illegitimate daughter to live at Fiddleton with the family. In those days, many unwed daughters were not allowed to bring their children born out of wedlock back home. Elizabeth Berry's mother, Elizabeth Cate Berry, may also deserve a lot of the credit in this matter. Robert Berry did demonstrate his compassion for Elizabeth's situation when he left her a slave with instructions concerning her daughter, Mary Berry. In his April 16th, 1812, will, Robert Berry specified that Elizabeth should inherit a slave named "Doll and any increase, be left to her daughter Mary upon Elizabeth's death".

Thomas and Mary B. Berry moved to Person County after they were married and were living there when the 1810 Person County Census was taken. (See Fig. 44, Pg. 100) I think Mary's mother, Elizabeth Berry, moved in with them after Thomas and Mary married. Elizabeth Berry died in 1815. (See Figure 77 & 79 this page.)

Person County Record Books, book 7 cont.
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 178 Sales of estate of James Lea decd.
 180 Inv. estate of William Hughes decd. taken 5 June 1816, by
 John Russell, exec.
 181-3 Inv. and sales property of Joseph J. Gooch decd.
 Inv. and amount sales of John P. Sweaney Jun. decd.
 184 Inv. and sale estate of Martha Richardson decd.
 185 Inv. estate of Elisabeth Berry decd.
 186 Inv. and sale estate of Sharp Winningham decd. taken on 7 June
 1816. Allotment to Polley Winingham by Thomas Webb, adm.
 188 Account sales of James Martin decd. taken May 27, 1816.

Figure 76: Elizabeth Berry's inventory sale notice 1816

1895 Beaver, Bettie	1877 Thomas
1804 Bedford, James	1876 W. A.
1862 Berry, Josiah	1876 Brann, Elizabeth
(Thos. Berry's son)	1855 John

Figure 77: Thomas & his son Josiah were found in a court record.

127 Elizabeth Berry - Will - dated 6 May 1815. daughter Mary
 Berry. Exec: John Rountree and Abraham Moore. Wit: Jno. and
 Nancy Rountree.

Figure 78: Probate notice of Elizabeth Berry's will, 1815, Person County

Josiah Berry must have gone to Alabama because, many years later, Obadiah Echols wrote a letter from Auburn, Alabama, back to Orange County concerning Thomas and Mary Berry's orphan grandson, Preston Berry. Obadiah Echols wrote to Orange County twice trying to get a copy of Elizabeth Berry's will. The problem was that Elizabeth Berry's will was probated in Person County, so Obadiah Echols probably never received a second copy he requested. (See Figure 79 & 80 on Pages 157 & 158)

Auburn Alabama Macou county, 6th Apr 1862
D^r Sir The object of my writing to you is
solely in behalf of an infant orphan
child by the name of Preston Berry the
son of Josiah Berry Dec^d, who was the only
son of Thomas Berry formerly of your
county — And it is for the purpose of
obtaining from your Office a copy of
a will or Dec^d of Gift with a fair Seal
which was made many years back say
25 or 30 by the child's Great Grand Mother
Berry to her Daughter Mary Berry
wife of the aforesaid Thomas Berry and the
heir of her body to two Negro Girls
(he w^{it}) Dick and Doll — This copy has
once been gotten from your office to exhibit
as evidence in Court here but the Seal was
so defaced & imperfect that it could not be
admitted in evidence and so the suit lost
solely for the want thereof & the property ^{fully} adjudged
as Thomas Berry's and it is thought that a
little delay will place the case beyond
recovery by running — Will you be so
good as to say to me by return mail with
you will send me a copy with a fair
legible seal by mail and your fees
for so doing? Or rather
if you will be pleased to interpose your
self in the behalf of infaney & helplessness
so far as to at once transmit to me
the instrument of writing directed to
(Auburn, Alabama Macou county)
I pledge you the honor of a man
and a minister of the Gospel which

Figure 79: Document from Auburn, Ala., about Elizabeth Berry's grandson.

office I have held for 16 years that I will
send you your fee by return mail
or as soon thereafter as I can arrange
such currency as will suit you
Respectfully yours
Obadiah Echols
At all events if you should not as last
requested send me the copy may be so
good as to not fail forthwith to write me
whether you find such record and whether
it is legible. I shall now be glad from your
office the former copy is not now before
me. This I have seen & read at 1840 I cannot cite
you to exact date, Book for page, yours
O. E.

Figure 80: Second page of letter from Auburn, Alabama.

This letter was inquiring about the slave named Doll that Robert Berry left his daughter, Elizabeth Berry, in 1814. I have located a man named Joseph C. Berry, who married Virginia F. Echols in Macon County, Alabama, in 1840. I do not know what connection this couple had with Elisabeth Berry's grandson, Preston Berry, but Auburn, Alabama, is in Macon County. I would think there is a good chance that Virginia F. Echols may be related to Obadiah Echols. Joseph C. Berry may be related to our Berry family but I have no other information about him at this time.

CHAPTER 9

THOMAS BERRY 1772 Before 1812

It is almost impossible to write about Thomas Berry without writing about his younger brother, William Berry, at the same time. The two brothers were involved in so many of life's endeavors together.

The Cate family is a central point in both brothers' lives. Thomas and William Berry married two of the three daughters of William and Elizabeth Messer Smith Cate. A case of two brothers who married two sisters. This was not at all uncommon in the early days of our nation. William Berry married Hannah Cate first and Thomas married Sarah Cate a year later: It gets a lot more complicated from here.

John and Marjory Cate are the parents of Elizabeth. Benjamin Cate is John's brother.

William Cate is the son of Benjamin Cate and a first cousin to Elizabeth Cate Berry.

William Cate married Elizabeth Messer Smith and they had 5 children.

Benjamin Cate

John Cate.

Hannah Cate. 1770 to 1858.

Sarah Cate. Dec. 27th, 1781, to March 7th, 1875.

Charity Cate.

William Berry married his second cousin, Hannah Cate, on August 12th, 1799. Thomas Berry married his second cousin, Sarah Cate, on August 11th, 1800. Both couples listed as head of household for the first time in the 1800 Orange County Census. Each couple listed one son under 5 in their enumeration.

Thomas Berry was the 7th child of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry and I think he was born around 1772. William was the 9th child and born in 1775. William and Thomas were probably close as they grew up. Since the two brothers married two sisters, their families would have continued to be very close.

Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry had two known children, a daughter named Eleanor and a son named David. These two children removed to Tennessee in 1814 with their mother, Sarah, after Thomas was killed by Indians in Tennessee.

Thomas and Sara's two children were David, born in 1802, and Eleanor, born in 1801.

This leaves an unknown son that Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry listed in 1800.

William and Hannah listed one male under 10 in 1800. William and Hannah Cate Berry had another son, Thomas Person Berry, born June 1st, 1808. It is now believed that Robert C. Berry who was born on the 14th of April, 1805, may also be their son. This would still leave the son who was born before 1800 unaccounted for.

When Hannah (Cate) Berry listed as head of household in the 1810 census, she listed four males under ten. **See Fig.81, Pg. 160.** There should have been 5 boys in this listing, but one son may have died.

If we believe that David was born in 1802 and had a 2 or 3 year old brother, then Thomas and Sarah would have had three children instead of two.

Since William and Hannah listed an unknown son in 1800, Robert C. Berry and Thomas Person Berry would have had a 10 year old brother. William and Hannah would have had three sons and there should have been a total of five males under 10 listed by Hannah in her 1810 census.

We do not know the two unknown boys' names listed in the 1800 enumeration. Recent Y-DNA information establishes that Robert Berry (OC) had a grandson named Robert C. Berry but his father is unknown. I think he may be the son of William and Hannah Berry.

The fact that Hannah Cate Berry and Sarah Cate Berry were living together in 1810 was brought to my attention in 2005 by Nell Berry. She and John Allen Berry have done an outstanding job with the research of the Thomas Berry family in Cypress Inn, Tennessee.

Hannah Cate Berry and sister, Sarah Cate Berry, 1810 Census.

	2206	1007	1028	909	870	2108	893	1219	767	670	238	2799
Wm. Stagg	2	"	"	1	"	1	"	"	2	"	"	"
William Stagg	"	"	"	1	"	2	"	"	1	"	5	"
Joseph Rountree	1	1	"	1	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"
Thomas Rountree	"	"	"	2	"	1	"	"	1	"	"	"
Hannah Berry	4	"	"	"	"	1	"	"	2	"	"	1/2
Robert Berry	"	"	"	2	"	"	"	"	1	1	"	"
Wm. Armstrong	"	"	"	1	1	"	"	"	2	1	"	"
Wm. Armstrong Jr	1	1	"	1	"	1	"	"	1	"	1	"
Wm. Rountree Jr	"	1	"	1	1	"	1	1	1	"	"	3
John Dickey	1	"	"	1	"	"	"	1	"	"	"	"
Charles Rountree	1	1	"	1	"	4	2	"	1	"	"	3
Sam Wilson	3	"	"	"	1	2	1	1	1	"	"	3
Anna Gray	1	"	"	1	1	1	"	1	1	"	"	3
Richd. Hendeman	2	2	"	1	"	2	"	"	1	"	"	1/2

Figure 81: 1810 Enumeration of Hannah Cate Berry

In the 1810 Orange County Census, Hannah Cate Berry listed as head of household. Since she was living on the next plantation to Robert Berry (OC), I think Hannah and Sarah were living in the old Patrick Rutherford plantation house. Robert Berry (OC) purchased this property on March 2nd, 1787. (Deed Book 4 Page 518 Orange County NC)

William and Hannah Berry may have been living in this house since they were first married. It is not known if Thomas and Sarah were living on the property he sold to John Miller on October 4th, 1806, but if they had been living there, Thomas and Sarah may have moved in with William and Hannah after Thomas sold his two hundred acres.

Robert Berry (OC) sold 200 acres to William Armstrong on October 14th, 1800, Deed Bk. 13 Page 330. I know that William Armstrong bought most of Robert Berry's (OC) 1780 North Carolina Grant. This property lies east of the Fiddleton plantation. By looking at the list of names on the 1810 census, **Fig 81**, I can see that the census taker may have been traveling north from Hillsborough. Since the census taker reached Hannah Berry's dwelling before he arrived at Robert Berry's, it would mean Hannah and Sarah were living in a house that was south of his Fiddleton Plantation. This is exactly where the Patrick Rutherford property was located. (**See Fig 13, Pg. 50**) It would also mean that the two Rountree families were living on the next plantations south of the old Rutherford property. William Stagg was living south of Joseph Rountree.

Robert Berry sold 200 acres of property to William Stagg for 150 pounds on February 7th,

1807 (Deed Bk: 39 Pg: 396). William Stagg married Uley Waggoner on January 22nd, 1805. Jacob Waggoner was their bondsman. Uley Waggoner is Judith Waggoner's younger sister. Judith married Peter Aldridge in 1786. The land that Robert Berry sold to William Stagg was the same land he bought from John McCulloch on August 13th, 1785, for 25 pounds, 4 shillings, Proclamation money.

If the path of the census taker is as I have described, then Thomas Berry, William Berry, and their families may have been living in the Patrick Rutherford house before the two brothers left to explore the west. The two Cate sisters, Hannah Cate Berry and Sarah Cate Berry, with their children remained there while their husbands were searching for land in Tennessee.

After seeing that their father was selling off some of his property, Thomas and William may have seen the handwriting on the wall. This action by their father may have caused them to realize that they would not inherit any land in Orange County, North Carolina. Robert Berry (OC) may have even told them that he was not planning to leave any land to them.

Hannah and William Berry had a son, Thomas Person Berry, who was born on June 1st, 1808. This means that William Berry was still in Orange County nine months earlier around September 1st, 1807. No matter what caused Thomas and William to decide to search for new land in the west, they probably left for Tennessee in the early spring of 1808.

Thomas sold 200 acres of land to James Miller on October 4th, 1806. This land lay on waters of the Little River and Flat River, according to the Indenture made in Orange County, North Carolina. The timing of this sale is very important because it looks like Thomas was preparing to leave Orange County, North Carolina, and stake a claim for a new homestead in Tennessee.

Thomas and William Berry's father-in-law, William Cate, died around 1802. An inventory sale for his estate was held and the account of that sale was delivered to the August Term of Court in 1803.

On **Page 163, Fig. 82**, you will see all of the purchases made by the Robert Berry family at William Cate's Estate Sale. You can also see purchases made by his son, John Cate, and William's wife, Elizabeth Messer Smith Cate. Elizabeth M. Cate is Sarah and Hannah Cate's mother. Pictures of antique items bought at this sale can be seen on **pages 164,165, and 166**.

Robert Berry Senior's wife, Elizabeth Cate Berry, paid 6 Schillings for one Keeler at William Cate's Estate sale. Members of the Robert Berry (OC) family made 23 purchases. Elizabeth M. Cate and her son, John Cate, made 31 purchases. Thomas Berry made 5 purchases and William Berry made 8. Thomas Berry purchased a pair of cards for 2 Shillings 1 Pence. The interesting thing about this is that many years later John Allen Berry, a descendant of Thomas and Sarah Berry, bought a pair of wool or cotton cards at an estate sale of one of Eleanor Reed's descendants in Cypress Inn, Tennessee.

This pair of cards came down through Eleanor Reed Berry's line. There is a good reason to believe these may be the same cards that Thomas bought at his father-in-law's estate sale in 1803. The estate sale of William Cate reads like a Who's Who of the Robert Berry (OC) family: Joshua Berry, Robert Berry Senior, Elizabeth Berry, William Berry, Thomas Berry, and Robert Berry Jr. each bought items at this sale. The items were paid for in Pounds, Schillings and Pence. It is very interesting that they were still using English money in 1803. It had been 27 years since the declaration of Independence was signed and 22 years after the end of the Revolutionary War.

Children of Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry:

Eleanor Berry born 1801 Orange County, NC

David Berry born 1802 Orange County, NC

David's wife, Elizabeth Shipman, was born in 1809 in Tennessee.

From the 1850 10th District Wayne County, Tennessee, Census:

1039 1042	David Berry	age 48 m	born in NC.	
	Elizabeth	age 41 f	born in Tenn.	
	Jacob	age 20 m	born in Tenn.	
	John	age 17 m	born in Tenn.	
	Henry	age 17 m	born in Tenn.	
	Mary	age 15 f	born in Tenn.	
	Isaac	age 11 m	born in Tenn.	
	James	age 9 m	born in Tenn.	
	Elizabeth	age 6 f	born in Tenn.	
	Rebecca	age 1 f	born in Tenn.	
1038 1045	Sarah Pigg	age 70 f	born in NC.	
1033 1047	Henry Pigg	age 34 m	born in Tenn.	
1034 1048	"Elender Reed"	age 48 F	born NC	
	Washington	age 25 M	born Tenn.	
	William	age 29 M	born Tenn.	
	Mary	age 18 F	born Tenn	
1035 1049	John W. Reed	age 22 M	born Tenn.	Eleanor's Reed's son
	Sarah	age 17 F	born Tenn.	

Eleanor Berry Reed's husband, John Reed, was either gone or dead before 1840. Eleanor listed as head of household in the 1840 Census.

The Dwelling numbers are 1042 -1049. As you can see by the dwelling numbers, David Berry, Eleanor Reed, and their children lived very close to each other in 1850. Even if their homes were not close, there were no neighbors living between them.

NOTE: David Berry and his wife, Elizabeth Shipman, are listed with some of their children in the 1850 Wayne County, Tennessee, census. On page 10 from the book written by Nellie Berry, "*JAMES E. & ESSIE DAVIS BERRY Ancestors, Descendants & Kinfolks*", we learn that Elizabeth Shipman was born in 1809. Her parents were Jacob Shipman and Rebecca Pigg. We also learn that Elizabeth Shipman's sister, Rachel Shipman, married **Peter Martin** in 1827. **Peter Martin was granted land in Fayette County, Alabama, on September 20th, 1839. See on page 288.**


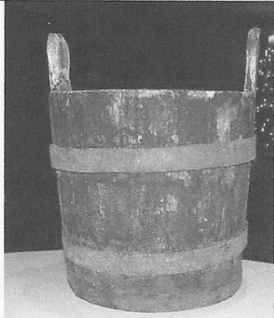

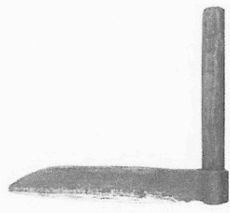






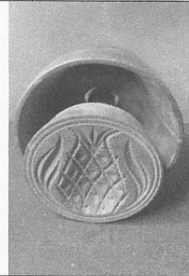

You should also remember that Sarah Cate Berry married John Pigg in Tennessee.

Estate Sale Of William Cate In The Summer Of 1803

INVENTORIES AND ACCOUNTS OF SALES, 1800-1808									
To 25lb. Iron due from Henry Cook Senr.		1	10	Jno. Cate		1 Saddle	10		
To Peter Fogelman		2	3,14,8	Elizabeth Cate		1 Smoothing Iron	1		
John Coble Exr.			88,10,1	Joshua Berry		2 Brides	2		
[187]				Elizabeth Cate		1 Coffee Pot	1		
Orange County Augt. Term 1803				John Neely		1 Hammer	4 6		
The foregoing Inventory of the Estate of Samuel Fogelman				Robert Berry		1 ditto	1 8		
Decd. was returned by John Coble Executor on oath and				Jno. Cate		2 Crocks	2		
ordered to be recorded.				ditto ditto		2 ditto	3		
				Elizabeth Cate		2 ditto	1		
A Return of Amount of Sales the Estate of William Cates				Robert Barry Senr.		3 cups & saucers	3		
Decd.				Jno. Neely		3 cups	1 6		
William Berry		1 Black Mare	£20	Thomas Berry		1 Sugar Pot	2		
Elizabeth Cate		1 Black Horse	20 6	John Neely		2 Cream Pots	2		
Ditto ditto		1 Black Colt	1 10 6	Elizabeth Cate		1 Skimmer	6		
John Cate		7 Head Sheep	3	Thos. Berry		2 Pots	1 6		
John Beardin		4 Hogs	4	ditto ditto		1 ditto	11		
Ditto ditto		4 Hogs	2 5	Elizabeth Cate		1 Oven	11 6		
Ditto ditto		1 Hog	15	Wm. Berry		2 Piggins	2		
Thomas Hall		5 Hogs	3	E. Cate		1 Tub	6		
Elizabeth Cate		1 Hog	15	John Cate		1 Cask	2		
Ditto ditto		2 Pigs	5	Elizabeth Berry		1 Keelar	6		
Ditto ditto		8 Hogs	3	Joshua Berry		1 Barrel	3 6		
William Berry		1 Bad	5 10	Jno. Cate		1 Jug	6		
Elizabeth Cate		1 Bad	5 12	ditto ditto		1 ditto	1 1		
ditto ditto		1 ditto	3 12	Wm. Berry		1 ditto	2		
Franky Ashley		1 ditto	3 16	Jno. Cate		2 Razors	4		
William Hall		1 Cupboard	1 15	Jno. Neely		1 Bar Iron	10		
John Cate		1 Loom & Tackle	1	Thomas Berry		1 pr. Cards	2 1		
ditto ditto		1 Rifle Gun	1 16	Edmond Macklin		2 chairs	8 1		
Elizabeth Cate		11 Plates	6	Elizabeth Cate		2 Chairs	4 7		
Thos. Berry		1 Quart	1	ditto ditto		2 Meal Bags	6		
[189]				[190]					
Elizabeth Cate		8 Delf plates	8	Elizabeth Cate		1 Glass	1 1		
ditto ditto		1 Coffee mill	10	William Stag		1 Glass	6		
ditto ditto		1 Chest	1	Joshua Berry		1 Table	2 6		
Rachel Neely		1 chest	15	E. Cate		1 ditto	6		
Elizabeth Cate		1 Cutting Box	10	ditto ditto		1 Set Knives and forks	8 1		
John Cate		1 Flex Wheel	5	John Cate		1 Lath	1		
Elizabeth Cate		1 ditto	5	ditto ditto		1 Double tree	5		
William Berry		1 Cotton ditto	5	E. Cate		3 Head Cattle	5 1		
Jane Holman		1 Grind Stone	2 5 8	John Bearden		1 Cow & Calf	4 15		
William Berry		1 Mallock	12 6	John Brown		2 Steers	2		
Elizabeth Cate		1 Sprouting hoe	5	ditto ditto		1 Heifer	1 1 7		
ditto ditto		2 Hoes	3	ditto ditto		1 ditto	2 2 1		
ditto ditto		1 Axe	4	John Beardin		1 Heifer	2 13 8		
ditto ditto		1 ditto	2	Amos Nichols		1 Hide	15 1		
ditto ditto		1 Plough	10	Wm. Stag		1 ditto	10 1		
Thos. Sneed		1 (ditto)	4	ditto ditto		1 Cow and Calf	4 19 8		
William Berry		1 ditto	15	Test - John Jamison		Elizabeth Cate - Admr.			
Elizabeth Cate		Horse Gear	7	[181]					
John Cate		2 Iron Wedges	4	Inventory of the Estate of		Acct. Sale of the estate			
Robert Barry Jr.		1 frow	4 6	Catherine Brewer Decd.		Catherine Brewer Decd.			
Thomas Sneed		1 Broad Axe	1	August 22 1803		Augt. 22 1803.			
Elizabeth Cate		1 Saw	3	1 mare		1 mare	£17 11		
John Cate		1 ditto	6	3 Cows		1 cow	5 12 6		
William Berry		1 drawing knife	8 6	1 feather bed &c.		1 Ditto	8 12 6		
Ditto ditto		1 Auger	3	1 Sow & five pigs		1 Ditto	8 7 8		
Jno. Brown		1 Bell	16	5 year old sheats		1 bed and furniture	8 7		
Amos Nickols		2 Bells	2 6	2 ditto		1 Sow & 5 Pigs	1 15 8		
Thos. Berry		1 Bell	2	1 Chair		5 Year old Hogs	4		
Elizabeth Cate		1 Hackle	1 18	1 loom 2 Jugs		2 ditto ditto	1 10		
ditto ditto		1 pair compasses	1 1	1 chest 2 basons		1 Chair	2		
Joshua Berry		1 Croso & round Share	5	1 Table 1 crock		1 Loom	10		
William Berry		8 Reap Hooks	8	1 Woolen Wheel		1 Chest	7		
[189]				1 Pigglin		1 Table	3		
Amos Nichols		1 Cutting Box	12 6	1 Pail 1 Barrel		1 Woolen Wheel	6		
Jno. Cate		1 Mowing Knife	1	1 Tub 1 Hogshead		1 Pigglin	3 6		
Robert Barry Senr.		2 Brides	6	Soma Pawter		1 Pail & Tub	2		


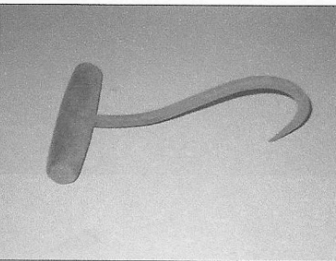
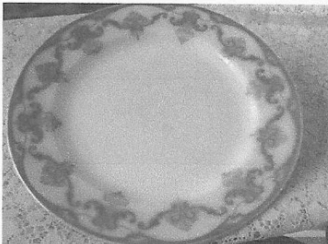





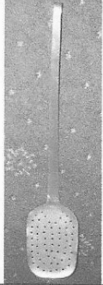
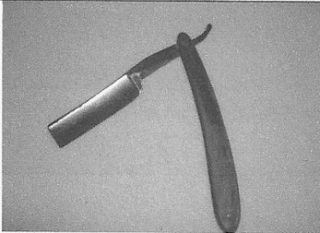

Figure 82: Estate sale of William Cate 1803. Many Berry's purchased items.

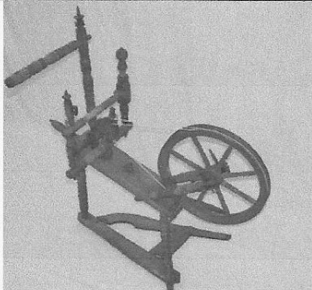




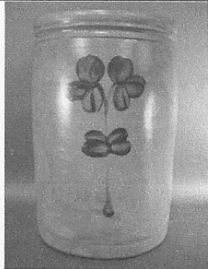

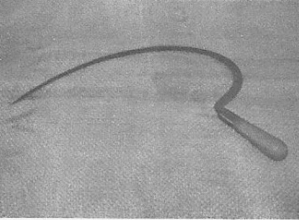
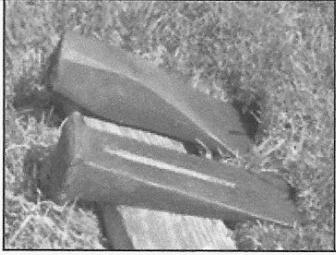



Items bought by our Berry family at William Cate's estate sale

		
KEELER	ANTIQUE PIGGIN	ANTIQUE DEFT PLATE
		
ANTIQUE FRO	COFFEE GRINDER	ANTIQUE SUGAR POT
		
CREAM POT	PIGGIN BUTTER CHURNS	BROAD AXE
		
ANTIQUE GRINDING WHEEL	BUTTER MOLD	ANTIQUE FLAT IRON

Jane Holeman bought one grind stone at William Cate's 1803 Estate Sale for 2 lbs 5 schillings and 6 pence (**See page 163**).

Elizabeth Cate Berry bought a Keeler at the William Cate sale for 8 schillings (**See page 163**).

		
ANTIQUE AXE	ANTIQUE HAY HOOK	ANTIQUE AUGER
<p>ANTIQUE DELF BLUE COBALT 7" NCHES ROUND DISH</p> <p>Listing # 2663094</p> <p>See back</p> 		
DEFT PLATE	BOCH DELFT PLATE	ENGLISH DELFT PLATE
		
HOLLAND DELFT SUGAR JAR	DELFT CREAM PITCHER	ANTIQUE GERMAN COFFEE GRINDER
		
ANTIQUE SKIMMER	ANTIQUE RAZOR	ANTIQUE TEA POT

		
ANTIQUE FLAX WHEEL	ANTIQUE FLAX HACKLE	ANTIQUE WOOL CARDS
		
ANTIQUE WHISKEY JUG	ANTIQUE BARREL	ANTIQUE CROCK
		
CHAFF CUTTING BOX	ANTIQUE REAP HOOK	ANTIQUE WOOD SPLITTING WEDGES
		
ANTIQUE HAMMER	ANTIQUE IRON DUCH OVEN	ANTIQUE WOOD CUPBOARD



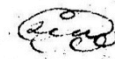
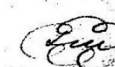
1803 FLINT LOCK RIFLE

Thomas Berry bought a pair of cotton or wool cards at William Cate's sale for 2 schillings and 1 pence (See page 163).

This Indenture made & intended this 19th day of November One thousand eight hundred & Twenty six by & between John Cate of the County of Maury & State of Tennessee & Hannah Berry of the County of Orange & State of North Carolina of the one part & Thomas Wilson of the County of Orange & State of North Carolina of the other part Witnesseth Whereas John Cate the Father of the said John Cate & Hannah Berry, late of the County of Orange & State of North Carolina deceased being in his life time seized & possessed in fee simple of a certain Tract or parcel of land situate lying & being in the County & State aforesaid bounded by the Lands of Thomas Wilson & others containing Two hundred Acres And Whereas the said William Cate said Indenture leaving the following Children viz. Hannah Cate, Sally Cate, John Cate, Charity Cate & Benjamin Cate his heirs at Law & And whereas the said William Cate ^{having} died Intestate

In or about the Year 1803, the said John Cate & Hannah Cate now Hannah Berry less of the heirs at Law become entitled to their two fifths of the said Land & Tenements aforesaid Now therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that the said John Cate & Hannah Berry for their Consideration of the sum of One hundred & fifty dollars to them in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged have bargained, sold, released, conveyed & confirmed their part or two fifths of the above described Tract or parcel of Land & premises with the appurtenances thereunto belonging unto the said Thomas Wilson his heirs & assigns forever in fee simple And the said John Cate & Hannah Berry with Covenant, promise & agree to warrant & save defend the said two fifths, a part of the before described Tract of Land of Two hundred Acres unto the said Thomas Wilson his heirs Executors, administrators & assigns forever free from the claims of all persons whomsoever In witness whereof the said John Cate & Hannah Berry have hereunto set our hands & seals the day & date first above written

Done in presence of
 George Hopkins
 Josiah Wilson

John ^{his} Cate 
 mark
 Hannah ^{her} Berry 
 mark

Orange County February Term 1826

The Execution of the within Deed was duly proved in open Court by the oath of Josiah Wilson a subscribing witness Thinks & Orders to be registered — Test J. Taylor C. C.

William Cate
 was married to
 Elizabeth M.
 Smith and they
 are the parents
 of five children:
 Benjamin Cate.
 John Cate.
 Hannah Cate.
 Sarah Cate.
 Charity Cate.

This is a deed of
 John and
 Hannah Cate
 Berry selling
 William Cate's
 property to
 Thomas Wilson.

Stephen Smith
 was a witness
 on another deed
 from Sarah Cate
 Berry Pigg to
 her brother.
 John Cate, in
 Maury County,
 Tennessee, in
 1828.

There is a folk legend that has been passed down through the past generations of Thomas Berry's descendants to those who now live in Tennessee. As the story goes, Thomas Berry was killed by Indians while he was searching for land to homestead in Tennessee. It is my belief that his brother, William Berry, was also there with him but somehow escaped Thomas Berry's fate. William returned home and reported his brother's death to the family and his father. Robert Berry Sr. (OC) definitely knew that his son, Thomas Berry, was deceased when he wrote his will on April 16, 1812. Robert Berry (OC) left a slave girl named Mariah to Thomas Berry's children in that will. I do not know what happened to their slave. They may have sold Mariah to someone in the family, because I have not found a public record about a sale of a slave by Sarah Cate Berry.

Sarah Cate Berry and her two children, David Berry and Eleanor Berry, removed to Cypress Inn, Tennessee, where many of their descendants still live today. She was married in Tennessee for the second time in 1815 to John Pigg.

Tennessee Marriage Record of Thomas Berry's Widow;

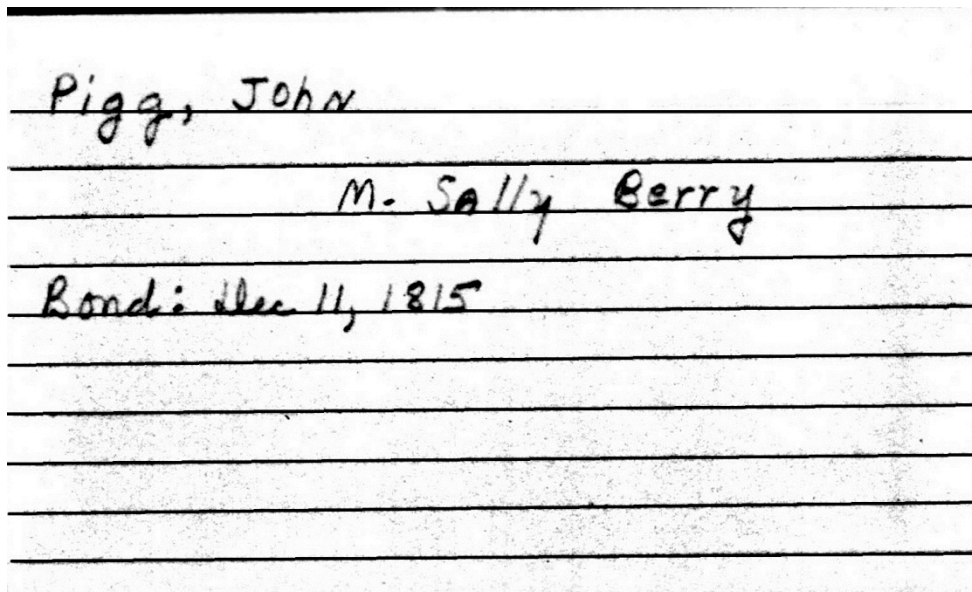


Figure 83: Sarah Berry and John Pigg's wedding bond

After finding a William Berry and his son, Benjamin Berry, living in Tennessee in 1850, it seems logical that William Berry and his son may have returned to Tennessee with Sarah, David, and Eleanor Berry in 1814. William Berry was living with his son, Benjamin Berry, in Lincoln County, Tennessee, in 1850. There are two counties between Lincoln County and Wayne County, Tennessee, where Sarah Berry Pigg homesteaded with her new husband, John Pigg. William and Hannah's first son could have been named for his paternal grandfather, Robert Berry, and their second son may have been named for his maternal great-grandfather, Benjamin Cate. Hannah had a brother and a grandfather named Benjamin Cate.

William Berry in Lincoln County, Tennessee, is the exact right age to be my William Berry. In the 1850 Census of Lincoln County, Tennessee, we find that William Berry is 76 years old living with his wife, Mary, in his son Benjamin's home. William Berry, his wife Mary and

his son Benjamin Berry, age 44, were all born in North Carolina. Lincoln County is 60 miles east of Wayne County, Tennessee, and both counties are on the Tennessee-Alabama line. Benjamin Berry in Tennessee and Robert C. Berry in Fayette County, Alabama, may be the two unnamed boys in Hannah Cate's 1810 Orange County census. **(Fig82, Pg. 160)** The ages of these two boys are not the ages that I would expect, but age data is often wrong on census forms.

How Sarah Cate Berry knew where to locate the land her husband, Thomas Berry, had claimed and how she and her children were able to migrate there is not known for sure. There is one thing certain; they did not travel from Orange County, North Carolina, to Tennessee alone.

In 1812 Hannah Berry gave birth to a baby daughter, Elizabeth Berry, and John Berry has been named the father. Either by choice or by circumstance, William Berry no longer had any ties to his home. All these facts make it seem very likely that Sarah Cate Berry and her two children went with William Berry and his son when he returned to Tennessee.

William Berry never owned any property or appeared on any public records back home after the 1800 Orange County Census was taken. Hannah lived in Orange County all her life. I do not think she ever married again, and in 1850 she was listed in Henry Berry's census. She probably died from the flu in 1858, because there was a worldwide epidemic that year. She was 88 years old when she died and is buried at the Fiddleton cemetery, which is on Robert Berry's (OC) original Granville Land Grant property. There is very little doubt that in 1810 Robert Berry (OC) was willing to let Hannah Cate Berry, Sarah Cate Berry, and their five children live in the Patrick Rutherford house. **(More about William in Chapter 11, Page 189).**

Thomas and Sarah Berry's son, David Berry, married Elizabeth Shipman about 1826 and they had 14 children. Eleanor Berry must have married John Reed about the same time. John and Eleanor lived in the house pictured in **Fig.86, Pg. 171.**

David Berry listed in the 10th district of Wayne County, Tennessee, on Nov. 4th, 1850.⁷¹

1039 1042	David Berry	age 48 m	born in NC.
	Elizabeth	age 41 f	born in Tenn.
	Jacob	age 20 m	born in Tenn.
	John	age 17 m	born in Tenn.
	Henry	age 17 m	born in Tenn.
	Mary	age 15 f	born in Tenn.
	Isaac	age 11 m	born in Tenn.
	James	age 9 m	born in Tenn.
	Elizabeth	age 6 f	born in Tenn.
	Rebecca	age 1 f	born in Tenn.
1038 1045	Sarah Pigg	age 70 f	born in NC.
1033 1047	Henry Pigg	age 34 m	born in Tenn.

I assume that Henry Pigg was John and Sarah Berry Pigg's first child. Henry Pigg was born in Tennessee, according to this census. This means that the Pigg family was in Tennessee in 1816. This also means that Robert Berry(OC), who settled in the western frontier of Orange County, North Carolina, in 1751, had two grandchildren, David and Eleanor Berry, ages 13 and 14, living in the western frontier of Wayne County, Tennessee, in 1816.

In the 1860 Wayne County Census, David and Elizabeth Shipman Berry had another daughter, Martha, who was born in Tennessee and was 9 years old.

In 1870, only the two youngest daughters, Rebecca age 21 and Martha age 17, were living at home with David and Elizabeth Shipman Berry.

In 1880, David Berry and his wife were living at home with no children listed.

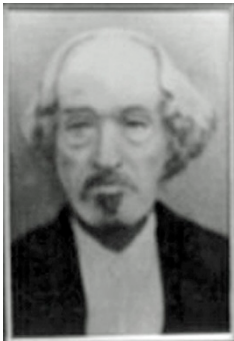
Sarah Cate Berry Pigg's grave markers



Figure 84: Original headstone of Sarah Cate Berry Pigg in Tennessee.

Figure 85: Sarah Cate Berry Pigg's new headstone is on the right.

David Berry, his son Isaac Berry, his grandson Jim Dave Berry, his great-grandson Ode Berry, and his great-great-grandson Ernest John Berry are all buried in the Jackson Cemetery near Cypress Inn, Tennessee.



1st, David Berry



2nd, Isaac Berry



3rd, James David Berry



4th, Ode Berry



5th, Ernest John Berry



6th generation, John Allen Berry
On the left is Allen's son,
Byron Berry, 7th generation

Listed below is a list of John Allen Berry's ancestors pictured on page 165:

1. Robert Berry- Princess Ann County, Virginia
2. Robert Berry- Orange County, North Carolina
3. Thomas Berry- Orange County, North Carolina
4. David Berry- Born in North Carolina & died in Tennessee
5. Isaac Berry - Wayne County, Tennessee
6. James David Berry - Wayne County, Tennessee
7. Ode Berry- Wayne County, Tennessee
8. Ernest John Berry- Wayne County, Tennessee - married Roxie Berry
9. John Allen Berry- Wayne County, Tennessee
10. Byron Berry- Wayne County, Tennessee

Ernest John Berry married Roxie Berry in 1936 and their 9 children hosted the 2008 National Robert Berry Reunion in Cypress Inn, Tennessee. (See Page 165)

Eleanor Berry Reed House near Cypress Inn, Tennessee.



Figure 86: Restored Cabin of Eleanor Reed

The lady in the yard on the right is Nellie Berry. She and her husband restored the John and Eleanor Berry Reed house. Nellie is the current owner of this wonderful little cabin. The man standing on the porch beside my wife is John Allen Berry, a direct descendant of Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry from Orange County, North Carolina. The lady with the small poodle in her arm is Allen's wife. John Allen Berry's 4th great-grandfather, David Berry, and my 3rd great-grandfather, Thomas Person Berry, were double first cousins.



Inside of Eleanor Reed's Cabin

Eleanor Berry married John Reed about 1824 and they made their home in this cabin. Eleanor Berry Reed raised her four children in this house before and after her husband died or was killed. When Sarah Cate Berry and John Pigg first arrived at Cypress Inn, they were probably living in Hickman County. Wayne County was founded from Hickman

County and Indian lands in 1817.

