

# Piecing Together the Story: Analyzing Records and Drawing Conclusions

*Class 5: Forgotten and Underrepresented Voices in Records*

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# OVERVIEW

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  - Enslaved Persons
  - The Impoverished
  - Native Americans
- **Q&A (30 mins.)**



*Voice of*  
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# The Challenge



Many genealogical records can be found for individuals who owned property, were allowed to vote, and left wills after their death



This leaves other groups more underrepresented and sometimes forgotten including the following:

- Women
- Enslaved persons
- The impoverished
- Native Americans

# Women

# Historical Overview

- Historically, women lacked many rights including the right to own property, vote, serve in office, attend universities, and train in specific occupations
- Women are often listed according to their relationships to men in their lives (as daughters, wives, and sisters)
- Citizenship until 1922 was often based upon their husband

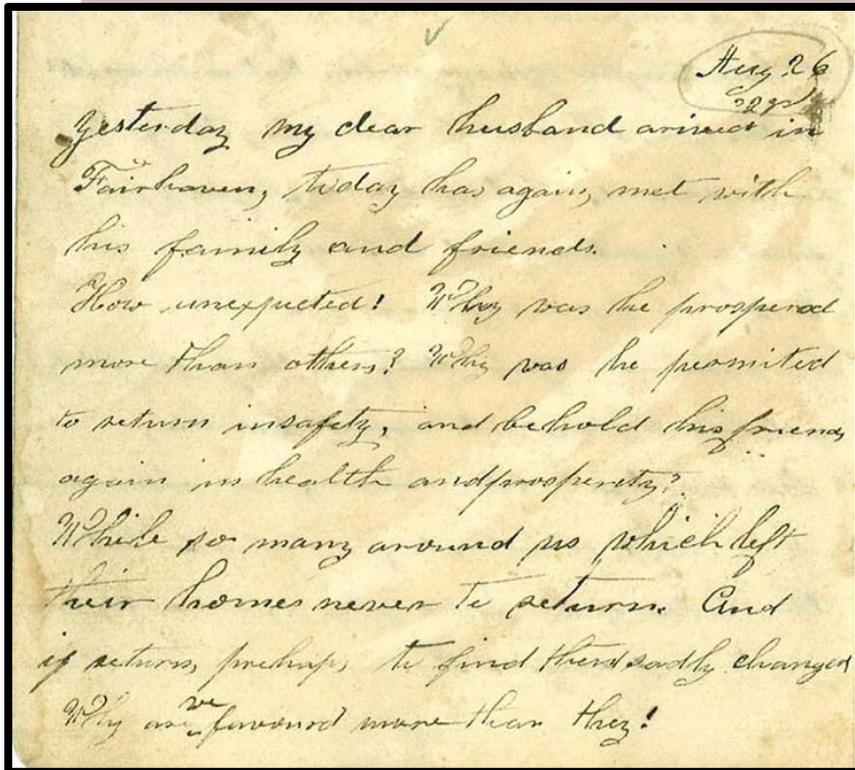
# The Approach

- First person records
  - Diaries
  - Letters
  - Family histories
- Second-hand records
  - Manuscript collections
  - Business records
- Follow the men – use the FAN Club

# The FAN Club Principle

- Family
- Associates
- Neighbors
- Tools for compiling the FAN Club
  - Census
  - Land records
  - Court and probate

# Whaling Seaman's Wife



“Why was he permitted to return in safety, and behold his friends again in health and prosperity? While so many around us which left their homes never to return...”

Diary of Deidamia (Bourne) Swift, (1812-1888) Mss 658

Obstetric Cases 1852  
 previous records lost & part of this year & 1853

Name	Date	Sex
Mrs B Johnson	Jan 23 <sup>d</sup>	Male
Mrs W H Brewer	Jan 31 <sup>st</sup>	Female
Mrs J Adams	Feb 10	Female
Mrs P Flynn	Mar 30	Female
Mrs J Adams	Apr 2	Male
Mrs S Richards	Apr 10	Male
Mrs Wm Fey	May 9 <sup>th</sup>	Female
Mrs Buoni Sweet	June 7	Female
Mrs H Steel	Nov 24	Male
Mrs S Key	Nov 26	Female

Diary of Oliver D. Norton, Obstetric Cases,  
 1852, Cincinnati, Ohio, Mss C 5568

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MARY E. MOORE.

