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1. **Robert Thomas SCOTT**, born 1 Dec 1800, Granville Co., NC,^{1,2,3,4,5} (son of William Alexander SCOTT and Jane W. THOMAS) occupation Tavern operator/Legislator/Planter/land developer,^{6,7,8} died 18 Jun 1863, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{9,8,2,3,4,6,5} buried: Scott Family Cemetery, off Hwy 35,^{10,4}. He was of Scottish descent. Some family members say he was a cousin of Gen. Winfield Scott. Robert attended school in Raleigh and Chapel Hill, NC, and studied law at Franklin, TN. The town of Scottsboro, AL (earlier called Scott's Station) was named for him. He was elected to the Alabama legislature in 1830 and re-elected in 1832. In 1851 he built his home "White Cottage" on Backbone Ridge in Scottsboro. He donated land in Scottsboro for the Jackson County courthouse and for the Methodist Church. Too old to fight in the Civil War, he gave money and supplies to the Confederacy. His house was looted and burned by bands of Union soldiers.

He married Elizabeth Ann "Eliza" PARSONS, Dec 1826, in Sneedsboro, Anson Co., NC,^{2,6,5} born 6 Oct 1809, Old Morven, Anson Co., NC,^{9,1,3} (daughter of Vincent PARSONS, Sr. and Mary (Nancy) Burton COVINGTON) died 13 Oct 1873, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{9,1,2,3} buried: Scott Family Cemetery, off Hwy 35,^{10,4}. Elizabeth: In 1870, Elizabeth was living with her son Robert T. Scott & family in Scottsboro, AL.

Children:

- i **Walter Parsons SCOTT**, born 2 Sep 1827, Madison Co., AL,² died 20 Aug 1829.²
- 2. ii **Mary Jane SCOTT** born 16 Sep 1828.
- iii **Thomas W. SCOTT**, born 21 Mar 1830, Brownsville, AL,² died 7 Dec 1832.²
- 3. iv **Charlotte C. SCOTT** born 13 Jan 1831.
- v **Lucy Haywood SCOTT**, born 6 May 1834, Bellefonte, AL,² died 12 Sep 1834.²
- vi **Elizabeth Ann SCOTT**, born 14 May 1836, Alabama,² died 21 Jun 1839.²
- 4. vii **Robert Thomas SCOTT, Jr.** born 14 Mar 1837.
- viii **infant female SCOTT**, born 16 Nov 1839, Bellefonte, AL,² died 16 Nov 1839, Bellefonte, AL.²
- ix **Walter S. (or T.) SCOTT**, born 16 Mar 1841, Bellefonte, AL,² died Aft 20 Sep 1865.¹¹ Married Missouri Chambliss. Resided in Oden, Marion Co., IL in Sept 1865.

He married Missouri C. CHAMBLESS (or Chambliss). Missouri: Her father was Joel H. Chambless.

- x **Ellen Glass SCOTT**, born 31 Mar 1843, Bellefonte, AL,² died 25 Jun 1843.²
- xi **infant male (Henry ?) SCOTT**, born 26 Apr 1845,² died 26 Apr 1845.²
- 5. xii **Lucy Haywood SCOTT** born 29 Jun 1846. — *My grandmother married Robert Huger Beaman*

Second Generation

2. **Mary Jane SCOTT**, (1.Robert¹) born 16 Sep 1828, Madison Co., AL,^{2,4} died 8 Nov 1912,^{2,4} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

She married James Monroe PARKS, 22 Jul 1852, in Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL by E.J.Stocton, MG,^{2,12} born 9 Jul 1819, Tennessee,^{4,13,14} occupation Merchant & Post Master, Parks Store, AL,¹⁵ died 15 Mar 1900, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,14} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴ James: He was the son of John Parks and his second wife Ruth Brown. On 1850 census, James is listed as age 30, with son John, age 1. Did his first wife die at childbirth?

Children:

- i **Charles E. PARKS**, born 6 May 1853, Jackson Co., AL.¹⁵
- ii **Robert Scott PARKS**, born 15 Apr 1855, Alabama.¹⁵

He married Ida J. DODD, born 6 Jul 1865,⁴ died 28 Sep 1907,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

- iii **Mary Eleanor PARKS**, born 20 Feb 1857, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.¹⁵
- iv **James Lichiner (or Lightner) PARKS**, born 24 Apr 1860, Washington, DC,¹⁵ died 3 Apr 1916,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- v **Frank Gurley PARKS**, born 27 Jul 1862, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,¹⁵ died 18 Feb 1896,¹⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.¹⁴

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- vi **Charlotte E. PARKS**, born 29 Oct 1864, Jackson Co., AL,^{15,4,14} died 28 May 1937,^{4,14} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,14}
- vii **Ernest PARKS**, born 26 Jun 1867, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,14} died 28 Jun 1935,^{4,14} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,14}
- viii **William D. PARKS**, born 2 May 1870, Leon Co., TX.¹⁵ He is not shown living with his parents on the 1880 Jackson Co., AL census. Did he die before 1880?

3. **Charlotte C. SCOTT**, (1. Robert¹) born 13 Jan 1831, Jackson Co., AL,^{2,4,14} died 19 Apr 1906,^{2,4} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

She married James T. SKELTON, Est. 1850-51, born 16 Sep 1829, Jackson Co., Alabama,^{4,16,17,14} occupation Tanner,¹⁸ died 24 Dec 1882, aged 53 yrs, 3 mo. & 8 days,^{4,14} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,14}. James: Janet Skelton and Patti Vance Hays show his parents as Robert B. Skelton and Amelia Martha "Nanny" Vance. An interesting article regarding James' daughter Annie, his sons James, Robert & Walter, and son-in-law John B. Tally can be found at <http://users.erols.com/fskelton/SFN2e01c.htm>.

Children:

- i **Molly SKELTON**, born Cir 1852, AL.¹⁸ A Molly Skelton married a John B. Busby in Jackson Co., AL, on 11 January 1876; is this the same Molly Skelton?
- 6. ii **Dovenia "Dovey" or "Dovie" SKELTON** born 29 Jul 1855.
- 7. iii **Robert Scott SKELTON** born Dec 1856.
- iv **Walter A. SKELTON**, born 1859, AL,^{19,4} died 21 Feb 1916, Jackson Co., AL,^{20,21,4} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴ He appears on the 1900 census in Fort Payne City, DeKalb Co., AL, age 41, merchant; with wife Marguarith J., age 34 and a step-daughter.
- 8. v **Sidney M. SKELTON** born 27 Aug 1861.
- vi **David P. SKELTON**, born May 1863, AL,^{19,4,22} died Oct 1923, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,21} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.^{9,4} On 1900 Census, he was listed as 37 years old, single, and a hardware merchant.
- vii **Monet ?? SKELTON**, born Cir 1866, AL.²³
- 9. viii **Gertrude SKELTON** born Dec 1866.
- ix **James M. SKELTON**, born Feb 1870, AL,^{19,9} occupation Deputy Sheriff,²² died 22 Sep 1915, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,21} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁹ In 1900 he was listed as single and living with his sister and brother-in-law, John B. & Sidney Skelton Tally in Scottsboro.
- x **Annie SKELTON**, born Cir 1872, AL.¹⁹ An Annie L. Skelton married a W. R. Barrett in December 1897 in Pickins Co., AL; is this the same Annie Skelton? An interesting story involving Annie Skelton can be found at <http://users.erols.com/fskelton/SFN2e01c.htm>.

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4. **Robert Thomas SCOTT, Jr.**, (1. Robert¹) born 14 Mar 1837, Jackson Co., AL,^{9,2} occupation Physician,^{23,19} died Nov. 1881, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., Alabama.⁹ Some researchers show other children. 1870 census shows Edward A., Leona E., Corinna M., and Mary J. 1880 Census shows: Leona, age 15, Lorena (is this Corinna?), age 14, Mollie (Mary Jane) age 12, Claude, age 9, and Robbie, age 6.

He married Judith May BUCHANAN, 7 Feb 1861, in Anson Co., NC, by Rev. L.A. Johnson,^{9,24,25,2,10} born Cir 1840-42, Anson Co., North Carolina,^{26,9,27} (daughter of May BUCHANAN and Mary Eliza ATKINSON) died 3 Oct 1892, Alabama or Tennessee,^{26,9}

Children:

- i **Edward (or Edwin) Atkinson SCOTT**, born Jan 1862, Anson Co., NC,²⁶ died 10 Feb 1923, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.²⁶ On 1920 Jackson Co., AL census, he is listed as single, a bookkeeper, living with Ernest Parks.
- ii **Leona Elizabeth SCOTT**, born 3 Sep 1864, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{26,9} died 5 Dec 1916, Chattanooga, Hamilton Co., TN,^{26,9}. Had 4 children: Earl Jefferson, Frank Henderson, Claude Calvin, & Minnie Corinne.

She married Calvin H. CRUTCHFIELD, in Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,⁹ born 1873, Indiana.⁹

- iii **Corinna Myers SCOTT**, born 31 Jan 1866, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,²⁶ died 16 Sep 1946 ?, Chattanooga, TN.²⁶
- iv **Mary Jane "Mollie" SCOTT**, born 23 Sep 1868, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,²⁶ died 25 Jun 1926, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.²⁶ Married Phillip Becker in Dec 1888 and had 2 sons and 2 daughters.
- v **Claude Duvall SCOTT**, born 1871, Alabama.⁹
- vi **Robert "Robbie" Thomas SCOTT, III**, born 25 Nov 1876, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,²⁶ died 5 May 1919, Chattanooga, TN,^{26,28} Married Walter L. Weaver and had 2 daughters??.

5. **Lucy Haywood SCOTT**, (1.Robert¹) born 29 Jun 1846, Jackson Co., AL,^{9,4} died 22 Feb 1925, Jackson Co., AL,^{9,4} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴ On 1920 census, she is listed as Head of Household, age 73; living with her are daughter Jessie, and sons Clarence & Albert.

She married Robert Hugh BYNUM, 26 Dec 1866, in Jackson Co., AL by a Justice of the Peace,^{29,12} born 10 Jan 1844, Alabama,^{9,19,4} occupation Merchant,¹⁹ died 6 Apr 1909, Jackson Co., AL,^{9,4} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴ Robert: On 1900 census, his occupation is listed as Landlord.

Children:

- i **John William BYNUM**, born 1 Nov 1867,⁴ died 18 Jun 1868,⁴ buried: Scott Family Cemetery, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- ii **Lillie BYNUM**, born 30 Aug 1868,⁴ died 31 Aug 1868,⁴ buried: Scott Family Cemetery, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- iii **Robert Hugh BYNUM**, born 1 May 1872, Alabama,^{19,4} died 18 Sep 1893,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- iv **Jessie L. BYNUM**, born 6 Jun 1874, Alabama,^{19,4} died 22 Apr 1943, Jackson Co., AL,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- v **Clarence L. (or H.) BYNUM**, born July 1876 or 1877, Alabama,^{19,22} died March 1935, Jackson Co., AL.
- 10. vi **Hugh Otis BYNUM** born 14 Nov 1878.
- vii **Katie May BYNUM**, born 29 Oct 1880,⁴ died 18 Jan 1881,⁴ buried: Scott Family Cemetery, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- viii **Annie Matt (or Martha ?) BYNUM**, born 6 Mar 1882,⁴ died 2 Mar 1915,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

She married George Briggs HAMILTON.

- ix **Charlotte "Lottie" C. BYNUM** born 13 May 1884.
- x **Albert D. BYNUM**, born 28 Mar 1886, Alabama,^{29,4,22} died 7 Mar 1968,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

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Third Generation

6. **Dovenia "Dovey" or "Dovie" SKELTON**, (3.Charlotte², 1.Robert¹) born 29 Jul 1855,⁴ died 23 Mar 1895,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

She married Samuel B. KIRBY, 20 Aug 1875, in Jackson Co., AL,¹² born 1847.¹⁵ Samuel: He was the son of Francis M. Kirby of Marshall Co., AL.

Children:

- i **Sammie KIRBY**, born Est 1876.
- ii **William Robert KIRBY**, born July 1878.¹⁵
- iii **Louis H. KIRBY**, born 1881.¹⁵

7. **Robert Scott SKELTON**, (3.Charlotte², 1.Robert¹) born Dec 1856,^{4,22} occupation Retail Merchant, Hardware,^{30,22} died Sept 1932, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,20,21,14} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,14}

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He married Nannie B. HUFF, Cir 1886,²² born Aug 1865, Virginia,^{4,22} died 16 Dec 1945, Alabama,^{4,21} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

Children:

- i **Sidney SKELTON**, born Aug 1887, Alabama.²²
- ii **Elizabeth SKELTON**, born 19 Jul 1893, Alabama,⁴ died 7 Sep 1893,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- iii **William R. SKELTON**, born June 1895, Alabama,^{4,22} died 1911,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- iv **Robert SKELTON**, born 19 Jan 1898 ?, Alabama,⁴ died Aug 1899,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.
- v **James SKELTON**, born 27 Jul 1898, Alabama,^{4,22} died 22 Jun 1900,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

8. **Sidney M. SKELTON**, (3.Charlotte², 1.Robert¹) born 27 Aug 1861, AL,^{23,31,22} died 5 Oct 1935,³¹ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.³¹ One online source spells her husband's last name as Talley.

She married John Benton TALLY, Jr., 8 Nov 1877, in Jackson Co., AL,³² born 28 Jun 1851, Jackson Co., AL,^{13,31,22} occupation Lawyer,^{13,22,30} died 27 Jan 1929, Jackson Co., AL,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

Children:

- i **Walter Hunt TALLY**, born 23 Nov 1878, Jackson Co., AL,^{13,31,22} died 17 Aug 1939,³¹ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.³¹ On 1920 Jackson Co., AL, census, he is shown living in Scottsboro, AL, as age 41, a clerk in the Post Office; wife Edith W., age 30, born in Tennessee; and son Robert W., age 2, born in Alabama.
- ii **John Benton TALLY**, born Feb 1881, Jackson Co., AL,^{31,22} died 1929,³¹ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.³¹
- iii **Robert TALLY**, born 7 Jan 1889, Jackson Co., AL,³¹ died 25 Jan 1889, Jackson Co., AL,³¹ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.³¹

9. **Gertrude SKELTON**, (3.Charlotte², 1.Robert¹) born Dec 1866, Alabama,^{19,22} Did she later marry a Mr. Boothe?

She married Edgar G. WRIGHT, 15 Nov 1888, in Jackson Co., AL,^{22,33} born Oct 1860,²² occupation Grocer.²² Edgar: An Edgar Wright died on 23 December 1943 in Jackson Co., AL; is this the same Edgar Wright?

Children:

- i **Thomas S. WRIGHT**, born Nov 1889, Alabama.²² A Thomas S. Wright died in July 1934 in Jackson Co., AL; is this the same Thomas S. Wright?

10. **Hugh Otis BYNUM**, (5.Lucy², 1.Robert¹) born 14 Nov 1878, Alabama,^{19,4,34} occupation Farmer,^{35,30} died 11 Apr 1964,^{4,34} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴ He is show as Otis on the 1920 Jackson Co., AL census and as Ottis on the 1930 census.

He married Lora V. ALLEN, born 7 Oct 1882, Tennessee,^{4,35} died 12 Oct 1950, Jackson Co., AL,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

Children:

- i **Hugh Otis BYNUM, Jr.**, born 2 Aug 1914, Alabama,^{4,34} died 10 May 1980, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,34} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- ii **infant BYNUM**, born 24 Feb 1916,⁴ died 24 Feb 1919,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴
- iii **Lucy Scott BYNUM**, born 22 Oct 1917, Alabama,^{4,30} died 13 Apr 1983,⁴ buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴

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iv **Jessie BYNUM**, born Cir 1918-19, Alabama,^{35,30}

11. **Charlotte "Lottie" C. BYNUM**, (5.Lucy², 1.Robert¹) born 13 May 1884, Jackson Co., AL,^{22,4,36} died 1 Aug 1974, Jackson Co., AL,^{4,36} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL.⁴ She was interested in family history. In 1934, she wrote a letter briefly outlining some of her Parsons, Covington, & Hicks family history. In 1954, she had a family Bible that listed the birth dates all of the children of Robert Thomas Scott & Elizabeth Ann Parsons.

She married Pontiff J. ^{wrong} SKELTON, 6 Jan 1916, in Jackson Co., AL, born 17 Aug 1881, Jackson Co., AL,^{36,34} occupation Retail Music Store,³⁰ died 3 Oct 1968, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{36,34,4} buried: Cedar Hill Cemetery, Scottsboro, Jackson Co., AL,^{36,4}. Pontiff: Per Janet Skelton, a Skelton family researcher, Pontiff was the son of John William Skelton and Nellie Diona Kelly.

Children:

12. i **Mark Scott SKELTON** born 1919 ¹⁹²⁰

Fourth Generation

12. **Mark Scott SKELTON**, (11.Charlotte³, 5.Lucy², 1.Robert¹) born 1919 ¹⁹²⁰, Jackson Co., AL.³⁰ Mark & Vesta had 2 children.

He married Vesta Lou McLEMORE.

Children:

i **Mark Scott SKELTON, Jr.**

2. *Andrew Douglas Skelton* ✓

Deed books here to Jackson county store

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Lucy H. Bynum
& R. H. Bynum were
my Grand parents

This Indenture Made this 31st day of August 1868 by & A Settlers Executors Robert Scott Lucy H. Bynum and her husband R. H. Bynum Charlotte Shelton and her husband James S. Shelton Mary Jane Parks and her husband James M. Parks Walter S. Bynum at law of Robert S. Scott deceased to Alexander Reed Rice A Coffey Thomas J. Mitchell and William Perkins Commissioners of the County of Jackson who are charged with the location of the County Site of said County and to their successors in office for the use of the County to wit

That the said parties of the 1st part have this day sold to the said parties of the 2nd in fee simple for the use of the said County the following lands to wit A public square on which to erect a Court House to be selected by the said parties of the 2nd part or under their authority and also another plot on which to erect a jail to be selected in like manner these two parcels not to exceed fifteen acres and also alternate lots being half of fifteen acres surrounding and lying abt the said public square The said sale is made on conditions that the said Commissioners select the town of Sealtown as the future county site of the said County of Jackson in which event this indenture is irrevocable and valid to all intents and purposes other wise null and void In testimony Whereof we have hereunto subscribed our names and affixed our seals the day and date

recorded and composed

2nd 1868

David Tate
Judge P. C.

above written in the presence of
J. G. Warden.

E. A. Scott	seal
R. J. Scott Jr	(seal)
Walter Scott	(seal)
Lucy Byrom	(seal)
R. H. Byrom	(seal)
J. J. Shetter	(seal)
Charlotte Shetter	(seal)
Mary J. Parks	(seal)
Joe M. Parks	(seal)

Stamped 1 Dollar & 50 cents
& corrected

State of Alabama
 Jackson County J. W. Brooks Notary
 Public, hereby certify that E. A. Scott Executor
 Robert J. Scott Walter Scott Lucy Byrom and
 her husband R. H. Byrom Charlotte Shetter
 and her husband James J. Shetter Mary
 J. Parks and her husband James M.
 Parks Heirs of the Estate of R. J. Scott Decd
 whose names are signed to the foregoing
 conveyance and who are known to me as
 acknowledged before me on this day that they
 informed of the contents of the conveyance
 they executed the same voluntarily on the
 day the same bears date

Given under my hand this 31st day
 of August A. D. 1868
 J. W. Brooks Notary Public

I David Tate Judge of the Court of Probate
 in and for Jackson County in the State of
 Alabama hereby certify that the foregoing
 conveyance or donation was filed in
 my office for registration on the 26th
 day of December 1868 and was duly
 recorded and compared this September
 2nd 1868

David Tate
 Judge P. C.

How Scottsboro Became Jackson County's Seat

By HENRY MARKS
For The Times

Robert T. Scott — planter, tavern operator, newspaper editor, state legislator and land developer — sought for years to have the Jackson County seat moved to his land and bear his name. He ultimately succeeded — five years after his death in 1863.



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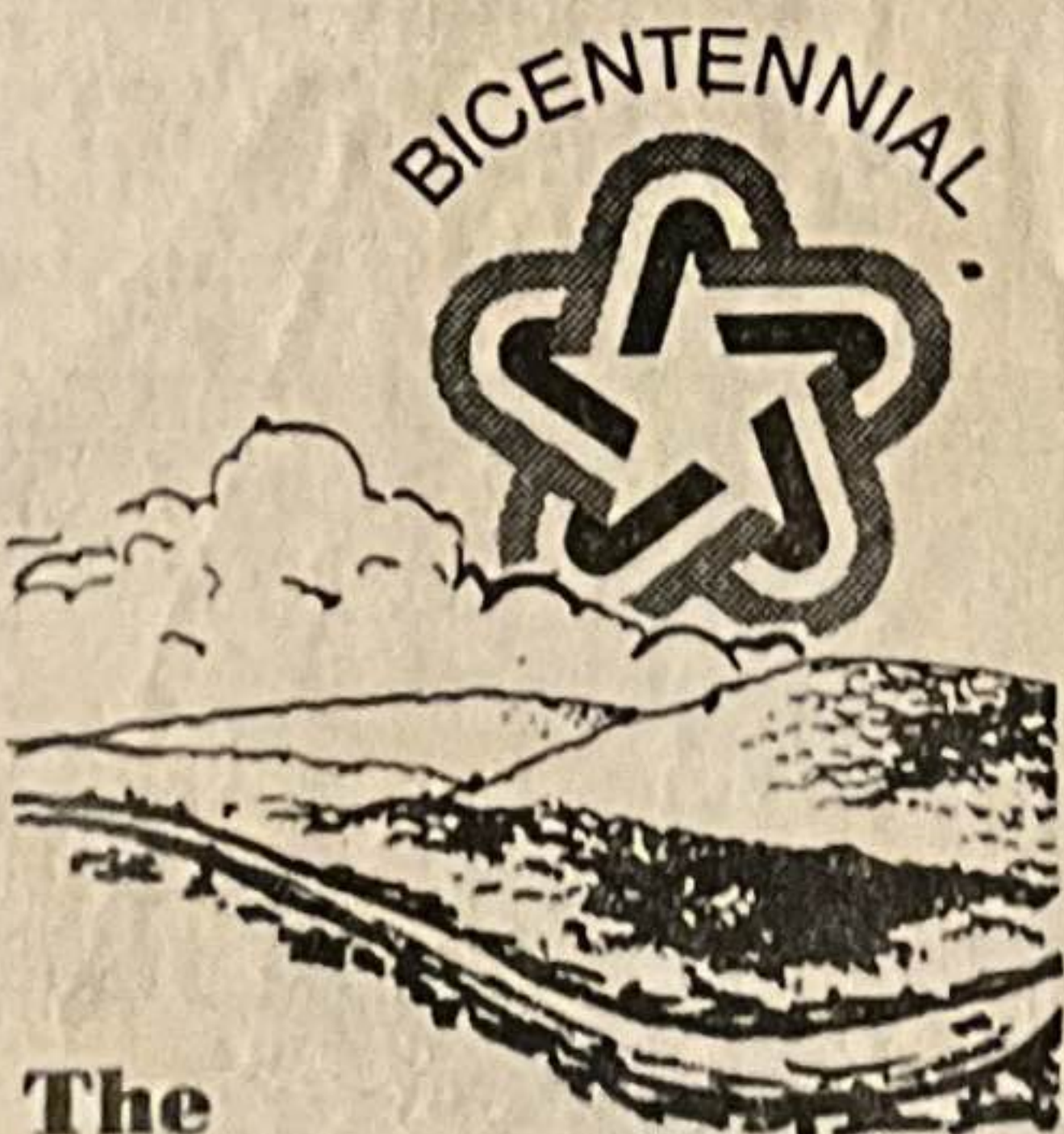
Scottsboro's founder, who lived for a time in Madison County before moving on to greener pastures a few miles eastward, was born in the late-1700s (probably in 1789 in Virginia, according to W. Jerry Gist in "The Story of Scottsboro, Alabama," although another historian says it was in about 1798 in North Carolina).

