

EXPLANATION OF WILLIAMS - PRATER CONNECTION

Below is an example of how the Williamses fit into the Prater line, which information was furnished by Mrs. Jessie Prater Montgomery, 801 Lindley Avenue, Starkville, Mississippi. Sophia Prater, born about 1826 married Bart (Barit or Barek) Williams and was the great-grandmother of Henry Harold Williams (born in 1923).

1. I am:
Henry Harold Williams. My brother is Johnie C. Williams and my
2. My father was:
Henry Clemons Williams (1891-1969) sister is Evelyn GaNelle Williams.
3. His father was:
Henry Lewis Williams (1861-1931)
4. His father was:
Bart (Barit or Barek) Williams (-), who was married to Sophia Prater in Shelby County, Alabama on June 2, 1852, the great-grandmother of Henry Harold Williams. Sophia Prater(b.1826 - d.)
5. Sophia Prater's father was:
Archabald Prather, b. 1798-9, S.C. d. Coosa Co. Ala. 1860-70. Married Susanah Meadors in Laurens Co., S. C.
6. His father:
John Prather, b. about 1698 Prince George Co. Md. d. 1824 in Laurens Co., S. C. (JPM has copy of his will).
7. His father:
Bazil Prather, b. about 1745 in Md. d. after 12, II, 1829 as JPM has a copy of will dated then.
8. His father:
Phillip Prather, b. about 1698 Prince George Co., Md. d. Laurens Co., S. C. 1767. Married Margery Hunt Ca(about) 1735.
9. His father:
Col. Thomas Prather, b. 1673, Calvert Co., Md. d. 1712, Prince George Co., Md., Married Martha Sprigg.
10. His father:
Jonathan Prather, b. 1630-5 in England, d. Calvert Co., Md. Aug. 21, 1680. Married Jane _____ b. 1650-58, d. Prince George Co., Md.
11. His father:
Thomas Prather, Ist. Based on research by Stout Lillard, it is reported by the late Mrs. Julia Prater Killingsworth (long time resident of "The Cedars" at Sumterville, Alabama) that Thomas Prather, I, was born in Wiltshire, England, 1604, and came to Virginia in 1622 on the ship "Marie Providence", landing at Elizabeth City, in the Colony of Virginia. In 1624 he was living at the home of John Powell and family, Elizabeth City (Newport News), and married about 1627/9, and had several sons born in Virginia. One son, Johnathan Prather I, born in Virginia, 1631, married, and between 1655 and 1668, with his wife, Jane, they were transported in a small vessel owned by young George Ronda of Calvert County, Maryland, with five other men and one woman.

INFORMATION ON FAMILY OF HENRY LEWIS WILLIAMS
AND LILA JENNIE SMITH WILLIAMS

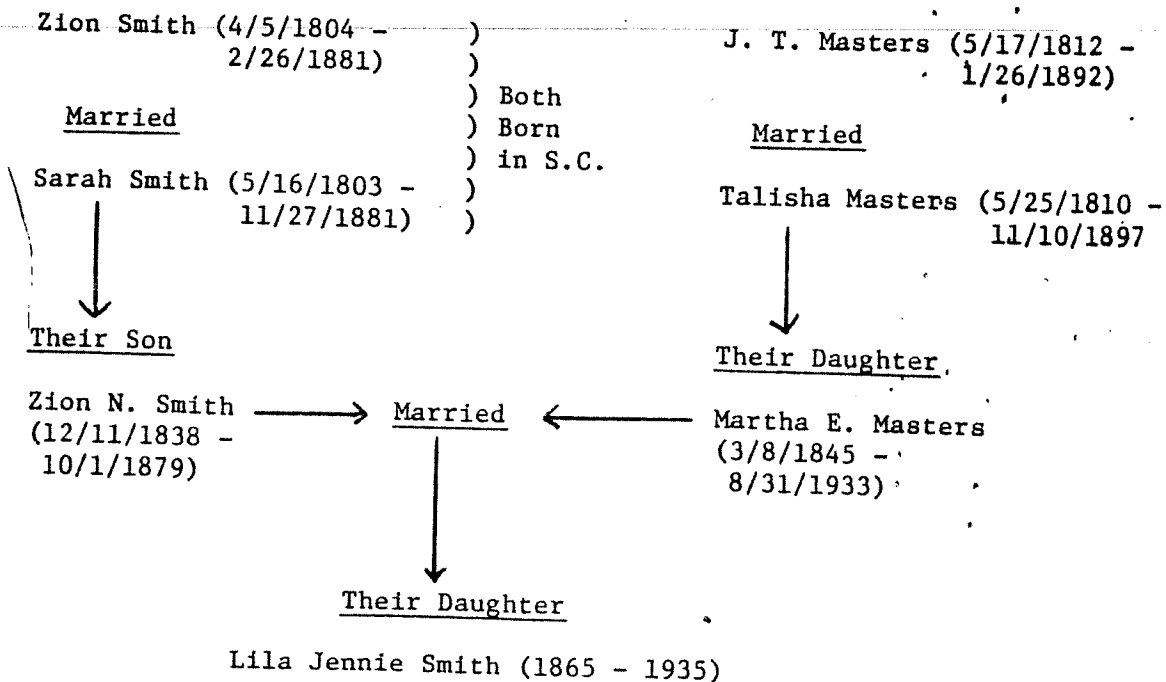
HENRY LEWIS WILLIAMS (12/7/1861 - 5/4/1931)

