

Carlin. They have three children:—a.—John Ewell, b.—Mary Louise Ewell, c.—Joseph Scott Ewell, Jr.

a.—John Ewell was born March 6, 1888, and married on October 19, 1924, Mary Orme Nuñez, born May 3, 1893, daughter of Adrian Nunez and his wife, Lillian Breaux. They now reside in Port Arthur, Texas, at 3425 Eighth Street, and have no children.

b.—Mary Louise Ewell was born October 23, 1892, and was married on December 31, 1912, to Dr. Presley Aloysius Kibbe, born January 15, 1890, son of Dr. Joseph Kibbe and his wife, Pauline Derouen. They now live at 910 Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana. They have two children:—Presley Aloysius Kibbe, Jr., born October 29, 1913, and Mary Louise Kibbe, born October 1, 1915.

c.—Joseph Scott Ewell, Jr., was born in Abbeville, Louisiana, on October 19, 1900. He married on September 8, 1924, Blanche Tanner, born September 27, 1904, daughter of Charles Tillman Tanner and his wife, Lenora Blanche Hetherwick. They now reside in Cheneyville, Louisiana, and have one child, Joseph Scott Ewell, III, born July 29, 1925.

2.—George Foster Curry was born April 5, 1872, and died on February 27, 1901, unmarried.

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Almost the entire material for this chapter was furnished by Dr. Leroy Havard Scott of Shreveport, Louisiana, a direct descendant of Rev. Alexander H. Scott and his second wife, Elizabeth (Robert) Grimball. Dr. Scott was indefatigable in his efforts to write to and interview everyone possessing knowledge of the Scott family. Knowing his proclivities for truth and exactness of detail the writer does not hesitate to accept the data given herein as being beyond dispute.

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CHAPTER XXI.

THE JAUDON FAMILY.

Jaudon is not an uncommon name in France, and there seem to be three distinct groups of the name in America. One is the Catholic branch, which is quite numerous in South Louisiana, and the other two are the descendants of the Huguenot branch of the name, viz.: those who settled in Pennsylvania, and those who settled in South Carolina. Edwin J. Sellers, author of the "*Jaudon Family of Pennsylvania*", tells us that the early members of this family spelled the name *Jodon* and *Jaudon* at various times. He further tells us that the Jaudons in their native country were salt makers, vine growers and silk producers. The chapter we are here writing is particularly interested in the South Carolina Jaudons, who were very probably related to those in Pennsylvania. Two hundred and fifty years have elapsed since our Jaudons with other French and Swiss refugees landed on the coast of South Carolina. This branch of the family came from the Isle of Ré, just off the coast of France, in the Bay of Biscay.

Some records of our Jaudons are inclined to be confusing as to who was the first of the name to reach South Carolina. We have been told by some of our family historians that Elie (Elias) Jaudon came over with his wife and two children. This Elie Jaudon lived on the Isle of Ré and there married Sara Bertonneau, daughter of Jacques and Elizabeth Bertonneau. They had two children, Esther and Daniel. Baird in his history of "Huguenot Emigration to America", Vol. I, page 310, mentions among the refugees who came to South Carolina, "*Daniel Jodon and Sara Bertonneau his mother.*" If Elie Jaudon (the father and husband) had been with them he surely would have also mentioned him. Very soon after the period of their landing we find mention of Sara Bertonneau as the wife of Pierre Michaud, which shows conclusively that Elie Jaudon had died before she and her two children left France, and that she had remarried. This puts us in a position to state definitely that Daniel and Esther Jaudon, children of Elie Jaudon and Sara Bertonneau, were the first of that name to come to South Carolina, and, as far as we know, none of that name ever came there

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later. This Daniel is the progenitor of all the South Carolina Jaudons. Of course there are their relatives bearing other names who descend through Esther, Daniel's only sister. She married Abraham Michaud, brother of her mother's second husband (Pierre Michaud). The only information we have is that Abraham Michaud and Esther Jaudon had three children:—Jeane, Esther, and Charlotte. Of these we know that Jeane married Moise Carion and had a son, Honoré Carion.

Most of the early settlers of America were forced here by reason of political and religious persecution, especially is this the case with the Puritans and Huguenots. The latter were not free to leave their native land, but had to escape by stealth. Consequently many of them brought but few worldly goods with them, especially was this true as to any papers or records which would enable us at this distant period to trace their genealogy. We know that Daniel Jaudon was our first ancestor of that name on this continent, and we are relatively sure of his origin for three generations before him. Mr. Virgil Jaudon of Kansas City, Missouri (died in 1935), was much interested in his family history and did considerable research along those lines. His findings have been kindly furnished us by Miss Lily Frances Stafford of Lawton, Oklahoma, a niece of Mr. Jaudon.

We learn from Mr. Virgil Jaudon's papers that Francois Jaudon and his wife, Marie Roy, resided in the parish of Maise, in the city and barony of Soubise, a small city in France, at the mouth of the Charente river, in the district of Charente Inferieure, Province of Saintouge. Soubise is just south of La Rochelle on the Bay of Biscay. The marriage contract of their son, Pierre, mentions Francois as a vinegrower and also gives his residence. This marriage contract is printed in "An Account of the Jaudon Family", by Edwin Jaquett Sellers of Philadelphia, on page 4, and published in 1890. The date of Francois Jaudon's birth is not known, but approximation suggests about 1590. As far as we know he had but two children, Daniel and Pierre, although there may have been more.

Daniel Jaudon, son of Francois Jaudon and Marie Roy, was born at Soubise about 1615. The only official record we have of him appears in the contract of his brother Pierre's marriage on September 2, 1643, which shows his presence there. As there were no other brothers mentioned in this document, it is rea-

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sonable to suppose that they were the only sons of Francois Jaudon. We know that Pierre Jaudon had a son Daniel who married on January 15, 1668, Susanne Gazeau. Their marriage contract appears in Mr. Seller's work mentioned above, and in it is stated that Daniel's "first cousin on his father's side, Francois Jaudon", was present. This Francois must necessarily have been a son of Daniel Jaudon, and if so, we know that the said Daniel (son of Francois Jaudon and Marie Roy, who was born about 1615) was married and probably had other children. We therefore feel justified in concluding (and it takes no great stretch of the imagination to do so) that this Daniel was the father of Elie Jaudon of the Isle of Ré, which was immediately opposite Soubise, in the Bay of Biscay, and was an island of about eighteen miles in length. The fact that Elie names his only son *Daniel* not only suggests that he named him for his (Elie's) father, but definitely connects him with the Soubise family of Jaudons.