I WAS appointed hospital matron by Colonel Smith, of the 58th Regiment, Illinois Volunteers, in November, 1861, at Camp Douglas, Chicago, and served there until some time in February, when our regiment left for Cairo, Ill.; then went to Fort Donaldson, Tenn., where I helped to care for the sick and wounded during the battle, and afterwards on a hospital steamer. I next accompanied a party of soldiers to Cairo, where I cared for them until all but one were able to leave the hospital.

While at Fort Donaldson I have sometimes gone two or three days without any sleep, and with only an occasional cup of coffee or some hard-tack, which I would eat as I went in and out among the sick. At one time all the sleep I had for three nights was on the bare floor, between my husband and a sick soldier, and with my husband's arm for a pillow.

No one but the poor boys themselves can imagine as we nurses can what suffering they had to endure during the Rebellion. I recall one poor old colored man who had borne a great deal, having been shot several times. I took eighteen buckshot out of his back one day.

I was in the hospitals something over nine months; then my husband died, and I returned to my home.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

MARY E. MOORE.

KING CITY, MO.

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To Samuel Hellen Esq. Judge of Probate for the County of Essex.

Sir I hereby certify you Hon<sup>r</sup> that I refuse to take Administration of the Estate of my late Husband Joseph Knight of Ipswich Merchant, & pray that your Hon<sup>r</sup> would grant the same to Capt. Abraham Wheelwright of Newburypt I as in duty bound shall ever pray  
Ipswich Nov<sup>r</sup> 28<sup>th</sup> 1792.

Betsy Knight

The subscriber Father-in-law to J<sup>d</sup> Deceased,  
do signify to your Hon<sup>r</sup> his acquiescing in y<sup>e</sup> above prayer.  
Rowley 28 Nov. 1792 Nath<sup>l</sup> Cogswell

Letters of Administration – estate of Joseph Knight, Essex County Mass, Case 16001

But Having casually Omitted sundry things in my said Will  
Do make this Codicil thereto as fully explanatory thereof and  
with some Alterations and Additions to the same, First my mind  
and will is That Mr: Michael Trolett of Boston Merchant, and  
Henry Newman of Boston Shopkeeper Do accept the office  
of Executors of my said Will & this Codicil so far as relates to or  
Concerns my Estate in New-England and do accordingly Appoint  
them my Executors - Item I Desire of my said Executors  
that my Daughter Louisa Cornelia now in Briton  
be sent to Utrecht in the Province of Holland to my Brother  
Phillip Meinertzhagen, I request their Particular Care that  
she be sent over in a good Season of the Year, Item I  
Do hereby make free from Slavery my Indian Boy called  
Gluk and give him his Liberty, Item Do allow & give  
unto the said Indian Boy the Sum of Twenty pounds -