John and Eleanor Berry Reed's children:

Washington Reed	born cir 1825
John W. Reed	born 1828
Wilson Mack Reed	born 1830
Mary (Polly) Reed	born 1834

This cabin was secured from the inside and outside by a string latch. This is how a latch of this type works. There is a wooden bar about 2 feet long and about the the size of a 2 by 4 mounted on a pivot in the center of the inside of the door. There is a bracket made of wood on the inside door frame. This bracket is located opposite the side of the door where the hinges are mounted. When the bar drops into the bracket the door cannot be opened. There is a string attached to the middle of the bar that is long enough to pass through a hole in the door that is about a foot above the bar and then hangs down outside of the door. If you raise the bar out of the bracket by pulling the string hanging outside the door, the door can then be opened and closed at will. At night you pull the string inside and there is no way to open the door from the outside. When you leave the house you place the string through the hole in the door and let the bar fall down into the bracket with the string hanging on the outside of the door. This would keep animals out of the house and prevent wind from blowing the door open but provided no protection from any intruders, however.



Ernest John and Roxie Berry's children built this cabin and pavilion and have their family reunions here each year.

This is the Berry cabin and picnic area where the 2008 Robert Berry reunion was held.

Attending for the first time were descendants of four of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's eight sons: Thomas Berry, William Berry, Robert Berry Jr. and David J. Berry.



2008 Tennessee Berry Reunion

Everybody enjoyed the good food that was prepared by the gracious hosts and hostesses at this reunion. We had met the night before and each family representative talked about their own family lines. We had made copies of Victor Glenn Berry's book, Wagons South and Wagons West, and sold copies at our cost.

Figure 87: Under the Pavilion

John Allen Berry and his sisters and brothers had just built their pavilion in the spring of 2008. This structure is on a piece of land near a cabin that they built years ago. Each year in June, they all get together and camp out, bar-b-q pigs, fry fish, and share news about their kin. They have a lot of experience hosting reunions and it certainly was evident at this very special Robert Berry National Reunion.

Figure 88: Thomas Berry Descendants

We came here from Alabama, California, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, and Tennessee. Descendants of the Robert Berry Jr., Thomas Berry, David J. Berry, and William Berry lines attended this great and interesting event. It is such a wonderful experience to meet and learn how nice people that descend from Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry really are.



Figure 89: Cookie Paulson taking a video.



Left to right Robert Benson, Ode Berry, Ernest John Berry, Thelma Berry (baby),
Emma Lee Stults Berry, Obie Berry, Jim Dave Berry, Cove Berry.
Jim Dave Berry's House Today



CHAPTER 10

DAVID J. BERRY 1774-1838

David J. Berry was the eighth child and the sixth son born to Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry. The Regulator Movement had already been quieted by the actions of Governor Tryon three years before David was born. David was in his formative years while the Revolutionary War was being waged. David was about 6 years old when his father and brother-in-law, George Waggoner, joined the North Carolina Continental Army. George Waggoner, who married David's older sister Mary Berry, was apparently mortally wounded in the battle at Guilford Court House. It is very hard to imagine what the Robert Berry family had to endure and the effect it may have had on David as he was growing up. The War was over in November of 1781, so David's father returned home and normal activity at Fiddleton resumed quickly. David's sister, Mary Berry Waggoner, remarried in December of 1781 and soon left Fiddleton to relocate in Rutherford County, N.C., which was about 200 miles away. David was seven years old when Mary remarried.

David was surrounded by his five older brothers and his other sister, Elizabeth. There were neighbors who had children about his same age, also. The family had several slaves by this time and activity on the plantation must have been lively. David probably was expected to do some daily chores, such as bring in firewood, collect eggs and duties like this. While food was plentiful and there was a lot of help, I suspect that everybody was taught to carry their share of the load. By the time David was a teenager, I expect he and some of his brothers were hunting wild animals and fowl to supplement the food supply for the family. He was likely required to take on more adult chores, also.

Robert Berry (OC) had planted an orchard of fruit trees on the west part of his Fiddleton plantation, so in the summer and fall much fresh fruit was available. With all of this bounty, I think much of David's childhood was very enjoyable in spite of the war years.

There was a 16 year period between the end of the Revolutionary War and the year that David and Mary Blalock got married. Henry Waggoner signed their bond.⁷² Henry Waggoner was George Waggoner's father. Thomas O'Neil was a witness. I do not know who Thomas O'Neil is; he may have been a clerk of court. David Berry was married at the age of 23. David and Mary Blalock were married on February 27th, 1797. Mary Blalock already had an illegitimate daughter, whom they raised with their own children. All of David and Mary Blalock Berry's children were born in Orange County, North Carolina. They even had two daughters who married in Orange County, North Carolina, before going to Georgia. Sally Berry married William Cates on July 26, 1817. Thomas Berry was their bondsman. Winnie Berry married Joshua Norman on September 19th, 1820, and no bondsman was listed for them.

David listed in the 1800, 1810, and 1820 Census of Orange County, North Carolina. David's niece, Catherine Berry Pickle, and her husband, Jacob Pickle, were living next door to David's family in 1810, and the Pickle family did not list in 1820.

In September of 1821, Henry and David Berry of Orange County sold a slave girl named Amy to William McKissack Sr. of Person County for \$350. The witnesses were Thomas P. Evans, Robert G. Cummins, William Lipscomb, and John Cummins.⁷³ David was the last of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's children to leave North Carolina. David's youngest son, Joshua Berry, was born in Orange County in 1824. David and Mary B. Berry listed in the 1830

Georgia census. Joshua's birth may be why David and Mary did not leave N.C. earlier.

David J. Berry died about 1838 and would have only been 64 years old. There are records of David J. Berry's estate where some members of his family are named. There was no mention of Mary Blalock Berry in the estate. After leaving their home in North Carolina, David J. Berry and his family lived in Fayette County, Georgia, Cobb County, Georgia, Henry County, Georgia, and Milton County, Georgia.

Children of David J. and Mary Blalock Berry:

1. Elizabeth Berry born in NC (Mary Blalock's and William Riley daughter) page 176
2. Sarah Berry born in Orange County, NC, on April 4, 1796. page 176.
3. Winifred Berry born in Orange County, NC, between 1800 & 1810. page 177.
4. David J. Berry Jr born in Orange County, NC, between 1800 & 1810. page 177.
5. Mary Berry born in Orange County, NC, between 1800 & 1810. page 178.
6. Henry Berry born in 1810 in Orange County, NC. page 179.
7. George N. Berry born around 1810 in Orange County, NC. page 179.
8. Robert Berry born around 1812 in Orange County, NC. page 179.
9. William G. Berry born around 1817 in Orange County, NC. page 181.
10. Thomas Berry born in Orange County, NC. page 181.
11. Joshua Berry born around 1824 in Orange County, NC. page 181.

Additional information on these 11 children can be seen on pages 175-179

1. Elizabeth Berry: (daughter of Mary Blalock) did not marry John Dennis (**See this page**)

2. Sarah Berry: was born in Orange County, North Carolina, on April 4, 1796. She married William A. Cates in Orange County on July 26, 1817. Sarah Cates died in Clayton County, Georgia, on April 4, 1870. (**See this page**)

William Abraham and Sarah Berry Cates children:

Alfred Cates	1817 -
+Mary Ann Nolen	1824 -
Romulus Sanders Cates	1819 - 1896
+Lucinda E. Reeves	1822 - 1892
Martha Cates	1820 - 1859
+Miles N. Hunt	
Mary Polly Cates	1822 -
Isaac Cates	1823 - 1891
+Serena Crow	1828 - 1902
Elizabeth J. Cates	1826 - 1896
+Joshua P. Berry	1824 -
Elander Cates	1829 -
+G. G. Baker	
Sarah E. Cates	1831 - 1894
+Robert L. Hicks	
Norisa M. Cates	1833 -
Lucinda Cates	1835 -

William Abraham and Sarah Berry Cates' Children:

Alfred Cates (b. Nov. 24th, 1818) married Mary Ann Nolen on Dec. 18, 1838, in Henry County, Georgia. Mary Ann was born in South Carolina in 1824. This couple had 12 children. At some point after the children were born, Alfred and Mary moved to Cass County, Texas.

Romulus Sanders Cates was born Sept 21, 1819, in NC. He married Lucinda E. Reeves (daughter of Newton Reeves Sr.) on Feb. 27, 1840, in Henry County, Ga. Lucinda was born on Jan. 10, 1822, in Georgia. The family had 12 children. They moved to Winston Co., Ala. Romulus died in Ala. on Jan 2, 1896, & his wife died in Ga. on May 11, 1892.

Martha Cates was born May 20th, 1820, and married Miles N. Hunt on Dec. 12th, 1854. Martha died on Jun 20th, 1859, in Clayton County, Georgia. The date on Miles tombstone is June 29th; the year is unreadable. They had 3 Children.

Mary (Polly) Cates was born Jan. 10th, 1822, in NC. Her husband was unknown. Mary's two children were James T. Cates & Alexander Cates. She died after 1880.

Isaac A. Cates was born Dec. 27, 1823, in Henry County, Georgia. On Oct 20, 1844, Isaac married Serena Crow, who was born Mar 20, 1828, in Clayton County, Georgia. They were married in Henry County, Georgia, and had 11 children. Isaac Cates died Feb 8, 1891, in Ellenwood, Clayton County, Georgia. Serena Crow died on July 27, 1902, in Clayton County, Georgia.

Elizabeth J. Cates was born Dec 23rd, 1826, in Henry County, Georgia. She died 23 August 1896. She married Joshua M. Berry on Jan. 31, 1854. Joshua M. Berry was born in NC. Joshua M. Berry was her uncle. They had 6 children. Two of their sons were killed in a truck/train accident in 1921. (See page 235)

Eleander Cates was born Nov 26th, 1829, in Henry County, Ga. She married G. G. Baker about 1849.

Sarah E. Cates was born Nov 16th, 1831, in NC. She married Robert L. Hicks on Dec. 12th, 1869. He was born in NC, and he died after 1880. Sarah died Jan. 13th, 1894, in Clayton County, Ga. They had 1 child.

Norisa M. Cates was born May 22nd, 1833, in Henry Co., Ga.

Lucinda Cates was born on April 2nd, 1835, in Henry Co., Ga. She married Dewey L. Silvey about 1855. Silvey was born in 1825 and died in 1860. They had 3 children.

3. Winifred Berry was born about 1800 in Orange County, North Carolina. She married Joshua Norman in Orange County, NC. Winnie died between 1860 and 1870. (See Page 176)

Children of Joshua and Winifred Norman

Lucinda Norman	1828 - 1900
+William O. Burks	1823 -
David Norman	1821 - 1891
+Elizabeth Yarbrough	1830 - 1894

4. David J. Berry Jr. was born about 1800 in Orange County, North Carolina. He married Margaret Erwin in Orange County, NC, on Sept 29, 1829. David Jr. died sometime after 1838. (See page 176)

5. Mary Berry: was born about 1800 in Orange County, North Carolina. She married Thomas Howard Barton February 24, 1831. Mary died in 1884 in Clayton County, Georgia. (See page 176)

Seleta Barton	1832 -
+John R. Daniel	
Mary Elizabeth Barton	1833 - 1899
+Joshua Crow	1830 - 1908
William David Barton	1834 - 1909
+Narcissus V. Chapman Peeler	1828 - 1914
Yancey Meredith Barton	1836 - 1896
Thomas Berry Barton	1838 -
James Nelson Barton	1840 -
A. Riley Barton	1841 -
Robert Marion Barton	1844 - 1920
+Mary E. Birdwell	

Yancy Meredith Barton was the 4th child of Mary Berry and Thomas Howard Barton. He was born on April 6th, 1836, in Clayton County, Georgia. He died in Rusk County, Texas, on June 10th, 1886.

“Service record of Yancey: Private in Company 1, 30th Regiment of the Georgia volunteer infantry, Army of Tennessee, Confederate States Army. Formed in Clayton County (Atlanta), Georgia, "The Clayton Invincibles". Captured near Jonesboro, Georgia, September 1, 1864. Exchanged at Rough And Ready, Georgia, September 19-22, 1864. (Book: Roster of Confederate Soldiers of Georgia: 1861-1865.)”(Picture of Dr. Yancy Pascal Barton on the right.) Yancy Pascal Barton is Yancy Meredith Barton’s nephew and son of Robert Marion and Mary Birdwell Barton.



He is the grandson of Mary Berry and Thomas Howard Barton.

Yancy Meredith Barton was living with his first cousin, David R. Norman, in Clayton County, Georgia, in the 1860 Census. David Norman’s mother, Winnie Berry Norman, was also living with him in the same census. Winnie was also living with her son David in 1840.

I was able to find Winnie living with David in the 1850 & 1860 Clayton County, Georgia, census but cannot find her in 1870. Robert Marion Barton was in Company E, 30th Georgia Infantry, C. S. A. He surrendered May 10 and was paroled May 18, 1865, at Tallassee, Florida. He was born in Clayton County, Georgia, and moved to Minden, Texas, in 1867.

At the time he applied for his Confederate Pension in Texas (Pension number 30446) , his house was valued at \$1,000 and he had other assets valued at \$200 in Rusk County, Texas.

His commanding officer was Captain Joseph Huie. He joined the Confederate Army on September 25, 1861, at Camp Bagley near Fairburn, Georgia. Capt. Huie stated in the Pension Application that R. M. Barton was left sick and was captured in Mississippi in 1863. He was a Private in the CSA.



Figure 90: Dr. Yancy Pascal Barton House in Rusk County, Texas

David J. and Mary Blalock Berry's children continued:

6. Henry Berry was born in 1810 in Orange County, North Carolina. He married Sarah Roberts in Henry County, Georgia, on April 27, 1829. **(See page 176)**

7. George N. Berry was born around 1810 in Orange County, North Carolina. Nothing else is known about him. **(See page 176)**

8. Robert Berry was born around 1812 in Orange County, North Carolina. He married Eliza Everett on June 16, 1833, in Fayette County, Georgia. Robert died in Milton County, Georgia, on April 23, 1891. **(See page 176)**

Emanuel P. Berry	1848
+Clara S.	1856
Isaac Martin Berry	1833 – 1903
Mary Lori Berry	1836 - 1890
+Nathan Turley	1838 – 1923
Sarah A. Berry	1837 -
William H. Berry	1837 -
+Matilda A. Starke	
*2nd Wife of William H. Berry:	
+Amelia Ann Fowler	
Robert Riley Berry	1840 - 1909
+Martha "Mattie" Starke	1844 – 1928
John Allmon Berry	1843 - 1903
+Sarah Elizabeth Starke	1847 – 1928
David M. Berry	1845 - 1911
+Mary Catherine Ellis	1851 – 1926
Jessie Lee Berry	1852 - 1924
+Nancy Ann Henry	1857 – 1949
Basil Manley Berry	1856 - 1914
+Mary Elizabeth Watson	1855 – 1941

Page from the Family Bible of Robert and Eliza Berry

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Figure 91 : Robert and Elizabeth Everett Berry's Bible Page



Figure 92: Composite picture of Martha Mattie Starke and Robert Riley Berry.
Robert Riley Berry is the son of Robert and Elizabeth Everett Berry

Robert Riley Berry 1840 – 1909
 +Martha "Mattie" Starke 1844 - 1928
 Horace Prather Berry 1870 - 1958
 Robert Clark Berry 1874 - 1955
 Sarah Frances Leola Berry 1876 - 1953
 Emma Alene Berry 1878 - 1932
 +William Aaron Turley 1876 – 1930
 Enoch Meril Berry 1881 - 1963

David J. and Mary Blalock Berry's children continued:

9. William G. Berry is the son of David J. and Mary Blalock Berry

William G. Berry (See page 176)
 +Jane Beck 1817 -
 William J. Berry 1836 -
 Martha Berry 1838 -
 Amanda Berry 1840 -
 John G. Berry 1842 -
 James M. Berry 1844 -
 Louisiana Berry 1846 -
 Thomas J. Berry 1848 –

10. Thomas Berry is the son of David J. and Mary Blalock Berry. I have no other information about Thomas. (See page 176)

11. Joshua Berry is the son of David J. and Mary Blalock Berry. He was born in Orange County, North Carolina, in 1824. (See page 176)

Joshua Berry 1824
 +Elizabeth J. Cates 1826 – 1896
 Robert I Berry 1857 - 1921
 Joshua Berry 1867 – 1921

Mary Lori Berry is the daughter of Robert and Elizabeth Everett Berry.

Mary Lori Berry was born on June 11th, 1836, and died on July 4th, 1890. Mary L. Berry is Robert Riley's sister. She married Nathan Turley who was born on August 25th, 1838, and died December 23rd, 1823. This couple had four children.

Children of Nathan and Mary Lori Berry Turley

Nathaniel Aire Turley	b	1873	d	1937
Mary Lou Turley	b	June 22 nd , 1877	d	March 18 th , 1956.
Dora E. Turley	b	April 11 th , 1874	d	June 6 th , 1915.
William Aaron Turley	b	August 26 th , 1879	d	Nov. 6 th , 1960.

William Aaron Turley is the son of Nathan (1838-1923) and Mary L. Berry Turley (1836-1890). His wife, Emma Alene Berry, is the daughter of Robert Riley and Martha Mattie Starke Berry. Martha Mattie Stark is holding the baby, Mattie Turley. Mattie is the 2nd child of Will and Emma Turley. When Mattie Turley grew up she married J. B. Powell, son of John David and Nancy Smith Powell. J. D. and Nancy Powell had four children. The oldest son, Melvin Ray Powell, died at birth. Lois, Hershal, and Irene are still Living. The boy who is standing beside his grandmother, Martha Mattie Stark, is Fred Turley. William Aaron and Emma Berry Turley are the parents of the two small children in this picture.





Dora Ellen Turley is the daughter of Nathan and Mary Lori Berry Turley.

George and Dora Ellen Turley Pace and their children are shown in the picture on the left below. This couple had eleven children and not all of them lived to be adults. They lived in Milton County, Georgia and they also lived in Cobb County, Georgia.

George and Dora Ellen Pace listed in the 1900 Milton County, GA.⁷⁴ Census. They listed in the 1910 Cobb County, GA, Census.⁷⁵ Dora died after 1916. George Pace was a widower in 1920.⁷⁶ George

Pace married Cora D. (unknown Surname) and was listed in the 1920 Cobb County, Georgia, Census.

Mary Lou Turley is the daughter of Nathan & Mary Lori Berry Turley.



This picture is of John and Mary Lou Turley Hartsfield with two of their four children, Oscar Lee and John Irvin. They also had a son named Ernest Jefferson and a daughter named Christine.

Three of Robert Berry & Elizabeth Everett Berry's sons married three of the daughters of Jonas and Averella Kent Starke.

Robert Riley Berry (1840-1909) married Martha Mattie Starke Berry (1844-1928), Georgia

John Allmond Berry (1843-1903) married Sarah Elizabeth Starke Berry (1847-1928), GA.

William H. Berry married Matilda Starke Berry, Georgia.

William H. Berry's second wife was Amelia Ann Fowler.

John Allmon Berry



John Allmon & Sarah Elizabeth Stark Berry in front of their Home

Children of John Allmon and Sarah Starke Berry;

Charles E. Berry	b. Oct. 3 rd , 1860	d Nov. 21 st , 1933.
Lula Octavia Berry	b. Sept. 4 th , 1871	d. Feb. 16 th , 1955.
John R. Berry	b. June 27 th , 1873	d. Aug. 9 th , 1941.
James Jefferson Berry	b. Oct. 17 th , 1875	d. June 17 th , 1945.
Emma Averella Berry	b. June 17 th , 1879	d. Mar. 19 th , 1962.
Walter L. Berry	b. Dec 2 nd , 1883	d. Mar. 7 th , 1932.
Zeallia Berry	b. Jan 7 th , 1886	d July 23 rd , 1963.



Jesse Lee Berry was David J. and Mary Blalock Berry's grandson, and **Robert and Elizabeth Everett Berry's son.**

Jesse is shown in the picture on the left. This bale of cotton won a first prize at a state fair in Georgia in 1904. The picture on the right was one taken in 1870 when Jesse Lee Berry was a young man. A picture of Jesse Lee and Nancy Ann Henry Berry's children can be seen below.



In 1870, Jesse Lee Berry listed in Ettaway County, Alabama, Census. Jesse Lee Berry was back in Henry County, Georgia, in the 1900 Census. Jessie L. Berry listed in Nances, Muscogee, Georgia, in the 1910 Census. Jesse Lee Berry was in Bozemans, Muscogee, Georgia, in 1920. Jesse's wife, N.A. Berry, was in Spalding, Georgia, in 1930.

Five of Jesse Lee and Nancy Ann Henry Berry's children



Left to Right:

Sarah Florence Kelly, William Oscar, Albert Edgar, Addie Lee, and Cora Mae McVickers.

There is a very strong resemblance between William Oscar Berry, my grandfather, and his brothers, Willie A. and Thomas E. Berry, from Orange County, NC. (See Page 225)



Walter Glen Berry was the son of Jesse Lee and Nancy Ann Henry Berry. He was born on January 15th, 1880, in Etowah County, Alabama, and died in Henry County, Georgia, on May 2nd, 1951. Walter Glen Berry married Leone Paschal Floyd on December 22nd, 1901.

They are shown here with their first daughter, Edie Elizabeth Berry, who was born on February 10th, 1904.

Other children are:

Ruby Glenn Berry was born on March 2nd, 1909.

Walter Clomer Berry was born in 1912.

Minnie Paschal Berry was born on Jan. 15th, 1916.

2005 Berry-Nix Reunion, Cullman, Alabama



Figure 93: 2005 Berry Nix Reunion in Cullman, Alabama

This was the first David J. Berry reunion that I attended. I met several of David J. Berry's descendants for the first time. On the way to this event, I traveled the Natchez Trace from Nashville, Tennessee, and visited with John Allen Berry for the first time. In addition to all of the David J. Berry descendants who attended, there were two other family lines represented. I descend from William Berry and John Allen Berry from Thomas Berry.

2006 David J. Berry Family Reunion in Roswell, Georgia



Figure 94: 2006 Berry Nix Reunion in Roswell, Georgia

The picture above was taken at the Willeo Cemetery in Roswell, Georgia, where many of our Robert Berry (OC) descendants are buried with their families.

This event was hosted by Jo Patterson and George Pettett. They did such an excellent job with this reunion it set the stage for two more nationwide Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry reunions. I decided while attending this reunion that I would organize one in Orange County, North Carolina, the next year. I knew where the original Land Grant property was because my William Berry descendants had lived there all their lives. Hillsborough was an old town that was established after Robert Berry (OC) homesteaded in the county. This turned out to be a wonderful event with 116 people attending. At the 2007 reunion, John Allen Berry from the Thomas Berry line decided he would host another of these national events in 2008. He lives in Cypress Inn, Tennessee, where Thomas Berry's widow relocated in 1814. This also turned out to be very successful reunion.

In the picture below there are several of David J. Berry's descendants. They made their first visit back to Orange County, North Carolina, in 2002. As far as I know, these David J. Berry descendants are the first of his family to return to Fiddleton since David J. Berry and his family left here in 1828. I know that others in his family have passed through this area, but they had no idea that this was where David was born.

The Church behind this group is Berry's Grove Baptist Church. The land for this church was donated by John Robert and Elizabeth Bowling Berry in 1889. John Robert Berry is the grandson of William Berry, who is one of David J. Berry's brothers. William and David J. Berry are sons of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry, who first settled this area of North Carolina in 1751.



Figure 95: David Berry's descendants in Orange County, NC, in 2002.

From Left to Right:

Martha Mangum's grandson, Martha W. Mangum, Martha's daughter Betty Bruley, Georgia,
Jo Patterson, Biff Patterson,
Georgia,
Lois White,
Alabama.

CHAPTER 11

WILLIAM BERRY 1775-1860

William Berry was next to the last child born to Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry.

William was about 6 years old when Robert Berry (OC) enlisted in the North Carolina Continental Army in 1781. Shortly after the battle of Guilford Courthouse, the war and it's fighting soon moved from the State of North Carolina to Virginia and ended very soon after that.

Plantation activity in Fiddleton most likely got back to normal very quickly. Because of his age, William Berry's life was probably not affected as much by the war as the older members of his family. He and his older brother, David, were most likely unaware of the dangers that come with war. They probably played war together but had very little idea of what it was all about. The two young boys knew their father was away and they probably saw George Waggoner come home badly wounded and then die. At their ages, who can tell how much of what they saw and experienced affected the rest of their lives. The war probably had less effect on them than it did on the older children.

William was born about 1775. He was younger than Thomas, proven by the 1800 Census. William was listed in the 16 to 25 age bracket and Thomas was listed in the 25 to 44-age bracket. These brackets mean that William was born between 1775 and 1784 and Thomas was born between 1756 and 1775. Henry Berry, the youngest son in the family, was born in 1776. William was about 24 years old when he and Hannah Cate got married. David, William, and Henry Berry were all very close in age.

In Chapter 9, I wrote about the two brothers marrying two of William and Elizabeth Cate's daughters, Hannah and Sarah Cate. While William Berry married Hannah Cate on August 12th, 1799, at the age of 24, Thomas Berry did not get married until a year later on August 11th, 1800. Both families listed a son under the age of 10 in that census. We know that Thomas and Sarah had a son named David II Berry. William and Hannah also had another son, Thomas Person Berry, who was born on June 1st, 1808. It is now believed we have located a second son. **(See Page 191)**

When Hannah Berry listed head of household in 1810, she listed 4 males less than 10 years of age.

William and Hannah's sons;
1800 unknown name
1808 Thomas Person Berry

Thomas and Sarah's sons;
1800 unknown name
1802 David II Berry

This would account for the 4 males listed in Hannah Cate Berry's 1810 census except for the fact that Thomas Berry's widow, Sarah Cate Berry, only took one son with her to Tennessee.

I think Thomas and William went to Tennessee sometime in the early spring of 1808. Their two wives remained in Orange County, NC, with the children. I don't think Hannah Cate Berry ever lived with William after he left for the trip to Tennessee. I have no way to determine who separated from whom. As far as I can determine, William most likely returned to

Tennessee with Thomas Berry's widow and two children sometime between 1810 and 1814.

William Berry and Hannah Cate's Marriage Bond

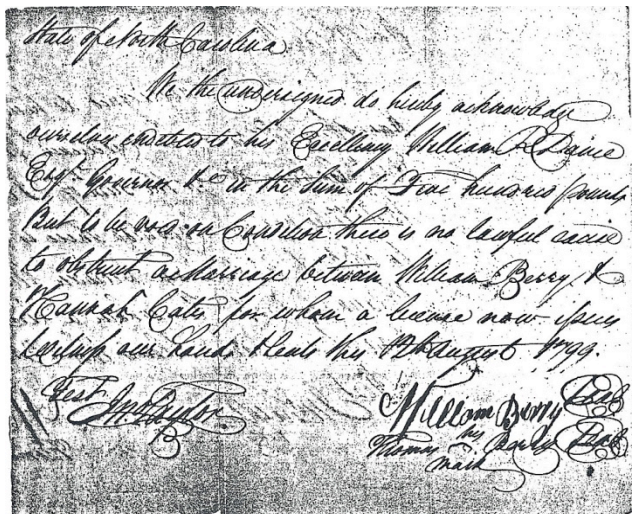


Figure 96: William Berry's marriage bond to Hannah Cate

The events in William and Hannah's lives are so complicated because the facts that we have do not explain what happened to their marriage or exactly when it happened. I think the best way to approach this is to list all of the known facts.

Hannah and William were married in 1799.

William & Hannah listed one male under 10 in the 1800 Census.

They may have had a son born before 1800.

They had a son named Thomas Person Berry born on June 1st, 1808.

Hannah listed head of household in 1810.

She listed 4 males under 10, 1 female under 10, and 2 females 26 to 45

Hannah Cate was born in 1770 and was 40 years old in 1810.

Sarah Cate was born in 1782 and was 28 years old in 1810.

Hannah became pregnant by an undetermined John Berry in 1811.

Hannah gave birth to a daughter, Elizabeth Berry, in 1812.

Thomas Berry was apparently killed in Tennessee while searching for land.

William Berry may have returned home with the news of his brother's death.

Robert Berry (OC) wrote his will in 1812 and listed his son, Thomas, as deceased.

Robert Berry (OC) left a slave girl named Mariah to his son, Thomas Berry's, heirs.

Robert Berry (OC) left his son, William, 1 pound in his will.

No records have been found in Orange County, North Carolina, about William Berry after the 1800 census.

Hannah's sister, Sarah Cate Berry, married John Pigg in Tennessee in 1815,

Where Hannah lived from 1810 to 1850 is not known.

Hannah Cate Berry's mother, Elizabeth Cate, owned the William Cate property until she died about 1826.

Hannah was living with her brother-in-law, Henry Berry, in 1850.
 Thomas Person Berry lived in Orange County, North Carolina, for his entire life.
 William and Person Berry bought property from Uncle Henry Berry on November 23rd, 1830. (Deed book 24 Page 226)
 Witnessed by John Carrington and William Armstrong.
 William and Person Berry sold property to Samuel Wilson and his son, Felix Wilson, on September 19th, 1833. (Deed Book 25 page 431) Witnessed by Charles Wilson, Felix Wilson's brother, and **Robert C. Berry**. (William & Hannah's son)
 Thomas Person Berry married Sarah Lunsford in Orange County, Sept. 28th, 1831.
 William Clarence Berry married Sally Bowles on November 20th, 1826.
 William Berry was living next door to Chesterfield Franklin, Theodric Franklin's father, in 1830.
 Hannah's daughter, Elizabeth Berry, married Theodoric Franklin on June 30th, 1833.
 William Clarence Berry and Elizabeth Franklin left Orange County, North Carolina, with their families around 1834. Both families went to Alabama.
 Henry Berry died in 1855 and left some property to Hannah Cate Berry.
 Henry did not name Hannah Berry as his wife.
 Hannah Berry died in 1858, most likely from the flu.
 There was a worldwide flu epidemic in 1857/1858
 Theodoric Franklin died the same year in Floyd County, Georgia.
 Elizabeth Berry Franklin was at the home of her half-brother, Thomas Person Berry, when the 1860 census was taken.
 Thomas Person Berry listed Hannah and William Berry as his parents on the marriage license for his second wife, Lucy Brown, on the 21st of August, 1871.
 Thomas Person Berry was married 3 times.

Children of William & Hannah Cate Berry

Unknown male 1799	May be Benjamin H. Berry
Unknown son 1806	May be Robert C. Berry.
Thomas Person Berry	born June 1 st , 1808; died April 30 th , 1884

The DNA project in our Berry family has validated much of our archival research, but the very latest confirmed participant, **George David Berry**, has raised an unanswered question. At the current time, all indications are that his great-grandfather, Robert C. Berry, is the son of William and Hannah Cate Berry.

I will use Wiley P. Berry Jr., #18, on page 224 as a reference to create this list.

William and Hannah Cate Berry line:

# 18	Wiley P. Berry Junior Reference	matched	37 out of 37 markers
# 123	Harold Bernard Berry	matched	37 out of 37 markers
#218	George David Berry	matched	37 out of 37 markers

Robert Jr and Mary Camp Berry line:

# 134	George Wesley Berry	matched	37 out of 37 markers
# 8	Billy Wayne Berry	matched	36 out of 37 markers
# 101	David Lee Berry	matched	36 out of 37 markers

Hannah Cate Berry's only daughter, Elizabeth Berry.

Elizabeth Berry was born in Orange County, North Carolina, in 1812.

Elizabeth Berry's daughter, Temperance Jane Franklin, states on her family Bible page that her father is John Berry. **(Fig.99, Page194)**. There is no record of John and Hannah ever marrying, and we cannot determine if William had separated from Hannah before going to Tennessee or after. I really do not believe John Berry was William Berry's brother. William Berry went to Tennessee with his brother in 1808. Hannah Berry gave birth to Elizabeth Berry in 1812.

Hannah Berry remained in Orange County for the rest of her life. She raised Elizabeth, Robert C. Berry, and Thomas Person Berry by herself, as far as I can tell. They may have been living in the plantation house with Uncle Henry most of that time. Henry must have been well respected by Elizabeth Berry Franklin because in 1835 she named her first son Henry Berry Franklin.

Thomas Person Berry married Sarah Lunsford about a year before his half-sister, Elizabeth Berry, married Theodrick Franklin.

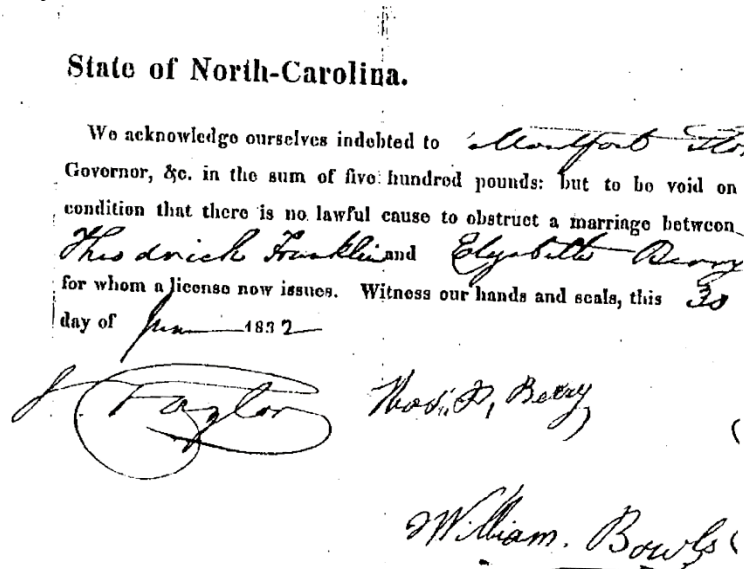


Figure 97: Theodrick Franklin's Marriage Bond to Elizabeth Berry

You will notice that Thomas P. Berry and William Bowles were bondsmen. William Bowles was Sally Bowles Berry's father, and this may indicate that William Clarence Berry was the William who bought land with Thomas Person Berry in 1830.

Elizabeth and Theodrick Franklin's first child, Temperance Jane Franklin, was born in Orange County, North Carolina, in 1832. Sometime around 1835 this couple removed to Alabama.⁷⁷ We know this because their second child, Henry Berry Franklin, was born there in 1835. This is also the time William C. Berry removed to Fayette County, Alabama.

The 1850 Floyd County, Georgia, Census shows the Franklin family returned to Georgia from Alabama before 1838. Their second son, James Franklin, was born in 1838 in Georgia. The family listed in 1850 at dwelling number 64 and family number 64 in Cove Spring, Georgia.

Children of Theodrick & Elizabeth Franklin in 1850

T Franklin	M	38	born in NC.	Theodrick Franklin
Elizabeth	F	38	born in NC.	Elizabeth Berry
T.J	F	17	born in NC	Temperance Jane Franklin
H.B.	M	15	born in ALA	Henry Berry Franklin was born in 1835 .
James	M	13	born in GA	James L. Franklin
Robert	M	8	born in GA	Robert N. Franklin
William	M	7	born in GA	
Thomas	M	11	born in GA	Thomas Benjamin Franklin
G. A.	F	1	born in GA	Georgiana Franklin

Elizabeth Berry Franklin's return to North Carolina⁷⁸

Theodrick Franklin died in Floyd County, Georgia, in 1858. This is the same year that a worldwide flu epidemic killed unknown numbers of people. Hannah Cate Berry, Elizabeth Franklin's mother, died the same year. Thomas Person Berry's son, William H. Berry, died in 1858. Lewis Berry, Joshua Berry's son, also died this same year. Nancy Berry may also have died in 1858. We are not sure when she died. She was alive in 1850 and was deceased by 1860.

Elizabeth Berry Franklin returned to Orange County, North Carolina, after her husband died. She was staying with Thomas Person Berry when the 1860 Orange County Census taken.



1860 Orange County Census, Little River Township.⁷⁹

Thos. P. Berry	M	52
Sally Berry	F	45
John R. Berry	M	18
James K. Berry	M	15
Jesse Blalock	M	22
Elizabeth Franklin	F	48

Figure 98: Temperance Jane Franklin.

Some evidence indicating William Clarence Berry, Robert C. Berry, Theodoric Franklin and his family all went to Fayette County, Alabama, together at the same time.

William Clarence Berry married Sally Bowles on November 20th, 1826.

Thomas Person Berry married Sarah Lunsford on September 28th, 1831.

William and Person Berry buy land together on November 3rd, 1830

William C. & Sally Bowles Berry have their third child in May, 1833.

Sally Bowles Berry dies, leaving three small children.

William & Person Berry sell their land September 19th, 1833.

Robert C. Berry was witness to sale of land September 19th, 1833.

Theodrick & Elizabeth Franklin have their child, Henry Berry Franklin, in Alabama, 1835.

William Clarence and his second wife, Massa Thompkins, have their first child, John Thomas Berry, in Fayette County, Alabama, on July 28th, 1838.

Robert C. Berry and his wife, Sarah Chappell, have their first child, Miles Berry, in 1840.

Temperance Jane Franklin's Bible Page

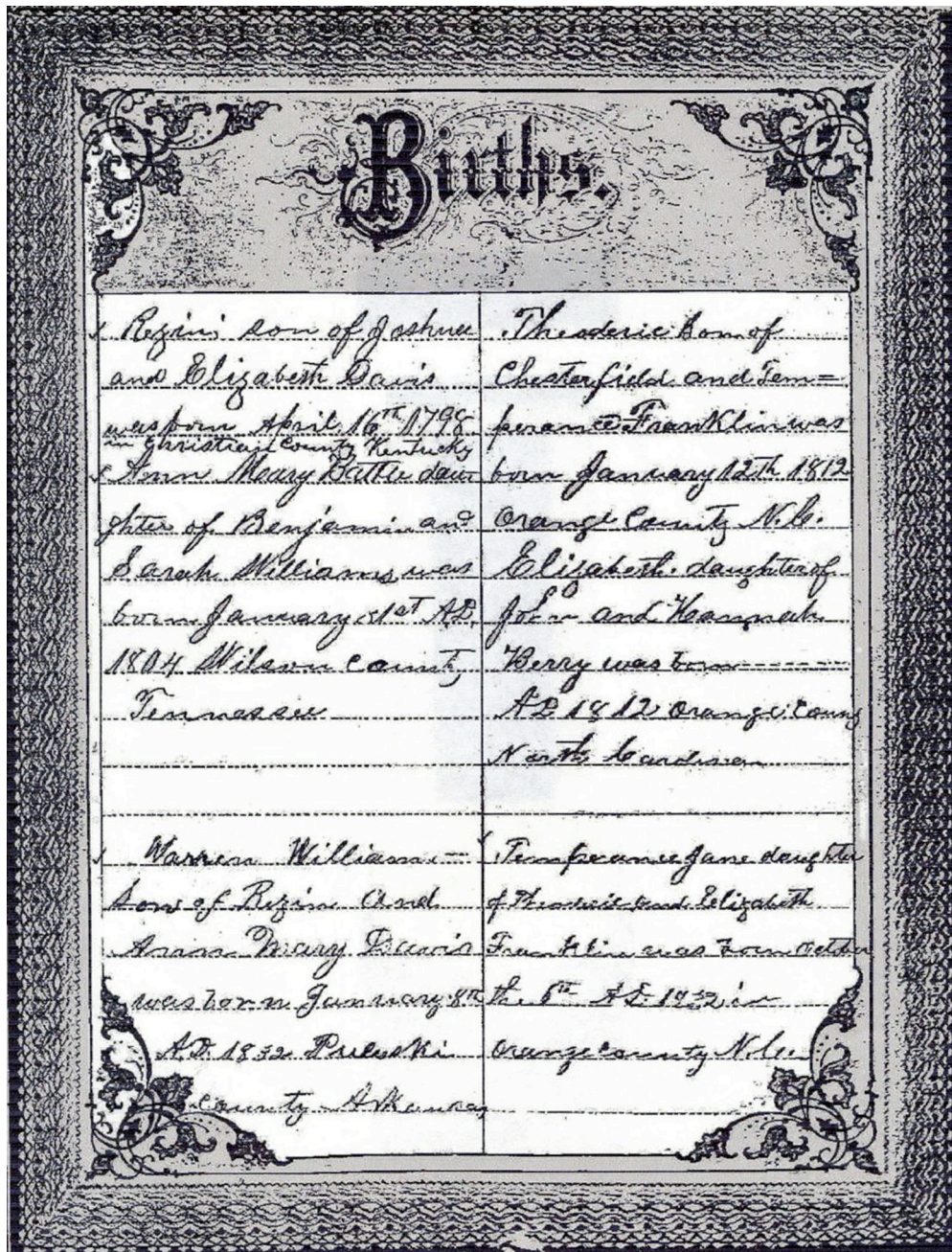


Figure 99: Bible page of Temperance Jane Franklin, Thomas P. Berry's half-niece

Elizabeth Berry Franklin was trapped in North Carolina during the Civil War and was not able to rejoin her family until the war was over. John Robert Berry is my great-grandfather and he was 18 years old when Elizabeth Franklin returned home. I had wondered how my Uncle Harold Berry knew that some of our folks went to Texas. This is apparently where my Uncle Harold's information came from. This story was passed down to my grandfather, Wiley P. Berry

Sr., from his father, and then Grandpa must have told Uncle Harold.

