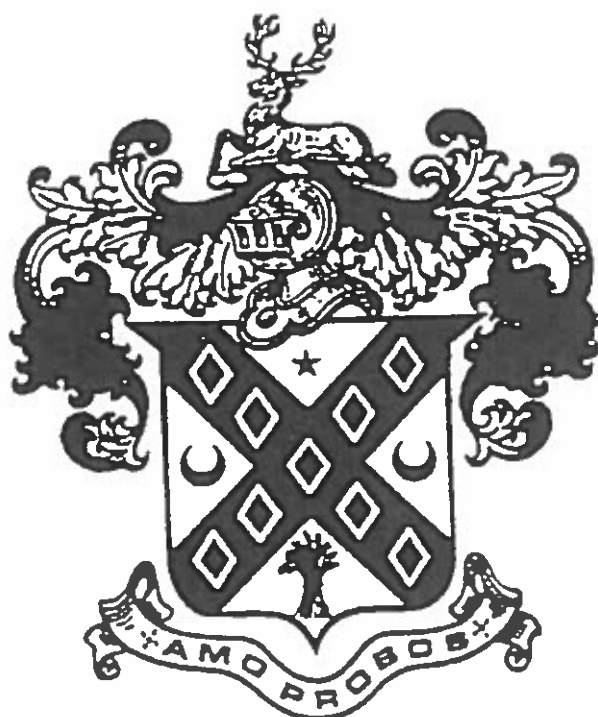


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# From the President's Desk

I would like to thank Nancy Schaffer and Gayle Webb for helping plan the 'Blair Families of Virginia' Seminar. This was by far the best Seminar we have held. We had 35 for the group dinner at Gadsby's and a total attendance of 62 for the Seminar. I would also like to thank Barbara Strang and Mary Elizabeth Seip for taking care of the registration table and Ellie Blair for her help on the book table. Congratulations go to Bryce Blair and Gayle Webb, who were presented awards for their outstanding and dedicated service on behalf of the Blair Society. Thanks also to Dr. William C. Blair, CBS President, and to all of our other members who were in attendance. Your presence made the Seminar a success. Mona Mattingly has volunteered to edit a book about the Seminar: A Transcript of the BSGR Seminar on the Blair Families of Virginia Seminar. This book should be of great interest to all those who were unable to attend.

The ballots have been counted for the site of our 1998 Convention. A total of 78 votes were cast, and the results were: Fort Wayne, IN - 31, Frankfort, KY - 21, Boston, MA - 18, and Halifax, NS, Canada - 8. Thus, the 1998 BSGR Convention will be held in Fort Wayne, Indiana on Saturday, 27 June 1998. Richard and Joan Robison have volunteered to help plan this Convention. More information about this event will be forthcoming in the Fall issue of the BFM.

We had a very productive officers meeting in Alexandria. Highlights of this meeting include: 1. A return to first class postage, effective immediately, for the BFM and all other mailings to the membership. Membership dues will remain at \$15.00 for 1998. 2. A consensus agreement on the proposed By-laws revisions. A copy of the revised By-laws and a ballot for their adoption will be included in this year's 'Annual Business Report.' 3. Ken Blair was named coordinator of the Australia/New Zealand chapter of BSGR, and it was decided to return a portion of the ANZ members dues to help support the growth of that chapter. 4. An investment plan for BSGR, written by Raymond Stoudt, was presented to the officers. We decided to delay a vote on this plan until each officer has had a chance to review it. An E-mail vote adopt this plan will be forthcoming. 5. It was decided to delay donating our Photograph Archives to the Atlanta History Center until we could scan these photos to a CD. Doris Osten will working with Marvin Kelley on this project.

We have formed an ad hoc Computer Committee, which will investigate and recommend a course of action that will allow BSGR to stay current with fast changing computer technology. Kathleen Blair, James Felton Blair and Art Webb have volunteered to serve on this committee. If anyone else would like to serve on this committee, please E-mail me at EPBlair@aol.com.

Doris Turner Osten has reluctantly stepped down as chair of the Archives Committee, along with committee members Lynn Parsons and Raymond Stoudt. I would like to thank these people for the wonderful job they have done. Barbara Strang has agreed to take over Lynn's job of collecting obituaries and current news articles of interest to the Blair family. We still need a volunteer for committee chair and someone to collect Blair ancestor photographs.

We also discussed the 1998 officers election and the need for volunteers to fill several vacancies. Two of our most dedicated officers, Marvin Kelley and Irvin Morse, will be ineligible to run for another term in 1998. I want to express my deepest gratitude to these men for the wonderful job they have done. I also expressed my personal desire to step down as President in 1998. I would be willing to accept nomination to another office, such as Treasurer. We also need people to fill several committee chair vacancies, including; Archives, Finance, Nominating and Program committees. WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR THESE IMPORTANT POSITIONS. If you would like to help, please let me know as soon as possible.

## BSGR ON LINE

By Blair Leatherwood

As I write this, you're all getting ready to go to Alexandria. It is with great sadness (depression? irritation?) that I have to sit here at home while you all have a wonderful time. I will miss seeing old friends and meeting the new ones I'm sure will be there. That said, on to this month's news.

Those of you who may have tried to subscribe to the Blair mailing list (see last issue) had a problem. Something happened to the list server and there was no list—as I'm sure you discovered. There's good news and bad news in this. The bad news is that you had to deal with the frustration of not being able to participate in this group. I'm also sure that there were some of you who said, "Oh, great, somebody gave me wrong information about the net again!" All I can say about that is that it wasn't wrong when I wrote it, but it sure was when it got printed—just another example of how quickly things change in the "world" of cyberspace.

The good news is that the mailing list is back and it's actually better. Rootsweb (the group that runs the US GenWeb Project) now maintains a large number of the mailing lists. If you're looking for the Blair list, it's there. There are lots of other surname lists as well. It's even easier to subscribe to the lists, too. Just go to <http://www.rootsweb.com/~maillist/> and you'll probably find what you're looking for.

The GenWeb project is still growing. If you haven't looked at it yet, do so. The address is <http://www.usgenweb.com>.

If you didn't know, there's now a site for Blair cemetery information. Morgan Rajceвич is maintaining it and needs all the information you've got. Take a look at her site, <http://www.clinton.net/~daver/grave.htm>.

I've been asked to give some pointers about finding e-mail addresses. If you want to find out

if someone's got an e-mail address, there are several ways to go about it. First, check your back issues of the BFM. We've printed the e-mail addresses of many of our members and are updating them as we go. Needless to say, these may change from time to time as members change services or locations.

