

COFFEY COUSINS' CLEARINGHOUSE



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Genealogy - "What is it?"

(The following was extracted from IRISH ROOTS and was written by Jim Herlihy.)

George Bernard Shaw once said 'The danger in tracing your family tree is that you may find an ancestor hanging from a branch, either by his neck or by his tail.' It is said that those of us who trace our ancestors live in the *past* lane. Meanwhile Oscar Wilde — who had no interest in genealogy — said, 'A genealogist is a person who will trace your ancestors as far back as your money will go'. Looking to the future, Abraham Lincoln said, 'I don't know who my grandfather was, I am much more concerned who his grandson will be'.

The study of family history is called Genealogy, from the Greek words for 'race' and 'theory'. You do not have to descend from a rich and famous family to be able to trace your ancestors, however, if you are, someone else ususally does the tracing free of charge — the media, and it is surprising how much they can dig up. Genealogy is a lot like eating popcorn, once you get started, its hard to stop. Learning to do genealogy is like learning to walk. Its easy if you do one step at a time. Genealogy begins as an interesst, becomes a hobby, continues as an incurable disease. A successful genealogist able to trace all his ancestors over twenty-four generations would have found 16,777,216 of them.

A good genealogist has an innate pride in family and country, and recognizes his duty to search out and record the truth. He becomes, first of all, a full-time detective, a thorough historian, an inveterate snoop, and at the same time, a confirmed diplomat, a keen observer, a lawyer, a studious sociologist, and, above all, an accurate reporter.



EDITORS LETTER

I KISSED THE BLARNEY STONE! It stands up there as one of the scariest things I have ever done - - right next to editing CCC the first time. The good and bad - it was beautiful weather when we traveled the Ring of Kerry, but rained buckets while we were in Dublin. All kidding aside, Ireland was beautiful and I only saw a little part of it. We did not get to do genealogy, but I did buy a of book or two (I will talk of these in another part of **this** issue) and a couple of souvenirs to give as door prizes at the Coffey Cousins April convention. We ate at a **Ceili** in Bunratty National Park and toured the Crannog or lake dwelling and Ring fort at Craggaunowen. They served us tea made over a peat fire and had scones with clotted cream. We also saw the replica of St. Brendan's boat. It is what they think he sailed to America in. I almost forgot the "ten pound castle" at Craggaunowen. I didn't even get sick on the rough ferry crossing from Wales. I will bore all you to death with pictures at the convention.

Speaking of convention, do mark your calender for the convention. It is on different date this year! We first moved it so as not to conflict with Mother's Day and then had to move it again because of a very large convention in Richmond VA on the same week end as ours. It should be a fabulous place to do research and we're going to get lats of help. Can't beat that. **MARK THOSE CALENDARS APRIL 22 to 24, 1994.**

If you get a due slip in this issue, your subscription will be due by the first of March. I am sending a slip that I want you to list the ancestor that you want on

your membership listing. I have not kept these up as well as I should and I would like to print a membership list with ancestor in the March issue. We haven't had one for a while. Originally I had hoped that the four generation listing would replace this one name, but I find it to be too bulky to print. Hopefully we can do an extra issue or something in the future with these four generation charts. Thank you for being so understanding and helpful. I'll try to keep these in better order in the future.

I hope we keep every one of you as subscribers. You have really made some headway on some of the more difficult lines. I hope it can be repeated next year.

Jim and I do hope that all of you have a very Merry Christmas.

Your Cousin,
Bonnie Culley



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Happy Hollidays
from
Bonnie & JimCulley

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RON PAYNE writes that he is not a direct descendant of a **Coffey**, but is related through Colby Rucker. Colby's daughter, Nancy, married Moses Payen in Granger County. Ron is descended then, through their son William. William's son Joseph S., Joseph's son Joseph, whose son **Yumbert** was Ron's father. Ron says that he has information on Mahala Coffee requested by Rev. Kaisner in last issue of CCC. Ron Payne's address is listed in the new cousins list.

ELIZABETH COFFEE DOWNS says that her family has used the spelling Coffee since Jesse, son of John & Jane Graves Coffey. Elizabeth is working on the family of Jesse who's children are Elisha, his twin brother Elijah, Edward, Joel, Cleveland, John and unnamed sister. They moved from the Pendleton District of S.C. to Raben Co. GA about 1820. Elisha and Elijah were born in South Carolina according to the census records. Elisha was in Franklin Co. GA in 1840 and in Murry Co. GA in 1850 - 1880 census. He died in 1891. Elizabeth says that she really appreciated the help from Marvin Coffey of Ashland OR. She would like to correspond with descendants of the children of Jesse or anyone working on these lines. Her address is in the new cousins list.

WILLIAM EDWARD PATTERSON heard of us from Elizabeth Downs of Virginia

Beach, VA. He says that they are both Coffee descendants but he did not say if they descend from the same line of Coffees. He says that he is a retired public school administrator who has time on him hands and a computer to store information on. (He probably shouldn't have told us all of this.) We hope he comes to the convention in Richmond in April so the Georgia researchers can put him to work. Welcome Edward.

LARRY & MARY COFFEY heard of us through Jeff Coffey from St. Charles, MO. Jeff had found their name in the "Who's Who of the Coffeys of America". Mary says that they have always wanted to know about the origins of Larry's **great-grandfather**. They will send us Larry's lineage for the next issue. We thank Jeff Coffey for sending Larry & Mary to us.



MAIL BOX

FRAN COFFEY is keeping busy editing the "Tucson Council for International Visitors" . He sent his pedigree sheet with his lineage from Lewis M. Coffey (b. 1798 Stokes Co. NC, d. 1844 Morgan Co. IN., married to Delilah Turpin 1818 Pulaski Co., KY.) Fran and Bess introduced us to Robert and Joan Coffey of Kenosha, WI. (Fran's nephew.) We are looking forward to see all of them in Richmond VA in April.

VIRGIL & IVA COFFEE have been home bound. Virgil had surgery on his foot. We hope he is up and dancing by now.

RON PAYNE informed us that the project of erecting a marker for Colby Rucker has fallen through. It seems that the owners of the Old Rucker Cemetery have changed their mind. It would be appreciated if members of the Thorn Hill TN area would work on these owners to allow the marker. Anyone who fought during the period of the American Revolution should have some kind of marker or memorial. (What can we do?? Does anyone have any suggestions???? ED!)