Temperance Jane Franklin married Warren W. Davis and removed to Texas sometime between 1865 and 1867. Elizabeth Franklin joined her family in Texas after the Civil War was over and lived the rest of her life there.

This information was copied from an email note sent by Elizabeth Robinett:

"I took this picture of the grave site of E. H. Franklin wife of T. Franklin b. 1812 in Salem Cemetery in Brown County, TX. I think this is Elizabeth Berry. What are the odds of an E. Franklin born 1812 wife of T. Franklin in the same county as Thomas Benjamin Franklin, her son? The cemetery is about 5 miles or so from where he lived".

"Elizabeth died on November 21st, 1885. She was 73 years old".



Figure 100: Elizabeth Berry Franklin

While Elizabeth Berry is not William Berry's daughter, I think she needs to be included in his chapter. I am not sure what part Elizabeth Berry's birth played in William Berry's life. Hannah and William Berry are my 3rd great-grandparents, and Hannah Cate Berry is Elizabeth Berry's mother. This makes Thomas Person Berry half-brother to Elizabeth Berry Franklin. The major question still remains. Did William Berry separate from Hannah Cate Berry before he went to Tennessee or after? William Berry was about 37 years old and not deceased at the time his father wrote his will in April of 1812.

In the 1830 Blount County, Alabama, Census, I find a William Berry age 50 - 60.

John Box Senior was living next door to William Berry's family.

Next door to John Box lived **Thomas Rutherford**, age 50 to 60.

The three sons of Patrick Rutherford who lived on the next plantation south of Robert Berry's family in Orange County, NC, were William Rutherford, James Rutherford, and **Thomas Rutherford**. I have no information connecting **Thomas Rutherford** in Alabama to the one from Orange County. It does pose a good question.

William Berry's wife in the 1830 Blount County, Alabama, Census was at least 10 years younger than he.⁸⁰ I could not find William Berry in Blount County, Alabama, in the 1840 Census.

I did find a William Berry in the 1850 Lincoln County, Tennessee, Census.

If William Berry did go back to Tennessee with his sister-in-law, Sarah Cate Berry, he may have settled in Lincoln County, Tennessee. After many years of searching for my third great-grandfather, William Berry, I think he may have been living about 60 miles east of Sarah Cate Berry Pigg and her family in Cypress Inn, Tennessee.

What the 1850 Lincoln County, Tennessee, Census showed is: William Berry, age 74, living in the household of Benjamin H. Berry, age 44. Both men were born in North Carolina. William's wife, Mary, age 65, was 10 years younger than William and was also born in North Carolina.

In the 1850 Lincoln County, Tennessee, Census

Benjamin H. Berry, age 44	born in NC 1806
Ann, age 31	born in Tenn. 1819
James W., age 18	born in Tenn. 1832
Mary, age 16	born in Tenn. 1834
William, age 13	born in Tenn. 1837
Miama, age 11	born in Tenn. 1839
Benjamin, age 8	born in Tenn. 1842.
William, age 74	born in NC. 1776
Mary, age 65	born in NC 1785

If Benjamin H. Berry is William and Mary Berry's son, then Mary was 21 years old when he was born. If Mary Berry was his mother, it would mean that William Berry was cheating on Hannah while planning to go with Thomas to Tennessee. Benjamin H. Berry was born in 1806 in North Carolina. My William Berry was still married to Hannah Cate Berry at that time. Hannah and William also had a son born in 1808. It also might mean that William never planned to return home to Hannah. Hannah Cate Berry did have a brother named Benjamin Cate, so it seems possible that she might name a son, Benjamin.

There are only two counties separating Lincoln County and Wayne County, Tennessee, where the widow of Thomas Berry, Sarah Cate Berry Pigg, homesteaded in 1816. Sarah's brother, John Cate, was in Maury County, Tennessee, on January 1st, 1828, to buy Sarah Pigg's 1/5th ownership of their father's plantation. Each of William Cate's five children had inherited a 20% ownership of their father's property in Orange County, N.C. I think their mother, Elizabeth Smith Cate, died about 1825 in Orange County, North Carolina. John Cate apparently was living in Maury County, Tennessee at that time. The family sold the Cate property to Thomas Wilson in Orange County, NC. **(See related information on page 167)**

I know a large number of William and Hannah Cate Berry's descendants because they are my family. Most of them live in Orange, Durham, Wake, and other North Carolina Counties. Several live in other states. My sister and I have 13 living Berry first cousins who are the grandchildren of Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry. Wiley P. Berry had four sisters and two brothers who also have large families, with most of them living in North Carolina also.

CHAPTER 12

HENRY BERRY 1776-1858

Henry Berry was the youngest child of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry from Orange County, North Carolina. Robert and Elizabeth had been married about 17 or 18 years when Henry Berry was born in 1776. Robert Berry was about 46 years old and his wife, Elizabeth, was probably about 41 years old. Their family now consisted of 10 children-- two daughters and eight sons. They had been living in the new Fiddleton Plantation home for 10 years when Henry was born. Henry's oldest sister, Mary, was about 17 or 18 years old and was already married or about to marry George Waggoner, son of Henry Waggoner. This was the year of the Declaration of Independence and the beginning of much turmoil in the nation. Most of the fighting with the English had been done far away from Fiddleton but a lot of the political action was now taking place about 14 miles away. Two of the signers of the Declaration of Independence lived in Hillsborough, North Carolina, and much of the involvement by North Carolina was being directed and decided in Hillsborough, N. C. This must have been a very anxious and troublesome time for Henry's parents. Many in the state were remaining loyal to the King of England and many were deciding to become patriots. I would imagine that many of the neighborhood men would gather at various locations and discuss the serious issues of the day.

Henry was only 5 years old when his father and his brother-in-law, George Waggoner, joined the North Carolina Continental Army. That same year, the Battle at Guilford Courthouse was fought and George Waggoner was likely very seriously wounded there. The battle was fought on April 15th, 1781, and 17 days later on March 2nd, 1781, George Waggoner wrote his will. George died sometime before the month of August, 1781. That is when Mary Waggoner and Robert Berry became executrix and executor of George Waggoner's will. There is no way that Henry Berry could have understood what was going on, but I suspect that he was asking a lot of questions. Henry's sister, Mary Berry Waggoner, who was now a widow, married James Camp. I know this because in February, 1782, George Waggoner's inventory statement was signed by Robert Berry and Mary Kemp. James and Mary probably married around Christmas of 1781. Robert Berry Jr. married James Camp's sister, Mary Camp, either shortly before Mary married James or shortly after.

There were still brothers of all ages around for Henry to play with or just follow around, asking questions. William was 7 years old and Henry was 6. Elizabeth, his other sister, was 14 years old and I am sure she seemed like another mother to Henry. I think growing up as the baby in a very large family would be a very interesting experience. By the time Henry was grown, most of his siblings were married and having children, so Henry had lots of young nieces and nephews. Some of them he probably never saw but most of them were living very close to Fiddleton. James and Mary Camp removed to Rutherford County, North Carolina, and may have returned home for a visit or two, but I am sure there were not a lot of those trips made in those days.

In the 1810 Census of Robert Berry (OC), we find that there are 3 males listed. 2 of them are in the 26 to 45 bracket and 1 is in the over 45 bracket. This means that Henry and Isaac were both born after 1765 and before 1785. We know that Henry Berry was born in 1776 and that Isaac was older than Henry.

If Henry Berry ever married, we have no record of it. Although Henry Berry never

married, he may have been the father of Mary Ann Ashley, who married Thomas King. When Mary Ann Ashley King's daughter, Susan Ann King Crabtree, died, her husband, John W. Crabtree, stated on her death certificate that Susan's mother's name was Mary Berry. Mary Ashley (Berry) King and Susan A. King Crabtree both have marked headstones in the Fiddleton cemetery located on Robert Berry's Original Granville Land Grant. See Fig. 26, Pg. 73 to view Mary King's headstone and Fig. 25, Pg. 72 to view Susan Crabtree's headstone.

In the year 1833, Thomas King married Mary Ashley in Person County, North Carolina. In the 1850 Orange County, North Carolina, Census, Fanny Ashley, age 70, was living in the household of Thomas and Mary King.

North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868

Groom:	Thomas King
Bride:	Polly Ashley
Bond Date:	9 Oct 1833
Bond #:	000108083
Level Info:	North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868
ImageNum:	000267
County:	Person
Record #:	01 089
Bondsman:	Taylor Johnston
Witness:	G D Satterfield

Source Information:
 Ancestry.com. *North Carolina Marriage Bonds, 1741-1868* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2000.
 Original data: State of North Carolina. *An Index to Marriage Bonds Filed in the North Carolina State Archives*. Raleigh, NC, USA: North Carolina Division of Archives and History, 1977.

Description:
 This database contains information extracted from 170,000 marriage bonds, covering the years 1741-1868, on file in the North Carolina State Archives in the United States. Most of the bonds contain the following information: groom's name, bride's name, date of bond, bondsmen, witnesses. [Learn more...](#)

Figure 101: Wedding record for Thomas King & Polly Ashley

1850 Orange County, N.C., Census, Little River Township

Thomas King	age	38	
Mary King	age	41	(Mary Ashley (Berry) (See Pg. 199)
William King	age	16	
De Wit King	age	14	
Sarah King	age	12	
Thomas King	age	9	
Mary King	age	6	
Susan King	age	4	
Judy King	age	1	
Fanny Ashley	age	70	Mary Ashley Berry's Mother

Henry Berry stated in his 1855 will: *"I give and devise to my friend Thomas King and his wife Polly King my tract of land where on I live."* (Fig. 102, Pg. 203) Since so many Berry relatives were living in the area, this did not make sense. Why would Henry Berry leave the Fiddleton plantation home place to a friend? Now I know that Henry Berry did leave the Plantation Home to a member of our family.

In 1920 when John W Crabtree filled out his wife, Susan King Crabtree's, death certificate, he knew that Mary (Polly) Ashley was really Mary Berry. Mary Berry is the name he entered for Susan's mother on Susan's death certificate. I think I can see why Henry Berry did not want to admit to his friends and relatives that he was the father of Mary Ashley, who was born in 1809. Henry was living at home with his father and mother at the time. I cannot understand why it would have made any difference to anybody in 1855. This story does not end here, however. Henry Berry was charged to care for Isaac Berry in Robert Berry's (OC) 1812 will. (See Pg. 68). In Henry Berry's 1820 and 1830 Census enumeration, you can see that Isaac was living with his brother. Henry Berry always listed several females of varying ages in each census.

OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION is very important. See instructions on back of certificate.

B. V. S.—Form 7		NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS		119825
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				
1 PLACE OF DEATH		Registration District No. 68-1105		Register No. 4
County Orange		State N.C.		
Township Little River		or Village		
City		No. (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its NAME instead of street and number)		St. Ward
2 FULL NAME Susan Ann Crabtree		613		
(a) Residence. No. (Usual place of abode)		St. Ward.		(If nonresident give city or town and State)
Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. ds.		How long in U. S. if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. ds.		
PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS				
3 Sex female	4 Color or Race white	5 Single, Married, Widowed, or Divorced (write the word) married		
6 Date of birth (month, day, and year) 7. 9 24				
7 Age years 7. Months 9 Days 24 If LESS than 1 day, hrs. or min.				
8 Occupation of deceased (a) Trade, Profession, or particular kind of work. Housewife				
(b) General nature of industry, business, or establishment in which employed (or employer) Keeping House				
(c) Name of employer				
9 Birthplace (city or town) (State or country) Orange Co. N.C.				
10 Name of Father Jas King Sr				
11 Birthplace of Father (city or town) (State or country) Orange Co. N.C.				
12 Maiden Name of Mother Mary Berry				
13 Birthplace of Mother (city or town) (State or country) Orange Co. N.C.				
14 Informant J.W. Crabtree (Address) Orange N.C.				
15 Filed June 1920 C.E. Wilson REGISTRAR				
MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH				
16 Date of Death (month, day, and year) Mar 28 1920				
17 I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from 6:00 1918 to Mar 25 1920 that I last saw her alive on Mar 25 1920 and that death occurred, on the date stated above, at 6 P. M.				
The CAUSE OF DEATH* was as follows: Typhoid fever				
(duration) 1 yrs. 6 mos. ds.				
Contributory (SECONDARY) (duration) yrs. mos. ds.				
18 Where was disease contracted if not at place of death? ✓				
Did an operation precede death? See Date of ✓				
Was there an autopsy? No				
What test confirmed diagnosis? (Signed) J.H. Coleman M.D.				
(Address) Hurdle Mills N.C.				
*State the DISEASE CAUSING DEATH, or in deaths from VIOLENT CAUSES, state (1) MEANS AND NATURE OF INJURY, and (2) whether ACCIDENTAL, SUICIDAL, OR HOMICIDAL. (See reverse side for additional space.)				
19 Place of Burial, Cremation, or removal Home burying ground Date of Burial 3-29 1920				
20 Undertaker Brooks & White Address Hurdle Mills N.C.				

Figure 103: Susan A. King Crabtree's Death Certificate

71 Susan's death certificate is very important, because it states clearly that Mary Ashly who married Thomas King in 1833 was really Mary Ashley Berry.

When Isaac Berry died, another piece of this puzzle also appeared. Lydia Berry listed as head of household for the first time with a female child under 10 in 1840. Felix Wilson's family was the only family living between Lydia Berry and Henry Berry. Felix Wilson bought land from William and Person Berry in 1833 (See page 211).

Usually the wife of a deceased husband will list as head of household until the estate is settled. Since there was no estate to settle, it is likely that Henry Berry allowed Lydia Berry to continue living where she and Isaac had been living. Lydia moved to Person County and was living with Joshua Cates in 1850. Mary Ann Berry was 18 years old in that census.

Hunley, Samuel H. & Mary Ann Berry, 18 Dec 1850 (Merrell Rinner, Wm. Whitefield)

Above is a copy of a marriage record in Person County, NC.

1850 Person County, N.C., Census

Joshua Cates M age 39

Lidia Berry F age 35

Mary A. Berry F age 18

.Mary Ann Berry was not married when the 1850 census was taken.

1860 Person County, N.C., Census

Joshua Cates M age 49

Samuel Hunley M age 37

Mary A. Hunley F age 27, formerly Mary Ann Berry

Liddy Hunley F age- 8

Henry G. Hunley M age- 6

Thomas J. Hunley M age -4

George W. Hunley M age -2

Liddy Berry F age 65 Mary Ann Berry's mother.

1870 Person County N.C. Census

Samuel Hunley M age 47

Mary Ann F age 37

Liddy F age 18

Thomas M age 14

David M age 10

Julius M age -5

Ida Hunley F age -1

Lidia Berry F age 67

Joshua Cates M age 59

You can see from the 1850 Census listing that Lydia Berry's daughter was 18 years old and unmarried. Later that year she married Samuel Hunley on December 18th. Lydia Berry was still alive in the 1870 Person County Census, but she was not in the 1880 Census. I thought the

trail of Lydia Berry and Mary Berry Hunley ended here but I was wrong.

The 1860 Orange County Census shows the Thomas King family living in the plantation home they inherited from Henry Berry in 1855. It also shows that their youngest son was James King, age 9.

1860 Orange County N.C. Census Little River Township

Thomas King	age 48
Mary King	age 45
De Wit King	age 22
Thomas King	age 19
Susan King	age 17
Judy E. King	age 15
James King	age 9

Since I knew that Susan A. Crabtree did not die until 1920, I decided to search the 1900 Orange County Census for members of Thomas King's family. This was a stroke of luck and made me realize that Henry and Isaac Berry might each have a daughter that I never knew about. In 1900, James King was living next door to his sister, Susan Crabtree. Mary Ann Berry Hunley was listed as a cousin in James King's household.

1900 Orange County, N.C., Census, Little River Township

James S. King	age 45	Head	Feb. 1855
Mary Hunley	age 61	Cousin	Mar. 1832
William Hunley	age 18	Cousin	Apr 1872
John H. Bowles	age 7	Cousin	May 1892

Looking at their ages, I think William Hunley and James Bowles may be Mary Hunley's grandchildren.

1900 Orange County, N.C., Census, Little River Township

John H. Crabtree	age 49	Head	Sept 1850
Susan A. Crabtree	age 51	wife	June 1849
Esterell Crabtree	age 14	daughter	Nov 1885
Maggie T. Crabtree	age 17	daughter	Mar 1883
Sarah F. Crabtree	age 19	daughter	Mar 1883
Sallie H. Crabtree	age 74	mother	Dec. 1825

After learning that Mary Ann Berry Hunley had returned to Fiddleton and was listed in the 1900 Census as a cousin to James King, I need to know how they were cousins.

If Lydia Berry was the daughter of Isaac Berry and Mary Ashley Berry was the daughter of Henry Berry and Fanny Ashley, then Mary Berry Hunley and James King would be cousins. Since Henry Berry left the plantation house to Thomas and Polly (Berry Ashley) King, it seems to indicate that Mary (Ashley/Berry) King was Henry's daughter. Henry did not mention Lydia Berry or Mary Berry Hunley in his will. This must mean that either Lydia or Mary Ann Berry was Isaac's daughter. I have no marriage record for Henry Berry or his brother, Isaac Berry.

1850 Orange County, NC., Census: Little River Township for Henry Berry.

Henry Berry	M	age 74	
Anna Berry	F	age 80	William Berry's wife Hannah Cate Berry.
Tom Cates	M	age 12	
Jasper Hopkins	M	age 8	
Polly Hopkins	F	age 30	
Ned Hopkins	M	age 28	
Silas Hopkins	M	age 24	
Rowan Hopkins	F	age 21	

I think there is a family connection between the Hopkins and Berry families that may go back to Robert Berry (PAC) and the Hopkins family in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in the early 1700's. (**See, Page 31**).

Henry Berry had inherited the Fiddleton Plantation and he listed as head of household for the first time in 1820.

Henry Berry's Neighbors In 1820

Charles Wilson	Age Bracket	26-46
Elizabeth Cate	Age Bracket	over-46 (Hannah and Sarah Cate's mother)
Nancy Robinson	Age Bracket	26-46
Alex Robinson	Age Bracket	26-46
Wm. Bowles	Age Bracket	over-46
Victor Rountree	Age Bracket	26-46
Thomas Evans	Age Bracket	18-26
Henry Berry	Age Bracket	over-46
James Bryant	Age Bracket	over-46

NOTE: Elizabeth Cate is living 6 houses away from Henry Berry in 1820. Elizabeth Cate is Hannah Cate Berry's mother. I do not know where Hannah Cate Berry and her children were living in 1820. I feel very confident she was living in Orange County, North Carolina. William Cate's wife, Elizabeth Cate, died around 1825. John Cate and Hannah Cate Berry sold their 40% of the Cate Plantation to Thomas Wilson on Nov. 19th, 1825. (Orange County NC Deed Bk: 22 Pg: 7) John Cate went to Wayne County, Tennessee, to purchase Sarah Cate Berry Pigg's 20% share of their father's farm sometime around 1826.

Henry and Isaac are buried in the Fiddleton Cemetery. My third great-grandmother, Hannah Cate Berry, is also buried there. All three of these ancestors are buried there with unmarked field stone head markers. Since Mary Berry King and her daughter, Susan King Crabtree, were buried there, most likely Fanny Ashley and Thomas King are also there. To view some of the headstones that are located there **see page 71**.

Henry Berry was 79 years old when he wrote his will.
Henry Berry's will dated December 20th, 1855.

I Henry Berry do make and ordain this paper writing as my last will and testament I direct all my Last debts to be paid out of my Estate - I give and devise to my friend Thomas King and his wife Polly King my tract of land where on I now live and having Thomas D. Berry, Geo. Beay and others in the County of Orange and State of North Carolina, Citizens two hundred and twenty seven Dollars as left also all my Person all property with the exception of what I give to Hannah Berry viz I give to Hannah Berry one Sord, Mare named Red one Milch Cow & Calf her choice of my Cattle four head of Hogs all the Lard four Sheep one pot half dozen plates and half dozen Cups & Saucers I also appoint my friend Thomas King my executor of this my last will and testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this 20th day of Dec. 1855

Henry Berry

Witnessed and published by the testator as his will in the presence of us who subscribed the same as Witnesses in the presence of him and each then

Charles Holman notary

Geo. Beay notary

Figure 102: Henry Berry's will in Orange County, NC, 1855

212 Henry Berry & David Berry of Orange Co. to William McKissack sen. of Person Co for \$350, negro woman Amy. Sept 1821. Wit: Thos P. Evans, Robt G. Cunnins, William Lipscomb, Jno Cummins.

212-3 Laurence Vanhook of CC to Nicholas Thompson of same, for \$62½, 295.6 A on Stories Cr adj Walters. 23 May 1822. Wit: B. W. Milner, Jno Rinker.

Figure 103: Henry and David Berry sold a slave named Amy in 1821.

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Page August Court 1814

- 222 Plat of land of John Warren, decd., and division to Thomas Brandon, John McCain, John Scott in right of their wives: sons Bluford and Stuart Warren; William Phelps in right of wife Jane. 3 May 1814. Commissioners: Goodlo Warren, Edmond Dixon, David Hemphill, Jno. Daniel.
- 224 Bill of sale: Daniel Malone to Write Nichols.
- 225 Receipt of A. V. Dixon for wife Lucy's share of estate of her father Paul Jeffreys, decd. Wit: James Peters.
- 225 William Greenwood, orphan of 15 years the 22nd last June, apprentice to Reuben Long.
- 226 Estate of John Farrer, decd., account with John Pittard, exec. Accounts included payment to James McMurry for Waggoning 1 hhd. tobacco to Petersburg, 7 lb. 18 sh. 6 pence. Proceeds of tobacco sold by McMurry: 15 lbs. 8 sh. 9 pence. 15 Aug. 1814.
- 227 Inv. estate of James Farquhar Sen.
- 229 Sales estate of James Farquhar to:
- | | | |
|--------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Aaron Christenbury | George Berry | John Cate Sen. |
| Daniel Farmer | Henry Burch | Jas. Baldridge |
| Daniel Durham | Henry Berry | John Allen |
| Abram Moore | Henry Worsham | N. Norfleet |
| Bailor Burch | John Farquhar | Miles Wells Sen. |
| Charles Cate | Jas. Williamson | Robert Wade |
| Charles Rountree | Jas. Milner | Robert Wallis |
| Elijah Hester | John Brown | Robert Trim |
| Ephraim Hawkins | John McNab | Richd. Burch |
| John McCalis | Joshua Berry | Robt. Cummins |
| Jeremiah Blackard | Joseph Hubbard | Thomas Berry |
| John Moore | James McCulloch | Stephen Wells |
| Joseph Mansfield | John Blalock | William Moore |
| Joshua Cate Jun. | John Phelps | William Jackson |
| Samuel Woods | Nicholas Hester | William Farquhar |
| Stephen Moore | William Price | William Bush |
| Thomas Rountree | Thomas Blalock | Willis Wells |
| Thomas Parker | John Cate Jun. | Wright Nichols |
| Thomas Wells | James Farquhar | William Hannah |
| Thomas Hargis | John Combs | William Hargis |
| Edward Johnston | James Lockhart | John Cummins |
| | | Obediah Pearce |

November Court 1814

- 237 Sale: Robert Hester to Willson Jones.
- 238 Sale: Drury and Goodrich Jones to Willson Jones.
- 238 Jesse Dickens and wife Frances to Richard Standford of Orange Co. N.C. - release of land, their interest in Mt. Terza, property of widow of Gen. Stephen Moore. 29 Aug. 1814.
- 240 Charles Sallard, transfer of property to Daniel Beasley. 17 Sept. 1814
- 241 Charles Sallard, formerly of Nottaway Co. Va., sale to Daniel Beasley of Dinwiddie Co. Va. 26 Sept. 1814. Test: Robert W. Thomas.
- 242 Inv. estate of Nancy Howard, decd.
- 242 Sales estate of John Richardson to Lawrence Richardson, John Douglass, Edward Mitchell by Martha Richardson, adm.

Figure 104: Estate sale of James Farquhar Sr., Person County, NC

There were several Berry family members and neighbors who bought items at the

Farquhar estate sale. I am related to many of these families through my grandmother, Ida Ann Wilson, who married my grandfather, Wiley P. Berry. Other relatives named in the Farquhar estate sale are Cate, Jackson, Rountree, Woods, Wortham, Brown, Blalock, Farquhar and Nichols. My Wilson family arrived in Orange County, North Carolina, in the mid-seventeen hundreds, also.

James Williamson, who attended James Farquhar's estate sale, is the first Williamson I have located in the Orange County area. We continue to find surnames that are the same as families who were living in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in the early seventeen hundreds. They still show up clustered around our Berry family as late as 1820.

On **page 202**, we see two Robinson families living as neighbors to Henry Berry and the Fiddleton Plantation that Henry had just inherited. These same surnames also show up in Fayette County, Alabama, close to our Berry family there in the 1830's and later.

The Robinson name appears in records in many locations where our Berry family lived. (**See Pg. 103**) There are 11 Robinson marriages recorded in the Grooms' Book in Hillsborough, NC. I do not know of a marriage between the two families. They just seem to be neighbors and good friends.

For many years, I could not connect a family relationship with the Kings, Ashleys, and Berrys, either.

The fact that Liddy Berry and her daughter, Mary, did not appear in any census until 1840 indicates that Isaac Berry must have died between 1830 and 1840. It also indicates that Lydia Berry or her daughter was very likely Isaac Berry's daughter. Henry Berry made no mention of Lydia Berry or her daughter, Mary Ann Hunley, in his will.

The fact that the plantation house was given to Thomas and Polly King in Henry Berry's will indicates that Mary Ashley Berry King was Henry Berry's daughter. The other fact that we recently discovered was revealed when we located Susan Ann King's death certificate naming Mary Ashley King's maiden name as Berry.

Mary Ashley Berry King and Lydia Berry are most likely first cousins.

CHAPTER 14

THOMAS PERSON BERRY 1808-1884

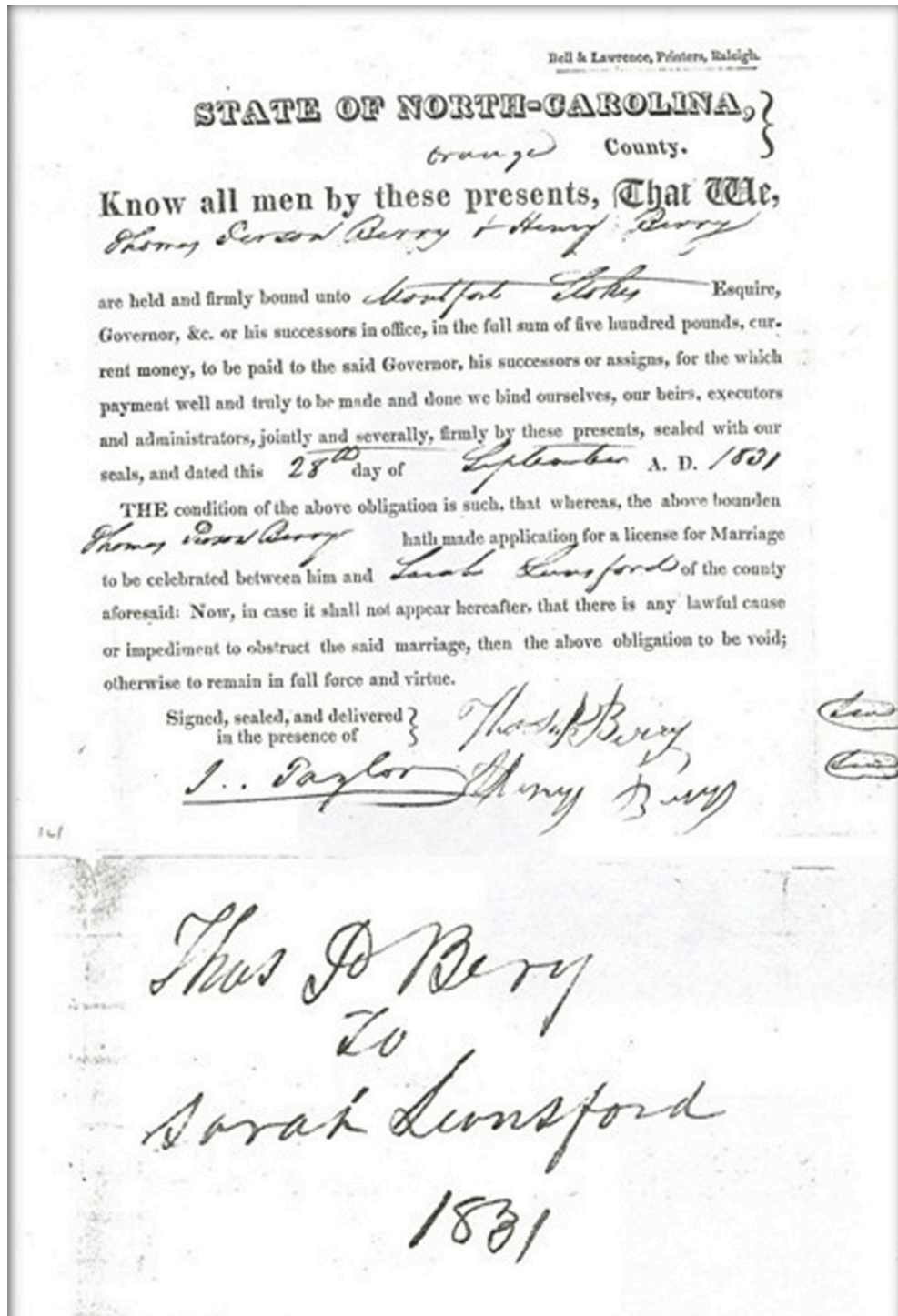


Figure 105: T.P. Berry marriage bond to Sarah Lunsford.

Thomas Person Berry was the son of William Berry and Hannah Cate. He was married three times and had children by each of his first two wives. I am descended from Thomas Person Berry and his first wife, Sarah Lunsford. She is the daughter of William Lunsford and Edy Brinkley Cozart. Edy's parents were James and Sarah Cozart. The Cozart family descended from Jacques Cossart, who was born in France. This family was the first Cozart Family to settle in America.

Thomas Person Berry and Sally Lunsford were married on September 30th, 1831, and had only been married a year when Thomas P. Berry signed his half-sister's wedding bond. Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry are my 2nd great-grandparents. Thomas Person Berry's marriage bond to Sarah Lunsford was signed by his uncle, Henry Berry, and Thomas Person Berry himself.

Children of Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry:

William H. Berry b.1836.	died.1858
Willie Berry b.1838.	died Unknown
John Robert Berry was b. Sept. 25 th , 1842.	died Oct 10 th , 1917
James P. Berry was born April, 1845	died Feb. 15 th , 1912.

Thomas and Sarah had four boys. They were married in 1831⁸¹ but did not have children until 1836, according to the 1850 census. It is quite possible they could have had children between 1831 & 1836 who were grown and away from home by 1850. If this is the case, most likely they were daughters; they also might have had stillbirths or children who died very young. There are no known records of any children, other than the four sons in the 1850 census from this union.

Thomas P. and Sarah Lunsford Berry's Children n & Spouses:

- William H. Berry, b 1836, married Sarah Frances King August 6, 1857. Sarah King was the daughter of Thomas and Mary (Polly) King. William and Sarah were first cousins once removed.

William H. Berry died during the 1857-1859 severe worldwide flu epidemics.

- Willie Berry; born 1838. Willie may have died in the civil war. There is no further information about him.

- John Robert Berry; b 1842, married Elizabeth Frances Bowling Nov. 30th, 1865.

John Robert and Elizabeth Bowling Berry are my great-grandparents.

- James P. Berry; b 1848, married Artelia Wedding Nov. 01st, 1871.

Artelia Wedding was the daughter of Joseph and Louisa Wedding.

On the 23rd day of November, 1831, Uncle Henry Berry sold 100 and 3/10 acres of land to William and Person Berry.⁸² I have never been able to determine if William Berry on this deed was Thomas Person Berry's father, brother, or his first cousin, William Clarence Berry. I think it is possible that Thomas Person Berry's father, William Berry, had gone to Lincoln County, Tennessee, around 1814, taking Thomas Person Berry's older brother with him. I am not sure what Thomas Person Berry's older brother was named.

This leaves William Clarence Berry as the most likely co-owner of this tract of land. William Clarence Berry married Sally Bowles on November 26th, 1826. Thomas Person Berry had married Sarah Lunsford on September 28th, 1831, two months before this land was purchased. William and Thomas only retained ownership of this property for about three years.

They sold the same tract of land to Samuel Wilson and his youngest son, Felix Wilson, on 19th day of September, 1833.⁸³ William Clarence and Sally Bowles Berry had three children who were born in Orange County, North Carolina.

Roseann (Roan) Frances Berry was the last child and she was born in 1833. I think Sally Bowles Berry died at Roan's birth or shortly thereafter. William Clarence Berry left North Carolina and married Massa Ann Thompkins either in South Carolina or Alabama before 1838.

I know that my 2nd great-grandfather, Thomas Person Berry, bought land with William Berry on November 23rd, 1830, (deed bk. 24 Page 226) from his uncle, Henry Berry, for \$500 and then sold it three years later on the 19th of September, 1833, for \$450 (deed bk. 45 Page 431). Selling land for less than it cost is not a typical Berry trait. Thomas Person Berry may have bought this land with his first cousin, William Clarence Berry, and sold it when Sally Bowles Berry died in 1833.

For more about this subject see Research of William C. Berry's parents on page 108.

A very interesting development occurred 62 years after Samuel Wilson and his son bought the property from Thomas Person Berry. Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry's grandson, Wiley P. Berry, married Ida Ann Wilson, who was Samuel Wilson's great-great-granddaughter. Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry are my grandparents and Samuel Wilson is my 4th great-grandfather.

My grandfather, Wiley P. Berry, owned quite a bit of the original plantation at one time, and I do have some fond memories of visiting his farm when I was very young. My mother told me that she used to play in her great-grandfather, Thomas Person Berry's, old home place.

Thomas Person and Sally Lunsford Berry are buried in the Fiddleton Plantation Cemetery located on the original 1757 Granville Land Grant.



Figure 106: Thomas P. Berry's home built in 1852

Thomas Person Berry's second wife was Lucy Brown (Lucy Brown was the daughter of Alfred and Martha Brown).⁸⁴ Thomas and Lucy had five children who were very young when their mother, Lucy Brown Berry, died.

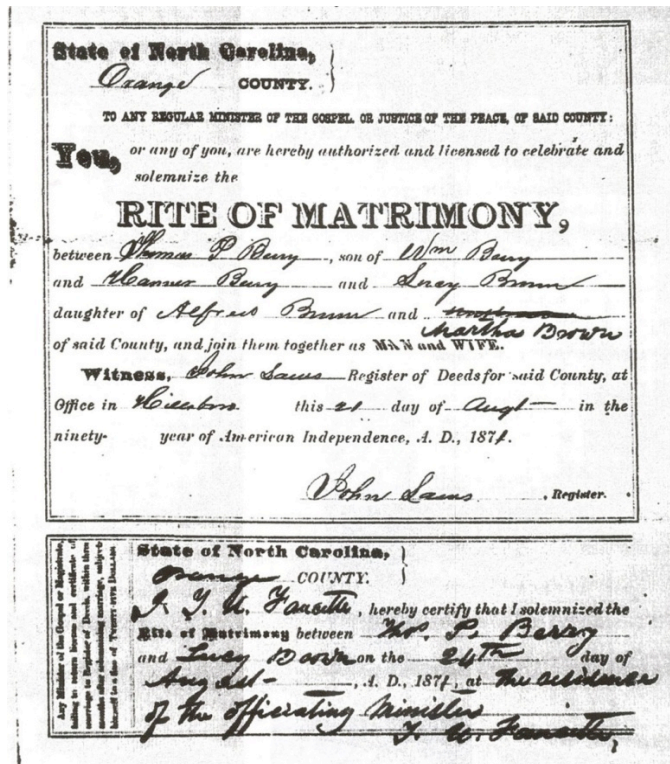


Figure 107: Thomas Person Berry's marriage license to Lucy Brown 1871

Children of Thomas Person and Lucy Brown Berry:

Edna H. Berry	born June 1 st , 1872	died April 3 rd , 1929
Martha Bowers Berry	born June 27 th , 1873	died December 29 th , 1939
Etta E. Berry	born Sept. 11 th , 1874	
Della Thomas Berry	born Feb. 8 th , 1877	
Daniel R. Berry	born Dec. 23 rd , 1880	died May 31 st , 1957

Thomas married his third wife, who was named Elizabeth Peed Bowles, on December 6th, 1883. This marriage had to be one of convenience, because Thomas Person Berry needed someone to care for his five young children. Thomas Person Berry died about 5 months later on April 30th, 1884.

