

SINGLETARY-CURTIS FAMILY

INTRODUCTORY

It is a well-known fact that from the earliest ages names were significant and intended to convey to the world the peculiar characteristics of the individual or the circumstances of his birth. Time would fail to mention the instances given in the Scriptures alone in support of this position. Ask an Indian mother the name of her infant son, and she would "laugh you to scorn," or tell you she is waiting until he shall develop such characteristics as will entitle him to that distinction. True it is that in our more advanced civilization this idea does not obtain. We inherit surnames, and Christian names are chosen according to the fancy of parents or friends; yet even now there are sometimes among us names whose origin is romantic as well as significant.

In the last quarter of the sixteenth century there was living in England a family of title and large estates by the name of Dunham (so the tradition has it, but the Massachusetts records have it Donham). How far back their ancestry extended does not come within our perspective. Of this family there were two branches; and in case of the death of the last male of the elder branch the title and estates would pass to the nearest male relative of the younger branch. Now "it came to pass" that the "unexpected" did occur. Every male of the elder branch died except one small boy, and one morning he was missing; and on investigation it was found that his nurse was also missing. A thorough search was instituted at once; and, ordinary efforts failing, English bloodhounds were called into requisition. These for a time seemed to be on the scent, but their zeal evidently weakening as the trail grew cold, were finally called off, and nothing further could be heard of the fugitives. Time passed and the heir did not appear, neither was there any evidence to show that he was dead; and so for some years the property was held in abeyance. Wearied out at length the heir apparent of the younger branch instituted a lawsuit, but whether he gained possession in the absence of positive proof of the death of the real heir does not appear. At any rate, many years afterward the nurse, who had found some place of retreat beyond the vigilance of her pursuers, lay on her death-bed, and there made affidavit that she had been employed to destroy the child; but that her heart failed when the test came, and she decided to procure him a home in the new world. Knowing there would be a search made for them she took refuge in a dense hazel-thicket where they were in mortal terror when they heard the hounds. The scent perhaps was growing cold, she said; at any rate the dogs were called off before they reached her and her charge; and here she remained a day and night, fearing they should be discovered on emerging. They finally escaped, however, and, almost expiring with fatigue and hunger, succeeded in reaching a ship in which she embarked for America, on reaching whose shores she deserted the child and shortly afterward returned to England. She added that in view of the fact that the child was now alone, separated from all kindred ties and likely to remain so,

she had given him the doubly significant name of Singletary. Doubtless it was as much to cover her own guilt as to destroy the identity of the child that she gave him the name. The circumstances under which this written and sworn confession was made lent such force to the probability of its truth that detectives were immediately sent to this country to investigate the matter; and a young man was found bearing the name whose age corresponded with that of the lost heir of the Dunham estates, and who could give no account of his antecedents. The captain of the ship on which the child was deserted had adopted him under the name she had given, having no idea of his real name and lineage; but he was now dead. Indeed the number of years that had passed, and the surroundings evidently chosen at the time with reference to destroying all trace of name and ancestry, were such that no one could positively testify that this was the person sought; and while he was believed to be the heir the evidence was not sufficient to satisfy the English court and put him in possession of the property.

Such is the tradition that has been handed down through nine or ten generations of the Singletary family; and it is pregnant with significance that wherever the name is found, from Massachusetts to Texas and Louisiana, and from Wisconsin to California, the bearer of it is familiar with the tradition concerning his or her English antecedents, and the founding of the family in America. And while

"Tradition's but a dubious light
That hovers 'twixt the day and night,"

in this case it assumes the dignity of truth when we consider that in a legal document that appears in the archives of Massachusetts, recorded in 1702, the whole family is referred to as "Donham, alias Singletary." I wrote to Mr. David W. Hoyt, who quotes the record in his "Old Families of Amesbury and Salisbury," giving the tradition, and asking for an explanation; and his reply was that it had always been a mystery, but that in the light of the tradition the record had a new meaning. But be the tradition true or false, it is plain that the Singletary family belongs to the aristocracy that appertains to the Old Families of America. "I go," says Oliver Wendell Holmes, "for the family who inherits traditions and the cumulative humanities of at least four or five generations."

There is a twilight lingering about the name whose shadows we can neither dispel nor penetrate. The mists of more than three centuries have gathered until its origin is somewhat obscured; and while those who bear it may never come to "their own," yet there is light enough to show that they are of no "mean extraction"; and in this work I have come in such near touch in correspondence and sympathy with many of them that I can truly appreciate these lines of Scott:

"We hold the kindred title dear
Even when perchance its far-fetched claim
To stranger ear sounds empty name;
For course of blood, our prophets deem,
Is warmer than the mountain stream."

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The name Singletary comes from a combination of two Old English or Saxon words "single", meaning "one" or "a person" and "tarian", "to make to wait" or "to delay". Hence the name, which is said to have a military significance, signifies "one who delays (another)".

The name in many variously spelled Singletary, Singleterry, Singletary, etc.; however the first is possible the best known. The arms are blazoned under the three forms of the name.

The family is of Anglo-Saxon origin but it is said that, prior to residence in England, the family resided in Ireland and was possible descended from the Danes who conquered a part of that country circa 846. At any rate the name is found in both the "Hundred Rolls" and "Domesday Book" the two first censuses of Britain, made by the Normans (1086-1124).

From England the family branched out into Scotland and "the Isles" (i.e. the islands upon the West Coast of Scotland). It is now found in almost all parts of Great Britain.

Due to passing years, the depredations of three wars and the loss of records resultant from natural causes for examples such as the fire destroying the court house in Bladen County, North Carolina; Time has made difficult, if not impossible the rendering of an accurate and consistent genealogical survey of the Singletary family in N. C., S. C., Ga. and Miss. in its entirety. However through the use of family records, such as bibles, tax receipts, deeds and other media a general survey is possible in the areas of origination of family branches which may be traced for a period of approximately 200 years. It is the intent of this appendix to aid the various branches in establishing their ties with the main body of this family tree.

Although certain factors appear to provide discrepancies in the author's accounting of the origin of the first Richard Singletary, this notation is not intended as a refutation of her work but simply to present additional facts known to the authors of this addition to the book in order that they may be preserved for posterity and allow further research in future years should opportunity or the appearance of additional information become available.

Notations of the Origin of the Name SINGLETARY, SINGLETARY or SINGLETERRY.

The name is first noted in the "Domesday Book" as the first tax census made by William the Conqueror was called shortly after he completed his subjugation of England in 1066 A. D. The name also appears in the book of Hundreds and members of the "Singletary" family may be found in the vaults of Bury Saint Ives Chapel dating back to the 16th century. A coat of arms was granted to the family in the 15th century.

These factors and the unexplainable appearance of several branches of the family which are unrelated through the generations of Richard the elder would seem to place the origins of the family name in early Anglo Saxon England rather than 17th century America. Anyone who has information or documents which may enable further research is invited to write to Norman Singletary, 1605 Watson Avenue, Winston-Salem, N. C. concerning the Singletary Family in North Carolina or William Singletary, 2850 Deerwood, Winston-Salem, N. C. concerning the Mississippi branch of the family, in order that possible future editions of this book may be more complete.

THE SINGLETARY-CURTIS FAMILY

In regard to the South Carolina branch of the family I cannot too warmly express my appreciation of the assistance Mrs. M. M. Parler-Singeltary, of Sandridge, S. C., has given me. She is the widow of James Benjamin Singeltary, a descendant in the fifth generation from Benjamin, son of Richard; and she has not only given information from personal knowledge, but has corresponded with others, thereby enabling me to trace the line of her husband's family down to the present time—in one case reaching the tenth generation.

In several cases I have been unable to make the connection for those who have so far interested themselves in the work as to furnish valuable facts concerning their own families for two or three generations. These I have embodied in a sketch under the title, "Miscellaneous," and in case they should hereafter find the connecting link they can enter it upon the blank pages included in the book; pages primarily designed to continue the genealogy of those possessing a copy, as occasion requires.

In compiling this work, semi-biographical in tone, I have been guided in a measure by precedents found in the New York libraries, and a desire to preserve such facts as will be of interest to those who may come after us. How earnestly do we seek (and sometimes how vainly) for every item of information concerning our ancestry! I would save others from like anxiety as far as practicable. Some mistakes may have occurred owing to limited resources, but the links in the genealogy in the main are without a flaw. And if in some instances there is less of a personal nature than in others it is because my correspondents in most cases have confined themselves strictly to the genealogy. Others, entering into the spirit of the work, have realized that it was a family affair in which personal matters might be of

criticism. Those who have married into the family have become members-in-law, and their children by birth; for which reason such facts as were accessible concerning their origin are here included.

The longer sketches it will be seen were of those who have been engaged in public life, or where death has closed the record; as in the case of Col. John Curtis Singletary, his son, John Curtis, jr., and his grandson, Zachary Taylor Singletary. The sketch was furnished by one of his descendants; and as the male line became extinct on the death of the last named (and perhaps the entire line will become so with the present generation) no apology is necessary for paying this passing tribute to their memory.

One thing that has impressed me in this investigation is the remarkable physical resemblance that has been preserved among members of the family, even in cases where the line of divergence commenced several generations back, one illustration of which is worthy of mention. Some years ago a gentleman was traveling in Kentucky; and one day on entering a clothing store something in the appearance of the proprietor, quite a young man, seemed so familiar that he asked him his name; and when told it was Singletary he said, "Well, I am sure I know a relation of yours in Mississippi; the resemblance is so striking." This information comes from the Mississippian himself; and although every possible effort has been made by him, he can only trace his ancestry back to his great-grandfather, who died in North Carolina in 1820. Even were he a descendant of Richard, brother of Amos, jr., the divergence would make the relationship very distant. The mental and moral characteristics in many cases have proved equally pronounced.

I may send this work forth as a "pioneer" in the field of our genealogy. I use the word "pioneer" advisedly, because there are hundreds, I may say thousands, of the name scattered throughout the states, especially the southern states, that this investigation has not included. At one precinct in Georgia there are said to be seventy voters of the name of Singletary, from only one of whom I have been able to gather information. Should the scattered scions of this large family become interested many valuable facts may be evolved, and many links now severed may be brought together, forming a perfect chain. Should this be the case, and the demand become sufficient to justify the expense, a revised edition would be in order.

The photogravures were an after-thought, decided upon after the copy was mostly in type, and hence the time was limited. The desire was to have a picture representing each branch of the family, especially those born a century or nearly a century ago; but in this I was not entirely successful, as there were few such obtainable. Some responded promptly to my request, while others failed or did not receive message. Some of the pictures were dim with age, and of course did not yield to the engraver's art the highest type of portraiture. As Col. John Curtis Singletary died in 1851, his picture must have been taken at least sixty years ago, and others were nearly as ancient.

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The keeping of a family record is something we owe posterity. The Scriptures are replete with the genealogies of those who came before us as the representatives of the race from the very dawn of human life; and the custom has in a measure obtained in all ages. Indeed, it is a divinely appointed means to an end; and had it been properly observed, how much time, labor and expense might have been saved, and how many fortunes might have reached the hands of the rightful heirs instead of being dissipated in chancery suits, advertisements and lawyers' fees!

RICHARD SINGLETARY

Richard Singletary, founder of the family of that name in America, comes before us almost as abruptly as did Elijah the Tishbite before Ahab, the king of Israel. Among the earliest records we find of him he is simply mentioned as "Richard Singletary of Salisbury and Amesbury." He certainly had no antecedents in this country, as his birth antedates the earliest New England settlements. If the family tradition is true he was evidently the lost heir to the Dunham estates, and was born in England. There was it seems a strong conviction in the minds of those who sought him in this new world and questioned him, or why should calls for Singletary heirs to unclaimed estates in England appear at intervals in American papers? Again: There were earlier settlements on American soil than those made in Massachusetts, and he may have moved to the latter province at a later day. He was a great rover, for we find him in Salem in 1637, where he received a grant of land; removed to Newbury, where he joined the church in 1638; here he also received a grant of land in the first division, and another in 1640; he removed to Salisbury in 1645; was selectman in 1650; removed to Haverhill in 1653, where he received another grant of land and became a proprietor; was selectman in 1655. This restlessness may have been the result of the want of family ties, together with his inability to establish his right to the title and estates of his ancestors; for I must confess that the story that has been handed down for two or three centuries, that has become as familiar as household words among the various branches of the family in different states, and supported by legal documents in the archives of the Province of Massachusetts, carries with it not only the semblance, but the stamp of truth.

SECOND GENERATION.

There is some discrepancy in the records in regard to the date of Richard Singletary's birth. David W. Hoyt, in his "Old Families of Salisbury and Amesbury," refers to him as "Richard Singletary of Salisbury and Haverhill; planter; born about 1599; married Susannah Cook in 1638-9; she was born 1616, and died April 11, 1682, at Haverhill." In order that he should reach the great age of 102, as claimed by the Haverhill records, his birth would have had to be in 1585, and he would have been 55 at the time of his marriage, which is scarcely credible. In a footnote Mr. Hoyt refers to the Haverhill Records, but says he is supported in his claim by

other authorities. Having for obvious reasons given the matter careful investigation, I think the weight of testimony rests with the statement of the last named authority. All agree that he died October 25, 1687. I find no record of his having been married more than once, as claimed by some. The births of all his children are dated after his marriage to Susannah Cook in 1638-9. These were:

1. Jonathan; b. Jan. 17, 1640; m. Mary Bloomfield about 1661.
2. Eunice; b. Jan. 7, 1642; m. Thomas Eaton, of Andover, Jan. 8, 1658-9.
3. Nathaniel; b. Oct. 28, 1644; settled in Haverhill; was a planter.
4. Lydia; b. April 30, 1648; m. Daniel Ladd at Haverhill, Nov. 24, 1668.
5. Amos; b. April 4, 1651; m. Sarah Currier Rogers, widow of Ichabod Rogers; residence, Haverhill; soldier in King Philip's War in 1675-6; d. Nov. 1, 1724. In his will he mentions his cousin, Sarah Page, widow of John Page; his servant boy, Joseph Fellows; Rebecca Draper, "whom I brought up with me," and some others. He had no children.
6. Benjamin; b. April 4, 1656.
7. Richard; b. —, Savage in his Genealogical Dictionary refers to Richard Singletary of New London as son or grandson of Richard, Sr. From the date of his death and the number of children he left, several of whom were grown, he must have been the son. He died Oct. 16, 1711, leaving nine children, some of whom were in Carolina; but the only known names are Richard, William, Waistill and a daughter who married Samuel Latham. These doubtless are the ancestors of the North Carolina branch of the family of that name. They spell their name as above, while the descendants of Benjamin of South Carolina, as a rule, spell it Singletary. The records show other ways, as Singelterre, Singleterry and Singletarry, the latter being significant of its origin. The branch to which the writer belongs agreed to drop one "r" as being less cumbersome.

THIRD GENERATION.

Jonathan Singletary, after his marriage, about 1661, to Mary Bloomfield, daughter of Thomas Bloomfield, settled in Haverhill, where they remained until 1695, when they removed with her father's family to Woodbridge, New Jersey. Children:

1. Mary; b. Dec. 29, 1661, at Haverhill; d. young.
2. Mary; b. Feb. 3, 1663, also at Haverhill; m. Mr. Ellison.
3. Jonathan.
4. Nathaniel.
5. Benjamin. The last three all died before 1702; have been unable to find any record as to whether they married and had families or not. In a legal document under date of 1702 the whole family (of Singletarys) are spoken of as "Donham, alias Singletary." (Hoyt, in "Old Families," etc.)

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THIRD GENERATION

Nathaniel Singletary, third child but second son of Richard, after his marriage to Sarah Belknap, settled in his native town, Haverhill. He was evidently lame at one time, as the record states that he was "dismissed from trainings for lameness in 1662," when about eighteen years of age. In Chase's "History of Haverhill," page 153, is this record: "On the 13th of August (1689) a small party of Indians made their appearance in the northerly part of the town and killed Daniel Bradford. They then went to the field of Nathaniel Singletary, near by, where he and his oldest son were at work. They approached in their slow and serpent-like manner until they came within a few rods, when they shot Singletary, who fell and died on the spot. His son attempted to escape, but was soon overtaken and made prisoner. The Indians then scalped Singletary and commenced a hasty retreat. Their prisoner soon eluded their vigilance and returned home on the same day to make glad the hearts of his afflicted relatives." Mr. Singletary was about forty-five and his son John fourteen at the time of this occurrence. "The marks of the cellar of Nathaniel Singletary's house are still to be seen on the land now owned by Benjamin Kimball on the Parsonage road, a short distance northeast of the gate."

There were nine children, all born in Haverhill:

1. John; b. May 7, 1675; taken prisoner by the Indians at the time his father was killed, but escaped; m. Mary Greeley Dec. 17, 1700.
2. Mary; b. March 11, 1676; m. John Easton June 25, 1700.
3. Jonathan; b. Nov. 18, 1678; d. Nov. 24, aged six days.
4. Sarah; b. Oct. 23, 1679; m. John Page May 31, 1700.
5. Susannah; b. Sept. 19, 1681; m. first, Edmond Eastman, May 10, 1708; second, Richard Bartlett, Dec. 6, 1720.
6. Richard; b. Aug. 5, 1683; killed by Indians, Aug. 18, 1707, at Lancaster.
7. Hannah; b. May 23, 1685; m. Jonathan Rugg in Framingham, Dec. 11, 1700.
8. Ebenezer; b. June 18, 1687; went from Haverhill to Framingham about 1715.
9. Martha (posthumous); b. Aug. 20, 1689, seven days after her father was killed.

FOURTH GENERATION.

John and Mary Greeley-Singletary settled in Haverhill, where they remained until 1709, when he removed to Framingham, where on May 23 of that year he bought 50 acres of land from Joseph Buckminster; doubtless the same Joseph Buckminster whose daughter at a later date married Obadiah Curtis, distinguished in history as one of the famous "Tea Party of Boston." The land lay on the west side of "The Mountain," north of Stacy Brooke, and on the east side of John Rugg's (his brother-in-law's) farm. There were six children:

1. Nathaniel; b. in Haverhill.
2. Joseph; b. in Haverhill; m. Miss Harwood; no children.
3. Mary; b. in Haverhill; m. Ebenezer Stockwell, Nov. 10, 1727.
4. Richard; b. in Framingham, May 27, 1710; m. Thankful Goodell; no children.

5. Martha; also born in Framingham; m. Robert Dunkling, of Brimfield, Oct. 30, 1750.
6. Amos; b. in Sutton, Sept. 6, 1721; m. Mary Curtis, of Topsfield.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Ebenezer Stockwell, who married Mary Singletary, as above stated, was one of the five brothers who settled in Sutton. To them were born five children:

1. Hezekiah; b. —.
2. William; was a soldier in the Revolutionary War; died in the army in 1776.
3. Benezah; b. —.
4. Abraham; b. —.

FOURTH GENERATION. (Continued.)

Ebenezer Singletary, fourth son of Nathaniel, married Joanna Newton in Framingham, Sept. 5, 1713; died about 1723; his widow administered his estate. Children:

1. Joanna; b. April 22, 1714; m. Richard Smith, of Hopkinton, Mass., May 22, 1734.
2. Ebenezer; b. Sept. 9, 1716.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Ebenezer, son of Ebenezer and Joanna Singletary, married Dorothy Smith, of Hopkinton, early in the year 1742. They both died about 1785. Children:

1. Ebenezer; b. Dec. 25, 1742; died young.
2. Dorothy; b. March 13, 1744.
3. Ebenezer; b. July 8, 1745; m. Rhoda —, and lived in Hopkinton, Mass.; died in 1812, aged 67. His widow died in 1839. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War.
4. Daniel; b. Aug. 22, 1747; he and his brother Ebenezer were privates in Captain John Home's Hopkinton Militia, Colonel Samuel Bullard's regiment, which was called out April 19, 1775.
5. Nathan; b. Feb. 18, 1749.
6. Zipporah; b. Sept. 20, 1753.

The continuation of the genealogy of Nathaniel Singletary, through the line of Amos and Mary Curtis-Singletary, will be found in Part III., under the head of "Singletary-Curtis Family."

BENJAMIN SINGLETARY

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THIRD GENERATION (Continued).

Benjamin, youngest son of Richard Singletary, was a soldier under Lieutenant Swett in King Philip's War, which was brought to a close Aug. 12, 1676, by the death of King Philip. On the 4th of April, two years later, he married Mary Stockbridge, and probably settled in his native town, Haverhill. In 1695 he left Massachusetts and emigrated to the Province of South Carolina and located at a place on Ashby River known as Red Bank, near the present town of Summerville. By this removal Benjamin Singeltary (as his descendants elect to spell their name) became the founder and head of the South Carolina branch of the Singletary family, which forms a large contingent in the genealogy of those bearing the name. His children were all born in Massachusetts. They are:

1. Susannah; b. Jan. 27, 1679; m. John Stone, Jr.
2. Richard; b. March 16, 1681.
3. Jonathan; b. Aug. 28, 1683.
4. John; b. July 6, 1686.
5. Broughton; b. March 25, 1689.
6. Joseph; b. Feb. 9, 1692-3.
7. Mary; b. July 14, 1695.

FOURTH GENERATION.

Richard, eldest son of the above, married Sarah; maiden name not on record, but the inference is that it was Stewart, as Thomas Stewart, in his will, dated March 17, 1722, names "his young brother, Richard Singeltary," as one of his executors. The register of the Parish of St. Thomas and St. Dennis thus records the births of their children:

1. Sarah; b. June 23, 1710; died young.
2. Richard; b. Nov. 1, 1713.
3. Benjamin; b. Feb. 3, 1717.
4. Sarah; b. June 25, 1719.
5. Joseph; b. Jan. 14, 1722.
6. Susan and
7. Anna, twins; b. Jan. 1, 1725.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Richard, eldest son of the above, married Margaret, and they had four children:

1. Richard; date of birth not given, nor mention of marriage. On May 4, 1758, he conveyed slaves to his mother and his sisters, Hannah Rees and Margaret, the latter single.
 2. Isaac; b. —.
 3. Hannah; m. a Mr. Rees.
 4. Mary; b. —.
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Benjamin, brother of Richard, married Hannah Darby, daughter of Captain Michael and Mary Warnock-Darby. She was born Sept. 21, 1718. He owned a large indigo plantation. On the 26th of September, 1729, he and his wife conveyed to his brother Richard a plantation of three hundred and fifteen acres in St. Thomas' and St. Dennis' Parish, being part of a tract of 520 acres granted by the Lords Proprietors to Mary Warnock, mother of his wife Hannah, July 25, 1709, the fee simple and in-

heritance of which vested in Hannah, Benjamin, her husband, being tenant by courtesy. They had five children:

1. Michael.
2. Richard.
3. Benjamin. On February 16, 1769, he conveyed to his sister Mary (at that time unmarried) a negro girl, then in possession of their mother; witnesses, their brothers, Michael and Thomas Singeltary.
4. Mary.
5. Thomas.

FOURTH GENERATION (Continued).