It has not been ascertained when Daniel, son of Francois Jaudon and Marie Roy, married, or whether he remained at Soubise or removed to the Isle of Ré where we subsequently meet his son, Elie. We have been unable to trace anything further about his son, Francois, beyond the fact of his being at the marriage of his first cousin, as mentioned above. Elie Jaudon was born either at Soubise or on the Isle of Ré, we do not know which. He married Sara Bertonneau, daughter of Jacques and Elizabeth Bertonneau, both natives of the Isle of Ré. As previously stated, they had two children, Daniel and Esther Jaudon, also born on the Isle of Ré, and who came to South Carolina with their mother and step-father about 1696. 1686
From an old manuscript list of French and Swiss Protestants settled in Charleston, on the Santee, and at the Orange Quarter in Carolina, who desired naturalization, prepared probably about 1695-8, we find:—

"Pierre Michaud, fils de Jean Michaud et de Catherine Michaud de la Viledieu d'Onai, province de Poitou; Sara Michaud, sa femme, fille de Jacques Bertonneau et Elizabeth Bertonneau, née en l'Isle de Ré, ci-devant femme de Elie Jodon. Abraham Michaud, frere du susdit Pierre Michaud: idem, et Ester Michaud, sa femme, fille d'Elie Jodon et Sara Jodon, née en l'Isle de Ré; Jeane, Ester, Charlotte Michaud, leurs enfants, née en Caroline. Daniel Jodon, fils d'Elie Jodon et Sara Jodon, née l'Isle de Ré."

We now return to our first settler, Daniel Jaudon. As has been previously stated, all Jaudons and their descendants of the South Carolina origin spring from this pioneer, son of Elie Jaudon and Sara Bertonneau, who about 1696, when a boy of twelve or thirteen years of age, was exiled from his native land by the tenets embodied in the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes. With his mother, her second husband, and his sister Esther he was driven from his beloved Isle of Ré. They hurriedly escaped and after a long and stormy voyage across the Atlantic landed on the then wild coast of South Carolina, where, at what was then designated as *French Santee*, they joined others of their faith under the religious leadership of that hardy pioneer, the Rev. Pierre Robert. About 1707 Daniel Jaudon married Elizabeth ————. It has seemed impossible to obtain her family name. We have no record of the dates of their deaths, but know they were living as late as 1724. They had eight children whose names and dates of birth we find in "Annals and Registers of St. Thomas and St. Denis Parishes, South Carolina." They were recorded as follows:—

- A.—Daniel Jaudon, born January 19, 1709.
- B.—Susanne Elizabeth Jaudon, born April 30, 1711.
- C.—Noah Jaudon, born July 2, 1713.
- D.—Elias Jaudon, born August 21, 1715.
- E.—Matthew Jaudon, born September 23, 1717.
- F.—Sarah Jaudon, born September 24, 1719.
- G.—Esther Jaudon, born June 27, 1722.
- H.—Paul Jaudon, born September 21, 1724.

Of the first three of these above mentioned children we have no further record and it is quite probable that they died in early life. The same applies to the fifth (Matthew) and the seventh (Esther). So of the eight children of Daniel and Elizabeth Jaudon, the emigrants, we have been able to trace descendants of only three, viz.: Elias, Sarah, and Paul.

D.—Elias Jaudon, fourth child of Daniel and Elizabeth Jaudon, was born at French Santee, South Carolina, August 21, 1715. He married about 1736 Elizabeth Robert, born about 1716, daughter of Pierre Robert, Jr., and his second wife, Judith Videau, and a grand-daughter of Rev. Pierre Robert, the

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^{of St. James, James town, French Santee}
first Huguenot preacher in South Carolina. Family tradition tells us that Elias Jaudon was a Councillor of State and also Captain of the Santee company of militia. When the people of South Carolina over-threw the Proprietary Government and the British Crown took charge of affairs there under the regime known as "The Royal Government", the governor of the province was authorized to appoint twelve men to act as Councillors or Members of the Upper House. It was of this body that Elias Jaudon was said to have been a member. We have definite information of two children born to Elias Jaudon and Elizabeth Robert (there may have been more). They were:—

- 1.—Elias Jaudon, Jr., born May 17, 1739.
- 2.—James Elias Jaudon, born January 17, 1745.

Mrs. Annie E. Miller, in her book, "OUR FAMILY CIRCLE", on page 194, tells us that Elias Jaudon and Elizabeth Robert had five children:— Elias, Jr., Sarah, Paul, David, and Elisha. She does not mention *James Elias Jaudon* as one of them. Then on page 201 she tells us that this same couple had two children, and gives their names as we have above. She evidently did not realize that the Elias Jaudon mentioned on the two different pages in her book was the same person. We are very much inclined to believe that the four additional children (Sarah, Paul, David, and Elisha) she gives Elias Jaudon and Elizabeth Robert credit for, were actually their children, and that they had six instead of two. However, we have nothing with which to prove this statement. The interval of nearly six years between the two children we have records of would naturally incline us to believe there were others—particularly as *contraception* was unknown in those days. We hope that records will yet be found which will clarify this matter. We find the name of an *Elisha Jaudon* as one of the executors of Paul Jaudon's will (youngest brother of the Elias we now have under consideration), and it is not unlikely that he was the Elisha Jaudon mentioned above as one of the *dubious* children of Elias. The will was made in 1769 and the executors named are "James Bernard, Elisha Jaudon, and my son Paul Jaudon."

1.—Elias Jaudon, Jr., son of Elias Jaudon and Elizabeth Robert, was born on May 17, 1739, probably in St. Thomas Parish, South Carolina. In the issue of the SOUTH CAROLINA

GAZETTE of Wednesday, February 14, 1770, we find the following item:—

“Married:—Mr. Elias Jaudon to Miss Mary Dickson, daughter of the deceased Captain Thomas Dickson.”