Codicil, Henry Meinertzhagen, Suffolk  
County, Mass, Case 10998

# Guardianships

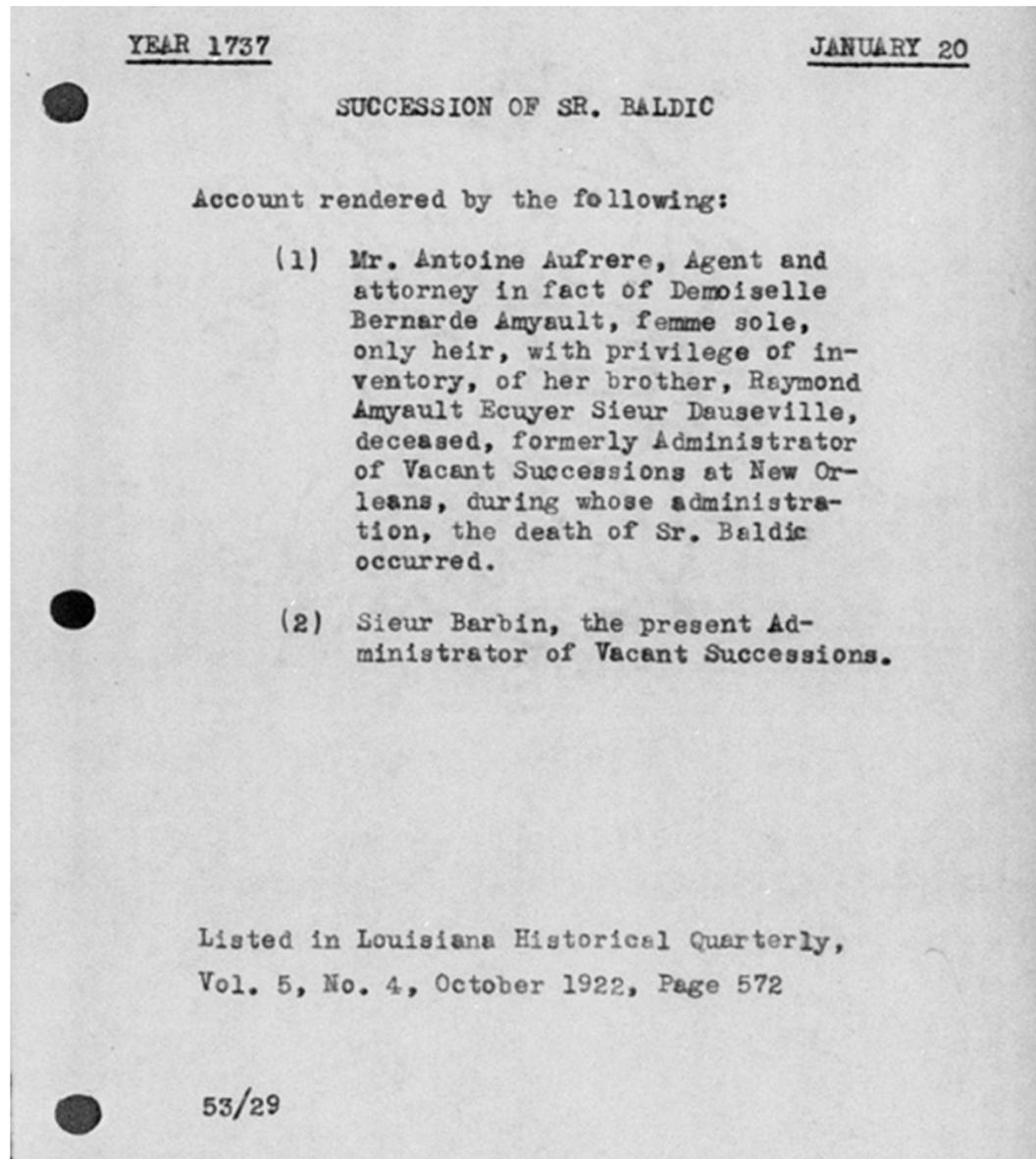
- Appointed for minors
- A father may be appointed guardian if his children inherit from his deceased wife's family
- Mothers were appointed, but it wasn't a given

To the Honourable *Thomas Dawes* Esquire,  
Judge of the Court of Probate for the County of Suffolk, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts,  
HUMBLY shews, *Hannah Conant* of  
*Boston*  
in said County *Suffolk*, *widow* that there is occasion for a Guardjan  
to be appointed for *Mary Ann Conant*, *Hannah*  
*Conant*, *Elizabeth Temple Conant*, who are  
~~under~~ *above* the age of fourteen years and *Adeline*  
*Margilda Conant*, who is under the age of  
*fourteen years*  
*minor* and children of *Nathan Conant*  
formerly of *Townsend* in the County of *Middlesex*  
*deceased*,

Guardian Bond, Suffolk County,  
Mass., Case 27577

## ***Feme Sole***

- A single woman who functioned on a legal par with men in property rights
- Separate Estate—by inheritance, dower, marriage contract