Joseph Singeltary (youngest son of Benj., s. of Rich'd) married; name of wife not recorded. He was evidently a stockraiser, as he entered his marks and brands in the office of the Secretary of the Province on June 25, 1729. There were 505 acres of land granted him by the Lords Proprietors in 1709. He had five children:

1. Benjamin; b. about 1720.
2. John; b. about 1722.
3. Thomas.
4. Micah; d. Sept., 1786; estate administered on by Wm. Capers, Nov. of the same year.
5. Joseph; b. about 1723-4; m. March 30, 1745. Hannah Dunham, daughter of John Dunham.

FIFTH GENERATION.

Benjamin Singeltary married a Miss Jinks and settled in St. James' Parish, Berkeley County, S. C., where he lived until his death in 1810-11. They had eight children, all mentioned in their father's will, which was made October 15, 1807, and proved January 14, 1811. Names:

1. Benjamin.
2. John Jinks.
3. Thomas; m. Mary Gillideau in 1785.
4. James.
5. Isaac; m. Elizabeth Attmore, daughter of Ralph Attmore, of Charleston, S. C., April, 1785.
6. Susannah; m. a Mr. Barrow.
7. Mary; m. a Mr. Crawford.
8. Hannah.

On May 13, 1828, Isaac Singeltary, in his own right and as attorney for his brother, James Singeltary, conveyed to Eben Thrower, of St. Helena Parish, Beaufort District, for nine hundred dollars, "a plantation or tract of land (formerly owned by and belonging to Benjamin Singeltary, deceased, late of St. James' Parish, Charleston District) containing four hundred acres, more or less, situate and lying on Four Hole Swamp, in the Parish of St. James, Charleston District—bounded on two sides by lands of Benjamin Singeltary, by an impassable swamp on another, and on one, by lands of William Ship." (Original deed owned by Mrs. M. M. Singeltary, Sandridge, S. C.)

SIXTH GENERATION.

Thomas Singeltary, third son of Benjamin and Miss Jinks, married Mary Gillideau and had a large family. Names of some of the children:

1. William T.; b. about 1816; m. Dorcas Garret, of Marion, S. C., and moved to Mississippi in 1856; died many years ago. Left three children, who fall in the seventh generation.
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2. James Benjamin; b. April 19, 1819.
3. John Jinks; b. July 15, 1824.
4. Rebecca; m. first, Eden Thrower; second, Adam Winter.
5. Ellen; m. a Mr. Murray.
6. Lettie; m. a Mr. Carn.
7. Thomas; m. Anna Rowell, sister of Hon. W. B. Rowell, of Williamsburg, S. C.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

James Benjamin Singeltary married Mary M. Parler, Nov. 20, 1855. His widow is living at Sandridge, S. C. There were ten children:

1. Annie Elizabeth; b. Oct. 23, 1857.
2. Aurelia C.; b. May 20, 1859.
3. James B.; b. Jan. 20, 1861.
4. Alice; b. April 12, 1863. Is teaching school in Covington, La. Is not married.
5. Aldrich Leonidas; b. Sept. 24, 1865.
6. Charles F.; b. Aug. 16, 1867; unmarried; lives in Batson, Texas.
7. Julius Earle; b. Oct. 1, 1869; m. Marie Harvey, April 29, 1902.
8. Ellic; b. Feb. 15, 1872; his home is in Covington, La.
9. Carrie; b. Dec. 12, 1874; also lives in Covington.
10. Arthur Judson; b. April 4, 1876; was of the firm of Lacroix & Singeltary, merchants, of Covington, La., until recently. He found a mercantile life too confining and has been travelling. He spent the last winter in Mexico. When last heard from was visiting some springs in Mississippi. Is not married.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

Annie Elizabeth Singeltary, eldest daughter of James Benjamin and Mary M. Parler-Singeltary, married Thomas Leonard Smith; they had nine children; all living, but none married:

1. Leonard; b. Jan. 4, 1881.
2. Mary Burness; b. April 8, 1882.
3. Thomas M.; b. Nov. 20, 1884.
4. Jennie Aurelia; b. Sept. 27, 1886.
5. Benjamin Earle; b. Aug. 19, 1888.
6. Samuel Norman; b. May 25, 1891.
7. Charles Kirby; b. Jan. 3, 1894.
8. Annie Lou; b. July 27, 1896.
9. Alice Hermione; b. Nov. 17, 1898.

James B. Singeltary was married to Birdie Cone, Dec. 22, 1897. He lives in South Carolina. Children:

1. Lottie; b. —.
2. Harry; b. —.

Aldrich Leonidas Singeltary married Lucy Till about 1895-6. Their home is at Elloree, S. C. Children:

1. Aldrich Leonidas, Jr.; b. —.
2. James; b. —.
3. Maybell; b. —.
4. Mary; b. —; died in July, 1906.

SEVENTH GENERATION (Continued).

John Jinks Singeltary, born July 15, 1824, married Georgiana West, born May 12, 1833. They had seven children:

1. Thomas West; b. Aug. 4, 1850.

2. Cornelia Ann; b. March 25, 1862.
3. William Edward; b. Feb. 4, 1864.
4. Stephen McKendy; b. Dec. 24, 1865.
5. Mary Elizabeth; b. March 1, 1870; d. Aug. 4, aged 5 months and 3 days.
6. Ellen G. A. C. (called Kate); b. Jan. 21, 1873.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

Thomas West Singeltary, eldest son of John Jinks and Georgiana West, married Osa Hart, and they have nine children, ranging in age from twenty years to six months.

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John H. Singeltary, the second son, married Osa M. Hart, born, like himself, in 1851. They have five children:

1. Mattie R.; b. 1886; m. McDuffie Smith, April, 1904.
2. Georgie T.; b. 1888.
3. Harry F.; b. 1893.
4. Exie E.; b. 1900.
5. John D.; b. 1904.

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Cornelia Ann Singeltary married William L. Gulzer, and they have four children:

1. Mary Jane.
2. John.
3. Edward.
4. Annie.

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Stephen McKendy Singeltary married Annie Rudd. They have five children; names and ages not ascertained.

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Ellen Singeltary, called Kate, first married William West, by whom she had three sons; one died. After Mr. West's death she married Mr. H. Chudd; they have one child.

NINTH GENERATION.

Mary Jane Gulzer, eldest daughter of Cornelia Ann and William L. Gulzer, married a Mr. Brown; they have one child.

SEVENTH GENERATION (Continued).

Rebecca, eldest daughter of Thomas (s. Benj. and Miss Jinks), married, first, Eben or Eden Thrower; after his death she married Adam Winter; no children by her last marriage. Two children by Mr. Thrower:

1. Augustine.
2. Angelina. Both died.

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Ellen Singeltary, second daughter of Thomas, married Moses Murray; had two sons, one of whom, Emory, is yet living. She is dead.

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Lettie Singeltary married a Mr. Carn; they live on the west side of Four Hole Swamp; have several children.

FOURTH GENERATION (Continued).

JOHN SINGLETARY

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John Singeltary (second s. of Benj., s. of Rich.) married Sarah Warnock, daughter of Joseph Warnock, about 1750. His will, made April 14, 1791, and proved on the 29th of the same month, mentions his wife, his daughters, Sarah Margaret Bennett, Mary Capers and Anna Allen; his grandson, Arnold Wells, and his granddaughter, Anna Bennett. Executors, William Capers,

Thomas and Joseph Singletary and Joseph Warnock. (Prob. C. Rec.) Children:

1. John Hayes.
2. Sarah Margaret; m. first, Samuel Wells; next, William Bennett; by the one she had a son and by the other a daughter, who fall in the sixth generation.
3. Mary; b. Nov. 6, 1766; m. William Capers, Sgt., 1783; d. March, 1792. She was the mother of Bishop Capers, of South Carolina. (See account of their descendants in the South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine for October, 1901.)
4. Anna; b. in 1768; m. Rev. Beverly Allen, of the M. E. Church, Feb., 1786.
5. Thomas; died and was buried Dec. 8, 1773.

FIFTH GENERATION (Continued).

Thomas, third son of Joseph Singletary (s. of Benj., s. of Rich.), married Elizabeth Guerin, daughter of John and Elizabeth Guerin, Feb. 22, 1752. She was baptized Feb. 28, 1744, and buried Oct. 5, 1772. Children:

1. Thomas; baptized June 25, 1762.
2. Anna; baptized 1767.

SIXTH GENERATION.

While the records are a little indefinite as to the marriage and occupation of Thomas Singletary, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Guerin Singletary, it is clear he was first cousin to Mary Singletary who married William Capers, their fathers being brothers (both sons of Joseph, s. Ben, s. Rich.). Doubtless he is the father of Thomas W. Singletary, whose descendants claim near relationship to the Whaleys and Capers, both prominent and well connected families. Whether there were other children or not is not mentioned. The descendants of William Capers and Mary Singletary-Capers hold an important position in the historical genealogies of South Carolina, and in the "Life of Bishop Capers" special mention is made of the relationship. Thomas W. falls in the sixth, and therefore his children come in the

SEVENTH GENERATION.

Thomas W. Singletary married Annie Barrow in his native state. Whether he remained there any length of time afterward or not is not known, but he moved to Georgia, where he died in 1842. There were nine children, seven sons and two daughters, all dead. Their names were:

William, Elijah, Thomas, Arthur, Nathan, Sallie, Martha, Ziba and James.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

Whether any of Thomas W. Singletary's children had families or not I have not been able to ascertain, except Nathan, who was born in Lawrence County, Georgia, Aug. 16, 1810, and died in Schley County, of the same state, Oct. 6, 1873. He married Cassander Wright in 1836, and engaged in farming. Children:

1. John M.; b. July 30, 1837. No record of family. He died in 1885.
2. Isaac Newton; b. Feb. 4, 1839.
3. Henry H.; b. Feb. 4, 1841; d. July 11, 1905.

4. Thomas W.; b. Feb. 17, 1843; d. Sept., 1863.
5. Lucy Ann; b. June 18, 1844; m. Mr. Nichols, and they live in Hawkinsville, Ga.
6. Nancy J.; b. Jan. 6, 1846; m. Mr. McCraig; also live in Hawkinsville.
7. Lorenzo D.; b. Aug. 22, 1847; d. 1885.
8. Daniel C.; b. Feb. 28, 1849; d. Oct. 31, 1904.
9. Mary; b. Nov. 29, 1844; m. Mr. Joiner, and they live in Georgia.

NINTH GENERATION (Continued).

Isaac Newton Singletary married Elizabeth Mauk about 1868-9, and settled in Georgia, where he remained until 1878, when he moved to Texas. He has been a farmer all his life with the exception of about two years spent in merchandising. He evidently prefers agricultural pursuits to the anxieties incident to a mercantile life. His wife, who was born April 16, 1844, died April 27, 1894, in Troy, Ala., at the home of her sister, Mrs. Barbara Lignoske, whom she was visiting at the time. Mr. Singletary married again, April 16, 1905, Miss Eudora Ellen Hamberlin, of Tyler, Texas, a most estimable lady, and of suitable age. They are spending the evening of life in Palestine, Texas. He is the only survivor of the five brothers. By his first wife there were four children, all living (1907):

1. Thomas Byron; b. in Georgia, Feb. 17, 1870.
2. Minnie Alice; b. Nov. 14, 1871.
3. Mary Viola; b. May 21, 1873.
4. Brick Pomeroy; b. Aug. 12, 1874.

TENTH GENERATION.

Thomas B. Singletary was married to Lura Augusta Carroll Dec. 6 1891. Like his father, he is a farmer.

He has found time, however, for other pursuits. He must have studied law, since, at the age of twenty-four, he was elected to the office of Justice of the Peace, which he held for two years. He was then nominated by the People's Party as a candidate for County Judge, but was defeated at the ensuing election. He is at present a member of the County Democratic Committee of Anderson County. He resides in Palestine, Texas, near his father. Children:

1. Viola Mildred; b. April 19, 1899.
2. Lunsford; b. March 25, 1904.

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Minnie Alice Singletary was married to Mr. J. R. Unger April 11, 1893. He was born in Virginia in 1874, and was a railroad engineer. She was married to her second husband, Mr. J. H. Carroll, July 24, 1907. They are now living at Luedus, Jones County, Texas, and doing well. By her first husband there were five children:

1. Harry; b. Dec. 31, 1894.
2. Viola May; b. Oct. 29, 1896.
3. Minnie Audrey; b. Aug. 11, 1898.
4. Bedford Forrest; b. Aug. 2, 1901.
5. Douglas Leroy; b. Nov. 10, 1903; d. May 9, 1907, aged three years.

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Mary Viola Singletary was married to Carlos W. Carpenter Nov. 16, 1893. He is an electrician and was born in Lapierre, Mich. They are now living in Fort Worth, Texas, and her brother, Brick Pomeroy, who is a machinist and unmarried, lives with them. Children:

1. Josie; b. Jan. 6, 1895; d. May 31, 1899.
2. Leslie; b. Nov. 20, 1897.
3. Irene; b. Aug. 25, 1901; d. Dec., 1902.

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NINTH GENERATION (Continued).

Henry H. Singletary entered the Confederate Army at the beginning of hostilities and remained until the close of the war in 1865, when he returned home with nothing but a spirit of determination to conquer difficulties and mount upward. How he succeeded the sequel will show. He married Miss Mary Eason, of Georgia, in 1866, and settled in the old home where he was born, in LaCross, where he lived until his death in 1905-6. He was a planter, and was also engaged in the mercantile business for twenty years, and was so far successful in each that he had everything that was necessary to render him comfortable and enable him to spend the closing years of life in peace, with no anxiety as to the "morrow." In addition to the above, he was a Justice of the Peace for thirty years, postmaster twenty years, railroad agent continuously for twenty years, and four years represented his county in the State Legislature. Few men lead such an active life and prove so successful in each activity. There were two daughters, both well educated, and graduated from the Cox Female College, near Atlanta, Ga.

1. Lydia C.; b. in LaCross.
2. Cattie L.

TENTH GENERATION.

Lydia C. Singletary married Lewis H. Killgrew June 23 1887. She died some time in May, 1904. There were five children:

1. Mamie.
2. Grady.
3. Annie Luc.
4. Otis.
5. Edgar.

Cattie L. Singletary married Edwin F. Bell Sept. 29 1896. Their home is at Americus, Ga. There are two children:

1. Henry E.
2. Evelin.

This closes the record, as far as I have been able to follow it, of the descendants of Benjamin Singletary, of South Carolina (s. of Rich.). It will be noticed that the line of his son Joseph has been brought down to the present time, 1907.

There has been a tradition among the North Carolina and Georgia Singletarys, as given by Mr. Andrew Singletary, a wealthy lumberman of Georgia, that there were seven brothers who came over from England, and that one settled in South and six in North Carolina. As the facts do not justify this statement, it must be explained in some other way. In the first place the Singletarys who settled in the Carolinas emigrated from New England, instead of England. The Massachusetts records, as well as the South Carolina records, show that Benjamin Singletary left Massachusetts and settled in the Province of South Carolina in 1695. (As to the North Carolina Singletarys, their settlement in that Province at an early date can be accounted for by records found in reliable works in the Lenox Library of New York. Savage, in his Genealogical Dictionary, says that Richard Singletary, son of Richard, Sr., who lived in New London, Mass., "died Oct. 16, 1711, leaving nine children, some of whom were in Carolina; but the only known names are Richard, William and Waistill, and a daughter who married Samuel Latham." Now, I would not from this be able to say which of these sons (whether those whose names are mentioned or those omitted) settled in Carolina, but it is a safe inference that if the records of North Carolina could be unearthed a solution as to the origin of that branch would be found, and they would prove to be descendants of Richard, son of Richard, Sr. There is a large contingent of them living in and near Elizabethtown, Bladen County, whose ancestors settled there a century and a half or two centuries ago; but the records of that town were burned some years past, and it is probable that their lineage could not now be traced with accuracy. It may be that other records have shared the same fate, especially when it is remembered that three wars—the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812 and the Confederate War—intervene between the present time and the settlement of the Singletarys on Cape Fear River.

These remarks are made as introductory to the department of those who can only trace their lineage back three or four generations, and are designed to open a perspective through which they may be able to discover the break in the chain and perhaps join the links that will make an indissoluble connection with the New England founder of the family.

JESSE SINGLETARY

The families of Singletarys scattered throughout the Southern States (all descendants of Richard) have, for the most part, emigrated from the Carolinas; a careful investigation of the facts will sustain this assertion.

Jesse Singletary settled on Cape Fear River, Bladen County, North Carolina, in 1755. He was probably in the fourth generation from Richard. At least, in the absence of the correct data, for convenience I shall proceed on that basis. His descendants think they are of the South Carolina family, but so far I have not been able to make the connection; but from that date the line is unbroken down to the present time, a hundred and fifty years. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. Children:

FIFTH GENERATION.

- Jesse Singletary had several sons. Among them:
1. William; killed at Elizabethtown in the Revolutionary War.

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3. Curtis; also killed in the Revolution at Elizabethtown.
4. Jonathan; b. in Bladen County, N. C.; d. at Yorkville, 1864, at the age of 98.
5. Benjamin; m. in North Carolina; moved to Georgia in 1835-6.
6. David; also moved to Howard County, Georgia, in 1835-6.
7. Roland.

SIXTH GENERATION.

Jonathan Singletary married Sarah Ann Harrison, and they had nine children:

1. David.
2. Edward.
3. Joshua.
4. Roland.
5. John.
6. Sarah.
7. Elizabeth.
8. Harriet.
9. Mary.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

David Singletary, eldest son of Jonathan, was born April 28, 1812; married Abigail Lewon Jan. 2, 1836. He died Sept. 5, 1860; she died Nov. 21, 1897. They had ten children:

1. Geo. S.; b. Nov. 16, 1838; m. Caroline Allen Dec. 2, 1858.
2. Joanna; b. Nov. 26, 1840; d. Aug. 10, 1864.
3. Sarah; b. April 7, 1844.
4. Harriet; b. June 19, 1846; m. Robert Edward Feb. 12, 1872; he died Nov. 19, 1902.
5. J. W.; b. June 10, 1848; d. Dec. 12, 1901.
6. Mary; b. Sept. 27, 1850; m. J. P. Mercer Jan. 6, 1870; d. 1901.
7. Jonathan L.; b. Oct. 4, 1851; m. Anna Bell Lewis Feb. 20, 1871.
8. David Moore; b. Dec. 19, 1853; m. Sarah Bryan Nov. 15, 1876; d. May 10, 1897.
9. Lewon P.; b. Sept. 30, 1855; m. Sarah Monroe Dec. 28, 1887.
10. James; b. Oct. 30, 1858; m. Elizabeth Lewis Jan. 19, 1887.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

George S. Singletary and Caroline Allen Singletary have seven children:

1. Robert Franklin; b. Aug. 7, 1859; m. Anna Hamilton April 26, 1891.
2. Joannah G.; b. Nov. 28, 1861; m. P. W. McDaniel March 27, 1891.
3. Sarah W.; b. April 5, 1866; m. Thomas Edgewood Dec. 25, 1900.
4. David Columbus; b. April 2, 1870; m. Rosa Gillispie Feb. 12, 1895.
5. Caroline Virginia; b. Dec. 27, 1873; m. Wm. A. Clark March 31, 1897.
6. George Ellis; b. Sept. 5, 1877.
7. Grover Cleveland; b. Oct. 29, 1886.

SIXTH GENERATION (Continued).

Benjamin and David Singletary, sons of Jesse, both

settled in Howard County about 1835-6. Have learned very little as to the descendants of Benjamin. David married a Miss Simpson, and their descendants yet reside in that section of the state. David was a soldier in the War of 1812 and his widow drew a pension for many years before her death. They had six children:

1. Hayes; b. in North Carolina about 1810.
2. Willis; b. also in North Carolina in 1812; m. 1832.
3. Warren; b. 1816; m. 1850.
4. David; b. 1818; m. 1848.
5. Edward Simpson; b. 1824; d. in early manhood.
6. Travis; b. 1826; m. —.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

Hayes Singletary, the son of David, the son of Jesse, married a Miss —, and there were eight children:

1. Edward Thomas; b. 1848.
2. Wm. Wright; b. 1850.
3. Louisa Perry; b. 1852.
4. David Haynes; b. 1854.
5. John Roland; b. 1859.
6. Milton Bryan; b. 1861.
7. Abel Adam; b. 1865.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

John Roland Singletary is a successful lawyer of Cairo, Ga. He was at one time a member of the Georgia State Legislature. He is at present (1907) Judge of the City Court. In Nov., 1893, he married Miss Dorothy Wooten, of Decatur, Ga. Their children are:

1. David; b. in Cairo, Ga., Oct. 26, 1894.
2. Milton; b. in Cairo, Ga., Nov. 10, 1895.
3. Augusta; b. in Cairo, Ga., Nov. 1, 1899.

Efforts made to obtain further information concerning other descendants of Jesse Singletary have been unavailing. There was a Jesse Singletary born in North Carolina in 1799. He was perhaps a grandson of Jesse Singletary, Sr. He had four brothers: Felix, Armstead, Ethamor and Nelson, who died many years ago. He has a son, Evander, in the Pension Bureau at Washington, D. C.

ELISHA SINGLETARY

There is a branch of South Carolina Singletarys residing in Louisiana whose ancestors must have settled in South Carolina at a very early date. Whether they are descendants of Benjamin or not it is difficult to decide, but I think they are. A letter from Dr. Samuel Louis Singletary, of Wilson, La., says: "My father was named Elisha. He was born Jan. 28, 1786, in Williamsburg, S. C. He emigrated to Louisiana in the year 1803, bought land and commenced to open up a farm. In 1812 he dropped his farming implements and joined a Tennessee regiment under General Jackson which passed near by, and fought in the battle of New Orleans. Being discharged when the war was over, he returned to his mother and his farm, where he was living at the time of his death. He owned about 100 slaves; a few of them are still living on my place. The Dunhams and Singletarys were relatives of my father, and paid him a visit when I was a boy. I had a letter from a Mr. Singletary a few years ago inquiring about the genealogy of the family; and he said the Singletarys were all first class people, both honored and respected, and so far as I know he told the truth." 112

Wishing to ascertain the relationship between the families, I wrote to Mrs. M. M. Singletary, of South Carolina, widow of a grandson of Thomas Singletary, who had married Anna Rowell, of Williamsburg, S. C., and made inquiries. She replied that she did not know how nearly related the families might be, but she had heard it said that "her husband and Dr. Sam Singletary looked like twins." Her husband was the great-great-grandson of Benjamin Singletary.

Dr. Singletary furnished a list of the names of his father's children:

1. William Winfield; d. when two years old.
2. Mary Louisa; b. Aug. 18, 1831; d. May 10, 1892.
3. John Lafayette; b. May 4, 1834; d. Nov. 17, 1879.
4. Samuel Louis; b. June 22, 1836; still living.
5. Elizabeth Leonora; b. July 28, 1838; d. April 15, 1850.
6. Winder C.; b. March 6, 1846; d. May 10, 1853.
7. Elouise; b. June 4, 1850; d. Dec. 28, 1867.
8. Ann L.; b. April 10, 1841; d. March 2, 1867.
9. Alice L.; b. Sept. 14, 1847; d. Sept. 9, 1870.