There was a large court case over his estate, which he left intestate. The orphans' grandmother, Martha Brown, entered a suit against the estate to gain support for the 5 Berry orphans. She stated that the money collected for sale of the remaining Thomas Person Berry property should be used for supporting her grandchildren. Martha Brown stated that the older sons by his first wife had already been given property and the money received from the remainder of the estate should be divided into five parts and not seven parts. She argued that the two grown sons, John Robert and James P. Berry, had already received their inheritance. The orphans eventually won the case.

The marriage license for Thomas Person Berry's second marriage had a place on the form for him to name his parents. It was this document that identified William and Hannah Berry as his parents. This was a great find for me and opened up a verifiable line back to Robert &

Elizabeth Cate Berry as my 4th great-grandparents. There had been some confusion in some earlier research which indicated that Thomas Person Berry was the son of Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry (OC) and not their grandson. This confusion existed because Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry had a son named Thomas Berry. This family has been difficult to research because so many children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren did have the same given names. Documents like Thomas Person Berry's second marriage license are vitally important in sorting out our family.

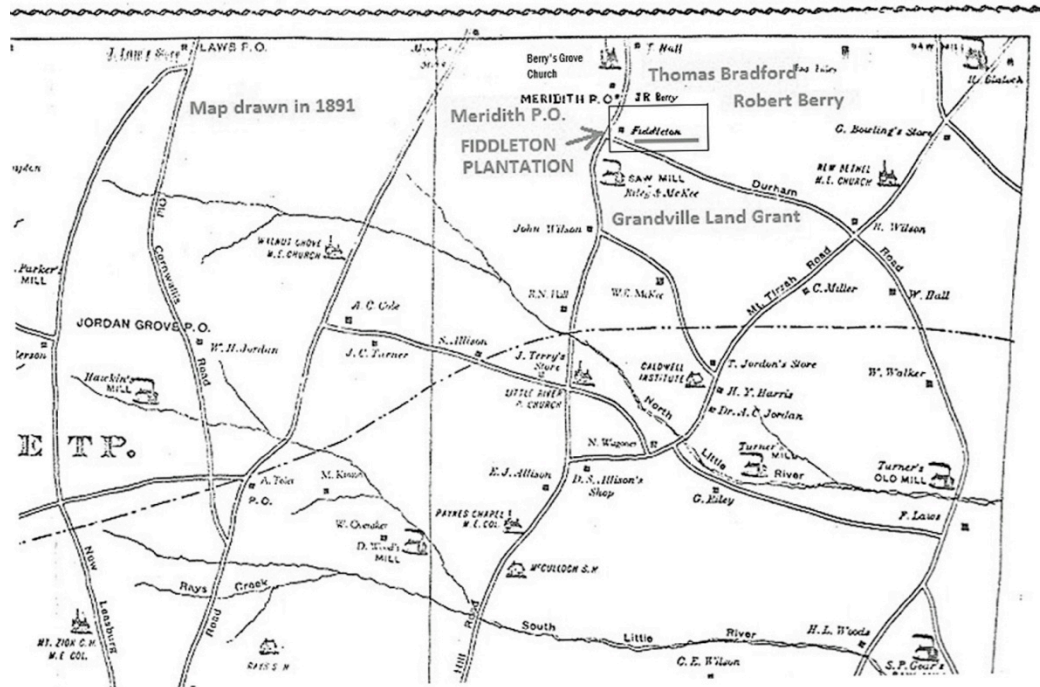


Figure 108: North Corner of 1891 George Tate Map showing Fiddleton
This is a section of a map that was originally drawn in 1891 by GEORGE W. TATE for the BINGAM SCHOOL.

I have drafted some information on this map to pin point where Robert Berry's 1757 Granville Land Grant was located. You will note that George Tate placed the name Fiddleton on the location that corresponds with Robert Berry's Land Grant.

The spot to the left of the name Fiddleton is where Thomas Person Berry's home was located. He built this home in 1852. Thomas Person Berry died 7 years before this map was drawn. Nobody may have been living in his house in 1891, and this may be the reason it was not identified as his home. (A picture of his home is on **Fig. 106, Pg. 209**)

John Robert Berry's home is locate near his name on this map and his son, my grandfather, Wiley P. Berry, was age 12 and living at home with his parents when this map was done. (**See: John Robert Berry's home on Page 215**)

Wiley P. Berry built his home about where the O in Meredith P.O. is printed on this map. He built his home about the time he was married in 1895. (**See: W.P. Berry's home on page 222**)

A list of the sale of the property of Hannah Berry &c.
 sold on a Credit of Six Months By Tho S Berry Admin^r
 this 20th of March 1858

Purchasers Names	Property	£	d
Thomas Laws	1 Sow & two Pigs	3	50
Alon M. Berry	1 Do & Six Do	7	05
Wm. Berry	4 Sheep 1 st Choice for 5. 00	8	04
Do Do	4 Do 2 ^d Do for 5. 00	5	00
Samuel W. Hall	1 Cow & Calf	10	15
Alon M. Hall	1 Hog 1 st Choice	6	00
Do Do	1 Do 2 ^d Do	5	35
Do Do	1 Do 3 ^d Do	5	01
Wm. Berry	1 Saddle Horse	32	10
Nicholas Berry	1 Bedstead & Furniture	6	10
Do Do	1 Cotton Wheel	1	10
		\$	94 70

An inventory of the property of
 Hannah Berry &c. taken by Tho S Berry
 1 Saddle Horse 1 Cow & Calf 8 head of
 Sheep 2 Sows & Pigs 3 Shout Hogs
 Bed & Furniture

Figure 109: Hannah Cate Berry's Estate Sale

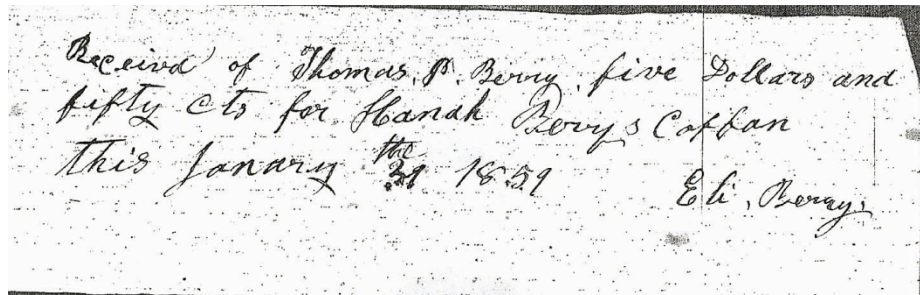


Figure 110: Receipt for Hannah Cate Berry's Casket

Since the census records before 1850 did not list names except those of heads of household, I do not know where Hannah Berry was living in 1820, 1830, or 1840. I strongly believe she was living in Orange County, North Carolina, all those years. Hannah Berry's son, Thomas Person Berry, and her daughter, Elizabeth Berry, were married in Orange County in 1831 and 1833. Hannah Berry was definitely living with Henry Berry in the 1850 Census and her age was recorded as 80. This would mean that she was born in 1770. Hannah Cate Berry lived until 1858 and died at the age of 88. Hannah Berry died the same year that a worldwide flu epidemic was recorded. Thomas Person Berry's oldest son, William H. Berry, and Joshua Berry's son, Lewis Berry, also died at the same time. All three of them died in early January of 1858. I feel certain that all of them died of the flu. Theodrick Franklin also died that same year in Floyd County, Georgia, and Elizabeth Berry Franklin returned to Orange County in 1860. As fate would have it and to our great good fortune, she was staying with her half-brother, Thomas Person Berry, when the 1860 census was taken. I have no idea what Elizabeth Berry Franklin was able to inherit from her mother's estate in 1860

William H. Berry had married Sarah King, the daughter of Thomas and Mary King, in 1857. He was married to Sarah only one year before he died. Thomas and Mary King were the couple who inherited the Fiddleton home place from Henry Berry in his 1855 will. (**Fig.102, Pg. 203**) William H. Berry and Sarah King were cousins. William H. Berry's widow, Sarah Francis King Berry, married Hezikiah Terry on June 7th, 1860.

When Hannah Berry died, her son, Thomas Person Berry, was appointed by the court to administer her estate. In the following documents we learn that Eli Berry, a nephew of Hannah Cate Berry, built her coffin for \$5.50. (**See Fig. 110 on page 213**) We also learn on page **212** that Hannah Cate Berry had very little property to pass on to her heirs.

CHAPTER 15

JOHN ROBERT BERRY 1842-1917

John Robert Berry was born on September 25th, 1842, and was the third son of Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry. He is also my great-grandfather. He fought in the Civil war and was wounded in the battle of Cold Harbor. After the War he returned to Orange County, North Carolina, and married Elizabeth Frances Bowling on November 30th, 1865.

Children of John Robert and Elizabeth Bowling Berry:

Emma G. Berry	born October 31 st , 1866	died Feb. 12 th , 1945
Cora D. Berry	born January 14 th , 1868	died June 26 th , 1950
Wiley P. Berry	born September 12 th , 1869	died May 8 th , 1965
John W. Berry	born February 2 nd , 1871	died Dec. 22 nd , 1922
Mary A. Berry	born 1873	died after 1957
Ada Lee Berry	born July 11, 1875	died Nov. 22 nd , 1968
Willie Adolphus Berry	born June 3 rd , 1877	died Jan. 8 th , 1961
Thomas Ewart Berry	born January 25 th , 1880	died Dec. 15 th , 1960
Pattie S. Berry	born August 8 th , 1886	died Dec. 12 th , 1915



John Robert Berry's Home

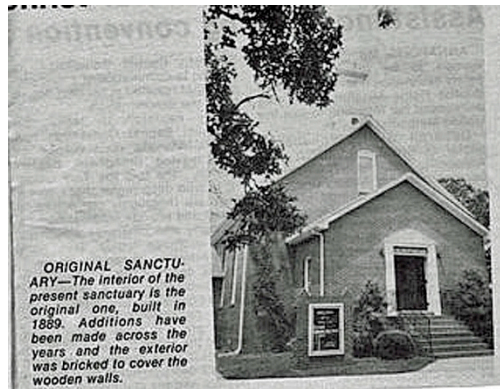


John Robert Berry's Store
& Meredith Post Office



John & Elizabeth Berry. They gave the land for Berry's Grove Baptist Church.

All nine of John Robert Berry's children were born in Orange County, North Carolina. All of their children married and made their homes in North Carolina.



Spouses Of John Robert Berry's Children:

Emma Berry married John Saunders Berry on October 15th, 1884.

Emma is the great-granddaughter of William Berry.

John Saunders Berry is the grandson of Joshua Berry.

John Saunders Berry died on March 1st, 1938. John & Emma had 7 children.

Cora D. Berry married Frank Ashel Breeze on June 26th, 1889.

Frank A. Breeze died on June 26th, 1950. Frank & Cora had 9 children.

Wiley P. Berry married Ida Ann Wilson on June 2nd, 1895.

W. P. And Ida had 8 children.

Ida Wilson Berry died on May 4th, 1941, by car accident.

John W. Berry was never married.

John was born on February 2nd, 1871 and died on December 22nd, 1923.

Mary A. Berry married James O. Webb.

James and Mary had 2 Children.

Ada Lee Berry married William Jackson Rogers about 1896.

William and Ada had 9 children.

William Jackson Rogers died on April 12th, 1931.

Willie Adolphus Berry married Fanny Bennett Hall on June 3rd, 1900.

Willie and Fanny had 10 children.

Fanny Berry died on August 23rd, 1980.

Thomas Ewart Berry married Mary Ella Tilly June 3rd, 1900.

Thomas Ewart and Mary Berry had 6 children.

Mary Ella Tilly Berry was born July 25th, 1881, and died Sept. 17th, 1945.

Pattie S. Berry married F. C. Wilson.

F.C. and Pattie Wilson had 1 child.

Pattie S. Berry was born Aug 8th, 1886, and died Dec. 12th, 1915.

John Robert and Elizabeth Francis Bowling Berry had 52 grandchildren.

CSA Service Record:

Name: John R Berry:

Residence: Orange County, North Carolina

Enlistment Date: 06 October, 1861

Distinguished Service: Distinguished Service

Side Served: Confederacy

State Served: North Carolina

Unit Numbers: 141

Service Record: Enlisted as a Private at the age of 19 discharged on June 23rd 1865 in Elmira New York.

Enlisted in Company E, 31st Infantry Regiment, North Carolina, on 06 October, 1861.

POW on 08 February 1862 at Roanoke Island, NC.

Paroled on 21 February 1862 at Elizabeth City, NC.

Returned on 15 September 1862.

POW on 01 June 1864 at Cold Harbor, VA.

Wounded on 01 June 1864 at Cold Harbor, VA.

Confined on 16 August 1864 at Old Capitol Prison, Washington, DC.

Transferred on 27 August, 1864, at Elmira, NY.

Took Oath of Allegiance on 23 June, 1865, at Elmira, NY.

CHAPTER 16

WILEY P. BERRY 1769-1965

Wiley P. Berry was the third child of John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Berry.

He was born and lived his life in Orange County, North Carolina. He was always referred to as P. Berry by most of his family. Tragedy struck our family when I was eleven years old. My grandmother, Ida Ann Wilson Berry, was struck and killed by an automobile on May 4th, 1941. Soon after that tragedy my grandfather stopped farming. It is hard for me to realize that Grandma never knew anything about World War II.

There is an interesting story about the marriage of my grandparents. The happy couple was married in Ida's parents' home. Her parents were Charles Eli and Mary Jane Coleman Wilson. Charles Eli Wilson prepared a room for their first night over the kitchen in his home. Many of the newlyweds' friends and family attended the wedding and the celebration that followed at the Wilsons' home. My guess is that the party went on several hours in the kitchen, long after the young couple had retired to their honeymoon room above the kitchen. The couple was apparently married on Saturday, because when my grandparents took their own buggy to church the next morning, my grandmother raised her umbrella and put it behind her head so the family and friends who were following could not see Grandpa kiss her. Times and customs have changed a lot since then. Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry were married on June 2nd, 1895.⁸⁵

My grandparents built their home on 100 acres of land John Robert Berry gave them. Grandma did not have a cook stove when they were first married. They had a pot rack that was mounted on the right side of the fireplace. Grandma would hang an iron pot on the hook and swing it over the open fire. This is how she cooked her meats and vegetables. She used a Dutch oven that sat in the hot coals on the hearth to bake her bread. The kitchen and dining room was built separate from the main part of the house. There was a covered breezeway between the two parts of the building. This was done as a safety precaution from the fire hazard of cooking. The kitchen was on the west side of the house and there was a dug well about 10 feet south of the kitchen. This well was in the center of a concrete porch that was covered. This convenience was there so you could draw water up from the well in any kind of weather. The main part of the building consisted of a living room and a bedroom on the first floor and two bedrooms on the second floor. There was a porch that went around three sides of the lower level of the house. On the porch over the well, they had a flat board mounted between two of the posts which served as a shelf. There was always a bucket of water sitting there and an aluminum wash pan on this shelf. There was a towel hanging on a nail driven into the post. There were gourd dippers hanging from the post. Every Monday morning, Grandma would build a fire in the yard under a cast iron wash pot filled with water. She would wash their clothes using homemade lye soap. After scrubbing the clothes on a washboard she would rinse them, and hang them out to dry on a clothesline. Grandpa made his living farming and running a small country store. He raised tobacco, corn, and wheat. He raised all of the family's food, trapped small animals and sold their pelts. He never had any debt and was very conservative with his money. He ran for Orange County Commissioner in 1932 and served in that position until 1936.

Children of Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry:

William Eugene Berry: born September 1st, 1896; died on September 30th, 1984.

He married Pattie Alma McAdams on June 6th, 1921.

She was born November 17th, 1899. She died on April 16, 1993.

Mary Elizabeth Berry: born August 23rd, 1899; died on November 13th, 1957.

She married Brodie Shakespeare Carr September 17, 1925.

Brodie was born June 27th, 1898; died August 24th, 1973.

Thomas Young Berry: born May 11th, 1903. He died of typhoid fever on June 8th, 1925.

Thomas was engaged to marry Hattie Davis in the month that he died.

Sally Malena Berry: born July 20th, 1908; died on March 19th, 2002.

She married Jesse Clyde Henderson on September 22nd, 1928.

Clyde was born September 19th, 1905; died on June 11th, 1984.

Malena Berry and Clyde Henderson are buried at Montlawn Memorial Park in

Raleigh, North Carolina. The GPS reading for their graves:

N 35 degrees 44.259' W 076 degrees 38.852'

Woodrow Wilson Berry: born April 3rd, 1912; died May 3rd, 1989.

He married Ora Mae Murray on July 7th, 1936.

Ora Mae was born May 22nd, 1919; died on September 21st, 2002.

Wiley Harold Berry: born March 9th, 1914; died on June 24th, 2006.

Married Hilda Elizabeth Nichols on December 27th, 1934.

Hilda was born February 18th, 1917; died on August 7th, 2002.

Infant son: born on September 23rd, 1916, and died the same day.

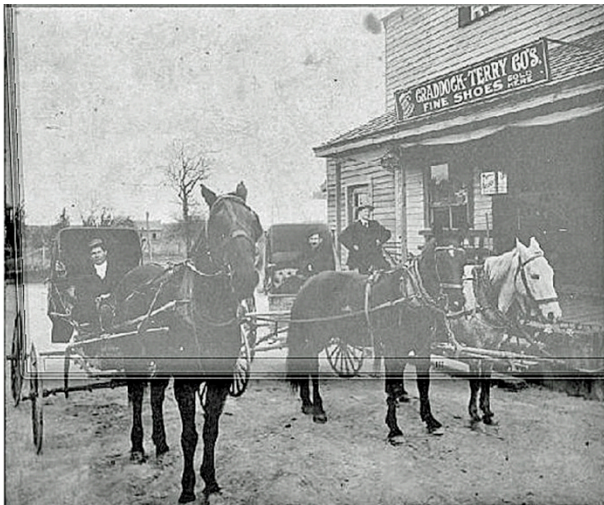
He is buried at Berry's Grove Baptist Church.

Wiley P. Berry Jr.: born September 1st, 1919; died on August 18th, 2007.

His wife is still living.

Dr. Joseph Ira Coleman was my grandmother's uncle, and my mother said they always called him Uncle Doc. He delivered my mother and her sister and brothers.

Dr. Coleman made his home in Bushy Fork, Person County, NC. Dr. Ira Coleman wrote a paper about his childhood and what he remembered about the Civil War. He was born on 27th of October, 1861, so he was very young when the war started.



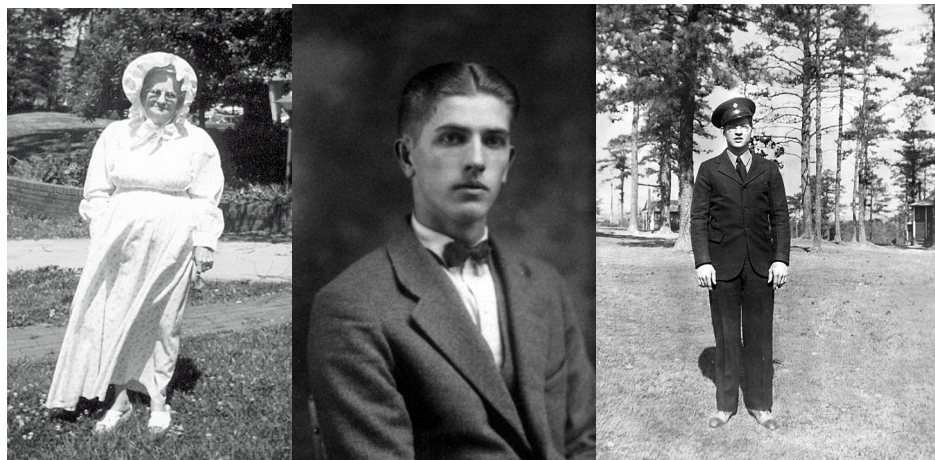
He also listed several generations of the Coleman family ancestors in his paper, and I have a complete copy.

Dr. Coleman is in his buggy pictured on the left. He always had a black horse and a dog that rode in the seat beside him

My grandmother, Ida Ann Wilson Berry, was killed on May 4th, 1941, by an automobile. She was crossing the road when she was hit. It was at night and the driver did not see her. She died instantly. Grandpa Berry was about one or two steps ahead of Grandma and had Woodrow Berry's oldest daughter, Peggy Berry, in his arms.



Ida Ann Wilson Berry-- Wiley P. Berry family, Orange County, NC--W.P. & Ida Berry



Sally Malena Berry Henderson made the dress she is wearing in the picture on the left. She told me that this is what her work clothes looked like when she was a young girl working on their farm. In the center photograph you see Thomas Young Berry. Thomas died of typhoid fever a few weeks before he was to be married. He died on June 8th, 1825. He was the third child of Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry. On the right is Wiley P. Berry Jr. He attended the 2007 Fiddleton Reunion and died one month later. He was the baby of the family and the last member of the W.P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry family to die. At least one of W.P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry's children lived on this earth from 1896 until 2007, for a total 111 years.

The first two grandchildren of W.P. and Ida Ann Berry died in 2011.
Peggy Mae Berry Sell was born on July 21st, 1937, and died on April 19th, 2011.
Peggy was one of five daughters of Woodrow and Ora Mae Murray Berry.
Thomas Eugene Berry Sr. was born on May 3rd, 1928, and died on July 1st, 2011.
Thomas was the only son of William Eugene and Pattie Alma McAdams Berry.
Joan Elizabeth Bell, who was a great-granddaughter, died in September, 2010.
Jamie McLeod, who was a great-great-granddaughter, died in January, 2011.



Left to Right: W.P. Berry Jr., Wiley Harold Berry, Woodrow Wilson Berry, Thomas Eugene Berry, and Wiley P. Berry Senior. Circa 1936

Left to Right: Thomas Eugene Berry, Mae Berry Carr, Malena Berry Henderson, Woodrow Wilson Berry, Wiley Harold Berry, Wiley P. Berry Jr.



This picture was taken in May of 1941. I don't know if it was before or after Grandma Ida Ann Wilson Berry's funeral



B. S. Carr Store in Hillsborough, North Carolina, Circa 1930.
Mae Berry Carr standing at the gas pump.



In the Picture on the right you have Woodrow Berry, age 74, sitting; and standing left to right are Harold Berry, age 72; Malena Berry Henderson, age 78; and W.P. Berry Jr., age 67.

In the 1915 picture on the left you have, starting from the left: Harold Berry, age 1; Malena Berry, age 6; and Woodrow Berry, age 3. You can see the covered well in the background. This well was just off the kitchen and dining room of my grandparent's home. At the time of this picture, the floor was made of wood. When I remember this porch, it had a concrete floor around the well. The thing that is remarkable about these two pictures is the direction that Harold, Malena, and Woodrow were looking in each photograph. One would almost think this was planned, but I assure you that it wasn't. I took the picture on the right. Wiley P. Berry and Ida Ann Wilson Berry have no children alive today. They do have grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren, and great-great-great-grandchildren. Grandpa's house was located on the Brown Road about three hundred yards west of the road from Hillsborough to Roxboro. Meredith School was located on the Brown Road further west of my grandparents' home. This school is where my mother and all of her siblings attended grade school. One of the teachers from Meredith School lived with my grandparents at one time.



WILEY P. AND IDA ANN BERRY'S HOME PLACE



CHAPTER 17

Y-DNA TESTING

At the beginning of the Berry Y-DNA project, all of us thought that, because of the similarity in given names, all Berry families would eventually be found to be related. After testing about 218 Berry males, we now know that there are at least 18 unrelated Berry families living in America today. At the time of this writing, there are 13 matching Y-DNA participants in our Orange County Berry Family Y-DNA project. There are currently 218 participants in this entire Berry Y-DNA project group. There are 14 separate identified families who go by the Berry surname. There is a very interesting story about how the Berry Y-DNA project got started. Our own Carolyn (Cookie) Paulson had located her ancestor, John Berry, living in Rusk County, Texas, in the 1860 census. She had found all of the archival documents from John and Mary Howell Berry down to herself. She knew that her archival trail was solid and was trying to locate John Berry's ancestors. She had tried for many years to find who John Berry's parents were. Cookie knew that John was born in North Carolina. She also knew that he was born in 1815. Cookie and I had corresponded on several occasions about the illusive John Berry. She once told me that she was about ready to accept any Berry from North Carolina who could pass as John Berry's father. Knowing her as I do, she was joking, of course, since she would never approach genealogy in this unprofessional way. Because of her persistent attitude, she looked into what was involved in taking Y-DNA test. She convinced her cousin, participant #8, to take this test and she started the Berry Y-DNA as project administrator. I asked my uncle, W.P. Berry Jr., if he would take a test and he agreed to do this. He was # 18 in the Berry Y-DNA project. On July 20th, 2004, I had an email from Cookie telling me that #8 and # 18 had a matching set of Y-DNA results. She also attached a picture of herself and Joyce Foster, her cousin from the John Berry line. It just so happened that we were having the local Wiley P. Berry reunion that very day. I printed a copy of the picture and made the announcement at our gathering that Sunday. After it was known that John Berry somehow descended from Robert Berry in Orange County, North Carolina, we still could not determine who John's parents were. We did not discover this information for three more years. I located a John Berry family who was living in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1840. He was the right age and this led to us finding that Robert Berry Jr. and his entire family had moved there in 1824. It turned out that John Berry was his grandson and John Berry's parents were George and Susan Aldridge Berry. Here we have to give credit to Victor Glenn Berry's book, *Wagons South Wagons West*, for helping verify our research. In September, 2008, Bob, Cookie, Jean, and I spent the day in Fayette County, Alabama, and visited a little town named Berry, Alabama. This town was named in honor of Thompson P. Berry, who was a son of Robert Berry Jr. We went to the courthouse and retrieved many records on this branch of our Berry family. I will add that it was a very enjoyable day in my life. I am not sure that Bob and Jean enjoyed it as much as Cookie and I did, but both were very tolerant. You can view the Y-DNA charts on page 224 that list all the markers of 12 of the participants in our Orange County Berry Y-DNA Project. Y-DNA testing is continuing to become more efficient and less costly.

We have a new validated participant since I did the Y-DNA charts on page 224. He is **George David Berry, participant #218. (See pages 191 & 228)**

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7	GW Berry #134	14	24	15	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
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9	Thomas Line																									
10	John #39	14	24	16	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	18	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
11	Jeff #44	14	24	16	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	18	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
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14	William Line																									
15	Wiley #18	14	24	15	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
16	Harold #123	14	24	15	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
17																										
18	Joshua Line																									
19	Ken #83	14	24	15	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
20	Charles #116	14	24	15	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
21																										
22	David J. Line																									
23	Dane #35	14	24	15	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
24	Billy J #122	14	24	15	10	11	14	12	12	12	13	13	29	17	9	9	11	11	25	15	19	29	14	15	17	18
25																										

Figure 111: Berry Y-DNA CHART 1: Markers 1 though 25.

	A	AA	AB	AC	AD	AE	AF	AG	AH	AI	AJ	AK	AL
		DYS 460	GAT AH 4	YCA 11 a	YCA 11 b	DYS 450	DYS 607	DYS 576	DYS 570	CDY a	CDY b	DYS 442	DYS 438
1													
2	Markers	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37
3													
4	Robert Jr. Line												
5	Billy #8	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	36	37	12	10
6	Dave #101	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	37	37	13	10
7	GW Berry #134	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	37	37	12	10
8													
9	Thomas Line												
10	John #39	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	37	37	12	10
11	Jeff #44	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	19	37	37	12	10
12	Tom #180	10	10	19	23	15						12	10
13													
14	William Line												
15	Wiley #18	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	37	37	12	10
16	Harold #123	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	37	37	12	10
17													
18	Joshua Line												
19	Ken #83	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	19	36	38	12	10
20	Charles #116	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	37	38	13	10
21													
22	David J. Line												
23	Dane #35	10	10	19	23	15	16	18	20	36	37	12	10
24	Billy J #122	10	10	19	23	15	15	18	20	36	37	12	10
25													

Figure 112: Berry Y-DNA Chart 2: Markers 26 through 37.

Genetic Influence on Five Berry Brothers' Lines over 280 years

We have discovered that our genes are very powerful and have replicated appearances over several generations and in different family lines. Note the facial structure and their ears.



The picture on the left is Joshua Berry Jr. He is a grandson of Robert Berry (OC) and was born on the 15th of April, 1801, in Orange County, North Carolina. He died in Benton County, Iowa, on May 29th, 1879. He descends from Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry.

The picture in the middle is of Wiley P. Berry, who is a great-great-grandson of Robert Berry (OC). W. P. Berry was born on September 8th, 1869, and died on 8th May, 1965. He descends from William and Hannah Cate Berry. William Berry and Joshua Berry were brothers. W. P. Berry was born in Orange County, North Carolina, and he died there.

The picture on the right is of Francis Marion Berry, who is also a great-great-grandson of Robert Berry (OC). Francis was born in Texas on February 23rd, 1861, and died in Sunray, Moore County, Texas, on January 8th, 1943. He descends through Robert Berry Jr., who was the oldest brother of Joshua Berry and William Berry.

Five Berry men from William, Robert Jr, and Joshua Berry Line;



Wiley.P Will Thomas E. Francis Joshua Jr.

In the picture above and on the left, you have three of John Robert Berry's sons. All were born in Orange County and died in North Carolina. On the left is Wiley P. Berry **1869-1965**, in the center is Willie Adolphus Berry **1877-1964**, and on the right is Thomas Ewart Berry **1880-1960**. In the center photo is Francis Marion Berry **1861-1942**. He is the son of John Berry who was in Texas in 1860. In the photo on the right is Joshua Berry Jr. **1801-1879**. All of these five men could easily pass as brothers

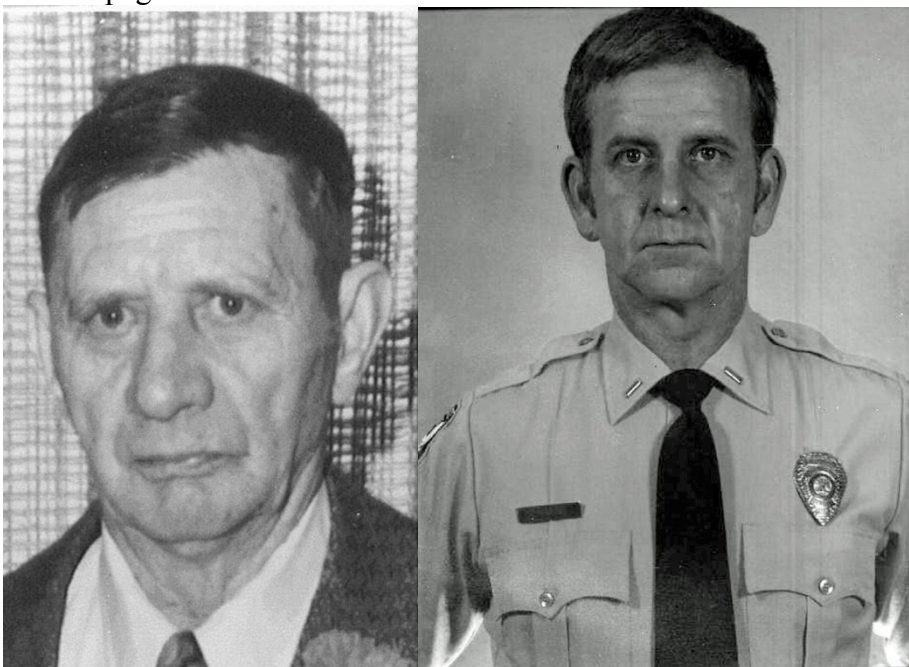
I cannot see Joshua Berry Junior's eyes, but W. P. Berry had such light blue eyes that sometimes they would not show up in a picture. It looks like Francis Marion's eyes are the same.

You will notice the facial structure and ears are also very similar in all three men.

We have seen a similar favor between two living male Berry descendants. One lives in Alabama and is from the David J. Berry line, while the other is from North Carolina and descends from both Joshua and William Berry's lines.

We have a young lady from the David J. Berry line who looks very much like a young lady who descends from William Berry.

We have at least one more known example of a close resemblance between distant cousins on this page.



Thomas Berry line

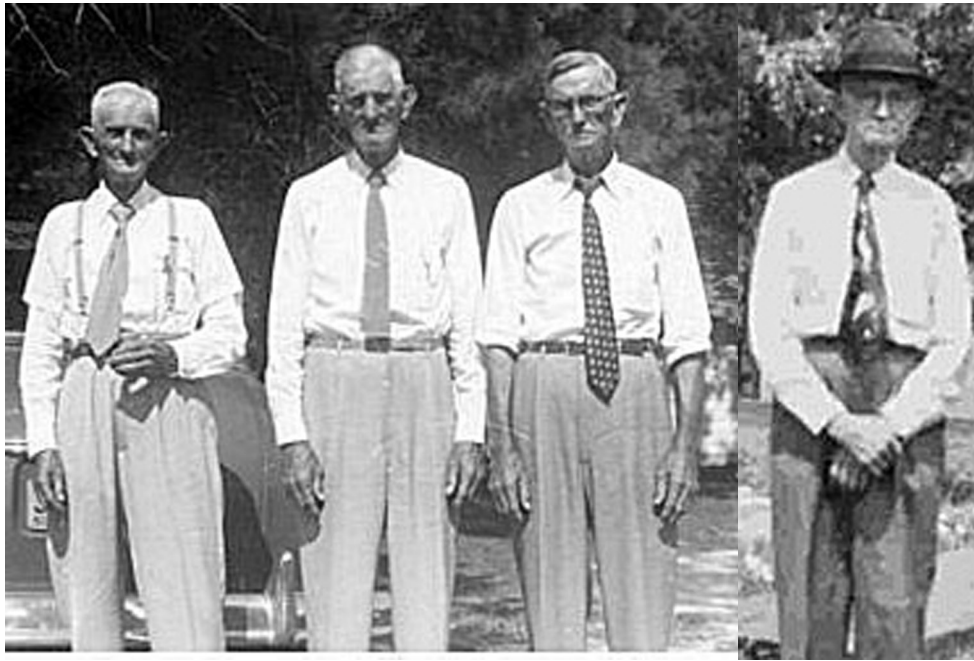
David J. Berry line

The picture on the left is of Ernest John Berry and he descends from the Thomas Berry line. He is a great-great-great-great-grandson of Robert Berry (OC). Ernest John was born in Cypress Inn, Tennessee, on November 25th, 1911, and died there on July 14th, 1977.

Thomas Berry, Robert Berry Jr., David J. Berry, Joshua Berry, John Berry, Isaac Berry, William Berry, and Henry Berry are all brothers.

The picture on the right is Raymond Berry, who descends from the David J. Berry line. Raymond is also a great-great-great-great-grandson of Robert Berry (OC).

Descendants of Robert Berry Jr., Joshua Berry, Thomas Berry, David J. Berry, and William Berry participated in the Berry Y-DNA project. We have no male descendants of John Berry, Isaac Berry, or Henry Berry. They all descend from Robert Berry (OC) and Robert Berry (PAC).



WILLIAM BERRY LINE
Wiley P. Berry Sr., Willie A. Berry, Thomas E. Berry

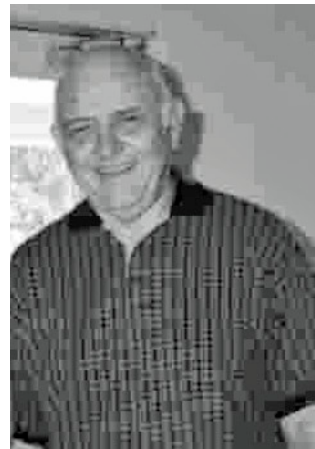
DAVID J.BERRY LINE
William Oscar Berry



David J. Berry Line
Isaac M. Berry



Joshua & William Berry line



David J. Berry line

Y-DNA PARTICIPANT FAMILY LINES

Robert Berry (PAC)

Robert Berry (OC)

Mary Berry Camp no Y-DNA possible.

Robert Berry Jr. line has 3 Y- DNA participants.

Billy Wayne Berry # 8

David Lee Berry # 101

George Wesley Berry # 134

John Berry none found.

Isaac Berry no Y-DNA possible.

Elizabeth Berry no Y-DNA possible.

Joshua Berry line has 2 Y-DNA participants.

Kenneth Ronald Berry # 83

Charles Thomas Berry Jr. # 116

Thomas Berry line has 3 DNA participants.

John Allen Berry # 39

Jeffery Bryon Berry # 44

Thomas Keith Berry # 180

David J. Berry line has 2 Y-DNA participants.

Dane Eaton Berry # 35

Billy J. Berry # 122

William Berry line has 2 Y-DNA participants

Wiley Person Berry Jr. #18

Harold Bernard Berry # 123

George David Berry # 218

New Y-DNA participant*

Henry Berry no Y-DNA possible

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* Not included in the Y-DNA charts on **page 224**.

You may visit the Berry Y-DNA project at the address listed below.

BERRY DNA PROJECT URL

http://freepages.genealogy.rootsweb.com/~langolier/BerryDNA/dna_home.html

URL with our Berry Y-DNA information can also be found on my web page.

<http://berrytree.org>

CHAPTER 18

SOME BERRY FAMILY STORIES

In the August term of 1803 Orange County Court, William Cate's inventory sale⁸⁶ of personal property was recorded. The Berry family was well represented as purchasers of many items. Robert Berry Sr. and his wife, Elizabeth Cate Berry, both bought items. Their sons William, Thomas, Joshua, and Robert Berry Jr. are all listed on this document. It is very clear why Thomas and William Berry should be at this sale. William was married to Hannah Cate and Thomas was married to Sarah Cate. William Cate was their father. A very interesting purchase made that day was a pair of cotton cards that Thomas Berry bought. This was of interest because of what happened many years later. Thomas paid 2 schillings, 1 pence for the pair of cards.

Thomas and his brother William left their wives, the Cate sisters, in Orange County about 1808 and went to Tennessee searching for some land. Neither of them returned to stay in Orange County and when Robert Berry Sr. wrote his will on April 16th, 1812, Thomas Berry was deceased. William only inherited one pound in his father's will. William Berry must have returned to Tennessee with Thomas Berry's widow, Sarah Cate Berry, to claim the land that Thomas had staked out. Soon after Sarah Berry got to Tennessee, she married John Pigg.

About 170 years later, John Allen Berry inherited a pair of cards from his mother that belonged to his great-grandmother, Mary Pigg Berry, in Tennessee. Are these the same Cards? It is certainly possible that they are the same pair of cards that Allen's 4th great-grandfather, Thomas Berry, bought in Orange County, North Carolina, in August of 1803. There is no reason to believe that Sarah Cate Berry would not have taken these cards with her when she left for Tennessee. After all, the cards were bought by her deceased husband at her father's estate sale. Cards would also be a prized possession because of their function. Mary Pigg Berry was Sarah Cate Berry's great-granddaughter.