In any case, Scott is known to have moved as a child with his family to Raleigh, N.C., and lived there three years before the Scotts came in 1817 to Alabama, settling in Madison County. Along the way, young Scott studied law in Franklin, Tenn.

In Madison County, Scott farmed successfully for some years and was elected to the Alabama House of Representatives in 1830 and re-elected in 1832.

He moved two years later to Bellefonte, the newly chosen Jackson County seat, where he bought a large farm that included a hotel-tavern. Operated by Scott and called Belle Tavern, it became a popular place for prominent social and political gatherings.

The planter and innkeeper, who also was editor of the Bellefonte Courier newspaper, wasted little time in re-enter-

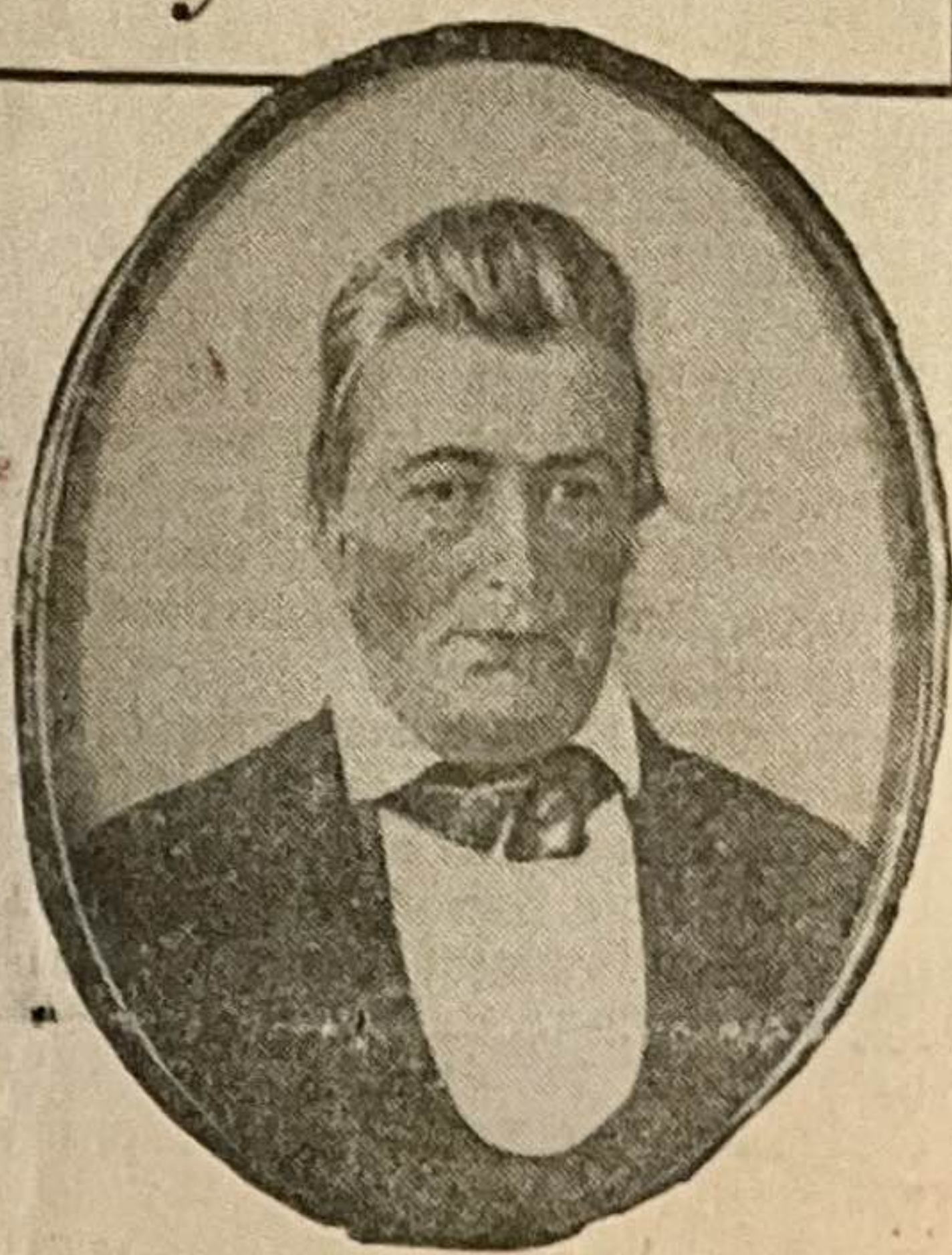


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ing politics. In 1836 Scott was again elected to the Alabama House — this time as a Jackson County representative. He was re-elected in 1837, again in 1839, and was to serve the county four additional times, in the legislative sessions of 1842, 1844, 1847 and 1853.

Scott's election in 1839 was unique. In one year the people of Jackson County elected him to the legislature no fewer than four times.

The previous year he had been elected circuit clerk of the county, and when he appeared as a legislator in Tuscaloosa, then the state capital, the point was raised that he could not hold two offices at the same time. Scott was refused his seat in the House.



ROBT. T. SCOTT

A new election was soon held in Jackson County, and again Scott was elected representative. Again he was refused at the legislature. A third election was held, with the same results. Scott was elected a fourth time, but by then the legislative session had ended.

He served in other governmental capacities as well. In 1842 Gov. Benjamin Fitzpatrick appointed Scott as agent to help settle financial troubles stemming from the failure of the state bank. And during the administration of Gov. Henry Collier (1849-1853), he was appointed to a commission called to adjust the disputed boundary line between Georgia and Alabama.

Scott also spent much time in Washington, D.C., where he assisted in prosecuting financial claims of the state for outlays made because of the Indian and Mexican wars.

He retired from public life after the 1853 session of the legislature, except for serving as a delegate to the Democratic convention in Baltimore that nominated John C. Breckinridge for president.

In the early 1850s Scott decided to move to what today is Scottsboro. He erected a handsome residence on Backbone Ridge. After 1853 he devoted full time to the development of his expanding property. By 1856 he was able to exert pressure on the directors of the Memphis and Charleston Railroad to construct the rail line beside his property. The depot erected nearby was known as Sage Town, but the name was soon changed to Scott's Station.

From then until his death on June 18, 1863, Scott worked constantly to bring the county seat to this location. His widow persisted in the effort, and five years after Scott's death his heirs reached an agreement with the county government to do just that.

The site for the courthouse and jail in what by then had been renamed Scottsboro was deeded to Jackson County on the condition that it become the county seat. The agreement also called for the proceeds from the sale of alternate lots around the courthouse square to go to Scottsboro, with the rest of the proceeds going to the Scott heirs.

Thus, Robert Thomas Scott was able, in death, to gain the county seat he had long sought and to ensure the growth of the city named for him.

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Memphis and Charleston Railroad,

Scottsboro Station Sept-24 1872

Recd W. S. Williams
Supt

Dear Sir

A summons and complaint was served upon me this morning as the Agent of the So. R.R. Security Co, in favor of J. W. Law for one milk cow killed on the road & valued at \$75. Trial before R. D. Scott Esq at this place Oct-2nd 1872

Respectly

John Snodgrass
Agent

This dot
is questioned

Scott Line

be wrong
it is doubtful
to send 100 years
This could
be caused

William Alexander Scott was born in Glasgow, Scotland (around 1729) no record. His father died and later his mother married again, a Mr. Clark.

Not caring much for his step-father, William A. left home and came to America with an old friend, captain or owner of a vessel.

They came to the coast of Maryland. Later William A. married Jane Thomas at Port Tobacco, Md. Her mother was a Hungerford from England.

William A. was in Rev. war, was said to have been with John Paul Jones on 'The Good Ship Richard'. Later

was said to have owned a
vessel. The British burned
the Thomas home. They left
P. Tobacco. No records from
there (thought to have been in
Virginia) until Dec. 1, when

~~was grand father~~ Robert Thomas Scott was born
in Granville, Co, N. C. (bible record)

Later William Alexander lived
in Raleigh, N. C. He came to
Madison Co, Ala. 1821.

In some of the recorded deeds
at Huntsville, Ala. one showed
he sold five per no 2 in the
Presbyterian church and
three (3) chairs in the line
of stages between Raleigh and
Plymouth to a Robert Cannon.
William A. Scott died in

1829 at Mayville, Ala. ^{Chattanooga record}
Robert Thomas Scott, ^{his son} then
moved to Bellefont in
Jackson, Co. Later he founded
the town of Scarborough.

He died in 1863, from exposure
after being taken prisoner by
the Yankees.

Sons of William A Scott were
William A. Jr. Thomas W,
Robert Thomas, John, Henry.
one or two daughters.

Robert Thomas Scott married
Elizabeth Ann Parsons (born
Oct. 1809) in 1826, at Warren
(Scarborough N.C.) N.C.

Their children we know

were, Robert T. Scott jr.
Walter Parsons Scott
Mary Jane Scott
Charlotte Scott
Lucy Haywood Scott (my mother)

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Raymond Scott
born June 27th 1846 at
place. 1846

BIRTHS.

1840
7849
4

John William Byrnes.
was born 1st of December 1840

Scott born 1840

Lillie Byrnes was born

Thomas Scott
1842
A. B.

Scott was
the 23 day of
at 1843

Scott was

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

DEATHS.

James ...
died August ...
between the hours of three
and four o'clock at night
the year of our Lord 1829

Thomas ...

Free ... died the 7th
between the hours of three
and four o'clock at night
the year of our Lord
1832

Elizabeth Ann Scott
died June 1st 1839
about midnight

Ellen Glass Scott died
June the 25th about midnight
1843, at the Foston place

Lucey Maynard Scott
died September the 12th
at 9 o'clock in the
the Foston place
John ...

Lillie

Richard H. Scott
at White Cottage in
County during the Civil
Rebellion on the 18th day of
June 1863 - aged 65 years

Mrs. Elizabeth Ann Scott
wife of R. H. Scott, died
at 9 o'clock on the night
of the 13th of October at her
residence in the Town of
Scottsboro Ala Jackson
County. The year of our
Lord A.D. 1873

FAMILY RECORD.

MARRIAGES.

MARRIAGES.

Handwritten notes in the left column, partially obscured by a tear. Legible words include "Scott", "Scott", and "married".

*R. B. Scott, Jr. and
Judith W. Buchanan
was married Oct. 7, 1867*

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

BIRTHS.

Walter Gordon Scott
was born [unclear] [unclear]
in [unclear] at Pines Place

Marv [unclear] Scott
was born Sept 16 1829
in Madras at Pines Place

[unclear]
[unclear]
at Pines Place

W. Scott was born
March 21 1832 in
Amoy [unclear]

Lucy Hayward Scott
was born May 6 1834
in [unclear]

Elizabeth Ann Scott
was born February
14th 1836 at [unclear] place

John [unclear] Scott was born
[unclear] at my house.
one to the bath house in Jackson
towny -

Robert G Scott
born [unclear]
1st 1850. in the
of [unclear]

[unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear]
1850 in the [unclear]
of [unclear] [unclear]

Walter Scott
born March the 16. 1841
at 3. Beloit in [unclear]
Belleville

Ellen Gless Scott
was born March 31 1843
London Place

Infant (male) was born
26 1845 at Pines place.

Infant female was born
dead November, [unclear] 18
16 1839. in Belleville



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J. A. ECHARD, PROPRIETOR.
W. C. ECHARD, OPERATOR.

FLORENCE, ALA.



Channy's 75th Birthday

Left to Right

Mark is in the wagon

Jessie and Lucy

Grandmother Bynum

Andy Hamilton

Luey "

Hugh "

Mere with Bynum

Hugh Otis is on the pony





Letter
from Elizabeth
Anne Scott

Dearest

July the 7th 1871

Dear Jane

I have just received your letter and am pained to hear that your health is still bad; but hope that your health will improve; and that you will get well before long. do not dwell on your past troubles and afflictions but be cheerful and resigned to the will of the Lord, as we all have our afflictions in this life, and must bear up under them with christian fortitude, hoping that all will be for the best; we are anxious to see you all and hope that Mr Parks will be able to come in this fall, we have had a great deal of rain this spring and summer but the prospects now are for dry weather; Mrs Carter is in great trouble at the time, as you know she had only one son Billy, he was found dead in a passage of a Hotel in Stauson last Wednesday morning

This must be a sad affliction to her.
Mr and Mrs Hanborough have been in
Bellevue on a visit this summer also.
Mrs Jane Cook, Robert wrote a long letter
some time since to Mr Parks I hope you
have received before this time.

Charlotte and Lucy are well at the time.
all them with me in love to you and family.
tell Lucy I send her some money to buy
a pair of pantaloons. I am as ever your mother

E. A. Scott

Elizabeth Anne Scott
widow of R. T. Scott

OLD TOWN SCOTT'S BORO

Early land owners

T. William Scott

On February 27, 1837, T.W. Scott bought public land described as: the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 S29 T4 R6 E. In 1997, this land lies south of the Old Garland Ferry Road (Veterans Drive). A subdivision has been developed on this land known as Benwood. At some time before 1855, Robert Thomas Scott bought this forty acre tract from T. William Scott. Since T. William Scott does not appear in the 1860, it is assumed that he had died or moved.

In the 1840 Census, William Scott does appear and it is assumed he and his family had established a home on this land. The 1850 Census show the following family

	Scott, William	Age 52	born NC 1798	Sauce and
married Eliza Pascal Dec 1870 Pauline A. Scott 1859	. Eliza	42	NC 1808	Use for
	. William	20	AL 1830	early records
	. Elizabeth	15	AL 1835	of Scotts mill
	. Winfield	12	AL 1838	station
	. Henry	6	AL 1844	
	. Robert T. Jr	4	AL 1846	?

NOTES FROM OLD NEWSPAPERS

From the "Democrat", published at Huntsville, Alabama.
Issue dated February 8, 1840.

Departed this life on the 21st of January last at the residence of Mrs. Mary Hewlett in this county her eldest daughter Mrs. Nancy Scott, widow of the late Thomas W. Scott of Jackson County in the 34th year of her age; ...tears of seven orphan children....disease of long continuance. Alabama Records, Vol. XII, p 61

Issue of October 7, 1835. Committee of Vigilance of Jackson County; list of names includes R. T. Scott. (These committees were formed to watch for abolitionists and any uprising of the slaves. KPJ.) Ala. Records, Vol. XII, p 14.

Issue of July 5, 1837. List of candidates: Madison Co.; Jackson County...for House of Representatives,R. T. Scott. Alabama Records, Vol. XII, p 41

Issue of August 22, 1828. Died on the 18th instant in her 9th year Mary Ann, eldest daughter of James G. Scott. Alabama Records, Vol. VI page 4

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Huntsville Republican. Published at Huntsville, Ala.
Issue dated August 9, 1822.

Married Thursday evening 1st, by Rev. Andrew K. Davis, Mr. Thomas W. Scott, son of Captain William Scott, to the amiable and much admired Miss Nancy Hewlett, daughter of Mr. John W. Hewlett, all of this county. Ala. Records Vol. V p 6

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The Southern Advocate published at Huntsville, Issue dated May 14, 1831. Married Tuesday evening, 10th inst. by the Rev. James Rowe, Mr. Jesse G. Scott, merchant of this town to Miss Agatha P. Rice, daughter of Joel Rice, Esq. of this County. Alabama Records Vol. VI. P. 14

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I, Kathleen Paul Jones hereby certify that the above extracts were copied by myself and my sister in law, Pauline Jones Gandrud, from old Huntsville papers in the Department of Archives and History at Montgomery, and in a private file; those from the Republican, the Southern Advocate and the issue dated August 22 1828 being from Montgomery, the others from papers in private hands. The Alabama Records are a series of records compiled by us, typed and bound in volumes.

Kathleen P Jones

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 7th day of February, 1935.

Thomas B Johnston
NOTARY PUBLIC

Railroad - 1856
Scott's Station ^{mill} ?

Scottsboro - 1859

Post Office 1860

County seat - 1868

Incorporated - 1870
with 357 people

education. In his manners, he is somewhat secluded, resulting no doubt from his indifference to popular favor, and to his exclusive devotion to his profession.

27. ROBERT T. SCOTT, of Jackson, became first known to me in 1835, when he was canvassing against Gov. Chapman, for a seat in Congress. He was beaten, and in 1837, he was elected to the House. It has been stated in a preceding chapter that, in 1839, he was again returned to the House, but was ousted from his seat, because, at the time of his election, he held the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court. He thereafter remained in private life, pursuing the practice of the law until 1842, when he brought to the aid of the House strong native talents, matured and strengthened by experience. At this session he introduced a bill for the investigation of all extra allowances made by Bank Directors since 1835, giving power to the Governor, if he should deem it expedient, on the report of the Commissioners, to institute proceedings for the recovery of such unauthorized applications of the public money.

Mr. Scott was again elected in 1847, and took an active part in the important business of that session. In 1853, he was returned, with the writer, to the House, and discharged with ability and efficiency the duties of Chairman of the Committee of Ways and Means. This ended his connection with the Legislature.

Under an appointment of the Governor, Mr. Scott was engaged in prosecuting the claims of Alabama for advances made on account of the Indian and Mexican wars, and perhaps other claims, which required much of his time to be passed in Washington City. In this labor he exhibited great diligence and capacity, and was successful in a certain degree, considering the difficulties encountered.

A particular trait in the character of Mr. Scott, as a legislator, was his opposition to high salaries in public officers, and his love of economy in the expenditures of the public money, an instance of which may be given, as occurring at the session of 1842. When some bill was under consideration in the House, he took the floor, and contended that public officers were too well paid, in support of which proposition he compared the profits of manual labor, in the different occupations, with the per diem of the Judges, showing that the sweat of fifty men at the plough would hardly earn as much money as the State paid to one Judge! In fact, he demonstrated, in his own way, that the average of common labor was eleven cents per day to the hand, while that of the Judge, who sat in the house, sheltered from the cold and heat, amusing himself with his books, was six or seven dollars per day. When he drew the contrast, his voice rose to the highest pitch of indignation, as if it was anti-republican to permit mental labor, pursued in the

shade, to be paid a fraction higher than mere bodily labor in the sun, where no idea of larger capacity than a full corn crib was essential. His mind was well cultivated, and his business qualifications superior. He was not a pleasant speaker, on account of a lisp in his delivery. Of course, he had to be a Democrat to represent Jackson county, where Democracy prevailed almost by unanimous consent. His social qualities were of a very respectable class, so much so that he appeared to better advantage in the private circle than in the forum.

28. JOHN S. STORRS, of Shelby, was a Northern man, and settled in Montevallo to practice law. He was liberally educated, and a Whig in politics, soon taking a high position in his party, so that in 1841 he was elected to the House, and for several years thereafter the same trust was renewed by his constituents. In 1857, he concluded his legislative service in the Senate. In 1849, while a member of the House, he was a candidate for Secretary of State, and was defeated.

With marked zeal and ability, Mr. Storrs devoted himself to measures calculated to develop the mineral region of Alabama, in the midst of which he resided, and to this end he advocated the establishment of railroads, in aid of which he proposed to apply the two and three per cent. funds. Gloomy as the prospect seemed then, these lines of connection have since been opened, and the people of Shelby and those of other counties are about to realize the benefits of the wise movement. By some persons an objection to Mr. Storrs has been raised, on the ground that he was too sectional in his views and efforts—that he was wedded too entirely to the people of Shelby county, regardless of the general interest. While the fact probably existed of such devotion on his part, it should be borne in mind that he had cast his lot in a community with which he had become identified in feeling and interest, and that it was natural he should promote their welfare to the best of his opportunities. By diligence in his profession, and by using the proper means in other respects, he succeeded in acquiring a very ample estate, and died much regretted by the people with whom he had long resided, and had faithfully served.

Mr. Storrs had a good voice and a ready supply of language, but he was not often a participant in the debates. He occasionally addressed the House, more in explanation than for any other object. He was always deficient in the warmth of social feeling, for which Southern men are noted, and in those agreeable qualities which would make him a favorite in legislative circles, though in his private relations he was more communicative, and possessed a fine vein of humor.

Like other portions of the Tennessee Valley, Jackson was laid waste by the ravages of the late war. The courthouse and several dwellings in Bellefonte were burned by the northern troops; combats took place at Stevenson, Bridgeport, and other places, and a small volume might be readily filled with interesting incidents which had their occurrence within the limits of the county. The conduct of the citizens in harassing supply trains, bushwhacking detachments, &c., was such that officers of the invading armies, in neighboring garrisons, were wont to declare that Jackson county deserved its independence. It was the Switzerland of the State during that memorable period.

Jackson has nurtured the talents of several very useful men. Among these was the late JOSEPH P. FRAZIER. He came from Tennessee and settled in Jackson about the year 1830. In 1835 he entered the lower house of the legislature, and the year after he was colonel of a mounted regiment raised to suppress the Creek Indians. From 1837 to 1840, and from 1847 to 1855 he represented the county in the State senate. He died in 1857 or '58 highly esteemed and respected for many sterling qualities of head and heart. He married a sister of Hon. E. W. Williams of this county, and his relatives are here.

ROBERT T. SCOTT was for many years a citizen of this county. He was born in North Carolina about the year 1798, and came with his parents to Alabama in 1817. They settled in Madison, where Mr. Scott was a planter. In 1830 he represented Madison in the lower house, but soon after came to Jackson, and was here a hotel proprietor and farmer. In the year 1836 represented Jackson in the legislature, and was six times subsequently elected. He was also clerk of the circuit court of the county, and at the session of 1839 his seat was declared vacant in consequence of holding the two offices. He returned to his constituents, was re-elected, and presented his credentials without resigning his clerkship. This was refused, and he was again elected, and a third time rejected by the house. The adjournment of the legislature put an end to the controversy. Gov. Fitzpatrick appointed him agent of the State to adjust the two and three per cent. fund, and Gov. Collier commissioned him to adjust the boundary line with Georgia. He was also a presidential elector. His death occurred near Scottsboro in 1863. He was a matter-of-fact man, benevolent, temperate, and energetic.

WILLIAM BARCLAY, who figured so prominently in the local history of this county in its early settlement, serving the county in one or the other branch of the general assembly for thir-

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1800
SCOTT, Robert Thomas, farmer, boundary commissioner, born about 1798 in North Carolina and died June 18, 1863 at Scottsboro. Son of Wm Alexander and Jane (Thomas) Scott, the former who came to this country from Glasgow, Scotland, was a cousin of General Winfield Scott, was owner and captain of a sailing vessel and served in the Revolutionary War with John Paul Jones, the latter of English parentage. He came with his parents to Alabama in 1817 having previously been educated at Raleigh and Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and later attended a law school at Franklin, Tennessee.