Of Elisha Singletary's nine children Dr. Samuel Louis is the only survivor. Of his own children he gives no definite information. However, he has a son, Dr. T. T. Singletary, practising medicine in Baton Rouge; also one, S. L. Singletary, M. D., who graduated in medicine in 1894 and settled in Rosedale, La., where he has built up a good practice. Still another son was attending medical lectures in Atlanta, Ga., in 1899. He has doubtless been engaged in professional duties for several years.

BENJAMIN — JAMES (WILL - 1810)
(WILL - 1763) — THOMAS SINGLETARY X SEE
(WILL - 1523)

The date of the settlement of the ancestors of Thomas Singletary in North Carolina seems to be lost in the mists of the past, which so far I have been unable to penetrate, but it was probably some time in the seventeenth century. The name of his father is also involved in obscurity; but Thomas himself was born, married and died there, the last event taking place in 1820. He was twice married. Judging by comparison, he probably belonged to the fifth generation from Richard, and therefore his children would fall in the

SIXTH GENERATION.

1. John; m. Sarah Parker in 1825.
2. Ephraim; m. Eliza Davis.
3. Thomas; m. Peggy (Margaret) Harrison.
4. Hannah; m. Henry Singletary, a distant relative.
5. Mary; nothing definite known of her.
6. Daniel; m. Mary Sinclair.

SEVENTH GENERATION.

John Singletary, after his marriage in 1825, remained in North Carolina until 1830, when he removed to Mississippi. There were nine children, most of whom were probably born in Carolina:

1. Frank; m. Ellen Sumral. Their home was in Mississippi. He died in 1884; his wife is still living.
2. Mary Ann; b. about 1830; married a Mr. Bufkin. Their home was in the southern part of Mississippi. She died several years ago. No children.
3. Sallie Jane; b. about 1824; d. in 1857; never married.
4. Liram; b. in 1832; m. Celia Price. They had twelve children. He died in 1904; she is still living.

5. Thomas; b. in 1836; m. Susan Price in 1863; they have twelve children.
6. Harriet; b. in 1840; m. Stephen Smith; moved to Texas just after the Confederate War, where they are still living; six children.
7. John; b. in 1844; went to Texas after the war; married and had a large family; was killed by lightning in 1904.
8. James; b. in 1848; m. Susan Thomas in 1873; they have five children, all living.
9. Emma; b. about 1850; m. William Williams in 1868-9; had one child; it died young. Mr. Williams died in 1885; in 1837 his widow married John Finan. Their home is in Superior, Wis. No children.

As the names and dates of birth of these children were not given they could not be arranged genealogically.

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Ephraim Singletary and his wife, Eliza Davis, had nine children. She died and he afterward married Nellie Smith. They had one child.

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Thomas, after his marriage, moved to Texas, where he remained until his death. They had several children.

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Henry Singletary and his wife, Hannah, had six children. He died, and she afterward moved to Texas, where she lived to an advanced age, and died there.

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Daniel Singletary and Mary Sinclair had eight children in 1885 she died, and in 1896 he married Mrs. Lou Butler; no children. He died in 1898. As far as known his widow is still living.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

Thomas Singletary, fifth child and third son of John and Sallie Parker Singletary was born in North Carolina in 1836, and was quite small when his father moved to Mississippi in 1838-9. As stated above, he married Susan Price, who was born in 1840. He was senior partner in the mercantile firm of Singletary & Son, of Florence, Miss., until they were burned out, about 1905-6, after which he retired, as they did not care to restore the business; and now, having passed his seventy-first birthday, he is in good health and enjoying the evening of his life in quiet retirement, free from the turmoil and anxieties of commercial pursuits. The children are:

1. Joseph Luther; b. July 13, 1864; m. Louise Easterling Dec. 7, 1892; she died Jan. 8, 1894; no children. On April 14, 1895, he married Willie Williams; she died Feb. 26, 1900; no children. He is now cashier and one of the directors of the Citizens' Bank of Florence, Miss.
2. John Henry; b. March, 1866. —
3. James Edward; b. April, 1867. —
4. Daniel; b. Feb., 1864; not married.
5. Nicholas Bascom; b. March, 1870. —
6. Infant son; lived only five days.
7. D. B.; b. July 9, 1873. —
8. Lela; b. in Jan., 1875; d. Jan., 1893.
9. Beulah; b. March, 1877. —
10. Sallie May; b. Feb., 1880. —
11. Sudie and
12. Lulie, twins; b. Aug. 28, 1881.

NINTH GENERATION.

John Henry married Ida Murray Sept., 1890. One child:

James Edward married Bettie Loflin March, 1883; she died in May, 1903; no children. In January, 1904, he married Eva Hale. One child:

1. Dora Velma; b. Dec. 29, 1904.

Nicholas Bascom married Della Cooper Sept., 1890. There are six children:

1. Roscoe.
2. Earl.
3. A son; lived only a few days.
4. Bessie Marie.
5. Ma/.
6. Durward.

D. B. married Margie Isbell Dec. 20, 1892. They have four children:

1. Carl.
2. Willie Hugh.
3. Annie.
4. Otis.

Beulah married W. B. Long in November, 1900. They have two boys:

1. Le Roy.
2. Clayton.

Sallie May married J. B. Lowther, Jr., Dec., 1898. There are three children:

1. J. B.
2. Sudie Kate.
3. Mary.

Of the twin girls Sudie and Lulie, Lulie died Oct., 1892; and Sudie married R. J. Brown June 25, 1902. They have two children:

1. Thomas (named for his grandfather).
2. A daughter; b. April 13, 1905.

PART III.

SINGLETTY-CURTIS FAMILY

AMOS AND MARY CURTIS SINGLETTY

John Singletary and his wife, Mary Greeley-Singletary, were dismissed from the Framingham Church to the First Congregational Church in Sutton in 1721. In this relationship they remained many years, enjoying the ministry of Rev. David Hall, whose pastorate covered a period almost unprecedented in the history of ministerial work. He died in 1789 in the 85th year of his age, and the 60th year of his ministry to that congregation, revered and loved to the last. Before this time, however, in 1743, owing to the inconvenience for the parishioners in the northern part of the town to attend the services regularly, it was decided by the members in that section to build another church house. The first meeting looking to this object was held at the residence of Richard Singletary; and so popular was the movement that just one year from that time the members of the first church residing within the bounds of the north parish sent a petition to the said church, desiring to be "dismissed and commended to the work of embodying together in a church state, and asking assistance." The work prospered to that extent that in 1747 seventy members were dismissed and commended to the communion of what was afterwards known as the Second Congregational Church. In 1813, however, the north parish was formed into a town and

called Millbury, from which time the Second Church in Sutton has been the First Church in Millbury, and its history merges in the history of that town." (Benedict's Hist. Sutton, p. 461.)

In the meantime Mary Greeley, wife of John Singletary, had died, and he had married Mrs. Mary Kenney, by whom he had no children. She evidently was a member of the same church, as among those dismissed to the new church were John Singletary and his wife, his three sons, Joseph, Richard and Amos, and their wives, his son-in-law, Ebenezer Stockwell, and his wife, and his youngest daughter, Martha.

John Singletary settled on the Mill Lot, which embraces a tract of land of 116 acres, lying along the shores of a beautiful lake. The lake has an area of 600 acres, and lies partly in Sutton and partly in Millbury, the Millbury section being in the westerly part of the town. Mill Brooke, the outlet of this body of water, which for nearly 200 years has borne the name of Singletary Lake, in honor of the first settler on its picturesque banks, has, within a mile, a fall of 175 feet. Here in September of the same year (1721) their youngest son, Amos, was born; here he grew to manhood, and doubtless the old homestead was his by inheritance in after years, as he is always spoken as "Amos Singletary of Sutton."

John Singletary was the eldest son of Nathaniel and grandson of Richard, the hero of the tradition. He probably lived to an advanced age, as he was 67 at the time he was dismissed to the Second Church. The date of his death, however, is not on record. After his death his youngest son, Amos, "reigned in his stead."

Amos Singletary, to whose descendants this division is exclusively devoted, was married to Mary Curtis, daughter of Samuel Curtis, of Topsfield, Massachusetts, on September 6, 1742. Of his life and work we learn something from the following extract from Benedict's History of Sutton, pages 727-8:

"Amos Singletary was the son of John, who settled on the Mill Lot at the outlet of Singletary Lake. He was the first male child born in town. It is said that he never attended school, the rudiments of reading, writing and arithmetic being taught him at home; but he made the most of his opportunities, and by patient application became a well-educated man. He was of quick perception, sound judgment and sterling integrity. For four years during the Revolutionary War he represented the town in the Provincial Congress; and after the formation of the State Government he was for four years in the House of Representatives and several years in the Senate.

"He was also a Justice of the Peace, and a Justice of the Quorum, of which there were two in the county. One of the duties of the latter office was to administer the debtor's oath to men put in jail for debt. Mr. Singletary was often sent for to perform that service, as his colleague, although residing at Worcester, refused to do it without the fee in hand. Often in the evening, after his day's work was done, did he ride to Worcester, moved with compassion for the poor debtor, and administer the oath, taking for his pay promises which were seldom fulfilled.

"Mr. Singletary was an earnest Christian. His grandson, Rev. S. A. Dwinnell, says his conversion was brought about through the influence of a young lady, Mary Curtis, to whom he was engaged. She was one of the subjects of the religious interest

which attended the preaching of Jonathan Edwards, of Northampton, who visited Sutton in 1742. They both united with Dr. Hall's church at the same time, and were dismissed with others to form the church in the north parish, in which they are spoken of as pillars.

"The following anecdote, furnished by Rev. George Allen, of Worcester, who knew both the persons referred to, illustrates Mr. Singletary's quick insight into character, and his concise method of making its defects manifest. 'During a season of revival in the north parish, Mr. Samuel Waters, a manufacturer of hoes in what is now Millbury, being under concern of mind, and seeing Mr. Singletary approaching, rushed out of his shop and called out, 'O Squire! O Squire! what shall I do to be saved?' The Squire scarcely stopped the horse he was riding as he replied, 'Put more steel in your hoes.'"

Hon. Amos Singletary was a true patriot. Although he was in Congress four years during the great struggle for American independence, he was not content with the civil service he was doing for his country, however important his work was as a legislator, but he raised and equipped a company at his own expense for the service. I have this information from his great-granddaughter, Mrs. V. C. Singletary-Taylor, of Louisville, Kentucky, who states that she has often heard her father say that his grandfather spent an independent fortune in the cause. Besides, the statement is corroborated in a letter from John Curtis Singletary, Jr., a great-grandson of Amos Singletary, which appears in another place. Mr. Singletary was also one of a committee appointed to raise men for an expedition against Canada in 1776. As for the enactments of Congress during the long revolutionary period, they are matters of history.

Amos and Mary Curtis-Singletary had nine children, all born in Sutton before the division which made the northern part a separate town, since known as Millbury. Their names are:

1. Greeley; b. Aug. 15, 1743; married Dea. Joseph Allen, of Hardwick, Jan. 15, 1772.
2. John; b. March 17, 1745.
3. Mary; b. June 10, 1747; married, April 8, 1767, Elisha Gale, son of Richard Gale, who was in military service during the French and Indian War. His name first appeared in Captain Solomon Holman's Company as Lieutenant, which post he held until appointed Captain of the Company. They had no children.
4. Mehetibel; b. March 13, 1749; married Peter Jennison.
5. Hannah; b. March 15, 1753.
6. Azubah; b. Dec. 9, 1754; died unmarried at the age of twenty.
7. Amos; b. March 11, 1757.
8. Richard; b. Nov. 9, 1760.
9. Thankful; b. Oct. 30, 1762; married Ebenezer Burnap, Jr., son of Ebenezer Burnap, who came to Sutton in 1750, and located on what was afterwards known as Burnap Hill.

JOHN SINGLETARY

John Singletary married Sarah Jennison April 15, 1767. In Daniel's History of Oxford, Massachusetts, is this record: "John Singletary, son of Amos and Mary Curtis (daughter of Samuel Curtis of Topsfield), married Sarah Jennison, April 15,

1767. On the 18th, Elijah Moore deeded to him a 60-acre lot in the northern part of Oxford, bounded north on the south line of Worcester, now Auburn. * * * He died between the 20th of July, 1771, the date of his Will, and the 8th of Oct. of that year." Dying at the age of 27, there seems to be no further record of him. In March, 1789, his daughters (the younger then in ward, being under age), brought successful suit against their grandfather, Amos Singletary, to recover their portion of their father's estate."

There were three children:

1. Mary; b. about 1763.
2. Sarah; b. about 1770.
3. A posthumous child; b. 1771; died soon.

MEHETIBEL SINGLETARY

Mehetibel Singletary, third daughter of Amos Singletary, Sr., and Mary Curtis, married Peter Jennison, March 31, 1769. He was the son of Robert Jennison, of Watertown, Massachusetts, and brother of John Singletary's wife. Mr. Jennison was born in Sutton, Jan. 6, 1750; and after their marriage they remained in their native town for several years; and here the elder children were born. They afterwards removed to Ontario County, New York, where she died Feb. 16, 1812. He survived her nine years. His death occurring at their home in Ontario County, New York, in 1821.

SIXTH GENERATION.

Peter and Mehetibel Singletary-Jennison had twelve children, seven sons and five daughters:

1. Lucy; b. March 29, 1770; married James Twiss, May 2, 1792. They remained in Massachusetts, where she died Feb. 13, 1851.
2. Peter; b. March 27, 1771.
3. Mehetibel; b. Feb. 11, 1773; married Mr. Chase, and they remained in Massachusetts, where she died Jan. 17, 1813.
4. Twiss; b. March 16, 1775; married Lydia Stephens and removed to Indiana, near Aurora.
5. Rufus; b. March 20, 1777; married Jerusha Field, and removed to Indiana. He died at Philadelphia, Hancock County, Indiana,

HER POSTERITY

Hannah Singletary, fourth daughter of Amos Singletary, Sr., was married to Jonathan Gould, Jan. 30, 1770. He was born Feb. 5, 1749; was an officer in the Revolutionary War, and died in Virginia Oct. 30, 1781, with the rank of Captain. On April 1, 1783, Mrs. Gould was married to Solomon Dwinnell, grandson of Jonathan Dwinnell, who came from Topsfield and settled in Sutton, where he died at the age of 80. Solomon Dwinnell was also a soldier of the Revolution and served through the war. He fought at Boston, Long Island and White Plains; was with Stark at Bennington; was at the capture of Burgoyne and at the capture of Cornwallis at Yorktown.

SIXTH GENERATION.

The children of Jonathan and Hannah Singletary-Gould were:

1. John; b. Nov. 26, 1772.
2. Jonathan; b. Jan. 25, 1777.
3. Hatfield; b. Jan. 30, 1778.
4. Hannah; b. March 13, 1781.

AMOS SINGLETARY, JR.

HIS POSTERITY

Amos Singletary seems to have been a quiet, kindly man, though very little is said of him in the record. One of his grandsons in a recent letter speaks very highly and tenderly of him. Unlike his father, he probably took little interest in public affairs, devoting his time to the interests of his large family. This much we learn, however, that he was not a religious man at the time his children were growing up about him. One of his nephews, Rev. A. S. Dwinnell, writing of his later years, says: "When I was at home from Philip's Academy in 1833, I visited him for the purpose of religious conversation. He was then about eighty years of age. I found abundant evidence from talking with him that God had met him and changed his heart. He showed me his Bible which he read daily. He lived some years after that, giving evidence to the last of the great change. Ah! Truly, God does keep His covenant with His people. How precious the truth!"

Amos Singletary, Jr., and Elizabeth Johnson had twelve children; all born in Sutton, although the portion of town where their residence stood was separated in 1813 from Sutton proper, and has since borne the name of Murray. Their names are:

1. Azubah; b. March 15, 1778.
2. John Curtis; b. April 10, 1789.
3. Amos; date of birth not recorded; married and went South and settled in Louisiana, about eighteen miles from Baton Rouge, owned a large plantation and about three hundred negroes; died of cholera in 1860.
4. Uriah J.; b. about 1791-2.
5. William; b. about 1793; went to New Orleans, and engaged in shipping buildings ready prepared for erection from that city to the West Indies; died of cholera probably in 1860. No information as to his descendants.
6. Luther; b. Oct. 28, 1796; married a widow, Mrs. Morgan.
7. Emory; b. Feb. 27, 1798; died at Elkhorn, Wis., in 1891.
8. Elizabeth; b. —; died at the age of sixteen.
9. Riley; probably born in 1800; married and settled in Cleveland, Ohio. Died in LaSelle, Ill., in 1850. He had a son living in California some years ago, and a grandson was living in Wisconsin in 1801.

Azubah Singletary was married to Benjamin Laithe April 10, 1800. They settled in Grafton, Mass., where she died in 1852 at the age of 74. He survived her fifteen years. He was born Aug. 7, 1776, and died in 1867 at the age of 91. Children:

1. Mary; b. Sept. 30, 1801; deceased.
2. Jane Allen; b. Dec. 4, 1804; deceased.
3. Sarah S.; b. Feb. 23, 1807. Never married.
4. Azubah Singletary; b. April 30, 1809; deceased.
5. Benjamin C.; b. Sept. 24, 1811; d. March 5, 1822.
6. Serena B.; b. Aug. 12, 1814; married Charles Smith; lived in Delaware, Ohio; died in Boston, Mass., Nov., 1893 or 1894.
7. Robert W.; b. Aug. 10, 1817; deceased.

JOHN CURTIS SINGLETARY

SEVENTH GENERATION (Continued).

John Curtis Singletary when about 19 years of age went to Hudson, Ohio, where, on Feb. 4, 1808, he married Harriet Powers, a young lady near his own age her birth occurring on October 28th of the same year. She was the daughter of an Italian, whose father, a wealthy Neapolitan gentleman, had educated him for a Catholic priest. But clerical orders being distasteful to him, he left home and came to this country. Here he married a Connecticut lady, and afterward, it seems, removed to Ohio. For his disobedience to the wishes of his father he was disinherited, and the wealth that should have been his went to the Church. He lived to be one hundred years old.

Mr. Singletary left Hudson and located in Aurora, Portage County, of the same state, where he lived for some years. I have before me a letter addressed to him at this place by his brother, Luther, from Dinwiddie County, Virginia, under date of August 18, 1826—more than three-quarters of a century ago. He finally removed to Streetsboro, also in Portage County, where he died on June 3, 1851, having survived his wife about eight years. From a local paper I select some extracts:

"Colonel Singletary was one of the fathers of Northern Ohio, and we who so richly enjoy the benefits of their enterprise, energy and toil, do well, when one of them is called away, to pause and think gratefully of them. Possessed of a fine frame and a mind of more than ordinary energy, he was well fitted for the hardships and toil to be endured in a new country. Few men, if any, have cleared more land here than he did. The ground where Western Reserve College stands was cleared by him; also many acres in Hudson and several hundred in Aurora and Streetsboro. He settled in Aurora, where he acquired a handsome property, of which he was liberal for good objects. The now venerated men who went through woods and mud to preach the gospel among the early settlers of the Reserve found in him a friend, and were welcomed to the hospitalities of his house. It was about 1827 he made the first purchase of land in Streetsboro, and was the first regular settler in this township. He did not unite with any church until after the death of his wife, on March 26, 1843, when he became a member of the Congregational Church. During the last years of his life he was, when in health, always present at the prayer meeting as well as the regular services on the Sabbath; and his fervent prayers and earnest exhortations testified to his neighbors the tenderness of his feelings and his intense desire for their salvation. In his last years he felt much for those who had not yet received the gospel, and was eager to aid in sending it to them. He was a temperate man and was always remarkable for his honesty and fidelity to all business engagements. His final sickness was short, but just before he expired he testified that he was happy in the enjoyment of Christian faith and

1. Anthony Powers; b. Jan. 28, 1809; married Sophia Robbins.
2. John Curtis, Jr.; b. Dec. 19, 1810; married Mary A. Carter.
3. Cyrus; b. Dec. 19, 1812; died, unmarried, Jan. 10, 1834.
4. Earl; b. May 17, 1816; died, unmarried, Oct. 3, 1834.
5. Charles; b. Nov. 29, 1822; married Laura Loomis Nov. 15, 1847; died Aug. 15, 1866.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

Anthony Powers and Sophia Robbins-Singletary had four children:

1. Jane; date of birth not given.
2. Sherlock; date omitted.
3. Elnora.
4. Victoria.

EIGHTH GENERATION (Continued).

John Curtis Singletary, Jr., was born in Aurora, Ohio, and remained there until about eighteen years of age, when he went with his father to Streetsboro, and engaged with him and his brothers in clearing up the land. Here he remained until 1828, when he entered Western Reserve College, Akron, Ohio, where he pursued his studies until he was graduated, in 1835; whereupon he entered the law office of his uncle, Gregory Powers, in 1833. He was admitted to the bar in 1835, and practised law in the city of Akron until 1839. In the meantime the young lawyer had established himself and built up such a reputation that in June, 1837, he was elected Mayor as the successor of the venerable Seth Iredell, the first incumbent of that office, Akron having been incorporated in 1836. He was re-elected in 1838, but failing health compelled him to return to his home in Streetsboro for a period of recuperation. Finding his father already showing evidence of overwork, advancing age and failing health, he felt it his duty to relieve him of responsibility; thenceforth doing little legal work, but spent his remaining years, which were many, in promoting the cause of truth, as he understood it, and following agricultural pursuits. At the age of thirty-six he married Mary A. Carter, of Boston Township. There were eight children born to them, and his daughters had the privilege of being graduated at his own alma mater, Western Reserve College, Akron, Ohio. To the noble efforts of their parents do they attribute the success they have met in their professional life and work. Two of these, Dora and Marie A., were for several terms members of the faculty of the Denver (Colorado) High School, and while thus engaged Marie A. was pursuing a medical course. She was graduated in the Medical College of Denver with the class of 1899-1900, and soon after opened an office in that city as a practising physician. For many years Mr. Singletary's health had been failing, and after his wife's death he seemed to lose his hold on life. During the present investigation of family history, in answer to a letter making inquiries concerning his immediate ancestors he says: "Your note opened a blank I am poorly prepared to fill. The family are all dead except myself, and I am past eighty. It seems almost a forlorn hope to expect anything of me to enlighten you on our genealogies. While your note was a surprise to me, yet it did not arouse memories, because, as I said at the start, there is a blank which I cannot fill." There is something so pathetic in the way in which he refers to his loss of memory and the infirmities of age that I cannot forbear

After the death of his wife he went to Denver and made his home with his three daughters (the only survivors of his eight children), who reside there, where he remained until his death, in 1897. From an exhaustive biographical sketch which appeared in an Akron paper at the time of his death is taken this brief extract: "Hon. John Curtis Singletary, Akron's second Mayor, died in Denver, Col., on April 29, 1897. The deceased was the son of Colonel John Curtis Singletary (deceased also), of Streetsboro. Impressive funeral ceremonies were conducted by the Rev. Dr. Blakeley, of Denver (himself a graduate of Western Reserve College in the class of '72), and on May 3rd, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Marie A. Singletary, the remains reached Hudson, where, in the family lot of that village, they were interred, in the presence of a number of relatives and acquaintances, with brief services by the Rev. Dr. Small, pastor of the Congregational Church, of Hudson. The older citizens of Akron will remember well and favorably Mayor Singletary, the youngest Mayor Akron ever had."