The bride's full name was Mary Hyrne ^{Dixon} Dickson (usually spelled Dixon), and her mother was Elizabeth Smith, daughter of the Second Landgrave Thomas Smith and his second wife, Mary Hyrne. This Thomas Smith, ^{UN-}like his father of the same name before him, was ^{NOT} governor of South Carolina. From the best information obtainable Mary Hyrne Dickson was born about 1753 and died in 1797. Eleven children were born of this marriage, an account of whom will be found on page 204 of “OUR FAMILY CIRCLE”, by Mrs. Annie E. Miller.

2.—James Elias Jaudon, second son of Elias Jaudon and Elizabeth Robert, is generally recorded as *James Jaudon*, the middle name given above being omitted—indeed, we have some very serious doubts about the existence of that middle name. He married on May 28, 1789, Eleanor Sarah Anderson, born on December 3, 1771. The disparity in their ages inclines us to believe that she may have been his second wife, as it was quite unusual in those days for a man to marry for the first time at the age of forty-four. His death occurred on December 1, 1807. His widow then married Rev. George Kempton, born October 27, 1774, and died May 17, 1826. Two children were born of this second marriage:—George Kempton, Jr., born August 29, 1810, and Mary Elizabeth Ann Kempton, born December 25, 1813. Eleanor Sarah (Anderson) Jaudon-Kempton died on August 11, 1855, at the age of eighty-three.

James Elias Jaudon and Eleanor Sarah Anderson had eight children whose names and dates of birth are verified from the records of the Benjamin Jaudon family Bible as may be seen on a subsequent page. These children were:—

- a.—Daniel Jaudon, born June 22, 1790.
- b.—Peter Jaudon, born December 17, 1791.
- c.—Elias Jaudon, born November 3, 1793.
- d.—Benjamin Jaudon, born November 11, 1795.
- e.—Elizabeth Mary Jaudon, born January 3, 1798.
- f.—Charles Jaudon, born October 16, 1799.
- g.—John Jaudon, born March 17, 1802.
- h.—Elias James William Josias Jaudon, born February 4, 1805.

Of these children, a.—Daniel died on December 10, 1813, and as far as we can ascertain never married. Three of them died in infancy:—c.—Elias on September 12, 1795; e.—Elizabeth Mary in 1798; g.—John on October 5, 1805.

b.—Peter Jaudon married Mary Meller Singleton and died on December 17, 1824, leaving two children:—az.—Benjamin James Jaudon, bz.—Harriet Sarah Jaudon.

az.—Benjamin James Jaudon married Martha Lawton, daughter of Benjamin Themistocles Dion Lawton (son of Joseph Lawton, Jr., and Sarah Robert) and Jane Mosse (daughter of Dr. George Mosse and his second wife, Dorothy Phoebe Norton). Jane Mosse was the eldest of seven sisters. Benjamin James Jaudon and Martha Lawton had seven children:—James, Rosa Meller, Harriet, un-named infant, Lawton, Robert, and Mildred.

bz.—Harriet Sarah Jaudon was married to Winborn Joseph Lawton, brother of Martha Lawton who married her brother. They had no children. After her death Mr. Lawton married Sarah Lewis by whom he had four children.

d.—Benjamin Jaudon, fourth child of James Elias Jaudon and Eleanor Sarah Anderson, married Sarah Thirza Polhill on May 18, 1826. She was very probably the second child of Thomas Polhill, II, and his first wife, Thirza Lawton, and was born on August 2, 1809. Her death occurred on January 17, 1870. She is recorded on page 156 in “OUR FAMILY CIRCLE” as Sarah *Judith* Polhill, but according to the family Bible the middle name there given is erroneous and should be *Thirza*. There were twelve children born of this marriage, and with this large family (except the second child) Benjamin Jaudon left his home near Robertville, South Carolina, in 1857, and moved to Kansas City, Missouri. There this old Patriarch settled and built a new home for his tribe, and in the vicinity of that now prosperous city of the middle west many of his children's descendants yet reside. His children were:—

- az.—Sarah Norroway Jaudon, born March 11, 1827.
- bz.—Mary Ellen Jaudon, born October 30, 1828.
- cz.—Juliana Adelaide Jaudon, born July 26, 1830.
- dz.—Benjamin Anderson Jaudon, born June 11, 1832.
- ez.—Laura Josephine Jaudon, born April 5, 1834.
- fz.—Thomas Polhill Jaudon, born June 29, 1835.
- gz.—Matilda Ann Jaudon, born September 3, 1837.

- hz.—James Adoniram Jaudon, born October 15, 1839.
 iz.—Caroline Alice Jaudon, born January 9, 1842.
 jz.—George Kincaid Jaudon, born June 27, 1845.
 kz.—Lewis Shuck Jaudon, born October 3, 1847.
 lz.—Cordelia Jaudon, born June 19, 1849.

It is to be regretted that we have not a complete record of the descendants of these children. The sixth, fz.—Thomas Polhill Jaudon, left three sons:—Benjamin, Rev. R. F., and Virgil Hardin Jaudon. The last mentioned died in 1937 and it was he who was so interested in the Jaudon genealogy and furnished much of the information of the early history of the family which we have recorded in the beginning of this chapter. The other two sons of Thomas Polhill Jaudon are yet living in Kansas City as far as we know.

bz.—Mary Ellen Jaudon, second child of Benjamin Jaudon and Sarah Thirza Polhill, was married to William John Stafford on September 13, 1849, who was an only son of James Spicer Stafford and Ann Riley. William John Stafford was born on June 19, 1825, at *Sister's Ferry* on the Savannah river, near Robertville, South Carolina. His father, familiarly known as "Spice" Stafford, operated this ferry for many years. For his antecedents see Chapter I, Part One, in this book, under heading of William Stafford V.

William John Stafford after marrying Mary Ellen Jaudon lived near a place known as "Stafford Crossroads", in what is now Hampton county, not very far distant from Robertville. His plantation was called the "Hermitage". He served in the Confederate Army, and his property was in the line of General Sherman's march to the sea and was consequently pillaged and devastated in a very marked degree, in fact there was nothing left except the land and it presented such a bleak and desolate appearance that William John Stafford became utterly discouraged and in 1868 left what remained of the wreck and moved with his family to Kansas City, Missouri, where his wife's people had gone before the Civil War. He settled on a farm a few miles out of the city and tried to start life anew. He died there about one year later, on November 25, 1869. His wife survived him many years, dying on May 1, 1906. They had nine children:—

- Sarah Ann Stafford, born July 13, 1850.
 Benjamin Spicer Stafford, born December 21, 1853.