He settled in Madison County and engaged in planting until 1830, when he represented that county in lower house and soon after removed to Jackson County. He bought a road house or tavern with a farm attached to it, which was known as the Belle Tavern of Old Bellefonte, once the capitol of Jackson County. In 1836, he was elected to the legislature from Jackson County, was elected Circuit Clerk in 1838, and while holding office in 1839 was again elected to the legislature. He was sworn in as a member when the constitutional point was raised that he could not hold two offices and he was refused a seat in the legislature. He again went before the county as a candidate, was elected, went back to Tuscaloosa and presented his credentials, but as he had not resigned from office of Circuit Clerk, he was again refused a seat. He was in all elected four times to one session of the legislature. He was re-elected to the legislature in 1842, his term of office as Circuit Clerk having expired, and was appointed by Governor Fitzpatrick as agent to settle the "Two and three per cent" fund in connection with the financial troubles of the state incident to the failure of the state bank and its branches. During administration of Governor Collier he was appointed on a commission to adjust the boundary line between Alabama and Georgia. He spent much of his time in Washington City where he was engaged in prosecuting the claims of Alabama for advances made on account of Indian and Mexican wars and at one time was presidential elector. In 1847 he returned to the legislature and during this session served as chairman of the committee on ways and means. He then retired from public life, lived to see Alabama secede but was too old for service in the C. S. Army. He was author of two or three books in Mss form which were never published, being destroyed when the Federal Bushwhackers destroyed his home. He was a democrat and in 1860 was a delegate to the Convention in Baltimore that nominated John L. Breckenridge for president. Was a Methodist. Married Elizabeth Ann Parsons of Marvere, North Carolina.

CHILDREN:

Mary Jane married Dr. James Parks, resided in Scottsboro, both deceased.
Charlotte C., married James T. Skelton, merchant & planter, Scottsboro, both deceased.
Dr. Robert T., married Judith Buchanan, Scottsboro, both deceased.
Walter A., married Missouri Chambliss, Maysville, both deceased.
Lucy married Robert H. Bynum, merchant & Planter, Scottsboro, both deceased.

SCOTT, Sutton Selwyn, Nov 26, 1829, Huntsville, son of James Green & Ann (Biddle) Scott of Raleigh, N. C., grandson of John Scott and great grandson of John Scott, Scotch emigrant (a very notable man).

SCOTT, Stella Gilman, daughter of David and Stella (Houghton) Scott of S. C., and Alabama. After '65 lived with Houghton of Mass. Writer, author. Her efforts resulted in Radcliff College and Harvard University accepting women students. Married Prof Gilman of Harvard.

SCOTT, Robert Gomain, Dec 27, 1791

" , Charles Lewis, son

" , Robert Gomain III, son, Nov 30, 1860 married Dec 14, 1882 Marg McClellan, daughter of Thos Cassander & Fredrica M., granddaughter of Dr Geo McClellan, founder of Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, noted surgeon and physician and niece of General George Brinton McClellan, U. S. Army.

The State of Alabama
Jackson County } This deed of conveyance made by
J. V. Skelton, as Administrator de bonis non, with Will
annexed of Robert T. Scott, deceased, to Alexander Snod-
grass, Witnesseth: That by authority granted in the
last will and testament of said Robert T. Scott, empowering
his Executrix to sell lots in the Town of Scottsboro, in said
county, and in consideration of the sum of seventy
five dollars to me in hand paid, by said Snodgrass
the receipt whereof being hereby acknowledged, I have
this day granted, bargained, sold, conveyed, transferred
and set over to said Alexander Snodgrass, his heirs and
assigns, all the right, title, interest, claim and demand,
that said Robert T. Scott, at the time of his death, had &
held in and to the following described lot of land
known in the Town Plot of the Town of Scottsboro, in said
county, as Lot No. 10. Situate on & fronting on the
North side of the Court House Square of said Town &
said lot containing One eighth of an acre. To
have and to hold to the said Alexander Snodgrass, his
heirs and assigns, forever.

In testimony whereof, I, as Administrator afore-
said, do hereunto set my hand and affix my seal
this 21st day of February A. D. 1878 -

J. V. Skelton (Seal)
Admr. de bonis non, with Will annexed
of Robert T. Scott, deceased.

The State of Alabama }
Jackson County } I, Green D. Campbell, a
Notary Public, in & for said County, hereby certify
that J. T. Shelton, whose name is signed to the fore-
going conveyance, and who is known to me, acknowl-
edged before me on this day, that being informed
of the contents of the conveyance, he, as administrator
de bonis non with Will annexed of Robert T. Deott,
deceased, executed the same voluntarily on the
day the same bears date.

Given under my hand, this 21st day
of February A. D. 1878.

Green D. Campbell
Notary Public.

The State of Alabama } I, John B. Guley
Jackson County } Notary
Public for said County hereby
certify that the foregoing conveyance
was filed in my office registered
on the 1st day of February, 1874 & was
duly recorded & compared in
said Record No 12 pp 409-410
Given under my hand this 8th day
of July 1874

John B. Guley
Notary Public

For W. H. D. D. D. D.

J. P. Skelton Adm'r &c.

To Deed -

Alexander & Snodgrass -

Lot No. 10. Public Square

"

Filed for record on
the 1st day of Feb'y, 1884

John B. Welch,

Judge of Probate

Reconvened Book

12 PP 409-410

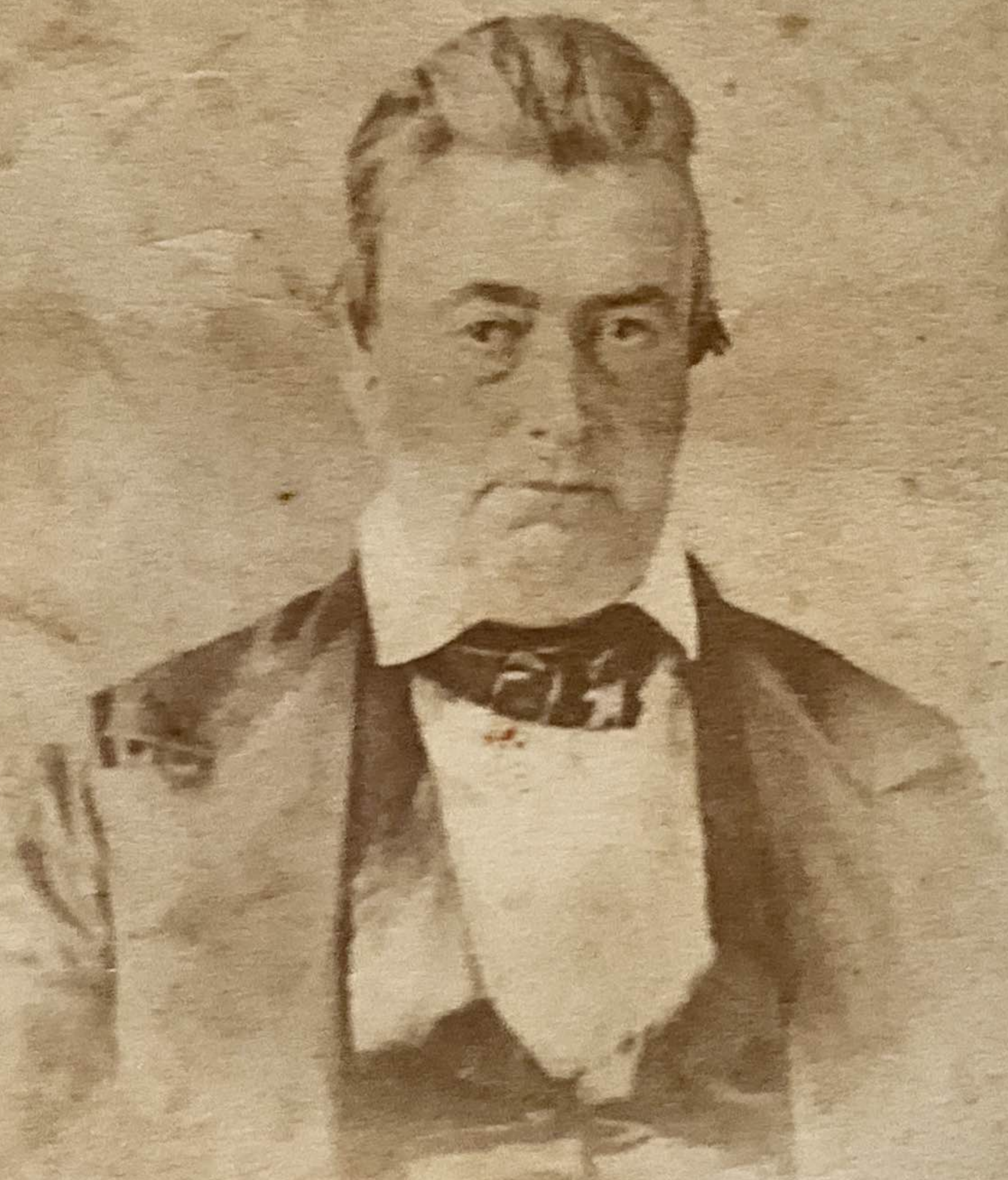
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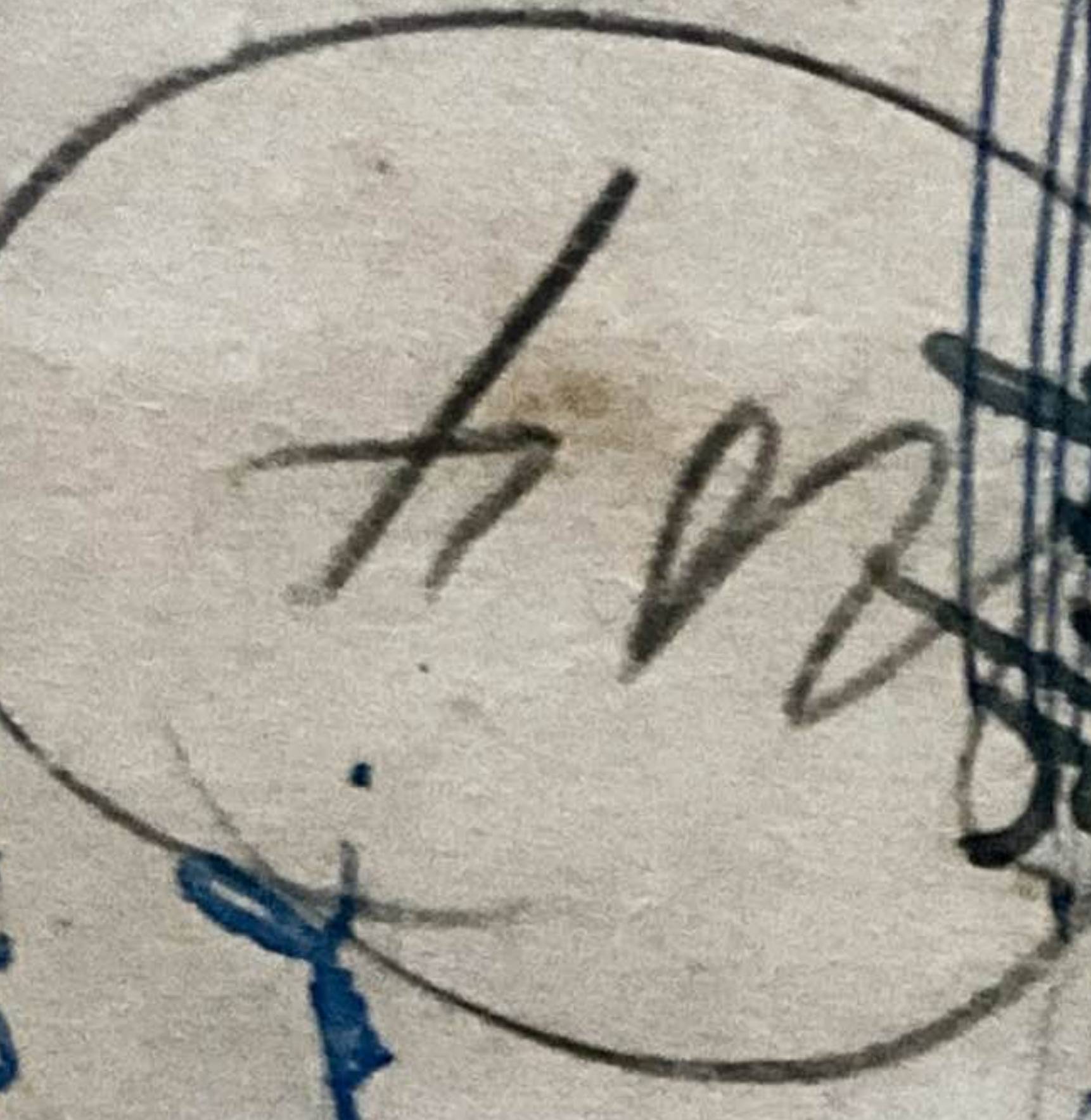
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Return to Edwin Stoddard



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Presented to Mary Jones
Parks. by her mother
E. A. Scott

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Ms. P. J. Sketton.

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MARK SCOTT SKELTON
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SCOTTSBORO, ALABAMA 35768

Dec 11, 1992

Mayor Louis Price
City of Scottsboro
916 South Broad St.
Scottsboro, AL 35768

Dear Louis,

Mr. Wendell Page, curator of the heritage center, informed me that the city of Scottsboro has deeded the portrait of Robert T. Scott to the Scottsboro - Jackson Heritage Center Association.

In order that you might acquaint yourself with the history of the portrait and why it has been displayed in city hall, I am enclosing three letters for your reading. Hopefully these letters will provide you with a better understanding. I have other copies, so it is not necessary that you return them.

Respectfully,
Mark Scott
Mark Scott Skelton

Portrait of Robert T. Scott
Background information

JOHN F. PROCTOR (1868-1939)
JOHN M. SNODGRASS
JAMES M. PROCTOR

PROCTOR & SNODGRASS
ATTORNEYS AT LAW
SCOTTSBORO, ALABAMA

March 19, 1945

Mrs. P. J. Skelton
Scottsboro, Ala.

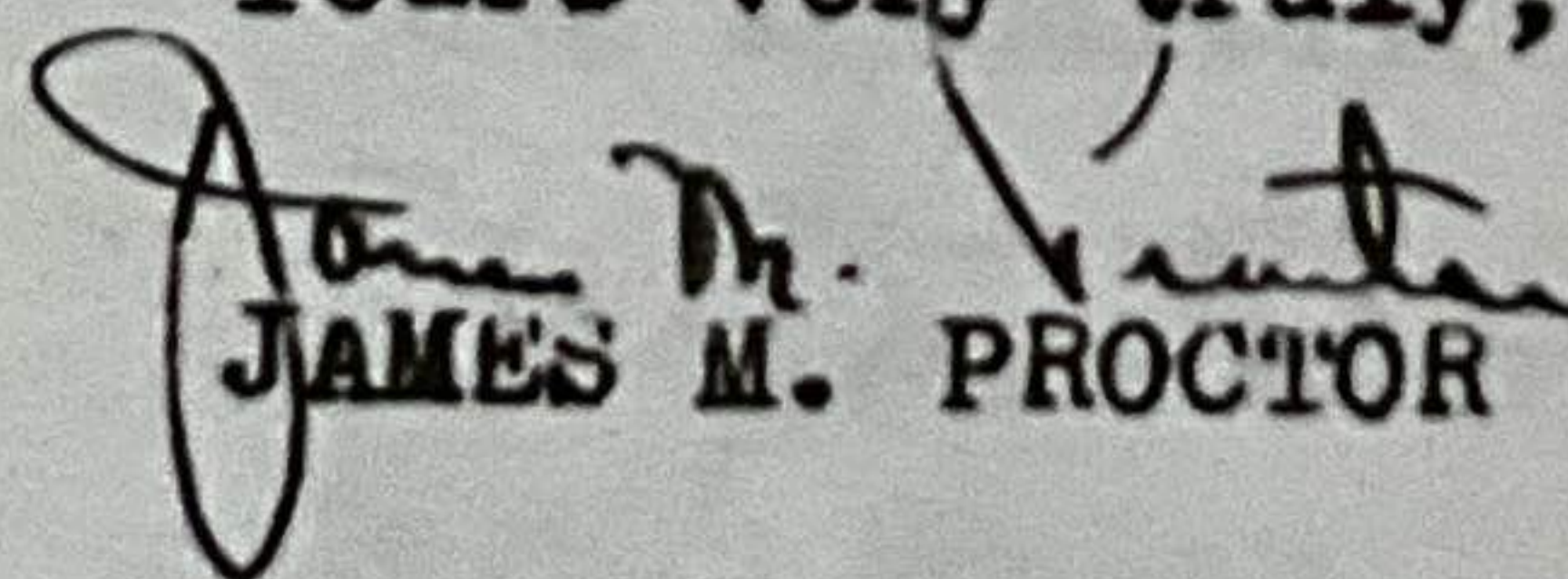
Dear Mrs. Skelton:

I looked up the will of Mr. Robert T. Scott and found it recorded in Will Record L, page 13. The will is dated December 28, 1859, and in a codicil attached to the will, his executrix, who was his widow, was authorized and empowered to donate a site for the courthouse and court square and also such other lots as she might deem best to take care of the future growth of Scottsboro. On August 31, 1868, Mr. Scott's heirs at law executed a deed to Jackson County in consideration of the location of the courthouse in Scottsboro, conveying to the County the present courthouse site and a site for the jail and every odd lot. This deed is recorded in Deed Book 3, page 564.

I believe the date of the will should be the date as used by Mr. Betts upon the scroll.

JMP/LS

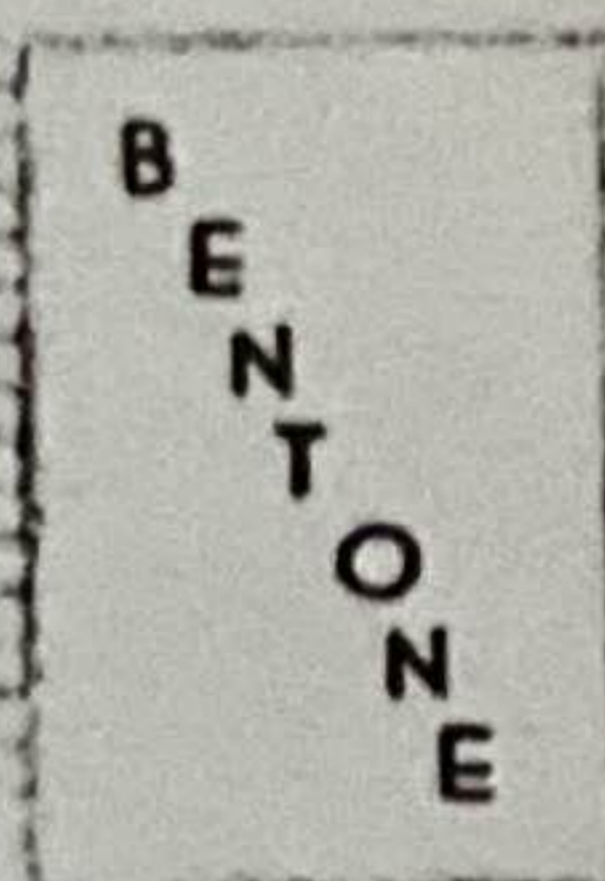
Yours very truly,


JAMES M. PROCTOR

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ITEHALL STREET
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350 BROADWAY
NEW YORK, N. Y.

BENHAM UNDERWEAR MILLS



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CHILDREN'S WAIST SUITS • SPORTSWEAR
SCOTTSBORO, ALABAMA

August 11, 1945

Mrs. P. J. Skelton
Scottsboro, Alabama

Dear Miss Lottie:

Please find enclosed copy of letter to the City Board which is self explanatory regarding the Scott portrait.

Trusting that this meets with your approval.

Most sincerely,

Dayton Benham
Dayton Benham

DB:el
enc.

August 6, 1945

Scottsboro City Board
Scottsboro, Alabama

Gentlemen:

About three years ago Mr. Jim Proctor mentioned the fact that either the County or the City should have a portrait of Robert T. Scott, who was the father of Scottsboro.

This was accomplished by his will in 1859 and carried out by his heirs in 1868 after his death in 1863.

In addition to the County Courthouse site and some other property for schools and churches every other lot around the square was deeded to the County.

Mr. Proctor mentioned the suggestion to his aunt, Mrs. Annie Moody Dodge, who now lives in Delta, Ohio. She was an artist and some years ago had suggested that a portrait of Robert T. Scott should be acquired by the County to hang in the courthouse

I became interested at Mr. Proctor's suggestion feeling that it would be most appropriate. I attempted to get the City Board interested in having this done but without success.

However, this Spring one of Mr. Scott's decendents showed H. H. Betts, artist, a small picture belonging to another descendent, Mrs. Lottie Skelton.

He became interested and made the portrait which now hangs in the City Hall but which has not been acquired for the City.

Because of my interest in historical memorials of all kinds and because Jackson County and the City have given so little attention to these things and with the hope that they will become more interested in them in the future, I wish to donate \$300.00 to the City of Scottsboro Memorial Fund.

This is the price the artist has asked for this picture and I suggest that this money be used to purchase it and that it remain in the City Hall.

August 6, 1945

Scottsboro City Board

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Trusting that my offer is acceptable and that my suggestion meets the approval of the Board.

Yours very truly,

Dayton Benham

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OLD TOWN SCOTT'S BORO

Early land owners

T. William Scott

On February 27, 1837, T.W. Scott bought public land described as: the SE 1/4 of the NW 1/4 S29 T4 R6 E. In 1997, this land lies south of the Old Garland Ferry Road (Veterans Drive). A subdivision has been developed on this land known as Benwood. At some time before 1855, Robert Thomas Scott bought this forty acre tract from T. William Scott. Since T. William Scott does not appear in the 1860, it is assumed that he had died or moved.

In the 1840 Census, William Scott does appear and it is assumed he and his family had established a home on this land. The 1850 Census show the following family

	Scott, William	Age 52	born NC 1798	Sauce and
married Eliza Pascal Dec 1870 Pauline A. Scott 1859	. Eliza	42	NC 1808	Use for
	. William	20	AL 1830	early records
	. Elizabeth	15	AL 1835	of Scotts mill
	. Winfield	12	AL 1838	station
	. Henry	6	AL 1844	
	. Robert T. Jr	4	AL 1846	?



th Birthday



The elderly
lady sitting in
the chair is
Lucy ^{Beard} ^{Bynum}
Mankie ^{Shawmollie}

Mass

Mark Kelley
& Wife

To Dea

John W. Stetson

Filed for Registration

14th March 1874

David W. Tate
Judge

This Indenture, made this 30th day of May in the year one thousand

eight hundred and forty-nine between William F. Hart and Amanda F. Hart his wife of the county of Jackson in the State of Alabama of the one part, and Robert J. Scott of said county and State of the other part. Witnesseth, That the said Wm F. Hart and Amanda F. Hart his wife for and in consideration of the sum of eight hundred dollars to them

in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have this day given, granted, bargained, sold, aliened, en-
Robert J. Scott - all that certain tract or tracts of land lying and being in the County and State aforesaid, and known as the East half of the South West Quarter, Section No 29, Township 4, Range 6 East. The West half of the North West Quarter of Section No 2, Township 4, Range 6 East. The West Half of the North East Quarter of Section No 29, Township 4, Range 6, East. The North West Quarter of Section the South East Quarter of Section No 29, Township 4, Range 6 East, and the South East Quarter of the North West Quarter, Section No 29 Township 4, Range 6 East. Containing three hundred and twenty acres, more or less.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD, the above described tracts or parcels of land with the tenements and appertinances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining unto the said Robert J. Scott his heirs and assigns forever. And the said Wm F. Hart, and Amanda F. his wife for their heirs, executors and administrators, do hereby, and in consideration of the premises, warrant and will forever defend the title to the above described and hereby granted premises, unto the said Robert J. Scott his heirs and assigns, from and

against themselves, and all and every person or persons claiming or holding under them the said ~~Robert J. Scott~~ W. F. Hart & Amanda his wife and also, against the lawful title, claim or demand of all and every person or persons whomsoever. IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, The said Wm F. Hart and Amanda F. Hart his wife do hereunto subscribe their names and affix their seals the day and year above written.

Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of

} W. F. Hart Seal
} Amanda F. Hart Seal

The State of Alabama }
Jackson County } This day personally }
I appeared before me }
John B. Cook Clerk of the Circuit Court of said }
County. Wm F. Hart & Amanda F. Hart who acknowledged that they signed, sealed, and delivered the above foregoing deed of conveyance, to Robert J. Scott, on the day of the date thereof, for all the purposes therein contained, and the said Amanda F. Hart, being that she did the same freely & voluntarily, without fear, threats or compulsion from her husband
Given under my hand and seal this 1st day of June A.D. 1849
John B. Cook Clerk

J. J. Dixon Clerk of the County Court for the County of Jackson
and State of Alabama do certify that the foregoing deed was
filed in my office for registration on the 17th day of June 1844
and was duly recorded and Compa in due
book R page 528 & 529
J. J. Dixon Clerk C.C.

Wm. F. Lewis

Wm. F. Lewis
Deed to
R. J. State

Bernard & Co
Book R page 528 & 529

J. J. Dixon C.C.

for Sale

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— AUTHOR OF —
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STONES OF POYNTON MANOR
LUCKETTS OF PORTOBACCO
CHARLES COUNTY GENTRY
ANNE ARUNDEL GENTRY
SMOOT FAMILY

Mrs. P. J. Skelton,
Box 258,
Scottsboro, Ala.

My dear Mrs. Skelton:

I owe you many apologies. Your letters have been among my unanswered mail for sometime, but you do not know how difficult it is to keep-up with one's genealogical correspondence or the many demands on a genealogist without adequate compensation. However, I am interest in each and every problem of my clients and regret the physical impossibility of replying as promptly as possible.

The technical description of the Scott arms is as follows: "Or, on a bend azure, a mullet between 2 crescents of the field". Crest - Stag trippant, ppr. attired and unguled, or".

To go into the history of it, many hours of research would be required. Whenever a client does not know or have the proved pedigree of their armorial family on the other side, it is always expedient atleast I follow it in my profession to give the earliest or elemental arms. By so doing one is sure of obtaining the arms to which they are entitled. Likewise, I gave you the early arms. Since the first registration, any number of Scott arms have been registered, most of which have the basic symbols of the Scott, but to it have been added various other symbols to denote their peculiar branch of the house - but all going back to the original arms. Usually the first was the simplest one, while the various branches of the houses have quartered theirs, etc.. and thus present more elaborate bearings.

Quoting from a book which I purchased in Edinburgh in 1938 on the Scot clans, I find the following on the Scott family:

"The Scott history begins in 1330, when there lived one Uchtredus filius Scoti, father of Richard, who is said to have had two sons - Richard, ancestor of the Scotts of Buccleuch, and Sir Michael, ancestor of the Scotts of Balweary. From Richard descended Sir David Scott of Branxholm and Alexander of Howpaisley. The first Duke and Duchess of Buccleuch were James, Duke of Monmouth, son of King Charles II, and Anne, Countess of Buccleuch, daughter of Francis, second Earl of Buccleuch, who was a direct descendant of Sir David. The Dukedom has been handed down in regular course from father to son. Alexander's (of Howpaisley) descended in the eighth degree was Francis of Thirlestane, who was created a Baronet

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Mrs. P. J. Sketon,
Scottsboro, Alabama.

My dear Mrs. Sketon:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of March 29, regarding Maryland Revolutionary services for William Alexander Scott and Joseph Parsons.

I have gone through all of my pension abstracts and fail to find any services for either men from this source. However, I have a number of other sources at my disposal for Maryland Revolutionary services and shall be pleased to make a thorough search for a fee of \$1.50. I believe that I am safe in saying that I have the most comprehensive collection of services for the Maryland Revolution of any one known to me. It has been a hobby of mine, and I have been collecting services of Maryland patriots for over seventeen years.

I know your family of Scott. I have come in contact quite often with the family during my specialization of southern Maryland families, from thence I come. They lived at Portobacco (old Indian tribe) now known as Port Tobacco. My mother was a Miss Wright whose father was from the Eastern Shore - and the name Edward was common to this branch.

Trusting that I may have the pleasure of serving you further, I am,

Very truly yours,

Harry Wright Newman
Harry Wright Newman.

April 12, 1939.

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Mrs. P. J. Skelton,
Scottsboro, Alabama.

My dear Mrs. Skelton:

Please pardon the delay in my report on William Alexander Scott and Joseph Parsons, but I wanted to make a thorough search and the latter particularly cause me some concern. I found no services of any kind for a Joseph Parsons among the usual channels, but recently I learned of many miscellaneous Revolutionary papers in the hands of the Maryland Archivist, not heretofore accessible to the public, so I wanted to go through them before replying. As they were unindexed, it took some time. I regret in giving you a negative report on him, but I am quite please to write that I have several references to the Revolutionary services of William Scott.

The additional charge for these references would be two dollars with my personal certification, but in the event that you wish an affidavit, include fifty cents for notary fees.

Are you sure that the parents of your Scott ancestor did not come to Maryland? I have no knowledge to the contrary, but I find a goodly number of Scotts living near Port Tobacco who could possibly be of the same family.

To go back to Joseph Parsons, I would not altogether give up all hopes for Joseph Parsons, but if you could tell me exactly which county he lived in during the war, a better search could be made, and I shall be glad to continue my search.

There were several Thomas families in Charles County. One particularly stood very high socially. The marriage records for this county prior to 1870 or so have been destroyed, and work would have to be done on this family to straighten out your Thomas branch. I have never worked on this family, nor do I know of any one who has. Being a professional genealogist, naturally I would be quite pleased to have commissions for any work.

I spent two years in Alabama, and naturally have heard of Scottsboro. And it is so nice to know that it was named after some one who had a claim on Maryland.

Very truly yours,

Harry Wright Newman
Harry Wright Newman.

June 6, 1939.

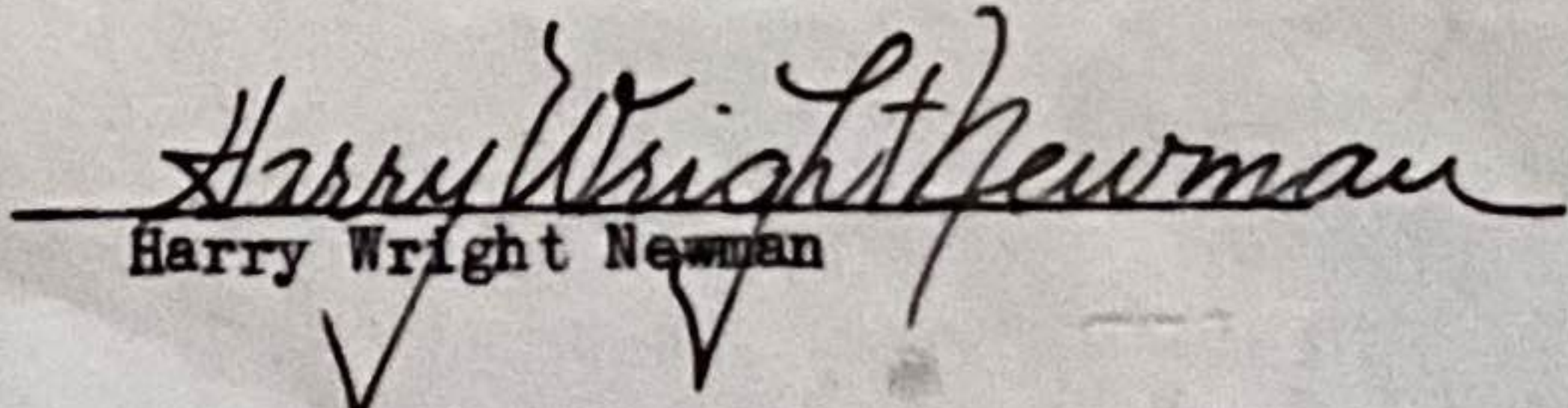
WILLIAM SCOTT OF THE STATE BOAT PLATER

"Saturday, 13 October 1781. Treasurer of the Western Shore is ordered to pay to William Scott £ 2/5/- of the same Emission of the money aforesaid due him per Acct passed by the Auditor General". (Reference: Archives of Maryland, vol. 45, p. 642.)

"Monday 17 December 1781 - That the Commissary of Stores deliver to Major John Davidson..... and to William Scott Seaman of the Plater, one suit of Cloaths, two shirts, one pair shoes, and one pair Stockings." (Reference: Archives of Maryland, vol. 48, p. 27.)

"Monday 11 February 1782, Mr. Muir is requested to deliver to Captain Brian seven hats for the use of William Scott, William Soon, John Baxter, Andrew Bramble, Levin Harrington, Richard Harrington, and Benjamin Burch soldiers in the State Boat Plater". (Reference: Archives of Maryland, vol. 48, p. 74.)

I certify that the above are true and correct copies of references to one William Scott as printed in the official records of the State of Maryland during the latter part of the Revolutionary War.


Harry Wright Newman

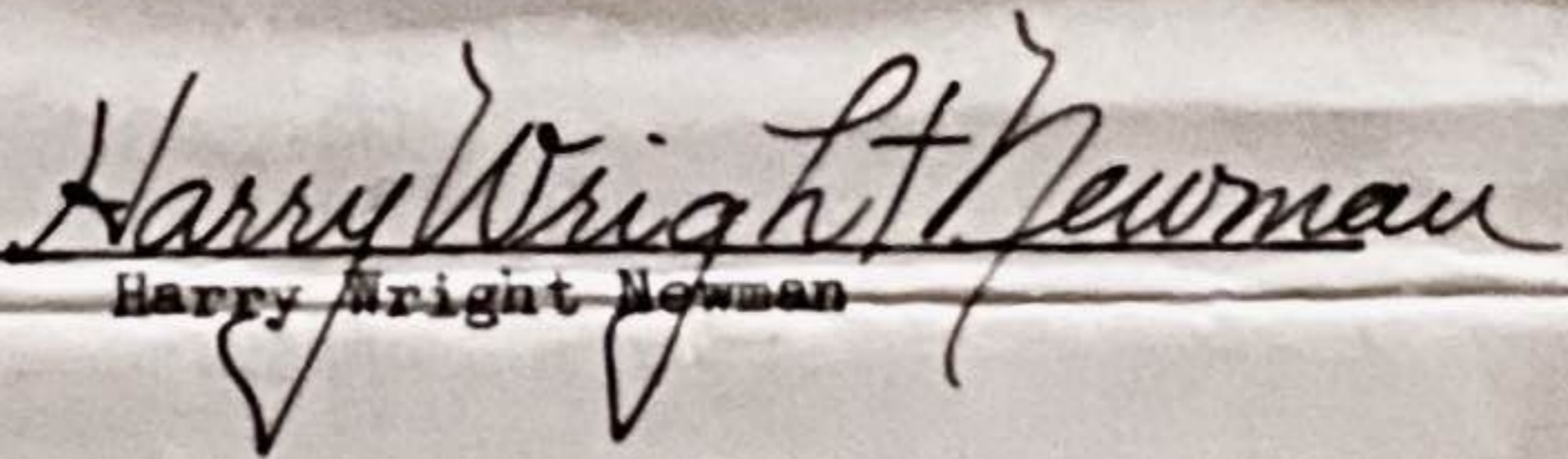
June 28, 1939.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM SCOTT

Session of the Provincial Convention held
at Annapolis in 1775

"Question presented whether brigg Harriett, Captain William Scott, Master, cleared out in May 1775, by Mr. Lowndes out of this Province for Barbadoes was seized and carried to Boston by some officer or officers of his Majesties Ship of War there stationed".

I certify that the above is an exact copy from the Proceedings of the Provincial Convention held at Annapolis in the year 1775, printed in the "Archives of Maryland", vol. 11, p. 38.

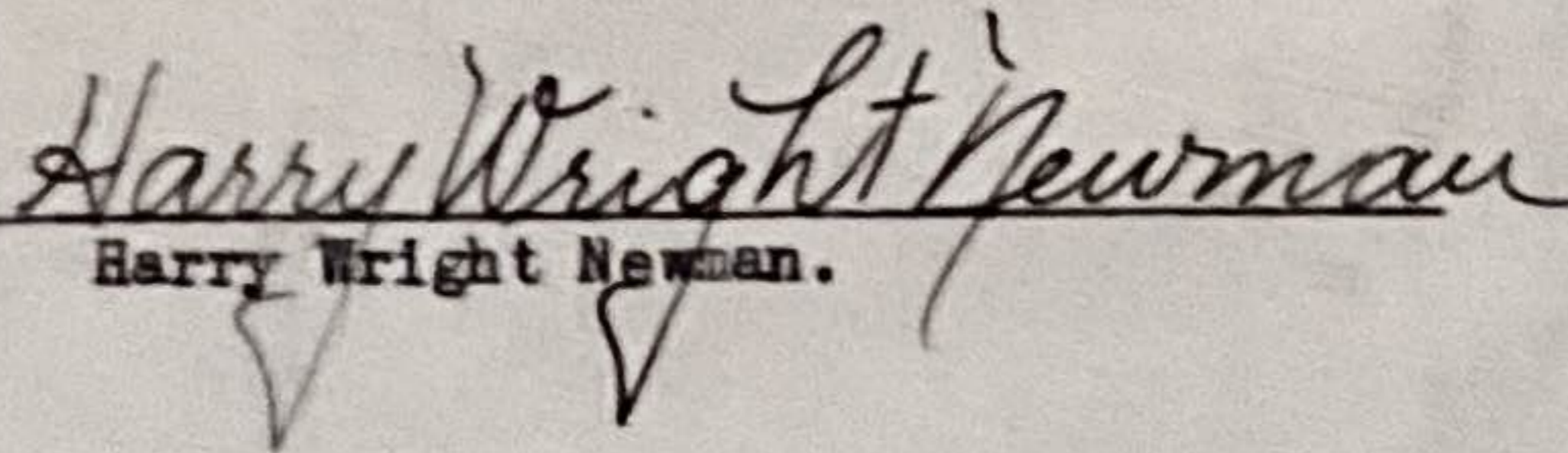

~~Harry Wright Newman~~

June 28, 1939.

Note: The Archives of Maryland, vol. 11, p. 40, indicates that the brigg Harriett was owned by Christopher Lowndes.

PATRIOT'S OATHS IN CHARLES COUNTY

I hereby certify that a thorough search of the patriots' oaths for Charles County, State of Maryland, in the year 1778 for all male citizens above the age of 18 years fails to disclose any such oath taken by William Scott or William Alexander Scott.


Harry Wright Newman.

June 28, 1939.

Note: In Port Tobacco Hundred and Port Tobacco Town, numerous citizens bearing the family name of Scott subscribed to the patriot's oath.

James Scott, of the
Clan Buccleuch
supported the
Pretender, eesaped to the
Colonies after Culloden 1746
William Scott, - Ann Mason

Capt. Rev. War.

Winfield Scott,

b. June 13,
1786, near
Petersburg, Va.

William Alexander Scott,
of Gláscow, Scotland,
and Port Tobacco, Md.

Jane Thomas,
of Chas. Co.,
Md.

Robert Thomas Scott

William Alexander Scott

Writer of the
family notes.

My mother engaged Mr. Newman to do some family research - MJS

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Mrs. P. J. Skelton,
Scottsboro, Alabama.

My dear Mrs. Skelton:

Enclosed you will find all references to William Scott which I was able to find among the Revolutionary records of Maryland. I feel quite confident that William Scott, seaman on the "Plater" is your ancestor. First, it is traditional that he served in the navy. Second, he lived until 1829 which indicates that he was young during the Revolution, and therefore, being young he was a seaman of the State Navy rather than an officer. Third, inasmuch as he lived in Port Tobacco and the "Plater" was fitted out in the Potomac River, named from a resident of that section, and operated around Charles and St. Mary's Counties, it is quite conclusive that the seaman William Scott is the man whom we are trying to place. Three names were rarely used in the naval or military services and therefore he was known as William Scott.

I do not believe that the reference to Captain William Scott of the Brigg Harriett can be your ancestor, because a master of a ship in 1775 would be a position accorded men of maturity. These are all the references I could find regarding a William Scott, William Alexander Scott, or an Alexander Scott.

I shall continue my research on Joseph Parson, but inasmuch as he was from Dorchester County I am not so hopeful. Joseph Parsons does not seem to have served in the Maryland State Line nor the Continental Line. And inasmuch as few if any rosters of the militia for Dorchester County have been preserved, the chances are very slight. The patriots' oaths for Dorchester County have been lost, and although these would not show his military services, the oath is accepted by the DAR for eligibility.

There are instances of Maryland men serving in Virginia regiments, but Dorchester County was not adjacent to the Virginia borders, so it is improbable that he served under that State, but Dorchester County does border Delaware, and I shall search Delaware records to see if he served with any regiments of that State.

I am afraid that an extensive search would have to be made for the marriage of William Scott and Jane Thomas. Among the few returns from ministers, that have been preserved, I do not find it. As I remarked before, one Thomas family stood very high socially in southern Maryland and
it

in 1866. His son and successor, Sir William, assumed the name of Napier on his marriage with Elizabeth, Mistress of Napier. Walter Scott of Synton, great grandson of Richard above-mentioned, was ancestor of Walter of Harden, whose great-grandson was ancestor of the Scotts of Gala. Sir William's (fifth of Harden) youngest son was great-grandfather of Sir Walter Scott, author of Waverley, etc.. The Balweary Scotts are descended from Sir Michael, grandson of Uchtredus filius Scoti".

The book furthermore contains a picture of the arms and a Scotman in the official kilt of the Scott clan.

It is popularly stated that the symbol "crescent" on a charge indicates a crusade to the Holy Land, but I do not believe that it can always be relied upon, because I have found crescents on arms which antedate the first crusade.

I am happy to know that your son has returned from the war, for which you are grateful. The sons of a few of my friends are not returning and that is very sad, because in almost every instance they were the only sons and the last of their name. Such is the case of so many of our old American families, and it distresses me for the future of our Nation.

May the coming Yuletide be merry, and if I can be of service in the future, I shall try to be more prompt.

Very sincerely yours,

Harry Wright Newman
Harry Wright Newman.

December 3, 1945.

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SMOOT FAMILY

Mrs. J. P. Shelton,
Scottsboro, Alabama.

My dear Mrs. Shelton:

I was very pleased to receive your recent letter and have given your problem much additional thought. The notes made by your kinswoman was very interesting, but I am returning the copy inasmuch as it is much too valuable to let go out of the family. A copy has been made for my files.

First, I wish to state that I have requested the Navy Department to make a thorough search regarding any records of William Alexander Scott and to report their investigation to me in writing. I previously made the search there myself, but I want you to have the satisfaction of having an official statement from the Secretary of the Navy.

It is generally taken for granted that a grandchild should be able to make truthful and authentic statements about their grandparents. I trust that all facts set down in the paper are true, but if you be fair with human nature, do you not know that often in old age the mind wanders, in other words imagination creeps in, and after thinking about it for sometime, it becomes an established fact in the mind. Now, I am not disputing the facts at present, I am not in a position to do so. Such conditions have been true in my own family as well as others whom I have investigated. Par example, one of my ancestors was a Miss Adams, some old member of the family stated that she was a granddaughter of John Adams, the second president. Some members of the present generation still states it to be a truth. But when I investigated it, there is not a grain of truth to the statement. She was born in Maryland before any of John Adams' children ever married.

I have enclosed the American lineage of Winfield Scott, and you can see that the common ancestor had to occur in Scotland.

I would like very much to have the privilege of making a thorough and comprehensive study of your Scott lineage in Maryland and the Thomas as far back as the emigrant ancestor. Then we can clarify everything. It would require more than a week on my part and would necessitate work in Charles County as well as Annapolis and Baltimore. But I would be making a thorough job of it, and would collect every bit of data possible regarding your direct Thomas lineage as well as the Scott in Maryland. Everything would be substantiated with court records and references and would contain everything possible on these families that can be unearthed in the records.

I am rather anxious to see if Jane Thomas goes back to the daughter of Governor William Stone who married a Thomas.

The cost of this may seem like a great deal, but it could be well worth it, and in addition to the transportation and hotel expenses involved during the week, it would require a great deal of time in putting the work together and typing same upon my return to Washington. I could not do this for any less than fifty dollars, but if you could get other members of the family interested to contribute towards the expense, it would not work such a hardship upon me. Whenever one member of the family expends in such work, the other members usually benefit by the results - which I do not consider just.

Hoping that I may have the pleasure of your commission at an early date, and guaranteeing complete satisfaction as well as my assurance and ability to perform the same, I am,

Very truly yours,

Harry Wright Newman
Harry Wright Newman.

November 1, 1969.

My notes engaged for names to do some
family work - 1881

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LIVES OF FUTURE MANSION
AND ANOTHER HISTORY
MAYNARD FAMILY

My dear Mrs. Shelton:

The enclosure I am sure will interest you. I hope that you are considering some work on the Thomas family. I would enjoy it so, because they have intermarried into so many of the family with which I have worked.

Hastily
Harry W. Newman

With reference to your letter of November 1st, it is regretted that we are unable to identify a William Alexander Scott of Maryland, said to have served under John Paul Jones during the Revolutionary War.

A search of such material as we have concerning the crews of vessels under the command of Commodore John Paul Jones fails to reveal any reference to a William Alexander Scott.

However, in a roll of the Continental Frigate "Alliance", Captain Peter Landais, one of Jones' Squadron, dated October 5, 1782, there appears the name of a William Scott, Seaman.

William Scott, Seaman on board the "Alliance" is also listed in a paper entitled "Rolls of Officers, crew and searines entitled to prize money from prizes captured by Squadron of John Paul Jones in 1779" dated September 5, 1785, prepared by John Paul Jones at L'Orient, France, and certified by him to be a true copy. This paper is in the John Paul Jones Collection in the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

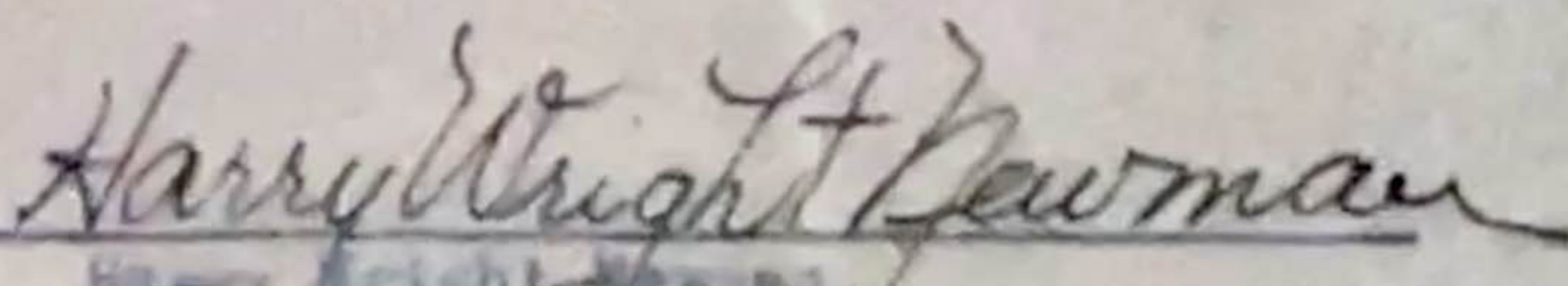
In Senate Executive Documents No. 11, 57th Congress, 2d Session (Senate Resolution of July 29, 1861) "A Statement of prize money (for British ships returned by Denmark, 1796) allotted to officers, seamen, etc., of the Continental Frigate "Alliance", William Scott, Seaman, is listed as having been paid on September 23, 1848, prize money due him in accordance with Act of Congress dated March 23, 1848, "For the relief of the heirs of John Paul Jones". (money probably paid to an heir)

No details of the service of this William Scott have been found.

