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MICAJAH ADOLPHUS CLARK



Typical "Omnibus" transporting passengers from the Railroad station to the Hotels.

Read about the visit of Micajah Adolphus Clark to Anderson in 1857. Connect with the Webb family who lived in Anderson and the Hopewell and Piercetown Communities starting on Page 4.

Remembering Our Members

We have lost two members since our last publication of the Anderson Record.

On January 8, 2016, Fred Brewer, husband of Sue Brewer, passed.

On March 30. 2016, Ethel Manning Gibson, mother of Joyce Gibson, passed.

Obituaries are on Page 17.

Memorial Books will be placed in the Research Center in their memory.

A volunteer is requested to assist in informing the chapter of the death of current and former members of this society. If you would like to volunteer please contact Shirley Phillips or Sue Sears at the Research Center at 864-245-0473 or 864-221-1294. Thank you.

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Meeting Minutes

Our regular meeting was held February 1, 2016 at Senior Solutions. President Shirley Phillips opened the meeting by welcoming the members and visitors. Everyone was invited to have refreshments after Rev. Bob Carlisle prayed. After refreshments Vice President Gary Farmer introduced our visitors: William Donald Kay, the editor of the Kay Quarterly; Furman Beck, the au-

thor of the Portman Shoals Book; Susan Ehrhard, and Paul Brown, cameraman and journalist for the Anderson TV Channel and who later taped the message from our speaker, Carl Compton. Shirley Phillips recognized some of the members who were instrumental in the developing history of our Chapter. Among those she mentioned were Jim Harper, who began our Chapter in 1988; and Sue and Fred Brewer for many of the publications we now sell. She also recognized Sue Brewer and Carolyn Duncan, with the help of others, for opening our Anderson County Research Center. Following was our business meeting. It was announced that Tim Medlin, the elected Teasurer for 2016, had stepped down from that position for health reasons and a new Treasurer would be voted on tonight. Our by-laws state that one must be a member for a year before accepting an office. After a discussion, Shelby Lollis made the motion that this rule be rescinded for one time. Motion passed. Gary Farmer nominated Linda Rogers, a certified public accountant, as Treasurer. Gail Waters seconded the motion. Kay Burns made the motion to close the nominations. It was voted on and Linda Rogers is our new Treasurer. Shirley Phillips announced the chairperson of each committee for 2016. A motion was made and voted on that these chairpersons be accepted by the general membership. Acting Treasurer, Gary Farmer, submitted a printed report which will be attached to these minutes. The minutes of the last meeting were offered and accepted. Kay Burns introduced our speaker for the night, Carl Compton. Carl's family owned a photography business here in Anderson and he is in possession of a huge collection of old photographs. Most of the photos in his slide presentation depicted the history of downtown Anderson and Anderson County. His narrative of each one was very informative. We saw downtown as it was when the horse drawn wagons, loaded down with bales of cotton or merchandise traveled on dirt streets. We saw the building of the Double Bridges and the landscape as Hartwell Lake took shape. This was a very enjoyable presentation.

Do you ever wonder what will happen to your genealogical research after you're no longer working on it? The following "Codicil", submitted by Old Pendleton District Secretary Brenda Meyer, may be helpful to you!

GENEALOGICAL CODICIL TO MY LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

To my spouse, children, guardian, administrator and/or executor:

Upon my demise it is requested that you DO NOT dispose of any or all of my genealogical records, both those prepared personally by me and those records prepared by others which may be in my possession, including but not limited to books files, notebooks or computer programs for a period of two years.

During this two year time period, please attempt to identify one or more persons who would be willing to take custody of the said materials and the responsibility of maintaining and continuing the family histories. [If you know whom within your family or friends are likely candidates to accept these materials, please add the following at this point. "I suggest that the persons contacted regarding the assumption of the custody of these items include but not be limited to" and then list the names of those individuals at this point, with their addresses and telephone numbers if known.]

In the event you do not find anyone to accept these materials, please contact the various genealogical organizations that I have been a member of and determine if they will accept some parts or all of my genealogical materials. [List of organizations, addresses and phone numbers at bottom; include local chapters, with their addresses, phone numbers and contact persons if available as well as state/national contact information and addresses.]

Please remember that my genealogical endeavors consumed a great deal of time, travel, and money. Therefore it is my desire that the products of these endeavors be allowed to continue in a manner that will make them available to others in the future.

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Micajah Adolphus Clark was born December 6th, 1822 in Anderson, Anderson County, South Carolina to James Green Clark & Frances Webb Clark. As a child Micajah and his family moved from Anderson to Kosciusko, Mississippi. In the summer of 1857 he returns a young man visiting relatives in Anderson County before the War between the states. The following article is an extract from Micajah's journals. See if you can recognize where he is and who he visits during his stay. Oh, how wonderful it must have been to take off from work and travel to visit relatives for several weeks at a time and not worry about your job security. Enjoy.