NOTE: Cotton cards are two flat thin boards with a lot of sharp spikes driven through them extending through the boards on the other side. These cards had round wooden handles attached them. A person using the cards would hold a card in each hand by its handle and place raw cotton between them to comb the seeds out of the cotton fiber. This was necessary to prepare the cotton fiber for spinning into thread. After 1794 when Eli Whitney invented the cotton gin, the demand for these cards would have been reduced to home use only. I am sure the family would pass these cards down from generation to generation. These cards were also used to prepare wool for spinning.

COVERED WAGONS AND BOXCARS

FROM TEXAS TO COLORADO AND BACK

In 1917, Alexander Howard Berry was 53 years old. Jobs were hard to find, so Alexander and some members of his family loaded up in covered wagons and headed to Colorado, where there were supposed to be some jobs. There were 10 adults and 9 children who made this trek from Texas to Pueblo, Colorado. Below is the story as written by a member of the A.H. Berry family:

“LEONA BERRY, daughter of Alexander Howard and Priscilla Gregory Berry, was born on November 19, 1894, in Indian Territory. Leona Berry married Ben Summers Jan 4,

1911. He died in the 1917 flu epidemic in Colorado. The family heard there was work in Colorado so the A.H. Berrys, their son Willie Howell Berry with son Alec, daughter Hettie and a second son, Willie Howell Berry Jr., born June 2, 1917; the Ben Summers family with three children, Newborn, born 1913, J.C., born 1915, and Maggie born 1917; the Hal Johnsons and seven children, Myrtle, Edith, Lula, Matthew, Albert, Will, Etta, and Leola; and the C.L. Johnsons all loaded into covered wagons and went to Pueblo, Colorado. When they arrived at Pueblo, the Hal Johnson and Ben Summers families loaded their belongings into boxcars and continued on to Rifles, Colorado. A.H. Berry was not well and decided to continue on in the wagons. He was accompanied by the Willie Berry family. The C.L. Johnson family stayed in Pueblo. Rifle was across the mountains from Pueblo, and when A.H. and his group reached Salida, Colorado, the altitude was too high and he could not breathe. They backed the wheels of the wagons into the river to turn around as the road was too narrow, and returned to Pueblo. When they arrived, there was a message waiting for Willie from Hal Johnson asking them to wait as they were returning on the same train they had gone on. They had unloaded nothing but the horses. After they returned to Pueblo, the group found jobs and went to work. In a few months A.H. became homesick and wanted to return to Texas. The A.H. Berrys and the Willie Berrys returned to Texas in August, 1918, but the Johnsons and Summers families did not return with them. Those who stayed in Colorado all came down with the influenza and Ben Summers died. So many people were dying that it was almost a week before he could be buried in Pueblo. A few months after Ben Summers death, Hal Johnson and his family and Leona (Onie) Berry Summers and her children loaded their livestock and belongings into a boxcar and rode the train back to O'Donnell. That was December, 1918. When they returned to Texas, they again settled in Borden County. Leona and her three children moved into the house with her parents. On November 27, 1920, Leona (Onie) Summers married Montgomery (Dick) Simpson in Tahoka, Texas.”

HUNTING AND FISHING

My grandpa, Wiley P. Berry, was an avid hunter and fisherman. He also had a trap line that he walked every day. I can remember the boards hanging on the west side of his house with small animal skins stretched and turned inside out to cure in the sun. He would catch fox, mink, rabbits and beavers for their fur. This was in the 1930's and people were buying furs for collars on garments and fur neck wraps, which were fashionable in those days. I can remember that Grandpa always had killed three or four turkeys by Thanksgiving each year. This was during the depression years and money was scarce, but Grandpa would always take a hunting trip to Eastern North Carolina each year after farming season was over and he had sold his tobacco crop. His favorite place to go was Lake Mattamuskeet in Hyde County, North Carolina. This lake was about 175 miles from where my grandparents lived in Orange County, North Carolina. The Canadian geese wintered there each year and many serious hunters would gather there in the fall to hunt them.

With this information as a background, I would like to share the story of my fishing trip to Lake Johnson in Raleigh. I was about 12 or 14 years old and Grandpa Berry came to stay a few days with us at our home in Raleigh, North Carolina. I know this was after an automobile had killed Grandma Berry in May of 1941. Grandpa never stayed with us for any length of time until after that fatal night. I was 11 years old when that accident occurred. Anyway, there was a

good size lake about a half-mile east of where we lived. The lake was owned by, and supplied water for, the city of Raleigh. The Raleigh Parks and Recreation department had a boathouse on the north side of the lake. They would rent you a boat and charge a small fee to fish in the lake. Grandpa wanted to go fishing in Lake Johnson, so we rented a boat and paid the fees. We were using cane fishing poles to fish with. I knew very little about how to fish, but as beginners luck would have it, I was the one who started getting bites. Grandpa was telling me to keep the line tight and bring the fish up to the side of the boat where he could lift it out of the water. The fish that were biting were big mouth bass and each time I hooked one I would lose it, trying as hard as I could to do what Grandpa was saying. You can imagine how frustrating this was to my Grandpa and to make matters even worse, he wasn't getting any bites. Needless to say, after about an hour of this, Grandpa rowed us back to the boathouse and my fishing trip with Grandpa Berry was over. This is, and has been, one of my favorite memories of my young life. Grandpa never took me fishing again but that may very well be because he moved in with his oldest son and never spent very long visits with us again. I would really like to think that was the reason.

MAKING BUTTER & MEMORIES

I was about eight years old when Grandma Berry asked me if I wanted to churn some butter. I had never done this before, so I was excited about doing something new. Grandma had a container of milk that had clabbered. This is the natural process where milk is allowed to sour and becomes very thick and rich. The churn was a wooden one with a wooden dasher that could be moved up and down. The clabbered milk was poured into the churn and the dasher was placed in the churn. Grandma then placed a lid on top of the churn. The dasher had a handle like a broom stick that came through the hole in the lid and extended about a foot above it. I was told to move the dasher up and down slowly and continually. This went on for about 30 minutes, and when Grandma came back out on the porch beside the kitchen where I was doing my thing, she looked into the churn and saw a lot of little yellow clumps of butter floating around on top of the buttermilk. She told me to keep churning a little longer and when she looked in the next time, we had much larger chunks of beautiful yellow butter ready to be removed from the buttermilk. Grandma placed the butter in a bowl and let it drain for a while. She poured the buttermilk into a container with a rope tied to the handle and lowered it into the well to keep it cool. She then squeezed the rest of the milk out of the butter with her hands and placed the butter in a butter mold. The butter mold also had a hole in the bottom and a round plunger attached to a push rod. She placed the plunger into the mold and filled the mold with fresh butter. She packed it down very hard so it could take the shape of the carving inside the wooden mold. The next step was when she placed the mold upside down in a plate and pushed the butter out of the mold. The result was a beautiful sculptured yellow cake of butter just ready for the hot biscuits Grandma was cooking in her woodstove.

CHOPPING IN THE MOONLIGHT

My mother told me that her grandfather, John Robert Berry, had an argument with his wife, Elizabeth Bowling Berry, after they retired for the night. Mother did not tell me what the disagreement was about. Apparently John Robert and his wife did not resolve the issue, because he got up out of the bed, put on his clothes, and went outside. It was a clear moonlight night, so he picked up his ax and proceeded to chop down trees in a tract of land he was clearing. He continued chopping down trees all night long until the sun came up the next morning. I suppose he ate a good breakfast and then went back to bed. I have no idea who ran the store the next day. I do remember mother saying that he had an employee who helped him in the store. Most likely the employee did most of the work in the store that day.



The picture above is John Robert Berry's home.

The picture below is John Robert Berry's store which was also the Meredith Post Office. The Post Office was commissioned in February, 1890, and closed on December 4th, 1906.



1 PLACE OF DEATH
County Fulton BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
Municipal District Atlanta STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
City Atlanta, Ga. Registration District No. 1091 Registered No. 3503
(If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution, give its NAME instead of its set and number.)

2 FULL NAME Joshua Berry
Residence, City Jonesboro, Ga. County Clayton Co.
13 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. da. (If non-resident give city or town and State) How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS
1 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) Married
6a If married, widowed, or divorced, HUSBAND'S NAME (or) WIFE'S NAME Mrs. Tommie Berry
7 DATE OF BIRTH (Mo. da. yr.) 1912 18 DATE OF DEATH Oct 20
8 AGE 54 yrs. mos. da. (If less than 2 years state of breast fed Yes No then 1 day hrs. mins.)
9 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work Farmer (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer) automobile accident
10 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) Ga. 11 NAME OF FATHER J. Berry 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER N.C.
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Ga.
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. (Informant) J. C. Cannon (Address) Jonesboro, Ga.
15 OCT 21 1921 Filed LOCAL REGISTRAR Shannon 16 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL DATE Jonesboro, Ga. 1921
17 UNDERTAKER Grubbs & Bond ADDRESS

CHAPTER 19 BERRY BROTHERS DIE IN GA. 1921

Age at Death: 54
City of Death: Atlanta
County of Death: Fulton
Date of Death: Oct 20
Year of Death: 1921
Father's Name: J Berry
Race: Caucasian
Sex: Male
Spouse: Tommie Berry
Vital Records,
Public Health,
RG 26-5-95,
Georgia Death
Certificate Number 25629

Figure 113: Joshua Berry

Joshua Berry is the son of Joshua and the grandson of David J. Berry

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(See Newspaper Account of this Accident on Page 234)

Father's Name: Joshua Berry

Mother's Name: Elizabeth Cates

SISTERS NAMES: Mrs. Stallsworth, Miss Mollie Berry, Mrs. E. A. Wooten

Figure 114: Robert I. Berry.

Robert is the son of Joshua Berry & the grandson of David J. Berry

1 PLACE OF DEATH
County Clayton BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS
Municipal District Jonesboro STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH
City Jonesboro Registration District No. 1085 Registered No. 25055
(If death occurred in a Hospital or Institution give its NAME instead of its set and number.)

2 FULL NAME Robert I. Berry
Residence, No. 11 City Jonesboro
13 Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yrs. mos. da. (If non-resident give city or town and State) How long in U. S., if of foreign birth? yrs. mos. da.

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS
1 SEX Male 4 COLOR OR RACE White 5 SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED, OR DIVORCED (write the word) Single
6a If married, widowed, or divorced, HUSBAND'S NAME (or) WIFE'S NAME None
7 DATE OF BIRTH (Mo. da. yr.) Oct 22 1857 18 DATE OF DEATH Oct 20
8 AGE 58 yrs. mos. da. (If less than 2 years state of breast fed Yes No then 1 day hrs. mins.)
9 OCCUPATION (a) Trade, profession or particular kind of work Farmer (b) General nature of industry, business or establishment in which employed (or employer) None
10 BIRTHPLACE (State or country) Clayton County 11 NAME OF FATHER Joshua Berry 12 MAIDEN NAME OF MOTHER Elizabeth Cates
13 BIRTHPLACE OF MOTHER (State or country) Ga.
14 THE ABOVE IS TRUE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. (Informant) E. A. Wooten (Address) Jonesboro
15 OCT 23 1921 Filed LOCAL REGISTRAR Shannon 16 PLACE OF BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL DATE Grubbs & Bond
17 UNDERTAKER Grubbs & Bond ADDRESS

ROBERT I BERRY
Age at Death: 53
City of Death: Atlanta
County of Death: Clayton
Date of Death: Oct. 20th
Year of Death: 1921
Race: Caucasian
Sex: Male
Father: Joshua Berry
Mother: Elizabeth Cates
Birth Date: 1857 10 22
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DEATH CLAIMS TWO MEN WHEN TRAIN HITS AUTO TRUCK

R. I. Berry Killed Instantly, While J. M. Berry Dies Later—Accident Occurs at Jonesboro.

**ACCIDENT IN ATLANTA
IS FATAL TO MILLER**

**Savannah Man Succumbs
to Injuries Received
When Motorcycle Col-
lides With Truck.**

Jonesboro, Ga., October 20.—(Special.)—Two deaths were the toll of an accident Thursday afternoon shortly after 1 o'clock when Central of Georgia passenger train No. 10, Atlanta to Macon, crashed into a truck at the crossing just north of Jonesboro depot. R. I. Berry, 65-year-old Clayton county farmer, was instantly killed, and his brother, J. M. Berry, 58 years old, died late in the afternoon at an Atlanta hospital, where he was rushed a few minutes following the fatal crash.

The aged farmers were driving slowly, reports stated. They were going into Jonesboro, but had taken a side road which led up to the main crossing, making a diagonal cut and forming an intersection with the main highway just where it crosses the railroad tracks.

The passenger train was moving swiftly and struck the heavily-laden truck squarely broadside, hurling both occupants several feet and practically demolishing the truck. The fact that the men were thrown to the side by compact of the locomotive saved them from being run over by the engine.

Killed Instantly.

The older brother was killed instantly as he was dead when picked up a few minutes later by residents of the vicinity who heard the crash and hastened to the scene.

John Berry, the younger, was stunned and up to the time of his death at the Atlanta sanitarium was in a semi-conscious state. Physicians from the start held out no hopes for his life, but worked frantically to save him, thinking perhaps he would rally. Death occurred about 5 o'clock.

An accident which in 1917 resulted in the death of three, occurred at the identical spot.

There were said to be no unusual circumstances surrounding the fatal crash. A number of people stated they saw the brothers coming into

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DEATH CLAIMS TWO AS TRAIN HITS AUTO

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town, but so far as is known there is no reason why the oncoming train could not have been seen, as the track is open and visible for about a mile to each side.

Pioneers of Clayton.

The two aged men were pioneers of Clayton county and their death has cast a gloom over the entire section. They had for years been among the county's most extensive farmers. At the time of the accident they were carrying a truck load of produce into the city.

Thursday's toll was but another in the list of fatalities which have in the past several years occurred at the same spot. It is said to be a fateful crossing and repeated warnings have been issued from time to time in an effort to prevent accidents.

Funeral services had not been announced last night, although word came from Jonesboro that the funeral would in all probability be held some time Saturday. The body of the dead man in Atlanta will be returned to the family home for burial with his brother.

The Berry brothers have for many years been counted among the most progressive and prosperous of Clayton county farmers. They have grown with the community in which they lived and worked and were everywhere held in universal esteem.

J. M. Berry is survived by his widow and three sisters. The older brother, R. I. Berry, was a widower, and is survived only by his three sisters, Mrs. Stallsworth, Miss Mollie Berry and Mrs. E. A. Wooten.

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NEWSPAPER

CHAPTER 20

WHO WERE THE PIONEERS?

Before I became interested in genealogy, I can remember wondering who were these daring souls who settled in the American wilderness. How did they get the nerve to face wild animals, hostile Indians, no doctors or medicine, and environmental hardships? What would their lives have been like? How were they able to survive the punishment on the trails as they migrated by the thousands in wagon trains? I now know that many of them didn't. Why would anyone attempt this? The answer is clear. They were all seeking a better life for themselves and their families.

The Pioneers worked very hard and faced many uncertainties, but their efforts were often rewarded. The opportunity to have a life where they were able to contribute to their own fortune was wonderful, a life where natural resources were abundant and readily available. Many of them lost their loved ones and even their own lives as they traveled across the country. They traveled much more than I would have believed.

As I have learned, Orange County was like a hub in the explorations of our new country. Orange County was centrally located on an old Indian trail that was used by pioneers coming from the early settlements all along the east coast of early America.

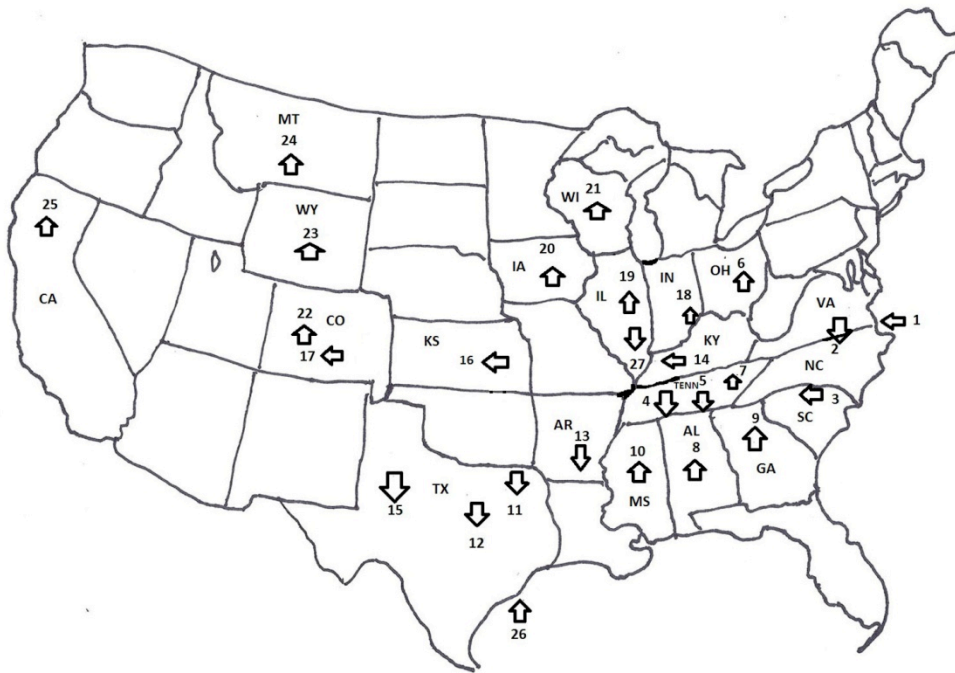
This is an area where both sides of my maternal family pioneered. Both Samuel Wilson and Robert Berry Sr. were in Orange County in the 1700's. Our Robert Berry was in the Orange County area in 1751, while it was still part of Granville County. By the early 1800's, many of the second and third generation Americans began their migration from this very county. A very large number of them were my relatives and friends of our Berry family.

I figured that a few of my family might have been here as pioneers, but I literally had no idea there were so many of them and that they arrived in America at the very beginning. It never occurred to me that my family were some of the very first to explore and establish so many of the frontiers of America. Our family is a cross section of America that built the plantations, ranches, schools, churches, institutions, served in the wars, dug our coal, built our stores and factories. They were our folks and we have every right to be very proud of them.

What Are Their Names?

Their surnames were: Aldridge, Anderson, Ashley, Berry, Blackwood, Blalock, Bowling, Bowles, Breeze, Brewer, Brinkley, Brown, Camp, Carr, Carraway, Cate, Cates, Clayton, Cody, Coleman, Cooper, Cozart, Crow, Crowley Davis, Dickey, Dixon, Dobbins, Dunnagan, Dunning, Ellison, Everett, Farley, Farquhar, Foster, Fowler, Franklin, Garrett, Giles, Gray, Hall, Harlow, Harper, Harris, Henderson, Hanson, Hightower, Holean, Hollowell, Holt, Horner, Horton, Howard, Hunley, Hutchins, Hutchinson, Hutto, Jeffreys, Johnson, Kemp, King, Kizzah, Lawrence, Lindsey, Long, Lovett, Lunsford, Maddry, Malone, Mangum, Martin, Mathias, McKee, McClure, Meadows, Miller, Mincey, Mitchell, Moake, Moore, Murdock, Nichols, Norman, Oakley, Parker, Parrish, Phillips, Pickle, Pigg, Polk, Ray, Reed, Riley, Rimmer, Rodgers, Rountree, Scott, Shepard, Shipman, Simson, Smith, Starke, Stutts, Summers, Tanner, Tapp, Taylor, Thompson, Tilley, Tolar, Tompkins, Turley, Waggoner, Walker, Watson, Webb, White, Whitten, Whitson, Williamson, Wilson, Wishards, Wright and hundreds more.

Where Did They Go ?



Robert (OC) and Elizabeth Cate Berry's 10 children.

Mary Berry's family lived in North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia.

Robert Berry Junior's family lived in North Carolina, Alabama, Oklahoma, Texas, Arizona, Colorado, Montana, Wyoming, Utah, and California

John Berry's family lived in North Carolina and Georgia.

Joshua Berry's family lived in North Carolina, Ohio, Tennessee, Kentucky, Indiana, Arkansas, Kansas, Iowa, West Virginia, Wisconsin, and Colorado.

Isaac Berry's daughter lived in North Carolina.

Elizabeth Berry's family lived in North Carolina and Alabama.

Thomas Berry's family lived in North Carolina, Tennessee, and Alabama.

David J. Berry's family lived in North Carolina, Georgia, New Jersey, and Alabama.

William Berry's known family lived in North Carolina. His second family may have lived in Lincoln County, Tennessee.

Henry Berry's daughter lived in North Carolina.

In the year 1870, William Clarence Berry and his family left Fayette County, Alabama, for Burnett County, Texas. His youngest son, William Smith Berry (Black Bill), and his two nephews, William A. A. and George R.R. Berry, became cowboys. They drove cattle to Wyoming and Montana. When William A.A. and George R.R. Berry decided to settle down, they made their homes in Montana. George R.R. Berry later went to Compton, California.⁸⁷

SURNAMES and LOCATIONS;

England	Virginia	North Carolina	Georgia	Alabama
Cabe	Cate	Cate	Cates	Cate
	Martin	Martin		Martin
	Aldridge	Aldridge		
Kempe	Kempe	Kempe	Camp	Camp
Berry	Berry	Berry	Berry	Berry
	Robinson	Robinson		Robinson
Nicholson	Nicholson	Nicholson		Nicholson
	Craford	Craford		
	Mathias	Mathias		
	Gould	Gould		
	Gibbs	Gibbs		
	Murray	Murray		
	Mosley	Mosley		
	Hopkins	Hopkins		
	Murray	Murray		
	Lovett	Lovett		Lovett
Williamson	Williamson	Williamson		Williamson
Carraway	Carraway			Carraway
Bowles	Bowles	Bowles		Bowles
	Pickle	Pickle		Pickle
Lawrence		Lawrence		
Foster	Foster	Foster		
	Norman	Norman	Norman	
	Blalock	Blalock	Blalock	
	Bowling	Bowling		
	Rountree	Rountree		
	Nash	Nash		
	Holeman	Holeman		
	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin	Franklin
	Ashley	Ashley		
	Farquhar	Farquhar		Farquhar

The similar names appearing in the table above show how groups of families migrated from England and across the colonies and states in America. The fact that so many families with the same surnames are living so close to our Berry family, in so many locations, tends to indicate that they traveled together and knew each other over long periods of time. The other factor in this equation is that our Berry Family members married into all of these families.

ORANGE COUNTY MAP of County Formations:

This is a map showing the original size and the breakup of ORANGE COUNTY that ended in 1881 with the creation of Durham County. The Western part of Orange County was used to create parts of Randolph, Guilford, and Rockingham Counties in 1770. Caswell County was formed from Orange in 1771. Also parts of Wake and Lee Counties were split from Orange County in 1770. Alamance County was formed in 1849. Person County was created in 1791 by splitting Caswell County in half.

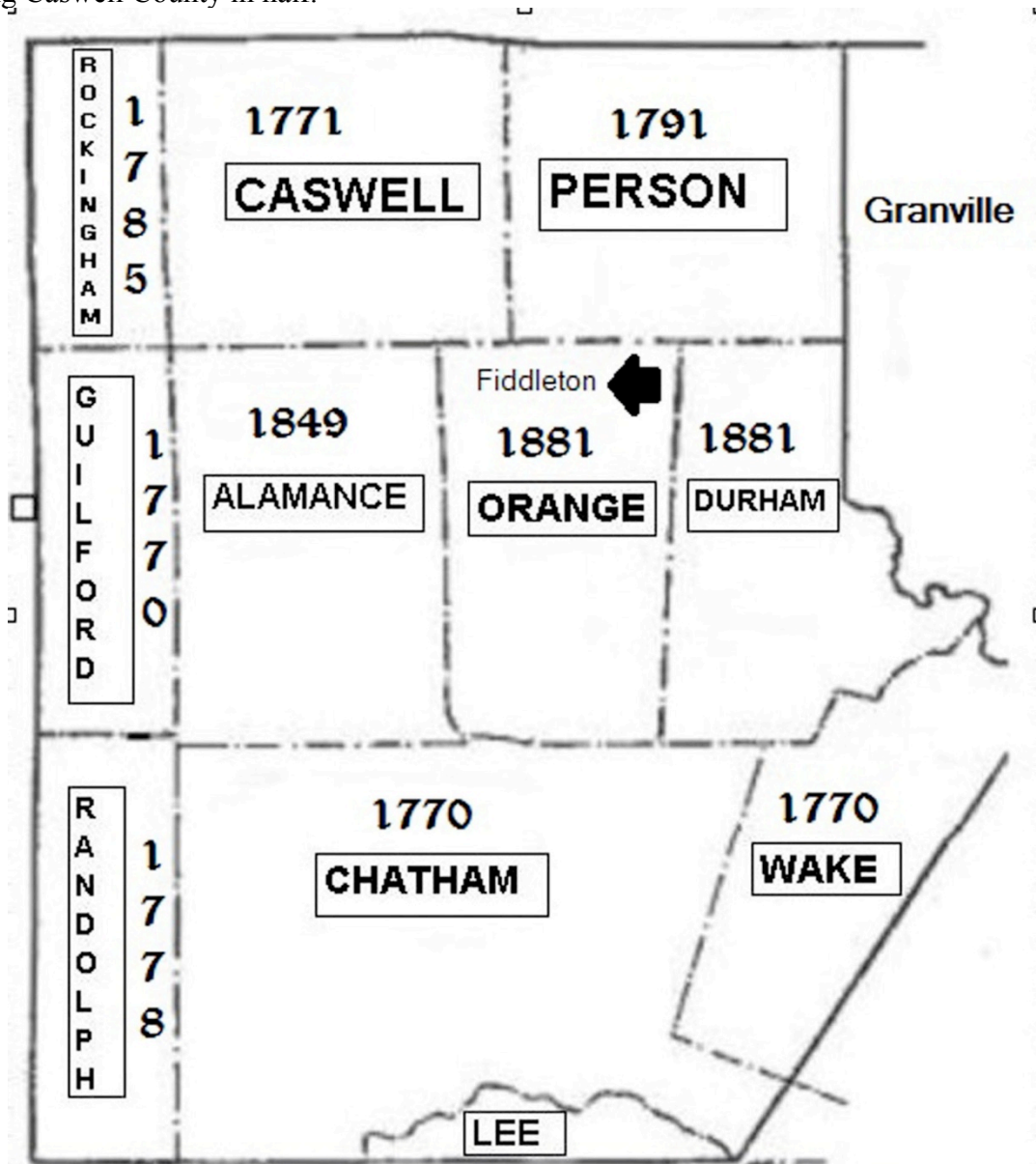


Figure 115: Map of counties created from Original Orange County, NC.

A description of how Orange County was created and how it was subdivided

ORANGE COUNTY, NC, TAX LIST

1755 Tax List of Orange County, North Carolina Compiled by William Perry Johnson				
<p>Note: Orange County was formed in 1752 from parts of Bladen, Granville and Johnston Counties, North Carolina. From 1752 until 1770, Orange County embraced an area approximately 72 miles long and 50 miles wide - 3,600 square miles or 2,304,000 acres. In 1755 there were close to 1,200 families enumerated by the tax collector, or, on the average, one family per every three square miles or 1,920 acres. The County extended from the Virginia - North Carolina State line on the north to Cumberland (now Moore) County, North Carolina, on the south, and from Granville and Johnston (now Wake) Counties on the east, to Rowan (now Rockingham, Guilford and Randolph) County on the west. Prior to 1770, Orange County took in all of the present-day Counties of Orange, Caswell, Person, Alamance, Chatham, most of Durham, small parts of Wake and Lee, and the eastern third of Rockingham, Guilford and Randolph. This 1755 tax list is the earliest one extant for Orange County, the next one being dated 1779. (File No. T.O. 105.1, State Department of Archives and History, Raleigh, N.C.)</p>				
Jacob Beakle	1	0	John Watts	1
Thomas Allred	2	0	John Watts	1
Henry York	1	0	* Benjamin Williams	1
Timothy Dashire	1	0	Thomas Swaford	1

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	Black Galla.	White Galla.	Black Galla.	White Galla.
Daniel Hugh			James Dickey, Cgr.	
Daniel Hugh	1 0		James Dickey, Cgr.	1 0
Daniel Mues	1 0		John Conner	1 0
Richard Hilton	1 0		David Steele *	1 0
John Kray wt (with) Nettle &			James Mc Kown, Senr	1 0
Frank, negroes	1 2		Henry Brewer	3 0
James Watson	1 0		John Powell wt. Jack	
James Dickens	2 0		Guil & Jan, negroes	1 3
William Black	1 0		Elias Powell wt. negro Jack	1 1
Thomas Bradford	1 0		Nathaniel Kimbrough wt.	
Henry Webb wt. Dick,			negroes	1 3
Moll, Jude & Sarah negroes	1 4		John Dennis	1 0
John Stroud, Senr.	1 0		James Mc Kown, Junr	1 0
Matthew Couch	1 0		Samuel Nelson	2 0
→ John Cate & his two sons	3 0		Robert Cate, Senr.	3 0
Burr Barton	1 0		Elias Downs	2 0
John White	2 0		James Moss *	1 0
Thomas Dunagan	3 0		William Churton wt.	
William Combe	1 0		Negro Tom	1 1
Benjn. Jackson	2 0		Thomas Nelson	2 0
David Knight	1 0		John Jackson	1 0
Patrick Bogan	1 0		Benjn. Cate ←	2 0
James Ray	1 0		John King	1 0
William Reese	4 0		Joseph Powell	1 0
James Crow	2 0		Thomas Jackson	1 0
Edward Stone * ✓	1 0		William Bogan	2 0
Stephen Marrett	1 0		Thomas Wiley	3 0
→ Thomas Cate, Junr.	2 0		William Goss	1 0
James Collins *	1 0		Thomas Barkley	1 0

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This John Cate is most likely Elizabeth Cate's father. Richard Mathias Cate and Benjamin Cate may be John Cate's brothers.

Thomas Cate Jr may have been the chain carrier on Robert Berry's survey on page 47. William Churton was the Land Agent for Lord John Carteret's Land Grant Company.

John McComb	1 0	Henry Morris	1 0
Charles Hagen	1 0	Thomas Durham	1 0
Richard Webb	1 0	Matthew Durham	1 0
Samuel Stuart	2 0	John Price	1 0
Ephraim McKellip	1 0	John Wright & son John	2 0
James Paul	1 0	Robert Bindergrass	1 0
Samuel Watt	1 0	John Hogwood & son James	2 0
William Cail	1 0	Thomas Lloyd & 2 negroes	1 2
Michel Joye	1 0	John Stroud & son Joshua	2 0
Thomson Harris	2 0	Henry Leman & John Hangling	2 0
Benjn. King	2 0	John Hunter	1 0
John Douglas	1 0	James Reily	1 0
William Seasey	1 0	Edison Bunch a mulatto	0 1
James Couch	1 0	William Cope	1 0
William Cof	3 0	Jeremiah Beem	1 0
William Turm wt. Sarah,		William Miers	1 0
Hanna, Joss & Jean negroes	1 4	James Williams	1 0
John Brown	1 0	John May Junr.	1 0
George Laws	1 0	Howel Brewer	1 0
George Fulls	1 0	Nicholas Nobles	1 0
John Cartrel	2 0	William Heart	1 0
George Marten	1 0	Samuel Temples	1 0
Andrew Mitchel, Cogs.	1 0	David Ward wt. 1 negro	1 1
James Scott	1 0	Jacob Brooks wit his son	
Burr Barton ✓	1 0	John & 2 negroes	2 2
William Halcomb	1 0	Daniel Norris	1 0
William Couch	1 0	Thomas Low wt Saml.	
Thomas Couch	1 0	Low and 3 negroes	2 3
Thomas Forster	1 0	David Phillops	3 0

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		Charles Davis	3 0
		Joseph Buckingham	1 0
		William Piggott	1 0
		Nathaniel Horn	1 0
William Phillops	1 0	Richard Sidwell	1 0
Christopher Cup	1 0	Isaac Breson	2 0
John Mc Daniel	1 0	Jeremiah Piggott	1 0
* Henry Morgan	1 0	Benjamin Piggott	1 0
Henry Cammer	1 0	Paul Brock	1 0
Thomas Sharp	1 0	John Sidwell	1 0
Lodwick Clap + his sons		John Stanfield	3 0
Barnett + George	3 0	Joshua Briffin	1 0
Phillip Mayer, Senr.	1 0	Samuel Walker	1 0
Henry Stampers	1 0	* David Morgan	1 0
Thomas Branson wt.		Craft Haruualt	1 0
Charles Basindine +		John Johnson	1 0
Jacob Leadon	3 0	Joseph Trotter	1 0
Thomas Alexander	1 0	* Charles Morgan	1 0
Richard Henderson	3 0	Thomas Low Junr.	1 0
Edward Bray	1 0	John Stedon	1 0
Benjamin Foscy	3 0	Jacob Hays	1 0
Richard Goans	2 0	Joseph Bred	1 0
* Joseph Beavey *	1 0	Peter Starns	1 0
* Josiah Hart	1 0	Joseph Sweany	2 0
Joseph Jones	1 0	William Leacy	1 0
James Waldrom	1 0	Walter Holmes	1 0
Stephen Howard	1 0	David Mroat	1 0
Moses Lenn	1 0	John Henery	1 0
* George Williams, Junr.	1 0	William Vernal	1 0
Peter Ingold	1 0	Nathaniel Reed	1 0
William Marshal	1 0	Charles Higgins	1 0
* Jonathan Williams *	1 0	Henry Holiday	1 0
* John Williams *	1 0	Joseph Weight	1 0

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Thomas Brooks	1	0	Abraham Mc Daniel	1	0
John Nahun	1	0	John Beasley	1	0
Owen Reed	1	0	Thomas Berrey	1	0
John Dunagan	1	0	Thomas Vestal	2	0
James Dochester	2	0	William Vestal	1	0
Hugh Taylor	1	0	John Alred	1	0
John Ferguson	1	0	James Craford	1	0
Timothy Coe	1	0	Joseph Wells, Junr.	1	0
Daniel May	1	0	William Leachey	1	0
Williams Horsort	1	0	George Hobson, Junr.	2	0
Aaron Skiggs	1	0	Joseph Wells, Junr	1	0
Diad Parry	1	0	Thomas Carr	2	0
John Kogle	1	0	Samuel Griffen	1	0
William Aldridge	1	0	John Jones	1	0
Simore York	1	0	Peter Hilton	2	0
Edmond Chambers	1	0	Henry Whitfills	1	0
Luke Smith	1	0	Jacob Summers	1	0
Peter Hilton, Junr.	1	0	Daniel Mc Daniel	2	0
James Hilton	1	0	Samuel Chapman	1	0
William Cop	1	0	Giles Chapman	1	0
John Hornaday	1	0	Lodwick Swing	1	0
William Mc Harson	1	0	Conrod Low	4	0
Richard Camp	1	0	William Brown	1	0
Joseph Doan	1	0	William Nelson	1	0
John Doan	1	0	Aaron Jones	1	0
Anthony Chamnee	1	0	Adam Frohinger	2	0
Simon Dickson	1	0	Nicholas Butte	1	0
Harman Davis	1	0	Conrod Straider	1	0
Patrick Coyle	1	0	Christian Morris	1	0
William Robinson	1	0	Gasper Prarr	1	0
James Nickelson	1	0	George Clap	2	0
James Vestal	2	0	Jochariah Cox	1	0
Peter Gfland	1	0	Tetter Leaney	1	0

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William Aldridge is probably Peter Aldridge's father (**Page 66**).

William Aldridge, Prince George County, Virginia, 1704 Rent Rolls (**Page 21**).

William Robinson may be kin to Tully Robinson, Princess Anne County, Va. (**Page 22**).

James Nickelson may be related to Elizabeth Carraway (**Page 15 & 22**).

Thomas Berrey may be related to Robert Berry (**Page 21**).

James Craford may be kin to Capt Wm. Craford, Princess Anne County, Va. (**Page 21**).

Richard Camp may be kin to George, James & John Kemp, Princess Anne Co., Va.

(See Pg. 21)

Edward Cator	1 0	David Mitchell	1 0
Joseph Madduck	4 0	David Bradford	1 0
Enoch Lewis	1 0	Alexander The Craiken	1 0
Fredrick Watt	1 0	John Isren	1 0
John Jenson	1 0	John Tenant	2 0
Thomas Davis	1 0	Robert Baray	1 0
Francis Day	3 0	Caleb Bentley	1 0
James Elliot	1 0	David Pinkerton	2 0
James Burney	2 0	Joseph Duncan	1 0
Robert Davis	1 0	Hackey Warren	1 0
James Latta	1 0	William Holton	1 0
James Denny	1 0	James Wilkenson	1 0
Moses Ridley wt. his		James Horton	2 0
wife Mary & Mulatties	0 2	George Douthier	1 0
Henry Mayner wt. Peter,		Joseph Vouse	1 0
a negro	1 1	James Anglan	1 0
William Hartin	1 0	Henry Wayman	1 0
Matthew Mathias	1 0	George Wayman	1 0
✓ Ephraim West	2 0	Benjamin Cadle	1 0
Henry Gould	2 0	Lawrence Thompson	3 0
John Burd	1 0	James Mordock	1 0
Thomas Crompton	5 0	Patrick Rodeford	1 0
James Suaford	1 0	Hosea Tapley wt. Codger,	
John Embray	1 0	Sara & Annaga, negroes	1 3
Moses Embray	1 0	John Anderson	4 0
Thomas Holden	4 0	Robert Lytle	2 0
James Campbell	2 0	Zachariah Cadle Junr.	1 0
Cairns Tenant	1 0	Nicholas Colbertson	3 0
Alexander Leackey	1 0	Griffen Humphraye	2 0
John Isriet	2 0	Edmond Crouchfield	1 0
Thomas Thompson	3 0	Richard Gibbs	2 0
James Hart	2 0	James Mc Alister	2 0
James Taylor	3 0	John Alison	1 0
		Isaac Gaddis	1 0

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William Hartin (William Martin) (See Page 28). Princess Anne Co., Va.

Matthew Mathias (See Page 22) Princess Anne Co., Va.

Henry Gould (See Page 47)

Robert Berry (Robert Berry) (See Pages 21 & 26) Princess Anne Co., Va.

Patrick Rodeford (Patrick Rutherford) (See Page 26)

Richard Gibbs (See Page. 21) Capt. John Gibbs Princess Anne Co., Va.