There are several ways to locate people on the net. Again, one major caveat—the information given is not always reliable. It may be very out of date. For example, if you were to try to look me up using one of these search engines, you'd probably find a very old e-mail address (at least, that's what I found the last time I looked).

Some of the big search engines for people are [www.whowhere.com](http://www.whowhere.com) and [www.four11.com](http://www.four11.com). Enter a name and, if it's on the database, you'll find it.

You can also (with a lower degree of luck) try using one of the standard search engines (Alta Vista, Yahoo, Lycos, etc.). Enter a name as your search term and see what happens. You may find the person you're looking for, or you may find something equally interesting or unexpected.

If the person you're looking for participates in newsgroups, try <http://www.dejanews.com>. This is an archive of all the activity in newsgroups. If the person has posted a message on Usenet recently, you'll find it here along with his or her address.

Finally, if you can't find e-mail addresses through any other source, write to them (remember snail mail?) and ask if they've got one!

That's it for this time. If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me at [bleatherwood@ibm.net](mailto:bleatherwood@ibm.net), (916) 424-1071, or 6010 Machado Way, Sacramento, CA 95822-3228.

## LOIS T. MATSON

Lois T. Matson, BSGR Charter Member #004, a resident of Toledo, Washington, passed away on Tuesday, 20 February 1996 at Hospice Center, Longview, WA. She was 71. Lois was born 13 May 1924 in Alpha, WA and came to Toledo 26 years ago from Napavine, WA. She enjoyed doing her family genealogy, which she had traced back to the 1700's. She was a member of Trinity Rebekah Lodge in Napavine. Surviving are her husband, Albert, 2 sons, Jerry of Napavine and Larry of Chehalis, WA; 2 daughters, Georgia Finley of Kennewick, WA and Lorna Ralph of San Jose, CA; 2 brothers, Frank Snodgrass of Anchorage, AK and Lee Snodgrass of Centralia, WA; 4 sisters, Emma Arnold of Centralia, Clara Lian of Chehalis, Jean Unfred of Ilwaco, WA and Edith Gavin of Napa vine; 13 grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Arrangements were under the direction of Catermole Funeral Home in Winlock, WA. Lois joined the Blair Society shortly after it was reorganized in 1983, and renewed her membership each year right up until her death. Few BSGR members are as loyal as Lois and she will be greatly missed.

## TONY BLAIR ELECTED PRIME MINISTER OF GREAT BRITAIN

The Labour Party stormed to a landslide election victory on 1 May 1997, ending a generation of Conservative rule and making 43 year-old Tony Blair the youngest British Prime Minister in 185 years. He was confirmed as Prime Minister by Queen Elizabeth II on 2 May. "You have put your trust in me, and I intend to repay that trust. I will not let you down... We are a great country. The British people are a great people. There is no greater honor than to serve, and serve we will," said Blair from his home in Trimdon, 235 miles northeast of London. Blair becomes the youngest Prime Minister since the 42-year-old Lord Liverpool in 1812. The Blair Society is proud of Tony Blair, and we trust that, through his leadership, he will bring honor to the Blair name. For more information about the life and lineage of Tony Blair, see the article, "Tony Blair, British Prime Minister in Waiting?" on page 32 of the Summer 1996 (Volume XIV, Number 2) issue of *The Blair Family Magazine*. Source: *The Indianapolis Star*, Friday, May 2, 1997.

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**KELLY BLAIR, HEPTATHLON CHAMPION** - Kelly Blair won the women's heptathlon event at the 1997 USA Track & Field Championships in Indianapolis, Indiana. The 26-year-old former NCAA champion from Oregon won with a score of 6,475 points, the third highest total ever by an American and the third best total in the world this year. The women's heptathlon is a series of 7 events (high jump, long jump, shot put, javelin throw, 200-meter race, 800-meter race and 100-meter low hurdles) which truly test the skills of an athlete. Congratulations Kelly, we are pulling for you in the world championships! Source: *The Indianapolis Star*, Friday, June 13, 1997.

## SEMINAR NOTES

Alexandria, Virginia was a great site for the 1997 Blair Families of Virginia Seminar. Members attending took in Old Alexandria: They toured the Wm. Ramsay House; Robert E. Lee's boyhood home; Lloyd House (called "a Library of History," with its invaluable collection pertaining to Alexandria and Virginia history and genealogy - an 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> century museum with books from a subscription library of 1794 on the first floor, and modern research facilities upstairs), shops and restaurants along old King Street. The group dinner Friday evening at Gadsby's Tavern in Old Alexandria was attended by over 30 BSGR members and guests who ate heartily and were entertained by a Ben Franklian wit and songster in 1776 style. And, just across the river are the national research facilities and government buildings. Thanks Nancy Schaffer and Gayle Webb!

The Seminar. Ed Blair opened the seminar at 9:00 a.m. the next morning with a welcome to members attending their first BSGR seminar, some of whom were Betty Ann Adams and cousin Barbara Smith Brown, Kathleen E. Blair, James F. and Lee Blair of Plano, Texas, Nedra Brill, Irene Blair Hagerty, Kathleen Blair Hartman, Marie Blair Mitchell and husband Calvin, Morgan Rajcevich from Iowa, and Mary Elizabeth and Leonard Seip of McLean, VA.

Corresponding Secretary, Bryce Blair, reported on the annual business meeting. The review of the by-laws is complete and ready to be sent to the members for individual vote. See the President's page for other business meeting announcements.

Lethene Parks reported on her California/Oregon Trails project. Of the 25,000 named travelers on the Oregon Trail Soc. list, the computer search revealed 23 Blairs. Lethene believes there are more. To help identify those listed and find those not on the list, she solicits any and all information from members who might have had an ancestor traveling to the West coast. Send to: Lethene Parks, 32124 Clark Lake Rd., Hunters, WA 99137-9714; e-mail: lethene@Juno.com.

Tom Greene needs any information regarding the Blairs who died at the Alamo. His address: 103 East Tanglewood Dr., New Braunfels, TX 78130-5262.

The Presentations: Katherine Blair Hartman's "Basic Genealogy" was full of source material and the good advice to "keep records of research!" Later in

the afternoon she returned to tell us about "Computer Genealogy," sharing her expertise and tips -did you know that we should have surge protectors on our telephone lines for our modems as well as on our computers? Never thought of it!