After the death of Mrs. Singletary the old homestead was sold, and a letter from their daughter, Marie A. Singletary, M. D., shows the tenderness of her attachment to it: "It was very sad to me to give up the dear old home which our grandfather had founded in the wilderness, and our parents had beautified by their labor of love; and more especially because it was so tenderly cherished by our beloved mother." Children:

1. Cyrus Carter.
2. Theodora.
3. Elizabeth Adelle.
4. Zachary Taylor.
5. Kate Phidelle.
6. Harriet Ellen.
7. Marie Anne.
8. Theodora.

The last three, the only survivors, are living in Denver, Col.

Zachary Taylor, the eldest of the three sons, was born in 1850 and died at the home of his father in Streetsboro on July 15, 1877, aged twenty-seven. He was a young man of unusual talent, strongly resembling in character and appearance Gregory Powers, his great-uncle. An attack of scarlet fever led to complications, finally resulting in his death. Of him a writer says:

"He manifested at a very early age a keen relish for the true and beautiful in works of art, landscaping painting, sculpture, etc. Even in arranging the toilet of his child sisters he approved nothing gaudy in apparel or superfluous in ornament. These youthful peculiarities were as fringes and tapestries prepared beforehand to adorn the noble superstructure of character that the youth of Zachary promised in its full development. When his eyes rested on any professed work of taste or art, it was not to be absorbed in it, leaving only a feeling of momentary admiration, but it was to overlook it with the thought superior to its author. This was because it was a new and perhaps better standpoint than the author's. He looked upon this peculiarity of his own genius (that of seeing eye to eye with the artist, according merit where it was due, and even advancing it by criticism without ever detracting therefrom), as pointing to some time and place in the future when he should have wrought out his idea of perfection. He said to his mother in his last illness: 'You know how keenly I relish the exquisite in thought, in melody, in art in business, in husbandry and in all industries that work out elegance in execution, and yet how am I despoiled of all my hopes and aspirations by this disease, which will overpower me very soon. You know how little I have

accomplished in any direction of my taste and judgment, and how useless it was to undertake more, for it has long been evident that what I do, as a man, as a scholar, as a worker in the world's enterprises, must be after I have conquered destiny itself, which is impossible, for I must die. These agencies are intenser now, only because waste has bared my nerves and undermined my fortitude; but they are the same that have been preying upon my system for years. I withstood them as best I could when I had more flesh and blood to sustain me. I am thankful that there is a rest for the afflicted of earth, but what a mistake to expect rest in the grave, where there is no device. Rest involves consciousness of safety amid dangers and fears, by the support at hand. Surely this was David's idea when he said: "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil." The term "no device" will represent a long midnight calm at sea. The awful stillness is the terror of the hour. Jesus is as powerful to save from a fearful calm as He is from a fearful storm, and to keep our feet from stumbling upon the dark mountains of death. "He is the resurrection and the life.""

This lengthy extract is given because of the beauty of the sentiment and language, and the spirit of resignation, accompanied by the thought that he was standing on the brink of the world of mystery, and no one left to perpetuate his name.

EIGHTH GENERATION (Continued).

Charles Singletary married Laura Loomis and settled in Collinsville, Illinois. Children:

1. Charles Allen.
2. John Curtis; happily married and living in Port Arthur, Texas. He is practising law there; his nom de plume is J. C. Reynolds. No children.
3. Herman Edward.
4. Helen. Twin sister of Herman.
5. Ella; married Scott Hopper.
6. Adda; married Orson Scott.
7. Stella; deceased.

NINTH GENERATION.

Charles Allen Singletary came into the possession of the property after the death of his father and settled in the old homestead at Collinsville, Illinois. He has been married twice. By his first wife he had five children:

1. Theodora.
2. Carl; deceased.
3. Darwin.
4. Payne.
5. Carlina.

Herman Edward Singletary was in business in Denver, Col., but left there in 1898. He is said to be a brilliant man and capable of filling any position with honor to himself as a statesman or a lawyer. He has been twice married; by his last wife he has two children; by his first he has a daughter, Dora Marie, who resides in Talmadge, Summit County, Ohio.

This closes the record, according to obtainable data, of the descendants of John Curtis Singletary, and I think it not inappropriate here to introduce some beautiful sentiments expressed by one of his descendants in a private letter replying to some inquiries. After giving some valuable information, the writer closes with

"My dear Singletary-Curtis family, must be our monument. And I am sure you would appreciate the genuineness of these remarks if you could see and know us, and feel, as we do—that in the sight of God, the one all-powerful, all-omniscient, there is no time, no age, no space; limitations being invented by man to enable him to express ideas, for which no other language would be intelligible. We believe that the fountain of life is within the individual fresh every morning and new every evening; and that the reason we die is because the instrument for expressing the inner life has become unfit to perform its functions. * * * We have confidence in you, and believe that our far removed, stranger cousins have glowing on their hearthstones sparks from the anvil that has illuminated many a desert place with its brilliancy and warmth."

URIAH SINGLETARY

SEVENTH GENERATION (Continued).

Uriah, son of Amos Singletary and Mary Johnson, was born in Sutton in 1790-1; and while yet a young man left his native state and went to Hudson, Ohio, where about 1815 he married Eliza Bishop, a descendant of an old Connecticut family. She was born Sept. 6, 1798. Some time after their marriage they left Hudson and settled in Little York, Summit county, of the same state. He was a soldier in the war of 1812. The date of his death is not known, but his wife died July 7, 1878. They had ten children:

1. Gaylord; dead; married a Miss White.
2. Luther; b. about 1817; m. Margaret P. Nelson in Cleveland; died Dec. 9, 1846.
3. Harriet; b. Oct. 22, 1821.
4. Norman; b. about 1825; married Catharine Stoner and settled in Hudson, Ohio, where he remained until his death.
5. Riley; b. about 1825; married and lives in California.
6. Anson Reuben; b. March 7, 1829, in Little York township, Summit county, Ohio.
7. Delia; b. about 1827; m. William Draper; lives in Detroit, Michigan.
8. Clarissa; b. about 1831; died young; unmarried.
9. Louise; b. about 1837; m. Mr. Philips.
10. Cyrus; b. 1837; killed in the Civil War; was in the Seventh Ohio Regiment.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

After his marriage to Miss Nelson Luther Singletary settled in Cleveland, where he remained until 1833-4, when they removed to Charleston, Michigan, where he died Nov. 17, 1890. His wife died in Climax, Mich., May 12, 1902. Children:

1. Francis J.; b. in Ohio, Oct. 20, 1850; d. at Johnstown, Mich., March 10, 1853.
2. William Uriah; b. at Mayfield, Ohio, July 7, 1852; m. Clara E. Miller in Detroit, Mich., Nov. 26, 1879.
3. Lillie B.; born at Charleston, Mich., July 30, 1878; married Edwin F. Edmonds of Battle Creek, Nov. 28, 1878.

NINTH GENERATION.

William U. and Clara E. Miller-Singletary have four children:

1. Anna M.; born in Charleston, Mich., July 27, 1881.
2. Margaret B.; born in Battle Creek, Mich., June 27, 1883.
3. Guy; b. in Climax, Mich., Nov. 14, 1887. 118

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at his home in Battle Creek, where they still reside. They have two children:

1. Nina Margaret; born March 30, 1830; is engaged in a publishing house.
2. Clayton Eugene; b. Nov. 14, 1839; is attending school and studying music.

EIGHTH GENERATION. (Continued).

Harriet Singletary married Pomroy Giddings about 1840. They probably spent the first years of their married life in Ohio, and afterwards removed to Michigan, where most of their descendants are yet living. Mrs. Giddings died of la grippe Dec. 4, 1894; and four days later, on Dec. 8, her husband succumbed to the same disease, and within the week was laid by her side. Children:

1. Augustus; b. April 4, 1842.
2. Frederic; b. April 7, 1843; lived only six months.
3. Henry; b. Feb. 15, 1844.
4. Luther; b. Jan. 8, 1846.
5. William R.; b. Oct. 28, 1851.
6. Willis (twin brother of William); b. Oct. 28, 1851.
7. Alice; b. Sept. 25, 1853.

EIGHTH GENERATION. (Continued).

Norman Singletary married Catherine Stoner. He died July 17, 1891; she Feb. 23, 1894. Children:

1. Alice; born about 1853.
2. Anson Riley; b. 1857.
3. Sarah; b. about 1859.
4. Louise; b. 1861.
5. Kate; b. —.

NINTH GENERATION.

Alice Singletary (deceased) married Elias Hexter; they had four children:

1. Mary.
2. Walter.
3. Alice.
4. Grace.

Anson Riley Singletary married Mary Meyers in March, 1879; they have two children: Harry and Charles. Harry married Lillian McCauslin in Aug., 1904; is employed on the Pennsylvania Railroad somewhere in Ohio. The father, Anson Riley, has a local position on the B. & O. R. R. and lives in Cleveland.

Sarah Singletary married Joseph Byers in Nov., 1878; they have two children: Herbert and Catharine. Catharine married Lagore Fishley. They all live in Canton, Ohio.

Louise Singletary married Malcolm McNeil; he is in mercantile business in Cleveland; they have two children: Robert, aged 18, and Louise, 11.

Kate married William Whitney. They live in Akron, Ohio. No children.

EIGHTH GENERATION. (Continued).

Anson Reuben Singletary, fifth son of Uriah and Eliza Bishop-Singletary, is a successful lumber merchant of Cleveland, Ohio. He spent a number of years in the vicinity of Little York township, Summit county, Ohio, and at Bedford, Cuyahoga county, then went to Cleveland; in the meantime engaging in different pursuits. From there he went into the pine woods of Michigan; later into Canada, from which place he returned with a cargo of shingles and lumber; and in 1860 he settled permanently in Cleveland, and commenced manufacturing shingles. In 1872 he engaged in the lumber business also. His two sons, Howard Arthur and

deceased). They had four children:

1. Laura Alice; married Willis Maxwell Goodhue, June 26, 1895. Mr. Goodhue is a writer of dramas and a theatrical manager. No children.
2. Howard Arthur.
3. Myron Albert; m. Florence Malone Oct. 25, 1904.
4. Grace Adelaide; m. Benjamin Calvin Hing Oct. 24, 1905.

After the death of his wife Anson R. Singletary married again, but am not advised as to date of marriage, or name of the lady. No children by this union.

Louisa Singletary married Mr. White Williams; they have three children living; William, Minnie and Emma. The mother is dead.

LUTHER SINGLETARY

SEVENTH GENERATION (Continued).

Luther Singletary, son of Amos, Jr., and Mary Johnson, was born in Sutton (now Millbury), Mass., October 23, 1796. Losing his mother at a tender age, his sister, Mrs. Benjamin Laithe, of Grafton, took him and brought him up as her own son. He was rather delicate, and for a long time it was thought that he would never grow up—indeed in his infancy he once passed into a comatose state which was believed to be death, and was prepared for burial; but he revived, and with tender care grew to a reasonably vigorous manhood. He was partly educated in Grafton, but completed his course in Boston. About 1824-5 he purchased a stock of goods preparatory to entering upon a commercial life, and started south, his objective point being Savannah, Ga., but the vessel in which he embarked was wrecked; although he afterwards reached the city in safety, his merchandise was entirely lost. This certainly seemed a great misfortune to a young man in his first essay to enter upon the parti-colored arena of a business life; but later experiences proved that blessings sometimes come so disguised in the garments of calamity that it may require years to unmask and recognize their true lineaments. His love of books, his devotion to study, his fine taste in literature, were incompatible with the dull and prosaic routine of a mercantile life, as he realized himself in after years.

Finding himself "a stranger in a strange land," under adverse circumstances, he brought into exercise the indomitable courage that characterized him all through life, and set about devising some means of repairing his fortunes. He finally decided to turn his education to account by teaching school, as hundreds of others in like condition had done before, and hundreds more will do in the years to come. He remained in Georgia perhaps a year and then went to Virginia. Soon after reaching that state he was solicited by a number of leading citizens to open a reading school. He gave such entire satisfaction that, finding teaching more congenial to his tastes than commerce, he finally decided to make it his vocation for life. I gathered some of these facts from a letter (now yellow and tattered by age) written by him under date of August, 1826—more than eighty years ago—to his brother, John Curtis, then living in Ohio.

On January 28, 1828, Mr. Singletary was married to Mrs. Elizabeth Hamilton Morgan, widow of William Morgan of Amelia county, Va., to whom she was married in 1820, and by whom she had one child, Elizabeth William Charity Morgan. She was the daughter of Captain George Stell of Dinwiddie county, Virginia, and as his descendants through her reach to the latest generation of the line of present investigation, a few remarks concerning him will not be inappropriate here. He owned a handsome estate and negroes but a short

Plantation," kept his kennel of fox hounds, and followed the chase, as was the custom of Virginia country gentlemen at that time. He was captain of a "muster company," as the state military troops were then called; and it was said by one who knew him that "when he was dressed in his uniform, with his cocked and plumed hat, he was the handsomest man she ever saw."

After his marriage Mr. Singletary remained a year or two in Virginia; then removed to Davidson county, Tennessee. Not yet satisfied, he made one more move, finally settling in Hickman county, Kentucky, the section of the state usually known as the Kentucky Purchase. Here he spent the remaining years of his life, looking after his farm and teaching school.

Dr. J. M. Jackson, of Columbus, Ky., now deceased, in his "Reminiscences of Old Feliciana," has the following to say of his school days in Pleasant Hill Academy, where he was a pupil of Mr. Singletary:

"It was conducted by the accomplished and gifted Luther Singletary (father of Mrs. Wm. F. Taylor, of this city), assisted by his worthy and talented step-daughter, Miss Lizzie Morgan. I well know the mention of Luther Singletary will revive the fondest, and most pleasurable emotions in the heart of everyone of his surviving pupils who may chance to read this article, even at this late day. I never think of him but my heart is filled with joy and gladness that I was ever so fortunate as to know him so well, and to appreciate his many virtues, accomplishments and capabilities, and that I was so long his pupil. I loved him as a father and appreciated him as my instructor, and I was not alone in my feelings towards him. I never heard one of his pupils speak disparagingly of him; nor did I ever know one to obstinately disobey his rules or disregard his precepts. He did not rule his institution with the rod or threats of punishment, but he governed it with the confidence and high respect of all his pupils. The question may arise in this day and time how did Mr. Singletary instruct one hundred pupils with only one assistant teacher? He did it by classifying his scholars in all the branches. His hours of study were ten hours in summer and eight hours in winter at school, and each student was required to study by night at home and prepare a lesson for recitation on the following morning. This may appear strange to the students of the schools and colleges of the present day; who are required to enter school at 9 o'clock a. m., clatter away and talk to each other, and make more noise than a thousand blackbirds in a cornfield, take a recess at 10 o'clock, then take up the usual hour at noon, have another recess at 3 p. m. and are dismissed at 4 p. m. The modern plan of conducting schools may be the better of the two, but I do not believe it.

"But I have no war to wage against the present mode of instructing the young people, but will return to my old teacher, Mr. Luther Singletary. It will be remembered by all his surviving pupils that Mr. Singletary never allowed a word spoken audibly by any one during the hours of study, except when a pupil went to him for instructions, and then only in a very low tone of voice. It will also be remembered that Mr. Singletary was never known to take his seat in the school room during hours of study. He was continually walking from one class to another endeavoring to instruct them and to urge them on in the pursuit of the priceless treasures of knowledge which are strewn along the secluded pathway of science.

"Mr. Singletary never attempted a science which he did not thoroughly understand himself, and when a pupil had completed his education that pupil had attained as near the degree of perfection as was possible

was no knowledge at all, that meager attainments and limited knowledge could not be a passport to public favor and confidence.

"The great comet which first appeared on Thursday night, November 12, 1843, and which was the largest comet of the present century, and is doubtless fresh to the memory of every one who was old enough to observe it, and who is now living, attracted much attention and interest among his pupils then engaged in the study of astronomy. It was the subject of many interesting lectures and explanations by him. He had us make drawings of it and the surrounding stars and planets, that its appearance and surroundings might make a deep impression upon our memories. It remained visible until the 8th of December. The writer made many drawings of it.

"Could I reverse the wheels of time I would certainly do so, and would turn them backward till I reached that happy period of my life when I was a pupil of Pleasant Hill Academy. I would stop them at that point and have them stand still through eternity. Those were the halcyon days of my life. Mr. Singletary was not only one of the ablest and best instructors in the state of Kentucky, but he was a model gentleman and exemplary Christian—a member of the Methodist church. His father was of the purest English blood, and aided the American colonists in their struggle for independence in the Revolutionary War. He was born in Millberry, Worcester county, Mass., in 1796 and died near Rock Springs, Ky., on the 9th day of November, 1862, when his purified spirit returned to the God who gave it. May he continue to live in the affectionate hearts and memories of his many, very many, pupils, whom he labored so long and so earnestly to instruct in the fields of science and the principles of morality and usefulness, and may his grave ever remain fresh and green."

When the disaffection between the states of the Union, which had its incipency away back in the '30s, and had grown in intensity since the days of Jackson and Calhoun, culminated in the secession of the southern states, although a New Englander by birth, the sympathies of Mr. Singletary went with the south, for so many years his adopted home, and into whose services his only living sons, Luther Lycurgus and Don, had entered at the very beginning of hostilities. But the turbulent condition of his beloved country bore heavily on his mind, now that age and loss of companionship of his children, all of whom had gone from him by death, marriage and war, was beginning to tell upon a constitution naturally delicate; and in the last days of October of the second year of the war he was taken sick while engaged in his school duties, and on returning home he retired to his bed from which he was never to rise again. He lingered about two weeks, most of the time in a state of only semi-consciousness, often muttering incoherently about the war and the unhappy circumstances into which national dissensions had driven us, then quietly passed away on the 9th of November, 1862, in the 67th year of his age, honored and respected by all who knew him. His wife survived him about five years; she died at the home of her son-in-law, Col. William Francis Taylor, Columbus, Ky., Nov. 26, 1867, at the age of 65. She was buried beside her husband and two sons, George Edward and John Curtis, in the old church yard at Rock Springs (now Alexander), near the old home, where a handsome monument has since been erected to their memory.

There were seven children:

1. Virginia Candace; b. in Dinwiddie county, Virginia, Dec. 6, 1828
2. George Edward; b. in Davidson county, Tenn., Nov. 30, 1830; d. in Hickman county, Ky., May 31, 1850; was preparing for the ministry

3. John Curtis; b. in Davidson county, Tenn., 29-28, 1832. He gave promise also of a useful future but he was taken with quick consumption and died in Hickman county, Ky., Sept. 14, 1854, at the age of twenty-two.
4. Luther Lycurgus; b. in Feliciana, Graves county, Ky., Aug. 7, 1834. He studied law and on completing his course went to Navasota, Texas, where he opened his office and practiced his profession until the Civil War broke out, when he joined his fortunes with the Confederate cause, and served through the war; was promoted to the rank of captain. He was taken prisoner early in '63 and spent several months in the officers' prison at Camp Chase, Columbus, Ohio, but was finally exchanged. In 1866 he married Florence Sawyer, of Navasota, Texas. In 1867 he had the yellow fever, from which he was recovering, but relapsed and died on the 25th of October, at the age of 34.
5. Eliza Lucinda; b. in Feliciana, Graves county, Ky., April 7, 1837.
6. Martha Frances; b. in Hickman county, Ky.
7. Don; b. also in Hickman county, Ky.

EIGHTH GENERATION.

Virginia C. Singletary was educated principally in her father's school, but completed her course at Clinton (Ky.) Seminary. She was married to George C. Taylor, Jan. 20, 1853, at the residence of her parents in Hickman county, Ky. Mr. Taylor was a native of Frankfort; but in early manhood went to Hickman county, where he succeeded in various business pursuits. He died at his residence at Columbus, April 7, 1871. He belonged to the large family of Taylors so well known throughout the southern states. His father, Richard Taylor, was the son of Commodore Richard Taylor; his mother was the daughter of Col. Edmund; both sons of Col. George Taylor; all officers in the Revolutionary War. They had two children:

1. Myra Frances; b. near Columbus, Hickman county, Ky.
2. Mary Elizabeth; b. in Hickman county, Ky.; was educated at the Odd Fellows' Female College, Humboldt, Tenn., and Georgetown (Ky.) Female Seminary. She was married in February, 1878, to Gilbert Garrard, of Clay county, Ky. Mr. Garrard was the second son of the late Theophilus Toulman Garrard, of Clay county, who was a captain in the Mexican War and Brigadier-General in the Federal army during the Civil War. Mr. Garrard was a grandson of James Garrard, second Governor of Kentucky, who served two terms. He was engaged successfully for many years in the mercantile and lumber business in his native county. He died suddenly of heart failure in Pineville, Ky., early in the month of April of this year (1907).

NINTH GENERATION.

Myra Frances Taylor was educated at Georgetown (Ky.) Female Seminary and the Odd Fellows' College, Humboldt, Tenn. She was married to Thomas R. Gordon of Owenton, Owen county, Ky., in Feb., 1873. Mr. Gordon commenced the practice of law in early manhood and was elected County Judge at the age of 28. In 1890 he moved to Louisville, where he practiced his profession until elected Judge of the Circuit Court in

Georgia), who resided many years in Kentucky, and who with his two older sons served in the Confederate army during the Civil War. They have three children:

1. Robert Greer; b. in Owenton, Ky., was graduated from Louisville Male High School in 1896; from Central University, Richmond, Ky., in 1898; and took the B. L. degree at the University of Virginia in 1900. Commenced the practice of law with his father immediately and is now manager of the Kentucky Title Company of Louisville. On Saturday, Nov. 2, 1907, he was married to Elizabeth Sayre Courtney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Courtney, of Louisville, Ky.
2. George Taylor; b. in Owenton, Ky., April 1, 1885, was graduated from Male High School in 1903; the following September entered the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.; was killed in a railway wreck near Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 21, 1905.
3. Cecil; b. in Owenton, Ky., was graduated from the Louisville Girl's High School in 1904; entered Randolph-Macon's Woman's College, Virginia, at the September term of the same year, from which she graduated with the class of 1906.

EIGHTH GENERATION. (Continued).