BENNIE LOFTIN, thoughtful as usual, has sent us the Obituaries listed in this issue. Her letter was a bag of mixed emotions. We're sorry to hear about her Aunts death, but was thrilled to read the news she had received from Kathryn Johnson. Kathryn now has definite proof of Colby Ruckers Revolutionary War military service. Up to this time, I only had records of his death (escape) listed in the English records. They have Colby Rucker listed as dead and his friend Pumphrey as missing. We know that they escaped to North Carolina. Kathryn

has made a copy of the North Carolina Revolutionary Army Accounts, Volume VIII, s. 115.???. The record list Colby Rucker. We know that several people had **joined** DAR through Colby, but had not seen the actual record as it is in NC, not the National Archive. Thanks Bennie and Kathryn.

We received information from **MARY SNYDER**. She is trying to rescue the Society of Kentucky Pioneers (which really needs her). It is going to be a big job. What it means to us! "Rucker Ruckus" is on HOLD and will be printed April 1, 1994 - going to ANNUAL instead of 4 per year. Knowing Mary, it will still be a good newsletter, when ever you get it. I'm still interested in Mary doing the Rucker book over and adding our Colby Rucker line. Good Luck Mary. Kentucky Pioneer has a good leader.

NEW BOOKS FOR SALETHE FAMILY OF PETER COFFEE

Samuel J. Coffey, Rt. 1, Box 110 Bedford, VA. 24523 sent us a copy of the book listed above. It is 57 pages but just packed with records all for just **\$10.00**. Samuel's book is written primarily, to cover the descendants of Peter **Coffee** Sr.'s son William. William stayed in Virginia and inherited the family plantation. Mr. Coffey has proved that there were two Peter Coffees. He found the will of Peter Coffee Sr. in Prince Edward County VA, Parish of St. Patricks. Book I, page 132. I found this book very interesting reading and even if you are not of this line of Coffees, it is a good book to have as it helps identify some of the many **Coffee/ys** in the area we are all searching for the roots of our Coffee/y families. It is extensively documented.



CURRENTS IN THE STREAM

BILL COFFEY of Australia and editor of **THE IRISH LINK** has found an American cousin in one of the back issues of CCC. Bill says that his family have been the only Coffey family in County Fermanagh until **this** century. James Coffey was granted the land *in* the town land of Cordarragh in the parish of Killesher, County Fermanagh in **1715** and it is still in the hands of the family with Bill's first cousin farming it.

CCC had a cousin William D. (Bill) Coffey who was first listed as living in Maryland and later in Highland's Ranch Colorado. He was a subscriber last in 1987 and descended from Richard Coffee from County Fermanagh. Can any one help us in locating this lost cousin? Another member of CCC who descends from this family is John Coffee from Grand Rapids **MI**.

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V. T. MOBLEY has given us his pedigree chart. Vince had open heart surgery last April. We're glad to hear that he is better. His pedigree starts with his grandmother Lucy Jasper (Coffey) Mobley (b. **11** Oct. 1881, Lincoln Co. KY, d. 31 Dec. **1967** San Diego, CA., married Terry Mobley **15** June 1899, Lincoln Co., KY). Lucy is the daughter of Moses Coffey (b. **6** Aug. 1843, Russell Co. KY, d. 26 Dec. 1902, Lincoln Co. KY, married Margaret C. Goode, **21** Sept. 1865). Moses Coffey is the son of James Coffey (b. 7 Sept. 1818, Russell Co., KY, d. 27 July 1897, Lincoln Co. KY, married Martha (Patsy) Tucker, **31** July 1836, Wayne Co. KY). James Coffey is the son of Martin Coffey (b. 15 Sept. 1762, NC or VA, d. 27 Nov. 1867, Russell Co. KY, married Nancy Hertford, 1 Dec. 1817 Wayne Co., KY).

Vince would like to correspond with others working on this line. His address is 1245 Goucher St., **McMinnville, OH** 97128

JOSIE BRUMLEY of Oak Grove, LA writes that she has been digging in the records and found the following records for Fannie Coffey/y in Chicot Co. AR.

Fannie Coffey May term 1832

vs

Obdiah Pitts Injunction

The case continued through the May term but was dropped after 4 or 5 days deliberation.

Josie says "The old books are fragile".

Another entry in the later court records:

October **1840** Coffee Fanny: Estate administration - discontinued.

Josie is looking for more. **If you are interested** in this material, **Josie's** address is **231** Coffey Rd., Oak Grove, LA 71263.

KATHLEEN E. COFFEE read the question in the September issue of CCC asking if there were any Coffeys *in* Wisconsin. She says that her husband's great great uncle Thomas Gordon Coffy (Coffey) b. **c1820** in Cumberland Co. PA was in the Wisconsin **Territory**, Iowa County in April 1844. In 1850 census Thomas may have been living in Grant County, WI. Kathy says that she has not researched any further on Thomas and would also be interested in knowing if any of the other Coffeys might have had a relative in WI. New Glarus, WI, is not too far from Iowa County. Thomas' parents were William and Mary Ann Gordon Coffy. Kathelln's address is 5885 Fruit Ridge, N.W., R. No.2, Grand Rapids, **MI**. 49504.



DEAD END ROADS

MARJORIE KINKADE is looking for **information** on her great grandmother, Sarah Ann Coffee, b. 25 Feb. 1869 in Noble Co. Ohio and d. 26 Sept. 1936 in Omaha, NE. Sarah married Wesley Wiley on the 13th of Feb. 1869 in Noble Co. OH. They resided in Guthrie Co. Iowa. Marjorie thinks that Sarah's parents were William and Elizabeth Bell Coffee. Sarah Ann's other siblings are Joseph, June, **Worthington**, James, Susan, Samuel, Melissa and Mary M.

Joann Calloway of San Jose, CA recommended CCC to Marjorie. If anyone can help Marjorie, write her at 613 North Chestnut, Creston, IA. 50801

VIRGIL O. COFFEE called our attention to the fact that John Taylors book left out all of the children of James & Molley Coffey (son of James & Elizabeth (Cleveland) Coffey) except two. There were 9 (possibly **11**) children.

Virgil has done some research on the family of Lewis (b. 12 Jan **1777**) who married Elizabeth (she died between 1840 and 1850 in Gwinnett County ,GA). They had children:

1. Gilbert m. Mary - went to Mississippi, Choctaw County. He was between 30 & 40 and Mary was 40 to 50 in 1850. They had 8 children.