Charlotte Stewart shared with us the intricacies of Rev. War military terminology, explaining the different types of military service and records, knowledge she's gained in writing her Rev. War records book for BSGR. Charlotte will be submitting problem areas that need clarification to BFM and will appreciate the cooperation of all members. If you have PROOF of the Rev. War service of your Blair ancestor, please let her know!

Nedra Dickman Brill is a professional genealogist who lived for many years in the D.C. area. Her "Library Research in Washington, D.C." talk was listened to avidly as attested to by the group she led to the D.A.R. library Sunday afternoon. They came away bleary eyed, but with genealogical treasures in hand. (The drive to D.C. served as a sight-seeing excursion.)

Mona Mattingly not only took us through the history of the "Blair Families of Augusta Co., VA, but of the country history, and character of the settlements and settlers. The afternoon session also included Ed Blair's "James Blair of Williamsburg, VA" and "Francis Preston Blair," and Nedra Brill's illuminating "Blair's of West Virginia." Content of the Blairs of Virginia Seminar will soon be published and available to all members.

Winning the door prize draw were Betty (Mrs. Wm. C.) Blair, Chas. W. Blair, Merle Blair, Russ Emery, Katherine Emery, Irene Hagerty, Ruth Harrington, Mona Mattingly, Marie Mitchell, Mary Powers, Elizabeth Sutton, Mary Jo Wheaten and Victoria Wood.

Others attending the seminar included Deborah Blair, Dr. Wm. C. Blair, Winfred Harrington, Grace Turner Karish, Marvin H. Kelley, Claude and Sue Kimbel, Gladys Ludens, Hiliary Mattingly, David McCormick, Katharine and Thos. Moore, Pearlle Moulden, R. A. Osten, Lois H. and "Pip" Reed, Richard and Joan Robison, Mary Elizabeth and Leonard Seip, Bob Stewart, Barbara Strange, Edna and Truex Upchurch, Ty Blankenslip, and Jane Norman.

## *Flames of Intolerance*

by Neil Henderson. BSGR Mem. #307L

(Originally printed in *The Hudson Valley Green*, Hudson, Ohio, December 1996)

Church-burning is not new in America. These days, the press makes us very aware of the burning of Black churches. But what do we know of such scenes in early days? My story involves the burning of a Scotch-Irish church in New England in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. It had a lot to do with the dispersal of several families, including one of my own lines which Emily Wilder Leavitt called "the Blair Family of New England."<sup>1</sup>

According to his tombstone, Robert Blair died at the age of 91 in 1774. He was buried on the Common in Worcester, MA, but his grave and that of his wife Isabella Rankin (1683-1765) have been paved over, like many others during urbanization of this city. There's a list of the original inscriptions in the Worcester Historical Society Library a few blocks away.

This couple had eight sons and four daughters. The number of their descendants living in 1774 was at least 209. But they, of course, were not the only Blair family in the state of Massachusetts. Nor was this the first Blair family there, even if they did arrive in 1718, quite early in the huge migration that came here from the north of Ireland. Theirs became "The Blair Family" only after 1900 when Emily's book appeared. The book deals also with several other Blairs who had no known relationship, some of them having arrived before Robert and Isabella.

The immigrants of 1718 were in five ships, about 750 passengers, 120 families - who suddenly flooded Boston harbor on an August day.<sup>2</sup> Their arrival was not unexpected, because their spokesman, Rev. William Boyd, negotiated it with Governor Shute months earlier. The petition<sup>3</sup> was signed by 319 men in the north of Ireland. All but 13 of them signed their own names, an astonishing display of literacy for that time, and despite their poverty. Among them were eight Blairs, but

none named Robert.<sup>4</sup> Not to worry! Maybe he hadn't signed the petition but got his family on board anyway. Or, maybe a Nova Scotian story has a grain of truth in it: it says that he was a colonel who came to Massachusetts with his regiment and brought his wife and family with him.<sup>5</sup> What matters is that he and his family do seem to have been in or near Worcester by 1720. A tombstone in Charlestown, MA said that Robert Blair (son of Robert and Isabella) was born in Worcester in 1720.<sup>6</sup>

Leavitt also notes<sup>7</sup> the baptism of two of their daughters in Sudbury, MA in 1724, and finds him buying 62 acres in Worcester in 1726. Robert placed a house on it "by compass so that when the sun turned on the west end they knew it was noon." After that he leaves a clear trail in and around Worcester: another house, similar but bigger to hold more children; surveyor of the highways; committee to seat the meeting house; committee to settle boundaries; land surveyor; juror.

We can dimly see a life here, but not the passion or excitement of it. For that, one has to get more deeply into the interaction of the Scotch-Irish with the Yankee Puritans, not to mention the interaction of the whites with the Indians. Worcester was founded in 1713. Two earlier settlements there were wiped out by Indians. For the rest of the decade and on into the 1720s, retreat into a block-house was a familiar feature of life for the settlers. Those on the outskirts often died unpleasantly. Rutland, where the Blairs lived was a settlement on the northwestern outskirts.<sup>8</sup>

Yankees quite naturally called people from Ireland "Irishmen." The Blairs and their friends were first astonished and then indignant. They thought they were Scots! True, the Blairs had been in Ireland for perhaps three generations. Their history for most of a century was one of intermittently bloody conflict

tury was one of intermittently bloody conflict with the native Irish. The Irish were Catholic and spoke a language used by few of the Scots. The Scots were "planted" in Ireland to displace Irish tenants from land newly owned by English and Scottish gentry. The Scots came there willingly because the land was better than they had known, and also to escape religious oppression (though when they got there they found themselves paying taxes to the Church of England—a long-standing grievance). By the early 1700s northern Ireland was in deep depression. The absentee British landlords were squeezing tenants mercilessly, renting to the highest bidder and evicting tenants regardless of whether they were Protestant or Catholic.

Most vivid and proud in their memory, they had for three starving months withstood the onslaught of the ousted Catholic King James II of England, Scotland and Ireland at the siege of Londonderry in 1689 and thus helped save the throne for William of Orange and his successors. Some of the Londonderry defenders, for example, Robert's uncle Abraham Blair, were awarded tax-exempt farms for that service. Certainly, the Londonderry experience has ever since been a talisman for the Protestant Irish.

By the late 1800s Americans of that descent had come to accept the term "Scotch-Irish,"<sup>9</sup> but in the 1700s they said they were "from the North of Ireland," or Ulster, the old name for a group of north-eastern counties of Ireland where most Irish Protestants lived.