Eliza Lucinda Singletary was married to John Joseph Bedford at the home of her parents, near Clinton, Ky., Nov. 5, 1857. He was of the North Carolina or Virginia branch of the Bedford family, whose ancestors came over in the seventeenth century, and was born in Butler county, Ky., September 14, 1832. At the time of his marriage he was merchandising in Paris, Texas; but moved farther west and settled in what was then the frontier. When the question of secession was agitating the country he took a firm stand for the Union, from which he never swerved. Not willing to serve against his own people of the South nor against the Union, he joined Captain Gill's Company of Rangers, who were sent out to protect the frontier against Indian depredations. When the war closed he returned with his family to Kentucky; but the climate not agreeing with him, as he was predisposed to consumption, he went south and finally settled near Milton, Florida, at a beautiful place on the Blackwater River which they called Bay Cottage on account of the lovely bay trees that surrounded it. Here he established the Milton Standard, Mrs. Bedford conducting a literary department. In 1881 she collected from her contributions to this and other papers and periodicals a sufficient number of poems to form a small volume, entitled "A Vision and Other Poems" (Robert Clark & Co., Cincinnati, Ohio). In 1883 she went as staff correspondent to the Southern Exposition at Louisville, Ky. After her husband's death, which occurred in Dallas, Texas, Jan. 27, 1888, she published "Gathered Leaves," and in 1893 "Driftwood" (A. D. Aldridge & Co.). Several of her poems have been set to music and have appeared in different hymnals in recent years, especially those arranged for evangelistic work. She has just completed a romance in verse entitled "Forrest Dayre," which she hopes to publish soon. Since 1896 she has lived in New York City, but she claims the Southland as home. Children:

1. May; b. on the banks of Hondo River, Llano county, Texas, Oct. 23, 1858.
2. Ewing Bascom; b. in Brooksville (now Florence), Williamson county, Texas, Nov. 12, 1861.
3. Thomas Jefferson; b. in Honey Cove, Llano county, Texas, Oct. 23, 1863.

4. George Curtis; b. in Alexandria, Louisiana, Dec. 3, 1865; died, unmarried, in Dallas, Texas, Feb. 11, 1888, at the age of 22. He was a telegrapher in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Fort Worth; and was greatly stunned on receiving in person the telegram calling him to his father's deathbed. He arrived home that evening, and his father died the following day at noon. Two weeks later they were sleeping side by side in the Old Trinity Cemetery at Dallas.
5. Luther Singletary; b. at the old home near Clinton, Hickman county, Ky., Dec. 29, 1867.
6. Virginia; b. in Pollard, Escambia county, Ala., June 5, 1876—the Centennial year of American Independence, and called by her parents "the child of their old age," so many years intervening between her birth and the brother preceding her. She attended Pulaski (Tennessee) Female College one year, and afterwards spent two years at Belmont Female College, Nashville, Tenn. She quit school before completing the prescribed course on account of failing health. She was married to R. W. Parrent, and died in Chicago, Ill., Dec. 1, 1900. Her remains were taken to Dallas, Texas, and buried in Trinity Cemetery. No children.

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May Bedford was educated partly at the Methodist Female College, Jackson, Tenn., and partly at Clinton (Ky.) College. Her tastes were literary, and before leaving school she was writing for the press. When text-books were laid aside she varied her home duties with literary work. Madeline, Ruth, Mizpah, Lights and Shadows, and other serials followed each other so closely that one could scarcely realize that literature was merely the incident and not the main object of her life. But this was true. She loved to write, but had no ambition to win fame. Indeed all through her work there seems to be a looking forward to the beauties of that Unseen Country whose borderland she was so unconsciously treading. But the life so beautiful and unselfish and full of promise was destined to be short. She was married to John Eagan at Pensacola, Fla., April 30, 1882. Something more than a year later, while visiting the home of her parents at Bay Cottage, she was taken sick and about ten days later, on Sunday afternoon of August 12, 1883, she quietly passed away, not having quite completed her 25th year. During the funeral services at the Presbyterian Church, at Milton, all the leading business houses were closed—something it was said was never known before except on the death of old residents. She left no children. A special from Pensacola to the New Orleans Picayune, under date of August 13, says: "The community deeply sympathize with Mr. John Eagan, Collector of Internal Revenue for West Florida, and a leading member of the City Council, whose wife died at Milton on Sunday afternoon in the very bloom of a youthful and happy wifehood. Mrs. Eagan was lovely and accomplished; was possessed of fine literary taste, and won recognition as a writer of rare talents; her amiability had won her troops of friends; and her untimely death will be profoundly lamented. This afternoon the Odd Fellows Lodge, the Mayor and other representatives of the city government, and a large number of citizens, took a special train and attended the funeral at Milton in a body, to manifest their appreciation of the husband, and their lament at the demise of his lovely consort."

Martha Frances Singletary was married to William Francis Taylor at the family residence in Hickman county, Ky. He was born in Columbus, Ky., and was the son of Mr. Frank Taylor, who was said to be the wealthiest man in Hickman county, his property consisting largely of negroes, which was lost by emancipation. He was financial agent, and both father and son were stockholders in the Mobile & Ohio Railroad, with which William F. also had a large contract for furnishing ties. The former was real estate agent for thirty years and after his death his son succeeded him in the business. William F. was also City Collector for many years. He has retired from business, and he and his wife are living at their home in Columbus. He is a nephew of Captain Geo. C. Taylor, who married the elder sister; hence further reference to their ancestry would be superfluous. Mrs. Taylor is a teacher of a Bible class in the Baptist Sunday school; and her pen is often in requisition at entertainments where questions of religious or local interest are under discussion. They have had three children:

1. Frances Elizabeth; b. Feb. 28, 1861; d. Feb. 9, 1906.
2. Luther Singletary; b. Aug. 19, 1863.
3. Virginia C.; b. July 30, 1869; died July 19, 1870.

EIGHTH GENERATION (Continued).

Don. Singletary entered the Confederate service before completing his education and was mustered out at the close of the war, having served nearly four years. In a recent letter he says: "I was in the battles of Belmont, Shiloh, or Pittsburg Landing, Vicksburg, Corinth, Paducah, Guntown, Franklin, and many smaller battles. The Shiloh, Franklin and Nashville were the largest. The Franklin was the bloodiest battle mentioned in any history. Guntown, or Brice's Crossroads, was a more complete victory than that of Bull Run. Forrest, with three thousand five hundred men, gained a victory over ten thousand Yankees under Sturgis; killed and captured more of Sturgis' men than he (Forrest) had soldiers; captured all their guns, cannon, etc., and ran them into Memphis. I was never captured or wounded." On returning home young Singletary resumed his education, and commenced the study of medicine. He was graduated at the Louisville University in 1871 and located near Union City, Tenn. On the 13th of March, 1872, he married Virginia Talley at the home of her mother, near Union City. Her parents were Virginians; both families wealthy and large slave owners. After about fifteen years' practice Dr. Singletary retired from the profession. In 1890 the Prohibition Committee urged him to accept the nomination for Congress from the First District of Kentucky, to which state he had removed, but he refused. In 1892 he was elector for the state-at-large for the Populist party on the Weaver and Field's ticket. In 1894 he was nominated and ran for the office of Secretary of State. From an editorial in a Clinton, Ky., paper this extract is taken: "Dr. Singletary is a forcible speaker; he is a ready debater, thoroughly acquainted with all the economic questions that have revolutionized public sentiment in America. And he is one of those men who enjoy a stainless name and character; no dark blot shadows his fair fame as a brave man and a Christian gentleman; and his voice has been heard in the people's cause on every political hustings in the state."

Dr. and Mrs. Singletary had three children:

1. Flint; b. near Union City, Tenn., Jan. 18, 1873.
2. Hunt; b. also near Union City Feb. 10, 1876.
3. Guy; b. at Arlington, Ky., 1882; was educated at Clinton College; is an electrician; was engaged in clerical work in Machinery Hall during the fair at St. Louis; then studied dentistry, receiving his diploma in the spring of this year (1907).

NINTH GENERATION.

Flint Singletary was educated partly at Clinton College, but was graduated from South Western University, Huntingdon, Tenn. He was on the railroad for several years, but resigned his position after his marriage to Miss Katie McEwen, of Huntingdon, in 1901. He is now in Clinton, Ky., and is the efficient City Clerk. He is superintendent of the Baptist Sunday school of that place. Flint and Katie McEwen-Singletary have one child:

Frances Jenelle; born in Huntingdon, Tenn.

Hunt Singletary was also educated in Clinton College. His tastes inclined to mercantile pursuits, and in 1901 he opened a clothing store in connection with the tailoring business, and his financial success has been such that at present his commercial future seems bright with promise. In 1896 he married Georgia Taylor, a young lady whose ancestors have been residents of Clinton for more than half a century. Her great-grandfather on the maternal side, Judge E. I. Bullock, was one of the most eminent jurists of Kentucky away back in the 50s; her grandfather, Robert Walker, a brilliant and promising young lawyer, was cut down in the prime of life; her father, Mr. T. K. Taylor, is a leading pharmacist of the city; and her uncle, E. B. Walker, is editor of the Clinton "Twice-a-Week-Gazette." They have five children:

1. Harriet Porter.
2. Hunt, Jr.
3. Hannah White.
4. Helen.
5. Jennie Hope.

EMERY SINGLETARY

SEVENTH GENERATION (Continued).

Emery Singletary was the youngest son of Amos and Elizabeth Johnson-Singletary. He was born in Sutton, Massachusetts, Feb. 27, 1798. In 1813 the town was divided and the place of his birth and the old homestead on Singletary Lake fell in that portion which has since been called Millbury. His mother died when he was a mere child and he was brought up by his sister, Mrs. Azubah Singletary Laithe (Mrs. Benjamin Laithe), whose home was in Grafton. He married Lois Pierce and remained in his native state for many years. His children were all born there; one daughter died in infancy. He afterwards removed to Elkhorn, Walworth county, Wisconsin, where he died September 27, 1891, at the great age of 93 years and seven months. The children:

1. Luther; died in infancy.
2. Emery Curtis; b. in Holden, Worcester county, Mass.
3. Elvira; b. ——— in Massachusetts.
4. Charles Fisk; b. in Grafton. Is living in California.

Emery Curtis Singletary was twice married. His first wife was Caroline Amelia Wilson, whom he married in Woodstock, Illinois; no children. As second wife he married Florence Grigsby of Potosi, Wisconsin. The marriage took place in California, Jan. 11, 1877. Mr. Singletary is a millionaire banker occupying a palatial residence in the lovely city of San Jose, Cal. Their only children are twin sons, Emory Grigsby and George Curtis, born in California. At last accounts they were attending the Stanford University.

Elvira Singletary married a Mr. Hyde in Wisconsin. They had three children; Ira, Charles and Lucinda, all married. Lucinda married a Mr. Davis, and two daughters were born to them. The parents separated and their great-uncle, Emery Curtis Singletary, took them at the ages of thirteen and fifteen to educate. They completed their course and became teachers; both are now married. It will be observed that these last belong to the ninth generation.)

Charles Fisk Singletary married Lucia Quiggles in Elkhorn, Wisconsin. His wife died in San Jose, California, Dec. 28, 1901. They had two children:

1. James Emery.
2. Lois Maria.

NINTH GENERATION.

James Emory Singletary married Lillian Agnes Lion. Their family consists of one son and two daughters—two daughters having died young. Charles Emory, the eldest, is in Honolulu, Hawaii. Lois Lillian is with her great-uncle, Emory Curtis Singletary, in San Jose, attending school, and Janie is with her mother and grandfather at Tinemaha, Ingo county, California.

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FRANK H. SINGLETARY
His Posterity
Eighth Generation

Frank H. Singletary, first child and first son of John Singletary and Sarah Parker. He was born September 28, 1828. He married Ellen Y. Sumral and they made their home in Mississippi. Frank died September 22, 1884. His children are:

1. Allen; b. Nov. 10, 1850; m. Annie Thornton. d. April 8, 1930.
2. G. Amos; b. May 29, 1852; d. Jan. 5, 1920.
3. Sarah E.; b. Jan. 20, 1854; d. Jan. 6, 1927.
4. R. S.; b. March 27, 1857; d. Nov. 6, 1859. He died as a child with croup.
5. M. Thomas; b. Jan. 28, 1859. d. Dec. 5, 1874.
6. William T.; b. June 3, 1861; d. Nov. 17, 1884.
7. Fannie L.; b. Aug. 1, 1864; d. June 22, 1928. m. Tom Ainsworth
8. James Lafayette; b. March 20, 1866. d. Aug. 12, 1924. m. Maggie Johnson
9. J. David; b. Dec. 28, 1867; d. March 28, 1915. m. Lizzie Millsaps.
10. R. R.; b. July 22, 1869; d. Jan. 26, 1874.
11. Hattie E.; b. Aug. 5, 1871; d. May 24, 1944.
12. Daniel Monroe; b. Jan. 29, 1873; d. Dec. 30, 1928.

The children of Frank Singletary and Ellen Sumral are in the eighth generation and their children will be in the ninth generation.

ALLEN SINGLETARY'S CHILDREN:

1. Ellen Elizabeth; m. Wiley Thornton
2. Susie; m. Francis Thornton
3. Martha (Mattie); m. Seth Wilshire
4. Emma; Died when she was about two years old.
5. Hester; m. Bernard Campbell
6. Walter; m. Viola Manning
7. Rosa; m. Ben Tillman
8. Ma; m. John Wilson
9. Ed; m. Catherine Schakford
10. J. D.; m. Fronie Kitchens
11. Ruth

AMOS SINGLETARY'S CHILDREN:

1. Charlie
2. Willie
3. Fannie
4. Lizzie
5. Emma
6. ———

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DAVID SINGLETARY SINGLETARY'S CHILDREN

1. T. J.
2. Leland
3. Johnny
4. Sallie

FANNIE SINGLETARY AINSWORTH'S CHILDREN;

1. Mary Maude
2. Annie Ruth
3. Sadie
4. Thomas A.

DANIEL MONROE SINGLETARY

His Posterity
Ninth Generation

Daniel Monroe was the son of Frank Singletary and Ellen Sumral. He was born Jan. 29, 1873 at Star, Mississippi. He married Rona Turner on Oct. 29, 1896. She was born Jan. 28, 1878. Daniel Monroe was a planter until the boll weevil ate him out in 1913. Then he moved to Jackson, Miss. and started driving a street car, this he did for 22 years. At this time he retired. He and his wife both being in bad health, he went to live with his daughter, Jeanette. He died on Dec. 30, 1938. He was buried at Florence, Miss. Some years later Rona died on April 24, 1944 at the old family home on Hwy. 49, south of Jackson where their daughter, Olga, now lives. Rona was also buried at Florence. His children are:

1. Frank Turner; b. Sept. 19, 1897. d. Oct. 2, 1952. m. Hallie Mae Dow July 21, 1923. They had two children, Emma Machiel and Fanny Lois.
2. Albert Sidney; b. July 1, 1899. m. Mary Kate Fletcher on Sept. 17, 1922. They had three children.
3. Jeanette; b. July 6, 1901. m. Roy Grady Wallace Sept. 8, 1929. She died May 26, 1961. No. Children.
4. Olga; b. Dec. 28, 1903. Not married at this writing.
5. Milton; b. Nov. 12, 1905. m. Lucy Tucker June 6, 1925. They had three children; William Milton, Dorothy Miriam and Bertie Udell.
6. John Joseph; b. Aug. 22, 1908. m. Lessie Bryant about March 1929. Divorce in 1938. They had two children; David Allen and Jerome K.
7. Sarah May; b. July 24, 1910. Not married at this writing.
8. William Sumral (Tommie); b. March 28, 1912. m. Floyd Dale on Feb. 10, 1949. No children at this writing.
9. Francis Antiles; b. Feb. 12, 1918. m. Buford Patterson in 1935 and divorce in 1938 and married Charles Thomas Johnson Dec. 19, 1941. No children at this writing.

Tenth Generation

Albert Sidney was born on July 1, 1899. He married Mary Kate Fletcher on Sept. 17, 1922. Albert worked for Enoch Lumber Co. from 1919 - 1932. He then went to work for Jackson City Lines around the time his father retired. He is still working there and looking forward to his retirement within the next few years. His children are:

1. Mary Mabelle
2. William Albert *Mrs. Iris Jean Leggett*
3. Fletcher Monroe - *Mrs. Bonnie Rose Johnson*

Eleventh Generation

Mary Mabelle Singletary
First child and first daughter of Albert Sidney Singletary and Mary Kate Fletcher was born in Jackson, Mississippi on Sept. 3, 1923. She married Imocell Eugene Wilkinson on Feb. 4, 1944. At the present time her husband is in the Marines. They are living in Melrose Park, Ill. They both are looking forward to his retirement within the next few years. Her children are:

1. Imocell Eugene, Jr. b. Aug. 25, 1945
2. Mary Neil; b. March 19, 1952

William Albert Singletary - m. June 1952

1. *Richard Leggett - B. Dec. 8, 1953*
2. *Joseph Lee - B. Apr. 24, 1958*
3. *John Carl - B. Apr. 22, 1962*

Fletcher Monroe Singletary - m. 31 Oct 1958

1. *Becky Roxane - B. Oct. 23, 1959*

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The Descendants of RICHARD SINGLETARY, Grandson of Richard and his Son Richard. (Proven by eleven Lords Proprietors Land Grants, 1729)

The generations of Jesse Singletary of Lyons Landing, later Bladenboro, Bladen County, North Carolina

Jesse Singletary is the Son of Richard Singletary, and belongs to the fourth generation of Singletarys in America. His children included:

Fifth Generation

- A. William
- B. Curtis
- C. Jonathan
- D. Benjamin
- E. David
- F. Roland

Sixth Generation - Children of Benjamin Singletary - who married Abigail Hilliard

- A. Jesse - Born 1799
- B. Felix
- C. Armstead
- D. Ethamore
- E. Nelson

IVEY WALTER SINGLETARY

Son of Haynes Evander and Mary Elizabeth Singletary belongs to the ninth generation. He was born in Bladen County, North Carolina and remained a resident there until after his graduation from Wake Forest College in 1926. He has engaged for many years in teaching and worked in the Employment Security Commission under both the state and Federal Governments.

Seventh Generation - Children of Jesse Singletary included -

- A. Evander
- B. Snowden
- C. Thomas
- D. Harmon

Eighth Generation - Children of Evander Singletary who was married to Nancy Jane Edwards

- A. Haynes Evander - Born 1878
- B. Walter
- C. Hattie
- D. Kate
- E. *Alma*
- F. *Celia*

Ninth Generation - Children of Haynes Evander Singletary who in 1899 married Mary Elizabeth Singletary - Born 1873

- A. Ivey Walter - Born 1904
- B. Howard Evander - Born 1907
- C. Theo Elizabeth - Born 1910, Died 1927

(4th Cousins)

Tenth Generation - Children of Ivey Walter Singletary who in 1930 married Eva Elizabeth Norman - Born 1906

- A. Norman Ivey - Born 1932
- B. Howard Earl - Born 1933

Eleventh Generation - Children of Norman Ivey Singletary who in 1954 married Patsy Eugene Meares - Born 1935

- A. Norman Ivey - Born 1954
- B. Patsy Suzanne - Born 1957
- C. Robyn Elizabeth - Born 1960

Eleventh Generation - Children of Howard Earl Singletary who in 1951 married Betty Jean Honeycutt - Born 1933

- A. Rhonda Leigh - Born 1951
- B. Howard Earl - Born 1956

Howard Evander, of the Ninth Generation and son of Haynes Evander and Mary Elizabeth Singletary, was married to Nannie Mae Burke. They have one son who is also named Howard Evander.

The Family of JOHANNATHAN SINGLETARY, Son of Jesse Singletary, being in Fourth Generation of the Singletary family in America.

The children of Johannathan Singletary who married Sarah Anne Harrison were as listed below.

Sixth Generation

- A. David
- B. Edward
- C. Joshua
- D. Roland
- E. John
- F. Elizabeth
- G. Sarah
- H. Mary
- I. Harriet

Seventh Generation - Children of Rowland Singletary

- A. Monroe - Born 1843
- B. Snowden
- C. Colin
- D. Norvil
- E. Seldon
- F. Marshal

(I find notice in a quit claim deed that he had three daughters but have been unable to trace their names or families.)

Eighth Generation - Children of Monroe Singletary who in 1866 married Elizabeth Caroline Pate - Born 1842

- A. Sarah Della - Born 1867
- B. Charles Asbury - Born 1869
- C. James Hadington - Born 1872
- D. Mittie Florence - Born 1875
- E. Eliza Vert - Born 1877
- F. Attelia Monroe - Born 1879
- G. John Ivey - Born 1880
- H. Bertha Edwin - Born 1883
- I. Alice Caroline - Born 1866

(Mary Elizabeth Singletary married in 1899 to Haynes Evander Singletary as is shown in the listing of the generations of Benjamin Singletary, son of Jesse of the fourth generation.)

Ninth Generation - Children of John Ivey Singletary who in 1909 married Annie Adams Mickey - Born 1888

- A. William Edward - Born 1918
- B. Alice Caroline - Born 1916
- C. John Ivey - Born 1914 - Died 1961
- D. Martha Elizabeth - Born 1912
- E. Annie Lee - Born 1910

Tenth Generation - Children of William Edward Singletary who in 1941 married Jane Chenson - Born 1920

- A. Jane Mickey - Born 1943
- B. William Edward - Born 1953

Martha Elizabeth, of the eighth generation and child of John Ivey Singletary was married in 1936 to W. Henderson Rogers - Born 1908

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Picture Out Of Our Past

THE dashing young man in the Confederate Army uniform is Dr. Benjamin Bunch Singeltary, whose granddaughter, Mrs. Nels V. Nelson of Hesperia, Calif., has submitted this 1865 photo.

Dr. Singeltary was born in East Baton Rouge Parish, La., in 1838, the fourth of seven children of Benjamin and Elizabeth Singeltary. He graduated from the University of Louisiana in New Orleans in 1862, with a medical doctor's degree. He joined the army immediately, and served with the medical staff until the Confederate surrender.

After the war, he returned to Louisiana and practiced medicine in Livingston Parish. On November 22, 1869, he married Miss Emma G. Penny, who bore him seven children: Una, Hugh, Glenn, Norma, Ben, Maud, and Rex. Norma Singeltary married Maston S. Newsom Jr. of New Orleans in 1895, and is the contributor's mother.

The surviving descendants of Dr. and Mrs. Singeltary include two granddaughters—Mrs. Merritt Shilg of Baton Rouge, and the contributor; three great-granddaughters—Mrs. Earl A. Surgi and Mrs. Howland Hayes, both of New Orleans, and Mrs. E. Howard Green of Milan, Italy; and one great-grandson—Lt. Col. Kenneth Watson Jr. of Alexandria, Va., presently assigned to the Pentagon.

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DIXIE, May 17, 1970

First Louisiana Cavalry); Ann L., who was the wife of W. D. McKey, died in Miss. in 1867, leaving a husband (who is now deceased) and two children; Alice, who was the wife of Dr. E. M. Hooper, died Sept. 9, 1870, leaving four children, her husband being now a resident of Wilson; Mary L., the eldest child, was the wife of F. T. ~~McKey~~ Sheldon, and before and during the war lived in this parish. From that time until the death of her husband she resided in Mansfield, La, but has since made her home with Dr. Simpletary. The latter was the fourth child born to his parents and the most of his life has been spent on the plantation on which he is now living. He has lived in his present residence since he was about one year old, and his early life was devoted to assisting his parents and in attending school, graduating in 1856 at Centenary College. He then took a course of lectures in the New Orleans school of medicine and after graduating in April 1858, he returned to his home where he commenced the practice of his profession and where he has since resided, with the exception of a short time during the war, when he served as a private, but acted as a surgeon in the confederate army, being a member of Odged's regiment. He enlisted in 1864 and served until the close, surrendering at Gainsville, Ala., in 1865. Feb. 2, 1859, he was married to Miss. Sarah C. Puller, a native of Louisiana, whose birth occurred in this parish Oct. 26, 1841. She was a dau. of Thomas and Amanda (Boatner) Puller, the former of whom was born in Virginia and the latter in Louisiana. Mr. Puller came to La. about 1833 or 34, locating first in New Orleans, afterwards coming to East Feliciana parish and finally locating in Jackson. He was married soon afterwards and commenced boating on the Miss. River as Captain of the steamboats "Mondiana," "Dennison," "Ben Adams," and "Robert Whiteman," following this calling until his death in 1854. His widow survived him but a short time and at her death left one child, who became the wife of the subject of this sketch.