2. Louney b. 1806 - was still single in **1850** in Gwinnett Cy, GA.

3. Sarah b. 1812 - m. Jesse Brawner

4. Chaney m. Gallatin Stevens

5. **Edmond A.** b. 1820 - m. Diannah Bagby

6. Catherine b. **1831**

There were 9 children by Lewis and Elizabeth in Wilkes CO. NC by 1820. Virgil says that he is missing some names and sexes. Of the two boys under **16** in the **1820** census, one is Edmond A who married Diannah Bagby, but Virgil would like to know who the other one was. Also, can anyone else supply more of Lewis and Elizabeth's children.

Another letter from **VIRGIL COFFEE.**

Virgil is interested in the Reuben Coffeys of Indiana KY. Virgil says "**The COFFEYS OF WAYNE COUNTY and THOMAS COFFEY AND HIS DESCENDANTS** each list Reuben Coffey as having **10** children." Virgil's sources are "Indiana Source Book **NO.II**" by Heiss. This is the records of Vernal Baptist Church, Monroe County IN **1817** thru **1850**, located 9 miles N.W. of **Bloomington** Church established **1817** and extinct by **1910**. (Typed copy in Franklin College Library.) Virgil says "if you have read the role books and the cited reference one would automatically say the records applies to Reuben Coffey & Polly Dowell. However, neither Reuben had a Reubin as a child. So!!"

Reuben & wife Naomi, received by experience April 9, **1825**:

Reuben moderator, May 10 1834, Feb. 14, 1835, Apr. 9 1836.

Reuben Coffey Jr.(?) **rec'd** by letter. Oct. 12, 1833.

Reuben Coffey Jr. and wife, granted letter of **dismissal**, Mar. 12, 1836.

Virgil wants to know where Reuben Jr. came from.

JAN HODGSON is looking for information on her great grandfather was Oliver Hill Coffey of Hamburg, IA. If anyone can help Jan, her address is 464 Sand Dune Ave. S.W., Ocean Shores, WA 98569-9510.

JOSEPH S. NEWBROUGH JR. writes about his great grandmother Mary Cordillia Robbins (dau. of Wait Robbins) and her husband John W. Shimmins. They rode out the 1903 hurricane that hit Galveston TX, in a tree house built for play. They were marooned for three days in the tree with exposure to the elements. Mary Cordillia later died from the exposure. Joe is also descended from James Coffey son of John and Jane Graves Coffey. His grandfather was J. W. Newbrough. Joe would like to know if any of the cousins are also working on the Shimmins or Robbins. His address is 708 Betz Ave., Jefferson, LA **70121**.

LOIS BERTRAM writes that she and her daughter Betty are novice genealogists interested in the family history of Benjamin Franklin Coffee (b. Mar 10, 1844, d. July 18, 1926) Ben enlisted in 1863 - 65. He was a Pvt. in Co. "C" Duffs regiment, 33rd Cavalry. Pension file #15973. His wife's name was Mary Delilah Nicklaus (Nicholas). Benjamin Coffee is Lois' great-grandfather. His daughter, Bennie Frances (Coffee) Alexander is **Lois'** grandmother and **Bennie's** daughter was Ettie Ellen (Alexander) Randal was **Lois'** mother. She would appreciate any information we might have on this line. Her address is P.O. Box **1106, Beeville, TX 78104**

PHILLIP MURPHY says family tradition claims that great grandmother Mittie Henley's maiden name was Margaret Coffee(y). She married James B. Henley in c.a. 1830. They lived in Desoto County, MS in the 1850 census and moved to Ashley County, AR by 1860. The census lists both of their places of birth as Tennessee. Phillip would appreciate any information. His address is 3512 **Avondale**, North Little Rock, AR **72116**.

JUDITH SIMPSON, P.O. Box 1693, Keystone Heights, FL 32656, would like to have any information on the name Coffee/y from Essex Co., NY. They moved to Michigan. The family may have come from Ireland to Nova Scotia, then into the Vermont and New York area. Some of the names are: Anthony Coffee, and Samuel Coffee/y Essex Co., NY, Samuel, Leni, Nelson, Abel and Martin Coffey in Michigan, also Cynthia Coffey Smith of Michigan. Supposedly the father Anthony Coffee and his son Samuel died in **1831** in Essex Co., NY, then the family moved to Michigan by Erie Canal. The mom came along. However, the grandmother Abigail Coffee (**Hayes, Hays**) stayed behind and in 1845 was in Lyme, Jefferson Co., NY. Judith is particularly interested in finding out from **1781** to **1750** and then to Ireland. Judith's grandfather's name was Lewis Nelson Coffey.

RONNIE L. GREEN says that he is very much interested in any information we might have on the **Coffey** and **Green/e** families. Ronnie has a **Green/e** family history book compiled by a relative in Texas. There are a lot of dates and places missing and he would like to verify some of the information in the book as he thinks it's possible that some of it may be in error. Ron's maternal grandmother was a Coffey and he thinks the place of death in the Coffey Greene book is incorrect. He recollects that she died in West Carrollton, Ohio. He says that any help the cousins can give would be greatly appreciated. Quoted from the book:

Amos Greene b. **1873** Hancock Co., TN d. **1928** TN
 spouse: Hattie Coffey, b. 18__
 Hancock, TN d. **1945** TN
 children:

1899 - Delia Greene	d. 1966
1902 - Cordie Greene	d. 1977
1904 - Martha Greene	d. 1969
1906 - Rose Greene	d. 1978
(Ron's mother is Rose)	
1908 - William Greene	d. 1968
1914 - Julia Greene	d. ?
1916 - Glenn Greene	d. 1945
1918 - Joseph Greene	d. 1971
1921 - Edna Greene	d. ?
1924 - Beatrice Greene	d. 1974

Ron's address is 351 S. 56th St., Lincoln, **NE 68510**.

WILLIAM G. COOPER wrote, having acquired my address from the Graves Family Association. He has a Coffey lineage through John & Jane Graves Coffey. Then he descends from their son Thomas Coffey and his son Thomas Jr. and Thomas Coffey Jr.'s daughter Sallie who married James Holden. Bill says that his weakest link is Sallie and James Holden, no dates for birth, marriage or death. If anyone is working on this area or has any information that might help Bill, his address is **102** Valley View Drive, **Erwin, TN 37650**.

OBITUARIES

The Coffey Cousins express our sincere sympathy to the families of our deceased cousins.

BEN B. COFFEY JR.