When Governor Shute received the petition of Rev. Boyd, he was quick to see where he wanted this tough and prickly tribe: on the frontier, where they would be a buffer against the Indians. It was easy for him to offer what the petitioners wanted most: land of their own and freedom from paying taxes for a church that was not their own. They seemed not too disturbed by the prospect of fighting Indians.

It turned out, though, that settling the tax question to their satisfaction was not simple.

The early settlers were Puritans (Congregationalists). By 1720 the mix of Congregationalists/Presbyterians in the village of Worcester was almost even. In view of their mutual need to economize, doctrinal differences were not much of a barrier, so that a single preacher sufficed for the combined congregations. He, however, turned out to be always a Congregationalist, except once, in 1722. The Presbyterians for a few years hired their own minister, but just for the summer months. And they met outdoors, saving the cost of a building. They argued then that they should not pay a full share of the Congregational preacher and building, since he didn't serve them the full year. The Congregationalists answered with many devious words, all meaning, "no dice."

Seating was also a delicate matter in this combined congregation. Robert Blair once served on the committee that performed this task and did so with fairness. Examples of the seating arrangements have survived, and the point is made that there were more English names in the front rows and more Scots (Irish, if you like) further back. In 1724, there were no Scots names in the front seats. They were only in the back benches. In 1733 one Scot and five English were in the front row. Robert Blair was in the fourth row.<sup>10</sup>

This pot continued to boil. A group of the Presbyterians decided to leave Worcester for Colerain, where they would build their own church. Worcester Presbyterians, including Robert Blair decided to build theirs in Worcester. In 1740, they framed it and raised it but at that point a gang of Puritans gathered in the night and burned the new church. Among the burners, Perry testified in his talk to a Scotch-Irish audience a century and a half later, were some of his own ancestors. Some of his ancestors were Presbyterians, he added in the same breath.<sup>11</sup>

It is a tradition that the Reverend Mr. Frick, the Congregational pastor, stood by and watched the burning of the Presbyterian Church. It is a fact that he offered his resignation to the congregation in June of 1740

and it was accepted in September of the same year, according to Jonas Reed's 1836 history of Rutland. Reed explains only that a coolness between Mr. Frick and the Presbyterians of his congregation led to his withdrawal and to their building their own church. Reed does not mention that their first structure was torched. Writing a century after these events, perhaps he knew only what was in the Congregational record.

So many of the Presbyterians left Worcester that it must have been a strain on the resources of both congregations to carry on. Robert Blair stayed and the church was rebuilt. His children, Matthew, David, John, daughter Sarah (Hamilton), and Robert<sup>12</sup> had already gone, and ended up in the new towns Blandford and Western (later renamed Warren) where Presbyterians dominated. William (my ancestor) had gone to Leicester, MA. and later to Nova Scotia. James stayed in Worcester and was a lieutenant during the Revolution. Joseph, a Tory, stayed home and inherited the farm. Francis went to Nova Scotia but (like his older sister Dolly) he has disappeared from genealogical radar.

What's common to the 1740 and the 1996-1997 burnings? Inter-ethnic suspicion and intolerance, obviously. I suggest also that both the Scotch-Irish and the Black Americans were seen as "uppity," competing with the dominant old community on what it considered its own turf. There's no hint of doctrinal religious differences. And it seems that the dominant community's leaders did little or nothing to restrain their own hooligan element.

<sup>1</sup> Emily Wilder Leavitt, *The Blair Family of New England* (Boston, David Clapp & Son), 1900.

<sup>2</sup> Arthur Latham Perry, *Scotch-Irish in New England* (Boston: J. S. Cushing & Son, 1891), read before the Scotch-Irish Society of America at Pittsburgh, PA., 29 May 1890.

<sup>3</sup> Charles Knowles Bolton, *Scotch Irish Pioneers in Ulster and America* (Boston: Bacon and Brown), 1910, pp.325-330.

<sup>4</sup> Bolton, pp. 325-330.

<sup>5</sup> Thomas Miller, *Historical and Genealogical Record of the First Settlers of Colchester* (Halifax, N.S.: A. &

W. Mackinlay), 1873, reprinted by Mika Pub. Co., Belleville, Ont., 1983, 167.

<sup>6</sup> Leavitt, p. 44.

<sup>7</sup> Leavitt, p. 29.

<sup>8</sup> Jonas Reed, *History of Rutland* (Worcester, Mirick & Bartlett), 1836.

<sup>9</sup> See Perry, p. 1, and Bolton, *Preface*. Perry's audience was the Scotch-Irish Society of America.

<sup>10</sup> Bolton, p. 183.

<sup>11</sup> Perry, p. 17.

<sup>12</sup> For the descendants of Robert Blair of Blandford, MA., see Mary J. Powers, "The Blairs of Blandford and Western Massachusetts," in *The Blair Family Magazine*, Vol. X, No. 3, pp. 6-10 (Fall 1992) and in *BSGR 1991/92 Annual Business Report*, p. 17.



DAVID C. BLAIR.



David C. Blair was born on January 21, 1855, at Ikesburgh, Perry Co., Penn'a., the son of William and Ellen (Coyle) Blair and later removed to Havana as station agent upon the Northern Central Railroad, a position he occupied for some fifteen years before resigning on October 1, 1892. He was married first to Miss Kate Comstock of Warsaw, Wyoming Co., who died on June 5, 1884 and second on October 12, 1887 to Miss Annie Whittmore who died in the 36th year of their marriage. On January 1, 1889 he entered into business as a dealer in grain, produce, lumber, flour, feed, &c., and died at the age of 73 years and 23 days.

Source: *Early History, &c. The Village of Havana, N.Y.*, by, Wayne E. Morrison & Co., Printers.