- William John Stafford, born December 22, 1855, ^{25 Nov 1859 Census, m. 459}
 Herbert Winfield Stafford, born October 22, 1857, ^{5 Aug 1936 Kansas City, Mo.}
 Mary Ellen Stafford, born December 26, 1859, ^{d. 22 March 1961 Kansas City}
 Susan Jane Stafford, born September 19, 1861.
 Frances Adelaide Stafford, born June 3, 1863.
 Rev. Thomas Polhill Stafford, born February 17, 1866, ^{-23 Jan. 1942 Kansas City}
 Gulielma Norroway Stafford, born October 13, 1867.

All of the above children were born on "Hermitage" plantation, near "Stafford Crossroads", Hampton county, South Carolina. The fourth in order of birth, Herbert Winfield Stafford, died in Kansas City on August 5, 1936, and the eighth, Thomas Polhill Stafford, who was a Baptist minister and the author of several books, died at his home in Kansas City on January 23, 1942.

Benjamin Spicer Stafford, the second child and eldest son of William John Stafford and Mary Ellen Jaudon, is now living at the age of 88 in Lawton, Oklahoma. He married Susanna Fleming on July 7, 1886, and has three daughters:—

- Lily Frances Stafford, born April 11, 1887.
 Martha Susan Stafford, born February 27, 1889.
 Mary Ellen Stafford, born August 3, 1899.

For further information about them see Chapter I, Part One, in this book, under the heading of William Stafford V.

f.—Charles Jaudon, sixth child of James Elias Jaudon and Eleanor Sarah Anderson, was born in South Carolina on October 16, 1799. He is particularly interesting as having been a rival for the matrimonial honors of which Henry VIII, King of England, was so famous. In her admirable book, "OUR FAMILY CIRCLE", Mrs. Annie E. Miller heads one of her chapters with "CHARLES JAUDON and his FIVE MARRIAGES". Had she delayed publication for a few years she could have changed the numeral adjective in her caption of this chapter, as the present writer now has definite information that the renowned Charles was married *six times*. Benjamin Spicer Stafford, mentioned above as living in Lawton, Oklahoma, is a great nephew of Charles Jaudon and can remember him quite well, being thirty years old when the venerable Charles passed away. He states positively that his uncle was six times married and gives his wives' names as follows:—The first was a Miss Wall who died early, leaving no issue; the others in succession were,

Elizabeth Ann Robinson, Susan Stokes, Ann Blount, Amanda L. Mallory, and Mary Eliza Brown. This muchly married man died on January 16, 1884, at the age of eighty-five years. An account of his descendants will be found in that frequently referred to book, "OUR FAMILY CIRCLE", on page 201.

h.—Elias James William Josias Jaudon, youngest child of James Elias Jaudon and Eleanor Sarah Anderson, was born in South Carolina on February 4, 1805. He moved to Savannah, Georgia, and whether he married there or not we are unable to say. There seems to be nothing known of him.

F.—Sarah Jaudon, sixth child of Daniel (the first settler) and Elizabeth Jaudon, was born at French Santee, South Carolina, on September 24, 1719. She was married to Jacques (James) Robert, son of Pierre Robert, Jr., and grandson of the Rev. Pierre Robert, the first Huguenot preacher in South Carolina. Jacques Robert was a brother of Elizabeth Robert who married Elias Jaudon, brother of the Sarah we now have under consideration. From this marriage has sprung a numerous progeny—so numerous indeed, that a full account of them would fill a volume. For further data on this branch consult Chapter XVIII in Part Two of this book and also page 208 in "OUR FAMILY CIRCLE".

H.—Paul Jaudon, eighth child of Daniel (the first settler) and Elizabeth Jaudon, was born in French Santee, South Carolina, on September 21, 1724. Heretofore he has been recorded in various manuscripts relating to the family as marrying *Martha Guerin*. This is undoubtedly a mistake, as has been proven to our satisfaction by information furnished by Dr. Eugene Keene Jaudon of Miami, Florida. The Paul Jaudon who married Martha Guerin was, beyond question, a son of the Paul we now have under consideration. Dr. Jaudon is the true historian of the southern branch of the Jaudon family and has done much valuable research along those lines. Though confined to his bed for many years from incurable maladies he continued unabated his efforts to solve the intricate genealogy of this family. The following quotation from one of his letters to the writer is characteristic of his "never-say-die" Huguenot tenacity:—"You know, I have Meniere's disease, angina pectoris, coronary sclerosis, arthritis, and an aneurism of the left carotid artery. So you see I am quite a cripple, but am in hopes

that I can finish the "JAUDON FAMILY—SOUTHERN BRANCH" before I cash in." The writer at the time added a fervent *Amen* to this. But since then the inevitable has happened and this good man passed away on Friday, December 19, 1941. Every one in any way related to the Jaudons should always love his memory for the work he has done.

Dr. Jaudon kindly sent the writer a copy of a will taken from ABSTRACT BOOK OF WILLS, PROBATE COURT, Charleston, South Carolina, 1774 - 1779, page 30. This will was made by Paul Jaudon on March 19, 1769, and his son Paul Jaudon, qualified as executor on January 24, 1774. This would indicate that the maker of the will died late in 1773 or early in 1774. The Paul Jaudon who made this will was undoubtedly the eighth child of Daniel and Elizabeth Jaudon whom we have just recorded as having been born on September 21, 1724. Dr. Jaudon informed us that from data in his possession this Paul Jaudon married Margaret LeBray on December 21, 1743, being at the time nineteen years and three months of age. In the will he describes himself as "Paul Jaudon of Prince George Parish, South Carolina". Prince George Parish was a short distance north of French Santee where all the children of Daniel and Elizabeth Jaudon were born. He leaves to "my beloved wife Margaret, a negro girl, my riding chair, horse, bed and furniture." His lands were to be equally divided between his two sons, Paul and Samuel Jaudon. His personal estate was to be sold, one year credit, and the money arising to be divided into seven equal parts:—one seventh to his wife Margaret, one seventh shall be bought in negroes for his daughter Margaret during her life and after her death to the heirs of her body, and in default thereof to be equally divided between his children then alive, and it was further stipulated that the said negroes should not be sold or hired for any time during her natural life by herself or husband. One seventh was to go to his daughter Esther, one seventh to his son Paul, one seventh to his son Samuel, one seventh to his daughter Judith, and one seventh to his daughter Lydia. The executors named were James Bernard, Elisha Jaudon, and his son Paul Jaudon. The will, as before stated, was dated March 19, 1769, and was witnessed by William Walker, Henry Tognon, and Anthony Morris. Paul Jaudon qualified as executor before John Pamor on January 24, 1774.