Ben B. Coffey Jr. of Memphis, died Sunday Aug. 22, 1993 at Methodist Hospital. He was 89. Mr. Coffey was a retired fire prevention engineer for the Tennessee **Inspection** Bureau, but he was better known as an avid amateur ornithologist. He was one of the **South's** most active "**birders,**" observing and recording birds for almost 70 years. He has several **records** of bird calls and was written up in a recent issue of "The Migrant", the journal of the Tennessee Ornithological Society. Mr. Coffey was born and reared in Nashville and married Lula Evelyn Cooper in **1930** who also shared his interest in Ornithology. Mr. Coffey was buried *in* Memorial Park (**Midtown**), Memphis.

**MAE SORRELS**

Mae Sorrels, 90 of Kiowa, OK. died September 15, 1993. She was born April **30**, 1903 in Kentucky to William and Mina Jane Clark Coffey. She had lived in the Kiowa and Pittsburg areas virtually all of her life. She married Henry Kahn Sorrels in November **1921** at McAlester. She was a housewife and a member of the Kiowa Baptist Church. She was proceeded in death by her parents, her husband, a brother, three sisters and a son. Survivors include two sons **Melvin G.** and **H. K. Sorrels**; a daughter **Mary Stites**; and two brothers **Ted Coffey** and **Benny Coffey**; **11** grandchildren and **20** great grandchildren. (She is **Bennie Coffey Loftin's** Aunt)

DIVISION OF CORRECTIONS

I have made a mistake in copying Dennis **Coffey's 1** lineage. It should be:

Charles Wayne **Coffey²** (Dennis father)
b. 5 Aug 1942 Staunton Augusta VA
m. 9 Oct. 1960 **Jeffersonville IN.** to Linda Ann Wyatt

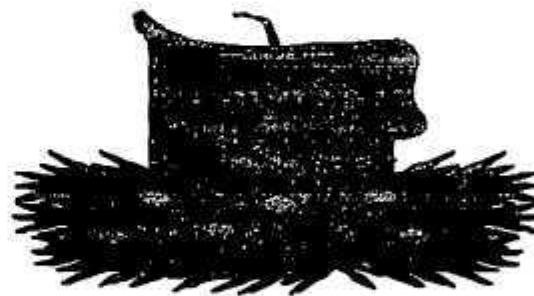
son of: Charles Maywood **Coffey³**
b. 29 Aug **1920** Augusta, VA
d. 19 Jun **1989** Staunton Augusta VA

m. 8 Nov. **1941 (div)** to Nellie Elaine Woodzell

son of: Clayton Maywood **Coffey⁴**
b. 27 Feb. **1877** Nelson VA
d. 16 Jul **1943** Augusta, VA
m. 8 Apr. **1908** to Ella Virginia Waterman

son of: Henry Alexander **Coffey⁵**
b. 1852 d. 1924
m. to Sarah Campbell

We hope Dennis accepts my apology.

**GENEALOGY MAGAZINE**

I purchased a quarterly magazine in Ireland called the "Irish Roots". It reviews Irish histories and genealogy books, interesting articles on lesser used genealogy sources. It had a good article on "The Registry of Deeds" in the Irish Archives **No.5** section. There is a story on the Lynch family of Argentina, The Brontes' family, surnames of Co. Deny and a history of the town of Clones. There is a query section and an article on Heritage Centers, It cost \$15.00 a year and is from Belgrave Publications, Belgrave Ave. Cork, Ireland.

MARJORIE SMELTZER STEVENOT
sends us some New York records.

New York Marriages Prior to 1784:

- Richard Coffee & Catherine Haley -
 May 2, 1761
- Catherine Coffey & Charles Keeling -
 Oct. 11, 1773
- Mary Coffey & Henry Benjamin
 Schroeder - **Nov. 15, 1783**
- Catherine Coffey & Joseph Orr
 Jan. 17, 1779

New York Marriage Bonds 1753 - 1783

John Lewis Coffey was a witness at
the marriage of James **Flook** and Rebecca
Pilot



**Encyclopedia of American Quaker
Genealogy:**

George F. Coffee m. Grace -- PA d.
1844 age 68 yrs. son of Thomas A. b.
Philadelphia d. Dec. 20, 1845 age 33
(member)



**In the Handbook on Irish Genealogy by
Heraldic Artists, Dublin (1976)
Marjorie found these immigrant
passengers:**

Judith Coffee on the Intrinsic from
Liverpool to NY Nov 6, 1848.

Michael Coffey, age 20, on the Sea Bird
from Galway to Quebec, 15 June, 1848.
(Possibly this is one of the other Orange
Co. lines. Sailing from Galway may be a
clue as to his native county. Canadian
ships were usually cheaper than
American. Some traveled that way, then
worked their way down from upper New
York. State.)

Ellen Coffee on the Colonial from
Liverpool to NY 23 June, 1851.

Patrick Coffey on the Columbia from
Liverpool to NY 3 Mar 1853
(We need to thank James Coffey of

Atlanta for introducing Marjorie to us.)
Be **sure** to watch for **hcr** book. It will **bc**
about John Coffey, Sr. who was buried in
Orange Co. NY. If her letters are any
indication as to how interesting this
book **is** going to **bc**, it will be one of **the**
good ones. I'm looking forward to seeing
it completed.



KATHY COFFEE SIMMONS is a
descendant of Chesley Coffee. She was
given the following by a friend. Kathy
thought some of us might enjoy reading
it as much as she and I did.

(Letter to Don Gann written by his
mother Cassie Coffey Gann around Sept.
1974)

FAMILY HISTORY

Rich Coffey (my grand pa) born
1823, died 1897. He married Sallie
Greathouse in the state of Georgia. Rich
and Sallie Coffey are buried in the Paint
Rock Cemetery in the Northeast section. **1**

Rich Coffey, a charter member of
Paint Rock Lodge **#613 AF & AM**,
Chartered on December **11, 1885**.

They are to what is now Concho
County (was then Bexar Co.) in **1862**,
from Parker County, TX. Parker County
was created out of Basque and Navarro
Counties *in* **1855**. And was organized in
1856. Parker County was the scene of
much conflict with the Indians and was
named for Cynthia Ann and Quanah
Parker. The Coffeys were in Parker
County when it was organized in **1856**
and may have been there for several years
previous to this.