Louisiana Succession Record,  
FamilySearch.org

# Enslaved Persons

# Historical Overview

- Slavery existed in North America as early as the 1500's in Spanish colonies like Florida, where indigenous peoples and Africans were enslaved
- First enslaved Africans in the English colonies came in 1619
- Slavery was formally abolished in December 1865 with the passage of the Thirteenth Amendment to the Constitution

# 1870 Brick Wall

## The 1870 Brick Wall

- It's a commonly repeated myth that you can't go beyond the 1870 U.S. census for African American research.
- This census lists the names of each household in the United States post-Emancipation.
- Prior to this, formerly enslaved persons were listed by age, sex, and race on slave schedules (if enslaved).
- This is not the end of your research

## The Approach: Identifying the Enslaver

- This requires consulting multiple sources to identify the enslaver of your enslaved ancestors with a focus on financial records (probate, deeds), court records (manumissions, chancery cases), Reconstruction records (Freedmen's Bureau records, cohabitation registers), and even DNA
- Many records of enslavers name their enslaved by their first names, and sometimes include details such as their age and other family members
- Look around the area where your family lived to identify the former enslavers, particularly around the 1870 U.S. census

# Slave Schedules

- The 1850 and 1860 U.S. Census had separate schedules to enumerate the number of enslaved persons per owner.
- Details include sex, race, and age
- These records do not list the names of the enslaved persons.
- Using records like probate records, deeds, and other records will help you identify the names of the enslaved.

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## United States Census (Slave Schedule), 1850

Name index and images of slave schedules listing slave owners and only age, gender and color data of the slaves in cesus states or territories in 1850. This was the first time that slave infomation was captured as a separate schedule. Indexed data and browse are available for the following: Alabama, Arkansas, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, New Jersey, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, and Virginia. Slave schedules are not available for other states.

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First Names  Last Names

Place  Year

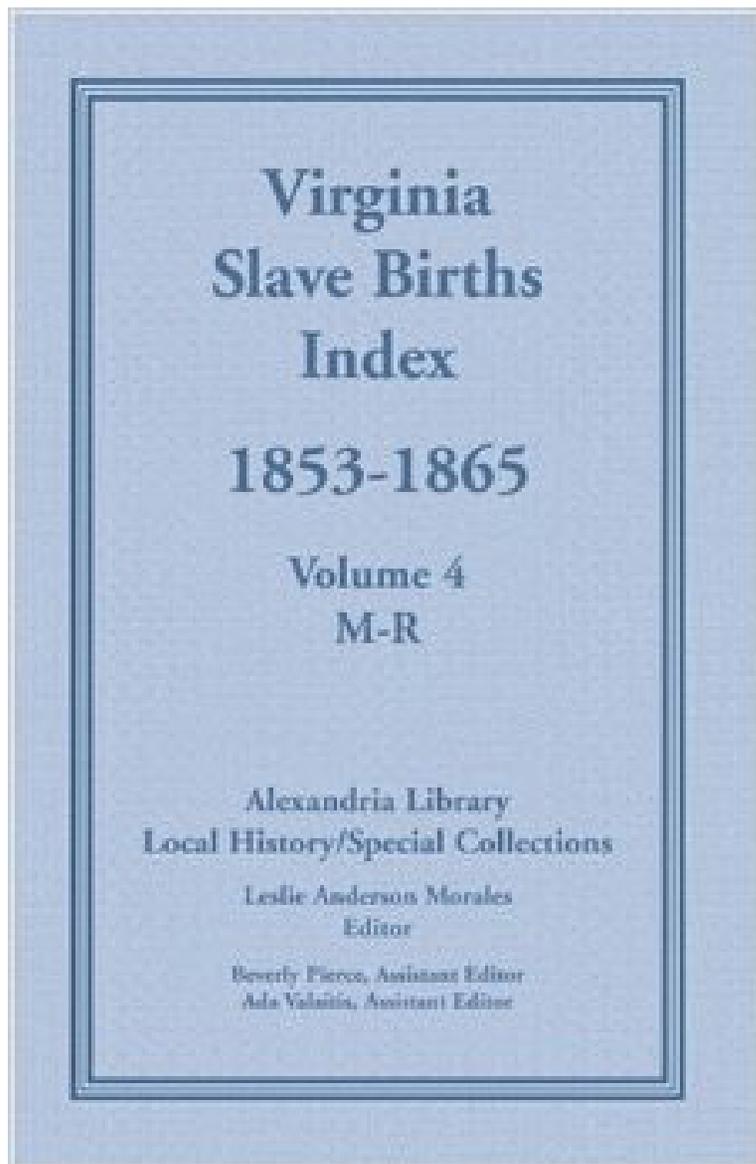
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**SCHEDULE 2.—Slave Inhabitants** in the County of Copiah State of Mississippi, enumerated by me, on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of October, 1850. J. McDonald Ass't Marshal.