His parents were Barit Williams and Sophia M. Prater who were married in Shelby County on or about June 4, 1852. Their burial places are not known. Little is known with regard to Barit Williams, except that he had a prior marriage which resulted in several children, and he had a third marriage, subsequent to his marriage to Sophia M. Prater. There were no children of the third marriage. His third wife was Ruth Dennis who later married Joe Chandler.

Barit and Sophia Williams had four children, being John, Dave, Henry, Lewis, and Robert. We have information on the ancestors of Sophia M. Prater, running back to about 1631, as shown on the reverse side hereof.

LILA JENNIE SMITH WILLIAMS (10/20/1865 - 12/2/1935)

Her ancestors were as follows:



On Sept. 4, 1881
Married

Henry Lewis Williams (1861 - 1931)

All of the individuals listed under Lila Jennie Smith Williams' name above are buried at Mt. Pisgah Baptist Church Cemetery near London, near Pell City, St. Clair County, Alabama.

1837
Smith, Jim. N.

Co. H, 25 Alabama Infantry.

(Confederate.)

Private Private

CARD NUMBERS.

1	44629125	20
2	45471763	21
3	1812	22
4	46569164	23
5	45484289	24
6	45792796	25
7	45900941	26
8	45819354	27
9	45860623	28
10	49078277	29
11		30
12		31
13		32
14		33
15		34
16		35
17		36
18		37
19		38

Number of medical cards herein 1

Number of personal papers herein 0

also

Jim N. Smith
Private, Co. 16, 25 Reg't Alabama Infantry.

Appears on
Company Muster Roll
of the organization named above,
for Sept & Oct, 1863.

Enlisted:
When Sept 11, 1863.
Where St. Clair
By whom G. D. Kelley
Period 3 yrs. or the war.
Last paid:
By whom Major Peyton
To what time June 30, 1863.

Present or absent Absent
Remarks: Absent sick since Oct 18/63 - No and date of order unknown

Book mark:

(642) J. H. Morris Copyist.

A 25 Ala

J. N. Smith
Priv Co H 25 Regt Ala

Appears on a Report of the
Medical Examining Board,
Dalton, Georgia,
under the head of "Examination for fur-
loughs."

Brigade Days
Division _____
Army _____
Captain Spencer
When made Nov 24, 1863.
Number of days 50
Hospital St. Mary
Last paid June 30, 1863.
Disability Extreme debility & emaciation from typhoid fever.
Town Coosawaddy
County _____
State Ala

Remarks:

Confed. Arch., Chap. 6, File No. 543, page 16.

(635) R. J. Duncan Copyist.

L. W. Smith
Pvt. Co. H, 25 Regt. Ill. Inf.

Appears on a
Roll of Prisoners of War

captured by the 15th Army Corps and forwarded to the Provost Marshal General, Department of the Cumberland, from May 9 to September 8, 1864.

Roll dated _____

When captured *not dated*, 1864

Where captured *near Atlanta Ga*, 1864.

Forwarded *July 24*, 1864

Remarks: _____

Number of roll: _____
sheet *44*
Army Corps _____

(889b) *A. H. Beare*
Copyist.

Frank M. Smith
Pvt. Co. H, 25 Regt. Ill. Inf.

Appears on a
Roll of Prisoners of War

captured by forces under Maj. Gen. W. T. Sherman, commanding Military Division of the Mississippi, and forwarded to Capt. S. E. Jones, A. D. C., District of Kentucky, at Louisville, Ky., July 29, 1864.*

Roll dated Headquarters Dept. Cumberland, Office Provost Marshal General, Nashville, July 29, 1864.