After describing a trip by carriage, stage coach & numerous railroads, the writer (Micajah Adolphus Clark, now 35 years of age) reached Columbia, S. C., where he got in an omnibus and went to the Congaree Hotel.

July 14, 1857. It being late (6:10 p.m.) and I tired, I called for a room and was conducted to a room on the third story, room 58, I was pleased with the appearance of the room, which was richly carpeted & had a dressing room connected with it, where there was everything for a traveler's comfort. In my room was a fine piano, with preparations for bathing. It was on Main St. where I could look over a portion of town.

July 15. After a fine nights rest I woke invigorated, bathed & viewed the Presbyterian Church, a beautiful building, of about 150' to the

top of the steeple, having in its graveyard the finest monuments I have ever seen. I then went up to the Capitol, now being erected, a magnificent building about 500' long. A railroad built out to a rock quarry brings the rock in. The architect employed to construct the building gets \$8,000 per year. It will not be complete short of ten years. It will cost over three million dollars & is designed to be the finest statehouse in the south. My tavern bell then ringing I went there & had a splendid breakfast. This is the best tavern I have put up at since I left home. Columbia is a delightful place, the ground descending in all directions. It appears that nature designed it for the location of a beautiful city. It is on the Broad River & contains about 9000 inhabitants.

I took a ticket to Anderson Court House, distance, 128 miles, for which I paid \$6.00. Night's lodging at Columbia, S.C. \$1.50.

(Here follows two pages describing the country between Columbia & Anderson)

He continues:

Passed Honey Path in Anderson District; got to Belton, where the Anderson R.R. turns off from the Greenville Road. It is now 10 miles from Anderson Court house, which I reached at 5:30 p.m., on Wednesday, July 15. I landed at the Depot ¼ miles from Main Street. Got in an omnibus & was driven to the Benson House. After washing & brushing I walked out to take a look at the town, the place where I once lived, but I was not prepared to see what a change it had undergone since I last saw it in January 1847. I walked upstairs of the courthouse. Court being in session there were many persons there. Yet none that I recognized for the time save Elijah Webb, an uncle of mine, who appeared much pleased to see me. I looked in vain for old acquaintances, but saw none I could recollect. I walked out to look around town, but soon discovered that it had changed so that I did not know where to find any place of any person. The whole square is built up of large brick buildings, 2 & 3 stories high. I

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then went down to the steam mill in the edge of town, owned by my cousin T. Jeff Webb, who was there, I was truly glad to see him and he to see me.

Anderson is one of the prettiest little towns I ever saw, having 16 dry goods stores & a great many other business houses. The square is perfectly level, dry, sandy & gravelly. The pavements all around are of brick; the courthouse is in the center, with a row of shade trees all around of locust & china trees. There are 2 excellent female schools here of high distinction, 1 having about 60 pupils. The other, called the Johnston Female University has about 200 pupils. It is endowed with \$80,000. There is also a male school here. There is a railroad in operation from this place through Pendleton, across the Blue Ridge to Nashville, Tenn. The cars will reach Pendleton this winter. Another railroad is surveyed to run from Anderson to Savannah, Ga. Called the Savannah Valley R.R. Also there is to be a railroad to run through here from Atlanta, Ga. To Wilmington, N.C., called the Air Line Railroad, which will be the main traveled road to New York from all

wealth here now. I went with Cousin T. Jeff Webb to his father's, Dr. Edmond Webb, who lives in a large brick house on Main Street. His family consisted of his wife, Aunt Martha, T. J. Webb & his wife Elizabeth E., their son Warren & daughter Julia. I took them completely by surprise. T. Jeff is a steady business man, doing well. Julia is a beautiful, highly accomplished girl. Warren has just returned from a trip to Kansas. I spent the night very pleasantly with them.

July 16: Anderson, - I amused myself today looking around town & occasionally meeting an old schoolmate or an acquaintance. Spent a part of the day in the courtroom, hearing fine speeches by Hon. Jacob Reid, James Harrison & others, mostly railroad cases. I dined today at Dr. Edmond Webb's & in the evening I went up to Uncle Elijah Webb's who lives in town & has been Clerk of the Court for 20 years. His family consists of his wife Rosa & 5 children: Mrs. Lou Wilkes, Dudley, Rebecca, Rosa Sinclair & Charles. Uncle Elijah is doing very well. He has a farm 4 miles from town on which he has a good many hands. He is very lively & loquacious' quite interesting & is one of the busiest & most intelligent men of the place. Uncle Warren R. Webb is now boarding with him, having come up from Charleston to spend the summer. He has been in business in Charleston 16 yrs. & has made a great deal of money. He is a bachelor, 55 yrs. Old & speaks of retiring. Cousin Charles A. Webb who assists Uncle Elijah in writing in the Clerk's Office also boards with Uncle Elijah.