On the **19th** of May **1836**, the
massacre of Fort Parker in Limestone
County, Texas resulted in the death of
Silas M. Parker and capture of his nine
year old daughter, Cynthia Ann. On Dec.
18, 1860 they were marching up the Pease
River near where the present town of
Quanah now is, they came upon the
Indians. Among the Indian's captives
they found a blue-eyed squaw, Cynthia

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Ann Parker. She was returned to her father near Weatherford, Texas. Grand Pa Coffey was *in* the group that rescued Cynthia **Ann.**²

(So whether your proud or not your related kin to Cynthia Ann. I'll stop on the history **part** now.)

Rich Coffey and Sallie Coffey had 3 sons: John of Kimble County on the Little Devils River, Bill Coffey (WA initials) 1858-1928 and Fogg Coffey **1863-1939**. 3 daughters Bell-Penny-Ellen. Bell married Will McAuley. Penny married Nat Guest. Ellen married Adison Garden.

(That's enough about my Coffey Grand pa & ma. All their kids I've named.

Fogg Coffey (He was my Daddy) was born March 6th, **1863** at Weatherford, Texas. Died July 19, 1939 and is buried at Concho Cemetery.

Ella Jane **Littlefield** Coffey, daughter of Robert Littlefield and his wife, Jane Hurt was born Oct. 8, **1866** in Gonzales, Texas.

Fogg Coffey and Ella Jane Littlefield were united in Marriage on August 18, 1884. They went to Paint Rock to be married and found the one and only minister was over on the Kidkpo holding a funeral. They went to the Justice of Peace and were married. W.C. Cambell, Justice of Peace of precinct 1 in **1884**. The witnesses to their marriage were; Mrs. Lizzie Hall and Mr. John Hall and Bob Littlefield. Fogg and Ella's kids were:

Houston Coffey born Sept 10, **1885** died **Aug** 12, 1947.

Jim Coffey born March 12, **1888**.

Hays Coffey b. Jan 22, **1891**.

Florence May b. Dec **1893**, died April 2, 1931.

Vada Coffey b. July **8**, **1896**.



KATHY RHOTEN has some interesting information for us. It seems that we may have recorded a marriage wrong. Kathy has all of Pulaski Co. KY marriage records 1799 - 1900. She send the following records:

Levi Coffee m. Delila Turpin, Jan **11**, 1818.

Her parents are Moses & Magdaline Black Turpin.

Rev. Lewis M. Coffey m. Permelia Ann Tucker

Nov. 7, 1870

He was 20, she was 20. Bond by Elijah Coffey

Rev. Lewis M. Coffey m. Sophia Buster

Nov. 18, 1874

He was **31**, she was **21**.

Kathy says both of Rev. Lewis M. Coffey's marriages are listed as the first marriage and possibly they were two different people.

Kathy has recently purchased some of our back issues and is having fun editing the early work. She says that in an early chart of Len Coffey's, he had Iva Coffey, daughter of John D. Coffey and granddaughter of Moses T. **Coffey**, as married to a Mr. Farrell. Kathy says it should read Terrell. Kathy knew Iva well. She was the Superintendent of the Allen Co., Kansas Rural Schools. Iva would visit the school where Kathy and her **twin** sister attended at least once a year and **Iva's** son was one year ahead of Kathy in school. If you want to contact Kathy for more information, her address is 168 Baldwin, Crocket, CA 94525.



DIANA COVEY FRYMYER president of the Estill County, KY Historical & Genealogical Society gave us this information some time back. I've been trying to fit it to and decided to just do it, this issue. We wish to thank her for her assistance.

COFFEE/COFFEY MARRIAGES - ESTILL CO. KY

Coffee. John m Jane Walton. 12 Jan 1858; signed: John Coffee and John Allcorn (X). John Allcorn states that Jane is over 21 years. Vol. 4-P. 79.

Coffey. Abraham m Malinda Ann Miller. 28 Feb 1886, at **Sameul R.** Miller's. (Abraham) - 21, born and living in Estill, farmer, 2nd marriage; parents born in Estill. (Linda) (that's what it says-DCF) - 19, born and residing in Estill, 1st marriage; parents born in Weth (Wythe?) Co. VA; signed; Abraham Coffey (x), **Jeff** Walden (maybe - (x) and William Miller (x); att: Samuel L. Tudor, clerk; witnesses: Curtis Coffey and Jeff Walton, ceremony by J. F. Edwards. Vol. 10-426, 427.

Coffey. Audburn?Ausburn m Martha Campbell. 1 Nov. 1866, at Jeremiah Campbell's home. (Ausburn) - 20, born in KY, residing in Estill, farmer, 1st marriage; parents born in TN. (Martha) - 17, residing in Estill, 1st marriage; signed Ausdin Coffey and Joseph McSwain; att: Morton M. Price, clerk; witnesses: Henry Jones and Benton Garrett; minister: **O. D.** Henderson of the Christian Church. Vol. 6-285.

Coffey. Charles D. m Rachel A. Sweeney. 23 Nov. 1899, at John **Coffey** /William Coffey's residence. (Charles) - **21**, born and residing to Estill, farmer, 1st marriage; parents born in Estill. (Rachel) - 18, born and living in Estill, 1st marriage; father born in Estill; signed: Charles D. Coffey and Nathan Farthing; att: James F. Harris, clerk;

witnesses: **Elic** Johnson and George Carpenter; minister: Samuel Estes of the Baptist Church. Vol. 21-620, **621** and Vol. 23-8, 9.

Coffey. John D. m Maggie A. Walton. 10 Oct. 1889, at John **Coffey's** /Preacher Edwards' residence. (John D.) - 28, born and living in Estill, farmer, 1st marriage; father born in TN, mother born in Estill. (Maggie) - 20, born and residing in Estill, 1st marriage; parents born in VA; signed: John D. Coffey (x) and Joseph McSwain; att: Vernon L. Vaughn, clerk; witnesses: Curtis Coffey and Thomas Coffey; ceremony by J. F. Edwards; Vol. 17-108, **109** & 19B-146, 147.

Coffey. Thomas J. m Julina Walton. **8/13** Jan. 1881, at William Walten's home. (Thomas) - 22, **born** and living in Estill, farmer, **1st** marriage; father born in TN., mother born in Estill. (Julina) - 16, born and living in Estill, 1st marriage; parents born in Estill; signed: Thomas J. Coffey and William P. Adams; att: S. L. Tudor, clerk; witnesses: D. H. Walton and John Walton; minister: J.F. Edwards; Vol. 130-190 and Vol. 10, 282, 283. (last reference has "Julia Walten").