Where captured *near Atlanta Ga*

When captured *July 22*, 1864

Remarks: _____

*Indorsement on roll shows: "Roll of Prisoners of War transferred from Nashville, Tenn., to Louisville, Ky., July 29, '64."

Hd. Qrs. Prov. Mar. Gen'l, Dept. of the Cumberland, Nashville, Tenn.; Roll No. 322; sheet *12*

(839b) *E. P. Rankin*
Copyist.

Frank M. Smith
Pvt. Co. H, 25 Regt. Ill. Inf.

Appears on a
Roll of Prisoners of War

who arrived at Military Prison, Louisville, Ky., during the six days ending July 31, 1864.

Roll dated Louisville, Ky., _____

Where captured *near Atlanta Ga*

When captured *July 22*, 1864

Where from *Nashville, Tenn.*

Remarks: _____

Number of roll: _____
sheet *1545*

(889b) *W. J. Harrison*
Copyist.

Wm. H. Smith
Co. 16. H. 25 Reg. Ala. Inf.

Appears on a roll of

Prisoners of War

at Military Prison, Louisville, Ky.

Date when received July 30, 1864

Where captured near Pittsburg, Mo.

Date when captured July 22, 1864

Date when discharged July 30, 1864

Where sent Co. 16. H. 25 Reg. Ala. Inf.

Remarks, charges, &c.:

Louisville, Ky., Register No. 6; page 223

Wm. H. Smith
Copyist

(839)

Wm. H. Smith
Co. 16. H. 25 Reg. Ala. Inf.

Appears on a Register of

Prisoners of War

received at Military Prison, Louisville, Ky.

Where captured near Atlanta, Ga.

When captured July 22, 1864

Discharged:

Terms Co. 16. H. 25 Reg. Ala. Inf.

When July 30, 1864

Remarks:

Louisville, Ky., Register No. 3; page 350

Wm. H. Smith
Copyist

(839)

Wm. H. Smith
Co. 16. H. 25 Reg. Ala. Inf.

Appears on a

Roll of Prisoners of War

forwarded from Military Prison, Louisville, Ky.,
to Camp Chase, Ohio, July 30, 1864.

Roll dated Louisville, July 30, 1864.

Where captured near Atlanta, Ga.

When captured July 22, 1864

Remarks:

Number of roll:

434 sheet

(839b)

Wm. H. Smith
Copyist

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John M. Smith
+
Regt. Co. H. 25 Regt Ala Inf

Appears on a Descriptive Roll of
Prisoners of War

at Camp Chase, Ohio.

Arrested: *Atlanta Ga*

Where: *Atlanta Ga*

When: *July 22*, 1864.

Received at Camp Chase, Ohio:

When: *Aug 1*, 1864.

Whence: *Amherst Va*

By whose order: *Capt W. P. Jones*

Description:

Height: *5* ft. *11* in; age

Eyes: *blue*; hair: *black*; complexion: *fair*

Date of departure: *March 2*, 1865.

Remarks: *Transferred to City Point*

Camp Chase, Ohio, Register No. 2; page *562*

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1 | 25 | 10th

John M. Smith
*
Regt. Co. H. 25 Regt Ala Inf

Name appears as signature to a

Roll of Prisoners of War

paroled and transferred from Camp Chase, Ohio, to City Point, Va., March 2, 1865, for exchange.

Roll dated

March 2, 1865

Where captured

Atlanta Ga

When captured

July 22, 1864.

Remarks:

* *John M. Smith*

Roll No. 106, Fort Delaware, Del., bears the following indorsement which also applies to the men whose names are borne on this roll: "Received Boulware's & Cox's Wharves, James Riv., Va., March 10th, 11th & 12th, 1865, from Jno. E. Mulford, Col. & U. S. Asst. Agt. Exch., Three Thousand four hundred and ninety-nine (8499) Paroled Confederate Prisoners of War, including One Hundred and Forty-three officers, on within Roll. W. H. Haron, Asst. Agent of Exch."

Number of roll: *Sheet 1*

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1 | 25 | 10th

John M. Smith
*
Regt. Co. H. 25 Regt Ala Inf

Name appears as signature to a
Roll of Prisoners of War

paroled at Camp Chase, Ohio, and transferred to City Point, Va., March 4, 1865, for exchange.