July 17: Anderson - Cousin Lou Wilkes called to see me at Uncle Elijah's. She seemed delighted to see me. She is a beautiful, intellectual woman, gifted in conversation & one of the most interesting ladies I ever met. Cousin Dudley H. Webb came in town & we all dined with Elijah Webb. Dudley insisted on my going home with him; said he would give me a seat in his buggy & furnish me with a horse to ride as long as I wished. I told him he was my man & I accepted his invitation. Therefore in the evening I went home with him 8½ miles north of Anderson. He is well fixed for farming. He has a splendid place, well improved. He has a wife & 2 children. Before marriage his wife was named Helen Wilson. She is a beautiful woman, very sociable & lively. They have a son named Thomas Jefferson & a daughter named Elizabeth Carolina.

July 18: I walked over Dudley's crop & found it good. He has 4 hands given him by his father & plenty of everything around him to make him comfortable. In the evening Dudley & wife went with me to Aunt Elizabeth Webb's, 4 miles distant. I found her doing well. Her family consists of Mrs. Caroline Wilson, Mrs. Delilah Gambrell, Charles G., Edmond & Sarah, the last two living with her. Edmond is quite steady; lives with her and manages her business for her. She has a beautiful place & has property & Negroes enough to make bountiful of everything. I enjoyed myself finely that night. It appears they never get through talking to me. Next morning, July 19, being Sabbath, I put on my best & after spending a pleasant time drove Cousin Sarah out to Six & Twenty Church, some 5 or 6 miles. Had a pleasant ride, as she was an incessant talker, full of life, fun and devilment.

July 19: Found a large congregation at church. Heard 2 sermons. Saw a host of fine looking young ladies there & made a few acquaintances with some of them. I saw many a strange eye among the ladies wandering toward me. I returned with my cousin to my Aunt's where I took dinner. In the evening, I went up to Cousins Charles G. Webb's where I spent the night. He lives one mile from Aunt Elizabeth Webb. Charles has quite a domestic wife named Amanda. They have now but 1 child, a boy named Adolphus Clark Webb. Charles has 4 hands & seems to be making plenty of everything.

Monday, July 20: - I came back to Aunt Elizabeth Webb's & took Cousin Sarah in a buggy to visit Cousin John & Caroline Wilson, who lived some 6 miles off on Six & Twenty Creek. Found them doing well. Wilson has a good crop; he has 4 or 5 hands. His wife is a very nice business woman. They have 8 children, viz; Elizabeth, James, William, Augusta, Margaret, Mary Hannah & a pair of twins, Charles Jackson & John Thomas. After dinner I rode over to Major Miller's. His wife was an old acquaintance of Mother's & also a relative. They are very rich. After remaining here about 2 hours & looking around the place where I once lived for 2 yrs when a boy, I bade them adieu & started to visit the Manual Labor School place where I went to school 2 yrs, which place we moved from when we left for Mississippi. It was then a flourishing place with 85 boarding students; every 4 having a room, these rooms forming a square, with the Academy in the center; the professors' house in one place I inquired the locality of some men harvesting who pointed out a house nearby. I discovered a sunken place where once was the well and I could see occasionally a brickbat where once stood a chimney. What a great change 20 yrs can make. Many boys with whom I went to school here for 2 yrs now fill high positions in church and state. One of my classmates, James L. Orr, is one of South Carolina's leading men. I went back to John Wilson's; got my buggy & Cousin Sarah and went back to Aunt Elizabeth's, where I spent the night pleasantly.

Tuesday, July 21: - Left Aunt Elizabeth Webb's & went over to Cousin Dudley Webb's. After dinner, I went down to Uncle Elijah Webb's, living 4 mi. from Anderson. He is well fixed for living, having a plenty of everything around him. He has only 3 children: Mrs. Catherine Pool, Elijah & Warren. He talked me almost to death; asking me everything about Mississippi.

July 22: I rode over to Cousin Catharine Pool's. She is a sprightly woman, and Pool is an industrious farmer, making plenty. They have 2 children, William Henry & Emily. The author then went down to Anderson where he dined at Dr.

Edmond Webb's after which he "started for the Centerville neighborhood, 10 mi. passed by where Grandfather Matthew Clark died & where I boarded in 1840 and 1841.

After describing several days visits to houses of other relatives in the county the author said he rode out of his way, so "that I could pass the place where my grandfather Charles Webb lived. I found the place a perfect waste. The houses had all long since been removed & the place cultivated where his houses & Negro quarters once stood, until it had worn out & washed into gullies; now growing up in briars & pines. Many times has my mother carried me there in her father's time, when everything around them was a delightful view of the Seneca River as it rolled over rocks & shoal for one mile. I rode to the family graveyard on a small knoll close to where the house stood, which I found neglected with nothing to mark the place but heaps of stones. I could not but think now what good does Grandfather's wealth, that he accumulated by long and hard exertions, do him.

How poor does his grave look. Before leaving South Carolina for Mississippi I made arrangements with my Uncles in S.C. to have grandfather's family graveyard enclosed with a rock wall.