The children were named in the will in the order given above and it is reasonable to conclude that they were named in the order of their ages. According to this supposition Paul was the third child and was very probably born about 1747—it was necessary that he be at least twenty-one years of age in 1769 when his father made his will and appointed him one of the executors. So according to this authentic source of information the children of Paul Jaudon and Margaret LeBray were:—

- 1.—Margaret Jaudon, born about 1744.
- 2.—Esther Jaudon, born about 1745.
- 3.—Paul Jaudon, born about 1747.
- 4.—Samuel Jaudon, born about 1750.
- 5.—Judith Jaudon, born about 1752.
- 6.—Lydia Jaudon, born about 1755.

These children were all living in 1769 when their father made his will, the youngest at the time being not less than fourteen years of age. It is quite likely, therefore, that many descendants of this Paul Jaudon are now living in this country. We regret that we only have a record of those of his son Paul.

1.—Margaret Jaudon, eldest child of Paul Jaudon and Margaret LeBray, was born in Prince George Parish, South Carolina, about 1744. Her father indicates in his will in 1769 that she is married at that time but has no children. Her husband's name was Durvine or Durwine. We have no further information about her.

Of the other daughters, Esther, Judith and Lydia, we have no data whatever. Of the second son, Samuel Jaudon, we know nothing except that he was living in 1775. The issue of the *SOUTH CAROLINA GAZETTE* of Friday, July 7, 1775, contains the following item:—

“Married:—Mr. Samuel Jaudon to Miss Elizabeth Atkinson.”

3.—Paul Jaudon, third child of Paul Jaudon and Margaret LeBray, was born in Prince George Parish, South Carolina, about 1747. He married on January 5, 1772, Martha Guerin, daughter of Peter Guerin and Mary Ann Norman. We have definite information of at least one child, a.—Paul Jaudon, born of this marriage, who according to the register of St. Thomas Parish, South Carolina, was baptized on May 25, 1773. As

children were baptized when very young in those days he was probably born in the early months of 1773. So many church and civil records were burned and destroyed in that section of South Carolina during General Sherman's famous march to the sea that it is a difficult matter to obtain much needed genealogical data at this time. We feel definitely certain that Paul Jaudon and Martha Guerin had more than one child, and that besides Paul already mentioned they had a daughter named Esther who was born on July 12, 1777. It was she who married Paul Grimbald and came to Louisiana with him. There she reared a large family and died at Cheneyville, in Rapides parish, where her tombstone may be seen today. See Chapter XIX.

a.—Paul Jaudon, son of Paul Jaudon and Martha Guerin, was born either in the Parish of Prince George or that of St. Thomas, in South Carolina in 1773. He was baptized in St. Thomas Parish on May 25, 1773, so it is likely that his parents had moved there. All we know of his wife is that she was named Elizabeth. His will was dated July 15, 1814, and in it he names his five children as follows:—Paul, James Bell, Samuel, Esther (Big Auntie), Sarah Elizabeth (Little Auntie). We only have records of two of the above children, viz: az.—Paul Jaudon, and bz.—James Bell Jaudon.

az.—Paul Jaudon, eldest son of Paul and Elizabeth Jaudon, was born about 1805. His wife was also named Elizabeth. They had four children:—Adam who died in the Civil War and whose name is on the Confederate monument in Georgetown, South Carolina; James who lost a leg in the Civil War; Emma of whom we have no data; Esther Eliza who married Samuel Bryan and had fifteen children all of whom died young except John James, Gabriel Rembert, and Henrietta Bryan.

bz.—James Bell Jaudon, second son of Paul and Elizabeth Jaudon, and grandson of Paul Jaudon and Martha Guerin, was born on August 4, 1807. He married Amelia Nancy Bell on November 1, 1834, and died on May 12, 1868. Twelve children were born of this marriage:—

Paul Benjamin Jaudon, the eldest, was born August 24, 1835, and was the father of Dr. Eugene Keene Jaudon who furnished us with much of this data. We will refer to him and his descendants later.

Elizabeth Esther Jaudon, the second child, was born August 29, 1837. She never married and died of typhoid fever on July 3, 1853.

Sarah Susan Jaudon, third child, was born November 4, 1839, never married and died of pulmonary tuberculosis on February 23, 1899.

Samuel William Alexander Jaudon, fourth child, was born August 6, 1841. He never married and died of pulmonary tuberculosis on May 15, 1870.

Mary Martha Jaudon, fifth child, was born February 25, 1843. She never married and died of cancer of the uterus on August 13, 1893.

James Bell Jaudon, Jr., sixth child, was born February 5, 1845. He never married and died of cancer of the throat on March 10, 1918.

Patrick Isaac Jaudon, seventh child, was born January 19, 1847, and died of cancer of the throat.

Thomas Lee Jaudon, eighth child, was born March 19, 1849. He married but we have no record of any children. He died of chronic prostatitis on July 22, 1932.

John Calhoun Jaudon, ninth child, was born February 21, 1851. He never married and died from tetanus, caused by an assassin shooting him through the left shoulder, on August 21, 1909.

Francis Marion Jaudon, tenth child, was born April 20, 1853. He never married and died of pulmonary tuberculosis on January 11, 1903.

Emma Anna Jaudon, eleventh child, was born November 3, 1855. She was married to Walter Harley on October 25, 1877. She was living in 1940, but we have been unable to ascertain if there were any children.

Amelia Nancy Jaudon, twelfth child, was born May 9, 1858. She was married on October 25, 1877, to Wade Hampton Harley. She and her sister had a double wedding. She is living at this date but we have no record of any children.