DR. BENJAMIN B. SINGLETARY, Port Vincent, a prominent medical practitioner of Livingston Parish, La., was born in East Baton Rouge parish on Feb. 19, 1838, and is fourth in order of birth of seven children born to the union of Benjamin and Elizabeth (Ambrose) Singletary, the father a native of South Carolina and the mother of Louisiana. Benjamin Singletary was a prominent planter of East Baton Rouge parish, but moved to Livingston Parish in 1850 and there continued his former occupation. His wife died in 1850 and his second marriage was to Mrs. Elizabeth Burgess, a native of Louisiana, who bore him three children. The children born to his first marriage were names in the order of their births as follows: Alfred A. (deceased), Thomas J. (deceased), Sarah A., Dr. B. B. (subject), Mary J., Elizabeth, and Martha (deceased). After attending public schools Dr. Singletary entered the medical department of the University of Louisiana, at New Orleans and graduated with the degree of M. D. in 1862. He immediately afterward entered the confederate army as surgeon and remained on the staff until the surrender. He was paroled in 1865, after which he returned home and has been practicing in Livingston Parish ever since. Miss Emma G. Penny, who became his wife on Nov. 22, 1869, was born in East Baton Rouge Parish, La., and was the daughter of David H. Penny, also a native of Louisiana. Dr. and Mrs. Singletary's union has been blessed by the birth of seven children: Una, Hugh (deceased), Glenn (deceased), Norma, Ben, Maud and Rex. Mrs. Singletary died on Jan. 13, 1883, in full communion with the Methodist Church. The Doctor is a member of the K. of P., the Knights of Honor, and in politics he is a democrat, casting his first vote for Bell. He owns about 500 acres of land and is one of the parish's prominent physicians and successful planters.

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- SIMONS, Susanna, d. Jonathan, jr. and Mary (Follinsby), May 11, 1759.
William, s. Samuel and Elizabeth (Webster), Mar. 30, 1680.
William, s. Jonathan, jr. and Mary (Follinsby), Mar. 15, 1745-6.
- SIMPSON, Alexander, s. Alexander and Susanna (Knight), Sept. 28, 1800.
George, s. James and Ruth (Remich), July 23, 1786.
James, s. James and Ruth (Remich), Sept. 12, 1788.
Margaret, d. James and Ruth (Remich), Dec. 30, 1791.
- SINGL[E]TARIE (see also Singletery), Han[nah], d. Benjamin, bp. Oct. 18, 1696. C. R. 1.
- SINGLETERY (see also Singletarie), Benjamin, s. Richard and Susanna (Cooke), Apr. 4, 1656.
Brawton, s. Benjamin and Mary (Stockbridge), Mar. 25, 1689.
Ebenezer, s. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), June 18, 1687.
Hannah, d. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), May 23, 1685.
John, s. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), "John taken Aug^r 13 : 89 and returned", May 7, 1675.
John, s. Benjamin and Mary (Stockbridge), July 6, 1686.
Jonathan, s. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), Nov. 18, 1678.
Jonathan, s. Benjamin and Mary (Stockbridge), Aug. 28, 1683.
Joseph, s. Benjamin and Mary (Stockbridge), Feb. 9, 1692-3.
Mary, d. Jonathan, Dec. 29, 1661.
Mary [Sarah. cr. r.], d. Jonathan, Feb. 3, 1663[-4].
Mary, d. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), Mar. 11, 1676-7.
Mary, d. Benjamin and Mary (Stockbridge), July 14, 1695.
Richard, s. Benjamin and Mary (Stockbridge), Mar. 16, 1680-81.
Richard, s. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), Aug. 5, 1683.
Sarah, d. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), Oct. 23, 1679.
Susanna, d. Benjamin and Mary (Stockbridge), Jan. 27, 1678.
Susanna, d. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), Sept. 19, 1681.
—, ch. posthumus, Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), "I guess it to be", Aug. 20, 1689. [Aug. 12, 1689. dup.]
- SLEEPER, Moses, s. Thomas, Mar. 13, 1657-8.
- SLOCOMB, George W., s. James and Hannah (Pattee), Aug. —, 1836.
Isabell Eaton, d. Rufus and Betsey S. (Sargent), Oct. 6, 1828.
Lelia R., d. Rufus T., trader, and Mehitable D., Mar. 10, 1846.
Rufus Trask, s. Rufus and Betsey S. (Sargent), Nov. 18, 1824.
Sarah Elizabeth, d. Rufus and Betsey S. (Sargent), Oct. 11, 1820.

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- SLOSS, James, s. Robert and Sarah, bp. July 5, 1730. C. R. 1.
- SMILEY (see also Smyley), Amos, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), May 19, 1791.
Asa, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), Nov. 28, 1779.
Betty, d. John and Sarah (Cannon), Apr. 14, 1754.
Charles, s. James, jr. and Lidia (Bradley), Apr. 19, 1822.
Charlotte, d. Francis and Ruth (Duston), July 8, 1835.
David, s. John, bp. Apr. 12, 1761. C. R. 1.
David, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), Apr. 11, 1784.
Elisabeth, d. William and Hannah (Nelson), Oct. 8, 1788.
Frances, d. James and Sally (McFarland), Oct. 25, 1781.
Francis, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), Dec. 8, 1781.
Francis, s. James and Sally, Oct. —, 1784. P. R. 64.
Francis, s. Francis and Ruth (Duston), Jan. 16, 1827.
Hannah, d. William and Hannah (Nelson), Nov. 26, 1793.
Harriet Eaton, d. William, 2d and Fanny (Eaton), Feb. 5, 1824.
Hezekiah, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), May 17, 1786.
James, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), Mar. 7, 1778.
James, s. James and Sally (McFarland), June 30, 1789.
James Henry, s. Francis and Ruth (Duston), Mar. 7, 1825.
James Varnum, s. James, jr. and Lidia (Bradley), Apr. 1, 1820.
John, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), at Dracut, Feb. 12, 1774.
Jonathan, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), at Dracut, Feb. 8, 1773.
Julia Frances, d. William, 2d and Sarah P. (Eaton), Nov. 22, 1836.
Louisa, d. James and Sally, May —, 1797. P. R. 64.
Louisa, d. James and Sally (McFarland), May 1, 1807.
Louisa Platts, d. Francis and Ruth (Duston), Apr. 23, 1840. [Apr. 28. P. R. 7.]
Lucian, s. Francis and Ruth (Duston), June 11, 1830.
Lucy Ann, d. Francis and Ruth (Duston), Nov. 10, 1832.
Mary, d. James and Sally (McFarland), May 10, 1784. [May, 1786. P. R. 64.]
Nancy, d. James and Sally (McFarland), Apr. 27, 1793.
Nathan, s. James and Sally (McFarland), Jan. 29, 1787.
Nathan Maddison, s. Francis and Ruth (Duston), Feb. 25, 1823.
William, s. William and Hannah (Nelson), at Dracut, Mar. 10, 1776.
William Henry, s. William, 2d and Sarah P. (Eaton), Feb. 1, 1834.
- SMITH, Abiah, d. Walker and Abiah (Emerson), [bp. Sept. 16. C. R. 3.], 1781.
Abigail, d. Sam[uel] and Abigail (Emerson), May 8, 1700.

SIBLEY, Sarah, d. Ebenezer and Mary, Dec. 19, 1772.
 Sarah, d. Paul and Sarah, Jan. 13, 1774.
 Sarah, d. Stephen and Sarah, Oct. 30, 1780.
 Sary, d. William and Sary, Aug. 23, 1730.
 Seme [Simme in c.r.], d. Elijah and Abigail, Sept. —, 1780.
 Semeon, s. Elijah and Mary, June 8, 1764.
 Semphronia, d. Simen and Nancy, Jan. 18, 1810.
 Sials [Silas?], s. Stephen and Sarah, July 26, 1784.
 Simeon, s. Elijah, bap. June 17, 1764. C.R.
 Simeon, s. Abner and Bettey, March 30, 1771.
 Simeon, s. Paul and Sarah, April 12, 1787.
 Simeon, s. Reuben and Elisabeth, Jan. 29, 1794.
 Simon, s. Giedon and Tamer, Jan. 12, 1778.
 Simon Daniel, s. Daniel Jr. and Anna, March 19, 1831.
 Solomon, s. Reuben and Ruth, Oct. 7, 1769.
 Solomon, s. Timothy and Anna, Nov. 17, 1769.
 [Sophia], d. Gibbs and Hannah, Oct. 23, 1796.
 Stephen, s. John [Jr. in c.r.] and Abigail, July 12, 1741.
 Stephen, twin s. Capt. John and Hannah, Aug. 14, 1750.
 Stephen, s. Nathaniel and Ruth, Sept. 21, 1756.
 Stephen, twin s. Timothy and Anna, May 19, 1757.
 Stephen, s. Timothy and Anna, Nov. 10, 1759.
 Stephen, s. Stephen and Sarah, Feb. —, 1787.
 Stephen Putnam, s. Tarrant and Hannah, April 9, 1780.
 Sumner, s. Tarrant and Hannah, Dec. 20, 1806.
 Sumner, s. Almon and Nancy, Jan. 1, 1829.
 Susan Maria, d. Jonas L. and Margaret, Aug. 31, 1818.
 Susanna, d. Joseph, bap. May 10, 1730. C.R.
 Susanna, d. Jones and Lydia, June 27, 1786.
 Sylvester, s. Nathaniel 2d and Lavina, Oct. 22, 1801.
 Sylvester, inf. s. Caleb and Nancy, bap. May 7, 1837. C.R.
 Tamer, d. Gideon and Tamer, April 9, 1776.
 Tarrant, s. Ensign Jonathan and Hannah, Sept. 1, 1754.
 Tarrant, s. Tarrant and Hannah, Oct. 22, 1781.
 Thaddeus, s. Joseph Jr. and Abigail, Aug. 3, 1773.
 Tiler, s. Tarrant and Hannah, Feb. 18, 1793.
 [Sible in dup.], Timothy, s. John and Zeruah, Nov. 2, 1727.
 Timothy, s. Timothy and Anne, June 19, 1754.
 Timothy Willard, s. Timothy Jr. and Mary, Sept. 11, 1779.
 Van, s. Levens Jr. and Harriot, Sept. 14, 1829.
 Vashti Maria, d. Nathaniel and Lavina, July 18, 1815.
 Warren, s. Daniel Jr. and Anna, June 17, 1810.
 Warren Levins, s. Levins and Harriet, March 9, 1834.
 Watson Willard, s. Isaac and Mary, Oct. 13, 1816.

SIBLEY, Zadock, s. Ebenezer and Mary, Oct. 12, 1785.
 Zubah, d. Elijah, bap. April 26, 1761. C.R.
 ———, d. Reuben and Martha Adelia, March 16, 1845.

SIMMONS, James, 1762. In Swansea, Wales. G.S.19.
 Nancy Ann Sandys, 1757. In Manchester, Eng. G.S.18.

SIMPSON, Betty, d. William and Susanna, Sept. 12, 1762.
 Charlotte P., d. Lot and Hannah, Aug. 15, 1811.
 Fanny W., d. Lot and Hannah, Feb. 21, 1805.
 Hannah L., d. Lot and Hannah, Nov. 9, 1798.
 John, s. William and Susanna, May 16, 1760.
 Lot, s. William and Susanna, March 23, 1767.
 Lot F., s. Lot and Hannah, Aug. 8, 1809.
 Major W., s. Lot and Hannah, June 21, 1800.
 Nancy M., d. Lot and Hannah, Feb. 3, 1807.
 Orra L., s. Lot and Hannah, Nov. 28, 1813.
 Peter, s. William and Susanna, April 2, 1774.
 Rebeckah, d. William and Susanna, Dec. 6, 1764.
 Sally R., d. Lot and Hannah, Jan. 24, 1803.
 William, s. William and Susanna, Oct. 4, 1769.

SINGLETARY, Amos, s. Amos and Mary, March 11, 1757.
 Azubah, d. Amos and Mary, Dec. 9, 1754.
 Elisabeth, d. Amos, bap. May 31, 1761. C.R.2.
 Greely, d. Amos and Mary, Aug. 15, 1743.
 Hannah, d. Amos and Mary, March 15, 1753.
 John, s. Amos and Mary, March 17, 1745.
 John, s. John and Sarah, bap. Jan. 19, 1772. C.R.2.
 Lydia, d. Amos and Mary, bap. Nov. 15, 1767. C.R.2.
 Mary, d. Amos and Mary, June 10, 1747.
 Mehetabel, d. Amos and Mary, March 13, 1749.
 Richard, s. Amos and Mary, Nov. 9, 1760.
 Thankfull, d. Amos and Mary, Oct. 30, 1762.

SKINNER, Francis Harris, s. Harris and Elmira, June 26, 1836.

SLOCOMB, Albert Haven [Havens in c.r.], s. Horatio and Roxellane [Roxalana in c.r.], Dec. 16, 1836.
 Clarissa Lorane, d. Horatio and Roxellane, Nov. 30, 1827.
 Cordelia, d. Pliny and Rachel, May 6, 1829.
 Edwin Pliny, s. Pliny and Rachel, March 7, 1823.
 Electa, d. William and Jerusha, Sept. 9, 1787.
 Ellen Jane, d. Pliny and Rachel, Feb. 17, 1837.
 Emma Wingate, d. Pliny and Emily C., May 7, 1845.
 Erastus Horatio, s. Horatio and Roxellane, Feb. 8, 1823.

I have in my records that Mary's father was named Thomas and wondering if he was a son or grand son of Jessie's. I have in my records

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that Mary's father died in 1820. I can find no record of his wife. The record I have says Thomas ^{Mary's father} married twice, had six children died in 1820. No mention of his wife's name or his father's name.

I'm so anxious to know if the Mary, your grandmother, could be Hannah's sister. Birth of other children

John Singletary - b. 1805 ^{b. in N.C.} married Sarah Parker ^{in N.C.}

Ephraim - married Eliza Davis ^{in N.C.}

Thomas ^{b. in N.C.} b. 1810 - married Beggie Harrison in Miss.

Hannah ^{b. N.C.} (Thomas is my great grandfather) married Henry Singletary in Miss.

Mary ^{N.C.} Nothing is known of her ^{m. Edward}

Daniel ^{b. N.C.} married Mary Smelars 131

The six Singletary Children were born
in Bladen County. If the Mary in my
record should turn out to be your grandmother
~~can~~ we would be kinfolks.
Can you find the date of Mary's
birth, how old was she when she
died and when did she die?

John, Thomas and Hannah
moved to Texas and I have their
record. All three of the above
are buried in the family cemetery
three miles from Alto. I'll be
buried there, most of Singletary
relatives in Cherokee County are
buried there.

When you write give me the name
of the County Clerk in Bladen Co.
I have had several real nice
letters and I appreciate them all 13:

Council NC
3 14 47

Mr Carl Cornbell

Dear Mr Cornbell I had
a list of my Family Names Grand
Mother Grandpa. he was in war I notice
you had a write up about him one time
St Joseph Hester Morria Mary Singletary
Elizabethtown NC my mother was
The younger one of The children
when grandmother died The first of July
1907 live around 80 years she was a Baptist
member of The Browns Creek Baptist church
my daddy ^{was} raised at White Oak NC Rev William
Melvin Wae his Father Roland + Carson Bunn
dad was raised near Gaston NC.
Uncle Weil Hester look after Grandmas
flore + her after her husband died + I
know where I can get his Bible soon
as I can I am going up to see Hester
+ get it + see the information I can find
maybe you can see the information I can find
your Truly Mattie Register 134

The Family of Mary Singleton Hester, Elizabeth town N.C.
at Joseph Hester their daughter Queen Victoria
Hester Burney Melvin, Frank Melvin
Richard Burney ^{her children} ^{Morris} Clark town N.C. ^{Richard Burney}
Richard Burney Savannah Ga 2 girls
Ruth Burney Mahoney 1012 - East 39th St
Lucille Burney Coleman 1011 East 39th St
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Carson Burney 437 Columbus Dr
Savannah Ga. 31405

Winnie Melvin Tully West Palm Beach Fla
McCall Cemetery near Clarkton N.C.
Colon Melvin Clarkton N.C.

Ethel Melvin Fuller Glenfield Pa dead
^{Fuller} ^{children}
Melva Clark Elizabeth town N.C.
Blanche Fuller Little 819 1/2 Perry St. Box 394
Glenview, Pa 15044

William Fuller 1334 Sunset Ave.

Davidson Heights Allquippa Pa 15001

Blanche Melvin McLellan Rowland N.C.

Mattie Melvin Register Rt 1 Box 115 Council
N.C. 28434

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Sadie Melvin Fuller Rt 4 Clinton N.C.
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SARAH ROWSER, Berkeley County. Sons: Richard and William, under 20 years. Daus: Jeane Gill; Sarah and Mary, executrices. Grandson: Henry Gill. Wit: Jos. Lane; Moses Joy, his mark; Mary Beck, her mark.

D: 16 Nov. 1722. P: 21 Feb. 1722/[3]. R: 22 Feb. 1722/[3]. p. 76.

JOHN SIMMONS, JR., Berkeley County. Wife: Rebecca, land which includes my dwelling house. Sons: John, land next to my wife's; Thomas, land next to son John's; William. Daus: Susanna, Rebecca, and Ann. Mentions: Roger Sumner. Exors: wife; Joseph Sumner. Wit: Tho. Waring, Jos. Smith, Saml. Sumner, Job Chamberlin.

D: 18 Jan. 1722. P: 20 Feb. 1722. R: 8 Mar. 1722. p. 87.

THOMAS STEWART, Charles Town. Wife: Ann. Sons: Thomas and William. Daus: Mary Ann and Susannah. Mentions: estate to wife and 4 children. Exors: wife; ^Vbrother Richard Singletary. Wit: Jos. Barry, John Smith, Samuel Craford.

D: 17 Mar. 1722/3. P: 28 Mar. 1723. R: 29 Mar. 1723. p. 94.

JEREMIAH COGSWELL, Charles City. Nuncupative will. Wife: [not named], all estate. Wit: John Brand, Christian Scott.

D: 17 June 1722. P: 21 Mar. 1722. R: 2 Apr. 1723. p. 97.

[CAPT.] NATHANIEL PARTRIDGE, his mark, Charles Town, Gent. Wife: Anne. Sons: Nathaniel, land on

Charles Town Neck formerly belonging to Maj. William Smith, deceased; William, part of town lot No. 73. Daus: Catherine and Rebecca, lot No. 229 without the gates of Charles Town; Anne. Mentions: children to inherit at 18 years or marriage. Exors: wife; Robert Tradd, Charles Town, merchant; Thomas Hepworth, Charles Town, Esq. Wit: Wm. Billing, John Brown, Thomas Lockyer.

D: 28 Apr. 1722. P: 8 Oct. 1722. R: 4 Apr. 1723. p. 100.

EBENEZER WALKUTT, his mark, Pon Pon, Colleton County, planter. Wife: Martha. Daus: Sarah, Elizabeth, and Mary, to inherit when youngest child Mary is 16 years or married. Mentions: John Denny to be "chief manager" of estate until children are 16 years or married provided other executors approve of his management, if not said Denny is to dwell on my land where he is now settled for 13 years. Exors: John Denny, Daniel Hendrick, Nathaniel Walkutt, Henry Jackson. Wit: Jno. Long, Xtopher Smith, Jno. Guin, his mark.

D: 3 Feb. 1722/3. P: 27 Feb. 1722/[3]. R: 4 Apr. 1723. p. 106.

JOHN GRIMBALL, Charles City, hatter. Sons: Samuel and John. Mentions: Benjamin Cotell, Charles City, hatmaker, to teach my sons "ye traid of hat making" if they come to South Carolina; "all my working tools;" Jame David, glover; James Elliss, Charles Town, carpenter, executor. Wit: Isaac Child; Allin Bergin, his mark; Claudus Faure.

D: 11 Feb. 1722/3. P: 4 Apr. 1723. R: 6 Apr. 1723. p. 110.

years after marriage, if she marries without consent of my wife, then only one-half of inheritance, other half to sons. Exors: wife during her widowhood, then at her death or marriage, Capt. Christopher Wilkinson, Capt. Jonathan Drake, William Wilkins, William Cattell. Wit: James Stanyarne, Richard Bedon, Andrew Russ, Willm. Cattell. D: 12 June 1714. CODICIL. Mentions: another son John to share in lands given to son Stephen Fox when both are 18 years. Wit: A. Skene; Charles Grady, his mark; Mary Rush, her mark.

D: 5 June 1716. P: 8 June—, R: 17 June 1724. p. 320.

[COL.] ALEXANDER MACKAY, his mark. Wife: Helena. Mentions: Alexander, son of William Maclintock; Espalamaga or Mackey's Island; John Wallis; Henry Guston; John and James Vollentine; John Frazer. Exor: Mr. Andrew Allen. Wit: Jeghu Barton, his mark; James Millikin.

D: 5 Sept. 1722. P: 25 Jan. 1722/[3]. R: 11 Apr. 1723. p. 113.

Miscellaneous Records 1722-1726

HENRY BOWER, Edisto Island, Colleton County, planter. Wife: Elizabeth. Daus: Mary Russell and Tabitha Edins. Granddau: Martha Perry, under 18 years, living with her uncle and aunt Joseph and Mary Russell. Sons-in-law: Joseph Russell and John Perry. Mentions: Rev. Mr. Porter of "Seawee;" Tabitha Edins' children. Exors: Joseph Sealy, Sr., Icabod Winborn, Ralph Baily, Joseph Russell. Wit: Eph. Mikell, John Fripp, Eph. Mikell, Jr.

D: 26 July 1724. P: 8 Xber 1725. R: 27 Jan. 1725/[6]. p. 266.

JOHN KING, Sr., his mark, Berkeley County, planter. Wife: Vilator. Sons: William, John, and Thomas, my land. Daus: Elizabeth Stente and Jude King. Exors: wife; Mr. William Parrott. Wit: John Sandiford, Sarah Rivers, Wm. Russell.

D: 27 Dec. 1723. P: 2 Feb. 1725. R: 8 Feb. 1725. p. 273.

ANN STEWART, her mark, Charles Town, widow. Son: Thomas. Daus: Mary Ann, under 21 years and unmarried, property known as "Upper House;" Susanna. Exors: brother Robert Stewart; Thomas Weaverly [Weatherley]; Richard Singletary. Wit: Thos. Sharp, Thos. Weatherly, John Davis.