Roll dated Headquarters Camp Chase, Ohio, March 4, 1865.

Where captured

Atlanta Ga

When captured

July 22, 1864.

Remarks:

Signature of William
* *William H. Smith*
Sutley, Counselor

Roll No. 106, Fort Delaware, Del., bears the following indorsement which also applies to the men whose names are borne on this roll: "Received Boulware's & Cox's Wharves, James Riv., Va., March 10th, 11th & 12th, 1865, from Jno. E. Mulford, Col. & U. S. Asst. Agt. Exch., Three Thousand, four hundred and ninety-nine (8499) Paroled Confederate Prisoners of War, including One Hundred and Forty-three Officers, on within Rolls—W. H. Haron, Asst. Agent of Exch."

Number of roll:

151; sheet

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INSTRUCTIONS.

The applicant must fill in all the blanks in the application in a neat legible hand, and swear to its correctness before one of the County Board of Examiners, or some other officer authorized to administer an oath. The accompanying schedule of property must also be filled out and sworn to, both application and schedule of property must be filed with the Board of Examiners of the County. The affidavits for witnesses must also be filled out and sworn to by persons of personal knowledge as to the service and other matters contained in the blank affidavits for witnesses. It is not necessary that the witnesses be residents of the State, but they must have a personal knowledge of what they swear to. All applications not verified by the affidavit of two persons must be rejected. As the application will become an office record, they should be made out carefully and neatly.

The County Board of Examiners must have each applicant (who is not physically or mentally unable to appear), to appear before them, when they must examine the applicant orally as to all matters pertaining to his application, he must, if a male person be examined physically by the medical member of the Board, both oral and physical examination must be by the County Board reduced to writing, and forwarded with the application, affidavits and schedule of property, to the Auditor of the State, to be by him laid before the State Board of Examiners. Should an applicant be unable to appear and represent himself, the Board may take such measures as in their opinion may be necessary to satisfy themselves of the merits of the application. In such cases the full facts of the case must be set out in their written report and recommendation. If one or more limbs are lost, or the entire use thereof, or if the applicant is blind, this must be reported, and the applicant placed in the class he may justly belong. All persons who served in the "Militia, State Reserves or Home Guards of the State of Alabama" during the war between the States are eligible to relief under this Act. But service in the military organizations of other States does not qualify them.

Mr. Johnson

Applicant did not appear before board

Class No. McL

Application of Mrs. M. Smith

of the County of St. Clair

21941

Report of County Board.

We, the undersigned members of the Pension Board of Examiners for the County of St. Clair hereby certify that we have examined the within application by law directed, and we find that said application should be granted, and the applicant placed in Class 3

A. R. Barnwell
J. H. Johnson
Board of Examiners
for St. Clair County.

Finding of State Board of Examiners.

We, the undersigned State Board of Examiners, hereby certify that we have examined the within application, and recommend that the said application be granted, and that the applicant be placed in Class 3 under the Act of April 24th, 1911, in lieu of Act approved February 10th, 1899, amended March 5, 1901.

W. H. Johnson
State Board of Examiners.

W. H. Johnson
J. H. Johnson

APPLICATION
OF WIDOWS OF DECEASED SOLDIERS OR SAILORS OF THE ARMIES OF THE CONFEDERATE
STATES OR THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
County of St. Clair

To the Honorable Board of Examiners of said County:

Your petitioner, M. E. Smith, respectfully represents to your Honorable Board, that she is a citizen of St. Clair County, in the State of Alabama, and was such on the 1st day of January, 1899, that she is the widow of J. N. Smith, who served as a Private in Company H of the 25th Regiment Alabama Volunteers; that her husband ~~was killed~~, died, on the 1st day of October, 1879; and was married to such soldier before July 1st, 1909; that he did not desert the service of the State of Alabama, nor of the Confederate States, that she has not since remarried, that she has no children living with her upon whom she can depend for support, that all of her property does not exceed two thousand dollars in value. She therefore respectfully asks your honorable board to place her name upon the pension rolls of the State as a member of the fourth class, that she may participate in the division of the fund provided for the relief of needy Confederate soldiers and sailors, and their widows, by an act of the General Assembly of Alabama, approved April 24, 1911.

Respectfully
Mrs. M. E. Smith
made

Affidavit of Witnesses to Application of Widows.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
St. Clair County.