We will now return to Paul Benjamin Jaudon, eldest child of James Bell Jaudon and Amelia Nancy Bell. He married on

February 22, 1866, Frances Melvina Shuler who was born October 30, 1845. He died May 7, 1909, and she on August 13, 1928. They had eleven children:—

- i.—Eugene Keene Jaudon, born January 27, 1867.
- ii.—Pauline Bell Jaudon, born February 28, 1869.
- iii.—Paul Benjamin Jaudon, born September 15, 1871.
- iv.—James Franklin Jaudon, born October —, 1873.
- v.—Josephine Jaudon, born May 31, 1876.
- vi.—Lorena Jaudon, born March 23, 1878.
- vii.—Louise Jaudon, born September 15, 1880.
- viii.—Irene Jaudon, born August 9, 1882.
- ix.—Ivan Shelby Jaudon, born July 20, 1886.
- x.—Harold St. Julian Jaudon, born November 26, 1890.
- xi.—Marksie Jaudon, born November 26, 1890.

i.—Eugene Keene Jaudon was born in South Carolina and when three years of age his father moved to Waco, Texas, where he remained until 1881. His father then moved to Orlando, Florida. Eugene Keene Jaudon first took a course in surveying and worked at that for some time. He then decided to study medicine and in 1893 he went to Charleston and entered the Medical College of South Carolina. He received his degree in medicine in 1896 and served as interne in the "City Hospital" there, 1896 - 1897. He did private practice at Lone Star, South Carolina, for three years, then went to Georgetown where he was surgeon for the Georgetown and Western Railway, and for the Atlantic Lumber Corporation. In January, 1904, he settled down permanently to private practice in Miami, Florida, where he became prominently identified in hospital and health work. In 1917 he was the examiner for the Local Exemption Board in that locality. In November of that year he was commissioned a Captain in the U. S. Medical Corps and was honorably discharged on December 4, 1918, at General Hospital No. 30, Plattsburg, New York, where he had been stationed. In 1930 Dr. Jaudon was compelled on account of the state of his health to give up his work, and since that time has been almost constantly in a hospital. As was previously stated, he has devoted most of his time when able to genealogical research. On July 6, 1898, he married his first cousin, Lillie Lee Harley, who was born on August 5, 1878. Her mother was a sister of Dr. Jaudon's father. They had one child, Hermione Jaudon, born March 14, 1906, and died on September 29, 1926, while at Agnes

Scott College, in Decatur, Georgia, of heart disease. Her death was a sudden and instantaneous affair. Dr. Jaudon died on Friday, December 19, 1941.

ii.—Pauline Bell Jaudon died on August 13, 1929, of Bright's Disease. She was married to Robert Rives Taylor, a prominent attorney. They had three children:—

Mildred Taylor, born February 23, 1889.
Robert Rives Taylor, Jr., born February 16, 1891.
Paul Charles Taylor, born November 4, 1893.

Mildred Taylor, eldest of these children, was married on December 21, 1914, to Edward Harris Rhodes, a prominent printer and publisher of Miami. They have no children.

Robert Rives Taylor, Jr., married first Mary Lee Byrd, born August 26, 1894. After her death he married Freda Renfree. There are no children by either marriage. Mr. Taylor is a prominent attorney, and is now attorney for Dade county, Florida.

Paul Charles Taylor is also a prominent attorney. He married Gertrude Jackson Parkhurst and they have one child, a daughter.

iii.—Paul Benjamin Jaudon never married and is living at this date (1940).

iv.—James Franklin Jaudon died on February 22, 1938. He married on November 22, 1911, Maude Coachman. They had no children.

v.—Josephine Jaudon died on May 26, 1877, from acute meningitis.

vi.—Lorena Jaudon was married on February 22, 1899, to Walter Hugh Combs. Mr. Combs has the leading undertaking establishment in Miami. They have three sons and one daughter:—Walter Hugh, Jr., Jesse Jaudon, Paul Cecil, and Lorena. The eldest of these, Walter Hugh Combs, Jr., married Alma Damaris Sculthorpe. They have an adopted daughter. Jesse Jaudon Combs married Anita Vivian Conolly on November 3, 1926. She died four years later leaving a daughter, Doris Anita Combs, born December 27, 1927. Jesse Jaudon Combs then married again in 1935. We have been unable to get the name of his second wife. They have a son. Paul Cecil Combs was born January 5, 1913, and has been twice married. He

has a son by his first marriage. Lorena Combs was born November 16, 1915, and was married to Odva Lund. They have one child at this time.

vii.—Louise Jaudon was married on December 21, 1905, to Eric Florentine Holmes, who was born August 8, 1875. He was killed in 1938 in an automobile accident. Three children were born of this union:—Florentine Louise, Frances Charlotte, and Irene Wilhelmina. Florentine Louise Holmes was born December 21, 1906, and was married to Jack O. Phillips, a prominent attorney. They have two children.

Frances Charlotte Holmes was born April 5, 1910, and was married to Theodore Frederick Albert Trupp. They have three children.

Irene Wilhelmina Holmes was born August 11, 1911, and is unmarried at this time.

viii.—Irene Jaudon never married and died of appendicitis in June, 1909.

ix.—Ivan Shelby Jaudon never married and died of influenza on October 5, 1918.

x.—Harold St. Julian Jaudon died of Typhoid fever on October 16, 1896.

xi.—Marksie Jaudon, the second of the twins, was married on April 16, 1908, to Benjamin Franklin Markle, who was born in October, 1888. They have no children.

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BENJAMIN JAUDON FAMILY BIBLE RECORD.

CHILDREN OF JOSEPH AND SARAH LAWTON.

William Henry.....	Born Feby. 23, 1775.
Joseph J.	Born Aug. 19, 1777.
Mary	Born May 5, 1779.
Mary	Born Sept. 20, 1781.
Benjamin Themistocles	Born Dec. 22, 1782.
Charlotte Alematha	Born Sept. 17, 1785.
Thirza Eliza	Born Sept. 17, 1787.
Mahali	Born Sept. 14, 1789.
Alexander J. Josiah	Born Nov. 21, 1790.
Winborn Asa	Born June 23, 1793.
Samuel John	Born June 22, 1796.

DEATHS.