William Taylor	1	0	Jacob Mosely	1	0
James Warren	1	0	Thomas Astern	1	0
Michel Dickson	1	0	Jacob Bleacher wt. Ned, a negro	1	1
James Clark	3	0	Obediah Terrel wt. 3 negroes	1	3
John Murdock	1	0	William, March, junr.	1	0
Gosias Dickson	2	0	William, March, Senr.	1	0
Robert Brachear, Senr	1	0	Mark Morgan wt. Rafe, James,		
George Irren	2	0	Nell, Cate, Jude, Cloe, Negroes	1	6
Antony Seaforth	1	0	Robert Mc Conel	1	0
Robert Allison	1	0	Robert Patterson	1	0
James Allison	1	0	James Forester, Senr wt		
John Mc Comb	1	0	1 Negro Wench	2	1
James Mc Adam	1	0	William Forester	1	0
William Jack	1	0	Joseph Waide wt. Roger, Jeney,		
Francis Henderson	1	0	+ Nancy, Negroes	1	3
James Roney	1	0	Hugh Wood	1	0
Robert Teat	1	0	Stephen Phillips	2	0
Andrew Bridget	3	0	Thomas Johnston	2	0
John Boid, Senr.	3	0	Richard Braswell wick		
James Murray	2	0	his son + 1 Negro	2	1
John Boid	1	0	William Tomlin	1	0
James Barnhill	1	0	John Tomalin	1	0
William Mc Teachy	1	0	William Murphie	1	0
Edward Brandon	1	0	John Robertson	1	0
John Robertson	1	0	Richard Barnett	1	0
Isiah Watkins	2	0	James Kenady	1	0
James Allison	2	0	David Kenedy	1	0
John Mills	1	0	Henry Goff, Senr.	3	0
Henry Key	1	0	Nathaniel Goff	1	0
Henry Johnson	1	0	Moses Guin	1	0
William Baker	1	0	William Browning	1	0
James Forster, junr.	1	0	John Manen	1	0
John Stuart	1	0	John Landrum, Senr.		
John March	1	0	wt his sons + 1 Negro	6	1

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James Murray may have been related to Jhn. Murray (See Page 29). Princess Anne County, Virginia, George Shirley's neighbor

Jacob Mosley may be related to Mosleys in Princess Anne County, Virginia. (See Page 31).

Richard Copland wt.	1	1	William More	1	0
1 negro wench	1	0	James Copeland	1	0
Thomas Bellus	1	0	Joseph Barbic wt. Christ	2	5
James Bellus	1	0	opher Rhodes & 5 negroes	1	0
Jonathan Walker	1	0	John Davies	1	0
Joseph Walker	1	0	Evin Davies	1	0
James Collins ^v	2	0	Miles Parker wt. Peter Parker		
John Wood	2	0	and 2 negroes	2	2
John Collins ^x	1	0	Matthew Curry	1	0
Moses Smither	1	0	Luke Binum wt Finch &		
Isaac Collins ^x	1	0	Jude, negroes	1	2
Argulus Henderson	1	0	John Hottle	1	0
William Jones	1	0	Joseph Huff wt. 1 negro Joan	1	1
Robert Milton	2	0	Arthur Cook	1	0
James Younger	1	0	John West ^x	1	0
Nicholas Copland Sr.	1	0	William Barker	3	0
Nicholas Copland Junr.	2	0	Joel Lesly	1	0
Joseph Copland	1	0	James Acock	1	0
Record Burks	1	0	Henry Day ✓	1	0
Edward Kerksey	3	0	Henry Beesly	1	0
John Row	1	0	Thomas Watts	1	0
James Denny	1	0	Charles Rayly & son	2	0
Isaac Jackson	2	0	John Wood & son	2	0
Francis Shornaker	1	0	John Patterson Cagr.	5	0
William Williams ^x	1	0	Cagr Pickett & 2 negroes	1	2
James Phillops	1	0	William Rhode wt his		
John Phillops	1	0	brother & 1 negro wench	2	1
John Wilson	1	0	John Burt & 1 negro	1	1
John Bohannon	1	0	Barrot Almon	2	0
Duncan Bohannon wt.			William Hunter	1	0
4 negroes	1	4	William Blake	1	0
Peter Martin	2	0	James Acock	1	0
George Smith	1	0	James Dillard	1	0
Solomon Wittey	1	0	Benjamin Blake wt. 1 negro	1	1

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Peter Martin is also found in Fayette County, Alabama. (See Page 103)

Charles Thomason	1 0	James Friest + son	2 0
Stephen Howard	1 0	William Murray	1 0
Thomas Thomson	1 0	Samuel Allen + sons	3 0
William Barber	1 0	William Batten	2 0
Aaron Barber	1 0	James Hopkins	1 0
George Morgan wt. 1 Negro	1 1	Jacob Catchem	1 0
Nathan Powell	1 0	Samuel Means	1 0
Thomas Smith	1 0	Alexander Ferguson	1 0
Robert Abercrombie	2 0	James Beasie	1 0
John Mitchel	2 0	Henry Wason	1 0
Patrick McCulloch	1 0	John Abbot + sons	3 0
William Straite	1 0	James Campbell + son	2 0
William Carden	1 0	Gilbert Strein	1 0
Richard Stringfield	1 0	John McKee wt. Peter + Fabe, Negroes	1 2
James Stringfield	1 0	Bazel Brachear +	
William Goofe	1 0	Bazel Brachear &c	3 0
James Neil	2 0	Thomas Lindly + son	2 0
Samuel Letman	1 0	William Offil	2 0
John Carter	1 0	John Phillips	2 0
* Richard Parker	1 0	David Phillips, junr.	1 0
Samuel Parks wt. 2 Negroes	1 2	William Howlet	2 0
Jesse Pearce	1 0	Thomas Sheels	1 0
John Phillips	1 0	John Sclater	1 0
John Brooks	1 0	Timothy Turrel + son wt.	
John Molises	1 0	Primus, Abram, Peter, Dolls,	
John Harris *	1 0	+ Nancy Negroes	2 5
John Robertson	1 0	William Blackwood	3 0
Joseph Collins *	1 0	Samuel Farmer	1 0
William Stroud	2 0	William Ward	1 0
Thomas Winchester	1 0	Zachariah Martin wt.	
John Dover + son	2 0	Dublin, Cleo, + Jack, Negroes	1 3
William Armstrong	2 0	Thomas Lapsly	2 0
Thomas Strein	1 0	John Johnston	1 0

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William Armstrong (See Page 67) (Deed Bk 13 Page 330) Orange Co., NC
 John Hopkins (See Page 21 & 31) Princess Anne County, Virginia
 Jasper, Polly, Ned, Silas, & Rowan Hopkins (Page 202) Orange County, North Carolina,
 1850

William Hopkins	1	William Branton	1
Willaim Means	1	Robert Ervin	1
William Stutly Shurly	1	Laughlin Camble	1
John Hopkins	1	Robert Wittey	1
Robert Whitehead	1	John Woody	1
John Morison	1	James Dickey	1
Hugh Bradley	1	Andrew Callivelc	1
George Gregson	1	John Joanus	1
Solomon Aldred	1	John Wright & son	2
William Grogdon	1	James Murray	1
William Aldred	1	William Craig & sons	4
Hugh Laughlan	2	1 John Lemons	1
James Lindley	1	John Colins Molatto	1
John Lambert	1	Samuel Colins Molatto	2
William Johnston Constable		Jeffry Beech	1
for 2 Molatos	2	William Rees	1
William Aldred	1	Peter Youngblood Sr.	1
Witherson Jorner	1	Peter Youngblood Jr.	1
William Martin neg	1	James Chaney neg	1
Will a molotta	1	Bess a negro	1
Charles Johnston	1	Francis Jones	4
Richard Owings	1	Zachariah Caudle & son	2
David McComish	2	Alexander Mebane Esq.	2
John Jorner John Laurence	2	with William Cainns	
laurence & a negro	1	Ben, Tamor, Judy negros	3
Alexander Attr y & son	2	John Pryor Esq with net	1
Samuel Dennis	1	Jones, George, Will	
Enoh Spinks	1	Moneac & Hanna Nigroes	5
Mason Pigman	1	William Barnett & son	2
James Moss	1	Hugh Barnett	2
Thomas Nelson & son	2	William Jay & son	2
Francis Chaney	1	James Kaliegh net	1
Joseph Money	3	York a Negro	1
James Downings	1	Humphru Barnet	1
William Helms	2		

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There are several key names on this page that indicate young men came to Orange County, North Carolina, in the early 1750's from Princess Anne County, Virginia. John Cate married Margery Lawrence. John Lawrence is likely a relative. **William Stutly Shurly** is probably related to **George Shirley** who was a neighbor of **Robert Berry (PAC)**. (See Page 30). William and John Hopkins, James Murray, (See Pages 29 & 31) and William Martin who listed one slave. (See page28)

Humphry Barnet	1 0	James Stuart + Servt.	2 0
Samuel Barnet	1 0	David Conner	1 0
Robert Bumpus	1 0	John McEntire	1 0
Samuel Bumpus	1 0	John Hurley	1 0
John Satterfield, Senr.	1 0	John Hendrick	1 0
John Satterfield, Junr.	1 0	William Sutrey	1 0
John Styles	1 0	John Rogers, wt. Nell +	
Luke Ormsby	1 0	Frank, Negroes	1 2
Robert Donaldson	1 0	William Chambers	1 0
James Currie	1 0	Edward Chambers	1 0
William Carter	1 0	John Gordon, Cgr.	1 0
Job Self	2 0	John Smith	1 0
William Wright	1 0	John Hacken + son	2 0
Robert Barnet	1 0	Thomas Whitehead ^{Whitehead} wt.	
Richard Burton, wt		2 sons + 1 Negro	3 1
Nanora + Nan., Negroes	1 2	Daniel Stillwell	1 0
Owen, Sularen	2 0	William ^{William} Wilson + son	2 0
James Satterfield + son	2 0	Benjamin Hide	1 0
Samuel Hughes	1 0	Nathaniel Rommala	1 0
Benjamin Murray	1 0	John House	1 0
James McEntire	1 0	John Tolbard	1 0
Paul Harrelson	1 0	James Lea + servant	2 0
John Chambers	1 0	Lewis Howell	1 0
Nathaniel Harrileon	1 0	William Wilson	1 0
James Hendrik wt.		John Kelley	1 0
2 sons	3 0	Fredrick Brock	1 0
Laurance Rambo	1 0	Edward Williams ¹	1 0
Neal McCoy	1 0	Samuel Sarratt + sons	3 0
Adam Rouse	1 0	Thomas Hues	1 0
William Manes + son	2 0	George Krimes	1 0
Charles Burns	1 0	Jesse Dublin	1 0
John Warren + son	2 0	James Craford	1 0
James Stuart + Servt David Conner		Hugh Dabings	1 0

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Benjamin Murray (See Pages 29).

James Craford may be related to Wm Craford, Princess Anne County, Va. (Page 21)

James Lea	1 0	Ananias Allen + sons	4 0
William Lea, wt. 1 negro	1 1	Kniffen Hogan + 1 negro	1 1
Benjamin Carter	1 0	William Williams	1 0
William Lea on Cobs Creek wt. 1 negro	1 1	Elisha Cates	1 0
		Robert Kilgore + 2 sons	3 0
Zachariah Lea wt. 1 negro	1 1	William Boring with his 2 sons + 2 negroes	3 2
William Lea + son wt. 2 negroes	2 2	Thomas Lupton + son	2 0
John Lea wt. 2 negroes	1 2	John Forde	1 0
Andrew Caddle	1 0	Francis Dolahide	1 0
Joseph Stretten	1 0	Miles Koforth	1 0
William Nalle + son	2 0	Dennis Colings	1 0
James Lang	1 0	Lawrance Bankson, Cags. + sons	5 0
Thirick Carter	1 0	Joseph Boring + 1 negro	1 1
John York + son	2 0	Thomas Wilson + 2 sons	3 0
Aaron Vanhoushe	1 0	John Robertson	1 0
Solomon Deboo	1 0	Thomas Gibson, a mulatto	0 3
Ephraim Gould	1 0	Micaher Bunch a mulatto	0 1
William Sargent + son	2 0	Thomas Colins, a mulatto	0 3
Joseph Gould	1 0	Thomas Colins, Junr. a mulatto	0 1
Daniel Gould	1 0	George Gibson, a mulatto	0 1
William Armstrong wt. 1 negro	1 1	Charles Gibson, a mulatto	0 1
William Sanders	1 0	Mager Gibson, a mulatto	0 1
Charles Boring	1 0	John Read	0 1
Francis Carne	1 0	William Owens	1 0
Thomas Langly + 2 sons	3 0	John Adams	1 0
John Bradford + son	2 0	Isaac Adams	1 0
John Crane	1 0	John Prieton	1 0
Thomas Williams	1 0	William Barton	1 0
William Killay + 2 sons	3 0	John Grims	1 0
George Kennale	1 0	William Mc Millen	1 0
Isaac Doteon	1 0	Harry Runale, Junr. + 2 sons	3 0

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Surnames: Gould Family (See Page 47) Henry Gold

William Armstrong (See Page 67) road building in Orange Co., NC

Nathaniel Runals	1 0	Williams Grimes	1 0
Dudley Runals	1 0	William Canady, Senr.	1 0
Thomas Barton	1 0	William Canady Junr.	1 0
David Stephens	1 0	Thomas Potts	1 0
William Stephens	1 0	George Grimes	1 0
Joseph Doolittle	1 0	Loret Bates	1 0
Charles Adams	1 0	Henry Cobb + 3 sons	4 0
Isaac Durham	1 0	Elisha Fowler	1 0
George Hide	1 0	George Adams	1 0
Thomas Jones	1 0	Daniel Adams	1 0
Abraham Jones	1 0	Kiles Tillit	1 0
James Laws	1 0	Isaac Simmons	1 0
Veneriah Turner	1 0	John Gerrod	1 0
Ephraim Potter	1 0	Stephen Mc Millen	1 0
Thomas Lovelatt, Junr.	1 0	John Triples	1 0
William Stagg	1 0	Gideon Holyfield	1 0
Thomas Church	1 0	Edward Southwell	1 0
Joseph Pinson	1 0	Aaron Pinson	1 0
John Travis	1 0	John Smith	1 0
William Pittman, Senr.	1 0	Moses Hollis	1 0
George Flerin	1 0	Notby Hollis	1 0
David Stapler	1 0	John Dove	1 0
John Ford	1 0	Benjamin Dove	1 0
Benjamin Hide	1 0	Edward Smith	1 0
John West Junr.	1 0	William Henderson	1 0
John Casterson	1 0	Michael Joyce	1 0
John West Senr.	1 0	William Tub	1 0
Solomon West	1 0	Thomas Lovelatt, Senr.	
Alexander West	1 0	+ 2 sons	3 0
Joseph Clift	1 0	Hugh Porter + son	2 0
John Poston + sons	3 0	George Finlay	2 0
William Mills, Senr.	1 0	Jesse Bracher	1 0
Negikiah Colins	1 0		

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William Stagg: (See Page 67)

John Pitman, Cogs.	1 0	William Cox, Haw River	3 0
Richard Simpson w.t.		John Cox	3 0
Joseph Lambert &		Herman Cox	1 0
2. negroes	2 2	Valentine Hollingsworth	2 0
Daniel McCullum & son	2 0	Aaron Harling	2 0
John Thrasher	1 0	Richard Copeland	1 0
Mark London	1 0	Thomas Cate, snr.	2 0
		Daniel Cain	1 0
		Benjn. Gathan	1 0
<hr/>			
Whites - 983			
Blacks - 130			
Total 1113			
<p>"I am of Opinion, that there may be to the number of thirty who have concealed themselves, and about twenty who may inlisted themselves twice</p> <p>March 9th 1756</p> <p>Attested By Jas. Watson Clerk Court"</p>			
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<p>The above list was published in Dec. 1955 The North Carolinian = H.R.I.</p>			

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TIME LINE 1620-1834

FACTS IN THE LIFE OF Robert Berry's (OC) Family

- 1612** George Kemp was born.
- 1620** Ann Foster was born in England.
- 1620** Mary Hutchinson was born in England.
- 1646** Roger Williamson and Ann Foster were married.
- 1646/1650** Richard, Bartholomew, and Sarah Williamson were born.
- 1650** Roger Williamson died.
- 1651** Ann Foster Williamson married John Carraway and they had three children: Mary, Elizabeth, and John Carraway.
- 1670** Richard Williamson married Mary Kemp about this time.
- 1670** to 1680 Richard and Mary's 7 children were born.
- 1680** John Carraway married Ann Kemp
- 1690** Mary Williamson and Robert Berry (PAC) married.
- 1692** Ann Foster Williamson Carraway died.
- 1704** Robert Berry was listed on the Virginia Rent Rolls in Norfolk.
- 1704** Virginia Rent Rolls.
- 1704** John Lawson describes conditions at the Occaneechi Village on the Eno where Hillsborough would eventually be established about 50 years later.
- 1728/29** Robert Berry (OC) was born in Princess Anne County, Virginia.
- 1730** Robert Berry (PAC) wrote his will and also died.
- 1735** Elizabeth Cate's parents were John and Margery Lawrence Cate. John Cate had property on the Flat River in what is now Person County, N.C. His property was not far from the north boundary of Thomas Bradford, whose southern boundary joined Robert Berry's 1757 Granville Land Grant.
- 1746** West portion of Edgecombe County was used to create Granville County.
- 1751** First newspaper in the colony, The North Carolina Gazette, was printed at New Bern by James Davis.
- 1752** Robert Berry entered in the office of the Right Honorable Earl of Granville on the 6th Day of February, Anon Dom 1752. This Entry was made while Robert's property was still in Granville County and before Orange County was formed.
- 1752** When Orange County was formed from the west part of Granville County, it became the most western county in North Carolina for about a year, until Rowan County was established in 1753.
- 1752** In May of this year Orange was formed from parts of Johnston, Bladen and Granville Counties. It was named in honor of the infant William V of Orange. It is located in the central section of the State and currently bounded by Durham, Chatham, Alamance, Caswell, and Person Counties. The present land area is 399.84 square miles and the 2000 population was 115,331. The first courthouse was authorized and established in 1754 where the western path crossed the Eno River on the land of James Watson.
- Childsburg was established in 1759 and was changed to Hillsborough in 1766. Hillsborough is the county seat.
- 1752** When Orange County was first formed, the county covered 3500 sq miles with a population of about 4000 settlers. 1000 of these settlers lived in the City of

Hillsborough. The outlying area had a population of about one person per 1.2 square miles. By 1753, the population of Hillsborough had swelled to about 2000 people, or about .87 person per square mile. Robert Berry's (OC) claim was about one square mile.

- 1752** Corbin Town was incorporated. William Churton was the surveyor and designed the city map.
- 1753** March 20th, 1753, the Warrant for Robert Berry's Granville Grant was filed. SCC Henry Gold, Thomas Cate, **W Churton** surveyor 3 Dec, 1753, "Plat reads surveyed for Robert Berry Jr." Patent Book 14:334
- 1753** Survey for John Cate was done on Dec 4th, next day after Robert Berry's (OC) survey.
- 1754** Corbin Town was renamed Childsburg.
- 1754** The "Great War for Empire" (French and Indian War) broke out.
- 1755** Robert Berry was on the Orange County Tax List this year.
- 1756** Childsburg was renamed as Hillsborough, North Carolina.
- 1756** December Orange, NC, Court Minutes: **Robert Berry** agt, Richard Gibbs: Thomas Williams security delivered up the Principal, Order'd the Sheriff take him into custody & commit Court Minutes [187]-94bk1 p56
- 1757** Robert Berry was granted a Granville Land Grant on May 12; Court Minutes 14:244/344.
- 1757** March Orange, NC, Court Minutes: John Russell proved his Attendance as Evidence in Suit **Berry** vs. Gibbs. Court Minutes [209]-105 bk1 p63 Phoebe Rand proved her Attendance as an Evidence in Suit **Berry** Against Gibbs. Lawrence Winfield proved his Attendance as an Evidence in Suit **Berry** Vs. Gibbs, John CATE & Margery, his wife, proved her Attendance as an Evidence's (sic) in the Suit Court Minutes [212]-bk1 p6 **Berry** Against Gibbs for Plaintiff. **Robert Berry** agt. Richard Gibb: In Case. And the defendant by his Attorney comes and defends the force and injury when and where &c. and Saith that he did not assume in manner and form as the Plaintiff against him declared and of this he puts himself upon the Country and the Plaintiff Likewise, Therefore let the Jury come agreeable to act of Assembly to Recognize &c. The same came the Parties by their Attorneys whereupon came also a Jury towit: &c. who being elected tryed and sworn the truth to speak upon the issue Joined on their Oath do say that the Defendant did assume in mannor and form as the Plaintiff in his Declaration hath set fourth and do assess Damages to four Shillings and nine Pence, Therefore it is the opinion aforesaid in form aforesaid Assessed and his cost by him in that behalf expended and the defendant in mercy &c.

Judgement \angle - : 4:9, Clerk 3:9:11

- 1758** September Orange NC Court Minutes:
A deed of sale from the Earl of GRANVILLE to **Robert Berry** for 260 Acres of land was proved in open court by the oath of William Churton and was ordered to be registered.
- 1759** Court Minutes [325]-163 bk1 p93
- 1759** Robert Berry (OC) age 29 and Elizabeth Cate age 20 may have married this year in Orange County, NC.

- 1759** March Orange, NC, Court Minutes:
The Following Persons Were Sworn As Grand Jurors: Aaron Vanhook, Lawrence Rambo, Gabriel Davey, Thomas Clark, James McGowan, Andrew McBroom, Thomas Thompson, William Basket, **Robert Berry**, Thomas Dobbin, Henry Lemon, Robert Donnellson, Robert Patterson, John Satterfield, James Dinkins, Thomas Whitehead, Hugh Wood, Hugh Smith. Court Minutes [187]-94bk1 P56
- 1759** **Mary Berry** was most likely born this year in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Robert age 30 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 25.
- 1759** December Term Robert Berry Juror-- Court Minutes [351]-176 bk1 p99
- 1760** July 15 Robert Berry SCC in survey for Walton Land Grant 12:55
- 1760** **Robert Berry Jr.** was most likely born this year in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Robert age 32 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 27.
- 1762** November 26, Robert Berry CC James Murdock Land Grant 12:1
- 1763** Treaty of Paris concluded the “Great War for Empire.” Britain inaugurated its “New Colonial Policy,” which embodied the idea of taxation of the colonies.
- 1763** **John Berry** was most likely born this year in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Robert age 35 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 30.
- 1765** Parliament passed the Stamp Act. Protests in Wilmington and other places.
- 1766** Robert Berry (OC) built his Plantation House at Fiddleton. The Chimney is still standing in 2009, 243 years later.
- 1766** **Joshua Berry** may have been born this year in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Robert age 38 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 33.
- 1766** The Stamp Act was repealed by Parliament.
- 1766** Robert Berry (OC) built his new Fiddleton Plantation House.



1766 Robert Berry Home, Orange County, NC
36.22373 N 36 degrees 13' 25.4"
79.01882 W 79 degrees 01' 7.8"

- 1767** David Caldwell opened his “Log College” in Guilford County.
- 1768** Farmers of Orange County organized the Regulator Association. Movement spread to other counties in the backcountry.
- 1768** **Isaac Berry** may have been born this year in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Robert age 40 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 35.
- 1770** **Elizabeth Berry** may have been born this year in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Robert age 42 and Elizabeth Cates Berry age 37.
- 1770** “Tryon Palace”, colonial capital at New Bern, was completed.
- 1770** A narrow strip of the West part of Orange County was used to make up parts of what would become Guilford, Randolph, and Rockingham Counties.

- 1770** Part of Wake County was formed from the southeast corner of Orange County, while Chatham County was formed by what was left of the southern part of Orange County.
- 1771** May 16: Regulators defeated at Battle of Alamance by North Carolina militiamen led by William Tryon.
- 1771** Caswell County was formed in the northwest corner of Orange County.
- 1772** **Thomas Berry** born to Robert age 44 & Elizabeth Cate Berry age 39.
- 1774** **David J Berry** born to Robert age 46 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 41.
- 1774** August, First Provincial Congress met at New Bern. Non-importation policy adopted. Delegates chosen to First Continental Congress. October 25th, Edenton Tea Party held at home of Mrs. Elizabeth King.
- 1775** **William Berry** may have been born this year in Orange County, NC. Parents: Robert age 47 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 42.
- 1775** April 19th. The American Revolution began with the battles of Lexington and Concord, Mass. Governor Martin dissolved legislature.
May 20th, Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.
May 31st, Mecklenburg patriots adopted Mecklenburg Resolves.
Governor Martin took refuge on British man-of-war.
Provincial Congress at Hillsborough put North Carolina on a war footing.
- 1776** **Henry Berry** was born this year in Orange County, NC. Parents: Robert age 48 and Elizabeth Cates Berry age 43.
- 1776** Feb. 27th, Tories were defeated by Whigs at Moors Creek Bridge, first battle of the Revolution in North Carolina. Apr. 12th. Provincial Congress at Halifax authorized North Carolina delegates in Continental Congress to “concur Independency.” This was the first action of this kind by any state. Aug. 2nd, North Carolina delegates William Hooper, Joseph Hewes, and John Penn signed National Declaration of Independence. Dec. 18th, Provincial Congress at Halifax adopted the Bill of Rights and Constitution. Richard Caswell was chosen Governor.
- 1776** Inauguration of Caswell as first Governor of independent state of North Carolina .
- 1777- 1779** State Legislature passed laws confiscating Tory property.
- 1777** November, Robert Berry to work on Road.
Court Minutes [1088]- 20- folio 10 bk3 p11
- 1777** November Term Orange, NC., Court Minutes:
Issd. Ordered That the Following Persons Work On the Road under Thomas Rountree To Wit: James Allison, William McKee, James Murdock, Moses Gwin, John Murdock Sen., John Wilson, Archd Wilson, William Wilson, William Robinson, William Armstrong, **Robert Berry**, Michl, Robinson & Danl, McMahan. These men were all neighbors of Robert Berry
- 1778** Articles of Confederation ratified by North Carolina.
- 1778** February term Orange, NC, Court Minutes:
The Grand Jury To wit: Saml, Allen Foreman, John Dickey, Robert Anderson, Wm. Comb, Gilbert Strahorn, James Murdock, **Robert Berry**, John Kelley, William Robinson, Hugh Finley, William Armstrong, Benjamin Thompson, Henry Waggoner, & Andrew McBroom Being Empanelled

- & Sworn Received Their Charge and Withdrew. Wortham Glenn Appointed Constable to Grand Jury. Court Minutes [1107]-Bk. 3 P?
- 1780** March 13th, Robert Berry was Sec. for Wilson Land Grant 21:411-263 32/411 p66
- 1780** John Wilson Grant joins Robert Berry Land Grant p267/p 60 bk2.
- 1780** On October 7th there was a decisive American victory at the Battle of Kings Mountain.
- 1780** Robert Berry was granted 293 acres of land from the state on the 13 March. This property joined the east boundary line of Robert Berry's 1757 Granville Grant. The state-granted property also joined the property of John Wilson, Richard Holeman, and William Armstrong. This new property lay between Quarrel Creek and Lick Creek, branches of Flat River.
Deed Book: 42 Page: 19.
- 1781** March 15th, Cornwallis won a technical victory over Green at Battle of Guilford Courthouse but began retreat toward Wilmington. Sept. 12th, Tories led by David Fanning captured Governor Thomas Burke at Hillsborough and took him to Charleston. October 19th, Cornwallis surrendered to Washington at Yorktown, Virginia.
- 1781** On April 2nd, George Waggoner wrote his Will appointing Robert Berry and Elizabeth Berry Waggoner as his executor and executrix. This was only 18 days after the battle of Guilford Courthouse. Most likely George died from wounds suffered in that battle.
- 1781** Alexander Mebane, the county commissioner for Orange County, purchased 200 pounds of beef on the 2nd day of June from Robert Berry for the State of North Carolina. The purchase was made for eleven Spanish milled dollars on credit, to bear interest at 6% until the general assembly could authorize payment.
- 1781** June Court, Caswell County: Sale of estate of: John Cate, sold by: Thomas Neely, deputy sheriff, Buyers: Abram Hester, **Robert Berry**, Bennett Williams, **George Waggoner**, David Webb, Charles Pirant, Henry Hambrick, Benjamin Harrelson, **William Aldridge**. by James Benton Adm.
- 1781** November term Orange, NC, Court Minutes:
The Last Will & Testament of George Waggoner Decs. As Duly Prov'd In Open Court By The Oath Of George Clower A Subscribing Witness Thereto & Ordered To Be Recorded At The Same Time Mary Waggoner & Robert Berry Qualified As Executor & Executrix To The Same. Ordered That Letters Testamentary Issue to them accordingly. Court Minutes [1263]-108 Folio 54 Bk 3 P55
- 1781** Mary Berry Waggoner married James Kemp/Camp in Orange County, NC, sometime during the month of December of this year.
Bride's parents: Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry. Groom's parents unknown.
- 1782** February term Orange, NC, Court Minutes:
An Inventory of the Estate of George Waggoner Decd. was returned on Oath by Robert Berry & Mary Kemp (sic) Exr. & Executrix &c. and Ordered to be Recorded. Court Minutes [1273]-113-folio 56 bk 3 p 58 also Vol 13 [361] p 163
- 1782** May term Orange NC Court Minutes: Robert Berry is excused from attending as Juror at this Court, he having shewn sufficient Reasons &c.
NOTE: Was he serving in the Continental army at this time?

- Court Minutes [1277]-115- folio- 57 bk 3 p 59
- 1782** The Auditor's Office, State of North Carolina, Hillsborough District on August 7th, on his claim, paid Robert Berry nine pounds four shillings.
- 1783** Treaty of Paris between England and the United States. Official end of war.
- 1784** John Camp was born in Rutherford County. He was James and Mary Berry Camp's first son
- 1784** May term Orange, NC, Court Minutes:
Issd. **Robert Berry** Is Appointed Overseer of the Road in the Room Of James Murdock . Court Minutes [1429]-190-Folio 37 Bk 3 P90
- 1785** November 9th, Sarah Camp was born In Rutherford County, North Carolina, She is the only known daughter of James and Mary Berry Camp.
- 1785** Catherine Berry, the only known daughter of Robert Berry Junior and Mary Camp Berry, was born in Orange County, NC. Is Catherine Waggoner related?
- 1785** Robert Berry received one fourth of his pay for serving as a private in the North Carolina Continental Line. He was paid twenty-three Pounds, nine Shillings and six Pence.
- 1786** August term Orange NC Court Minutes:
Issd. Michael Robinson Is Appointed Overseer of the Road in the Room of Robert **Berry** from Caswell Line to The South Fork of Little River. Court Minutes [1667]-309-Folio 38 Bk 3 P138
- 1787** Robert Berry Camp, the second son of James and Mary Berry Camp, was born in Rutherford County, North Carolina.
- 1787** George Berry- this may be the year he was born. He is the first son of Robert Berry Jr. & Mary Camp Berry & he was born in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1787** Constitution of the United States drawn up at Philadelphia. Signed for North Carolina by William Blount, Richard Dobbs Spaight, and Hugh Williamson.
- 1787** March 2nd, Robert Berry (OC) bought the Patrick Rutherford Plantation from Rutherford's three sons after his neighbor, Patrick Rutherford, had died .The three sons who signed the deed were William, James, & Thomas Rutherford.
- 1788** Convention at Hillsborough refused to ratify United States Constitution but suggested many amendments to be incorporated into the Bill of Rights. Convention voted to locate permanent capital of State "Within Ten Miles Of Issac Hunters Tavern" in Raleigh, Wake County.
- 1789** August term Orange, NC, Court Minutes:
Robert Berry is appointed overseer of road in the Room of T Bowles. Court Minutes [1780]-236 bk 4 p77
- 1789** University of North Carolina was chartered. The famous General Thomas Person, for whom Person County was named, contributed 1000 Spanish milled dollars to help start the school. Person Hall at the university is also named for him, and his personal desk is there today.
- 1790** First US Census
- 1791** Joseph Camp, the third son of James and Mary Berry Camp, was born in Rutherford County, North Carolina.
- 1791** Person County was formed in the northeast corner of Orange County.
- 1791-1792** Bastardy Bond issued to William Riley for Elizabeth Berry, a single woman who was pregnant with his child. The child was named Mary Berry and her

- grandfather, Robert Berry, named her in his will.
- 1791** Robert Berry released from overseer of road
- 1791** May term Orange, NC, Court Minutes: Wm. Jamison Vs. **Robert Berry**, Certiorari.
- Same Jury As To No. [Blank] Sworn Find Verdict For Plaintiff For \angle 1:4:9 &
- Cost. Court Minutes [2092]-54. Bk 4 P 106
- 1791** November Term, Orange, NC, Court Minutes: Book 4 pg 114
- Issd. Administration Of The Estate Of James Waggoner Is Granted To Catherine Waggoner At The Same Time She Entered Into Bond With
- Robt. Berry Jun.** Secy. In The Sum Of \angle 50. Court Minutes Bk 4 P114
- 1791** November Term Orange NC Court Minutes: Book 4 pg 115
- Tho. Burke Exrs. Vs Geo. Doherty & Wm. Mebane: Debt. Jury Sworn To Wit:
1. Martin Parmer, 2. Brice Collins, 3. Tho. Brewer, 4. James Murdock,
5. **Robt. Berry**, 6. Jno. G. Rencher, 7. Jno. Armstrong, 8. Henry Terrel, 9. Tho. Connelly, 10. Jno. Mccollum, 11. Davd. Mccauly, 12. Benj. Peelor, Find The Deed To Be The Act & Deed Of The Defts, And That The Same Is Not Pd. &
- Assess The Plaintiffs Damages To \angle 12:4:10 & Cost. Stay Ex. Til 15
- Days Before Next Court. Court Minutes [2126]-382 Bk 4 P114
- 1791** November Term Orange NC Court Minutes: Book 4 pg ? The Execution of a Deed from Wm. James and Thomas Rutherford to **Robert Berry** was duly Acknowledge in open Court by Joseph TAYLOR Esqr. Atto.&c. and Ordered to be Registered. Court Minutes [2133]-389 bk 4 p117
- 1792** Henry G. Berry, the second son of Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry, may have been born this year. He was born in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1792** Joshua Berry age 26 and Nancy Ellison age 17 were married on the 28th day of January in Orange County, NC. Bride's Parents: unknown.
- Groom's Parents: Robert, age 62, and Elizabeth Cates Berry, age 57.
- 1792** The State of North Carolina is indebted to Robert Berry, late a soldier in the North Carolina Continental line, to the sum of 53 Pounds, 8 Shillings, 1 Pence. Payment was made on the 7th of May. Robert Berry was age 62 at this time.
- 1792** Robert Berry was probably born this year. Parents: Joshua age 26 and Nancy Ellison Berry age 17, estimated to have been born in Orange County, NC
- 1793** October 22 Starling Camp, the fourth son of James and Mary Berry Camp, was born in Rutherford County, North Carolina.
- 1795** Crossroad communities started to develop-- Caldwell, Cedar Grove, Oaks, and White Cross.
- 1797** David J. Berry and Mary Blalock were married on the 21st of Feb. in Orange County. Bride's Parents: Unknown. Groom's Parents: Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry.
- 1798** Dicey Berry was born in Orange, County, NC. Her parents were Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry .

- 1798** Sarah Berry was born April 4th in Orange Co. Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1799** Winifred Berry was born in Orange County, NC. Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1799** William Berry age 24 and Hannah Cate Berry age 29 were married on August 12th in Orange County, NC. Bride's Parents: William and Elizabeth Cate. Groom's Parents: Robert age 69 and Elizabeth Cate Berry age 64. Hannah and Sarah Cate were sisters who married two Berry brothers, William and Thomas.
- 1799** Unknown Son was born in Orange County, NC. Parents were William and Hannah Cate Berry.
- 1799** James Berry was born in Orange County, NC, **died in Smith County, Tennessee.** Parents: Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry.
- 1800** Orange County second United State Census was taken this year.
- 1800** On October 14th, 1800, Robert Berry sold 200 acres of land to his neighbor, William Armstrong. (DB 13:330)
- 1800** Thomas Berry married Sarah Cate on August 11th in Orange County, North Carolina. Bride's Parents: William and Elizabeth Cate. Groom's Parents: Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry. Sisters Hannah and Sarah Cate married Berry brothers, William and Thomas.
- 1800** Anna Thorpe, Joshua Berry Jr's wife, was born in NC.
- 1800** David J. Berry Jr. was born in Orange County, NC. Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1801** Eleanor Berry was born in Orange Co, NC. Parents: Thomas & Sarah Cate Berry
- 1801** December 18th, Thompson Berry, the third son of Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry, was born in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1801** Joshua Berry Jr. was born April 15th. His parents were Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry.
- 1802** David Berry was born in Orange County, NC. _David was known as David II Berry. He was the son of Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry.
- 1802** Delilah Berry was estimated to be born in Orange County, NC. Parents: Joshua and Nancy Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1802** Catherine Berry married Jacob Pickle on Feb 20th. Catherine's parents: Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry. In the 1810 Orange County Census Roll 41 Page 963, Jacob and Catherine Pickle were living next to David J & Mary B. Berry.
- 1803** Attending William Cate's estate sale: William & Elizabeth Cate's children, John Cate, Benjamin Cate, Hannah Cate Berry, Sarah Cate Berry. Many of the Robert Berry family bought items at William Cate's estate sale.
- 1803** William Clarence Berry was born October 17th in Orange County, NC. Parents: Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry.
- 1805** Robert C. Berry was born 14th April to William and Hannah Cate Berry.
- 1805** David Middleton Berry, April 14th, was the fifth son of Robert Berry Jr. and Mary Camp Berry and was born in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1805** Lewis Berry was born to Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry.
- 1806** Thomas Berry sold 200 acres of land to James Miller for the sum of one

hundred and twenty five pounds. Thomas sold his land in preparation for his upcoming trip to the west in search of more land. Thomas Berry never returned to North Carolina. His living descendants in Tennessee believe that Thomas was killed by Indians in Tennessee while searching for land. James Miller had this deed recorded in the February Term of the Orange County Open Court in 1807.