Before me, H. S. Gambrell, a Justice of the Peace in

and for said State and County, personally appeared Mrs. M. E. Smith, whose name is signed to the foregoing, is personally known to me, who, after being duly sworn, deposes and says, that each and every statement in the foregoing application is true and correct.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13 day of July, 1911.
H. S. Gambrell
J. P.
In and for said County.

STATE OF ALABAMA,
St. Clair County.

I, T. R. Beavers, do solemnly swear that I was personally acquainted with J. N. Smith, whose widow's name is signed to the foregoing application, and that I know of my own knowledge, that the services set forth in the application was rendered by said J. N. Smith, and that he did not desert the services of the Confederate States or the State of Alabama.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 13 day of July, 1911.
and I certify that affiant is known to me, and that he is a person of veracity and truth.
H. S. Gambrell
J. P.
In and for said State and County.

STATE OF ALABAMA,

St Clair County.

I, *A. D. Turner*, do solemnly swear that I was personally acquainted with *J. M. Smith*, whose widow's name is signed to the foregoing application, and that I know of my own knowledge, that the services set forth in the application was rendered by said *J. M. Smith*, and that he did not desert the services of the Confederate State or the State of Alabama.

A. D. Turner

Sworn to and subscribed before me this the *13* day of *July* 191*1*

I hereby certify that affiant is known to me, and that he is a person of integrity and veracity.

H. S. Gambell
J.P.

In and for said State and County.

The State of Alabama,

St Clair County.

Schedule of Property filed with application for pen-

sion by *Mrs M. E. Smith*

REAL ESTATE.		VALUE	
<i>102.</i>	acres of land situated in <i>St Clair Co.</i>	<i>500</i>	<i>00</i>
Town or City Property (name place)			
Description of improvements thereon			
Total		<i>500</i>	<i>00</i>

NUMBER.	PERSONAL PROPERTY	VALUE	
	Horses and Mules		
	Cattle of all kinds		
	Hogs, sheep and goats		
	Pistols, guns, etc.		
	Watches, clocks and jewelry		
	Household and kitchen furniture	<i>100</i>	<i>00</i>
	Bicycles and vehicles		
	Goods, wares and merchandise		
	Mechanical and farming tools and implements		
	Total		

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,

St. Clair County.

Personally appeared before me,

H. S. Gambrell, a

Justice of the peace in and for said State and County,

Mrs M. E. Smith who, being by me duly sworn, deposes and says,

that the foregoing schedule embraces all the property owned by ^{her} himself and wife, and that the valuation as fixed is a fair and just value thereof.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this *13th* day of *July* 191*1*

H. S. Gambrell
J. P.

In and for said State and County.

SAM HIGH
JUDGE OF PROBATE ST. CLAIR COUNTY
ASHVILLE, ALABAMA

This is the same lady that is on
the pension Roll as Mrs. M. Smith
she wants it changed to Martha Elizabeth
Smith. as you see from the application
to get a raise.

Sam High.
Judge of Probate.

WIDOWS BLANK FOR RECLASSIFICATION UNDER SECTION 11, AS AMENDED BY ACTS OF LEGISLATURE APPROVED OCTOBER 5TH, 1920.

STATE OF ALABAMA,

St. Clair COUNTY.

Give your full name *Martha Elizabeth Smith*

Your present, permanent, complete post office address *Cell City Ala*

What is your number on pension roll? *70-55-*

With whom are you now living? *W. J. Smith "my son"*

Where were you born? Place *Wolf Creek* County *St. Clair* State *Ala*

When were you born? Month *March* Day *8* Year *1845*

State name of your father *Jesse Masters*

If living, his present address *Dead*

If dead, when and where he died *Kelley Creek St. Clair Co 1890*

What was the name of your husband? *Z. N. Smith*

When and where did you marry him? *Kelley Creek 1859*

When and where did he die? *1879 Oct 15th Kelley's Creek*

Were you living with him one year prior to his death? *Yes*

Were you ever divorced from him? *No* If so, when and where? _____

Have you been married more than once? *No* If so, give name of husband and date and place of marriage _____

Have you been on the pension roll of any other county in this State at any time? *No* If so, state in what counties and the years of your residence there, County _____ year _____, County _____, year _____, County _____

Have you ever drawn a pension in another state? *No* If so, give the State _____, County _____, and years _____

Are you now receiving a pension from any other state? *No* If so, give the name of State _____

Did you ever apply for a pension in this State and had your application rejected? *No* If so, give year _____ and reason for rejection _____

Has your name ever been dropped from the pension roll? No If so, state in what county you were then drawing and the reason given.