This office has very little manuscript material dealing with the Revolution and is dependent largely upon printed sources or reproductions of papers in State and private archives.

(signed) D.W. Knox,
Captain, U.S.N. (Ret.)
Officer-in-Charge.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a letter from the Office of Naval Records and Library, Navy Department, Washington, D.C., dated November 17, 1939.


Harry Wright Newman

November 21, 1939.

Maryland and Virginia Armorial Families

Many colonists who settled in Maryland and Virginia were scions of noble and gentry houses of Old England and brought with them their coats-of-arms as a heritage of old-world background, and in research the student of heraldry and genealogy has found evidence of this fact from wax impressions on old wills, silver, listings of the coat-of-arms in inventories of estates, arms found on old gravestones, and the bequeathing of arms and seals to the eldest son. Then, in the absence of proof from these mentioned sources, it has been discovered by glancing into the archives of England, Scotland, and Wales that many other early settlers were entitled to armorial bearings.

These arms reproduced in authentic colors serve as a rightful heritage of the present generation and can be ordered at reasonable prices as a distinctive adornment for one's home. The following are a few families of early Maryland and Virginia whose arms may be ordered without further research into heraldry. Enquiries are invited for other families not listed.

MARYLAND

Alvey	Colgate	Goldborough	Larbett	Warren
Beall	Cronwell	Hammund	Maccubbin	Warren
Bloom	Diggs	Harwood	Ridgely	Warro
Calvert	Fenwick	Hopewell	Stone	Worthington
Chew	Calther	Howard	Edgeman	Yates
Claggett	Gist	Hymon	Turpin	And others

VIRGINIA

Bland	Dangerfield	Ludwell	Scarborough	Thoroughgood
Chandler	Eppes	Pennington	Taylor	Washington
Dale	Furke	Peyton	Tharnton	And many others

Orders may also be placed for the arms of the eighteen Magna Charta Barons who left descendants and who are the covered ancestors of many patriotic Americans.

John de Lacie	Richard de Clare	Gilbert de Clare
William Malet	Robert de Quency	William de Mowbray
William de Larrabee	Roger Bigod	William de Huntingfield
William d'Albini	Robert Fitz-Walter	Humart de Vespi
John Fitz-Robert	Henry de Bohun	Geoffrey de Say
Hugh Bigod	Robert de Vere	Robert de Roos

Size of the arms proper with crest and mantling about 7 by 7 1/2 inches placed on cardboard sized 11 by 15 inches. All arms are painted with hand by a high-grade heraldic artist. Price \$8.65 each, including postage and insurance. Complete satisfaction guaranteed. References furnished if so requested. Send check or money order to:

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Note: Mr. Newman is a member of the National Genealogical Society and various historical societies and is also the author of "Arms Around Gentry", "The Surnames of Maryland and Virginia", "The Surnames of Peyton Manor," and "The Lachetta of Old Portugal."

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Thomson*



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Excerpts - News - News - editorials - Advertisements

1872 Feb. 1. Adv.

Scottsboro House owned by J.J. Sturdevant
South of and opposite the depot. Formerly owned
by James Beason. Described. Livery - Consent to Court house
Adv.

S.B. Kirby & Co. Roller rink upstairs
Adv.

A.L. Martin, Family Grocery Store former house of Wm. Lockard
Adv.

Martin Busby, Owner Watch & Clock Repair, office in
Jordan House Next to Herald Office.

March 14 News

Scheduled Services at Brick Church

1st Sunday J.J. Beason, Missionary Baptist

2nd & 4th E.J. Stockton, Cumberland Presby.

3rd M.P. Brown Methodist also W.T. Andrews

March 30. Adv.

Wood working Shop. Wagons & buggies. J.A. Hardin, Prop.

Mar. 28 Adv.

Dr. C.B. Sanders, Dentist, office - W.T. Andrews residence.

April 11. News

C.S. Freeman Assistant & D.K. Caldwell, Postmaster
Office in store of John Phillips.

April 18. News

Judge David Tate announces Contract ^{bid} to
build New jail will be let May 20.

1874 Feb 26

"John J. Beeson, Supt. of Public Schools, Beckman Hartons Drug Store."

Apr. 11th Adv

Ledbetter & Co. Dry Goods Groceries large store of John Phillips."

Aug 20. News. Abstract

Many Scottsboro residents made trip to South
Cave to enjoy cooling atmosphere

Note: Editor used full column to tell of trip

1875 Sept 17. News

"New hotel building ~~will be~~ managed by John R.
Harris will be managed by Mrs. Mrs. Ellis, former
operator of the Ellis House."

1875 Sept 9. News

"Negro boy found in sleeping quarters of
daughter of prominent family of M. P. Braum."

Oct 22 Adv

"New Hotel (Harris House) near the square known
as Ellis House open to public. John W. Phipps."

1875 Nov 19 Adv. of

J. T. Skellan

Ledbetter and Co.

Tobias and Bros

Snodgrass and Davidson Co.

Dec 3. Social News

Captain J. R. Harris of Jackson Co. married Miss
Marie Walker Kinkle of Huntsville on Nov 26. 1875.

in Huntsville. On Friday Nov. 29 1875 John W.

Ellis gave reception at Ellis House (Harris Hotel)

at 7 1/2 O'Clock for the bride and groom

Following items out of Chronological Order

1875 Aug 5. Adv. New flour mill in town owned by Snodgrass, Cotton & Davidson

Aug 14 Adv. Abner Ranson. Furniture and Bureaus on the square

Sept 2 Drs. McCord & Rorer MD office between Ellis & Faraday Houses

Feb 18 Adv. John W. Cobbs Co. Family supply store, two doors from Herald Office

July 8 Editor tells of trip to "Long Hollow"

1875. Jan 17. News

"Corporate Authorities have laid off on the west side of town a plot of ground for a Cemetery - on a beautiful eminence"

1876 Jan 13. Adv.

Hunt and Tally, Attys N.W. corner of square

Jan 27. News.

John Phillips has closed the Phillips Hotel.

1876 Businesses taking ads in Herald

J. T. Skilton, Dry Goods & Staples N.E. of Depot

Ledbetter & Co. " " South of and near depot

J.W. Moody " " North & opposite depot.

James Jordan, Provisions & Plantation Supplies. Next to J.T. Skilton

Paynes Drug Store, South & opposite depot.

Dr. J.M. Buchanan, druggist, North & near depot.

R.H. Sheppard, Blacksmith N.E. of depot

W.F. Durrough, " West & near square

1876 Feb. 3 Adv

Jane Friday private boarding house near square

Notes: could be North Broad St

1877 May 17. Scottsboro Lawyers Noted in Herald.

Green D. Campbell

Robinson & Brown

Jasper Jones

W.H. Norwood

Wm L Martin

July 20 Adv

Abner Russon, Furniture & Borial Cases. On the square

Aug Adv. R.C. Hunt & John B. Tally Attys

1877 Aug. Adv James E. Gibbs Jeweler, store room of W. G. Smart

Oct 18. Adv

James T. Skelton has moved his large business to the West side of the public square

1878 March 7 Local Miscellany

"The Old Dobbers Neat" Scottsboro's first Church and school, which were soon to be torn ~~down~~ away to make room for the R. C. Hunt residence. This lot is one of the prettiest in town and it has been disfigured by the unsightly little log house.

Note: The editor commented in a later issue that he could see the building being torn down from his office

Note: I think this lot is near the corner of West Laurel + S. Houston Streets, W.P.

March 7. Cont.

"Mrs James Jordan and Mrs A. Smidgrass started to the funeral of Mrs McCord. As the horse drawn buggy was going down the hill by the Tan yard, the horse became unmanageable and dashing down the street narrowly missed running off the bridge. When opposite Mr Brightman's house the reins broke. Mrs Jordan jumped and broke her right arm. The horse broke free from the buggy and trotted off to graze Mrs A Smidgrass stayed in the buggy and was only slightly injured"

March 7, Cont

Hotels in Scottsboro

Stratton House

Phillips House - mgers Mr + Mrs Drake

Ellis House Mrs Lebbetter + Mrs Parks, mgers.

1878 Aug 29 News

"Scott Spring in our town is being damaged by cattle. Mr. James T. Skelton is the owner."

Sept 5 News

"Four private school opened this week"
"We need donations and support for our new school."

Oct 10. News

"The new Baptist church opened last Sunday in the absence of the regular pastor, A. J. Hardin preached."

1879 Jan ~~2~~ 2 Ad

Jonathan Benson of Paint Rock Valley and A. J. Horton of the Firm of Benson & Horton are now in the Dry goods and staples business at old stand of B. C. Horton & Co.

"We have learned that A. P. Moore has contracted to build the new Scott Academy"

Feb 20.

Abstract: Our Courthouse burned but the furniture and records were saved.

March 13.

Courthouse to be repaired for estimate of \$3000.

1879. Feb 6 News item.

" C. M. Porter of Cowden, Tenn. was in town last week. When he started to go from the depot to the square, he could not pass over the road ~~from the depot~~ about the Tanyard. He returned to the Herald office to get a ticket to go "over the bridge" (railroad bridge) this street later became South Railroad Street. The Tanyard is the parking lot for U.S. Textiles. Evidence of the Tanyard is visible.

April 24

A. W. Brown, Supt of this township Six Schools feel that a limit of 50⁰⁰ per pupil will be allotted. He realizes this is not enough. He request parents to make up the difference required to pay the teachers.

May 29.

The Tin workmen have completed the roof of the Courthouse. The building will be completed by August. Cost Not to exceed 3000

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JAS. ARMSTRONG.

Oct. 5th 1881.

Bogus Certificates.

It is no vile drugged stuff, pre-
tending to be made of wonderful
foreign roots, barks, &c., and
puffed up by long bogus certificates
or pretended miraculous cures, but
a simple, pure, effective medicine,
made of well known valuable rem-
edies, that furnishes its own certifi-
cates by its cures. We refer to
Hop-Bitters, the purest and best of
medicines.—Republican.

Business Changes.

The business men of our town
have made the following changes:
S. H. Hunt is occupying his new
brick store on the north east corner
of the public square.

M. & J. W. Moody have moved
their stock of goods into the house
heretofore occupied by W. H.
Payne, near the depot.

M. M. Grantham is selling goods
in the building formerly occupied
by Messrs. Snodgrass & Caldwell.
Martin Busby will be found in the
new business house recently built
by Dr. Buchanan, and Dr. W. H.
Payne has moved his stock of
drugs to the Square.

Death of Judge Clark.

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A. T. Scott #

Letter Dec 4, 1849

Jessie Sue Byrum
has a better copy

Belleville Dec 4th 1849.

St. Paul Bolling Hall.

Dr Sir, I am in receipt of your letter of the 22^d and post marked 23^d asking information in relation to the unpaid claims of Alabama against the U. States for monies advanced by that state in the Creek & Mexican wars. I have just returned from the Huntsville Rail Road Convention, and am only in receipt of your communication within the last hour, and now sit down to give it an immediate answer. It will at all times afford me pleasure to impart to the proper authorities any facts or information in my power touching the business that I have transacted with the U. States and all matters appertaining thereto, as the Agent of the State of Alabama.

The original vouchers that you first refer to growing out of the advances of the state in the suppression of the Creek Indian hostilities in 1836-37. came to my possession in 1845 with the other papers relating to our claim against the Government. But I never have been able to procure from the Comptrollers office any evidence whatever that Alabama had paid said claims, and without this evidence they are wholly unavailable.

In 1846. I opened a correspondence with Gov Martin on the subject of these vouchers, and urged him to have the Office of the Comptroller diligently examined to find if possible, that said claims had been paid by the State, but he was unable to procure this necessary evidence and as a matter of course, I never presented said vouchers to the Accounting Officers of the Government as the state had no right to them, without the evidence of payment. And I deemed it my duty to bring this fact to the consideration of his Excellency Gov Chapman, that the state might be in full possession of every fact connected with my Agency.

I have not yet discovered, that the evidences of payment by the state may yet be found in the Comptrollers office, in which event said Vouchers or large part thereof, can be collected from the U. States with interest, the amount involved merits a most thorough investigation. On many of said vouchers I find, that the Committee on Indian Expenditures have marked them Allowed, and I also find in some of the Pamphlet Acts of Congress, that appropriations have been made to pay several of them, hence I conclude that they have been paid by the state.

You ask me to furnish the Committee with a list of these claims, which is herewith respectfully submitted. Lovitt. (A) James G. Gresham \$13.56. Franklin Armstrong 150. (B) Edmond Black 405. Burke & Lowery 62. John D. Brackin +83.81 - do 27.91. James Brown 483.85. do 27.60. George Baker 2.50 do. 25.21. John Branch 190. (C) James M. Cummings. 41. John W. Cobb. 225. Wm Campbell 253.91. Jos T. Cook 90. James G. Coleman 150. Jesse B. Coleman 200. Wm Cope 197.30. James Billy 35.81. Wm Cooper 64. 2.50. (D) J & Dennis do. 41.98. Wm Dobbs 108. John Drakeford 47.18. Wm C. Byer 120. (E) James H. Eddins 150. (F) Wm. Fleming do. 157.55. (G) Daniel Graham 15.20. Wm Grubbs 17.75. Allen Gentry 171. (H) J. P. House 30. Minor W. Harris 57.25. Richd. Haile 100. John Howdell 32.50. St. Hobdy 65. (I) W. W. Jackson 150. (K) W. M. Kelvey 14.62. (L) J & B Loyd 11.87. Thos M. Lickers 278.30. (M) Wm L. Morgan 200. Wm McSamore 68.75. Wm McBeth 125. (P) John K. Peter Puryear 9.87 1/2 Aaron Parker 175. Wm R. Pickett 78.50. (R) Elyah Reed 318. George Reves 45.55. Thos Robinson 41.50. (S). David Stone 80. do 26.25. R. Shepherd 20. St. L. Stewart 31. L. Simpson do 1.62 do 25. Arthur Stripling 31. Edl. Strunk 90. Wm Sparks 185 do 110. (T) Jones & O'Brien 5.12. Robert A. Taylor 28.50. (W) Moses Wheat 150. Thos S. Woodward 999.87. James Wright 125. Thos Warren 102.50. John D. Williams 27. Thos D. Watts 100. Jacob Woodward 13.80. and S. D. Walkley 125.37 1/2.

These are the claims referred to in my communication to his Excellency Gov Chapman, they are too voluminous to transmit by mail or I would forward you the original, but if I recover from an attack of cold and sore throat under which I now labour in the course of a day or two, I will be in Montgomery within the next 10 or 15 days, and it will afford me great satisfaction to give to the Hon Committee, of which you are the organ, any additional information in my power touching the subject matter of your letter. I will also take with me the original papers above enumerated for the inspection and further consideration of the Committee.

Your next enquiry is in relation to the sum of \$6375.27. suspended by the Sec of War on account of insufficient evidence, authentication, growing out of the advances of the State, in the organization of troops &c. for the Mexican War. After this claim for advances came to my hands I used every exertion in my power to collect it but failed to do so. the whole claim amounts to the sum of \$9905.28 of which amount I have collected the sum of \$3530.01. and the residue is suspended as aforesaid. In the collection of this claim Gov Chapman agreed in

behalf of the state to pay me the following commissions, out of the amount

I might collect. To wit 2 1/2 percent upon the first \$5000. 5 per cent upon the second \$5000. and 7 1/2 percent upon the third \$5000. but it is out that the whole advances of the state was less than \$10,000. as above exhibited. After a trial of two winters in Washington I have not been able to collect of this claim but the small sum above indicated. For the decision of the Second and Third Auditors, I took an appeal to the Hon. Secy of War, but after a patient hearing he sustained said officers in their suspensions upon the plea that said suspension was not sufficiently authenticated, and that he had no right to discriminate in behalf of Alabama over other states that had made similar advances, but that all must fare alike and upto the requirements of the War Department. To obtain this necessary evidence, will require an agent to travel over a good part of Alabama. I feel truly anxious as I have taken this claim upon my hand to bring it to a successful close, but you must be aware that the very small percentage allowed me by the Executive will not justify this large additional expense. Indeed, if after the necessary travel, I should be able to collect every cent due the state my commissions would fall short of the sum of \$375. an amount that would not cover one half of the expenses of the agent, who travels in Alabama and to Washington and the expenses incurred at that point. In the collection of the residue of this claim I do not wish to speculate on the state one cent, I will be satisfied with an additional sum, as would barely cover my expenses and pay a very moderate consideration for my time while collecting the same - any evidence to secure their collection. I again repeat if I should be able to collect the whole \$9905.28 advanced by the state, it will pay me \$370.26. and I have already spent two winters in Washington in attempting its collection, If the state will pay my expenses while collecting the necessary evidence to secure its collection it is that I ask, it cannot expect me to do it otherwise. I will send you my papers in my possession which will throw light on this subject. I have the honor to be your Obedient Servant

R. J. Scott

way to

Am. B. Balling Hall

Dorchester Mass

Alabama

Dec 5th





Robert Thomas Scott

Robert J. Scott - b. Dec. 1, 1800 d. June 18, 1863 Born in Beaufort County, N.C.
son of William Alexander Scott and Jane Thomas Scott.

wife: Elizabeth Ann Parsons, b. Oct. 6, 1809 d. Oct. 14, 1873 daughter of
Vincent Parsons of Moore, N.C.

Children:

- 1) Mary Jane b. Sept. 16, 1828 d. Nov. 8, 1912
married ^{Dr.} James M. Parks children: Molly, Elizabeth, Ernest, Elizabeth, Scott Frank
- 2) Charlotte (Charlott on 1850 census) b. Jan. 13, 1831 d. Apr. 19, 1905
married James J. Shelton children: Est, David, Jim, Walter, Sydney, ^{John} ~~John~~ ^{Jolly} ~~Jolly~~, Bertrude, ~~Dee~~ Maudie, Ann (C.)
- 3) Robert J. (age 13 in 1850 census) m. Judith Buchanan
- 4) Walter (age 9 " " " m. Mirsomi Clawthorn
- 5) Lucy (Lucia on 1850 census) b. Jan. 29, 1846 d. Feb. 22, 1925
married Robert Hugh Byrum in 1866 R.H. Byrum d. Apr. 6, 1909
Children: 1) John William Byrum, b. Nov. 1, 1867 d. June 13, 1868
2) Lillie Byrum, b. Aug. 30, 1868 d. Aug. 31, 1868
3) Robert Haywood Byrum, b. May 1, 1872 d. Sept. 18, 1893
4) Jennie Lee Byrum, b. June 6, 1874 d. Apr. 22, 1943
5) Clarence Henry Byrum, b. July 2, 1876 d. Mar. 7, 1935
6) Hugh Otis Byrum, b. Nov. 14, 1878 d. Apr. 11, 1964
7) Katie Mae Byrum, b. Oct. 29, 1880 d. Jan. 18, 1881
8) Annie Matt Byrum, ^{Hamilton} b. Mar. 6, 1882 d. Mar. 6, 1915
9) Charlotte Edna Byrum, ^(Holtz, Shelton) b. May 13, 1884 d. Aug. 1, 1974
10) Albert Byrum, b. Mar. 28, 1886 d. Mar. 7, 1968
16) Hugh Otis Byrum m. on May 5, 1912 to Lora Vesta Allen of Hat Creek Tenn. ^{teacher in school}
children: H.O. Byrum, Jr. b. Aug 2, 1914 d. Oct. 7, 1982
Lucy Scott Byrum b. May 10, 1920 d. Oct. 12, 1950
Jessie Sue Byrum b. Feb. 21, 1917 d. Apr. 13, 1983
18) Annie Matt Byrum m. George B. Hamilton of Early S.C.
3 children: Lucy, Hugh, Andrew
19) Lottie (Charlotte Edna) Byrum m. Pontiff J. Shelton
1 son Mark Scott Shelton m. Vesta Lou
2 sons: Scott
Andrew



THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

CERTIFICATE }
No. 11,623 }

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS

Captain Suffey of Jackson County, Alabama
has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at *Huntsville*
whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said *Captain Suffey*
according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for *the South West*
quarter of the North East quarter of Section twenty eight, in Township five, of
Range five West, in the District of lands Subject to Sale at Huntsville,
Alabama, containing forty acres, and thence hundredths of an acre.

according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, which said tract has been purchased by the said *Captain Suffey*

NOW KNOW YE, That the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the several acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said *Captain Suffey*

and to his heirs, the said tract above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, therunto belonging, unto the said *Captain Suffey* and to his heirs and assigns forever.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I,

Richard Van Dusen

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the *first* day of *August* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *thirty three* and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the *11* day of *August*

BY THE PRESIDENT:

J. M. Wilson

Richard Van Dusen
RECORDED OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE

CERTIFICATE

N^o. 362.

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

To all to whom these Presents shall come, Greeting:

WHEREAS

William Weaver, of Jackson County, Alabama,

has deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States, a Certificate of the REGISTER OF THE LAND OFFICE at *Huntsville,* whereby it appears that full payment has been made by the said *William Weaver,*

according to the provisions of the Act of Congress of the 24th of April, 1820, entitled "An Act making further provision for the sale of the Public Lands," for the North West quarter of the North West quarter of Section five, in Township five, of Range six, East, in the District of Lands subject to sale at Huntsville, Alabama, containing Thirty nine Acres, and Ninety four hundredths of an Acre.

according to the official plat of the survey of the said Lands, returned to the General Land Office by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, which said tract has been purchased by the said *William Weaver.*

NOW KNOW YE, That the

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the Premises, and in conformity with the several Acts of Congress, in such case made and provided, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said *William Weaver,*

and to his heirs, the said tract above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all the rights, privileges, immunities, and appurtenances of whatsoever nature, therunto belonging, unto the said *William Weaver,* and to his heirs and assigns forever.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I, *Andrew Jackson,*

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made PATENT, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

GIVEN under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the *seventh* day of *November* in the Year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *thirty five* and of the INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES the *Eight*

BY THE PRESIDENT:

Andrew Jackson

Charles Brown
By A. Boudin
COMMISSIONER OF THE GENERAL LAND OFFICE.

	Age	Born	Occupation	Land value
Robert T Scott (1)	49	NC	Farmer	\$5000
Elizabeth (2) <i>Ann</i>	39	NC		
Mary (3) <i>Jane</i>	20	Ala		
Sharlott (4) <i>Trump</i>	18	"		
Robert T (5) <i>Bob</i>	13	"		
Walter (6) <i>Tom</i>	9	"		
Lucia (7) <i>Lucy Haywood</i>	4	"		

- (1) b. December 1, 1800 d. June 18, 1863 (tombstone) son of Wm. Alexander and Jane (Thomas) Scott. R. T. was b. in Granville County, North Carolina.
- (2) b. October 6, 1809 d. October 14, 1873, daughter of Vincent Parsons of Norven, NC.
- (3) b. September 16, 1828 d. November 8, 1912 (tombstone) married Dr. Jas. M. Parks.
- (4) b. January 13, 1831, d. Apr. 19, 1905 married Jas. T. Skelton.
- (5) married Judith M. Buchanan
- (6) married Missouri Chambliss
- (7) b. January 23, 1846 d. February 22, 1925 (tombstone) married Robt. Hugh Bynum.