## ABSTRACTS FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA GAZETTE, 1748-1755

By Kenneth Scott and Janet R. Clarke\*

(Submitted by Doris T. Osten, BSGR Mem. #384)

[Continued from Spring 1997 BFM]

- November 30, 1749 Alexander Johnson gives notice that Samuel Aston, miller, his wife and five children, who came in with Johnston in the *Catherine*, Captain Henderson, master, are to go to Capt. Blair in Phila. To pay for their passage; otherwise reward will be paid for arrest of Aston and his family.
- April 19, 1750 House in Second St., next door to Capt. Blair's, to be let; enquire of John Mifflin, Jr. living in house where Ann Coombs lately dwelt in Water Street.
- January 29, 1751 John Mifflin, Jr. is removed from Fishbourn's wharf to house in Second St., near Walnut Street, next door to Capt. Blair's and opposite Mary Lisle's.
- August 16, 1753 New York item mentions Capts. Morrell, Tillidge, Hubbard, Hunt, Hyder, Collins, Blair, and Gibbon.
- September 13, 1753 Phila. item mentions Capts. Blair, Mitchell, Henderson, Caldwell, Ellis, Ritchie, Parish, Moore, Mason, Haselton, Duncan, Shirley, Stirling, Wall, Standidge, and Macilvaine.
- August 1, 1754 Phil. item mentions Capts. Joy, Read, Lowther, Blair, Hudson, Bevansey, Dowers, Jerrard, Edwards, and Davis.
- September 12, 1754 Imported servants are for sale by William Blair and John Meas on Powell's Wharf.
- September 19, 1754 Two negroes, each aged c. 35, runaways from Capt. Blair's ship at Lewes-Town; reward if they are taken will be paid by John Spafford in Phil. or Thomas Cooch, miller, on Christmas Creek, New Castle Co.; Sam, another Negro, are [sic] near 50, is a runaway from said Cooch.
- October 19, 1752 New York item of 16 October reports that one night last week the boat of Alexander Blair of Brunswick was robbed.
- October 10, 1752 Horses strayed from John Harris's at Sweatarra; if found, word to be sent to Samuel Scot, Tavern-keeper, near Lancaster; reward will be paid by Harris, Scot, or Arthur Blair.
- October 4, 1750 For freight or passage to Belfast in snow *Durham*, David Blair, commander, agree with William Blair or the commander on Dickenson's wharf; William Blair has imported goods for sale at his store in Water St., next door to Mary Andrews.
- September 12, 1754 Phila. item mentions Capts. Greenway, Katter, M'Fun and Francis Blair.
- May 31, 1750 James Gregg, servant, age c. 11, stolen, supposedly by his mother, from James Blair of Westmoreland Co., Va.
- October 3, 1751 For freight or passage to Belfast in the ship *Daniel*, Edward M'Cormick, commander, now at Capt. Edgar's wharf, apply to James Blair, merchant, in Second Street.
- October 31, 1751 For freight or passage to Newry and Irvine in the snow *Grizie*, John Cameron, master, apply to James Blair or to the master on Lloyd's wharf.

- November 21, 1751 John Cameron or James Blair will offer a reward for Cuddie Cockren, sailor, age c. 24, runaway from the snow *Gritzie*.
- November 22, 1753 Robert Muir, Scotch redemptioner, age c. 18 or 20, tailor, a runaway from John Cameron; reward if brought to James Blair in Phila. or David Finney at New Castle.
- August 29, 1754 Margaret, wife of Thomas Blair of Bethlehem Twp., Hunterdon Co., N.J. has eloped from her husband.
- August 29, 1754 If Patrick Blair (who came to PA. some years ago from Newtown-Stuart, Tyrone Co., Ireland) will apply to Thomas Lucas at Pequea in Lancaster Co., he will hear something to his advantage.
- May 19, 1748 Officers chosen by Associators: [for Phila. Co.] capt. John Hall; lieut., Joshua Thomas; ensign, Philip Thomas; col. Edward Jones; lieut.-col., Thomas Yorke; major, Samuel Shaw -[for Bucks Co.] capt. John Wilson; lieut., Thomas Blair; ensign, George Overpack - [for Kent Co.] capt., George Martin; lieut., Jacob Allee; ensign John Vanwinkle.
- January 7, 1752 John Newcomb, Irish servant, age c. 22, runaway from Thomas Blair of Bethlehem Twp., Hunterdon Co., West Jersey.
- October 13, 1748 Irish linen for sale by Alexander Johnston at Capt. William Blair's in Second Street.
- January 17, 1749 Capt. Blair has arrived in Md.
- August 24, 1749 At Portsmouth, N.H., Capt. John Mitchel of Londonderry, concerned with William Blair in sending threatening letters to Jotham Odiorne, Esq., was convicted and fined 1,000 pounds.
- August 9, 1750 For freight and passage to St. John's brig *Gregg*, John Allen, commander; apply to said commander or Capt. William Blair.
- September 20, 1750 For freight and passage to Barbados in the snow *Ross*, George Duncan, commander, apply to William Blair or to Duncan at Turner's wharf.
- October 14, 1750 For freight or passage to Belfast in snow *Durham*, David Blair, commander, agree with William Blair or the commander on Dickenson's wharf; William Blair has imported goods for sale at his store in Water Street, next door to Mary Andrews.
- November 12, 1752 For freight or passage to Dublin in the new ship *Molly*, now at Mifflin's wharf, apply to Samuel Hastings, Thomas Walker or Capt. William Blair.

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From Abstracts of Vital Records from Raleigh, N. C. Newspapers 1799-1819, Volume I  
 Blair, M. on the 29th ult. in Pasquotank Co. Wm Blair, Esq., to Mrs. Rachel Harvey RR Fri 22 Dec 1806 3:5.  
 Blair, D. at Fredericksburg, Va., a few days ago, David Blair, Esq. RR Tues 28 July 1801 3:5  
 Blair, D. in Edenton, on the 31st ult., Mrs. Mary Blair.. consort of Captain George Blair, RR Thurs 10 Jan 1811 3:4/RM  
 Blair, D. very suddenly, at his residence in Perquimans Co., William Blair, Esq., Attorney at Law. RR Fri 12 Feb 1813 3:5

## *From the Members:*

### WHAT REALLY HAPPENED TO WILLIAM LAWRENCE BLAIR?

Much has been written about the Blairs of Fagg's Manor in Chester Co., PA. It is well known that Rev. Samuel Blair was the minister of the church there and taught at a school he founded. His brother John Blair replaced him as minister at Fagg's Manor upon the death of Rev. Samuel, and also taught at a school he founded. There is tremendous documentation on the children of the Rev. Samuel Blair and his wife Francis Van Hook, with the exception of their son, William Lawrence Blair, Esq., who was a lawyer. We know that William L. Blair was born prior to his father's will being written in 1751 and that he apparently died in the fall of 1812. We do not know if he married or had a family.

Several sources say, without quoting sources or locations, that William Lawrence went to Kentucky. I believe this may be an error. He was licensed before the Chester Co. Bar in 1773. He was also licensed before the bar of Northumberland Co., PA. in the 1770's. However, as lawyers were licensed in counties in which they did not reside in order to appear before the courts in that county, this is not an indication that he lived in Northumberland County.