After spending a week visiting other relatives in Anderson District & nearby Georgia, the author on Wednesday, July 29, tells of meeting in Anderson his old schoolmate James L. Orr, who had just returned from traveling the rough west. After which the author went to Aunt Elizabeth Webb's, 5 miles from town. He gives names of the children. In his visits to relatives before leaving for home the author next went to Dudley Webb's and went with the family to Hopewell Church, where he heard Rev. Long & W. H. Webb preach.

Thursday, July 30: Went to church again today in Cousin Helen's carriage & saw some young ladies of my old acquaint-ance & enjoyed myself well with them. After meeting I got in the carriage of Cousin Edmond & Sarah Webb & went home with them. Mr. Gambrell, who married Cousin Delilah Webb, & family came to Aunt Betsy's & stayed all night. She manifested as much joy in seeing me as I ever saw. I used to love her as a sister. Gambrell lives near Belton. 10 mi. from Aunt's. They have 3 children: William Milton, Mary Susan & James Adolphus. I was told that Gambrell was doing well. I think he is a gentleman & a good business man.

Friday, July 31: I went over to Charles G. Webb's; remained there a while & went again to church, Cousin Sarah with me. Returned to Aunt Betsy's after meeting broke. One young man presented himself for membership & gave in his experience, but on taking the vote of the church he was rejected. In the evening Dr. Hopkins, who boards with Aunt & practices medicine, Cousin Doc E. Webb & I got in a buggy & drove up the road 1½ miles to call on some young ladies who were some of South Carolina's brag girls, much talked about, daughters of Capt Williams who lives at Piercetown. I was introduced; took my seat on a sofa & sat rather mute for a few minutes lest they might think me too forward. Soon a young man named Mullwee came in. A game of cards was proposed. We gathered around the table & in a few minutes were all at ease. I was so hoarse I could scarcely talk or laugh. I took a great liking to Miss Elizabeth & gave her a pretty close talk before I left, about 11 o'clock. We retired after promising to call again next evening. Went back to Aunt Betsy's that night.

Saturday, August 1: Doc E. Webb & I got in his buggy & went 5 miles to a company muster. Saw a good many men with whom I was acquainted. I went back to Aunt's that evening. Ate Supper before sunset; got in our buggy & drove up to Capt. Williams' & met a very hearty welcome. There was to be a Negro wedding there that night, which was quite amusing. About dark a brass band of young men who lived near came down playing. I was sitting at a window in close confab with Miss Lizzie, being somewhat smitten & excited with her & the serenade made me more so. After playing a while they were invited in & for two hours we had some dancing. I never wanted to be well enough to laugh as bad before. I do not recollect of ever enjoying myself much better among strangers. I pitched around Miss Lizzie until late & after promising to accompany them to church the next day, to Williamston, we retired & went to Aunt's.

Sunday, August 2: After breakfast Cousin Sarah announced herself in readiness, as I was going with her in a buggy to church. I feigned not being ready until I saw the Misses Williams' carriage coming. I asked Cousin Sarah to propose a change with Miss Lizzie which both readily sanctioned. I had a glorious ride; talked myself almost to death; made some promises to return again next summer. Got to church in good time, one mile beyond Williamston, Eight persons were immersed by the Baptist that morning. There must have been 1000 persons there. I got in the house, but on the ladies seat. They crowded all around me so tight I had to sit it out for I could not get out on ACCOUNT OF THEIR HOOP DRESSES. We had 2 sermons. I hardly ever saw more beautiful young ladies together. After preaching we drove up to Williamston which is on the railroad; a nice little place; took dinner; then walked to the spring, a mineral water resort where many are spending the summer, from Charleston, Columbia, Augusta & other places. Spent a good part of the evening at the spring & returned home, having a lively & agreeable ride. I made an impression on Miss Lizzie & promised to call to see her next day. Stayed at Charles C. Webb's that night.

Monday, August 3: Bade them farewell & then went over to Aunt's; told them I might call again; if not goodbye. Got in Cousin Doc's buggy & went down to Aunt Eliza Webb's; bade them adieu; went by Uncle Elisha Webb's; took my valedictory of them, then drove to Anderson. Took dinner at Elijah Webb's & at night went to a meeting of the Masonic Lodge. It being late I spent the night at the Benson House. Took breakfast Tuesday morning, August 4, with Elijah Webb. I called upon Cousin Samuel Wilkes & lady in the edge of town. They have one child, a boy – Willie Webb Wilkes. Wilkes is a fine lawyer, in partnership with Honorable J. P. Reid. Cousin Lou Wilkes is the most intelligent & agreeable lady I have met with in all my travels. I remained until half past three o'clock. (He tells of a visit to the cemetery & a Girls Seminary). I then visited the old brick Yale Academy where I last went to school in South Carolina. Took supper at Dr. Edmond Webb's; after which I took Cousin Julia Webb to a concert at the Show Hall. It rained hard during the performance & I got perfectly wet going back, but I kept Cousin Julia dry. Stayed with them that night. I liked Uncle Edmonds' company very much. He is one of the best read men I ever met, on almost any subject.