The Robert Thomas Scott Family

The children of Robert Thomas and Elizabeth Ann Scott:

Mary Jane b. Sept. 16, 1828 d. Nov. 8, 1912

Married Dr. James Parks

Children: Molly, Elizabeth, Ernest, Lightner, Scott, Frank

Mark Scott remembered

Charlotte b. Jan. 13, 1831 d. Apr. 19, 1905

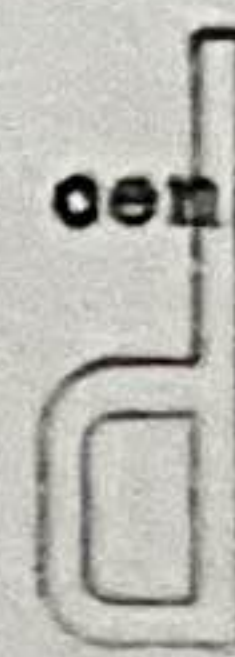
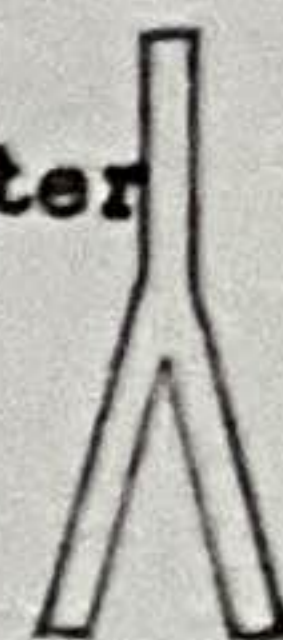
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Children: Robert, David, Jim, Gertrude, Maude, Sydney, Walter
Sydney married John Tally

Robert T. Jr. married Judith Buchanan

Walter married Missouri Chambliss

Lucy Haywood b. Jan. 29, 1846 d. Feb. 22, 1925 (Lucia on 1850 census)
Married Robert Hugh Bynum Dec. 26, 1866
Children listed on H. O. Bynum page



Scottsboro 48 Years Ago ⁰¹ 1879
BY H. M. HENDERSON, SR.

*Mark's brief talks
H. M. Henderson's
article on early Scottsboro
also - Wendell
Pages note*

This is a story of Scottsboro as remembered by Harry M. Henderson, Sr. who came to Scottsboro in May, 1878, from school. His father Phil L. Henderson, having been assigned to the pastorate of the Methodist charge at this place, and he came up to join his parents after the close of school.

"And the name of that isle is Long ago
And we bury our treasures there;
There are brows of beauty and bosoms of snow,
There are heaps of dust, Oh, we love them so;
There are trinkets and tresses of hair,
There are fragments of song that nobody sings;
There are parts of an infant prayer,
There's a lute unswept and a harp without strings;
There are broken vows and pieces of rings
And garments our loved used to wear."

In taking the patient reader back into a twilight world—into the dim and almost forgotten past, I do not want to be placed in the category of the butterfly who after his long life of a summer day in a tree passed away serene in the knowledge that he had enjoyed seeing all of interest that the world held.

I have not seen the entire world by any means, but I have seen Scottsboro intimately for more than four decades.

When I first came to Scottsboro the business part of the town was over at the old freight depot; there was no passenger station. There were four or five buildings on the now public square, among those the Judge M. P. Brown brick on the corner now occupied by Jordan & Skidmore, Mr. Tom Starnes store, where the Presley Drug Store now stands; The Garland brick now occupied by Jones Dry Goods Co., Mr. Ab Rosson's undertaking establishment near or on the lot now occupied by the picture show; a little frame building where Gay Hardware Co., now stands and Skelton & Son store where the First National Bank now stands.

Mr. R. S. Skelton is the only man in business now who was in business then. Col. R. C. Hunt and Hon. J. B. Tally were partners in law and had their office in the little frame building where the Gay Hardware Store now stands. Captain Billy Robertson and Hon. J. E. Brown had their law office upstairs over the Garland brick. Judge Nelson Kyle was probate judge and the late Judge Bridges was his clerk. W. I. Martin was Register in Chancery, afterward attorney general of Alabama, and Andy Skelton was sheriff.

Captain Drake ran a hotel in the

night you would have to take a lantern to keep from stumbling over a cow or hog lying in the path, and you would be lucky if someone did not knock your lantern out with a rock before you reached your destination. No sidewalks paved and all of the streets had trees and heavy shade along them.

Messrs. Rice and Avery Coffey were the first bankers in Scottsboro.

The roads over the county were awful until in latter years Hon. Milo Moody got a bill through the Legislature for two hundred and fifty thousand dollars and started the pike building throughout the county. To him all honor is due. (It is generally understood that the bond issue by Mr. Moody was the first county on record to issue bonds to build roads, and since that time, especially during the very recent years, has this method become the main one for the building of highways. According to record Jackson County, Ala., was the first American county to issue bonds for road building and Mr. Moody the first legislator to introduce a measure to build roads with bonds.)

John Barnett, the town marshal, had a livery stable where the Jacobs Bank now stands. If you wanted to take your girl buggy riding you had to walk or go in a wagon or hack, provided you could not get Judge Brown's or Mr. Rosson's buggies.

The newspapers were printed on the old time Washington hand press, that of the Citizen now stands in front of the Age Office, and type was set by hand, picking up one letter at a time. No setting by machines. I know for it was in the old Citizen office where I learned to pick 'em up and it kept us busy all the week to get out two pages. Now it is common to get out twelve pages on the machine by one man.

Miss Fannie Snodgrass, daughter of Col. Alex Snodgrass, editor of the Herald, assisted her father and she was one of the swiftest hand compositors I ever saw. She could go to the case and set column after column without any copy, compose as she went along and not over one or two typographical errors. She was a gifted writer. She afterward married Col. King of New Orleans and was the mother of the late Lieut.-Commander Frank King of the U. S. Navy, for whom the U. S. Destroyer King was named in honor of his gallant deeds during the World War.

Some of the business men I remember were Scruggs and Fennell, Freeman and Ledbetter, Skelton and Son, W. H. Payne, Dr. Buchanan (store), Col. John Snodgrass (store) Judge M. P. Brown (store) Mr. Tom Starnes (store) and others.

The practicing physicians were Dr. McCord, Dr. Buchanan and Dr. Martin, Dr. Scott and Dr. Royd.

Judge Tally is the only lawyer practicing now who was here then.

Judge G. D. Campbell was

Mr. Garland had spent his entire life in Jackson County and was well and favorably known all over the County. In 1867 he joined the Baptist Church and was a charter member of the local Baptist church, remaining a deacon until his death.

Until a few months of his death he was very active and came to town often to mingle with friends and keep up with the affairs of the community.

He was laid to rest in the Center Point cemetery last Sunday and his funeral was attended by a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives. Rev. W. F. Brooks, pastor of the local Baptist church, preached the funeral.

Mr. Garland is survived by his widow, who was Miss Emma Victoria Skelton, four daughters, Mrs. John L. Terry, Moran, Texas, Mrs. J. M. Blake, Nashville, Tenn., Mrs. P. K. Patterson, Artesia, Miss., and Mrs. L. D. Dean of Scottsboro and one son, James N. Garland of Scottsboro, also fifteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

The Age joins the County in mourning the loss of a good citizen.

Good Play To Be Given at Stevenson Friday Night

The play, "The Arrival of Kitty," will be presented by Stevenson talent at the Stevenson High School auditorium tomorrow (Friday) night for the benefit of the Grammar School. The play is a good one and promises to be highly enterprising with the following cast:

- William Winkler ----- Wm. Bogar
- Aunt Jane, his sister -- Polly Russel
- Jane, his niece ----- Dorothy Willi
- Bobbie Baxter ---- Cecil Timberlak
- Jenjamin Moore -- Marcus Alspaug
- Ting, a bell boy ---- Eugene Elliso
- Sam, a colored porter -- Holbe Hal
- Kitty, an actress ---- Polly Sander
- Suzette, Aunt Jane's maid ----- Mary Man

The admission charge will be 25 cents and a cordial invitation is extended to not only Stevenson people but to people of all parts of the county to attend the show.

PLAY AT SCOTTSBORO FOR NIGHT OF AUGUST 12th

"Pa's New Housekeeper," is the name of a play to be given by local talent at the City School on August 12th. It will be given under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association. Practice has already started on the play and it promises to be a good play. Remember the date, August 12th at 8:00 p.m.

Baptist Church Notes

9:15 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Worsnip.
7:00 p.m. P. V. U. W.

decades.

When I first came to Scottsboro the business part of the town was over at the old freight depot; there was no passenger station. There were four or five buildings on the now public square, among those the Judge M. P. Brown brick on the corner now occupied by Jordan & Skidmore, Mr. Tom Starnes store, where the Presley Drug Store now stands; The Garland brick now occupied by Jones Dry Goods Co., Mr. Ab Rosson's undertaking establishment near or on the lot now occupied by the picture show; a little frame building where Gay Hardware Co., now stands and Skelton & Son store where the First National Bank now stands.

Mr. R. S. Skelton is the only man in business now who was in business then. Col. R. C. Hunt and Hon. J. B. Tally were partners in law and had their office in the little frame building where the Gay Hardware Store now stands. Captain Billy Robertson and Hon. J. E. Brown had their law office upstairs over the Garland brick. Judge Nelson Kyle was probate judge and the late Judge Bridges was his clerk. W. I. Martin was Register in Chancery, afterward attorney general of Alabama, and Andy Skelton was sheriff.

Captain Drake ran a hotel in the house now occupied by Mr. G. B. Caldwell and Mrs. Ledbetter conducted a hotel where the old Harris Hotel once stood.

Now, listen, there was not a church in the town—but saloons! oh, my!

My father bought the old brick building back of the present Scottsboro Hardware Co., for a church, that is, the downstairs part. I think the upstairs was owned by the Masons. Anyway, he got the downstairs part for a Methodist church. However, it had been used as a union church by all denominations and a school building during the week.

Prof. Russell was the teacher. Rev. W. W. Dorman afterward sold the church interest in the brick building and built the present Methodist church building. The old parsonage was not completed and my father completed it. My sister, Mrs. James Armstrong, when a girl, taught music lessons and had the parsonage painted.

I remember seeing the late Judge Coulson's father when he started to building the Baptist church, which has of late years been remodeled into a modern and attractive structure.

An old horse cotton gin stood near where the W. L. Moody residence now stands. There were but two buggies in Scottsboro as I remember. One owned by Judge M. P. Brown and one by Mr. Abner Rosson.

Col. John Snodgrass was the depot agent and Roderic Busby the telegraph operator. Mr. King Caldwell was the postmaster and the post office was in Dr. Payne's Drug Store which stood on the corner facing the old freight depot.

Col. Alex Snodgrass was the editor of the Alabama Herald and Jas. Armstrong was editor of the Scottsboro Citizen.

The old business part of the town caught on fire one cold windy night a few years later and was literally consumed. Then the building began on the square and continued from time to time.

There was not a bank in town. Of course no telephones, no waterworks, no electric lights, no talking machines and rubber-tired buggies were

ter at a time. No selling by machines. I know for it was in the old Citizen office where I learned to pick 'em up and it kept us busy all the week to get out two pages. Now it is common to get out twelve pages on the machine by one man.

Miss Fannie Snodgrass, daughter of Col. Alex Snodgrass, editor of the Herald, assisted her father and she was one of the swiftest hand compositors I ever saw. She could go to the case and set column after column without any copy, compose as she went along and not over one or two typographical errors. She was a gifted writer. She afterward married Col. King of New Orleans and was the mother of the late Lieut.-Commander Frank King of the U. S. Navy, for whom the U. S. Destroyer King was named in honor of his gallant deeds during the World War.

Some of the business men I remember were Scruggs and Fennell, Freeman and Ledbetter, Skelton and Son, W. H. Payne, Dr. Buchanan (store) Col. John Snodgrass (store) Judge M. P. Brown (store) Mr. Tom Starnes (store) and others.

The practicing physicians were Dr. McCord, Dr. Buchanan and Dr. Martin, Dr. Scott and Dr. Royd.

Judge Tally is the only lawyer practicing now who was here then.

Judge G. D. Campbell was another prominent lawyer of that period.

The wonderful changes that have taken place in our pretty little city have been gradual. We now have factories, mills, wholesale businesses, etc. Scottsboro is a young and growing city and cannot boast of the advantages and historic associations of other and older towns in Alabama. She has no idledwils or sunnysides made classic by the abode of genius, but is the dwelling place of a peaceful people whose hearts are ever responsive to the appeals of charity and to the calls for aid in any worthy cause. Scottsboro is also noted for her beautiful and picturesque scenery. From some elevated spot with one broad glance one will see an amphitheatre of mingled majesty and beauty, around it sweeps a zone of purple mountains seeming like distant clouds. Within are fruitful fields and scattered groves and the winding waters of the blue Tennessee.

Some people would like to go back to what they call "the good old times that are gone," and it may be that it is because they were the days of my youth, or that I am looking back through the mellowing mists of more than forty-eight years ago, that I am sometimes inclined to think that we were happier in those more primitive but less feverish times. Be that as it may, the moving finger writes, and having writ, moves on, nor will your piety or wit shall like it back to cancel half a line, nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

(Editor's Note—Mr. Henderson, a valued member of the Age force, is one of the best informed men in the county on events of importance in the county's history and he has promised to dig up more interesting contributions and share his mental possession and writing ability with our readers.)

Big Time Scheduled For Woods Cove Saturday Night of This Week

Don't miss the best time of your life at Woods Cove Saturday night

Following cast: William Winkler ---- Wm. Bogar Aunt Jane, his sister -- Polly Russel Jane, his niece ---- Dorothy Willi Bobbie Baxter ---- Cecil Timberlak Jenjamin Moore -- Marcus Alspaug Ting, a bell boy ---- Eugene Elliso Sam, a colored porter. Holbe Hal Kitty, an actress ---- Polly Sander Suzette, Aunt Jane's maid ---- Mary Man

The admission charge will be 25 and 50 cents and a cordial invitation is extended to not only Stevenson people but to people of all parts of the county to attend the show.

PLAY AT SCOTTSBORO FOR NIGHT OF AUGUST 12

"Pa's New Housekeeper," is the name of a play to be given by local talent at the City School on August 12th. It will be given under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association. Practice has already started on the play and it promises to be a good play. Remember the date, August 12 at 8:00 p.m.

Baptist Church Notes

9:45 a.m. Sunday School.
11:00 a.m. Worship.
7:00 p.m. B. Y. P. U.
8:00 p.m. Preaching.
The Men's Class will take the quartet to Paint Rock August 7th at 3:00 p.m.
Judge Virgil Bouldin will speak the Men's Class this Sunday.
Rev. Geo. Bouldin of Japan will speak at the morning service. There should be a large number to welcome this messenger.
The Pastor will preach at the evening hour.
The mid-week prayer meeting needs to be better attended.

Hospital Notes

Mrs. C. H. Thomas of Woodville underwent an operation for appendicitis last Friday night, Dr. Banks operating. She is doing nicely.
Monday night Mrs. Albert Mitchell of Route 1 was operated on for appendicitis, Dr. Banks operating. Her condition is satisfactory.
Cecil Word underwent an operation for appendicitis Tuesday afternoon, Dr. Hampton of Chattanooga operating. He is doing nicely.
Mrs. Joe Dudley of Scottsboro R. under went an operation Tuesday afternoon for appendicitis, Dr. Hampton operating. She is doing nicely.
Miss Virginia Webb is recovering from a recent attack of appendicitis and operation.
Miss Martin and Miss Park Chattanooga are doing special nursing at the hospital this week.
Mrs. Will Blancett of Yucca, is recovering from a recent operation and expects to return to her home Friday of this week.

Methodist Notes

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
11:00 a.m. Regular services by Pastor.
2:00 p.m. Junior League.
7:15 p.m. Senior League.
7:45 p.m. Regular Worship

one square

7 church

Ed para House

post office

bank

This Indenture made and entered into this day
January 22^d A. D. 1861. Between R. T. Scott and E. A. Scott,
his wife of the first part and A. S. Frasier of the second
part both of the county of Jackson State of Alabama Witnesseth
that the said R. T. Scott and E. A. Scott his wife for and in
consideration of the sum of fifty dollars to them in hand
paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, hath
bargained, sold granted and conveyed in fee to the said
A. S. Frasier and by these presents do hereby bargain sell, grant
and convey to the same, his heirs assigns &c forever, a half
acre lot in the Town of Scottsboro: Lying South of lot No 37
belonging to Nancy Elgarrett, fronting Chestnut Street on the
North and Mountain Street on the East. Said lot is
not yet surveyed but contains a half acre, and extends
to Whitbread line to the South close to the M & C R. R.
Said half acre lot is divided into four lots containing
an eighth of an acre each, so as to correspond with
the other ^{front} lots as near as it can be done. Now in conside-
ration of the premises, the said R. T. Scott & E. A. Scott
his wife do hereby bind themselves, heirs assigns &c to defend
forever the right and title of said lot, to the said Frasier
and his heirs assigns &c forever as witness our hands
and seals, the date and year above written.

R. T. Scott Seal

E. A. Scott Seal

State of Alabama } This day personally appeared before me
 Jackson County } H I Scott an Acting Justice of
 the Peace in and for said County and
 State, R T Scott and E A Scott his wife, who acknowledged
 that they signed sealed and delivered the within Deed to
 A S Fraser for all the purposes there in contained. As witness
 my hand and seal This January 22^d 1861.

must be from
 another
 Scott family

H I Scott
 Justice Peace

I John H. Norwood Judge of the Court of Probate
 for the County of Jackson and State of Alabama
 hereby certify that the foregoing conveyance was
 filed in my office for Registration on the 19th
 day of March 1861 and duly recorded and
 indexed.

John H. Norwood
 Judge

Proper fee
 \$5.00

Scott

John Norwood

R T Scott wife
 E A Scott

7 26 4
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 9 24 8
 13 41 144

J. H. Norwood

P.O.C.

Reading fee 50th by the town
 of Jackson County

Local
News.

The Citizen Fri Nov 5 1880

Death of Doctor Scott

"We regret to announce the death of
Dr. Robert T. Scott who died near Scott'sboro
on Sat morning Oct 30, 1880 at the Age of 43
He was ^{the} Son of the late Col. Scott who represented
Jackson County in ~~legislature~~ legislature
for many years. He was buried last
Sunday evening at the old Scott ~~Cemetery~~ ^{need to investigate this} family
burying ground. Near this place in presence
of a number of family members & friends"

Col Scott appointed by Governor

Dr. W. H. Payne and Mr. John A. Brown are moving into their new brick residences this week.

Shoes of every description can be had from Ledbetter & Freeman. 9-2

Miss Minnie Hurt, of Boyd's Switch is on a visit to her numerous friends here, this week.

A half dozen strangers, drummers, generally, we suppose, went to the Grantham Hotel from the delayed 5 o'clock train, last night.

New spring shales in all wool goods at 14¢ per yard at Ledbetter & Freeman's. 9-2

The lowering clouds and brisk winds, as we go to press, remind us of Bro. Cather's predicted storm, which was to come about this time.

A large and splendid assortment of spring and summer Prints at low prices at Ledbetter & Freeman's. 9-2

Widmer is getting the Tanyrl property fitted up so that it will be a good business stand. He will be all right, soon.

John Berry, an old citizen of Guess' Creek, the state of whose mind was the subject of judicial investigation some days ago, has since died.

There is a talk of Mr. Winston, a superior brick mason, of Huntsville, commencing the manufacture of brick in our town.

We should not suffer from a cough when a few doses of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral will cure. Time, money, comfort, health, all are saved by it.

We have had several days of fine weather. We had a flurry of cold Monday and Tuesday but yesterday was a fair and lovely Spring day.

It is said that Snodgrass & Caldwell have the largest and best selected stock of trimmings and notions generally, ever brought to this market.

Call at the shoe department in the rear end of the store of M. P. Brown, and see a superb pair of Morocco boots, the finest ever manufactured, perhaps, in the State.

Boots and Shoes, new and fresh, just received a big stock of every variety for men, women, boys, girls and children, at Snodgrass & Caldwell's.

Jesse D. Prince, from Hot Springs county Arkansas, on our first page also one from Nolins Voline another Jackson county man who has recently removed to that State. Arkansas is rapidly growing into favor with the immigrating element of this section. Whil'st we claim that ours is a good country and section we confess that such a letter as that of Mr Prince from such a trustworthy source is well calculated to stimulate removals.

A young man with two ponies, one a grey as usual, drove into town yesterday evening and got some oats on his wagon just before the arrival of the 4 o'clock p. m. freight. He and the little boy that was with him left the team on the North side of the railroad and took a stroll round to see what was going on, as we suppose. At any rate when the train had gone and he got back he saw his sack of oats in the street minus the team. Others had seen the horses go in full speed as far as Col. Bartlett's residence, in the direction of the mountain. The young man was in pursuit, the last we saw of him. Wonder if they never will learn that it will not do to leave horses mules or even oxen connected with vehicles in the street?

Ala Herald 3-3-91

Sale and Improvement of Town Property.

Maj. M. M. Grantham has purchased from Mr. Martin Payne, the store house occupied by Snodgrass & Caldwell, nearly opposite the depot, on the South side of the railroad. The elongation and other improvements which were in anticipation before the sale are in progress. It is said that Maj. Grantham will erect a new two story building on the unoccupied portion of the lot. Major G. is full of energy and pluck, and will no doubt be instrumental in starting a considerable business in the vicinity of his hotel. The prospects of a concentrated business on the Square are not so flattering as was the case some months ago. The indications point to the permanency of the depot on the present site and the erection of some new business houses near.

For Highest Prices

For your barter, go to
f. 10-1 m. SNODGRASS & CALDWELL.

New Goods! New Goods!!
Of every kind being received daily

For a Grand Charter Oak Co Stove of any size, with or without per reservoir, send to T. A. Chattanooga, Tenn.

Seed, Irish Potatoes, Clover Blue Grass Seed, Orchard Grass Red Top Grass Seed, selling the SNODGRASS & CALDWELL [17-1m] near the Depot.

Martin Busby has removed shop to his residence on the ra opposite the Court House where ready to accommodate all who work or goods in his line.

If you want meat you will Hams, Sides, and Shoulders by ing on SNODGRASS & CALDWELL [17-1m] near the Depot.

Prices for all goods can be fit ed and all orders to T. A. Chattanooga, Tenn., as per ad ment, can be sent through the ALDILLICE free of charge.

Look here farmers, if you Plows, Hames, Traces, Back Single Trees, Collars, Bridles, H Plow lines, Hoes, Axes, Spade Shovels, cheap go to SNODGRASS & CALDWELL [17-1m] near the Depot

Still Remember

that you can buy any kind of cheap for the money or on tin [17-1m] SNODGRASS & CA

Wanted.

Butter, Chickens, Eggs, etc all kinds of Barter for which t est prices will be paid by [17-1m] SNODGRASS & CA

Look Out

For an officer with your acc note unless you come in an the same at once. Our debts paid and you must pay us w are due us, at once. f. 10-1 m. SNODGRASS &

A Good Family Horse Buggy for Sale

I desire to sell my horse as as I have no use for, either at The horse is a first-class horse, and in fine condition. gy is in good running order sell for CASH or on TIME.

JOHN A. HAI
Scottsboro, Ala. Feb'y. 9,

A New and Full Stock o Hats.

I have just received a fu

Robert T. Scott Jr.


During the Civil War my brother, Robert Thomas Scott Jr., was captured and confined in a federal prison. By accident, Gen. George Henry Thomas learned of his imprisonment and revisited him there. He claimed him as his knomos and made him an offer of a splendid position if he would take the oath of allegiance. This he refused, saying the south is my home, the home of my father contains the bones of my ancestry and I love her and rather than be disloyal to her would die for her. Gen. Thomas answered, "Young man, I am proud of you, I glory in your courage, I would do like wise were I in your position. Gen. Thomas soon found an excuse to have him released. Exchanged him because he was a Jhysrcian.