D: 9 Sept. 1725. P: 5 Nov. 1725. R: 18 Feb. 1725/[6]. p. 276.

ANTHONIE DE BOURDEAUX. Wife: Marianna, executrix. Sons: Anthony, James, Daniel, and Israel. Wit: John Lapierre, Dll. Tresvant, Edmund Forgative, Anthonie Besson, his mark.

D: 19 Jan. 1724/5. P: 19 Feb. 1725. R: 1 Mar. 1725. p. 290.

FRANCIS BLANCHARD, his mark, Berkeley County, planter. Wife: Martha. Mentions: Sarah Bonois, widow, and her 2 children Jane and Francis, the latter 21 years on 8 Aug. 1731 (sic). Exor: Roger Moore, Esq., Goose Creek. Wit: Sarah Rhett, Adam Stewart, Richard Smith.

D: 20 June 1703. P: 4 Aug. 1724. R: 1 Mar. 1725. p. 297.

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took o. of alleg. 30 Nov. of that yr. but as John, whose w. was Mary, had been there 16 yrs. at least, the other may be his s.

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SINNET, SENNOT, or SENNITT, JOHN, Boston, mariner, s. of Walter, appears to own est. from 1667 to 1676. WALTER, Boston, by w. Mary, wh. join. our ch. 23 May 1647, had Mary, b. 19 Nov. 1640; Eliz. 23 June 1642, d. soon; John, 10 July 1643; and on Sunday aft. the adm. of his w. had bapt. Mary, John, and Stephen, the last "being 1 yr. 6 mos. and a. 18 days old," and he d. at 10 yrs.; Joseph, 12 Mar. 1648, a. 9 days; Sarah, 28 Apr. 1650; Thomas, 28 Mar. 1652; and Isaac, b. 22 Sept. bapt. 1 Oct. 1654, d. in few days. Mary m. 26 Nov. 1661, John Sparke.

SISSON, GEORGE, Portsmouth, R. I. m. 1 Aug. 1667, Sarah, d. of Thomas Lawton, had Eliz. b. 18 Aug. 1669; Mary, 18 Oct. 1670; Ann, 17 Feb. 1672; Hope, 24 Dec. 1674; Richard, 10 Sept. 1676; Ruth, 5 May 1680; George, 23 Mar. 1683; Abigail, 23 Mar. 1685;

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State of Mississippi, County of Rankin.

Know all men by these presents that I Daniel Singletary of the county and state aforesaid have ordained & appointed & do hereby make, ordain & appoint my Brother Ephraim Singletary, my true & lawful Attorney for me & in my name to sell & dispose of all my interest in the lands, tenements & hereditaments of my late Father Thos. Singletary, deceased of the County of Bladen in the State of North Carolina under the last will & testament of my said deceased father & when sold to make all proper deeds of conveyance of the same & grant discharges therefor hereby satisfying and confirming for my self & my heirs whatsoever my said attorney shall or may do in the premises in perserverance of this power as fully & effectually as I might & could do were I personally present.

Given under my hand & seal this the 4th day of October in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred & thirty nine.

His
Daniel x Singletary (Seal)
Mark

Page 413 - 31 December 1839 by Ephraim Singletary , Attorney for Daniel Singletary of the County of Rankin, State of Mississippi to Matthew Young & John Young of the State of North Carolina, Bladen County....
...convey one half of certain tract or parcel of land not divided lying & being in the aforesaid county of Bladen & State of North Carolina & situate on the North East side of Cape Fear river adjoining the lands of Dunham Singletary on the lower side & Samuel Singletary on the upper side containing one hundred & eleven acres, more or less, being part of thousand acre tract patented by Richard Singletary the twen second day of October A. D. one thousand seven hundred and twenty eight & was conveyed by the said Richard Singletary to Joseph Singletary & from Joseph Singletary to James Singletary from James Singletary to Thos. Singletary from Thos. Singletary to Daniel Singletary (Ephraim Agent for Daniel) being one of the parties of these presents, beginning at a walnut tree on the river bank in the upper line of Dunham Singletary upper line & runs North 25 East to the back corner of Dunham Singletary's line thence with his line to the river thence the different courses of the river to the beginning, said lands being deeded to John Singletary & Daniel Singletary by the aforesaid Thos. Singletary, together with all the meadows.....

Ephraim Singletary (Seal)
Attorney for Daniel Singletary

In presence of:
B. Fitzrandolph, Sen. &
B. Fitzrandolph, Jr.

Feb. Term 1840, then was this deed proven in open court by the oath of B. Fitzrandolph & ordered

to be registered.

Witness: David Lewis, Clk.

Thomas, 10 Sept. 1686; John, 26 June 1688; and James, 26 July 1690; his w. d. 17 July 1718; and he d. 19 Sept. foll. aged 71. His eldest d. Eliz. m. Jeremiah Clark. JAMES, Dartmouth 1684, was, perhaps, br. of the preced.

SIVERNS, JOHN, Lynn, had John, b. 22 Mar. 1654. Perhaps this may be Severance of Salisbury.

SKATE, JOHN, Weymouth 1658, is nam. by Farmer; but I find no such name, unless it mean the next.

SKEATH, JOHN, Boston 1674, liv. long, as from his will of 5 May 1700, pro. 22 Jan. 1708, is clearly discern. It gives to w. Sarah, da. Sarah Bradshaw, Rebecca Allen, Mary, and Joanna S. besides grand-children Joseph, and Hannah, and makes w. and d. Mary excors. See Skeath.

SKEEL, JOHN, Stratford, m. Hannah, d. of Roger Terrill of the same, had John, and Hannah, bapt. 10 Nov. 1678, of wh. John d. soon; John, again, Nov. 1679; Thomas, 23 Apr. 1682; Eliz. 29 Apr. 1683; Abigail, 9 May 1686; and Ephraim, July 1689; had rem. to Woodbury 1682; perhaps even bef. any of these ch. Hannah m. 3 Mar. 1697, Benjamin Hicock.

SKEETH, WILLIAM, of Charlestown, or Woburn, d. a. 1672, for his inv. was then ret. in Middlesex by Lawrence Dowse and Josiah Convers, wh. were of those two towns.

SKELLING, THOMAS, Salem 1643, had then, says Felt, a gr. of ld. But prob. that was inadeq. inducem. to leave Gloucester where he had liv. some yrs. and by w. Deborah had Deborah, b. 22 Aug. 1640, or 1648, rem. perhaps, to Falmouth 1651, and own. est. in Maine; but was soon back, yet d. at F. 1667; in his will. of 14 Nov. 1666, nam. s. Thomas and John. See Skilling. THOMAS, Falmouth, eldest s. of the preced. says Babson, m. 1654, Mary Lewis, d. of George of the same, had John, and Benjamin, and d. at Salem, 30 Dec. 1676. His wid. m. Jotham Lewis; and next a. Wilkins, says Mr. Willis, and in 1732 was of Salem 78 yrs old.

SKELTON, BENJAMIN, Salem, nam. 1639, when his s. John was bapt. and NATHANIEL, Salem 1648, when his s. John was bapt. are in the list of sett. but not ch. mem. Strange as it seems, no more is told of either; and to larger or less credulity must be left the opin. whether one or both were ch. of Rev. Samuel. SAMUEL, Salem, came from Co. Lincoln, in 1629, arr. with w. and ch. three or four, in the George, 29 June, in co. with Samuel Sharpe, hav. sail. 4 May from Isle of Wight. He was b. 1584, bred at Clare Hall, Cambr. Univ. where he had his degr. 1611 and 1614; nam. by the Gov. and Comp. at London to be of the Counc. to Capt. Endicot, wh. they appoint. Gov. of the Planta. as they heard that E. had "formerly receiv. much good by his ministry;"

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 2. Jonathan Singletary, Sr., 1st Sergeant
 3. Joseph Singletary, Sext.
 4. C. Monroe
 5. Snowden Singletary
 6. Roling Singletary
 7. Edmond Hester
 8. Wm. S. Lewis
 9. Richard M. Lewis
 10. Aaron Hester
 11. Wm. C. Sikes
 12. David Storm
 13. Jonathan Singletary, Jr.
 14. Daniel Johnson
 15. John Butler
 16. William Hester
 17. Joshua Singletary
 18. Joseph J. Nance
 19. Munroe Singletary
 20. John Storm
 21. David Singletary
 22. John-Pate
- Joseph Hester, Sen.

(The original of this list now in the possession of Mr. Elery Singletary)

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Groton, Octob^r 12 1711

The Last will and Testament of M^r Richard Singleton

I Give to my son Richard Churches three of New England:
and I Likewise Give to my Son William one Large Bible
Old English Print. I Give to my Daughter Sarah one
New Board two pair of Stewarts with other furniture and
Board Linen and Stuff to make Curtains I Likewise give
her one Large Trunk. I Likewise give her one Board with
with other things that she hath in her Profession: I Give to my
Son Waitstill two Rod of Land Lying five to the Silliers
of Capt Prentice. I Likewise Give to my Son with one
Buck or ear Gun: I Desire when all Debts are paid
that Distribution may be made and that my Children
In Carolina and my Children in Groton may have
an Equal Share: and my Negro man I Leave to
my wife to keep him, or to sell him what she sees Cause
I Likewise do Give to my wife the House of Boards
With Furniture belonging to it: and if the Boats be
in the use of the said ^{to} and to keep in Repair: only the
the Danger of the Leasts to be Excepted:

Sined Sealed and Delivered
in the Presents of us -
Thomas Lazenby
Peter Williams

Richard Singleton

Deed Book 10, page 1#7, Bladen County, N. C.
Know all men...that whereas Joseph Wood by deed bearing date
30 March 1785 conveyed to John Stanton the two following tracts of
land in the county of Bladen, State of N. C. viz:.....
on SW side of Cape Fear River the uper corner Benoni Clayton line....
to John Wilkinson's line....containing 100 acres, patented by John
Wilkinson, and the other containing 320 acres being the lower half
of a tract of 640 acres patented by John Worth which said tract of
land were conveyed by said Wood to the said Stanton with full covenants
of warranty, and whereas the said John Stanton, Senr. by deed bearing
date the 8th of July 1808 conveyed to John Stanton, Junr. in fee
simple, with warrant, the aforesaid two pieces or parcel of land & the
said John Stanton Junr. by deed bearing date the 10th of Sept. 1811
conveyed to Ithamore Singletary, in fee simple with warrant, the aforesaid
two pieces of land and the said Ithamore Singletary by deed bearing
date the 14th March 1822 conveyed to William Willis in fee simple, with
warranty the aforesaid two pieces of land and whereas the said Joseph
Wood died intestate being seized and possessed at the time of death
of a large real & personal estate leaving a son named Wm. Wood one of
his heirs at law and a daughter another of his heirs at law who
intermarried with one Willis Singletary; and whereas, one William
Wilkerson, Nancy Guyton, John Freeman & Singletary let up some claim or
title to the aforesaid two tract of land conveyed as aforesaid & brought
suit in the Superior Court of Law for the County of Bladen against the
said William Willis to recover the possession thereof, and the said Wm.
Wood and Willis Singletary being bound by the warrant of the said Joseph
Wood to quit the possession and to establish the of the said W.
Willis of in and to the aforesaid tracts of land purchased all the
right & title interest estate cãaim & demand of the said Wm. Wilkinson,
Nancy Guyton, John Freeman & Richard Singletary of in and to the afore-
said two tract of land.....have released quitclaimed unto the
said William Willis and his heirs, all the estate right title.....
of the said William Wood & Willis Singletary, or either of them....

In witness whereof the said Wm. Wood & Willis Singletary have hereto
signed their names and affixed their seals this 17th day of September
A. D. 1833.

Wm. Wood (Seal)

Willis Singletary (Seal)

Wit:
William Evans
Jas. Wood.

Feb. Term 1834. Proven by Wm. Evans. P. Kelly, Clk.

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Savage, James: A Genealogical Dictionary of the First Settlers of New England, Showing Three Generations of Those Who Came before May 1692, on the Basis of Farmer's Register. Vol. IV, p. 102.

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SIMONS (see also Simonds), Abigail, and John Rue [bef. 1713].
Abigail, and Caleb Emery, July 23, 1730.
Anna, wid., and Timothy Kimball, Mar. 10, 1767. C. R. 2.
Asa, and Elizabeth H. Bodwell, both of Methuen, Nov. 9, 1837.
Bethiah, and Thomas Parker, June 1, 1726.
Elisabeth, wid., and John Dow, Feb. 13, 1739-40.
Elizabeth, and Joseph Bond, jr., Feb. 6, 1720-21.
Elizabeth, and Joshua Herriman, Oct. 19, 1727.
Hannah, and Benjamin Wooster, Dec. 13, 1732.
John, and Elizabeth Harris, Oct. 8, 1705.
John, and Mehetibel Whitticker, Aug. 6, 1740.
Jonathan, and Sarah Heath [bef. 1710].
Jonathan, jr., and Mary Follinsby, June 2, 1742.
Jonathan, 3rd, and Anne Emerson, Feb. 12, 1761.
Julia M. H., of Salem, and Joseph A. Alley, int. Sept. 5, 1829.
Love, and Jonathan Whitticker, Apr. 14, 1737.
Mary, and Job Eatton, Jan. 10, 1698-9.
Mary, and Jonathan Haseltine, jr., Nov. 19, 1718.
Mary, and Ephriam Guild, Mar. 19, 1753.
Mary, and Thomas West, Dec. 22, 1757.
Mehetable, and Ebenezer Knight of Haverhill District, Apr. 6,
1749.
Mehitabel, and Timothy Page, June 24, 1735.
Nathan, and Mary Bodwell [bef. 1706].
Nathan, 2d m., and wid. Ann Georg, Dec. 24, 1718.
Nathan, jr., and Sarah Hazzen, Feb. 24, 1734-5.
Samuel, and Elizabeth Webster [bef. 1669].
Sarah, and John Mitchel, Jan. 29, 1728-9.
Susanna, and Nehemiah Emerson, May 28, 1747.

SIMPKINS, Mary A., of Newington, N. H., and Joseph C. Emerson,
int. June 26, 1844.

SIMPSON (see also Simson), Abigail, and David Bradbury, Sept.
29, 1795.*
Alexander, and Susanna Knight, Jan. 5, 1800.*
Cotton K., of Pembroke, N. H., and Sarah R. Marble, Aug. 3,
1829.*
Eliza, and Jonathan Wilson, Feb. 3, 1824.*
Elizabeth Kimball, of Pembroke, and William Kimball, int. Nov.
27, 1824.
George, and Mrs. Charlotte L. Greenleaf, July 1, 1832.*
Harriet [Mrs. int.], and Hiram Bodwell, Apr. 7, 1838.*

*Intention also recorded.

SIMPSON, Harriet Duston, of Pembroke, N. H., and Enoch Marble,
int. Sept. 20, 1828.
Lavinia, of Hopkinton, N. H., and William Swasey, Apr.—, 1833.*
Mary, and Gorham Pettingill, Apr. 20, 1820.*
Rebekah, and William Hatch of Portland, July 29, 1821.*
Sarah Jane [Mary Jane. int.], and Charles Fox, May 14, 1829.*
Susan, and Peter Hanson, Dec. 9, 1834.*
William, and Harriet Jones of Bradford, Jan. 25, 1829.*

SIMS, Tho[ma]s, Rev., and Mrs. Hannah Pike, Mar. 28, 1715.

SIMSON (see also Simpson), James, of Bradford, and Ruth Remich,
Apr. 22, 1786.*

SINGELTERY (see also Singletery), Martha, and Peter Green,
jr., Apr. 30, 1713.

SINGLETERY (see also Singletery), Amos, and wid. Sarah
Rodgers [bef. 1724].

Benjamin, and Mary Stockbridge, Apr. 4, 1678.
Eunice, and Thomas Eaton, 2d m., Dec. —, 1678. [1658?]
John, and Mary Grelee, Dec. 17, 1700.
Lidia, and Daniel Lad, jr., Nov. 24, 1668.
Mary, and John Eatton, June 25, 1700.
Nathaniel, and Sarah Belknap, Dec. 22, 1673.
Richard, and Susanna Cooke [bef. 1656].
Sarah, and John Page, jr., s. Cornelius, May 21, 1700.

SKELTON, Oliver B., of Lowell, and Sarah E. P. Heath of Brad-
ford, at Bradford, Nov. 24, 1842.

SLEEPER, Caroline R., of Alton, N. H., a. 22 y., d. Joseph and
Susannah, and Amos A. Sargent, a. 23 y., mason, s. Amos
and Martha, Feb. 8, 1849.*

Clara B., a. 22 y., d. Elisha and Nancy, and Rufus Williams, a.
23 y., musical instrument manufacturer, s. Levi and Eliza-
beth, Feb. 17, 1846.*

Emily B. [of Alton, N. H. int.], and Samuel [H. dup.] Sheldon,
Oct. 28, 1841.*

Hannah, and Amos E. Alley, Nov. 9, 1834.*

John N., a. 25 y., shoe cutter, b. Plaistow, N. H., s. Henry, and
Frances A. Johnson, a. 18 y., d. Joseph, Nov. 21, 1849.*

Margaret, of Sandwich, N. H., and Stephen A. Knight, Mar. 1,
1841.*

*Intention also recorded.

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SIMONS, Nathan, h. Sarah (Hazzen), Aug. 15, 1757.
Samuel, s. Samuel and Elizabeth (Webster), by a fall, June 18, 1682.
Sarah (Heath), w. Jonathan, Feb. 10, 1763.
Sarah, d. Nathan, jr. and Sarah (Hazzen) [old age. C. R. I.], Aug. 6, 1831. [a. 93 y. C. R. I.]
William, s. Samuel and Elizabeth (Webster), July 15, 1680.

SIMPSON, James, b. Mar. 5, 1752, d. —, 1844. G. R. 7.
James, s. James and Ruth (Remich), Nov. —, 1830.
James, m., yeoman, b. Dundee, Scotland, accident, June 14, 1844, a. 92 y.
Joseph, Nov. 9, 1820, a. 23 y. G. R. 7.
Ruth, w. James, b. July 23, 1766, d. Feb. 23, 1838. G. R. 7.
William, Dec. 4, 1835.

SINGLETERY, Amos, h. Sarah, Nov. 1, 1724.
Jonathan, s. Nathaniel and Sarah (Belknap), Nov. 24, 1678.
Nath[aniel], h. Sarah (Belknap), killed, Aug. 13, 1689.
Richard, h. Susanna, Oct. 25, 1687, a. 102 y.
Susanna, w. Richard, Apr. 11, 1682.

SLOCOMB (see also Slocum, Slocumb), Betsey S., w. Rufus, b. Amesbury, bilious fever, Nov. 5, 1848, a. 54 y.
Elizabeth, w. James, b. Canterbury, N. H., consumption, Apr. 6, 1849, a. 38 y. 2 m. 17 d.
George W., s. James and Hannah (Pattee), Sept. 29, 1836.
Hannah (Pattee), w. James, Oct. 3, 1836. [a. 25 y. G. R. I.]
Harris F. [Horace F. G. R. I.], s. James and Elizabeth, Apr. 2, 1845, a. 3 m.
—, ch. R. and B., fits, Nov. 19, 1819, a. 3 w. C. R. I.

SLOCUM (see also Slocomb), —, ch. —, drops[ical] head, July 16, 1825, a. 9 m. C. R. I.

SLOCUMB (see also Slocomb), Charles W., s. James and Elizabeth, Aug. 16, 1847, a. 6 y. 4 m. 6 d. G. R. I.
Rufus T., s. James and Hannah, Sept. 29, 1836, a. 2 m. G. R. I.

SMEITH (see also Smith), Hew, Aug. 3 [17—], in his 48th y. G. R. 3.

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SMILEY (see also Smyley), Amos, h. Nancy P. (Moors), Apr. 19, 1833.
Betsy, Sept. 22, 1840.
Fanny (Eaton), w. William, 2d, at Portland, Mar. 2, 1827.
George [L. G. R. 6.], s. William and Sarah, lung fever, Mar. 6, 1845, a. 2 y. 7 m.
George W., s. William and Fanny E., July 5, 1826, a. 4 m. G. R. 6.
Hannah, d. Dea. William and Hannah, Dec. 11, 1795, a. 2 y. G. R. I.
Hannah (Nelson), w. William, Jan. 3, 1840. [a. 90 y. G. R. I.]
James, h. Sally (McFarland), Apr. 15, 1824. [a. 67 y. G. R. 2.]
John, Nov. —, 1774. P. R. 64.
Lucy Ann, d. Francis and Ruth (Duston), Aug. 5, 1834. [Aug. 6, a. 1 y. 7 m. G. R. 2.]
Mary, wid. John, Oct. 14, 1804.
Mary, w. W[illiam], June 27, 1841. [June 28, a. 59 y. G. R. I.]
Nancy P., wid., milliner, d. Jona[th]n and Eliz[abe]th Moores, consumption, June 24, 1845, a. 50 y.
Nathan M[adison. P. R. 64.], s. Francis and Ruth, Jan. 31, 1846. P. R. 7. [Jan. 3, a. 23 y. G. R. 2.]
Sally (McFarland), w. James, May 29, 1823. [a. 57 y. G. R. 2.]
Sarah, w. John, May 31, 1754, in her 32d y. G. R. I.
William, h. Hannah (Nelson), Nov. 25, 1804. [a. 57 y. G. R. I.]
William, Jan. 16, 1849, a. 71 y. G. R. I.

SMITH (see also Smeith), Abiah, Dec. 25, 1794. C. R. 3.
Abiah, w. Walker, July 29, 1797, a. 48 y. G. R. 7.
Charles Salmon, consumption, Sept. 27, 1797, a. 18 y. C. R. I.
Cynthia, d. Jesse [and Lydia. G. R. 7; consumption. C. R. 3.], July 29, 1832, a. 14 y.
Dolle, d. Benjamin and Dorothy (Ballard), Dec. 18, 1736.
Elisabeth, w. Samuel, Jan. 7, 1736, a. 31 y. G. R. I.
Emeline Miranda, d. W[illiam], Oct. 1, 1833, a. 11 m.
Esther J. (Damon), 2d w. [Capt. G. R. I.] Ezra, Feb. 3, 1833. [a. 25 y. G. R. I.]
Ezra, Capt., Jan. 14, 1846, a. 47 y. G. R. I.
Franklin, s. Ezra and Eunice C., Sept. 26, 1846, a. 1 y. 7 m. G. R. I.
Hannah, w. Capt. Joseph, May 6, 1782, a. 37 y. G. R. 2.
Hannah, May 9, 1795. C. R. 3.
Hannah (Kimball), w. [Capt. G. R. I.] Ezra, Sept. 24, 1830. [a. 30 y. G. R. I.]
Hannah D., d. Capt. Ezra and Eunice C. (Pillsbury), May 9, 1842. [a. 3 m. 3 d. G. R. I.]