Wednesday, August 5: Hired a horse from the livery stable & started to the Centerville neighborhood to bid my kin goodbye. I got in a fox chase. When the fox was caught I started but being lost I took a wrong road which threw me out of my way. I rode fast to make up time. (He described visits to homes of Joel & Catherine Prichard, to Uncle Terry's & homes of William Bolt and Abran Bolt.) I felt much depressed in parting from so many of my kin whom I never expect to see again. Many of them expressed great sorrow in parting with me. Several of them cried. Two hugged & kissed me. After a hard day's ride I reached Anderson at twilight & took supper at Elijah Webb's (because of flooded condition of the river he changed his plans about the time of his departure & left on the next day – August 6.)

Thursday, August 6: I arose early at the Benson House where I had spent the night, eating breakfast before sunrise; shook

Micahah Adolphus Clark, Born Dec. 6, 1822, Died Sep. 2, 1905 FAG# 18849492

hands with many warm hearted friends; jumped in the omnibus which drove through town to the depot. While passing through the streets I saw many hats & handkerchiefs waving me a fond adieu, showing me as much respect as though I was some distinguished character. Upon arriving at the depot I found Elijah Webb & Cousin Lou Wilkes in waiting to accompany me to Belton to have one more farewell chat with me, as I had left hurriedly, at least before they expected it.



Annie Therese McNulty Clark, Born March 18, 1831, Died January 5, 1887. FAG# 18848640

South Carolina Genealogical Society, Inc. 44th Annual Summer Workshop-July 15 & 16, 2016 SC Archives and History Center, Columbia, South Carolina

Friday, July 15, 2016

8:45 am until	Registration	
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11:15- 12:30	Lunch on your o	wn ·
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12:30 - 12:45	Auditorium	Welcome
12:45- 2:00	Auditorium	South Carolina Mayflower Society- Bonnie Wade Mucia, President
		Nicholas Snow Maher, Historian
2:15- 3:15	Auditorium	Michael Scoggins-"Great Awakenings and the Southern Back Country Revolutionaries"
	Wachovia I	Charity Rouse-Spartanburg Genealogical Library-
		"Records of the Freedman's Bureau"
	Wachovia 2	Debbie Bloom- "The U.S. Newspaper Collection"
	Wachovia 3	John Smith- "Records and Reconstruction in North Carolina 1865- 1870"
3:30- 4:30	Auditorium	Jo Ann Ziese- S.C. State Museum- "Women in the Revolution"
	Wachovia I	Tom Smith, President of Reprint Printing Company
		Self-Publishing Historical and Genealogical Book 5
	Wachovia 2 Dr	Albert Bruce Pruitt— " Equity Court Records "
	Wachovia 3	Brent Holcombe- "Migration into the Up-Country of South Carolina"
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Elder William Brewster

1566—1644

He was of gentle birth". And was born in 1566 at Scrooby, Nottinghamshire, England. He was educated at Cambridge University where he and other leaders of the Separatist movement received their progressive ideas of freedom.

He was a courtier in the court of Queen Elizabeth before he was twenty years of age, serving as secretary and companion to Davison, her majesty's Secretary of State. He was a member of the English Embassy to Holland.

Davison was deposed by Queen Elizabeth after he carried out her order to execute Mary, Queen of Scots (which order proved unpopular) and he was imprisoned in the Tower of London where Brewster visited him often.

Later Brewster resided in Scrooby where he succeeded his father as keeper of the Royal Post Station at the manor house. He held Lord's Day services in his home there where about 1606 he with Rev. Robinson and other built up the "Mayflower" church.

His group was persecuted because they opposed control of the church by King James and other civil authorities. They felt forced to flee to Holland where Brewster continued opposition by printing and distributing Protestant literature to England. In Leyden, Holland he was made Ruling Elder of the congregation.

After eleven years in Holland, being still persecuted and fearing the worldly influence of their neighbors, the group again made plans to move this time to the New World.

The long, stormy voyage of the 102 passengers from Southampton, England, to Plymouth aboard the crowded Mayflower is well known history.

Brewster is given much of the credit for writing "The Mayflower Compact" which was signed by every adult member of the party before they left the ship. Without realizing the import of their actions, they had held, all unwillingly, the first town meeting in American, and had agreed to live under a set of laws that would grant every individual justice and equality. Following is the declaration in its quaint spelling and punctuation as in a photographic copy from Original Bradford manuscript in Massachusetts State Library.

The Mayflower Compact

"In ye name of God, Amen. We whose names are underwritten, ye loyal subjects of our dred soverainge, Lord, King James....