Joseph Lawton died on Black Swamp 5th March, 1815. Aged 61 years, 4 mo., and 15 days. Sarah Lawton died at Transpine, Sunday morning 10 o'clock, 6th Oct., 1839. Aged 84 years and 8 months. Note:—My father, B. S. Stafford, says that Transpine was the summer home of Uncle Alex (Alexander J. Josiah Lawton).

Lily F. Stafford. 6-20-1941.

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THE JAUDON FAMILY.

James Jaudonborn 17 January, 1745. Eleanor Sarah Anderson.....born 3rd December, 1771. James Jaudon and E. S. Anderson were married 28th May, 1789. Daniel Jaudon their son was born 22nd June, 1790, Tuesday morning. Baptized 30th Sept., 1790, by Rev. M. Ellington. Peter Jaudon was born 17th December, 1791, Saturday night, and baptized by Rev. M. Nesbett. Elias Jaudon born 3rd November, 1793, Sunday morning, and baptized same year by Rev. M. Robt. Smith. Benjamin Jaudon born 11th November, 1795, Wednesday, and baptized by Rev. M. Frazer. Elizabeth Mary Jaudon born 3rd January, 1798, Wednesday half past 3 o'clock A. M., and baptized 11th February, 1798, by Rev. M. Thos. Bladen. Charles Jaudon born 16th Oct., 1799, Wednesday half past 2 o'clock A. M., and baptized the Wednesday following by Rev. M. Thos. Didimus Bladen. John Jaudon born 17th March, 1802, Wednesday morning half past 3 o'clock and baptized 28th May, 1802, by Rev. M. Fraser. Elias James William Josias Jaudon born 4th February, 1805, and baptized 14th April, 1805, by Rev. M. Fraser on Easter Sunday. George Kempton born 27th Oct., 1774. George Kempton and Eleanor Sarah Jaudon were married 25th November, 1809.

(his 4th wife)

1102 C. Ave. Lawton, Okla. July 22, 1941.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to certify that the following pages contain to the best of my knowledge a true copy of the family record as found in the Bible of Benjamin Jaudon and some notes distinctly marked as such added by myself.

WARNEGIE LIBRARY OF ATLANTA

Signed, Lily F. Stafford Great granddaughter of Benjamin Jaudon.

County of Comanche) State of Oklahoma) SS

Subscribed and sworn to before me a Notary Public this 23rd day of July, 1941.

My commission expires Jan. 20, 1944.

[Signature] Notary Public.

CERTIFICATION OF BENJAMIN JAUDON BIBLE RECORDS

George Kempton their son born 29th Aug., 1810.

Mary Elizabeth Ann Kempton born 25th December, 1813.

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BIRTHS OF CHILDREN OF

BENJAMIN and SARAH THIRZA POLHILL JAUDON.

Sarah Norroway Jaudon the daughter of Benjamin and Sarah Jaudon was born on Sunday, 11th March, 1827.

Mary Ellen Jaudon our second daughter was born Thursday, 30th, Oct., 1828.

Juliana Adelaide Jaudon our third daughter was born on Monday, 26th July, 1830, at 5 o'clock A. M.

Benjamin Anderson Jaudon was born at 3 o'clock A. M. on Monday 11th June, A.D., 1832.

Laura Josephine Jaudon our fourth daughter was born at half past 3 o'clock A. M., Saturday 5th April, A.D., 1834.

Thomas Polhill Jaudon our second son was born at quarter past 10 o'clock P. M., Monday 29th June, 1835.

Matilda Ann Jaudon our fifth daughter was born at 8 o'clock P. M. on Sunday 3rd September, 1837.

James Adoniran Jaudon (3rd son) was born at half past 8 o'clock A. M. on Tuesday, 15th October, 1839.

Caroline Alice Jaudon our sixth daughter was born on Sunday 9th January, 1842 at half past 5 o'clock.

Still born in April, 1844, a female, 7th daughter.

George Kincaid Jaudon was born on Friday 27th June, 1845, at 8 o'clock P. M. (4th son).

Lewis Shuck Jaudon was born on Sunday 3rd October, 1847, at 5 o'clock P. M., our fifth son.

Cordelia Jaudon our eighth daughter was born on Tuesday night at 11 o'clock, 19th June, 1849.

Still born on 3rd November, 1850, a male child and 6th son.

Still born on 30th June, 1852, and buried 1st July.

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THE JAUDON FAMILY.

MARRIAGES.

- Benjamin Jaudon was married to Sarah T. Polhill 18th May, 1826, by Rev. Thos. Polhill, her father.
- S. Norroway Jaudon our daughter was married to Rev. John Miner Ashburn 26th April, 1849, by Rev. Thos. Rambaut.
- Our daughter, Norroway, left in company with her husband on the Indian Mission, 19th of Sept. 1849, by way of Savannah, Ga. Returned on the 4th of August, 1850.
- M. Ellen Jaudon was married to William J. Stafford by Rev. Thos. Rambaut 13th September, 1849.
- J. Adelaide Jaudon was married to Benj. Franklin Smith by Rev. Joseph T. Robert 27th March, 1850.
- M. Ann Jaudon was married to Rev. John H. Luther 2nd August, 1854 by Rev. John M. Ashburn.
- Thomas P. Jaudon and Eva Williams were married 18th October, 1866, (Palmyra, Mo.)
- Benj. A. Jaudon and Fannie E. Yeager were married 31st May, 1867, (Palmyra, Mo.)
- James A. Jaudon was married to Lucy Garnett 21st Oct., 1869, by John Hill Luther (at Miami, Mo.)

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GRANDCHILDREN OF

- BENJAMIN and SARAH THIRZA POLHILL JAUDON.
Sarah Ann Stafford born 13th July, 1850, at Pine Land of B. Jaudon.
- Sarah Ellen Ashburn born 16th Sept. 1850, daughter of J. M. and S. Norroway Ashburn.
- Thomas P. and Eva Jaudon had their first born son, Thomas Polhill, 31st August, 1867.
- Benj. F. Smith and J. Adelaide had their 1st born son 6th Sept., 1867. (died 6 days after).

Note:—Benjamin and Sarah Thirza Polhill Jaudon had many other grandchildren whose births are not recorded. For example my father, Benjamin Spicer

Stafford, was born on Dec. 21, 1853 at his grandfather's home in Robertville, South Carolina. Pine Land was the summer home of Benjamin and Thirza Polhill Jaudon.