- 1807** Mary Berry was born in Orange County. Parents: David & Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1807** Robert Berry Sr. sold 200 acres of his land to William Stagg for 150 Pounds Current Money.(Deed bk. 39 Page 396) William Stagg married Utley Waggoner in 1805
- 1808** Thomas Person Berry was born June 1st in Orange County, NC. His parents were William and Hannah Cate Berry.
- 1809** Mary Berry married Thomas Berry (unidentified family member) on the 7th March. Bride's Parents: William Riley & Elizabeth Berry. Groom's Parents: Unknown. Bride's Grandparents: Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry. Bondsman: Henry Berry, the bride's uncle.
- 1810** Robert Berry Jr. listed in Person County, North Carolina, Census this year. He and his family later removed to Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1810** Hannah Cate Berry listed head of household in the 3rd US Census of Orange County, NC. In the listing she listed 4 boys under 10, one girl under 10 and two women over 26 and under 45. In this census, Sarah and Hannah were living together with their children while their husbands, Thomas and William Berry, were in Tennessee seeking land.
Hannah was actually 40, Sarah was actually 29, so this bracket fits their ages..
Hannah's boys: Unknown son born in 1799 could have been 10, Thomas P. was 2
Sarah's children: Eleanor was 9, David II was 8.
One boy under 10 is unaccounted for in this census. He may have been the son of either family.
- 1810** Nancy Berry was born to Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1810** Henry Berry born in Orange County NC. Parents: David J. & Mary Blalock Berry
- 1811** George N. Berry was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: David J and Mary Blalock Berry,
- 1811** Sarah Lunsford (51) born 25th July, daughter of William D. and Edy Cozart Lunsford.
- 1811** Robert Berry sold the land west of Lick Creek from the Original Land Grant in Orange County, NC, to his son, Joshua Berry. James Berry, Joshua's son, and Charles Holeman, Robert's neighbor, were witnesses to the deed made on the 24th day of February. Deed bk. 14 Page 57, Orange County, NC.
- 1812** Elizabeth Berry was born in Orange County, NC, this year.
Mother: Hannah Cate Berry, ex-wife of William Berry.
Father: John Berry (unidentified family member).
- 1812** Robert Berry was born in Orange County, NC, to David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1812** Robert Berry wrote his will April 16th, Will Book D Page 408 Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1813** Charlotte Berry was born in Orange County, NC,

- Parents: Robert and Nancy Ellison Berry.
- 1814** Robert Berry was 84 years old when he died. He was buried on the plantation about 300 yards from the cabin he built when he first married in 1758. The cemetery is located at: N 36 14' 07.3" W 79 01' 30.8".
- 1814** Robert Berry's will was probated by his son, Henry Berry, and Robert Berry's wife, Elizabeth Cate Berry.
- 1814** Henry Berry inherited the plantation of Fiddleton in Orange County, NC. Robert Berry left the property to Henry in his will dated April 15, 1812, with some provisions attached.
- 1815** John Berry, who died in Rusk County, was born. His parents were George and Susanna Aldridge Berry. A descendant from this line matches 36 out of 37 markers to a descendant of William Berry from Orange County, NC, in a Y-DNA test.
- 1815** Lydia Berry was born in Orange Co. She was Isaac Berry's daughter.
- 1816** Elizabeth Cate Berry was about 86 years old when she died and was buried beside her husband of 63 years, Robert Berry, in a grave that is located on the Fiddleton Plantation. N 36 14' 07.3" W 79 01' 30.8"
- 1817** Sarah Berry married William A Cates on the 24th of July in Person County, NC. Bride's parents were David J. and Mary Blalock Berry. Groom's father was Robert Cates.
- 1817** Alfred Cates was born on November 24th in Orange County, NC. Parents: Sarah Berry Cates and William A. Cates.
- 1819** Chapel Hill, North Carolina, was established.
- 1819** Romulus Saunders Cates was born in September in Orange County, NC. Parents: Sarah Berry Cates and William A. Cates.
- 1819** George N. Berry died in Orange County, NC, sometime before 1820. Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1819** Mary Howell was born in Fayette County, Alabama. She would grow up to marry John Berry, who was born in 1815 in NC. They were married in Fayette County, Alabama, and later moved to Rusk County, TX.
- 1820** March 29, Cynthia Berry was born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr., Ohio.
- 1820** Joshua Berry Jr and Anna Thorpe were married in Ohio or NC.
- 1820** Winifred Berry married Joshua Norman in Orange County on Sept. 19, 1820, Parents: David J and Mary Blalock Berry from Orange County, NC. Grandparents: Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry from Orange County, NC.
- 1820** Martha Cates was born on May 20 to Sarah Berry Cates and William A. Cates.
- 1821** In September, 1821, Henry and David Berry of Orange County sold a slave girl named Amy to William McKissack Sr. of Person County for \$350. The witnesses were: Thomas P. Evans, Robert G. Cummins, William Lipscomb, and John Cummins.
- 1821** David Norman was born to Winifred Berry & Joshua Norman, NC.
- 1821** Eli Berry was born Oct. 10th in Orange County, NC. Parents: Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry.
- 1822** Mary Polly Cates, daughter of William A. Cates and Sarah Berry Cates, was born on the 10th of January in South Carolina. Granddaughter of David J. & Mary Blalock Berry.

- 1823** Isaac Cates was born December 27 in Georgia.
Parents: Sarah Berry Cates and William A. Cates.
- 1823** Lucinda Norman was born to Winifred Berry & Joshua Norman.
- 1823** William O. Burks was born. Note: Will grow up to marry Lucinda Norman.
- 1824** Joshua P. Berry, April 13, born to David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1824** Harrison Berry, July 7, born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr., Ohio.
- 1824** Robert Berry Jr and son George Berry granted land on April 20 in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1825** NOTE: Hannah Cates was the wife of John Morgan Cates, a veteran of War 1812. John Morgan Cates died 11 Oct., 1825. Georgia Cherokee Land Lottery 20, Dec., 1826, 10 District , Land Lot#265.
- 1827** Hannah Cates of Pullen's District, Newton Co., Georgia, was granted 202 1/2 acres on the 13th May. Robert Cates mentioned on the land draw is the father of William A. Cates who married Sarah Berry. He died in Gwinnett Co. Dec., 1850, from Chills, age 74. Georgia Cherokee Land Lottery, 78 **Eighth District, Third Section, Cherokee** Robert Cates Loveless' Gwinnett Co., GA., granted previous to the first day of January, 1838. Robert Cates was a first cousin to John Morgan Cates.
- 1826** Lewis E. Berry, April 27, born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr., Ohio.
- 1826** William Clarence Berry married Sally Bowles on Nov 20th .
Parents of the groom: Robert Jr. and Mary Camp Berry.
- 1826** Elizabeth J. Cates, December, born to Sarah Berry Cates and Wm A. Cates, Georgia.
- 1826** Robert Berry, Dec. 30, born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr., Ohio.
- 1827** Peter Martin married Rachel Shipman. Parents: Jacob and Rebecca Pigg Shipman
- 1828** Nancy Ellison Berry was born in Orange County, North Carolina.
Parents: Lewis & Sally Tolar Berry.
- 1829** Wealthy Berry was born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr., Ohio.
- 1829** David Berry Jr. married Margaret Erwin September 25th, 1829.
Parents: David & Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1829** February 28, George Rufus Berry born in Orange County, North Carolina.
Parents: William C. and Sally Bowles Berry. **Fig. 59 Pg. 121.**
- 1829** David J. Berry removed to Georgia to join his children there.
- 1829** Eleander Cates born Nov. 26, 1829, to Sarah Berry Cates & Wm. A. Cates in Georgia.
- 1829** Henry Berry married Sarah Roberts 27th April in Henry Co., Georgia.
Groom's Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry from Orange County, NC.
- 1830** Jacob Berry born in Big Cypress, Tennessee.
Parents: David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry.
- 1830** Jacob and Catherine Pickle listed in the 1830 Fayette County, Alabama, Census, Roll 3, Page 196.
- 1830** Thomas Person Berry and William Berry bought land from Henry Berry in 1830, Deed Bk 24 Page 228 Orange County, and sold it on Sept 19, 1833, to Samuel Wilson & Felix Wilson. Deed Bk. 25, Page 431, Orange County, NC. William Berry who listed in the 1830 Orange County Census Roll 123, Page 344, was not in Orange County in 1840. Robert C. Berry and Charles Wilson

- witnessed this Deed. William Berry was most likely William Clarence Berry, son of Robert Berry Jr.
- 1830** In the Orange County Census, Chesterfield Franklin was living next door to William (*Clarence*) Berry. Both families were gone when the 1840 Census was taken. Chesterfield Franklin very likely went to Alabama with his son, Theodrick, and Elizabeth Berry Franklin. Chesterfield might have also died in Orange County because he had other sons who remained and married in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1830** Robert Berry, age 60-70, and his wife age 60-70, listed in Fayette County, Alabama, 1830 Census Roll 3 Page 209.
- 1831** Sarah E. Cates was born on Nov. 26 to Sarah Berry Cates and Wm. A. Cates, GA.
- 1831** John Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry, Tenn.
- 1831** Thomas Person Berry married Sarah Lunsford Sept 28 in Orange County, NC. Bride's Parents: William and Edy Brinkley Cozart Lunsford. Groom's Parents: William and Hannah Cate Berry. Bondsman: Henry Berry, groom's uncle.
- 1831** Mary Berry married Thomas Howard Barton on 24th February in Fayette County, Georgia. Bride's Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry from Orange County, NC.
- 1831** Elizabeth Jane Berry was born to William C. & Sally Bowles Berry, Orange County, NC, on the 17th March.
- 1832** Mary Ann Berry was born. She is the daughter of Lydia Berry and may be the daughter of Isaac Berry.
- 1832** Elsie Berry was born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr., in Ohio.
- 1832** James H Berry was born to Lewis & Sally Tolar Berry, NC.
- 1832** Elizabeth Berry married Theodrick Franklin in Orange County, NC. Bride's Mother: Hannah Cate Berry (ex-wife of William Berry). Bride's Father: John Berry (unidentified). Groom's Father: Chesterfield [Franklin](#). Bondsman: Bride's half-brother, Thomas Person Berry.
- 1832** Temperance Jane Franklin was born to Elizabeth Berry and Theodrick Franklin, Orange County, North Carolina. Her grandfather was John Berry (unidentified).
- 1832** James A. Berry was born to Lewis and Sally Tolar Berry in NC.
- 1833** Ira Berry was born to Lewis & Sally Tolar Berry in NC.
- 1833** John Berry, April 19, was born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr. in Ohio.
- 1833** Norisa M. Cates born May 22 to Sarah Berry Cates and Wm. A. Cates., GA. Groom's Grandparents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1833** [Henry Berry was born](#) to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry, Tenn.
- 1833** October 30, Mary Berry (Ashley) married Thomas King, She was Henry Berry's & Fanny Ashley's daughter. (**See. Pg. 198**)
- 1833** There was a migration of several Berry relatives and families from Orange County, North Carolina, to Georgia and Alabama this year. Elizabeth Berry Franklin and her husband were in Alabama in 1835 when their son, Henry Berry Franklin, was born. They returned to Floyd County, Georgia, by the time the 1840 Floyd County, Georgia, Census was taken, Roll 41 Page 256.
- 1833** Sally Bowles Berry had died and William Clarence Berry traveled to

Alabama. William had a son by his new wife in Fayette County, Alabama, on July 28th, 1838.

1833 Roann Frances Berry was born in May to William C. and Sally Bowles.

TIME LINE 1835-2009

TIME LINE IN THE ROBERT BERRY FAMILY (OC)

- 1834** William C Berry, Robert C Berry, Elizabeth Berry Franklin removed to Fayette County, Alabama, in the summer.
- 1835** Mary Ann Berry was born at Fiddleton. Lydia Berry's daughter.
- 1835** Lucinda Cates was born April 2 to Sarah Berry Cates and William A. Cates in Ga.
- 1835** Henry Berry Franklin was born to Elizabeth Berry and Theodrick Franklin in Alabama. Grandfathers: Chesterfield Franklin & Unidentified John Berry.
- 1835** William Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1835** William G. Berry married Jane Beck December 8th, 1835.
Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1836** William H. Berry born to Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry in Orange County, NC.
- 1837** James L. Franklin was born to Elizabeth Berry & Theodrick Franklin, Floyd County, Georgia. (Unidentified John Berry Line)
- 1837** John Henry Berry born to Lewis & Sally Tolar Berry.
- 1837** Mary Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1838** Samuel Berry was born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr. in Indiana.
- 1838** Willie Berry was born to Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry in Orange County, NC. No later record has been found about Willie Berry.
- 1838** John Berry married Mary Howell who was born in Ala.
Bride's Parents: Elijah and Judy Maxie Howell.
Groom's parents: George and Susanna Aldridge Berry.
A descendant of John Berry who was born in NC & died in Rusk County, Tx., participated in the Berry Y-DNA project and matches 36 out of 37 markers to a descendant of William Berry who was born in Orange County, NC .
- 1838** On Oct 8th, Joshua Berry, son of Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry, was working in a grog shop in Hillsborough as a bartender, when Martin Armstrong killed him. Armstrong picked Joshua up and threw him to the floor, breaking his neck. Joshua had refused serving him any more whiskey because he thought Martin was too drunk. I do not know what relationship there may be between Martin and William Armstrong who bought property from Robert Berry in 1800.
- 1838** John Thomas Berry born to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1839** Martha J. Berry was born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr. in Indiana.
- 1839** Sarah Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry on April 20th, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1839** Isaac Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1840** Romulus Saunders Cates married Lucinda E. Reeves on February 27, 1840.
Groom's parents: William and Sarah Berry Cates.
- 1840** Jacob and Catherine Pickle listed in the Monroe, Mississippi, Roll 218 Page 71.
- 1849** Mary Jane Berry was born on May 28th to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.

- 1840** Martha Cates married Miles N. Hunt.
- 1840** Phoebe Berry was born to Lewis & Sally Tolar Berry in NC.
- 1841** William Berry was born on April 13 to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr. in Indiana.
- 1841** James Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1842** John Robert Berry was born Sept 25th, to Thomas Person & Sarah Lunsford Berry in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1843** Joseph Berry was born to Joshua and Anna Thorpe Berry Jr. in Indiana.
- 1843** Robert Berry was born to Lewis & Sally Tolar Berry in Orange County, NC.
- 1843** Robert N. Franklin was born to Elizabeth Berry and Theodrick Franklin in Cave Spring, Floyd County, Georgia. Grandfather: Unidentified John Berry.
- 1843** William C. Franklin was born to Elizabeth Berry and Theodrick Franklin in Cave Spring, Floyd County, Georgia. Grandfather: Unidentified John Berry.
- 1843** Sanford C. Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Alabama.
- 1843** Henry Tompkins Berry was born to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1844** Elizabeth Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1844** Isaac Cates married Serena Crow on the 10th of October in Henry County, Georgia
- 1845** James P. Berry was born to Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry in NC.
- 1846** Thomas Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Alabama.
- 1846** David Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1846** Eli Berry married Judy Betsey Taylor Dec.21st in Orange County, N. C.
Groom's Parents: Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry from Orange County, NC.
- 1846-48** Mexican war
- 1847** Thomas Benjamin Franklin was born to Elizabeth Berry and Theodrick Franklin in Cave Spring, Floyd County, Georgia. Grandfather: Unidentified John Berry.
- 1847** James Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Texas.
- 1847** Lucinda Temperance Berry was born on December 1st to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1848** George Rufus Berry married Catherine Farquhar on January 19th in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1849** Eleander Cates married G. G. Baker about 1849.
- 1849** Amanda Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Rusk County, Texas.
- 1849** Alamance County was formed from the west part of Orange County.
- 1849** Georgianna Franklin was born to Elizabeth Berry and Theodrick Franklin in Cave Spring, Floyd County, Georgia. Grandfather: Unidentified John Berry.
- 1849** Rebecca Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1849** Lucy Berry was born to Eli and Judy Betsey Taylor Berry in NC.
- 1850** Orange County bought \$100,000 of railroad bonds to entice the railroad to come through the city of Hillsborough.
- 1850** December 18 Samuel Hunley married Mary Ann Berry. Mother: Lydia Berry. Father: Isaac Berry.⁸⁸
- 1850** Jacob and Catherine Pickle listed in the Monroe, Mississippi, Roll M432_378.
- 1851** David Norman married Elizabeth Yarbrough on April 27 in Henry County, Georgia.

- 1851** Martha Berry was born to David II Berry & Elizabeth Shipman Berry in Tenn.
- 1851** Sarah E. Cates married Robert L. Hicks about 1852.
- 1851** Sarah E. Berry was born to George Rufus & Katie Farquhar Berry in Alabama. First grandchild of William C. & Sally Bowles Berry.
- 1851** Martha Minerva Berry was born on April 29th to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1851** Mary Norman was born to David Norman & Elizabeth Yarbrough in GA.
- 1852** Thomas Person Berry built his new home in Orange County, North Carolina.



Thomas Person Berry Home

- 1852** Robert W. Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Texas.
- 1853** Annie Berry was born to Eli & Judy Betsey Taylor Berry in Orange County, N. C.
- 1853** First North Carolina State Fair was held in Raleigh October 18th to 21st.
- 1853** William Smith Berry was born on August 18th to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1853** John Norman was born to David and Elizabeth Yarbrough Norman in Georgia.
- 1853** Hiram Howard married Sarah Berry 24th Nov. Howard was Sarah's first husband. Bride's Parents: John & Mary Howell Berry, Rusk County, Texas. Bride's Grandparents: George and Susanna Aldridge Berry.
- 1854** Elizabeth J. Cates married Joshua P. Berry on January 31st. Groom's Parents: David J. and Mary Blalock Berry.
- 1854** Alexander Howard Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry, New Danville, Rusk County, Texas.
- 1855** Lucinda Cates married L. Silva about 1855 in Georgia.
- 1855** Amanda Narcissa Berry was born on April 26 to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1855** Robert Norman was born to David Norman & Elizabeth Yarbrough in Georgia.
- 1855** Sarah Berry was born to Eli and Judy Betsey Taylor Berry in Orange County, NC.
- 1855** Louisa J. Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Rusk County, Texas.
- 1855** Henry Berry died in Orange County, North Carolina. The youngest son of Robert & Elizabeth Cate Berry. Henry was 79 years old.
- 1855-1860** Elizabeth Jane Berry married G. Whitson in Alabama.
- 1856** North Carolina Railroad was completed from Goldsboro to Charlotte.
- 1856** Mary Berry Barton, daughter of David J. and Mary Blalock Berry, died 21st of April in Clayton County, Georgia.
- 1857** Martha Norman was born to David Norman & Elizabeth Yarbrough in Georgia.
- 1857** Eliza Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Rusk County, Texas.
- 1857** John William Hiram Howard born Sept 3rd to Hiram & Sarah Berry Howard,

- in Danville, Rusk County, Texas . Hiram was Sarah Berry's second husband.
- 1857** William H. Berry married Sarah Frances King on 6th August in Orange County, NC.
Bride's Parents: Thomas and Mary King of Orange County, NC.
Groom's Parents: Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry, Orange County, NC.
William H. Berry and Sarah Francis King were second cousins.
- 1858** William Norman was born to David Norman & Elizabeth Yarbrough in Georgia.
- 1857-1859** Worldwide epidemic (one of the largest flu epidemics on record).
Influenza possible cause of death of four Berry family members recorded this year.
- 1858** William H. Berry died in Orange County. NC.
His wife of one year was Sarah King Berry.
Parents: Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry.
- 1858** Hannah Cate Berry died in Orange County, NC. She was the daughter of William and Elizabeth Cate. She is also the ex-wife of William Berry and the mother of Thomas Person Berry and Elizabeth Berry Franklin.
She is also my 3rd great-grandmother.
- 1858** Lewis Berry died of the flu in Orange County, NC.
Widow: Sally Tolar Berry
Parents: Joshua and Nancy Ellison Berry.
- 1858** Thedorick Franklin died in Floyd County, Georgia. He was the husband of Elizabeth Berry Franklin, who was daughter of Hannah and John Berry (unidentified).
- 1858** Nancy Ellison Berry, Joshua's widow, may have died from the flu this year also. She listed in the 1850 Orange County Census, but not in the 1860 Census .
- 1859** Frances M. McClure married widow Sarah Berry Howard on Jan. 5th in Rusk County, Texas. McClure was Sarah Berry's 3rd husband.
- 1859** Emma Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Rusk Co., Texas.
- 1859** John Saunders Berry was born on Jan 6th to Eli and Judy Betsey Taylor Berry in Orange County, NC
- 1860** Elizabeth Berry Franklin was visiting her half-brother, Thomas Person Berry, when the 1860 Orange County Census was taken. Their mother, Hannah Cate Berry, had died in 1858. Elizabeth's husband, Theodrick Franklin, also died in 1858.
- 1860** Norman S. McClure was born in Rusk County, Texas.
Parents: Frances M. & Sarah Berry McClure.
Grandparents: John & Mary Howell Berry.
- 1860** Sally Tolar Berry, widow of Lewis Berry, was living with her daughter Nancy E. Berry Waggoner & son-in-law James Waggoner in Union County, Kentucky, and next door to her son Ira and his wife, Mary Wynn Berry.
- 1860** Rosa Ann "Roan" Frances Berry married Riley Kissiah on December 25 in the home of her brother, George Rufus Berry.
- 1860** Mary Jane Berry married Enoch Kissah in the home of her half-brother, George Rufus Berry.
- 1861** Sarah E. Norman was born to David & Elizabeth Yarbrough Norman, Georgia.
- 1861** Eli D. Berry was born on May 3rd to Eli & Judy Betsey Taylor Berry, in Orange

County, North Carolina.

1861 On April 12th the Civil War began in an effort to split the Union.

1861 May 20th North Carolina Convention at Raleigh adopted ordinance of secession.
Aug. 29th Forts Hatteras and Clark captured by Federal forces.

1861 John Robert Berry- Pvt. Co. E 31st Regiment, North Carolina.

Resided in Orange County, North Carolina. Enlisted at age 19, October 6, 1861.
Present and accounted for until captured at Roanoke Island on February 8, 1862,
paroled at Elizabeth City on February 21, 1862. Returned to duty on September
15, 1862. Wounded in right hand and shoulder. Captured at Cold
Harbor, Virginia, May 31 or June 1, 1864.

John R. Berry was hospitalized at Washington, D.C., on August 16, 1864,
transferred to Elmira, New York, August 27, 1864. Released at Elmira on June
23, 1865, after taking the following Oath of Allegiance: "I pledge to uphold the
Constitution of the United States and to obey the laws of that union, including all
laws and proclamations which have been made during the existing rebellion with
reference to the emancipation of slaves."

John Robert Berry was then put on a train that would return him to his
home. After riding from Elmira, New York, to Hillsborough, North Carolina, he
walked the 14 miles from Hillsborough to Fiddleton. My mother told me that he
walked all night and arrived home early in the morning before the sun came up.
He did not want to wake his parents so he lay down on a log bench across the road
from his home and went to sleep. When the warm sun woke him up he went
across the road to greet his relieved and happy family. The war was over and he
was dirty, hungry, and very tired.

PARTIAL HISTORY OF THE 31st REGIMENT of NORTH CAROLINA

Fought on 8 Feb 1862 at Roanoke Island, NC.

Fought on 8 Feb 1862 at Craven County, NC.

Fought on 8 Mar 1862 at Bermuda Hundred, VA.

Fought on 2 Oct 1862.

Fought on 15 Nov 1862 at Goldsboro, NC.

Fought on 16 Dec 1862 at White Hall, NC.

Fought on 16 Jul 1863 at Fort Wagner, SC.

Fought on 17 Jul 1863 at Fort Wagner, SC.

Fought on 18 Jul 1863 at Charleston, SC.

Fought on 1 Oct 1863 at Goldsboro, NC.

Fought on 31 Jan 1864 at Smithfield, VA.

Fought on 13 May 1864.

Fought on 15 May 1864 at Richmond, VA.

Fought on 15 May 1864 at Petersburg, VA.

Fought on 16 May 1864 at Drewry's Bluff, VA.

Fought on 20 May 1864 at Bermuda Hundred, VA.

Fought on 1 Jun 1864 at Cold Harbor, VA.

More battles were fought by THE 31st REGIMENT of NORTH CAROLINA but
John Robert Berry was a Prisoner of War during that time period.

1861 John Thomas Berry enlisted in the 26th Alabama Regiment Infantry Company A.

1861 Francis Marian Berry was born to John & Mary Howell Berry in Gladwater,

- Gregg County, Texas.
- 1862** January, Riley Kissiah enlisted in the 41st Ala. Regiment Infantry Company H.
- 1862** On December 31st Riley Kissiah was killed in the Battle of Stone River at Murfreesboro, Tennessee.
- 1862** Federal forces led by Generals Butler and Burnside captured Roanoke Island on Feb. 8th. (*John Robert Berry was captured by the Union Army in this battle.*) They captured New Bern (March 14th.), Washington, NC (March 21st.), Fort Macon (April 26th), and Plymouth (Dec 13th).
- 1862** April 6th Obidiah Echols in Auburn, Alabama, wrote a letter to Hillsborough, NC, concerning Preston Berry, an orphan who descended from Thomas & Mary Berry, who were married in 1809 in Orange Co.
- 1862** In May of this year, Henry Tompkins Berry enlisted in the 41st Alabama Regiment Infantry Company H.
- 1862** On Aug 1st Enoch Kissiah enlisted in the 41st Alabama Regiment Infantry Company H.
- 1862** George Rufus Berry enlisted in Company I 56th Regiment Alabama Cavalry.
- 1862** Dec. 15th Julia Ann Berry born to William Clarence Berry and his second wife, Massa Tompkins, in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1863** Robert A. Taylor married widow Sarah Berry McClure May 18th Rusk County, Texas. (Robert Taylor was Sarah Berry's fourth husband.)
- 1864** James Stanford Taylor was born to Robert A. Taylor and his new wife, Sarah Berry, from Rusk Co., Tx. Grandparents: John & Mary Howell Berry, Rusk County, Texas.
- 1865** James David Berry was born to Isaac & Amanda Josephine Blackwood Berry in Tenn.
- 1865** March 29th Doc. Edward Berry was born to Eli & Judy Betsey Taylor in Orange County, NC.
- 1865** April 9th The Civil War ended.
- 1865** April 14th Abraham Lincoln was assassinated by John Wilkes Booth.
- 1865** April 26th General Johnston was staying in Hillsborough at the home of Alexander and Elizabeth Wilson Dixon when he negotiated the surrender of his troops to General Sherman at the Bennett House near Durham. Alexander and Elizabeth Dixon were the GG Aunt & Uncle of my Grandmother, Ida Ann Wilson, who married my grandfather, Wiley P. Berry, in 1895 in Orange County, NC.



Alexander Dixon House Welcome Center for Hillsborough, NC

- 1865** John Robert Berry married Elizabeth Francis Bowling on Nov.30th in Orange County, NC.
Groom's Parents: Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry.
Bride's Parents: William and Martha Bowling.
- 1866** Emma G. Berry was born to John Robert & Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry in Orange County, NC.



John Robert Berry Home

- 1866** Sept. 11 Henry Thomas Berry married Elizabeth Farquhar in Fayette County, Ala.
- 1866** James Emory Taylor was born to Robert A. Taylor & his wife, Sarah Berry, in TX.
Grandparents: John & Mary Howell Berry, Rusk County, Texas.
- 1867** George Rufus Berry, John Thomas Berry, Henry Tompkins Berry and Roan Frances Kizziah joined a wagon train bound for Burnet County, Texas.
- 1867** Robert Lee Berry was born on March 19th in Texas to John Thomas & Elizabeth Ann Kissiah Berry.
- 1867** William A.A. Berry was born in Texas to George Rufus and Catherine Farquhar Berry.
- 1868** Cora D. Berry was born to John Robert & Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry in Orange County, NC.
- 1868** Sarah Catherine Berry married William F. Crowley on October 14th in Fayette County, Alabama.
- 1868** Sarah E. Berry, daughter of George Rufus & Katie Farquhar Berry, married William L. Long on December 27th.
- 1869** Mollie E. Berry was born to Eli & Judy Betsey Taylor Berry in Orange County, N C.
- 1869** Sarah Berry married Henry B. Stoneham Nov.29th.
Parents: John & Mary Howell Berry. (Henry was Sarah Berry's fourth husband.)
- 1869** Wiley P. Berry was born to John Robert & Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry in Orange County, NC.
- 1870** Francis B. Norman born to David & Elizabeth Yarbrough Norman in Georgia.
- 1870** Sarah Berry Cates died April 4th, in Jonesboro, Clayton County, Georgia.
Parents; David J. and Mary Berry.

- 1870** Green Berry Cates was the son of Romulus Saunders, grandson of William A. & Sally Berry Cates, great-grandson of David J. & Mary Blalock Berry, and the great-great-grandson of Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry. Green B. Cates was living with William Camp and his family on July 5th, 1870, when the Clayton County, GA., census was taken. William Camp was a cousin and a descendant of Mary Berry Camp, David J. Berry's sister.
- 1870** Sarah Lunsford Berry, wife of Thomas Person Berry, died 27th of December in Orange County, NC. Her grave was found on May 20th, 2006, in the original land grant property cemetery. Location: N 36 14' 07.3" W 79 01' 30.8"
- 1871** William Clarence Berry and his family moved to Lampasas, Texas.
- 1871** John W. Berry was born in Orange County, NC. John never married. Parents; John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry.
- 1871** Thomas Person Berry married his second wife, Lucy A. Brown, on the 24th of August in Orange County, NC .
- 1871** James P. Berry married Artelia Wedding on 11th Sept. in Orange County, NC. Bride's Parents: Joseph and Louisa Wedding from Orange County, NC. Groom's Parents: Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1872** Edna H. Berry June 1st, born to Thomas Person and Lucy Brown Berry.
- 1872** Mary Elizabeth Booher was born on March 22, 1872, in Berlin, Johnson County, Arkansas.
- 1873** Martha Bowers Berry June 27th born to Thomas Person & Lucy Brown Berry.
- 1873** Bettie S. Norman was born to David and Elizabeth Yarbrough Norman in GA.
- 1873** Mary Berry was born to John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry in NC.
- 1874** Etta E. Berry was born September 11 to Thomas Person & Lucy Brown Berry in NC.
- 1875** Ada Berry was born to John Robert & Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry in Orange County, NC.
- 1876** Ida Ann Wilson was born on Sept. 30th in Orange County, NC. Parents: Eli and Mary Jane Coleman Wilson. She would grow up to marry Wiley P. Berry. They are my grandparents.
- 1876** John Thomas Berry moved his family back to Fayette County, Alabama, from Texas
- 1877** Della Thomas Berry was born Feb 8th to Thomas Person and Lucy Brown Berry.
- 1877** Willie Adolphus Berry was born to John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry in Orange County, NC.
- 1878** Amanda N. Berry married William T. Hutto in Texas on March 12th. Parents: William Clarence & Massa Tompkins Berry.
- 1878** William Clarence Berry died on Sept 8th in Burnet County, Texas.
- 1879** Julia Ann Berry married Elbert J. Barton in Burnet County, Texas, on Jan. 1. Parents : William Clarence & Massa Thompkins Berry.
- 1879** Joshua Berry Jr. died on May 29th in Benton County, Iowa.
- 1879** Lucinda Temperance Berry married William M. Cook in Burnet County, Texas, on January 1st. Parents : William Clarence & Massa Thompkins Berry.
- 1880** William Smith Berry (Black Bill) married Fannie L. Davis on December 2nd.

- Parents: William Clarence & Massa Tompkins Berry.
- 1880** Winnies Berry Norman's daughter, Lucinder Norman Burke was living in *Blue Creek, White, Georgia*; Source Citation: Year: 1880; Roll: T9_171; Family History Film: 1254171; Page: 542.3000; Enumeration District: 190; Image: 0468.
- 1880** Hinrick Dippold and Sarah Berry were married on 15th Feb.
Sarah's Parents: John & Mary Howell Berry. Hinrick Dippold is Sarah Berry's fifth husband.
- 1880** Thomas Ewart Berry was born to John Robert & Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry, Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1880** Daniel R. Berry was born on Dec 23 to Thomas Person and Lucy Brown Berry in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1881** Durham County was formed from the east part of Orange County, fixing the Orange County boundaries as they are today.
- 1881** On January 12th Lucy Brown Berry, Thomas Person Berry's second wife, died from complications at childbirth. They had four daughters and a son.
- 1882** David Berry died in Cypress Inn, Tenn. (Son of Thomas & Sarah Cate Berry)
Grandparents: Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1883** Thomas Person Berry married his 3rd wife, Elizabeth Peed Bowles, on the 6th day of December in Orange County, NC.
- 1884** Robert Berry, son of David J. and Mary Blalock Berry, who was born in Orange County, NC, died in Milton, Georgia, after 1884.
- 1884** Thomas Person Berry died on April 30th in Orange County, North Carolina. He left 5 orphan children, with the oldest being only 9 years of age.
- 1884** Emma G. Berry married John Saunders Berry 15th Oct. in Orange County, NC.
Bride's Parents: John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry.
Groom's Parents: Eli and Betsey Taylor Berry.
Emma Berry is a descendant of the William Berry line and John Saunders Berry is a descendant of the Joshua Berry line. They were second cousins.
- 1886** Annie E. Berry was born on July 22nd to John Saunders and Emma Berry in NC.
- 1886** Pattie S. Berry was born to John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry in Orange County, NC,
- 1887** Emory Howard born on June 27th, 1887, to John & Mary Howard in Arkansas.
- 1890** Albert Galiton Whitson died on April 22nd. He was the husband of Elizabeth Jane Berry, daughter of William C. and Sally Bowles Berry.
- 1892** Vulger L. Berry was born on April 22nd to John Saunders and Emma Berry in NC.
- 1892** Fannie L. Davis, wife of William Smith Berry, died on Jan 27th at childbirth.
- 1893** Charles Eli Berry Sr. was born Sept 24th to John Saunders & Emma Berry in NC.
- 1893** Mary Berry married James Webb Sr. in Orange County, N.C.
Bride's Parents: John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry.
- 1893** Elizabeth Jane Berry Whitson died on September 22nd. She was the daughter of William Clarence and Sally Bowles Berry. She was born in Orange County, NC, and died in Walker County, Alabama.
- 1894** William Smith Berry (Black Bill) married Lillie Ann Webb on Sept. 20th.
- 1894** James P. Berry Jr. was born July 10th, and died on the 12th of May, 1896.
Parents: James P. & Artelia Wedding Berry, Orange County, North Carolina.

James is buried at the Fiddleton Cemetery. GPS (N 36 14' 07.3" W 79 01' 30.8)

- 1895** Wiley P. Berry married Ida Ann Wilson on June 2nd in Orange County, NC.
Groom's Parents: John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry,
Bride's Parents: Charles Eli and Mary Jane Coleman Wilson.
Their wedding was performed in the bride's home.



Wiley P. Berry Home

- 1896** James P. Berry Jr. died May 12th. Parents: James P. & Artelia Wedding Berry.
We located his headstone on May 20th, 2006, on the Original Land Grant of Robert Berry. His was one of the 6 engraved headstones in the Berry Fiddleton Cemetery. There were 21 fieldstone & slate headstones without engraving.
- 1896** William Eugene Berry was born on Sept 1st to Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1896** Ada Berry married William Jackson Rogers in Orange County, NC.
Bride's Parents: John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry.
- 1896** Minnie Berry was born on Nov. 28th in Orange County, NC.
Parents: John Saunders and Emma Berry.
- 1897** James Stanford Taylor married Agnes Schrader on March 3rd.
Groom's Parents: Robert A. and Sarah Berry Taylor.
Bride's Parents: Unknown from Germany.
- 1899** Mary Elizabeth Berry (Maye) was born on Aug 23rd in Orange County, NC.
She was named for her two grandmothers:
"Mary" for Mary Jane Coleman Wilson & "Elizabeth" for her grandmother Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry.
- 1900** Cora S. Berry was born on May 26 in Orange County, NC.
Parents: John Saunders and Emma Berry.
- 1900** Willie Adolphus Berry married Fannie Bennett Hall on June 3rd in Orange County, NC.
Parents: John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry,
- 1900** Lizzie (Elizabeth Farquhar) Berry died in Texas. She was the wife of Henry Tompkins Berry.
- 1901** Henry Tompkins Berry married Miss A. Mary Brown on June 11th in Lampasas Texas.
- 1901** Clyde Hall Berry was born on March 30th in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1902** Anne Belle Berry died on October 31st and is buried in the Fiddleton cemetery.
Parents: James P. & Artelia Wedding Berry,

- 1903** Thomas Young Berry was born on May 11th in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1903** Walter G. Berry was born July 26th Orange County, NC.
Parents: John Saunders and Emma Berry.
- 1903** Mable Lee Berry was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1903** Thomas Ewart Berry married Mary Ella Tilley in Orange County, NC.
Parents: John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry.
- 1904** Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry, wife of John Robert Berry, died Aug. 11th in Orange County, NC. She is buried in the cemetery at Berry's Grove Baptist Church in Orange County, NC. Elizabeth and her husband gave the land to build the Church on the 16th day of April, 1888.
- 1904** Pattie S. Berry married F.C. Wilson in Orange County, NC.
Parents: John Robert and Elizabeth Frances Bowling Berry.
- 1905** Bettie Bowling Berry was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1905** Sarah Catherine "Katie" Farquhar died on Jan 23rd in Burnet County, Texas.
Katie was the wife of George Rufus Berry.
- 1907** Lula Berry was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1908** Sally Malena Berry (1908 - 2002) was born July 20th in Orange County, NC.
Malena married Jesse Clyde Henderson and they are my parents.
NOTE: "Maye", Mary Elizabeth Berry, was named *Mary* for her maternal grandmother **Mary** Jane Coleman, and *Elizabeth* for her paternal grandmother **Elizabeth** Francis Bowling.
Sally Malena Berry was named *Sally* for her paternal great-grandmother Sarah "**Sally**" Lunsford, and *Malena* for her maternal great-grandmother **Malena** Barbary Brown.
This is an interesting naming pattern.
The first daughter's first name was her **maternal grandmother's** first name and her second name was her **paternal grandmother's** first name.
The paternal and maternal relationship was reversed for the second daughter and stepped back one generation.
The second daughter's first name was her **paternal great-grandmother's** first name and her second name was her **maternal great-grandmother's** first name.
- 1909** George Rufus Berry died on December 25th in Burnet County, Texas.
He was born in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1909** Milton Banks Berry was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1911** Earnest John Berry was born in Cypress Inn, Tenn.
Parents: Ode and Emma Lee Stuits Berry.
- 1911** John Lambert Berry was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1912** Woodrow Wilson Berry was born on April 3rd in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1912** Feb. 15th James P. Berry, son of Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry,

- died in Orange County, N.C. Two of James and Artelia Berry's children are buried in the Fiddleton Plantation Berry graveyard where Robert and Elizabeth Cates Berry are buried. James P. Berry Sr. may also be buried there.
- 1914** Wiley Harold Berry was born March 9th in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1914** Fannie Bennett Berry was born Dec 24th in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1916** Lucille Jones Berry was born July 4th in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1916** Infant Son lived a few days, born Sept. 23rd in Orange County, NC. He is buried at Berry's Grove Baptist Church.
Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1917** June 7th Sarah Berry Dippold, daughter of John and Mary Howell Berry, died in Galveston,, Tx. She was living on 14th Street in Galveston in the 1900 Texas Census. Peter M. Blanchet and his wife, Clara Blanchet, we living in the same house.
- 1917** John Robert Berry died 10th October in Orange County. He was the husband of Elizabeth Frances Bowling and the son of Thomas Person and Sarah Lunsford Berry. He is buried in the Cemetery at Berry's Grove Baptist Church in Orange County, NC. John and his wife donated the land the Church was built on.
- 1918** Willie Adolphus Berry Jr was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1919** Wiley P. Berry Jr. (1917 - 2007) was born Sept 1st in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1921** William Eugene Berry married Pattie Alma McAdams on the 6th of June in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1921** Virginia Gertrude Berry was born in Orange County, NC.
Parents: Willie Adolphus and Fannie Bennett Hall Berry.
- 1921** Joshua and his brother Robert I. Berry were killed in Jonesboro, Georgia, on Oct. 20th when a train struck their truck loaded with produce.
They were David J. and Mary Blalock Berry's grandsons.
- 1922** Roan Frances Berry Kissiah died on August 11th in McCulloch County, Texas.
- 1923** John W. Berry died on December 22nd in Orange County, N.C. He was a bachelor son of John Robert and Elizabeth Bowling Berry.
- 1925** Brodie Shakespeare Carr married Mary Ethel Berry on 17 Sept., Hillsborough, NC.
Bride's Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1925** Thomas Young Berry died on June 8th of typhoid fever. He was the son of WP Berry Sr. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1928** September 22nd Jessie Clyde Henderson married Sally Malena Berry in Wilson, NC. Bride's Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry, Orange County, NC.
Groom's Parents: William Jackson and Mary Jane Horne Henderson, Gaffney, SC.
- 1929** Edna H. Berry Rogers died on April 3rd. She was the daughter of Thomas Person and Lucy Brown Berry.
- 1932** Wiley P. Berry, my grandfather, was elected Orange County Commissioner

from 1932 until 1936.