"Having undertaken, for ye glorie of God, and advancement of ye Christian faither and honour of our king & countrie, a voyage to plant ye first colonie in ye Northerne parts of Virginia. Doe by these presents solemnly & mutually in ye presence of God, and one of another, covenant, & combines our selves together into a Civill body politick; for our better ordering, & preservation & furtherance of ye ends aforesaid; and by virtue hearof to enacte, constitute, and fram such just &equall laws, ordinances, Acts, constitutions, & offices, from time to time, as shall be thought most meete & convenient for ye generall good of ye Colonie: until which we promise all due submission and obedience. Inwitnes whereof we have hereunder subscribed our names at Cap-Codd ye: 11: of November, in ye year of ye raigh of our soveraigne Lord King James of England, France, & Ireland ye eighteenth, and Scotland ye fiftie fourth. Ano: Dom. 1620

William Brewster's library had 400 books in at his death in 1644. Sixty-two of these books were in Latin and 98 were bible translations or commentaries. The library was open to all and may well have been the first public library in New England. Nearly every ship which came from England brought books to Brewster.

Brewster was a scholar and was the lay preacher for the people as the elderly Robinson could not undertake the voyage and life in the new country. He was not chosen their first governor because he was already the ecclesiastical leader of the color and combining their religious and civil leader in one person seemed incompatible to them.

Our heritage of spiritual and political freedom was made possible only by the fervor, vision and sacrifice of the early pilgrims to America and that is why we today take pride in being the direct descendants of Elder William Brewster.



BREWSTER COAT OF ARMS

(from an old bookplate)

3 REASONS TO TEST YOUR DNA FOR GENEALOGY

Why test your DNA for genealogy without even having a specific research question in mind? Here are 3 reasons:

- 1. <u>DNA is primary information</u>. In genealogy, primary information is given by a source with firsthand knowledge of an event, with the best primary information being created at or around the time of the event. I think we can safely say that DNA falls into that category on both counts. Therefore, it is an excellent source of genealogical information and should be obtained as part of a thorough genealogical search.
- 2. <u>DNA is a unique record</u>. DNA possesses several qualities that make this record type stand out from the rest. First and foremost, it cannot be falsified in any way. No name change, no deception, no miscommunication or misspelling can tarnish this record. Even if it is not a complete record of our family history, the story that it does tell is accurate.
- 3. <u>DNA is a physical link to our past</u>. So much of genealogy work, especially in today's digital world, is intangible. We add ancestors to our pedigree charts with a click of our mouse, having no idea of their physical characteristics, never once setting foot in the same places they did, or if they preferred bread and butter or toast and jam.

But with the advent of DNA testing, I am able to see a physical connection between me and my ancestor. The first time I saw it seems unremarkable. It was just a blue line on top of a grey line, representing the location in the DNA where I had the same information as my cousin. But that line meant that we both had inherited a physical piece of DNA from our common ancestor, Lucy J. Claugh.

That realization didn't add names or dates to my pedigree chart—Lucy had been on my chart since the beginning. But it did add a sense of purpose and reality to my genealogical work. In short, it inspired me to know more about Lucy and to tell her story because I felt inextricably tied to it. Perhaps many of you don't need a DNA test to feel similarly motivated. Perhaps you already understand what I learned: her story is my story. But because I have her DNA in me, I am able to take that idea one step further. Because she lives on it me, my story is her story. So I better make it a good one!

March 30, 2016 by Diane Southard

Old Mystic Cemetery Has Rare 'Wolf Stones'

MYSTIC, CONNECTICUT— When a young Israel Putnam climbed into a craggy den on a snowy afternoon in 1743 and killed the last wolf in Connecticut, colonists could breathe a sigh of relief.

No more would they need to place huge slabs of stone over the burial sites of loved ones to prevent wolves from digging up and scattering the remains. The "wolf stones," as they were known, were eventually used as capstones for stone walls, were discarded, or became buried over time.

Behind the iron gates of Wightman Burying Ground — located near the site of the state's first Baptist church — are the graves of Revolutionary War and Civil War soldiers and many of Groton's early settlers, including John Burrows. A huge wolf stone — an extremely rare one on which the inscription carved into the granite is legible — covers his grave. Burrows' wolf stone, which reads "JB A74 dyed 1716," was believed to be the only wolf stone in the cemetery.

"My mother would always take me to see it," said Essex resident Dana Hill, a descendant of Burrows. "It was pretty intriguing to an 8-year-old."

Recently, historian and cemetery researcher Iva Arpin and Wightman Burial Ground Association President Dennison Allen brought in state archaeologist Nicholas F. Bellantoni and members of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service to use ground-penetrating radar to search for unmarked graves in the cemetery.

During the process, nearly a half-dozen wolf stones were detected and eventually uncovered. None of the newly discovered stones was inscribed.

Arpin said that other, more famous wolf stones, marking the graves of Thomas Minor and Walter Palmer, are in Stonington. She noted that wolf stones generally have end stones on either side, so when one looks down at them, they give the appearance of a bed. She said the stones might have been reused, to cover individuals who died later.

Bellantoni said he doesn't see a lot of wolf stones in his travels throughout the state. He said the stones were used because the proverbial "6 feet under" was "very rarely attained back then."