The following entry for Blairs on the militia rolls of Chester Co., found in the *PA. Archives*, does not prove active duty: "1780 Class Rolls, Chester Co., Militia, 7th Batt., 6th Co., 4th Class, Capt. Edward Vernon: William L. Blair, Esq." (PA 5-V-564). In addition, there is an entry in the Philadelphia return of the 3rd class, 5th Batt. Philadelphia militia dated 10 August, 1780 which says, William Blair, "belongs to the 4th class, Chester Co., Militia, per certificate." It would thus appear that while William was living in Philadelphia, he must have maintained Chester Co. as his place of residence.

Tax Lists of Chester County for 1780 show, Francis Blair-Londonderry and William L. Blair-Chester.

On June 21, 1780 William L. Blair wrote to his sister Martha at New Londonderry, Chester Co., PA. He dated his letter from Philadelphia and in it he says, "...but, Chester Co. court of Dyer and terminer being so near (viz.) next week, determined me to stay and take in on my way so that hope (God willing), to see you the latter end of next week & then prepare yourself to go, and visit the highest quality in Faggs Manor and Kennett Square." He continues in this same letter, "Sister Blair and children and she is busily employed as collectoress for this ward, being appointed by the committee of ladies to solicit donations for the Army, from the ladies, and she has very good success, the ladies in general do shew their public spirit and patriotism in an eminent degree, worthy to be recorded in History. Those are collectoresses appointed in every ward in the city, and the Governor's Lady is treasurers (or in her absence the Vice President's or Chief Justice's lady) for the whole state and the plan is intended to circulate thro the country, and the other states; and are either to give money or knit a pair of stockings as will be most convenient; they apply to the Tory ladies too and some of them give donations, a good reason why, because if they do not give in this way, it will be taken from them forcibly, for the taking of Charleston has roused the spirit of the people from their two years of lethargy....I intend to write Mamma and sister Sukey [this is his nickname for his sister Susannah] in their turn. My duty to her and love to sister. I remain Dear Sister, your absent and loving Brother. William L. Blair."

There is a letter on file in the Chester Co. Historical Society written by William L. Blair of Philadelphia to Lydia Graves, wife or widow of John Graves, concerning a legal matter. This letter is dated 21 Feb. 1796.

Another letter (in 1803) in the Historical Society of Chester Co., Pa. was written by William L. Blair, Esq., who lived in Philadelphia at that time, to a lawyer, William Hemphill of West Chester, concerning a non-family related legal matter. It is unknown if this is one and the same William L. Blair, Esq.

In a letter of 21 June 1813, Martha Blair Edmiston says, "when I wrote you last fall, I then informed you of my dear brother William Blair's death. He died suddenly of typhus fever." [This letter in its entirety appeared in *BFM Vol. X, #3, p. 5* (1992).]

Further research among the Bench and Bar of Philadelphia may shed more light on William. The letter that tells of his death does not mention that he is living far away and his mother left her house in New York City to him in her will, along with making him co-executor in 1784. I believe all of these clues point to him living within traveling distance of Chester Co., PA and have to highly question the statement that he went to Kentucky with his brother.

If anyone knows anything further concerning this lost soul, please send to Charlotte Blair Stewart (BSGR Mem. #022), Genealogy Chair for the BSGR [address inside front cover] or e-mail at [CBStewart@aol.com](mailto:CBStewart@aol.com).

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*JANE McCLEELAN (McCLELLAN) AND DR. THOMAS BLAIR*  
*(Submitted by Susan E. Watts)*

I found this in the *Kittochtinny Historical Society Papers Read Before the Society October, 1950 to May 1957*.

*Excerpted from an article on the genealogical data of the McClellan Family.*

- II. *Jane McCleelan b. 1741 d..... 5 children*  
*m. (Dr.) Thomas Blair b. 17... d. Sept. 8, 1810 (Blair's Gap)*  
*Armstrong Expedition against Indians, Captain, Revolution*
- III. *John Blair b. 1765 or 1766 d. Jan. 1, 1832*  
*m. 1<sup>st</sup> Susannah Galbreath 3 children*
  - IV. *Susannah Blair b. Mar. 11, 1795 d. Nov. 20, 1842 m. John Walker*  
*Thomas Blair b. Mar 26, 1797 d. Feb. 28, 1837*  
*Margaret Blair b. ... 1799 d. 1819 unmarried*
- III. *John Blair*  
*m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Barbara McClelland b. June 25, 1772 d. ... 1833*  
*John, Haddon, Wm. Penn, Maxwell (none married)*
- III. *Alexander Blair (no record found)*
- III. *Ruth Blair m. James Moore*
- III. *Catherine Blair m. George Buchanan*

III. *William Blair m. Margaret Henry*

*Notes: Thomas Blair m. Susannah McClelland Dec. 8, 1762. The bondsman was Wm. Allison, witnesses Hermanus Alricks and Samuel Holmes.*

*Since there has been much confusion about two men in Bedford County having the name of Thomas Blair and both men at various times alleged to have been Captains during the Revolution, further study will be required to clear both records.*

*The Thomas Blair of upper Bedford County and brother-in-law of William Holliday and of James Galbreath, settled with these two in-law families in the Frankston Twp., Bedford Co. in what is now Blair County.*

*The other Thomas Blair, a Captain from Bedford Co., no doubt in south western Bedford, turns up in Westmoreland County late, and pension records fix his military service; widow Eleanor.*

*The birth of John Blair after whom it is said Blair County is named does not appear in published records. Probably 1765 or 66."*

I hope someone can use this.

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**MARRIAGE BONDS, VERSAILLES, WOODFORD CO., KY**

(Submitted by Lynn Warren, BSGR Mem. #647)

Found in our courthouse. Obviously one family of Blairs moved from Granger Co., TN. to Woodford Co., KY.

MGE BONDS Bk. 4, pg 455:

Joseph W. Blair, bond 7 Aug 1878. David Henderson, surety  
Marriage Date 8 Aug 1878  
Resides in Woodford Co., age 22, First marriage.  
Farmer  
Born in Granger Co., TN  
Parents born in "same"

Emma B. Henderson  
Resides in Woodford Co., age 23, First marriage

BOND BOOK pg. 436:

James N. Blair, bond 11 November 1893. John Lewis, surety  
Resides in Woodford Co., age 26, 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage, farmer  
Born in Scott Co., KY.  
Father born in Scott Co., KY. Mother in Owen Co., KY.