Coffey. W. A. C. m Sarah F. Walton. 3 Mar 1890, at W. Walton's - her father. (W.A.C.) - 25 born and living in Estill, farmer, 1st marriage, father born TN, mother born Estill. (Sarah) - 17, residing in Estill, 1st marriage; signed: W.A.C. Coffey and D. J. Walton (x); att: Vernon L. **Vaught**, clerk; witnesses: Jap Walton and John Coffey, Jr.; minister: James F. Edwards; Vol. 17-196, **197** and Vol. 19B0 118, 119.

Coffey. William W. m Elizira McSwain. 7 Apr. **1864**, at William **McSwain's** home. witnesses: Walker J. **Hisle** and Jessee Arvin; minister: Othenile Henderson; Vol. 3-31.

Coffey. William W. m Josephine Jones. 24/25 Oct. 1876, at **O. D.** Henderson's. (William) - 35, residing in Madison

County, 2nd marriage.
(Josephine) - 23, residing in Estill, 1st marriage; signed: William W. Coffey and Zachariah Jones; witnesses: John McSwain and David McSwain; minister O. D. Henderson; Vol. 11B-325, 326 and Vol. **10-158**, 159.

Adams. John A. m Elizabeth A Coffey. 3 Nov. 1892, at T. W. Adam's home.
(John A.) - 31, residing in Estill, 2nd marriage; note: "My wife is dead and there is no lawful cause why this license should not be issued" (sworn to and signed). (1st marriage was to Miss Mary Ann Alcorn, 14 Feb. **1882** at home of Albert Alcorn); bond signed by John Adams; att: Vernon L. Vaughn, clerk; witnesses: Joe Walton and Thomas W. Adams; minister: James F. Edwards; Vol. 18-412, **413** and Vol. 19B-198, 199.

Allcorn. Albert m Matilda Coffee. 25 Oct. 1859; signed: Albert Allcorn (x) and John Coffee; att: W. H. Pigg, ECCC; note: "Certificates of John Allcorn and Coleby Coffee filed and John Coffee being sworn as to both the certificates." Vol. 4-241, 241.

Johnson. Amos m Tilita J. Coffee. 15/16 Feb. 1890, at James F. Edwards'.
(Amos) - 28, 1st marriage.
(Talita) - 23, 1st marriage; signed: Amos K/R Johnson and Osburn Coffey; att: Vernon L. Vaughn, clerk; witnesses: Osborn Coffee and Curtis Coffee; ceremony by James F. Edwards; Vol. **17-188**, **189** and Vol. **19B-104**, 105.

Jones. Zachariah m Rhoda B. Coffey. 20/21 Apr. 1881, at O. D. Henderson's.
(Zachariah) - 32, born and residing in Estill, farmer, 1st marriage; father born in Madison County; mother born in Estill.
(Rhoda) - 14, born and residing in Estill, 1st marriage; parents born in Estill; signed: Zachariah Jones and Albert Walton; Att: Samuel L. Tudor, clerk; witnesses: Sidney Farthing and John Coffey; minister: O. D. Henderson; Vol. 13-220, and Vol. 10-284, 285.

Kelly. John m Elizabeth Coffee. 23 Apr. 1874, at John **Kelley's** residence.
(John) - 69, residing in Estill, farmer, 3rd marriage.
(Elizabeth) - 30, residing in Estill; 1st marriage; **signed** John Kelly (x) and Thomas W. Adams; att: M. P. Daniel, Dep. clerk; witnesses: Wesley Johnson and Henry D. Jones; ceremony by James F. Edwards; Vol. **11A-347**, 348 and Vol. 10-96, 97.

McSwain. Joseph m Marv Ann/Jane Coffey. 24 May 1864, at Colby Coffey's.
(Joseph) - 30, **born** in KY, widower; parents **born** in KY.
(Mary) - 16, born in KY, 1st marriage; father born in NC; mother born in VA; signed: Joseph McSwain and William W. Coffey; att: Morton M. Price, clerk; witnesses: Walker Hisle and Thomas Adams; minister: Othenile D. Hendrson; Vol. 5-415 and Vol. **3-31**.

McSwain. Josiah m Susan Coffee. 11 Oct. 1853, signed: Josiah McSwain and John Coffey, bondsman: John Dalton; Vol. 2-58.

Richardson. Marcus m Elizabeth S. Cofee. 19/21 Feb. 1866, by Elijah Gabbard; signed Marcus Richardson and Samuel McQueen; att: Morton M. Price, clerk; witnesses: Godfrey Isaacs and James Barnes; Vol. 3-46, and Vol. 6-195.

Robinson. Hugh L. m Rebecca Coffey. 28 June 1849, by Joseph Ambrose. **Book A-171**.

Walton. F. B. m Provie Coffee. 21 Dec. **1899** at the residence of John **Coffee/her** residence.
(F.B.) - 29, born and residing in Estill; farmer, 1st marriage; parents born in Estill.
(Provie) - 18, born and residing in Estill; 1st marriage; parents born in Estill; signed: F. B. Walton (x) and Silas Richardson; att: James F. Harris, clerk, by Norman Taylor deputy clerk; witnesses: Joe Walton and Albert Walton; ceremony performed by Joseph **Crow**, MBC; Vol. 22-4 and Vol. 23-12, 13.

Walton. William J. m Theresa(called Thursv-DCF) Ann Coffey. 24 Sept 1858; signed William J. Walton and Robert Riddell, Jr; att: W. H. Pigg, clerk; Vol. 4-155.

Hawkins. John H. m Dora M. Coffey. 18 Feb 1910 at Albert Thomas's.
(John) - **21**, born in Montgomery County; 1st marriage; father; William Hawkins, mother: Manda Bell Fox.
(Dora) - 17, born: Estill; 1st marriage; father: William Coffey, mother: Josephine **Jones/James**; surety: C. D. Coffey; witnesses: George Aldridge and Simp Campbell; Bk 28, page 222.

Isaacs. William m Marv E. Coffey. 2 Mar. 1904; Bk 26, page 118.

Oglesby, William J. m Rosa B. Coffey. 1 Jan. 1908, at Wes Johnson's.
(W. J.) 25, born: Estill, 1st marriage; father: David Oglesby, born: OH; mother: Annie **T/J** Winkler, born: Estill.
(Rosa) - 16, born: Estill, 1st marriage; father Curt Coffey; mother Sarah Walton; surety: Roily Oglesby; witnesses: Stella Johnson and **Lela** Johnson; Bk 27, page 330.