Probably it was her inheritance from the plantation, Mulberry Grove, of her grandfather, Joseph Lawton.

Lily F. Stafford.
7-3-1941.

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THE JAUDON FAMILY

DEATHS.

- Elias Jaudon departed this life 12th September, 1795.
- Elizabeth Mary Jaudon departed this life in the Fall of 1798.
- John Jaudon departed this life 5th October, 1805.
- James Jaudon (my dear father) departed this life 1st December, 1807, aged 62 years, 10 and half months.
- Daniel Jaudon departed this life 10th December, 1813, aged 23 years, 5 months and 18 days.
- Peter Jaudon departed this life 17th December, 1824, aged 33 years.
- Geo. Kempton, Rev. departed this life 17th May, 1826, aged 58 years, 7 months and 21 days.
- Eleanor Sarah Kempton departed this life 11th August, 1855, at 10 A. M., aged 83 years, 8 months and 8 days.
- Laura Josephine Jaudon departed this life half past 7 o'clock A. M. 16th April, 1834.
- Lewis Shuck Jaudon 5th son departed this life half past 9 o'clock P. M., 28th August, 1848, aged 10 months and 24 days.
- Cordelia Jaudon departed this life at one o'clock at night, 28th June, 1849, 8 days and 2 hours old.
- Sarah T. Jaudon departed this life on the 8th December, 1863, at about 9 o'clock A. M.
- Charles M. Luther departed this life 9th December, 1863, at 4 o'clock A. M. and buried in the same grave with his grandmother at cemetery, Quincy, Illinois, aged 17 months and 19 days.

Benjamin Lee Ashburn died on 12th December, 1863, 6 o'clock A. M., aged 14 months and 28 days.

born 14 Sept 1862
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Copied from Quincy, Illinois paper:—

DIED:

In this city on Tuesday morning, 8th inst., Sarah, wife of Benjamin Jaudon, in the 55th year of her age. On the next morning, Charles, grandchild of the deceased, and son of J. H. and Ann Luther, aged 18 months. They were lovely in their lives, and in their death they were not divided.

St. Louis Republican please copy.

John Hill removed the remains of my wife Sarah T. Jaudon and his son Charles M. Luther, and Benjamin L. Ashburn from Quincy, Illinois to Cemetery Palmyra, Mo. on 28th April, 1864.

Wm. J. Stafford departed this life 25th November, 1869.

Benjamin Jaudon departed this life on January 27th, 1870, in his 75 years.

Thomas Polhill Jaudon, 2nd son of Benjamin and Sarah Jaudon, departed this life June 21, 1913, age 77 years, 11 months.

Thomas P., Jr., oldest son of Thomas P. and Eva Jaudon, departed this life February 19, 1917.

Note:—Great grandfather and great grandmother Jaudon and all their children except my grandmother, Mary Ellen Jaudon Stafford and her family, had moved from South Carolina to Kansas City, Missouri, about 1857. They were exiled from Kansas City in 1863 by Order No. 11, and they went to Quincy, Ill. My grandfather, Wm. J. Stafford, owned a plantation, "The Hermitage", in South Carolina, which was burned by Sherman in his March. My grandparents moved to Kansas City in 1868.

Lily F. Stafford.
7-17-1941.

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BENJAMIN JAUDON FAMILY BIBLE RECORD.

THE POLHILL FAMILY

BIRTHS.

Thomas Polhill, only son of Thomas and Rachel ^{Patton} Polhill, was born in Savannah 17th March, 1783.

Thirza Eliza ^{Lawton} Polhill his first wife was born at Black Swamp, South Carolina, 17th September, 1787.

Rachel Mary Polhill their first daughter was born at Black Swamp 13th May, 1807.

^{Sarah Thirza Polhill, born 2 Aug 1809.} Joseph Lawton Hightower Polhill first son, was born on the bank of Hightower river, Cherokee Nation, in a camp 15th February, 1811.

Judith Rebecca Polhill 2nd wife was born at Black Swamp, South Carolina, 24th September, 1795.

Thirza Julia Polhill their first daughter was born at Black Swamp 19th August, 1814.

^{Thomas Patton Polhill, first son, born 1815} Mary Elvira Polhill 2nd daughter was born in Savannah, Georgia, 12th November, 1817.

William Norroway Polhill second son was born in Savannah 8th November, 1819, 30 minutes after 10 in the morning.

Rebecca Matilda third daughter was born on Black Swamp, S. C., 28th August, 1821.

Catherine Laura, fourth daughter, was born in Savannah, Georgia, 15th March, 1823, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Robert Jaudon, third son, was born on Black Swamp, S. C., 11th August, 1824, at 5 3/4 o'clock A. M.

Augusta Elvira Josephine, fifth daughter, was born on Black Swamp, S. C., 27th October, 1825, at 5 1/4 o'clock A. M.

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THE POLHILL FAMILY

MARRIAGES.

Thomas Polhill was married to Rachel Patton 13th June, 1782.

Thomas Polhill, only son of Thomas and Rachel, was married to Thirza Eliza Lawton 18th June, 1806.

Thomas Polhill married his second wife Judith Rebecca Jaudon 1st April, 1813.

Rebecca Matilda Polhill was married to Lawrence J. Robert 19th September, 1838, by Rev. Jos. T. Robert.

Catherine Laura Polhill was married to Lucius C. Robert 20th June, 1839.

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THE POLHILL FAMILY

DEATHS.

Thomas Polhill departed this life 15th November, 1815.

Rachel Polhill departed this life 29th March, 1783.

Thirza Eliza Polhill departed this life 2nd December, 1811.

Joseph Lawton Hightower Polhill departed this life 12th May, 1811.

Thirza Julia Polhill departed this life 4th August, 1817.

Mary Elvira Polhill departed this life 4th July, 1817.

Thomas Patton Polhill departed this life 24th August, 1819.

William Norroway Polhill departed this life 15th May, 1821.

Robert Jaudon Polhill departed this life on the 15th October, 1824.

Judith Rebecca Polhill departed this life August, 1828.

Thomas Polhill departed this life 10th April, 1830.

Catherine Laura Robert, wife of Lucius C. Robert, departed this life 24th November, 1843, at 11 o'clock P. M.

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