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To all Christian people to whom these presents shall come I, Richard Singletary, send greeting in our Lord God Everlasting. Whereas the said Richard Singletary, Sr. of Bladen Co. in the province of North Carolina, Yeoman, by force and virtue of a certain grant and patent duly executed under the Lords Proprietors, bearing date Oct. 22nd, 1728 become lawfully seized and possessed of and in one thousand acres of land, lying and being in the said Co. of Bladen on the South side of the North West Branch of Cape Fear River about four miles below the Copper Mines. Beginning at a cypress by the river side running S. 25 W. 334 poles, N. 65 W. 480 poles No. 25 E. 334 poles to an Ash on the river, then down the river to the first station, as by the said patent will appear. And whereas the above said Richard Singletary did give and grant unto Isaac Jones, his heirs, exrs. Admrs. and assigns 350 acres of the above mentioned tract of land with a negro man named Prince. Which said 350 acres of land was the middle part of the above described one thousand acres of land, mentioned in the said Deed of Gift, bearing date Dec. 20th and was recorded in June 1744 in Bladen Court and registered in the Registers' Office of Bladen Co. Dec. 28th 1744 in Book B, Folio, No. 10, recourse thereunto being had. But the above said 350 acres was mentioned and described by wrong and improper courses, and therefore made void and canceled by this Deed of Gift. Now know ye that I the said Richard Singletary for and in consideration of the love, good-will and affection which I do have and do bear towards my said son-in-law, Isaac Jones of the Co. and province aforesaid have given and granted and by these presents do freely, clearly, and absolutely give and grant unto the said Isaac Jones, his heirs, Exrs. Admrs. and assigns all the above mentioned tract of 350 acres being the middle part of the above mentioned and described one thousand acres. Beginning at Thomas Arne's upper line then S. 25 W. 334 poles to the head line of the above mentioned patent then N. 65 W. pole and then to the river, then down the river to the first station. To have and to hold the said 350 acres unto him the said Isaac Jones, his heirs and assigns forever. Together with all and singular the profits, benefits, privileges and appurtenances unto the same in any manner or wise belonging or appertaining, unto him the said Isaac Jones, his heirs and assigns, unto his or their use, benefit and behoof forever, free and clear of all manner of encumbrances whatsoever, the one half of all gold and silver mines with the quit-rents hereafter accruing on the said land only excepted and reserved to the use of his Majesty and successors forever. And the said Richard Singletary for himself, his heirs, exrs. Admrs. doth covenant, grant and agree to and with the said Isaac Jones, his heirs and assigns by these presents, that he the said Richard Singletary and his heirs, the said 350 acres of land hereditaments and premises hereby granted and given, or mentioned to be granted and given with the appurtenances and every part and parcel thereof unto the said Isaac Jones, his heirs and assigns against him the said Richard Singletary and his heirs and assigns and against all and all manner of person and persons whatsoever, lawfully claiming or to claim shall and will warrant and forever defend by these presents. In witness whereof the said Richard Singletary hath hereunto put his hand and seal, Dec. 15th, 1747.

Richard Singletary (Seal)

Signed, sealed & delivered)
in the presence of us:)
Sampson Wood)
Thos. Robeson)

Proved in open Court, Dec. 1747 by the oath
of Thos. Robeson.

Thos. Robeson, Clk.

Registered in the Register's office of Bladen Co. in Book B, Folio
No. 350, Dec. 26th, 1747.

Thos. Robeson, Regr.

NORTH CAROLINA
BLADEN COUNTY

To all Christian people to whom these presents shall come, I Anna Chase of the Co. aforesaid send greeting. Know ye that I the said Anna Chase for divers good causes and considerations me hereunto moving have given, granted, and by these presents do give grant and confirm unto WILLIAM SINGLETARY SON OF RICHARD AND JOGER SINGLETARY of the Co. aforesaid all and singular my goods and chattels household stuff and all other my substance whatsoever or whersoever, in whose hands, custody, possession or keeping soever the same are, may, or can be found. To have and to hold all and singular the said goods, chattels, or household stuff whatsoever of me the said Anna Chase, unto the said William Singletary his Exrs. Admrs. and assigns to his and their own proper use after my death, (an heir or child lawfully begotten of my own body only excepted to make this instrument or deed of gift null and void and of none effect) and therewith to do, order, and dispose ~~as~~ his and their wills and pleasure as of their own proper goods and chattels free and peaceably without any manner of let, trouble, or denial of any manner of person or persons whatsoever.

In witness whereof I the said Anna Chase have hereunto set my hand and seal, Sept. 19th, A. D. 1768.

Her
Anna A Chase (Seal)
Mark

Signed, sealed and executed
in the presence of

Ephriam Mulford
~~Richd~~ Mullington

NORTH CAROLINA
BLADEN COUNTY

Nov. Court, 1764 (?)

Then was the execution of this deed proved in open by the oath of Ephriam Mulford & Richard Mullington and recorded in the minutes of said court in due form of law.

Maturin Colvill, Clk.

Registered in the Register;s Office of said Co. in Book E, Folio, 290

Maturin Colvill, Regr.

May Inferior Court, 1771. Ordered to be registered. George Brown.

Deed Book 23, page 534

This Indenture made Oct. 2nd, A. D. 1773 between Walter Gibson, Wm. Saltar, James White, James Bailey & Benjamin Humphrey, Directors for the Town of Elizabeth of the one part and James Singletary, Sr. of Bladen County of the other part witnesseth that for and in consideration of two pounds proc. money to them in hand paid by the said James Singletary, Sr. for the uses and purposes in Act of Assembly made and provided in that case the receipt whereof they the said Directors do hereby acknowledge and thereof and therefrom do acquit and discharge the said James Singletary, Sr., his heirs, Exrs. Adms. have bargained sold and aliened released and confirmed and by these presents do grant bargain sell alien release and confirm unto the said James Singletary, his heirs and assigns forever one lot of land in the town of Elizabeth containing one half acre and numbered in the plan of said town 105 containing one half acre the reversion and reversions remainder and remainders with all edificies and improvements whatsoever belonging to the said lot also all the estate right title interest claim and demand whatsoever that the said Walter Gibson, Wm. Saltar, James White, James Baily, and Benjamin Humphrey have in or to the aforesaid lot by force and virtue of the aforesaid Act. To have and to hold the aforesaid lot and premises with the appurtenances unto the said James Singletary, Sr., his heirs and assigns forever to his and their proper use and behoof and for no other use intent or purpose whatsoever.

In Witness whereof the said Walter Gibson, Wm. Saltar, James White, James Bailey & Benjamin Humphrey have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

Wm. Salter (Seal)
James White (Seal)
Benj^a Humphrey (Seal)

Signed sealed & delivered
in the presence of:

Joseph Humphrey
John Saltar

Bladen Nov. Term 1774

This deed was proved in court by the oath of Joseph Humphrey and ordered to be registered.

A. Moore, Clk.

In the Name of God, "Amen".

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Elizabethtown, N. C. 28337

I, Breyton Singletary of the State of North Carolina of Bladen being Weak in body but in perfect mind and memory and understanding do constitute this my last Will and Testament and as touching my worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased Bod to bless me in this life, I devise and dispose of in the following manner and form, viz:

I give unto my beloved wife Mary Singletary all her possessions, Real and personal that she was possessed of at the day of our marriage to dispose of it in what manner she thinks proper, and the remainder of my estate to continue in my wife's possession until my son Joseph Singletary comes to be twenty one years of age then to be equally divided between my three children, Joseph Singletary, Deborah Singletary, Benjamine Singletary and for my wife to keep Benjamine's part in her possession until he is twenty one years of age and if there should be a necessity to sell any of the negroes to pay my debts, let it be a negro girl named Amey and if she is sold it is in the powers of my Executors and Executrix to sell her or any of my property at public or private sale as they may think proper to pay my debts and I hereby constitute and appoint my brother, Benjamin Singletary and my beloved wife Mary Singletary, my Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 7th day of September, 1790.

BREYTON SINGLETARY (SEAL)

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said Brayton Singletary, the Testator as his last Will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers - all intending before assigned.

Benjamin Singletary

Her

* Lucy X Streaty
Mark

* William Streaty

NOTE:

* The correct spelling is Streety (William Streety was the Sheriff of Bladen County) Wanda S. Campbell

In the Name of God, "Amen".

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I, Richard Singletary of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following observing nevertheless such bequests, devises and alterations as shall afore be made in this my last Will and Testament.

1st: I give and bequeath to my wife Sarah Singletary fifty acres of land, including my dwelling and out houses, and as much cleared land and as may be sufficient for her subsistence also my negro man Mingo, my bay mare and one plow and gear, one ox, one hoe, two beds and furniture with bed steads, all my kitchen furniture, four cows and calves, half of my stock of hogs and sheep, half of my bee hives, during her natural life.

2d. I give and bequeath to my son Peter Singletary that part of my cleared land be it more or less which I shall have marked off with stakes direct towards my dwelling house and also at the death of my beloved wife Sarah, that part of land above described given to her during her natural life. Also the two beds and furniture above named. Also one horse named Roebuck. Also I desire that my stock of cattle, hogs, sheep and bees, be equally divided between my sons Peter and John and daughters Sidney and Sophia, Nepsy and Amelia.

3d. I give and bequeath to my daughter Amelia one bed and furniture also one hundred and fifty acres of land, called Byrnes Marsh.

4th. I give and bequeath to my son John Singletary that part of my cleared land which I shall mark of by stakes on the lower part of my plantation with an equal part with my son Peter, of all my uncleared lands to be divided between them share and share alive. Also one young filly mare, also one feather bed and furniture already delivered to him.

5th. I give and bequeath to my grandsons Wade Hampton Cain, Samuel Cain, and Richard Cain, two hundred acres of land on the North West River where Joseph Cain now lives and a negro man named Bill, formerly owned by and now in the possession of Joseph Cain to be equally divided between them provided they never claim or call for anything of my heirs in consideration of a negro man named Sambo deeded by me to them with Bill which I have been obliged since to sell to pay their Father's debts, and provided they shall ever claim any consideration from my heirs of the above said negro Sambo that then it is my desire that the above two hundred acres of land and negro Bill be equally divided between all my heirs, share and share alike.

6th I ordain and appoint my son Peter Singletary, Executor to this my last Will and Testament vesting him with full authority to sell any part of my property for the payment of my debts and collect money due &c.

Richard Singletary

(Seal)

Signed and sealed
in presence of:

Joshua Sikes
Richard Sikes

June 1806 - Rebecca Pemberton and Edward Pemberton of Bladen County
to Council Singletary. Sale of slaves

Witnesses: William G.(C) Singletary
John Taylor

Book 34, page. 226

29 Sept. 1807

Council Singletary, planter to William C. Singletary, both of Bladen County, N. C.all those tracts of land, first piece situate lying and being in the county aforesd on the Et. side of the No. wt. River, beginning at a red oak the corner of Rinaldi and Hibborins about 60 po below Singletary's bluff opposit to Richard Singletary's plantation....to Frances Thomas' line....containing 215 acres more or less, surveyed for John Rutherford the 15 of Augt. 1753. Also one other tract. containing 80 acres on the So. Wt. side of the No. Wt. river known by the name of the Shugar Loaf point or bend which said tract was formerly the property of WILLIAM SINGLETARY, decd. father of the said Council & by the division of the estate of said William the said land fell to the aforesd. Council.....

Also one other tract of land containing 500 acres in the County of Bath now Bladen on the So. side of the No. Wt. branch of Cape Fear River.....granted to Richard Singletary by patent dated the 5th day of March 1729, GREAT GRANDFATHER of the said Council Singletary & now sold by the said Council Singletary to the afsd William Singletary

Council Singletary (Seal)

Feby Term 1807. The handwriting of Council Singletary proved by the oath of John Taylor and Edward Pemberton and ordered to be registered.

J. S. Purdie, CC.

Book 34, page 352

16 Dec. 1808 between William Cunningham Singletary and Thos. Smith, Esqr., both of the County pf Bladen, State of N. C. \$450.00 ...two tracts of land...one piece lying on the No. Et. side of the No. Wt. river. ...corner of Renalds and Hepbourn about 60 po. below Shugar Loaf Bluff opposit to Richard Singletary's plantation....in Francis Thomases line...cont. 215 acres, ...patented by John Rutherford Esqr. bearing date Sept. 1st, 1753 & by deed dated 31st Jan. 1792 by the Exrs. of Thos. Robeson conveyed to William Singletary, father of the said Wm. C. Singletary....The other piece lying on the So. Wt side of the No. Wt. river known by the name of the old Pasture or Sugar Loaf point, cont. 80 acres being part of land patented to Richard Singletary...and by Richd. Singletary in his last Will and Testament devised to William Singletary.....

5 October 1805. Jonathan Robeson of Bladen County to Thos. Robeson of Wilmington, N. C. \$750.00..... a negroe woman named Doll aged 23 years or thereabouts together with her two children named Fereby aged two years and a half or thereabouts and Harriet Aged one year and a half or thereabouts.

Jon^a Robeson (Seal)

Test: Wm. R. Dunham.

Novr. Term 1807 Then was the execution of this Bill of Sale proved by Wm. R. Dunham and ordered to be registered. J. S. Purdie, CC.

Book 34, page. 213

Whereas ~~Thomas~~ Lock late of Bladen County, decd. in his life time give and advanced to his daughter daughter Rebeccah Evans wife of Josiah Evans & to the said Josiah Evans property to a considerable amount & whereas William Robeson Admr. of the said Thos. Lock hath agreed to give & the sd. Josiah Evans & his wife Rebeccah have agreed to receive a negro man named Tom & also 100 dollars in full compensation & satisfaction of all the right, title, interest, claim & demand whatsoever of him the said Josiah Evans & of her the said Rebeccah Evans of in or to estate of him the said Thos. Lock & every part & parcel thereof.which with the property heretofore given & advanced to the said Josiah Evans & Rebeccah his wife by the said Thos. Lock in his lifetime in full satisfaction of the part and proportion of the estate both real and personal of the said Thos. Lock to which the said Josiah Evans & Rebeccah Evans his wife were or entitled & the said Josiah Evans & Rebeccah.....absolutely release & acquit claim unto the said William Robeson, Admr. as aforsd. unto the children of the said Thos. Lock all the right, title, interest, claim and demand whatsoever both at law & in equity of them the said Josiah Evans & Rebecca Evans his wife, of in or to all the estate both real and personal of which the said Thos. Lock was seized or possessed or entitled by way of reversion or remainder..... grant to & with the said William Robeson as Admr. of the said Thos. Lock & in behalf of the children of the said Thos. Lock

In witness whereof the said Josiah Evans & Rebeccah his wife have hereunto set their hands and seals the ninth day of March Anno Dom 1801 in the presence of

Joseph Thames
Thos. Byrne

Josiah Evans (Seal)

Feby Term 1808 This deed was proved by the oath of Joseph Thames and ordered to be registered. J. S. Purdie, C. C.

Deed Book 34, page 242.

10th June 1807. Thos. Smith to Arthur Council, both of Bladen County. For and in consideration of 46 acres of land on the No. Et. side of the No Wt. River being part of 315 acres patented by Thos. Robeson to the said Thos Smith & given by the said Arthur Council the said Thos. Smith give &c to said Arthur Council all his right, title, claim and interest in & to the tract of land on the So. Wt. side of the No. Wt. River whereon the late James Council lived together with all the improvemat

Thos. Smith (Seal)

Test: Jona. Smith.

May Term 1808 deed ackd.

J. S. Purdie, CC 151

In the Name of God, "Amen".

Knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die being weak in body but in perfect mind and memory, thank God for the same, as for what worldly goods it hath pleased God to bless me with it is my wish to dispose of as follows, viz: First it is my wish that my funeral expenses and just debts be paid.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son John H. Singletary with some exceptions hereafter named the one moiety of the land I now live on and the cattle that was given to him by his grand father John Hester, also twenty five acres back of Wilkeson's Lake.

Item: I give and bequeath to my son Ephriam Singletary two hundred acres of land on the Rayford Swamp and the cattle given to him by his uncle Ephriam Hester.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Hester two hundred of land on Harrisons Lake also twenty five acres back of where I now live.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Singletary a negro boy named Lewis.

Item: I give and bequeath unto my daughter Hannah Singletary a negro boy named Aleck.

Item: I give and bequeath to my daughter and son Daniel M. Singletary the one moiety of the land wherein I now live, also twenty acres on the bank of Wilkesons Lake, My son H. Singletary is to support and educate my son Daniel Singletary until he arrives at the age of twenty one years and if the said John H. Singletary fails to comply with my will my son Daniel is to be taken by my Executors from him the said John H. Singletary and claim from him the said John H. Singletary a sufficiency for his education and support. All my property not willed or left as legacies to be sold by my Executors and the money arising from the sale is to go towards giving my children hereafter named an equal share of education, viz: John H. Singletary, Ephriam Singletary, Thomas Singletary, Mary Singletary and Hannah Singletary, if any should remain to be equally divid~~d~~ between all my children, John, Ephriam, Thomas, Mary, Hannah and Daniel.

I constitute and appoint my worthy friends; William Robeson, John Hendry and John H. Singletary, Executors of this my last Will and Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 19th day of April, 1823.

Test: J. Cain
Morris Plummer
Wm. Davis

His
Thomas X Singletary (Seal)
Mark

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
BLADEN COUNTY

I, Thomas Singletary aforesaid do make this a codicil to my last Will and Testament which is to say:

Article first: I will and bequeath unto my wife Jane Singletary ~~called~~ Jane Wilson whom I have married since the making of the Will to which this Codicil is annexed one cow and calf, ten sows and pigs together with all the property both real and personal that came to her by me on my intermarriage with the said Jane Wilson.

Article Second: I will and bequeath unto my son Thomas Singletary one hundred acres of land, it being the balance of three hundred of which two hundred were given to him in my preceeding will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 9th day of December, 1825.

His
Thomas X Singletary (Seal)
Mark

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I, Mary Singletary of the State of North Carolina and County of Bladen, do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following, First of all pay and liquidate all just debts and demands that may come against my estate.

2nd: I give and bequeath to each and every lawful heir the sum of one dollar.

3rd: I give and bequeath to my beloved nephew, James Snowden Dunham, one negro man named Tom, and stock of all kind, horses, hogs, cattle, sheep, all my plantation tools and carpenters tools, of all denominations and all of my household furniture and kitchen furniture, my riding chair, and horses, one ox cart.

I nominate, constitute and appoint James Snowden Dunham as sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills made by me at any time heretofore.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of November, A. D. 1827 (9).*

Mary Singletary (Seal)

Witness: Samuel Robeson
William Davis
Matthew Munce

* Could be either date 1827 or 1829. WSC

State of No. Carolina, Bladen County

Know all persons whom it may concern that I, Jane Singletary, widdow relict of Thomas Singletary, dec'd. for the consideration sum of Forty dollars to me already paid by John Hester Singletary, co-heir of the said Thomas Singletary, the rect. whereof do hereby acknowledge, have bargain & sold, assign over and conveyed to said John Hester Singletary all and every part of my dower in the real estate of the said Thomas with all its woods, ways, waters & ~~water~~ courses with all its dwellings, inclosures & improvements, rights & privileges thereto belonging or in anywise appertaining as included within the bounds or limits of my said dower as laid off by the Jury & appointed by Court for that purpose, with dower with its appertences as above mentioned I hereby forever resign, relinquish, transfer & assign over to the said John Hester Singletary, his heirs & assigns which for myself and my heirs, against me and my heirs & against the claim of every other person shall & will warrant & forever defend.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 5 day of March 1827.

Jane Singletary (Seal)

Test: D. D. Allen
Nathan Hinson

Nov. Term 1835. Then was this handwriting of N. Hinson proven by J. D. Salter & ordered to be registered.

Witness: David Lewis, Clk.

Page 253 - Grant No. 4024 to DAVID SINGLETARY for 67 acres on the South west side of Bryan Swamp and on the South West side of the Drowning Creek Road. Dated 18 Dec. 1830. Entered 11 Feb. 1829.

DEED Book 30, page 85

This Indenture made this the 31st May in the year of our Lord one Thousand Eight Hundred & Twenty Seven between John G. Singletary of the County of Bladen and State of No. Carolina of the first part, David D. Allen of the County & State afd of the second part. Witnesseth that for & in consideration of the sum of Twenty dollars to me in hand paid, the rect. whereof is hereby acknd. hath bargained, sold aliened & confirmed & by these presents do bargain, sell, alien & confirm unto him the said D. D. Allen his heirs, Exrs. Admrs. & assigns forever a certain piece or parcel of land lying & being in the county & state aforesaid & on the No. Wt. side of the Cape Fear River, containing thirty three & one third acres more or less, it being my interest or undivided moiety of or in two hundred acres of land off as the dowery of Alsa Singletary, she being since married to Robert Johnson and I the sd. Jno. G. Singletary for myself and my heirs, exrs. admrs. & assigns do warrant & defend the right, title, interest & claim in & to the above mentioned piece or parcel of land against the claim or claims of all & every person or persons whatsoever unto him the said D. D. Allen his heirs, exrs. admrs. or assigns together with all its ways, waters water courses improvements hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging when ever it may be divided amongst the Co-heirs of the said widow Alsa Singletary, alias Alsa Johnson.

In Testimony whereof the said Jno. G. Singletary hath ^{also} set his hand & seal the day & date above written.

John G. Singletary (Seal)

Delivered in presence of
Will M. Singletary.

This deed was proved in open Court by the oath of Wm. M. Singletary & ordered to be registered.

P. Kelly, Clk.

Deed Book 22, page 217

The State of Alabama, Henry County

Know ye all men by these presents that I, Samuel Singletary of the County & State aforesaid, for divers good causes and considerations me hereunto moving have made ordained & appointed James S. Dunham of Bladen County in the State of North Carolina my true & lawful Attorney for me and in my name & for my own proper use & benefit, to dispose of, sell, convey, seal & deliver all my interest in and to a certain tract or parcel of land commonly called the Harrison Creek tract of land situated in Bladen County & State of North Carolina, to such person and for such price as my said Attorney may agree for the same and my name make ample good and sufficient, ~~titles~~ for the same to ~~make~~ person as may become the purchaser and to do all other lawful and things whatsoever concerning the premises as full in every respect as I myself might or could do were I personally present at the doing thereof, hereby ratifying and confirming & by these presents allowing whatsoever my said attorney shall in my name lawfully do or cause to be done in and about the premises by virtue of these presents.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 12 day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand and eight hundred and thirty eight.

his
Samuel x Singletary (Seal)
mark

In Presence of
George W. Williams, J. P.

The State of Alabama
Henry County

I, William R. Kelly, Clerk of the County Court for said county do hereby certify that George W. Williams whose name appears to the above and foregoing Power of Attorney is an acting Justice of the Peace in & for said County and that all due faith & credit ought and should be given him as such to his attestation. ~~Given under my hand & private seal~~, there being no public seal of office, this the 12 day of March A. D. 1838 & American Independence the 62nd year.

Attest: William R. Kelly, Clk. (Seal)

The State of Alabama
Henry County

I, Benjamin C. Lansdell, Judge of the County Court for said County do hereby certify that William R. Kelly whose name appears to the above certificate is the Acting Clerk of the County Court for said County and that full faith & credit should be given his attestation as such and that the same is in due form of law. Given under my hand & seal this 12 day of March, A. D. 1838.

Benjamin C. Lansdell, JCC (Seal)

Deed Book 22, page 217

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