Minnie Lewis

Resides in Woodford Co., age 15. First marriage  
Born in Woodford Co.  
Father born in Woodford Co., KY. Mother in Fayette Co., KY.  
Marriage to be 15 November 1893  
Return: Marriage 16 November 1893 at residence of Jas. Lewis in Woodford Co., in presence of L. Redd?, Lewis Thompson, John Lewis and others

BOND BOOK 7, pg. 306-7

John C. Blair, bond 25 June 1896  
Resides Woodford Co., age 23, First marriage.  
Farmer  
Born in Granger Co., E. TN.  
Father and mother born "same"  
Miss Katie Marcum  
Resides in Woodford Co., age 16, First marriage  
Born in Lincoln Co., KY.  
Father and Mother born in Wayne Co., KY.

"Married at John Marcum's, father of bride, in  
Woodford Co., 25 June 1896"

"COLORED" BOND BOOK 2, pg. 156:

Marshall Blair, date of marriage 28 Sept 1871  
Resides in Woodford Co., age 26, first marriage,  
laborer  
Born in Woodford Co., KY.  
Father and mother born in KY.

Fanny Johnson  
Resides in Woodford Co., KY., age 23, first  
marriage  
Born in Woodford Co.; parents "same"

To be married at Dr. J. T. Graves, 28 Sept. 1871

"COLORED" BOND BOOK 3, pg. 224

Marshall Blair and Jane Speed, 4 July 1878  
Signed by Marshall Blair, M. Ford (his mark)  
(Bond NOT signed by clerk)  
No other information

"COLORED" BOND BOOK 7, pg. 256

William Blair, bond/marriage October 2, 1897  
Resides Woodford Co., age 24, first marriage,  
laborer  
Performed in Woodford Clerk's office in presence  
of R. H. Gray, A. Sublett and George Bohon  
Born in Jessamine Co., KY.

"Don't know" where father/mother born

Emma Pearson  
Resided Woodford Co., age 24, first marriage  
Born in Woodford Co.

"Don't know" where father/mother born

**Abstracts of Old Ninety-Six and Abbeville District, SC Wills and Bonds, by Pauline Young.**

Blair, Samuel : Box 4, Pack 76: Will dated Feb. 10, 1813. Proved Feb. 6, 1815. Exr: son, Jno.  
Wit: Sarah Milligan, A. Milligan, S. Steadman. Chn: Jno., Thos., Wm., Abigail Blair.  
Bates, Stephen: Box 5, Pack 83: Will dated Aug. 25, 1788. Proved Oct. 8, 1788. Exrs: Alexr.  
Clark, Ann, Fleming Bates. Wit: Wm. Hall, Arthur Patton, Jas. Hutcheson. Wife, Anne. Son, Jas.  
Alexander Bates. Inv. made on Oct. 8, 1788, by Wm. Clark, Wm. Scott, Saml. Blair.  
Clarke, Mary: Box 20, Pack 428: Will dated Nov. 8, 1802 in Abbeville Dist. Rec. 29, 1802. Exrs:  
Alexr. Houston, Alexr. Clark Jr. Wit: Saml. Blair, Jno. Hemphill and my sadel to her dtr. Nancy.  
Will negro to Jas. Bates. My colt to Jas. C. Hemphill.  
McCallister, Alexander: Box 57, Pack 1364: Will dated Nov. 28, 1809. Rec. Jan. 13, 1810. Exrs:  
Sons: Francis and John McCallister. Wit: Stephen Levit, Henry Milford, Wm. Milford. Wife:  
Sarah McCallister. Chn: Francis, Jno., Wm., Nathan, Andrew, Elizabeth, Rosey, Thos.,  
McCallister. Heirs: Wm., Alex., Sarah, John, Thos., Francis, Nathan, Elizabeth, Jean, Fanny  
McCallister. Wm. Lashly, Margaret, Sarah, Jas., Mary, Elizabeth, Samuel, Rosey Ann, Barbara  
Emeson, Mary Blair or Linly, Margaret, Elizabeth, Anney, John Blair, A. Washington  
McCallister, Barbara, Marthew and John Sr. McCallister.  
McCullough, James: Box 64, Pack 1524: Will dated Feb. 20, 1804 in Abbeville Dist. Rec. Mar.  
11, 1805. Exrs: Jno. Devlin, Jas. Stinson, Jno. Pressly, Chn: Wm., Elizabeth, Nancy, Hannah,  
Mary McCullough. S. I. Jno. Blair, Est. also admnr. Feb. 13, 1805 by Agnes McCullough, Jno.  
Cowan, Wm. Crawford in sum \$5,000.00.  
Pless, John M.: Box 75, Pack 1825: Est. admnr. Nov. 24, 1810 by Alexr. Jos., Benj. Houston of  
Abbeville Dist. bound to John Hamilton Ord., sum of \$1,000.00. Inv. made Dec. 7, 1810 by Jas.  
Hutcheson, Jos., Benj. Houston. Dec. 15, 1810 cash paid Phillip Pless \$24.02. Sale byrs: Robt.  
Smith, Alexr. Houston, Jas. Conner, Robt. Foster, Wm. Smith, Francis Carlile, Jos. Trimble,

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McCormick Co., SC Cemeteries, Modoc Baptist Church: Columbus L. Blair, 24 Oct. 1824 - 22  
Feb. 1907, Hulda Jennings Blair, no dates.

**Death Notices From The Canada Christian Advocate, 1858-1872**  
**by, Rev. Donald A. McKenzie**

Blair, John- was born in 1846 and died in Ross Twp., 29 July 1868. Dated at  
Irnprior, June 29<sup>th</sup>. Signed by William Blair, a brother of the deceased.

Blair, John- died 28 November 1868, in his 67<sup>th</sup> year. For a few years he was in California,  
but returned last Spring in declining health, and was cared for by a brother  
and sister-in-law. Sent from Norham, 3 February 1869.

Blair, Mrs. Margaret- An elderly widow, residing in Vaughan Twp., fell 75 feet from the  
Grand Trunk Railway Bridge over the Humber near Weston. Her  
body was taken from the water about 15 minutes after the accident,  
but she was dead. 29 April 1868.

Blair, Walter- Only son of G. N. Blair, died of consumption in Percy, 21 June 1865, in his  
18<sup>th</sup> year.

Oliphant, Mrs. E.- Was born in Quebec, 29 March 1801, and married Francis Blair when  
she was about 21. Twelve years later he died, leaving her with several  
children. In 1841, she married Aaron Oliphant of Toronto Twp. She  
died 3 August 1861, and was buried beside her first husband at  
Springfield. She is survived by her husband and children. Dated at  
Oakville, 2 September 1861.