1	2	3			6	7	8	1	2	3			6	7	8
		Age	Sex	Colour						Age	Sex	Colour			
1	1	21	m	B			1	1	3	m	B			1	
2	1	18	f	B			2	2	3	m	B			2	
3	1	19	f	B			3	3	1	f	B			3	
4	1	12	f	B			4	4	8 1/2	f	B			4	
5	1	32	m	B			5	5	38	m	B			5	
6	1	20	m	B			6	6	36	f	B			6	
7	1	19	m	B			7	7	30	m	B			7	
8	1	13	m	B			8	8	28	m	B			8	
9	1	11	m	B			9	9	26	f	B			9	
10	1	11	m	B			10	10	12	f	B			10	
11	1	4	m	B			11	11	7	f	B			11	

1850 U.S. Census Slave Schedule, Copiah County, Mississippi, FamilySearch



Compiled Slave Births

Virginia Slave Births Index, 1853-1865

Informant's Surname, Informant's First Name; Slave's Name;  
 Mother's Name; Date of Birth; Place of Birth

- Bailey, Wm H; Marg't; Fanny; Aug 1861; Charlotte
- Bailey, Wm H; Mary; Virginia; Apr 1861; Charlotte
- Bailey, Wm O; Charlotte; Lina; Oct 24, 1859; Albemarle
- Bailey, Wm O; Fanny; Joanna; May 1859; Brunswick
- Bailey, Wm O; Mary; Nancy; Oct 1857; Brunswick
- Bailey, Wm O; William; Sylvia; Nov 1855; Brunswick
- Bailey, Wm T; Isaac; Maria; Oct 1861-?; Halifax
- Bailey, Wm T; William Thos; Marg't Ann; Apr 14, 1859; Halifax
- Bailey, Wm W; (fem); Caroline; Dec 1, 1859; Buckingham
- Bailey, Wm W; (male); Julia; Sep 10, 1857; New Kent
- Bailor, C; John; Lucy; Apr 1855; Dinwiddie
- Bailor, R; Charlotte; ----; Aug 26, 1859; Westmoreland
- Bailor, R; John; ----; Mar 13, 1859; Westmoreland
- Bailor, Rich'd; Fanny; ----; Oct 25, 1860; Westmoreland
- Bailor, Rich'd; Jinny; ----; Jun 15, 1860; Westmoreland
- Bailor, Rich'd; Matilda; ----; Aug 2, 1860; Westmoreland
- Bailor, Rich'd; Tom; ----; Aug 1, 1860; Westmoreland
- Baily, Abner; (male); ----; Oct 1, 1865; Campbell
- Baily, Abner; (male); ----; May 9, 1855; Campbell
- Baily, Abner; (male); ----; Aug 9, 1855; Campbell
- Baily, Eliza; (fem); Molly; Oct 15, 1858; Middlesex
- Baily, Eliza; (male tws); Lucinda; Dec 10, 1858; Middlesex
- Baily, Eliza; Richard; Molly; Jul 14, 1860; Middlesex
- Baily, Eliza; Taylor; Lucinda; Dec 12, 1860; Middlesex
- Baily, J W; (fem); ----; 1854; Fauquier
- Baily, Jas; Mat; Julia; Dec 1856; Powhatan
- Baily, Jas; Robert; Sylvia; Nov 1856; Powhatan
- Baily, Jas F; Lucy; ----; Oct 1858; Greensville
- Baily, Jerman; Lucy; Louisa; Feb 11, 1862; Lunenburg
- Baily, Jno; Llewellen; Winney; 1853; Middlesex
- Baily, Jno; Siller; Lucinda; Oct 25, 1853; Middlesex
- Baily, Jno; Susan; Milley; 1853; Middlesex
- Baily, John W; Pussy; Rebecca; Feb 1858; Dinwiddie
- Baily, Mary; Alfred; Elisa; Dec 1861; Pittsylvania
- Baily, Mary; Vincent; Eliza; May 1860; Pittsylvania
- Baily, S P; Eliza; ----; Nov 1858; Fauquier
- Baily, S P; John; ----; Mar 1858; Fauquier
- Baily, Sampson P; (male); ----; Feb 1864; Fauquier
- Baily, Wm W; (fem); Matilda; Nov 27, 1860; Buckingham
- BAIN, SEE: BAINE, BAINES, BAINS, BANE, BAYN, BAYNE, BAYNES
- Bain, B A; (S B); ----; May 13, 1854; Norfolk Co
- Bain, D A; Margaret; ----; Dec 1, 1853; Norfolk Co