- 1935** Wiley Harold Berry married Hilda Elizabeth Nichols .
Groom's Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1936** Woodrow Wilson Berry married Ora Mae Murray on the 7th July in Jacksonville ,
NC, Craven County. Groom's Parents: Wiley P. & Ida Ann Berry, Orange
County, NC.
- 1939** Martha Bowers Berry Wrenn died on December 29th. She is the daughter of
Thomas P. and Lucy Brown Berry.
- 1941** Ida Ann Wilson Berry was struck and killed by an automobile on May 4th in
Mebane, Alamance County, NC. She was taken back home to be buried at
Berry's Grove Baptist Church Cemetery in Orange County, NC.
- 1941** Sunday Morning Dec 7th. The Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, Oahu, Hawaii.
- 1943** James Stanford Taylor died. Parents: Robert A. and Sarah Berry Taylor.
- 1945** Emma G Berry, daughter of John Robert and Elizabeth F. Bowling Berry,
died on Feb. 12th.
- 1947** Cora D. Berry Breeze died on September 18th in Person County, N.C. She was the
daughter of John Robert and Elizabeth F. Bowling Berry.
- 1949** Wiley P. Berry Jr. (1917 - 2007) married Mary Berry.
Groom's Parents: Wiley P. and Ida Ann Berry, Orange County, NC.
- 1957** Daniel R. Berry died on October 8th in Person County, N.C. He is the son of
Thomas P. and Lucy Brown Berry. His mother died 16 days after Daniel was
born.
- 1957** Mary (Mae) Berry Carr died on the 13th of November. She is the daughter of W.P.
Berry Sr and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1960** Thomas Ewart Berry died on December 15th in Durham County, N.C. He was the
son of John Robert and Elizabeth Bowling Berry.
- 1964** Willie Adolphus Berry died on January 8th in Orange County, N.C. He was the
son of John Robert and Elizabeth Bowling Berry.
- 1965** Wiley P. Berry died on May 8th in Mebane, Alamance Co., N.C., at the home of
his son, William Eugene Berry. He was the son of John Robert and Elizabeth
Bowling Berry and was born in Orange County, North Carolina.
- 1968** Ada Lee Ann Berry Rogers died on November 22nd in Orange County, N.C. She
was the daughter of John Robert and Elizabeth F. Bowling Berry.
- 1973** Brodie Shakespeare Carr died on August 24th. He was the husband of Mary
(Maye) Berry Carr.
- 1984** Jesse Clyde Henderson died on June the 11th. He was the husband of Sally
Malena Berry Henderson.
- 1984** William Eugene Berry died on September 30th. He was the son of W.P. Berry Sr.
and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1989** Woodrow Wilson Berry died on May 3rd. He was the son of W.P. Berry Sr.
and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 1993** Pattie Alma McAdams Berry died on April 16th. She was the wife of William
Eugene Berry.
- 2002** Sally Malena Berry died on March 19. She was the daughter of W.P. Berry Sr.
and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.
- 2002** Ora Mae Murray Berry died on September 21st. She was the wife of Woodrow

Wilson Berry.

2002 Hilda Elizabeth Nichols Berry died on August 7th. She was the wife of Wiley Harold Berry.

2006 Wiley Harold Berry died on June 24th. He was the son of W.P. Berry Sr. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.

2007 Wiley P. Berry Jr. died on August 18th. He was the son of W.P. Berry Sr. and Ida Ann Wilson Berry.

Orange County, North Carolina, Berry Marriages

BERRY FAMILY MARRIAGES

SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
BERRY	THOMAS	CARTER	ELIZABETH	APRIL	15	1791	GEORGE MADEN
BERRY	JOSHUA	BLALOCK	MARY	FEB	27	1792	HENRY TERRY
BERRY	PENELOPE	STRAYHORN	DAVID	OCT	9	1792	WILLIAM ASHLEY
BERRY	DAVID J.	BLALOCK	MARY	FEB	37	1797	HENRY WAGGONER
BERRY	WILLIAM	CATE	HANNAH	AUG	12	1779	THOMAS BERRY
BERRY	THOMAS	CATE	SARAH	AUG	11	1800	HENRY BERRY
BERRY	CATHERINE	PICKLE	JACOB	FEB	20	1802	JACOB WAGGONER
BERRY	THOMAS	BERRY	MARY	MAY	7	1809	HENRY BERRY
BERRY	ELIZABETH	GREEN	NATHAN	MAR	4	1811	TIMOTHY WEAVER
BERRY	SALLY	CATES	WILLIAM	JULY	26	1817	THOMAS BERRY
BERRY	WINIFRED	NORMAN	JOSHUA	PT	19	1820	
BERRY	TABITHA	MOORE	THOMAS	FEB	23	1823	JOHN MOORE
BERRY	DICEY	MURDOCK	ANDREW	DEC	16	1824	J.A.GRAY
BERRY	WILLIAM C.	BOWLES	SALLY	NOV	20	1826	WILLIAM TAYLOR
BERRY	NANCY	WARREN	CHARLES	MAR	6	1826	JOHN COLLIER
BERRY	JOHN	VINCENT	ELIZABETH	MAR	6	1827	JESSE HARGROVE
BERRY	DELILAH	HIGHTOWER	JOHN		25	1827	CHARLES HOLEMAN
BERRY	LEWIS	TOLAR	SALLY	OCT	13	1828	HEZEKIAH TERRY
BERRY	THOMAS P.	LUNSFORD	SARAH	SEPT	28	1831	HENRY BERRY
BERRY	ELIZABETH	FRANKLIN	THEORICK	JAN	30	1832	THOMAS P. BERRY
BERRY	MARY ASHLEY	KING	THOMAS	OCT	9	1833	TAYLOR JOHNSTON
BERRY	HENRY	WEAVER	LUCY	MAY	14	1835	JAMES SHEPARD
BERRY	CHARLOTTE	WAGGONER	JAMES	AUG	18	1837	WILLIAM GATES
BERRY	ELI	TAYLOR	BETSIE	DEC	21	1846	Henderson Taylor
BERRY	AMANDA	HAUGANAUT	JACOB	MAY	5	1847	ROBERT SHIELDS
BERRY	NANCY E.	WAGONER	JAMES	JUNE	11	1840	WILLIAM HORNER
BERRY	JOSEPHINE	MONTGOMERY	DANIEL	APRIL	29	1853	E.G. GRAY
BERRY	JOHN H.	McCULLOCH	EMILEY	JAN	16	1856	JAMES BERRY
BERRY	WILLIAM H.	KING	SARAH F.	JULY	28	1857	C.S.DUNNIGAN
BERRY	PHOEBY R.	BROWN	JESSE	JAN	4	1858	W.H.ROSS
BERRY	WILLIAM H.	KING	SARAH F.	JULY	28	1857	C.S.DUNNAGAN
BERRY	SARAH F.	TERRY	HEZEKIAH	JULY	7	1860	H.J.TILLY
BERRY	JOHN ROBERT.	BOWLING	ELIZABETH F..	NOV	28	1865	JAMES ALLISON
BERRY	ANNIE	PARKER	MONROE	DEC	30	1875	
BERRY	DR. JOHN	STRAHORNE	MARY	OCT	2	1876	
BERRY	EMMA G.	BERRY	JOHN S.	OCT	18	1884	
BERRY	CORA	BREEZE	FRANK A.	JUNE	26	1889	
BERRY	WILEY P.	WILSON	IDA ANN	JUNE	2	1895	
BERRY	ADA I.	ROGERS	WILLIAM J.	SEPT	1	1895	
BERRY	WILLIE A.	HALL	FANNY J.	JUNE	3	1900	
BERRY	THOMAS E.	TILLY	MARY ELLA	JUNE	3	1900	
BERRY	WILLIAM E.	McADAMS	ALMA	JUNE	6	1921	
BERRY	MARY E.	CARR	BORDIE S.	SEPT	17	1925	
BERRY	MALENA	HENDERSON	JESSIE C.	SEPT	22	1928	
BERRY	WOODROE W.	MURRAY	ORA MAE	JULY	7	1936	
BERRY	WILEY H.	NICHOLS	HILDA				
BERRY	CLYDE HALL	HARRIS	ALMA	SEPT	11	1926	
BERRY	MABLE LEE	HARRIS	DRAPER H.	JUNE	28	1925	
BERRY	BETTY B.	HARRIS	JAMES r.	FEB	12	1927	
BERRY	M. BANKS	JACKSON	MARGARET	NOV	26	1909	
BERRY	FANNY B.	LONG	J.ALEXANDER	MAR	28	1932	
BERRY	J. LAMBERT	BOYD	MARGARET	JAN	1	1945	
BERRY	R. CLAYBORN	BOWLING	FANNY BELLE				
BERRY	ERNEST	PICKETT	LILLE				
BERRY	BLANNIE	HOLEMAN	CHARLES C.				
BERRY	PATTIE	POPE	EMERSON				
BERRY	JENNINGS C.	BLALOCK	MARY FRANCIS				
BERRY	FRANCIS	THOMPSON	EUGENE W.				

Berry Marriages in Orange County North Carolina.

Figure 130: Berry Marriages in Orange County, North Carolina.

There is a list of all the Waggoner /Wagoner and Robert Berry (OC) families in Orange County. I do not know when the Waggoner family and the Berry family first became acquainted, or if they were related before coming to Orange County.

North Carolina, Tennessee, and Kentucky Berry Marriages

Waggoner Marriages and Waggoner Bondsmen							
SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
WAGGONER	JUDITH	ALDRIDGE	PETER	FEB	4	1786	ROBERT BERRY Jr..
WAGGONER	ULEY	STAGG	WILLIAM	JAN	22	1805	JACOB WAGGONER
WAGGONER	WILLIAM	BERRY	CHARLOTTE	AUG	19	1837	WILLIAM GATES
WAGGONER	POLLY	PICKLE	LEWIS	DEC	16	1848	JOSHUA MANLEY
WAGONER	JAMES	BERRY	NANCY E.	JUNE	11	1849	WILLIAM HORNER
WAGONER	ANNA	BOWLING	JOHN	OCT	19	1853	William Waggoner
WAGONER	JOHN	BLALOCK	ELIZABETH	MAR	12	1866	WILLIAM PARKER

Waggoner/Wagoner marriages in Orange County N.C.

Some Wayne County Tennessee Marriages							
SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
BERRY	DAVID	SHIPMAN	ELIZABETH			1826	
BERRY	SARAH	HORTON	ISAAC			1845	
BERRY	HENRY	MICHEL	SARAH	SEPT	19	1861	
BERRY	JOHN	BREWER	SUSAN			1862	
BERRY	ISAAC	BLACKWOOD	JOSEPHINE			1863	
BERRY	ELIZABETH	CODY	JOHN	AUG	23	1865	
BERRY	WILLIAM	JACKSON	MATTIE	AUG	29	1867	
BERRY	REBECCA	CODY	GEORGE	JULY	27	1871	
BERRY	MARTHA	CODY	SAMUEL	DEC	12	1872	
BERRY	MARY	HARLOW	WILLIAM			1873	
BERRY	CALLIE	MOORE	WILLIAM	DEC	15	1887	
BERRY	JAMES	HARLOW	MILISSA			1888	
BERRY	JOHN	PIGG	MARY	NOV	25	1888	
BERRY	CALLIE	PIGG	F.M.	JAN	8	1891	
BERRY	JENNIE L.	HARPER	LUTHER F.	DEC	24	1896	
BERRY	DAVID C.	HAYES	MARY	APR	28	1897	
BERRY	ROBERT L.	MOORE	MATTIE	NOV	27	1902	
BERRY	RICHARD T.	WILSON	NANCY	JAN	17	1903	
BERRY	ODE	STUTTS	EMMA	DEC	26	1909	
BERRY	JOHN B.	DAVIS	MAUDE S.	JUNE	18	1911	
BERRY	COVE	HOLT	ARKIE	AUG	27	1921	
BERRY	OBIE	HOLT	ADA	DEC	19	1921	
BERRY	ADA	PHILLIPS	CARL W.	NOV	24	1927	
BERRY	IVAN Q.	SHEPARD	LILLIE M.	DEC	23	1933	
BERRY	RICHARD T.	DARBY	MAUDIE	JAN	12	1933	
BERRY	ERNEST J.	BERRY	ROXIE	DEC	24	1936	
BERRY	RAY J.	JMOORE	ALEEN B.	FEB	25	1937	
BERRY	ORENE	DICKEY	GEORGE A.	JAN	25	1942	
BERRY	CHESTER H.	HOGAN	MAVIS	JULY	29	1942	
BERRY	ROSS B.	ROBBINS	MARY J.	MAR	30	1947	
BERRY	EDITH C.	DASVIS	BILL	OCT	7	1947	

Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry Pigg Tennessee family

Some Kentucky-Ohio-Indiana- Tennessee Marriages AND POINTS WEST MARRIAGES JOSHUA AND NANCY ELLISON BERRY DECENDANTS *							
SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
BERRY	JOSHUA Jr.	THORPE	ANNA			1820	
BERRY	ROBERT	JEWEL	ANNA			1836	
BERRY	CYNTHIA	BURKE	JOHN L.	AUG	21	1842	

Figure 131: Waggoner/Wagoner marriages in Orange County, N.C

Figure 132: Thomas and Sarah Cate Berry Pigg Tennessee family
Kentucky-Ohio-Indiana- Tennessee Marriages

Alabama, Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio, and Texas Berry Marriages

BERRY	HARRISON	FERGUSON	ELIZA JANE	SEPT	23	1842	
BERRY	NANCY	ALLEN	THOMAS	NOV	23	1845	
BERRY	LEWIS E.	HAYWOOD	ELIZABETH	MAR	14	1851	
BERRY	DELILIA	ALLEN	MARCUS	FEB	6	1851	
BERRY	IRA	WYNN	NANCY	NOV	16	1854	
BERRY	ALEXAN	SPEAKE	CHARLES C.			1855	
BERRY	JOHN	LASH	MARIAH	OCT	29	1859	
BERRY	MARTHA V.	MARKS	BURTON	APRIL	11	1860	
BERRY	MARTHA J.	WALLACE	D.M.			1860	
BERRY	JOSEPH	PITTS	SARAH	MAR	11	1864	
BERRY	SAMUEL	KISLING	MARY ANN	NOV	19	1865	
BERRY	WILLIAM	JACKS	RACHEL	JULY	2	1868	
BERRY	HARRISON	HAVENS	HENERETTA	AUG	9	1873	
BERRY	FRANKLIN P.	SELLERS	SOPHIE			1878	
BERRY	HARRISON	HAMMOND	SARAH #2	DEC	28	1881	
BERRY	FREDERICK	BUTRICK	BERTHA	APRIL	9	1898	
BERRY	FREDERICK	KELLEY	SARAH ANN	JULY	13	1913	

Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, northern Tennessee marriages

Some Fayette County Alabama Marriages

SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
BERRY	THOMPSON P.	GUTMAN	ROSANNA	JUNE	6	1824	
BERRY	DAVID M.	BOX	DIDAMA			1826	
BERRY	ELIZABETH J.	WHITSON	ALBERT J.			1855	
BERRY	GEORGE RUFUS	FARQUHAR	SARAH C.	OCT	1	1848	
BERRY	DAVID M #2	HENDERSON	FRANCIS E.			1858	
BERRY	ROANN F.	KIZZIAH	RILEY ALEY	DEC	23	1860	
BERRY	MARY JANE	KIZZIAH	ENOCH L.	DEC	23	1860	
BERRY	JOHN THOMAS	FARQUHAR	ELIZABETH	JUNE	15	1866	
BERRY	HENRY T.	FARQUHAR	ELIZABETH	NOV	9	1866	
BERRY	SARAH C.	CROWLEY	WILLIAM F.	OCT	14	1868	
BERRY	PALATINE P.	JEFFRIES	PLEASANT	NOV	28	1868	
BERRY	HENRY B.	JEFFRIES	MALISSA	JUNE	4	1874	
BERRY	JOHN N.	YERBY	ANIERMIRA	JAN	27	1876	
BERRY	WILLIAM	DAVIS	HANNY L.	DEC	2	1880	
BERRY	VULULA ANN	MCLUNG	JOHN	APR	19	1888	
BERRY	ROBERT LEE	GRAY	HASSIE	JAN	24	1892	
BERRY	LENARD B.	FINDLEY	OLIVE	FEB	10	1895	
BERRY	LOUSIA	TRAWICK	E.O.	FEB	20	1896	
BERRY	OZA ELLA	LENDSEY	JOE A.	DEC	13	1896	
BERRY	ISABRLLA	LINDSEY	SIMSON	FEB	28	1897	
BERRY	THOMAS J.	GARDNER	MARTHA F.	APR	20	1902	
BERRY	JOHN HENRY	KENNEDY	CARRA S.	SEPT	6	1901	
BERRY	SUSAN	RAY	MOSES				

Fayette County Alabama Berry marriages

Texas & Oklahoma Berry Family Marriages

SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
BERRY	SARAH	HOWARD	HIRAM	NOV	24	1853	
HOWARD	SARAH	MCLURE	FRANCIS M.	JAN	51	1859	
MCLURE	SARAH	TAYLOR	ROBERT A.	MAY	18	1863	
TAYLOR	SARAH	STONEHAM	HENRY B.	AUG	29	1868	
STONEHAM	SARAH	DIPPOLD	HENRICK	FEB	15	1880	
BERRY	SARAH E.	LONG	WILLIAM L.	DEC	27	1868	
BERRY	ALEXANDER H.	GREAGORY	JOSEPHINE P.	APR	17	1877	
BERRY	LUCINDA T.	COOK	WILLIAM M.	APR	8	1878	
BERRY	JOHN D.D.	WALK	AMELIA ANN	DEC	23	1878	
BERRY	AMANDA N.	HUTTO	WILLIAM T.	DEC	3	1878	
BERRY	JULIA ANNE	BARTON	ELBERT J.	NOV	18	1879	
KIZZIAH	AILA	McCOY	ANDERSON F.	DEC	16	1880	
BERRY	THOMAS P[.P.	TAYLOR	ALBERTA A.	APR	3	1880	
BERRY	JAMES H.H	O'HAIR	MINNIE C.	NOV	6	1885	
BERRY	GEORGE R.R.		WILLIE	JUNE	2	1887	

Figure 133: Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, northern Tennessee marriages

Figure 134: Fayette County, Alabama, Berry marriages

Figure 135 Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas Berry marriages

Georgia, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Texas Berry Marriages

BERRY	WILLIAM A.A.	ROGERS	S.L.	DEC	20	1889	
BERRY	MARY ETTA	JOHNSTON	WILLIAM HAL	AUG	11	1895	
BERRY	Willie Howell	BENHAM	SARAH MAY	FEB	23	1909	
BERRY	JEFFERSON G.	PLATT	W. GRACE	DEC	22	1910	
BERRY	MARY FRANCIS	MULLINS	A.J.JACK	MAR	17	1911	
BERRY	LEONA	SUMMERS	BEN	JAN	4	1911	
BERRY	MARION A.	CORDREY	PEARL FLORA	MAY	20	1917	
BERRY	ROBERT A.	PAUL	NELLIE	FEB	25	1919	
BERRY	CARRIE M.	RICHARDSON	LON	MAR	28	1919	
SUMMERS	LEONA B.	SIMSON	DICK	NOV	27	1920	

SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
BERRY	CLARENCE E.	TAGUE	EVA	JULY	20	1921	
BERRY	THOMAS W.	PERKINS	ONA M.	AUG	8	1926	
BERRY	FANNY LILLY	SHOKLEY	ELMER T.	AUG	15	1927	
BERRY	SARAH EDITH	SPICER	ALFRED	OCT	13	1927	
BERRY	IRA EUGENE	MANNON	OCA	DEC	11	1928	
BERRY	ALICE ESTELLE	WALKER	LAWRENCE D.	JAN	25	1929	
BERRY	MARTHA A.	FARQUHAR	DAVID J.	DEC	23	1869	
BERRY	AMANDA C.	ALEXANDER	STEPHEN	OCT	12	1871	
BERRY	SAMANTHA C.	MORGAN	Roland Teague	OCT	6	1891	

Texas, Oklahoma, and Kansas Berry marriages

David J Berry Family Georgia Marriages

SURNAME		SURNAME		MONTH	DAY	YEAR	BONDSMAN
BERRY	DAVID J.	BLALOCK	MARY	FEB	21	1797	
BERRY	DAVID J.Jr.	ERWIN	MARGARET	SEPT	29	1829	
BERRY	HENRY	ROBERTS	SARAH	APR	27	1829	
BERRY	MARY	BARTON	THOMAS H.	FEB	24	1831	
BERRY	ROBERT	EVERETT	ELIZABETH	JUN	16	1833	
BERRY	WILLIAM G.	BECK	JANE	DEC	8	1836	
BERRY	MARY JANE	TURLEY	NATHAN	AUG	26	1836	
BERRY	JOSHUA P.	CATES	ELIZABETH J.	JAN	31	1854	
BERRY	ISAAC MARTIN	ANDERSON	MARY ELLEN			1856	
BERRY	William Henry	STARKE	MATILDA			1859	
BERRY	JOHN ALMON	STARKE	MARTHA	MAY	16	1863	
BERRY	DAVID N.	ELLIS	MARY C.	JUNE	1	1872	
BERRY	EMANUAL P.	WORSHAM	CLARA SUSAN	DEC	28	1871	
BERRY	JESSE LEE	HENRY	NANCY ANN	DEC	16	1874	
BERRY	BASIL MANLEY	WATSON	MARY E.			1878	
BERRY	WALTER G.	FLOYD	LEONE P.	DEC	22	1901	
BERRY	WINIFRED	NORMAN	JOSHUA	SEPT	19	1820	
BERRY	SALLY	CATES	WILLIAM A.	JULY	26	1817	

David J., Berry family marriages North Carolina & Georgia

Figure 136: David J. Berry family marriages, North Carolina & Georgia

* In Figure 136 under David J. Berry; John Almon Berry married Sara Elizabeth Starke.
Also See page 184.

Texas & Oklahoma Berry Family Marriages

Identifying some Smith and Cate family connections:

Conrad Messer Smith named a daughter, Elizabeth Bates, in his will. It is my belief that a spelling error was made in this will. Elizabeth Bates was really Elizabeth Cates. As far as I know, there was not a Bates family living in the Orange or Person County area. There are definitely no Bates listed in the Orange County Grooms list.

On the 13th of June, 1777, **George Smith** of Caswell County sold to John Cate 76 acres of land for 105 pounds, lying on the Flat River, land that joins John Cate's own property. Witnesses: **Elizabeth C. Berry**, **Robert Smith**, John Cate Sr. (Deed Bk A, Pg 43)

From Nellie J. Berry's book "*JAMES E. & ESSIE DAVIS BERRY Ancestors, Descendants & Kinfolks*" on page 2, I find that "**Robert Smith** purchases land at tax sale on Big Harpeth, joining the Berry pre-exemption Tract" in Tennessee in 1802.

William Cate died intestate around 1893 and his 200 acre plantation in Orange County, North Carolina, went to his wife, Elizabeth Smith Cate, and their 5 children, Benjamin Cate, John Cate, Hannah Cate, Sarah Cate, and Charity Cate. When their mother died, each of the children owned 20% of William Cate's property.

Sarah Cate Berry Pigg sold her 20% ownership in her father's plantation in Orange County, North Carolina, to her brother, John W. Cate, in Maury County, Tennessee, on January 1, 1828. **Stephen Smith** was a witness to this deed.

Hannah Cate Berry and John Cate deeded their 40 % of this property to Thomas Wilson in Orange County, North Carolina, on November 19th, 1825. (Deed Bk. 22, pg.007)

This information seems to validate that William Cate's wife was Elizabeth Smith, daughter of Conrad Messer Smith.

Identifying Berry, Cate, Pigg, Martin and Shipman Family relationships.

David II Berry's mother, Sarah Cate Berry, married John Pigg in 1815 (Page 168).

David Berry married Elizabeth Shipman in Tennessee. (Page 169)

Peter Martin married Rachel Shipman in 1827. (Page 162)

Elizabeth and Rachel Shipman's parents were Jacob Shipman & Rebecca Pigg. (Page 162)

Summary of Facts about the Birthplace of Robert Berry (OC)

Robert and Mary Williamson Berry were parents of Robert Berry Jr., who was born in Princess Anne County, Virginia, in 1729.

British Chancery Records 1558 -1836

Richard Williamson	Norfolk England from 1538 to 1544
Richard Foster	Norfolk England from 1538 to 1544
Robert Berrar	Norfolk England from 1538 to 1544
John Cade	Norfolk England from 1538 to 1544

VIRGINIA

Robert Berry (OC) was born about 1729.

Robert Berry, the son of Robert and Mary Williamson Berry, was born in 1729.

Mary Williamson Berry

Sarah Williamson married Matthew Mathias

Matthew Mathias (1755 Orange County Tax List)

Robert Berry (1755 Orange County Tax List)

From the Shirley Family Association Web Page:

“Ann Kempe was the wife of Sir Thomas Shirley, the elder.

Her brother, **Sir Thomas Kempe**, was the father of **Mary Kempe** who married Edward Digges, son of Sir Dudley Digges. Edward and Mary went to VA.”

“**George Kemp** is 28 years old in 1640.”

George Shirley and his wife **Mary Shirley** witnessed **Richard Williamson’s** will in Princess Anne County, Virginia.

1704 Virginia Rent Rolls.

William Aldridge,	James Kemp	William Lovett
Robert Berry,	William Martin	Matthew Mathias
John Carraway,	James Kemp,	Richard Withurst
Capt John Gibbs,	Lancaster Lovett,	Barto Williamson
Capt William	Crawford, John Mosley	Richard Williamson
John Bradford,	Widow Mosley	James Wishart
Richard Bradford,	Capt. William Mosley	William Wishart
William Bradford,	William Mosley	John Kemp
Ann Foster,	Edward Mosley	Robert Lovett
John Hopkins,	Elizabeth Nicholls	Randolph Lovett
William Hopkins,	Henry Nicholson	William Nicholson
Adam Keeling,	John Nicholson	
John Keeling,	Thomas Keeling	

Mary Wishard was John Kemp’s cousin. **(Page 32)**

Elizabeth Smith was John Kemp’s cousin. **(Page 32)**

Princess Anne County, Virginia:

George Shirley was a huge land owner in Princess Anne County, Virginia. His properties adjoined;

Robert Berry,	George Williamson,	John Whithurst,
Henry Whithurst,	Anthony Webb,	Charles Smythe,
Francis Corbitt,	John Ackis,	John Murray,
Edward Wood,	Henry Nicholis,	Richard Nicholis,
David Scott,	Hugh Whithurst,	Eleanor Whithurst,
George Burke,	Capt George Kemp,	James Kemp,
Thomas Whithurst,	Richard Corbitt,	William Fentriss,
John Murden,	John Hopkins,	William Shipp,
William Edmons,	Roger Williamson,	John Mathias,
Coll Craford,	William Robinson,	Palmer Mosley.

Richard Williamson married **Mary Kempe** in Princess Anne County, VA.

John Carraway Jr. married **Ann Kempe** in Princess Anne County, Va.

Richard Williamson and John Carraway Jr were half-brothers.

Richard and Mary Kempe were Mary Williamson's parents.

Ann Kemp & Mary Kempe were daughters of George & Mary Hutchinson Kempe.

Mary Williamson married **Robert Berry** (pac) in Princess Anne County, Va.

From Orange County, North Carolina, 1755 Tax List:

John Cate,	Thomas Cate Jr.	Benjamin Cate,
Richard Webb,	George Martin,	William Aldrige,
Richard Camp,	William Robinson,	James Nickelson,
Thomas Berrey,	James Craford,	William Martin,
Matthew Mathias,	Henry Gould,	Robert Berry,
Moses Murray,	Jacob Mosley,	Peter Martin,
James Hopkins,	William Murray,	Benjamin Murray,
Thomas Cate Sr.,	Richard Gibbs,	William Stutly Shurly.

Robert (OC) and Elizabeth Cate Berry named their first son Robert Berry Jr.

Robert Berry Jr. married **Mary Kemp/Camp** in Orange County about 1784.

Robert Jr. and Mary Camp Berry named their first son George Berry.

Was **George Berry** named for **George Kemp** in PAC?

The name **George** was used many times in **Robert Berry Junior's** descendants.

George Berry married **Susan Aldridge** in Person County, NC, about 1814.

Peter Aldridge married **Judith Waggoner** on February 4th, 1786.

Robert Berry Jr. was their bondsman.

William Aldridge was living in Prince George County, Virginia, in 1704.

Robert and Mary Camp Berry named their first daughter Catherine Berry.

Catherine Berry married Jacob Pickle in 1802 in Orange County, NC.

Thomas Pickle was living in King and Queen County, Virginia, in 1704.

Tully Robinson was living In Princess Anne County, Virginia, in 1704.

William Robinson was a neighbor of Robert Berry in Orange County, NC.

William Robinson was a witness to Robert Berry's will in 1812.

“August 1751 On motion of William Martin⁸⁹ it is ordered that he have the Labor of two Negro boys named Hercules and Ceasar as an apprentice for taking George Askis an apprentice and its further ordered that the said Martin have leave to carry said Negro into North Carolina with him provided he give bond and security in the sum of 200 lbs current money of Virginia to see the said Negroes fourth coming when lawful remanded.”

William Martin is listed in the 1755 Orange County Tax List.

Robert Berry (OC) is listed in the 1755 Orange County Tax List.

Henry Gould is listed in 1755 Orange County Tax List.

Henry Gold is a chain carrier for Robert Berry's (OC) Land Grant Survey.

William Martin and **George Berry** are listed next to each other in the War of 1812 Person County Roster.

Robert Berry (OC) was listed as **Robert Berry Jr.** on his land survey and on his Granville Land Grant Document.

Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry (OC) chose the name Mary Berry for the name of their first child. She was born about 1759 in Orange County, North Carolina, at Fiddleton.

Mary Kempe Williamson from Princess Anne County, Virginia, would be **Robert Berry's** (OC) maternal grandmother.

Mary Williamson Berry would be Robert Berry's (OC) mother.

Mary would have been a very logical choice for the name of **Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's** (OC) first daughter. (First daughter named for paternal mother or grandmother.)

Robert Berry Jr. would have been a logical name for **Robert and Elizabeth Cate Berry's** (OC) first son. (First son named for paternal grandfather.)

Mary Berry first married **George Waggoner** in Orange County but he died from wounds he received in the Battle at Guilford Courthouse.

Mary Berry Waggoner married James Kempe/Camp about December, 1881.

Robert Berry (OC) listed his daughter in his will in 1812 as **Mary Kemp**.

Mary Berry Camp's children signed the name **Camp** in their Power of Attorney.

Thomas Cate was a chain carrier on **Robert Berry's** (OC) 1753 Land Survey.

John Cate and Robert Berry knew each other well before Robert Berry (OC) married John and Margery Lawrence Cate's daughter, Elizabeth Cate, about 1759.

John Cate and his **two sons** are in the 1755 Orange County Tax list.

John Cate had a son named Richard Mathias Cate.

I don't know what connection between **Mathias** and **Cate** is indicated here.

It could be **Margery Lawrence Cate's** mother was a **Mathias**.

Robert Berry's (OC) Land Grant survey was done on December 3rd, 1753.

John Cate's land Grant Survey was done on December 4th, 1753.

Both properties are very close to each other and may be only a couple miles apart.

Robert Berry's (OC) land grant property is not more than a half mile from the present day Person County line.

Richard Williamson married **Ann Foster** about 1640 in Norfolk County, Virginia.
Ann Foster was born in England in 1620 and died in princess Anne County, Virginia, about 1692.

Caswell County, North Carolina, Estate Records: 1813 - 1905

R. M. Foster	1892	William Foster	1898	R. M. Foster	1903
R. M. Foster	1905	James Williamson	1835	J. E. Williamson	1874
James Martin	1816	Alexander Martin	1837	Marcus Martin	1851
Mathias Cates	1816	Willis Nicholas	1813	E. J. Robinson	1887
Fannie Robinson	1893				

The east half of Caswell County became Person County in 1791.

Caswell County Estate Sale of James Warren Jan. 22nd, 1824:

William Mathis	John Mathis	Drewey Mathis
James Keeling	Absolom Lea	

Adam Keeling	Princess Anne County 1704 Tax Rolls
John Keeling	Princess Anne County 1704 Tax Rolls
Thomas Keeling	Princess Anne County 1704 Tax Rolls

Person County February Court 1817:

Page 264: Power of attorney: **James Williamson** to son **John G. A. Williamson** to liquidate and settle the business known as Milton Rose and Co. in the town of **Petersburg, Va.**, the firm in which **Williamson** was part owner. Also to liquidate the firm of **Vincent Lea & Co.** in the same town in which he was part owner 12th Feb 1817

Page 265: Dennis Obryant indebted to **Williamson** and **Lea**, merchants and partners in Roxborough, deed of trust to William McKissock of Roxborough. 21st January 1817. Robert Wade, Jurat.

Person County February Court 1817:

Page 286: Plat of lands of **Peter Aldridge** decd. On Flat River and Bird's Creek laid off in 11 lots for heirs as follows: John, David, and Catherine Aldridge: **George Berry** and **Susannah** his wife; Joseph, Peter, Jenny, and **Uley Aldridge**, Polly and **James Farquhar**; Betsey and Sally Aldridge. James Farquhar, adm,

John Murray owned a large amount of land in Princess Anne County, Virginia.

James Murray was in the 1755 Orange County Tax list.

Woodrow Wilson Berry married Ora Mae Murray in Orange County, NC, in 1936.

Robert Berry Junior's family migrated to Fayette County, Alabama, from Orange County, North Carolina. You will see a number of surnames related to **Robert and Mary Williamson Berry** from Princess Anne County, Virginia, in Fayette County, Alabama.

Fayette County, Alabama:

James Williamson was granted 321.44 acres on July 1st, 1881.

Robert Berry Jr and his son **George Berry** were the first pioneers in Fayette County, Alabama. They were granted their land on April 20th, 1824.

Henry Robinson was granted land in Fayette County, Alabama, on May 18th, 1824.

David Lovett was granted property in Fayette County, Alabama, on June 6th, 1825.

Lancaster Lovett married **Mary Caraway** in Princess Anne County, Virginia.

Jesse Caraway was granted land in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1837.

William Caraway was granted land in Fayette County, Alabama, in 1837.

David II Berry's mother, Sarah Cate Berry, married John Pigg in 1815 (Page 168).

David Berry married Elizabeth Shipman in Tennessee. (Page 169)

Peter Martin married Rachel Shipman in 1827. (Page 162)

Elizabeth and Rachel Shipman's parents were Jacob Shipman & Rebecca Pigg. (Page 162)

Peter Martin was granted 160.35 acres of land in Fayette County, Ala., on 9/20/1839.

Peter Martin was on the 1755 Orange County Tax list.

Robert Berry Jr April 20th, 1824.

George Berry April 20th, 1824 & September 2nd, 1825.

David Middleton Berry July 2nd, 1860.

Henry Bradford Berry May 25th, 1824 & June 20th, 1825.

Jacob Pickle October 20th, 1824.

Eliza Howell June 20th, 1825.

Miles Chappell June 20th, 1824

Robert C. Berry married Sarah Chappell.

Thomas Caraway was granted a tract of land between **George Berry** and his son **John Berry** in 1858. **Susan Aldridge Berry** would have been living there in 1858. **John Berry** was in Texas and **George Berry** was probably killed about 1837. **Susan Aldridge Berry** and her youngest son, **James Berry**, also listed in the 1850 Fayette County, Alabama, Census.

NOTE: Cookie Paulson information on George Berry's death:

"I still believe the death record I have is for my George Berry - it says **discharge by death** on 28 Aug 1837. I know that he was still listed on the census for Fayette County, AL in 1840 but I think that was an error. His widow may not have gotten notice of his death before the census. Or maybe it was a neighbor who said that he still lived there. The probate record for George Berry shows up in Fayette County Co, AL on Sept 1851". .

Texas and Mississippi:

Several of Robert Berry Junior's grandchildren and great-grandchildren migrated to Texas in the 1850's as Texas was being settled. They are known to be in Lampasas and Rusk County, Texas. The families are **Berrys**, **Howells**, **Farquhars**, **Trawicks**, and **Kizziahs**, to name a few.

There were probably two routes from Fayette County, Alabama, to Texas. One was through the state of Mississippi and across the Mississippi River to Texas; the second route was down to Mobile, Alabama, and into Galveston, Texas, by boat.

VIRGINIA 1704

ALDRIDGE JNO
ALDRIDGE WM
MARTIN WM

MATTHIAS MATTHEW
BERREY ROBERT
GIBBS JNO CAPT
MURRAY JNO

MOSSELEY EDWARD MR. SEN
MOSELEY JNO
ROBINSON TULLY MR
NICHOLSON JNO
NICHOLSON WM
NICHOLLS ELIZABETH
KEMP JAMES
KEMP JNO
KEMP GEORGE
CRAWFORD WM CAPT
HOPKINS JOHN
HOPKINS WM

SHIRLEY GEORGE

NORTH CAROLINA 1755

WILLIAM ALDRIDGE

WILLIAM HARTIN (MARTIN)
PETER MARTIN
MATTHEW MATIESS
ROBERT BERAY
RICHARD GIBBS
JAMES MURRAY
BENJAMIN MURRAY
JACOB MOSELY

WILLIAM ROBINSON

JAMES NICHOLSON

RICHARD CAMP
JAMES CRAWFORD
JAMES HOPKINS
WILLIAM HOPKINS
JOHN HOPKINS
WILLIAM STUTLY SHURLY

The men on the right may be the children, nephews, or grandchildren of the men on the left. From 1704 to 1755 could be as many as three generations.

FAYETTE COUNTY, ALABAMA, 1824 to 1880

JAMES WILLIAMSON
ROBERT BERRY JR
GEORGE BERRY
HENRY ROBINSON.
DAVID LOVETT
JESSE CARAWAY
THOMAS CARAWAY
WILLIAM CARAWAY
PETER MARTIN

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