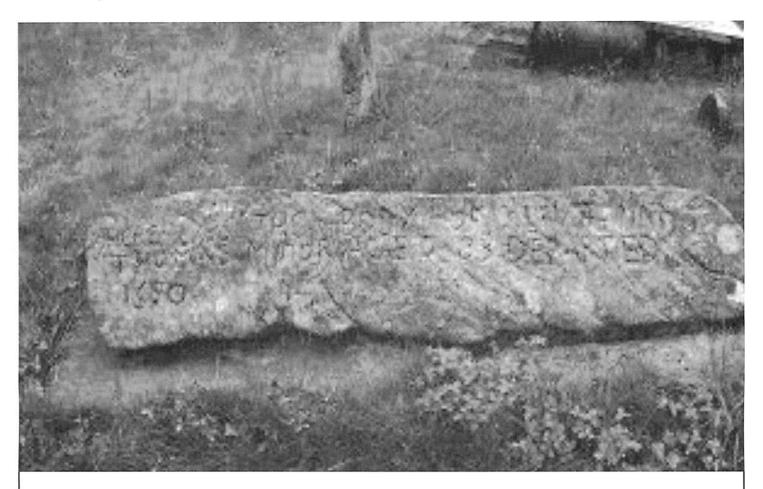
"Wolves were a big problem and they were always a concern," he said. According to local records, wolves were such a scourge that in 1660, settlers offered 20 shillings — a huge sum of money at the time — for each wolf killed.

The Wightman Burial Ground Association, formed in 1882, has 40 to 45 members. Descendants of those buried at the Mystic cemetery are spread throughout the country. Arpin and Allen are working to get the 1704 cemetery on the National Registry of Historic Places. Arpin said that between the many wolf stones discovered there and the location's key role in the early history of the state's Baptist church, she is hopeful. Valentine Wightman, the state's first Baptist minister, is buried there.

But getting a site on the national register "is a demanding, grueling process," she said, adding that she has spent the past few years gathering maps, taking pictures and reviewing deeds. She said she decided to highlight the Baptist history of the area in her pitch for the national register.

"The first Baptists went up against some serious odds," she said. "They were abused by the Congregationalists, and it was amazing how tied to their faith they were." Arpin said that almost every founding family in Groton, Ledyard and surrounding towns "has an ancestral link to this lovely old cemetery. Stone walls with rusted hitching hooks for horses surround the cemetery, in a residential area of Mystic.Markers range from mere rocks to more ornate carved stones. One marker is erected to Captain Elijah B. Morgan, who died at sea off the coast of Brazil. Morgan's marker reads: "The Dust may sleep 'neath sea or sod; from each the soul mounts up to God; Not water tomb, nor marble walls, can hold the spirit when he calls."

"It inspires me," Arpin said of her work in the cemetery, which holds several of her ancestors. "We are part of what they are. For many of us, a tombstone is the only tangible thing you can touch of an ancestor. It's our fabric and we are losing that."



Picture of old wolf stone

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Thoughts and Tales

By: Henry B. McKoy

TAILS

It is customary when a hunter misses a shot to cut the tail of his shirt off. Written while on a deer hunt at Hamilton Lodge, November 1935

Tales of great mean all remind us,

We can make our tails sublime,

And in parting leaves behind us

Shirt Tails hanging on the line.

Tails that perhaps some hunter,

Having missed both doe and buck,

Seeing may take heart again,

And hope for next time, better luck

Tales are made to cover falsehoods,

Tails are made to cover skin.

But If any more of mine is cut off,

I will never tuck it in.

I have enjoyed my stay at Hamilton,

I can't shoot and there's no doubt,

But if I wear this shirt to Greenville,

I'll be ashamed to go about.

I missed my doe I missed the buck,

My shirt was cut, my tail was bare,

And so I sewed a zipper on it,

While the collar still was there.

Fred Brewer

November 4, 1935- January 8, 2016

Fred Rowland Brewer, 80, of Anderson, SC passed away on January 8, 2016 at Anmed Health.

Born in Williamston, SC, November 4, 1934, he was a son of the late Robert R. and Mattie Thompson Brewer. Fred was an Army Veteran, retired from BASF in Anderson, SC. He was a Mason and Past Master of Ruff Lodge No. 240, Member of the Anderson County Chapter of the SC Genealogy Society and Forest Hill Baptist Church. He loved family and friends, Clemson football, gardening, photography, music, hunting, fishing and genealogical research trips. He will be forever loved and missed.

Fred is survived by his wife of 58 years, Sue Dempsey Brewer; beloved daughters, Suzanne Dorene "Dorie" Kendrick, and husband Dale of Aiken, SC, Marie Lenee Landon and husband Harold "Skip", two wonderful grandchildren, Sarah Elizabeth and Robin Michelle Kendrick, brother, Harold Brewer and wife, Ruby and family, sister-in-law, Catherine Brewer, nieces, Linda Holcombe Ross and Pat Capell.