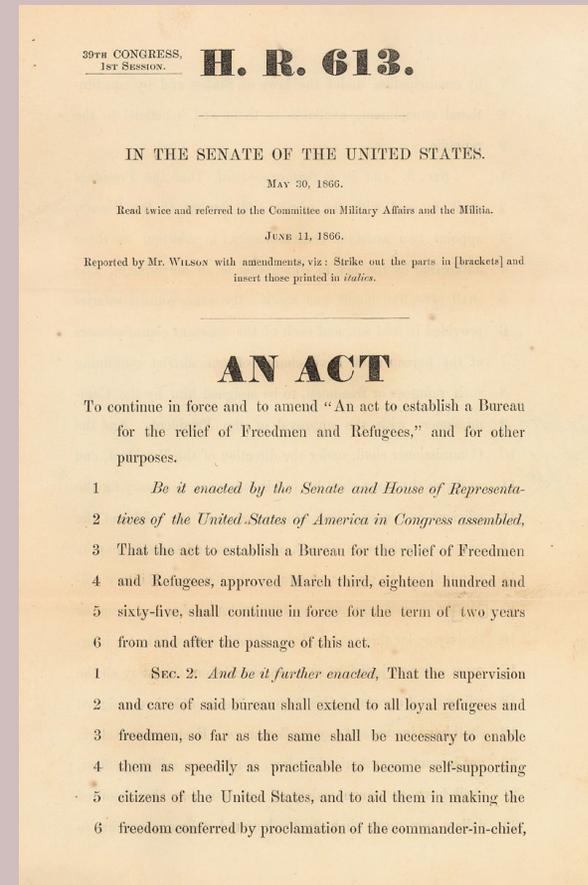
# Freedmen's Bureau Records

## Guides:

- *Preliminary Inventory of the Records of the Field Offices of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands* compiled by Elaine Everly and Wilna Pacheli
- "The Freedman's Savings and Trust Company and African American Genealogical Research" by Reginald Washington

## Records:

- Freedman's Bank Records
- Records of the Superintendent of Education for the State of Texas, Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands, 1865-1870



H.R. 613, An Act to Continue in Force a  
"Bureau for the relief of Freedmen and  
Refugees," June 11, 1866

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## United States Freedmen's Bureau, Records of Freedmen, 1865-1872

Index of census returns, registers, and lists of freedmen. The Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands (often called the Freedmen's Bureau) was created in 1865 at the end of the American Civil War to supervise relief efforts including education, health care, food and clothing, refugee camps, legalization of marriages, employment, labor contracts, and securing back pay, bounty payments and pensions. These records include letters and endorsements sent and received, account books, applications for rations, applications for relief, court records, labor contracts, registers of bounty claimants, registers of complaints, registers of contracts, registers of disbursements, registers of freedmen issued rations, registers of patients, reports, rosters of officers and employees, special and general orders and circulars received, special orders and circulars issued, records relating to claims, court trials, property restoration, and homesteads. For a coverage table of records indexed in