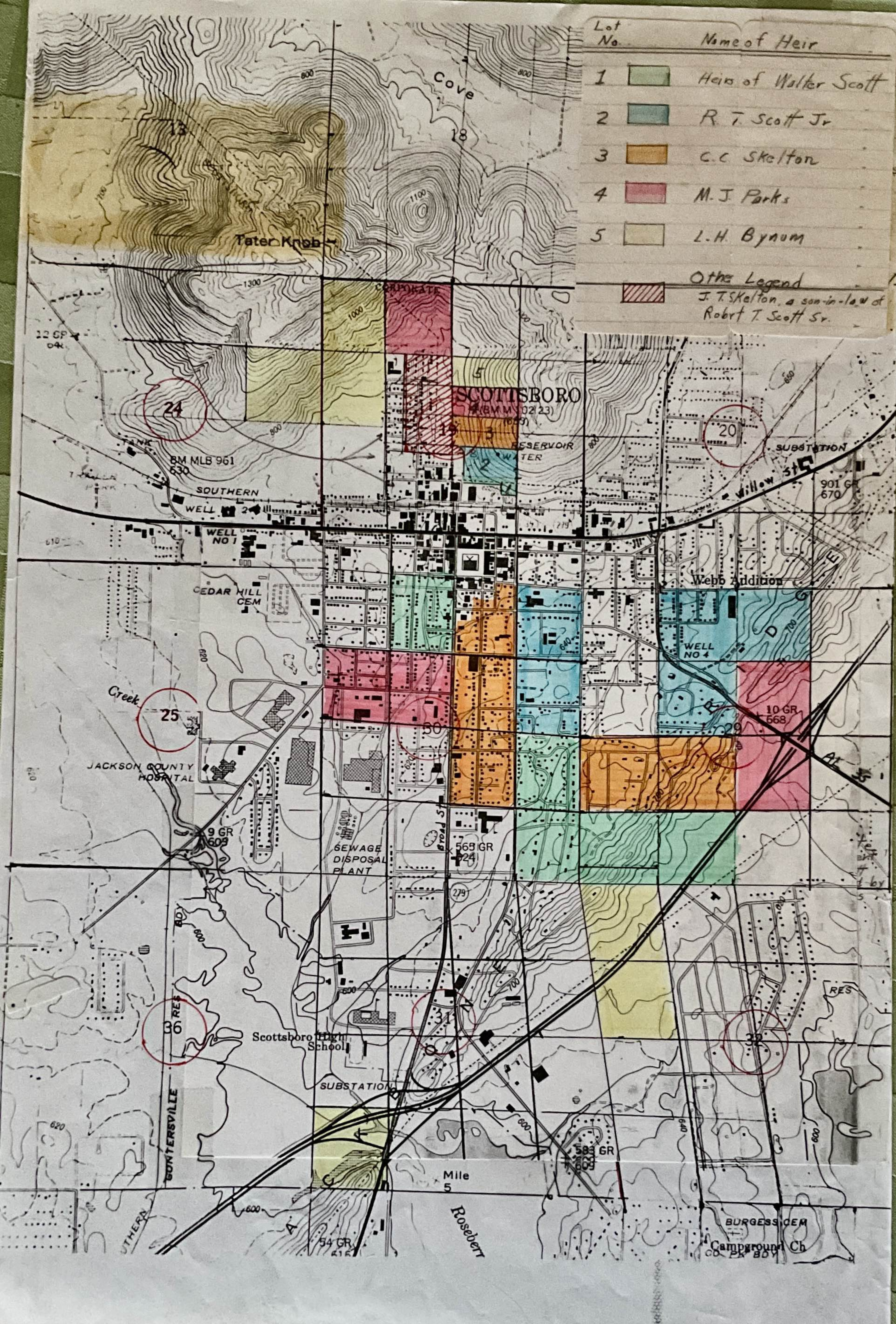
I write this little bit of history thinking perhaps you may be able to learn whether or not any of Gen. Thomas family belong to the Daughters of the Revolution. If so I think it would be an easy matter for you to make your proof.

~~Dictat~~ Dictated by Mary Jane Scott Parks

E.P.

Walter Scott was away in the Civil War.

Lot No	Name of Heir
1	Heirs of Walter Scott
2	R. T. Scott Jr
3	C. C. Skelton
4	M. J. Parks
5	L. H. Bynum
Other Legend	
	J. T. Skelton, a son-in-law of Robert T. Scott Sr.

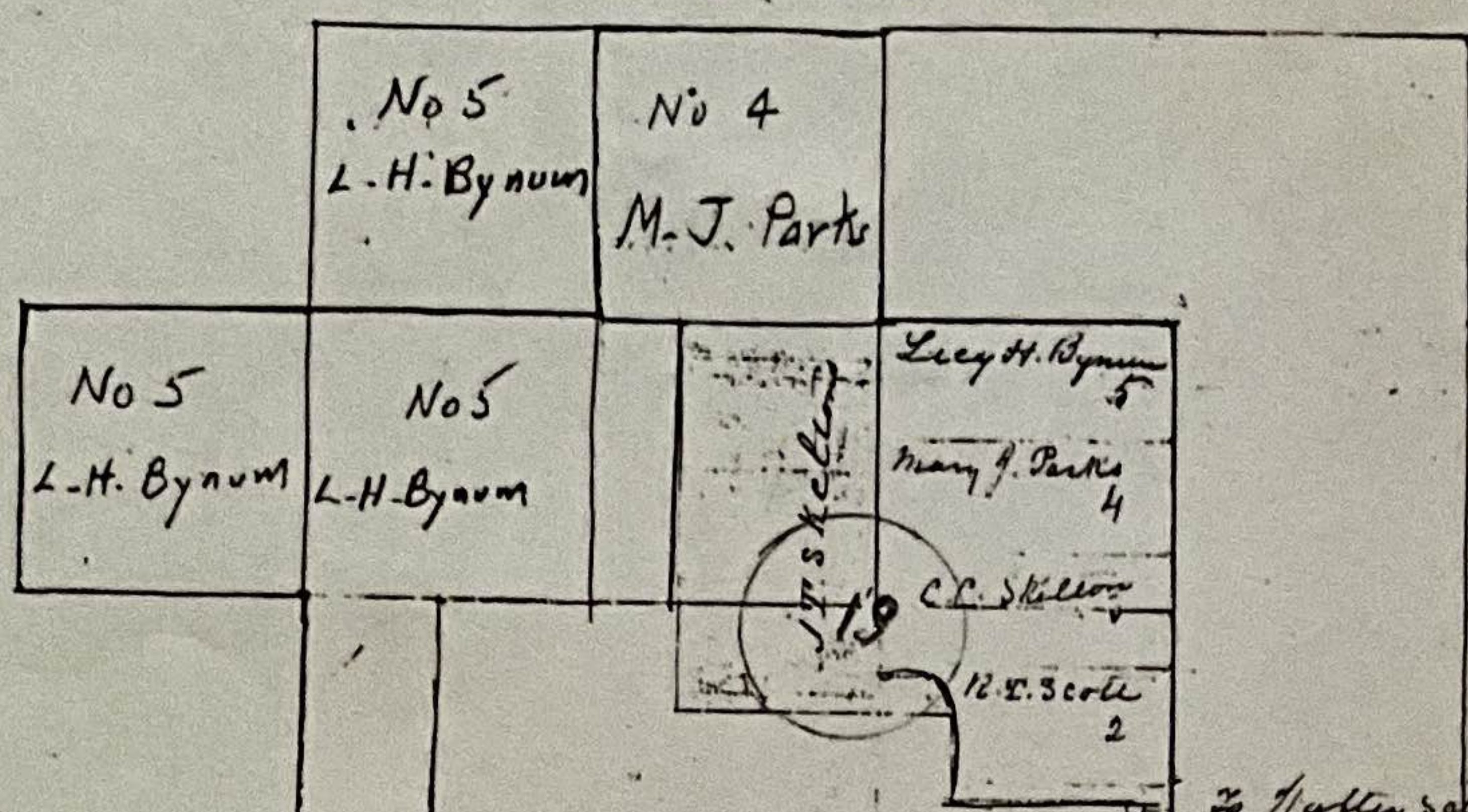


Mark Scott

Platt, Exhibit A

North

These lands are all P. 4. R. 6.



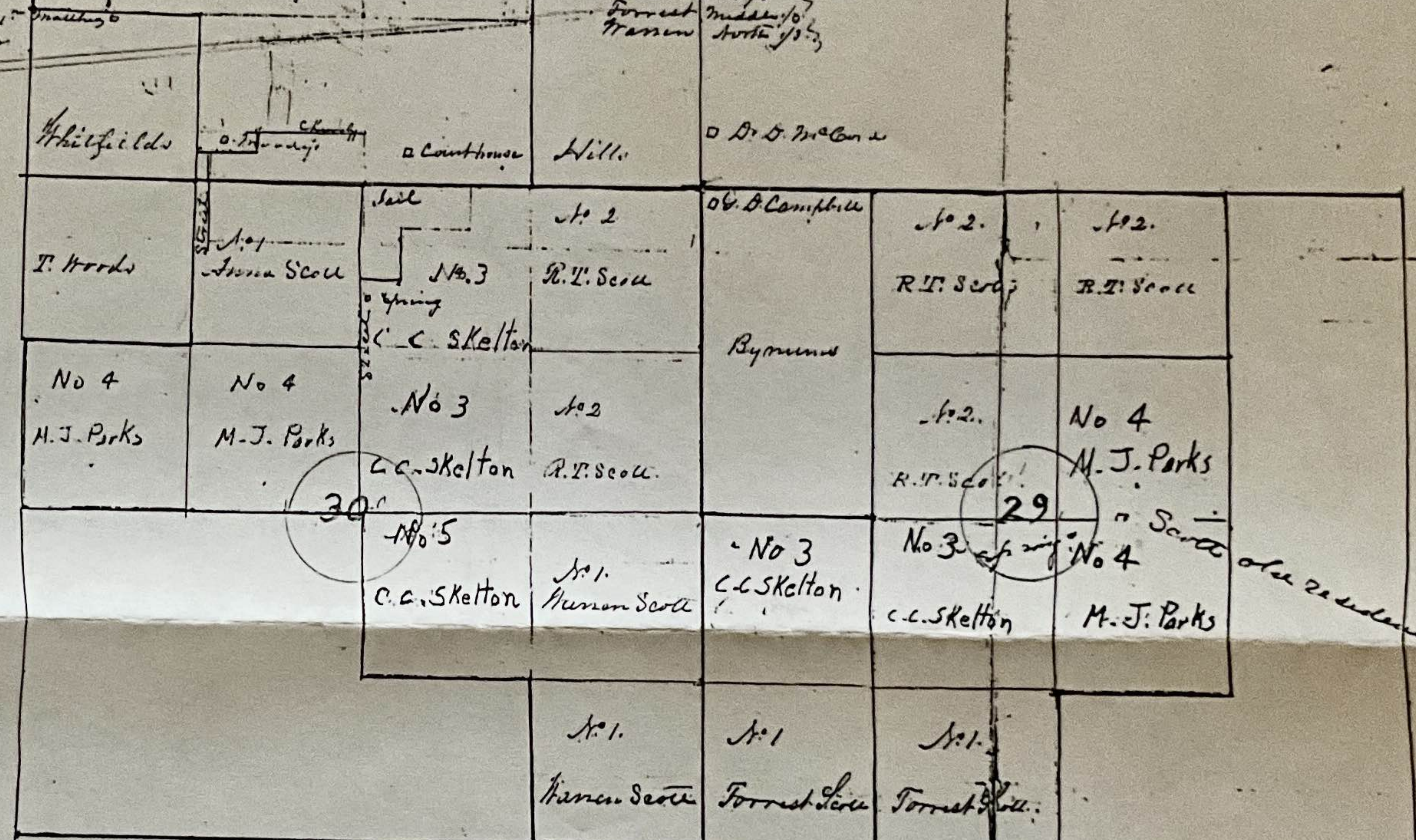
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To further details see measure 80 poles to the mile
 Ann Smith's 1/4
 Forrest Middle 1/4
 Truman North 1/4

Memphis to Charleston
 Rail Road

West

East



For want of room Section No 31 is not drawn.

The SW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section No 31

is given to lot No 5

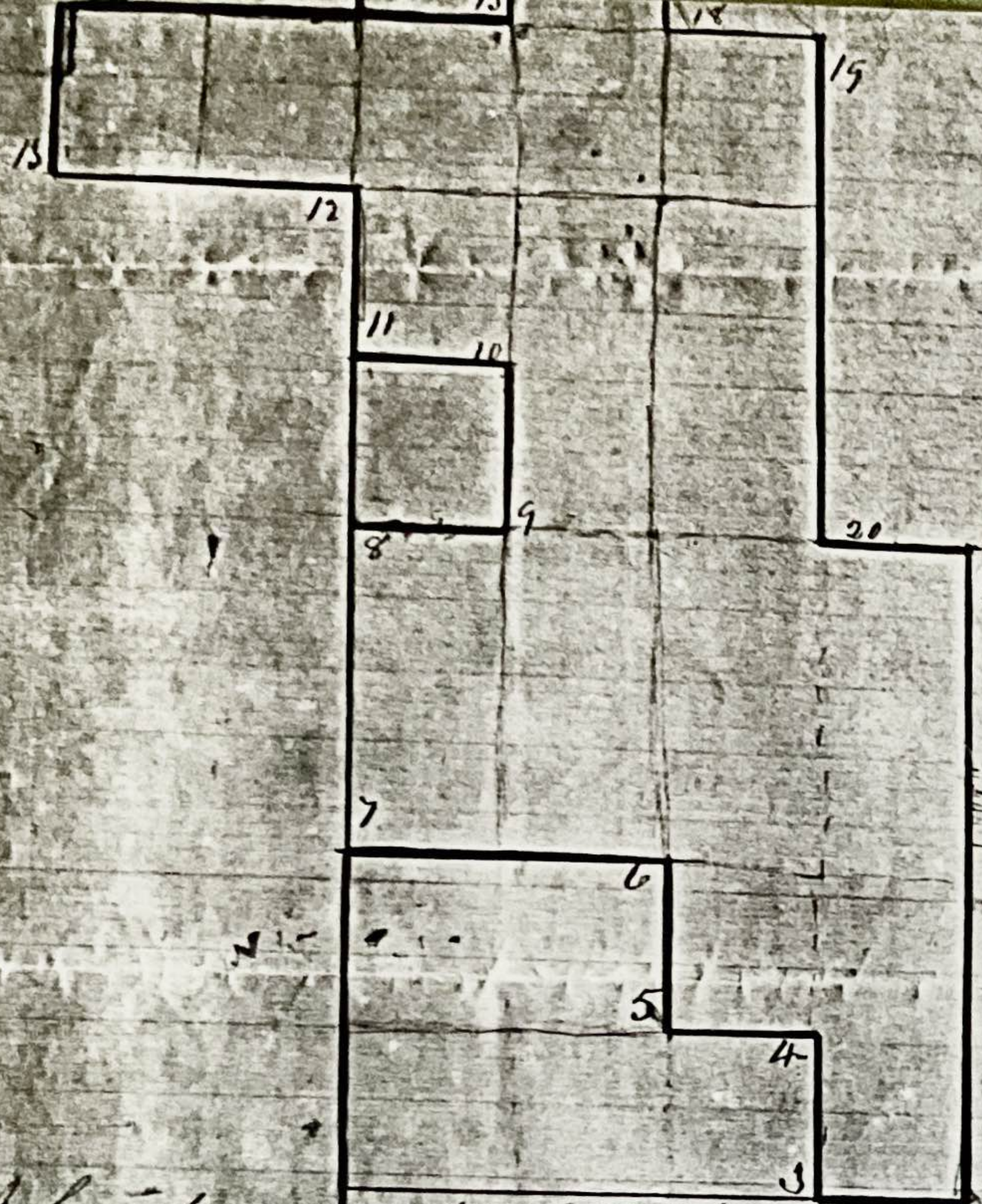
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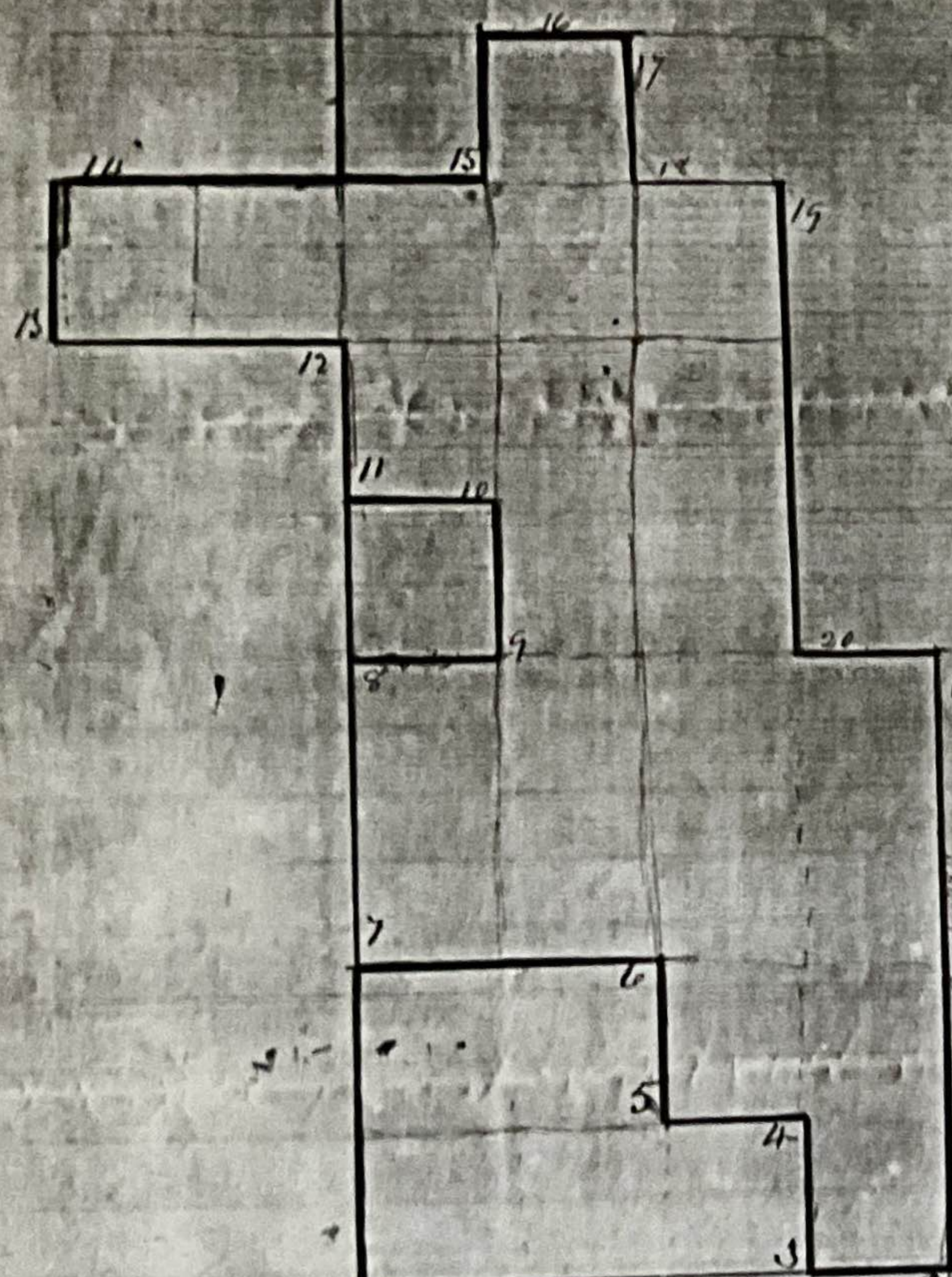
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6	S 47 1/2 W	2 1/4	35 20	
7	N 5 1/2 W	5 1/2	40 00	281 76 00
8	N 87 1/2 E	3 3/4	17 60	70 60 00
9	N 5 1/2 W	5 1/2	20 15	
10	S 47 1/2 W	2 1/4	17 60	
11	N 5 1/2 W	5 1/2	20 15	105 90 00
12	S 84 1/2 W	5 1/2	40 00	
13	N 5 1/2 W	5 1/2	20 00	185 12 00
14	N 84 1/2 E	5 1/2	57 60	
15	N 5 1/2 W	5 1/2	20 15	35 29 00
16	N 86 1/4 E	3 3/4	17 52	
17	S 5 1/2 E	5 1/2	20 15	
18	N 86 1/4 E	3 3/4	17 52	
19	S 5 1/2 E	5 1/2	60 80	
20	N 86 1/4 E	3 3/4	17 52	783 95 00
			783 Acres	95/100

I hereby certify that I have surveyed for R. J. Scott the lands represented in the above plat in Sections 19 & 30 of T. 4 N. of R. 6 E. and Section 24 of T. 4 R. 5 E. in the Huntsville Land district. Beginning at the N. E. corner of said Section 30. Thence S. 80 00 chain to a stake the S. E. corner of said Section Thence W. 17 ch 29 links to a stake N. 32 1/2 a sowerwood S. W. 20 1/2 a white oak Thence N. 20 00 ch to a stake close to the root of a gum tree S. 52 1/2 links a white oak Thence W. 17 ch 50 1/2 to a stake S. E. 27 links a white oak N. E. 49 1/2 a poplar. Thence N. 20 ch to a stake N. E. 14 links a white oak S. 70 W. 10 1/2 a small white oak Thence W. 35 ch 20 1/2 to a stake on the range line on the western boundary of said Sec. 30 Thence N. along the range line 40 ch to the S. E. corner of Section 19 Thence E. along range line 17 ch 60 1/2 to a stake N. 17 1/2 a sowerwood 38 links S. E. 20 links a black oak Thence N. along the range line 40 ch Thence N. 20 ch 18 1/2 to a stake North side of rail road N. 82 W. 25 1/2 a post oak Thence W. 17 ch 60 1/2 to a stake on range line (Catherine Bridges corner) Thence N. along the range line 20 ch 15 1/2 to a stake near the foot of the mountain Thence W. across the mountain 40 chain to a stake at Shelton Simons & Sheltons corner Thence N. with shepherd Sheltons line 20 ch to a stake Thence E. across the mountain 40 ch to a stake on the range line and continue E. 17 ch 60 1/2 to a stake at the foot of the mountain (57.60 ch) Thence N. 20 ch 15 1/2 to a stake on the N. boundary of the section Thence E. along the section line 17 ch 52 1/2 to a stake Thence S. 20 ch 15 links to a stake. Thence E. 17 ch 52 1/2 to a stake Thence S. 60 chain & 80 1/2 to a stake on the S. boundary of Sec 19 Thence E. 17 ch 52 1/2 to the beginning. The particulars and distances as set forth in the above table containing seven hundred & eighty three Acres 95/100 Joseph Peter Agier County Surveyor



Station	Bearing	Distance	Area
		in 4 poles	in Acres
1	S 6° E	80.00	
2	S 97½° W	17.29	
3	N 5½° W	20.00	34.88.000
4	S 97½° W	17.50	
5	N 5° 0' W	20.00	70.40.000
6	S 97½° W	35.20	
7	N 5½° W	40.00	2.81.76.000
8	N 87½° E	17.60	70.60.000
9	N 5½° W	20.15	
10	S 97½° W	17.60	
11	N 5½° W	20.15	115.90.000
12	S 94½° W	40.00	
13	N 5½° W	20.00	1.85.12.000
14	N 84½° E	57.60	
15	N 5½° W	20.15	35.29.000
16	N 86½° E	17.52	
17	S 5½° E	20.15	
18	N 86½° E	17.52	
19	S 5½° E	60.80	
20	N 86½° E	17.52	7.83.95.000
			783 Acres 95/100

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Com. Surveyor

WILL

Whereas, I, Robert T. Scott of the County of Jackson, State of Alabama, being in good health and sound mind do hereby make and execute this codicil to my last will and testament now in the possession of my friend, H. Caldwell, for safe keeping. Now I do hereby declare this present writing to be a codicil to my said will and direct the same to be annexed thereto and taken as a part thereof. In the first place I do hereby will in all cases and respects in which said will contradicts and disagrees with this my codicil then it is my will that this codicil shall stand good and be taken as my last will and testament, but in all other respects where there is no conflict or contradiction then said will or so much of it as does not conflict with these presents is to continue in full force and effect. It is my anxious desire to will my property equally among my children viz Mary Jane Scott, Charlotte C. Scott, Walter Scott and Lucy H. Scott. After the death of my wife if she shall survive me I will that the whole of my estate both real and personal remain in possession of my wife, Elizabeth Ann Scott, until she departs this life and at her death to be equally divided among my heirs as hereafter directed. James M. Parks, who married Mary Jane Scott as aforesaid, is justly indebted to me for goods &C, &C, to a large amount but as there is but little to show for it, I have concluded to charge his wife only with the sum of five hundred dollars, which sum without interest I do hereby direct to be taken as deducted from Mary Jane Parks share of my estate which will be one fifth as her husband has received the sum in advance. I further will by this codicil that my negro girl, Mary, with her increase, which negro has been in possession of my daughter Mary Jane Parks from the time of her marriage belong to said Mary Jane Parks and at her death to the heirs of her body or in other words her children. I value said negro girl Mary and her children at one thousand dollars; in addition to this I have given said Mary Jane Parks a horse, household furniture &C which I value at one hundred and fifty dollars making with the \$500.00 first mentioned sixteen hundred and fifty dollars, this sum of \$1650.00 is in advance to my daughter Mary Jane Parks and is to be taken from or deducted from her part as a child's share which is the one fifth of my estate after the death of my wife if she survives me. To James T. Skelton, who married my second daughter, Charlotte C. Scott, I have given negro girl Rose and her increase except Martha and Cudge who was born before I thus donated her this negro girl. I gave and do hereby give and convey to my daughter Charlotte C. Skelton and to her heirs or children said negro girl, Rose was entailed to my wife Elizabeth Ann Scott and to her children; now be it distinctly understood if my heirs

above mentioned or any of them shall claim an interest in the negro girl Rose and her increase under said entailment then it is my will that said negro girl Rose and her increase shall be valued by responsible and disinterested slave owners appointed by the Judge of Probate and the assessed value of said negro girl Rose and her increase shall be paid to the said Charlotte C. Skelton out of my estate, but I hope that none of my children will endeavor, against my will, to interrupt the gift. I value said negro girl Rose and her increase now at eleven hundred dollars. I also gave to the said Charlotte C. Skelton a horse, household furniture &c, which is valued at \$150.00, making twelve hundred and fifty dollars which I have advanced my daughter Charlott C. Skelton, which sum is to be taken from, or deducted from, her share of my estate, being one fifth. I have advanced to my son, Robert T. Scott, one mare at one hundred and fifth dollars, which sum must be deducted from his share of my estate. I have advanced Walter Scott one mule mare valued at eighty dollars, which sum is to be deducted from his share of my estate. Against Lucy H. Scott I have made no charges, as her expenses so far have only been for educational purposes &c/ At the death of my wife, if she survive me, I do hereby will that my estate both real and personal be equally divided among my children or their heirs subject to the deductings above named to equalize my estate among all my children.