Wigglesworth. Arthur m Hattie Coffey. 27 Dec. 1906, at Thomas Coffey's.
(Arthur) - 24, born: Harrison County; 2nd marriage; parents born: Harrison.
(Hattie) - 20, born: Estill, 1st marriage; parents born: Estill; surety: J. D. Walton; witnesses: Dee Walton and Edward Walton; Bk 27, page 44.



ESTILL COUNTY COFFEE/EY'S IN CENSUS

	<u>1850</u>	<u>age</u>	<u>sex</u>	<u>born</u>
#677-Coffey. Cobby		50	m	NC
	Mary	46	f	VA
	John	19	m	TN
	Susan	14	f	TN
	Theresa A	12	f	TN
	Matilda	10	f	KY
	Willliam	8	m	KY
	Osborn	4	m	KY
	Mary J	2	f	KY
	Elizabeth	5	f	KY
1860				
#224-Coffv.Colby		60	m	NC
	Mary	55	f	VA
	William	18	m	KY
	Ausburn	14	m	KY
	Mary	12	f	KY
	(Sarah)Francis	9	f	KY
	Elizabeth	16	f	KY
1870 Crooked Creek precinct				
#50-Coffey. John (\$750)		39	m	TN
	Elizabeth	44	f	KY
	Thomas J	11	m	KY
	John D	8	m	KY
	Elizabeth	7	f	KY
	William AC	5	m	KY
#61-Coffey. Elizabeth		27	f	KY
	Lurina	7	f	KY
	Walker	5	f	KY
	John N	2	m	KY
1870 Station Camp precinct				
#146-Coffey. William W		28	m	KY
	Elzira	24	f	KY
	Abraham	5	m	KY
	Rhoda	4	f	KY
#157-Coffey. Colby		69	m	NC
	MaryA	67	f	VA
	Sarah F	18	f	KY
#166-Coffey. Osburn		24	m	KY
	Martha	18	f	KY
	Talitha J	2	f	KY

1880 probably Crooke<1 Creek precinct (book doesn't say)

#55-Coffey, William 39 m KY/TN/TN
 Josephine wife 27 f KY
 Ida J dau 2 f "
 Charles D son 1 m "
 Abraham son 15 m "
 Rhoda dau 13 f "

#60-Coffey, John 49 m TN/NC/VA
 Elizabeth J wife 54 f KY
 Thomas J son 21 m "
 John D son 20 m "
 Elizabethann dau 18 f "
 William C son 15 m "
 Walton, David (w) 76 m KY/VA/VA

#61-Coffey, Colby (W) 76 m NC.NC.NC
 Polly wife 75 f VA.VA.VA

#80-Cofey, Washbin 23 m KY.TN.VA
 Martha wife 28 f TN.TN.TN
 Telitha J dau 12 KY.KY.TN
 Margaret F dau 10 "
 John C son 8 "
 Walter P son 2 "

#333-Thomas, Rybuin 42 VA.VA.VA
 Maryum wife 43 VA.VA.Va
 Daniel F son 20 KY.VA.VA
 Coffey, Lewis orphan 9

1880 Station Camp precinct

#30-Gentry, James I 24
 Mary E. wife 20
 Alley F(Jan) f 5/12
 Coffee, John W m 13

1990 Riddell/Riddle precinct

#109-Chandler, John 62-Nov 1837
 VA.VA.VA
 Louisa C wi 50-Mar 1850
 VA.VA.VA
 Coffee, Rachael ni 19-May 1881
 Burdine, Alvy W bo 11-Sep 1881
 George bo 39-Nov 1860

Red Lick precinct

#96-Coffee, Thomas I 41-Oct 1858
 KY.TN.KY
 Julia wi 34-Jul 1865
 KY.KY.TN
 Hattie C da 14-Apr 1886
 Wm so 11-May 1889

Thomas J so 8 -Mar 1892
 Bcsstie A da 5 -Feb 1895
 Larence B so 2 -Oct 1897
 #99-Coffee, William 58-Oct 1841
 KY.NC.VA

Ida J da 22-Aug 1877
 Charles so 21-Oct 1878
 Thomas so 18-Apr 1881
 Mary E da 15-Jul 1884
 Dora M da 7 -Nov 1892
 James so 5 -Apr 1895
 #120-Coffee, John 70-Feb 1830
 TN.NC.VA

Elizabeth wi 75-Apr 1825
 KY.KY.KY
 #121-Coffee, John D 38-Jan 1862
 KY.TN.KY

Maggie wi 30-May 1870
 Dillard so 7 -Apr 1893
 David C so 5 -Aug 1894
 Bertie L da 4 -Nov 1895
 *Myrtie A da 3 -Oct 1896
 *James A so 3 -Oct 1896
 Hobart so 1 -May 1899

1910 Red Link precinct

#87-Farthing, Joseph 64 KY.KY.KY
 Elizabeth wif 64 KY.KY.KY
 Coffee, Algin ser 12

#217-Coffee, Maggie A widow f 41
 Dillard son m 17
 *David son m 14
 *Berty L dau f 14
 James A son m 12
 Betty F dau f 8
 Ena A dau f 7
 Clark W dau f 5
 *George P son m 3
 *Robert H son m 3
 Bula B dau f 2/12
 *Mirty A dau f 14

* 1900 census showed Myrtle and James as twins

#283-Coffee, John m 77
 Elizabeth wif f 84
 Curtis son m 45



TEXAS MARRIAGE

JON P CZAROWITZ says that he visited the **Kilccn** FHC and **discovered** some fantastic marriage records from "Vision: Texas Marriages: Early to **1850**."

Holland Coffee and Sophia **Suttonfield** were married in Washington Co. TX on **29Jan 1839**.

Jon says that he is not sure where they acquired the early marriage records, but several Coffees were listed and verified dates that he already had.

Jon also has a clue for the **CHESLEY COFFEY** researchers. Chesley was on the tax rolls of Washington County, North Carolina for **1791** submitted by Richard White. Jon thinks it is microfilm Roll #0825545. It lists Chesley with 100 acres and one white pole. (Yes, **Jon**, I bet there will be several that will appreciate this tip.)

ANDREW JACKSON'S ROOTS

From the **ILLUSTRATED GUIDE TO IRELAND**, published by Readers Digest, is a paragraph on the roots of President Andrew **Jackson**. (friend of John Coffey)

"A mile east of Carrickfergus, Ireland, is the Andrew Jackson Centre, an **18th**-century thatched cottage which re-creates a domestic interior of the **time** and traces the president's family tree. Nearby, a plaque marks the site of the home of the parents of Andrew Jackson (the American president from 1829 - 1837, and hero of the Battle of New Orleans). "

The Andrew Jackson Centre is open June - Sept., Mon. - Fri. 10am-6pm, Sat and Sun **2-6pm**: Oct.-May, it closes at 4pm. It **is** in Northern Ireland near Ulster.