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**Passengers To New Brunswick: The Custom House Records-**  
**1833, 34, 37 & 38**  
**by, The New Brunswick Genealogical Society,**  
**Saint John Branch**

From Londonderry, Ireland to St. John, New Brunswick, Canada, arriving 25 August 1838.  
A list of passengers on board the schooner Condor.

BLAIR, Robert, age 26, labourer, from Liffon  
BLAIR, Rebecca, age 24, spinster, from Liffon  
BLAIR, Isabella Ann, age 6, child, from Liffon  
BLAIR, Ann Jane, age 4, child, from Liffon  
BLAIR, William, age 8 months, child, from Liffon

From Glasgow, Scotland to St. John, New Brunswick, Canada, arriving 22 October 1815.  
A list of Passengers on board the ship Favorite.

BLAIR, Buchanan, age 22, labourer, from Down, Perthshire.

## INDEX TO VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS IN INDIAN WARS AND DISTURBANCES 1815-1858\*

- BLAIR, no given name, Pvt, srv in Milton's Arty Co of Smith's Regt of AL Mtd Vols in the Creek War
- Allen, Pvt, srv in Little's 2nd Regt of GA Mil in the Seminole War of 1817-18
- Andrew, Pvt, srv in Swaggerty's Co of 2nd GA Mtd Vols in the War of 1837-8
- Cobbert, Pvt, srv in Capt Boone's Co of the 2nd Regt in Whiteside's Brig of Mtd Vols in the IL Mil in the Black Hawk War
- Culverson, srv in Capt Hale's Co of the 4th Regt in the 3rd Brig of IL Mtd Vols in the Black Hawk War
- Elbert, Pvt, srv in Hill's Co of 2nd East FL Mtd Vols in the FL War
- Ellison J., Pvt, srv in Caldwell's Co of 1st TN Mtd Inf in the Cherokee War
- Ellison T. or Allison T., Pvt-Cpl, srv in Caldwell's Co of Lindsay's Regt of TN Mtd Vols in the Cherokee War
- George W., Ensign, srv in Webb's Co of 2nd AL Mtd Vols in the Creek War
- G. I., Pvt, srv in Newbern's Co of FL Mtd Vols in FL War
- G. I., Pvt, srv in Livingston's Co of Taylor's Bttn of Middle FL Mtd Vols in the FL War
- Henry S., Pvt, srv in Walker's Co of KS Mil Inf in the War of 1856 for 3 mths
- Jackson, Pvt, srv in Livingston's Co of 2nd East FL Mtd Vols in the FL War
- Jackson, Pvt, srv in Bradley's Co of the 13th Regt in the 1st Brig of FL Mtd Mil in the FL War
- Jackson, Pvt, srv in Livingston's Co of FL Mtd Mil in the FL War
- James, 1st Lt, srv in the Mtd Riflemen of the IL Vols in the Winnebago Indian Disturbances
- James C., 1st Sgt, srv in Thayer's Co of Brooks' 1st MI Mil in the Black Hawk War
- James H., Pvt, srv in Capt Arnett's Co of the 1st Regt in the 3rd Brig of IL Mtd Vols in the Black Hawk War
- James J., Maj, srv in the Field & Staff or Blair's Bttn of AL Mil in the Creek War
- James J., Pvt, srv in Brock's Co of Nelson's Bttn of GA Mtd Mil in the FL War
- James R., Pvt, srv in Baker's Co of the 2nd GA Mtd Vols in the War of 1837-8
- Jesse, Pvt, srv in Patton's Co of Turk's 2nd GA Mil in the Cherokee War
- Johnson K., Pvt, srv in Hill's Co of 1st TN Inf in the Cherokee War
- Joseph, Pvt, srv in DeLaperriere's Co of Alford's Bttn of GA Mtd Vols in the Creek War
- Joseph, Pvt, srv in Smith's & Berry's Companys of the 1st GA Drafted Mil in the Creek War
- Nathaniel S., Pvt, srv in West's Co of 2nd TN Mtd Inf & Vols in the Cherokee War
- R., Pvt, srv in Jones' Co of Wood's Bttn, 3rd Brig of GA Mil Inf in the Creek War
- Riche, Ensign, srv in Livingston's Co of FL Mtd Mil in the FL War
- Samuel, Pvt, srv in Dell's Co of 4th FL Mil in the FL War
- Sam'l, Pvt, srv in Marshall's Co of Comb's KY Mtd Gunmen called out for the protection of the Sabine Frontier in 1836 under authority of Gen'l Gaines
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- Serner B., Pvt, srv in Yoakum's Co of TN Mtd Vols called out for the protection of the Sabine Frontier in 1836 under authority of Gen'l Gaines
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- Thomas, Pvt, srv in Yoakum's Co of TN Mtd Vols called out for the protection of the Sabine Frontier in 1836 under authority of Gen'l Gaines
- Thomas C., Pvt, srv in Bobo's Co of Wilson's 5th Bttn of GA Mtd Vols in the FL War
- William, Pvt, srv in Beauchamp's Co of the 42nd AL Mil in the Creek War
- William, Pvt, srv in Brewster's Co of Stokes' 1st GA Mil in the Cherokee War
- William, Pvt, srv in Capt Duncan's Co of Dodge's Mtd Riflemen in the IL Vols in the Black Hawk War
- William, Musician, srv in Capt Dowling's Co of Arty in the 27th Regt of IL Mil in the Black Hawk War
- William, Pvt, srv in Capt Bailey's Co of Col Moore's Regt of Mtd Vols in the IL Mil in the Black Hawk War
- William, Pvt, srv in Capt Barney's Co of the 3rd Regt in Whiteside's Brig of Mtd Vols in the IL Mil in the Black Hawk War
- William, Pvt, srv in Hill's Co of 1st TN Inf in the Cherokee War
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- William H., Pvt, srv in West's Co of 2nd TN Mtd Inf & Vols in the Cherokee War
- Wm. L., Pvt, srv in Shelley's Co of Talladega Rangers in the AL Mil in the FL War, it was determined by the War Dept on 9 Aug 1894 that the unit in which this man srv was not in the Military service of the US
- BLAIRE, James, Pvt, srv in Capt Tate's Co of Indpt Riflemen in the 1st Regt of Whiteside's Brig of Mtd Vols in the IL Mil in the Black Hawk War

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