And I further will that the share that each of my children shall receive upon the division of my estate as aforesaid belong to them and to their childrens heirs &c, or in other words I do hereby entail the property that my children or their heirs shall receive upon a division of my estate both real and personal. I do hereby entail it upon my children and at their death upon their children, to make my wishes still plainer I do hereby at my death or the death of my wife give grant and convey from natural affection all my estate, real and personal, to Mary Jane Parks, Charlotte C. Skelton, Robert T. Scott, Wlateral Scott and Lucy H. Scott and at their death to their children as above indicated. I do hereby appoint and constitute my wife, Elizabeth Ann Scott, my sole executrix to carry into execution this my last will and testament. Having the fullest confidence in her prudence and integrity I do not require that she shall give bond and security to administer upon my estate, and I do hereby release her from this obligation so my estate is altogether solvent and has the means to meet all demands against it without the sale of property. It is my wish and will that this property be kept together during the life of my wife as it will grow more valuable without division, and I do hereby grant my Executrix full and ample power to contract & manage the same during her lifetime, but my said Executrix has full permission to permit our children to enjoy and use so much of said peoperty as she may think right before the final division takes place. As witness my hand and seal this December 27th, 1859.

R. T. Scott

Since writing this codicil to my last will and testament I have concluded to enlarge it and do hereby further authorize and require my Executrix or Administrator to sell lots in Scottsborough either at public or private sale and to donate lots for public purposes if it should be deemed necessary to grow up said town. As to the amount of said donation I leave to the sound disention of my said Executrix, Elizabeth Ann Scott, or administrator, and I do hereby empower my said Executrix or Administrator to make good and perfect deeds in fee simple for the same when paid for and not before. Also to make deeds to such lots as may be donated as aforesaid. As witness my hand and seal this December 28th, 1859.

R. T. Scott

Test.

L. B. Evans

A. Moon

FF. Prirett

Wm. H. Dicus

The above will is recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate in Record of Wills, Book L at page 16.



Robert Thomas Scott

I do not know the author of this article - there are a few discrepancies(?)

The early years of Scottsboro, Alabama and Jackson County are endowed with a rich heritage of Native American culture filled with a geographical area abundant in fresh water, forestry and wildlife all combined in a pleasant climate. The early Native American cultures include the tribes of Cherokee, Chickasaw and the Shawnee. The Cherokee tribe migrated to the area, then left the area only to return again in the late 1770's. They were the chief inhabitants of this area prior to any settlements. During these years of early life, the Cherokee and Chickasaw tribes made an allegiance together and fought many bloody battles to drive the Shawnee tribe out of the area and into the Ohio River Valley. The Cherokee remained in the area until they were forced to cede the remainder of their lands in North Alabama to the United States by the Treaty of New Echota on December 29, 1835. This treaty agreement removed all Native Americans East of the Mississippi River to reservations in the West.

Robert Thomas Scott, the founder of Scottsboro, was born to a Scottish immigrant named William Alexander Scott and an American named Jane Thomas. Scott was born in 1789 in either Greenville County,

Virginia or North Carolina, the historians are unsure of the exact state. His childhood years are filled with schooling and working with his family on their farmlands. It is estimated that he came into the Scottsboro, Jackson County area between the year of 1850-1853. Scott and his wife, Elizabeth Parsons Scott along with their family had been residing in the Madison County area where Scott had already served two terms ⁽¹⁸³⁰⁻¹⁸³¹⁾ in the Alabama Legislature for the citizens of Madison County.

Upon his arrival into the area he purchased a large farm in the Bellefonte area. While living there he constructed an adjoining hotel-tavern which he christened "Belle Tavern". Scott became prominent in all public matters and was considered a leader of the "plain people". He spoke with a lisp and felt more at home speaking to his fellow citizens, more so than speaking at public legislative forums.

Robert J. Scott has the remarkable distinction of being the only person to be elected three times to one session of the Alabama Legislature. This event has never occurred again in the State of Alabama nor has any other similar incident taken place in the preceding years. The events leading up to this

distinguishing was that he was the elected Circuit Clerk for Jackson County when the Alabama legislature convened in Tuscaloosa, Alabama in 1839. During the legislative session, a group of political enemies in Jackson County raised the constitutional issue that an individual could not hold two political offices at the same time. He was denied the legislative seat and was ordered to conduct a new election. Being a very determined man, he returned to Jackson County to a voting public that again elected him to the seat. This sequence of events occurred three times with Scott refusing to give up his Circuit Clerk position. Finally the legislature adjourned without Scott assuming his seat. In 1842 he again was elected to the Alabama Legislature and was able to assume his seat because at this time he had given up his Circuit Clerk position. ~~wrong~~ - was 1868

In the early 1800's, the county seat was moved from the Bellefonte area to its present location in Scottsboro, due to the landowner in the Bellefonte area refusing to sell property to the Memphis - Charleston Railroad for the purpose of building a railroad through the area. This event resulted in the local businessmen and the county seat moving into the Scottsboro location.

His horse fell
this, he was dead

? This letter
has some questionable
information

Review?

Scott was an ^{avid} breeder of race horses and when the county seat was moved into Scottsboro he designed the court house square around his race horse track, which is believed to be the largest court house square in the state. Scott donated three acres of land for the court house square, a lot for a school, and to the town he gave every other lot on the four streets surrounding the public square to the county government.

Scottsboro was incorporated by the Alabama Legislature on December 29, 1868 & the honorable Alexander Snodgrass appointed as mayor by the Governor. The first original name was "Scottsville" but there was already an Alabama town & the same name. So the name was changed to Scott's mill and then later changed to Scottsboro in 1868. The first telegraph arrived in the fall of 1872 and the freight-depot was erected in 1857.

Scott's final years in his town were filled & his political interest and he also wrote three books, one of which is Bushwacker, a history of the early Civil War days. These books which were in manuscript form were never published and were destroyed when the federal troops burned his home.

Robert J. Scott's death resulted from an incident where while in his home on Backbone Ridge named "White Cottage", he heard of a band of Union soldiers entering the town of Scottsboro. He left his home and traveled into the town of Scottsboro. During his absence the troop looted and ransacked his beautiful home then proceeded to burn it to the ground. When he returned to his home, only to see it roaring into flames, when he accosted the Union officers, one officer forced Scott to pull an officer's wagon back to Scottsboro. Scott died on June 18, 1863 shortly following this incident which resulted in exhaustion and extreme exposure. He did not see Scottsboro incorporated, but his wife pursued his dream and was able to be the foundation of the city of Scottsboro, Alabama.

From-----"HISTORY OF ALABAMA AND DICTIONARY OF ALABAMA
BIOGRAPHY" by Thomas M. Owen

1808
Scott, Robert Thomas, farmer, boundary commissioner, was born
1798 in North Carolina, and died June 18, 1863, at Scottsboro: son
of William Alexander and Jane (Thomas) Scott, the former who came
to this country from Glasgow, Scotland, was a cousin of Gen. Win-
field Scott, was owner and captain of a sailing vessel and served
in the Revolutionary War with John Paul Jones, the latter who was
of English parentage. He came with his parents to Alabama in 1817,
having previously been educated in Raleigh and Chapel Hill, N. C.,
and later attended a law school at Franklin, Tenn.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS AND APPRECIATIONS

Jackson County Commission for permission to place
marker.

Alabama Historical Association for approval.

City of Scottsboro for erecting.

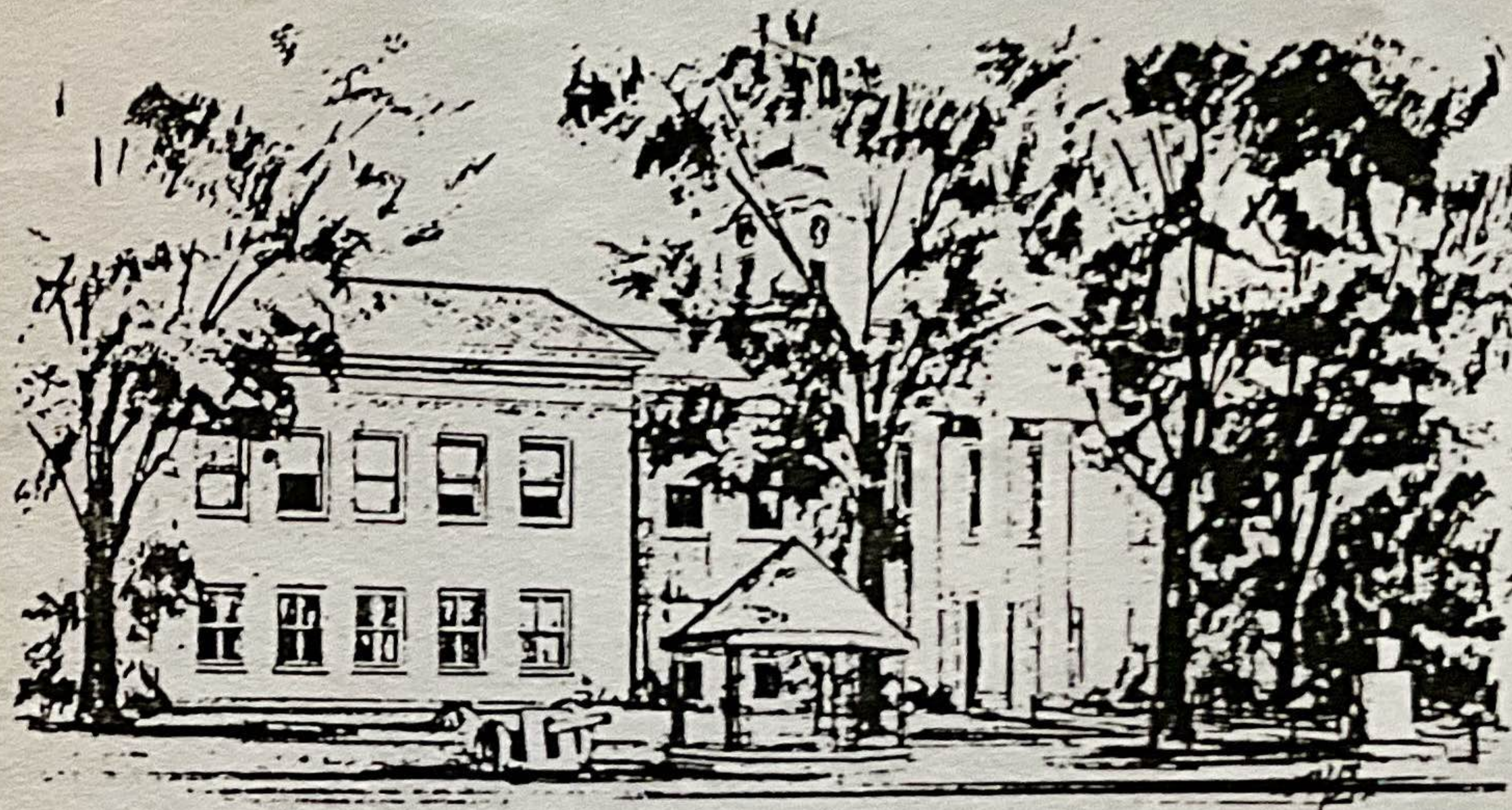
Boy Scout Troop 144 for ushering.

Charles and Chip Dawson for providing music.

Scottsboro - Jackson Heritage for use of
facilities.

Cooperative effort of the Executive Board of the
Association.

Jackson County Court House
Scottsboro, Ala.



Dedication of Marker

honoring

Robert Thomas Scott

Jackson County Courthouse Lawn

April 22, 1990

2:30 O'Clock

in the afternoon

PROGRAM OF DEDICATION

Welcome and Announcements Rubilee Smith, President
Jackson County Historical Association

Invocation Walter Hammer, Mayor
City of Scottsboro

America The Beautiful Charles and Chip Dawson

Personal Tribute Mark Scott Skelton, Descendent
Great grandson

Unveiling Mark Scott Skelton, and Jessie Sue Bynum
Great Granddaughter
(all descendents accompany them)

Inscription Reading Bill Tally, Descendent
Sixth generation

Dedication Mrs. Smith

Taps Chip Dawson

Reception follows dedication
Dicus Cabin - Sagetown - Heritage Center



ROBERT THOMAS SCOTT

1800-1863

Planter, tavern operator, newspaper editor, legislator, and land developer, he sought in vain to have the Jackson County seat moved from Bellefont to the settlement that bore his name. After his death in 1863, his widow reached an agreement in 1868 with the county government whereby the site for the courthouse and jail was deeded to Jackson County on condition that Scottsboro become the county seat.

Incorporated by the state legislature on January 20, 1870, the town became an important commercial center and shipping point on the Memphis & Charleston Railroad.

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Sentinel Photo By Byron Woodfin

MEMORIAL UNVEILED — Mark Scott Skelton, left, and Jesse Sue Bynum unveil the historical marker honoring Scottsboro founder Robert Thomas Scott during ceremonies held at the Jackson County Courthouse square Sunday. Some 100 citizens and elected officials turned out for the ceremony.

A TRIBUTE TO ROBERT THOMAS SCOTT

DEDICATION OF MARKER

JACKSON COUNTY COURTHOUSE LAWN

APRIL 22, 1990

PRESENTED BY:

Mark Scott Skelton

On behalf of all the descendants of Robert Thomas Scott, both near and far, I wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the Jackson County Historical Association, and, in particular, to the committee which made this occasion possible.

The biographies of Robert Thomas Scott reveal a man devoted to the growth and development of this area. Not only did he want to be where the action existed, he wanted a part of the action.

He was born December 1, 1800, in Granville County, North Carolina, the son of William Alexander Scott from Glasgow, Scotland and Jane Thomas Scott of Port Tobacco, Maryland. His early education was acquired in the common schools in the areas of Chapel Hill and Raleigh. He later studied law at Franklin, Tennessee.

In 1817, William Alexander Scott sold his holding in North Carolina, and moved to Madison County, Alabama. He settled in the Maysville area, and lived there until his death in 1829.

Robert Scott accompanied his family to Alabama, and immediately became active in business and politics. In 1826, he returned to his native state to marry Elizabeth Ann Parsons of Morven, North Carolina. Following the marriage the couple returned to Madison County.

Land records show he had plans to develop a town near the present site of Brownsboro. Land records portray the original plots, subdivided with streets bearing picturesque names. For reasons unknown these plans never materialized. He was elected to the Alabama House of Representatives in 1830 and again in 1832. In 1834, Robert Scott and his family moved to Bellefonte which was the county seat of Jackson County at that time. There he bought

a farm and a hotel tavern known as "Belle Tavern." Some articles indicated he was also editor of the Bellefonte Courier for a period of time. In 1835, he ran against Governor Chapman for a seat in congress, but was defeated.

In 1836, he ran for and was elected to the State House of Representatives from Jackson County.

What happened within the next few years was an oddity in Alabama politics. In 1839, he was returned to the legislature, but a constitutional question was raised in both houses concerning members who held other elected offices. Since Scott also held the Office of Clerk of the Circuit Court, he was declared ineligible, and forced to retire. He refused to resign the clerkship, and again was elected to the House of Representatives. Again they refused to seat him. He was elected for the third time, and for the third time he was refused a seat. The adjournment of the legislature ended the impasse. His term of Circuit Clerk having expired, he was reelected to the legislature in 1842, and was appointed by Governor Fitzpatrick to a commission settling financial problems arising from the failure of the State Bank.

During the administration of Governor Collier, he was appointed on a commission to adjust the boundary line between Alabama and Georgia.

During the mid 1840's, he spent considerable time in Washington helping to pursue the claims of Alabama for state expenditures in the Indian and Mexican wars. In 1847, he returned to the legislature, and during the session served as chairman of the committee on ways and means. In all he served nine terms in

the legislature, twice representing Madison County and seven times from Jackson County.

In 1860, he served as a delegate to the convention in Baltimore, Maryland that nominated John L. Breckenridge as presidential candidate for the Democratic Party's Southern Wing.

William A. Garrett, Secretary of State for Alabama from 1840 to 1852, wrote the following comments: "A particular trait in the character of Mr. Scott as a legislator, was his opposition to high salaries in public offices, and his love of economy in the expenditures of the public money. Garrett also wrote that Scott's mind was well cultivated, and his business qualifications superior. However, he was not a pleasant speaker because of a lisp in his delivery. His social qualities were of a very respectable class; so much so, that he appeared to better advantage in the private circle than in the forum."

Over the years Robert Scott acquired considerable acreage in this area, and it is thought that during the early 1850's he moved his family from Bellefonte and built his home, known as White Cottage, east of Backbone Ridge near the present interchange of Highways 72 and 35.

In 1856, the Memphis and Charleston Railroad completed the last link between Stevenson and Decatur which opened a new era for the southern part of Jackson County. The local station was known as Scott's Station until the name was changed to Scottsboro in 1858.

Since the railroad did not pass through Bellefonte, Scott envisioned Scottsboro becoming the county seat. Because of the

Civil War and other factors, it would be 12 years before this could become a reality.

Scott's desire to aid in the development of this area is evidenced in a portion of a codicil to his will dated December 28, 1859, which reads as follows: "--Do hereby further authorize and require my executrix or administrator to sell lots in Scottsboro either at public or private sale and to donate lots for public purpose if it should be necessary to grow up said town. As to the amount of said donation, I leave to the sound discretion of my said executrix, Elizabeth Ann Scott or administrator.

On September 1, 1868, five days before the County Commissioner's selection of Scottsboro as the new county seat, the heirs of Robert Scott signed an agreement with the commissioners. In this agreement, pending location of the county seat, they promised to transfer to the use of the county the following property: "A public square on which to erect a court house to be selected by the said parties, or under their authority, and also another spot on which to erect a jail to be selected in like manner. These two parcels not to exceed fifteen acres, surrounding and lying on the said square."

Scott's heirs also agreed that the proceeds of every other lot around the square be donated to the town. Robert Scott did not live to see Scottsboro become the county seat of Jackson County. During the Civil War a small band of Union soldiers ransacked and burned his home. They then forced him to pull a Union officer's wagon back to Scottsboro. Robert Thomas Scott died shortly

thereafter on June 18, 1863. His wife, Elizabeth Ann, lived until October 13, 1873. They are both buried in the Scott Cemetery which is on the north side of Highway 35 where it cuts through Backbone Ridge.

There were five Scott children: Mary Jane, Charlotte, Lucy Haywood, Walter, and Robert Thomas, Jr. who was a physician and the first mayor of Scottsboro. The descendants of these children live in various parts of the United States.

As well as we can determine, only two of the children have descendants living in Jackson County today.

Charlotte married Jim Skelton, and their daughter, Sydney, married Judge John Talley, and the descents of that marriage are Bill Talley, a local attorney and his brother John, and sister Nancy. Lucy Haywood married Robert H. Bynum, and descendants of that marriage are Jessie Sue Bynum, Mark Scott Skelton and his sons, Mark Scott, Jr., and Andrew Douglass. In the Bridgeport, Long Island area there are Charles, John, Robert, and William Bynum along with their children.

If Robert Thomas Scott should pass this way again, I'm sure he would be pleased with the stewardship of his gift. Again, thanks to the historical association for their efforts toward preserving the history of Jackson County.

Information for this obtained from:

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Various Newspapers and Family Records

on second shelf of small china cabinet - brown glass
flavored pitcher and glass set came from Lucy
Scott and Robert Hugh - white and gold vase came
from Lucy Scott and Robert Hugh

Blue Willow Platter

came from wife of Robert T. Scott

many gave Park to Lizzie Parks to Charlotte Edna Byrnes

Top shelf of small china cabinet - everything but
green pitcher and glass set in uncle Albert's
white jar originally came from Aunt Jess

Bottom shelf of small china cabinet is uncle
Albert's except for bowl

- blue china came from a gift from Aunt Jess

- brown china was given to Lucy Scott by her
husband Robert Hugh

Big China Cabinet

Top shelf

wine glasses came from Lucy Scott and Robert Hugh

Second shelf

mother acquired most of these items herself

three partition glass tray came from Aunt Jess

Third shelf - mother

Fourth shelf -

The Hamiltons took this

Marble top belongs to Hamilton's

gotten by Robert T on trip to Washington
during change of Presidents - probably President Pierce

- chair came from Robert T. Scott

- Rocker with platform came from Lucy Scott and Robert Hugh