IRISH WAKE

The IRISH LINK presented emigration in the following way:
"Watching over the body of a deceased person the night before the funeral, and the lamentation and merry-making that accompanied it, was known in Ireland as a '**wake**'. The going away party held for a member of a family who was about to emigrate to America was known as **an'American** wake*. The term was recognition of the fact that the great distance and the expense of travelling made the return of an Irish emigrant as likely as the return of Lazarus."

It seems like millions of emigrants lost touch with their native land. The people of Ireland seem to be trying to make contact with their lost families. It is notable that they are **even** trying to overcome the language barriers to help genealogist from non English speaking countries.



The following a very interesting extraction from THE IRISH LINK. It could help us understand how things were when our ancestors left Ireland.

BELFAST OLDEST CHURCH

Belfast's oldest church is Rosemary Street Presbyterian (Non-Subscribing) Church. **Non-subscribing** means that the congregation does not subscribe to the Westminster Confession of Faith or to any man-made creed.

Presbyterianism was introduced into Northern Ireland when Scots settled there at the time of the Ulster Plantation 1610.

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Happy New Year



C. C. C. Dec. 1993

It did not become properly organised until 1641 when several Scottish regiments came to suppress the rebellion of the Irish against the settlers. The regiments brought chaplains with **them**. The first presbytery was at Carrickfergus and in 1644 the First Presbyterian Congregation in Belfast was formed and *in* 1695 the meeting house *in* Rosemary Lane was built on land granted by the Marquis of Donnegall. The second oldest existing place of worship in Belfast is St. Mary's RC Church in Chapel Lane, Smithfield built *in* 1794. When John **Weley** visited Belfast in **1789** the Rosemary Street Church was the only one to grant him permission to preach.

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In 1726 the General Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland expelled the Church because its minister Rev. Samuel Haliday and the congregation refused to **subscribe** to **the** Westminster Confession of Faith. The Act of Uniformity 1662 forbade all but members of the Church of England or Church of Ireland from holding Crown office and its ministers to perform marriages, so members of this church actively supported the 1798 Rebellion and several were hanged. Though King William III passed the Toleration Act of 1698 giving **relief** from religious persecution it was not extended to Ireland until 1719.

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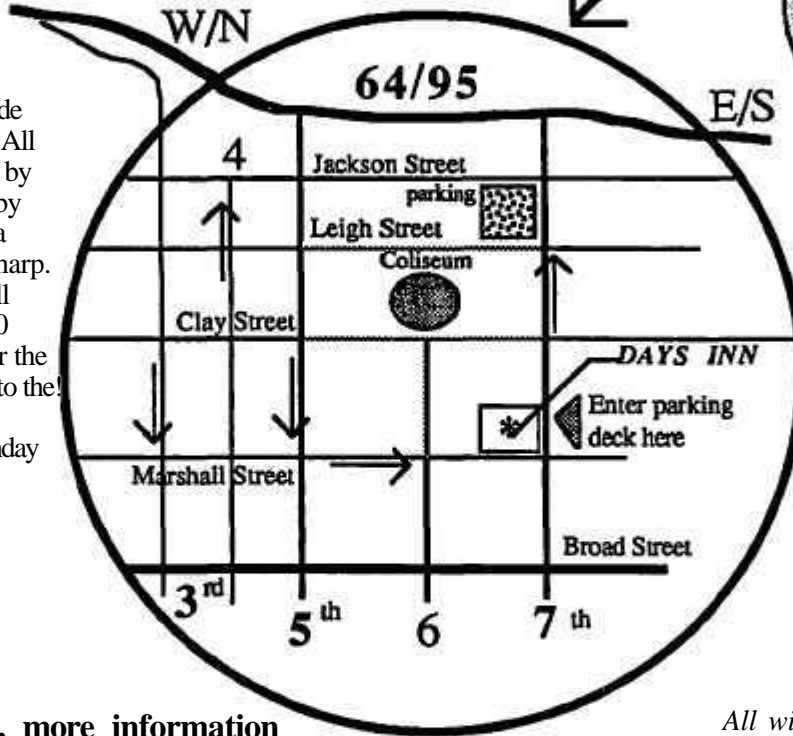
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GENERAL INFORMATION

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You may be able to extend your reservations for a few days until Wednesday or Thursday of the following week, but after that you'll be pushed out by the Audiologists whose Convention has booked everything in Richmond. Coming early is better, but keep in mind that there will be a speaker from the Archives who will give a one hour presentation on Virginia Records in the Archives and how to get the most out of them. It may be helpful to hear it first before doing your research. Also, keep in mind that the Archives is closed on Sunday and busy on Saturdays! So if research is your reason to come to Richmond, suggest you plan to stay a few days later, and use Sunday for the Museums or visiting. If you want to explore the town or travel to local Civil War sites or Williamsburg, Yorktown or Jamestown, come early. You'll be better off visiting very popular places including the **Archives**, during the **week**, not on weekends.

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A Guide to State Records in the Archives Branch, Virginia State Library. **Comp.** John S. Salmon, 1985, Reprint 1988, pp **viii** + 132; \$10.00 + S+H.

A Preliminary Guide to **Pre-1904** Municipal Records in the Archives Branch, Virginia State Library and Archives. **Comp.** Lydon H. Hart III and J. Christian Kolbe, 1987, pp xxv +61; \$7.95 + S+H.

Mail request and check, made out to **VSL&A**, add **\$ 1.50** for the **first book**, \$0.50 for each additional book. Mail to Publications **Department**; Virginia **State** Library and Archives; Richmond, VA [23219-3491. A book listing County Records in the Archives is out of print now but will be available after the first of **1994** for about \$10.00. Write the Archives and get on the list for the reprints!

Richmond holds a great deal of promise for Coffey Cousin Conventioneers, but let's face it, one full day and two half-days are not going to allow you to do everything you may want to accomplish. The more prepared you are for your visit, the more you'll be able to **achieve**. For advanced researchers, consider ordering the books listed from the Archives, as you will be able to select which records hold the most promise for your research. For all researchers, we'll be mailing you a free publication listing the general records available at the Archives, which you can also study.

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