Have you ever lived in any other states? No If so, give name of states.

Counties

Post offices

Years

Also state when you moved to Alabama

When and where did your husband enlist in the service of the Confederate States or State of Alabama? 1862, Talladega Alabama

To what branch of the service did he belong? Private, Infantry
What was his rank? Private

Give number of his Regiment 29 Letter of his Company

Name of his Colonel

Name of his Captain Spencer

Was he wounded? yes If so, in what battles? Chickamauga

State whether he was ever captured yes Where Chickamauga When 4th day of April

Or imprisoned yes Where Camp Chase Ohio When

And when discharged from prison just before the surrender

Where and when did he quit the service of the Confederate States and under what circumstances? when paroled from prison

Was he paroled? Yes Have you his parole? No

Was he ever on the pension roll of this State? No

If so, give county in which he drew pension _____

Did he ever draw a pension from any other State? No If so, give name of State _____ and County _____ and years _____

Was any application for pension in this State ever made by him and refused? No If so, in what county was he then living and what year did this occur _____, County _____ Year, reason _____

Was his name ever struck from the pension roll of this State? No If so, give county in which he then resided _____ Year _____ and reason assigned _____

REAL ESTATE

Value

..... Acres in County \$.....

..... Acres in County \$.....

Description of improvements.....

.....

.....

PERSONAL PROPERTY

Household Furniture

Hogs

Horses and Mules.....

Cattle

Sheep

Goats

Watches and Clocks.....

Jewelry

Paintings

Libraries

Pianos and Organs.....

Shares of Bank Stock.....

Shares of Stock in Companies or Corporations.....

Investments in Bonds.....

Mortgages

Money in bank.....

Money elsewhere.....

Merchandise

Other Property or Investments.....

INCOME

What is your yearly income from rents, interest or other investments?

The above statements are true and correct.

Signed this 12 day of Sept ^{her} 1927.

(Signed) Mary Elizabeth Smith
ma

STATE OF ALABAMA,
A. Clair COUNTY. }

Personally appeared before me, Sam High
a Judge of Probate in and for said County Mary Elizabeth Smith, whose name is
signed to the foregoing statement and who is known to me, who being by me first duly sworn, de-
poses and says that the answers made to the foregoing questions are true and correct to the best
of her knowledge and belief.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 12 day of Sept 1927.

Sam High
Judge of Probate

Spued the 16 day of Sept 1830	Hartwell Haver Do. Nancy Hartner	Solemnized the 16th day of September 1830 By Henry Looney J ^r
Spued the 29th day of Sept 1830	John Self Do. Syntha Derman	Solemnized the 30th day of September 1830 By Curtis G. Benson J ^r
Spued the 5th day of October 1830	Stephen H. Castleberry Do. Malinda Huntman	Solemnized the 6th day of October 1830 By James H. Castleberry J ^r
Spued Oct 16th 1830 X marked to parents	JESSE MASTERS Jesse Masters Do. Liza Robertson	Solemnized the 24th day of October 1830 By James H. Castleberry J ^r
Spued the 2nd day of November 1830	Chesley Aberson Do. Silva Pipkin	Solemnized the 4th day of November 1830 By David Harkey J ^r
Spued the 4th Nov 1830	Eli Sansome Do. Prudence Elizabeth Wood	Solemnized the 4th November 1830 By William Little J ^r
Spued the 7th November 1830	Green B. Whitstead Do. Zilpha Carter	Solemnized the 21st of November 1830 By James H. Castleberry J ^r
Spued the 14th Nov 1830	William Shoffit Do. Nancy Roberts	Solemnized the 14th Nov 1830 By Wm Chandler J ^r

State of Alabama }
Polk County }
To any of the Judges of said State any
Justice of the Peace of said County or any
other person legally authorized, these are to authorize you or
either of you to solemnize the rites of Matrimony between
Solomon J Smith and Mary M Stracner of said County agree-
able to the Statute in such case made and provided herein
at the Office of the Judge of Probate of said County this 16th day
of Nov. 1860

In virtue of the above license I have solemnized the rites of
Matrimony between the above named persons this 18th day of
Nov. 1860

Alfred Turner Judge Probate
Francis Lee Justice of the Peace
The above named persons are of lawful age
A. G. Turner Judge

Soloman J Smith and Mary M Stracner
married November 18, 1860
Francis Lee, Justice of the Peace