He was preceded in death by his brother, William S. "Bill" Brewer and sisters, Mildred Holcombe, Jeanette and Marilyn Brewer.

A casual memorial service will be held Saturday, January 16, 2015 in the Chapel building at Forest Hill Baptist Church at 1 pm and the family will welcome friends immediately following in the fellowship hall with light refreshments.

In his memory, donations may be made to: Forest Hill Baptist Church, 909 Plantation Road, Anderson, SC 29621 or the Anderson County Chapter of the SC Genealogical Society Research Center, P.O. Box 74, Anderson, SC 29622-0074.

Condolences may be offered to the family at www.sosebeemortuary.com

Sosebee Mortuary and Crematory South Chapel is assisting the family with arrangements.

Fred was one of the early members of the Anderson County Genealogical Society.

Ethel Manning Gibson

November 15, 1930 -March 30, 2016

Ethel Manning Gibson, age 85, passed away on Wednesday, March 30, 2016, at the Rainey Hospice House. Born in Anderson, SC on November 15, 1930, she was the daughter of the late Talmadge Calvin Manning and the late Leona Hastings Manning. She was a member of the Anderson County Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society and Homeland Park Baptist Church.

She is survived by her two daughters, Joyce Gibson, and her husband, Doug, of Anderson, SC and Lynn Wickham, of Anderson, SC; grandchildren, Sharon Rowland Nix, Mark Wickham (Sarah), Beth Wickham, and Daniel Gibson; great-grandchildren, Todd Rowland; and great-great grandchild, Rielly Rowland. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Wade Hampton Gibson, Sr.; sons, Wade "Sonny" Gibson, Jr. and Kenneth Douglas Gibson; a grandson, James Floyd Roach; and two sisters, Virginia Manning and Ruby Selman.

The funeral service will be held in the Chapel of the McDougald Funeral Home on Saturday, April 2, 2016, at 3:30 P.M. with Reverend James Strickland and Reverend Roger Haulbrook officiating. Internment will follow at New Silverbrook Cemetery. The family will be at their respective homes and will receive friends at the funeral home prior to the service on Saturday, April 2, 2016, from 1:00 pm until 3:00 p.m. Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to Hospice of the Upstate, 1835 Rogers Road, Anderson, SC; or to Homeland Park Baptist Church, 3010 Abbeville Highway, Anderson, SC 29624; or the Anderson County Chapter of the SC Genealogical Society.

Condolences may be sent by visiting www.mcdougaldfuneralhome.com

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 16th

After living in her antebellum Fountain Inn home for twenty-five years, Mrs. Elinor Mowbry decided to do some clutter clearing in the attic. Lo and behold, she discovered 100 letters of her Confederate ancestor, untouched since the Civil War... She chronicles her family's struggle for Southern Independence in her new book, 'Oh, Lordy'.

Southern Independence in South So

Location: Senior Solutions, 3420 Clemson Blvd #17, Anderson, SC 29621

June 6" We will have our annual visit to an area historical church. This year, we will visit St. Paul's First Baptist Church in Anderson, an African-American church which celebrated its 150th anniversary in September 2015. Location: St. Paul's First Baptist Church, 322 West Reed Street, Anderson, SC

There will be no meeting this month since the first Monday is the Fourth of July. Location: Senior Solutions, 3420 Clemson Blvd #17, Anderson, SC 29621

August 1st Christopher Williams will share the personal story of his African-American family who owned a plantation in Upstate South Carolina as told in his book, Black Blue Bloods. Location: Senior Solutions, 3420 Clemson Blvd #17, Anderson, SC 29621

September

We will have our annual September program at an off-site venue. Details to come... Location: To Be Announced

Etaine Rohrs from the South Carolina State Archives will present her program about the "audited accounts" (otherwise known as "indents") that documented the service of South Carolina patriots during the American Revolution. Among those were hundreds of accounts that weren't discovered until 1905 in the South Carolina Statehouse basement.

Location: Senior Solutions, 3420 Clemson Blvd #17, Anderson, SC 29621

November 7th

Kay Burns will share her collaboration with the Trans-Atlantic Children's Enterprise (TRACE) in England, assisting British war babies of WWII locate their American fathers. Location: Senior Solutions, 3420 Clemson Blvd #17, Anderson, SC 29621

Join us for fellowship, friends, and fun at our Annual ACGS Christmas dinner! Location: Senior Solutions, 3420 Clemson Blvd #17, Anderson, SC 29621

For more information about the Anderson County Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society, contac Kay Burns, Program Chairperson Email: kaywillisburns@yahoo.com or 864.617.7895



Correction—The next meeting will be May 2, 2016 rather than May 16. Please mark your calendars.

Also—there will be no meeting in July

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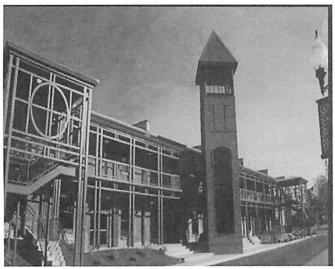
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