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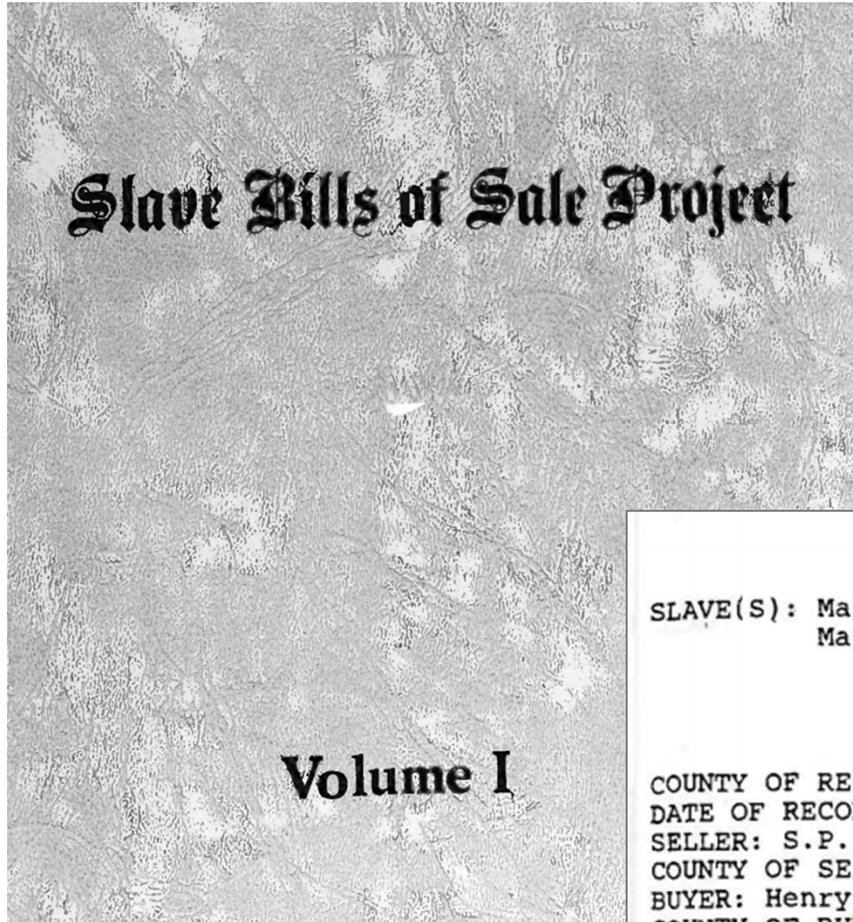
Place

Year

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# Bills of Sale

- A certificate of transfer of personal property
- Enslavers sold enslaved persons through these bills of sale
- Details of bills of sale may include the name of the enslaved persons, their sex, age, and details on the grantor/grantee
- Bills of sale are often recorded in land deeds and probate records



NO.: 0055  
SLAVE(S): Martha (22) and her children Hanah (f,6) and  
Mary Jane (f, 15 mos.)

COUNTY OF RECORD: (Atlanta)	STATE: GA
DATE OF RECORD: February 11, 1853	
SELLER: S.P. Wright & M.C. Lively	
COUNTY OF SELLER: X	STATE: X
BUYER: Henry B. Latimer	
COUNTY OF BUYER: X	STATE: X
PRICE OF SLAVE(S): \$1200	
WITNESS(ES): X	
DOCUMENT: Receipt	FORM: Original
IDENTIFICATION: MSS 291; Page 15 of scrapbook	
INSTITUTION: AHS	COLLECTION: Emma Latimer Scrapbook

## Compiled Bills of Sale

Tebbs of  
to Matson  
Bill of Sale

Know all men by these presents that I William Tebbs of Prince William County for and in consideration of one hundred and sixty pounds to me in hand paid by James Matson of the Said County the Receipt whereof I do acknowledge have bargained and sold and by the presents bargain sell & Deliver to the Said Matson One Negro Man Slave Henry & one Negro Woman Slave Milley to have and to hold the aforesaid Slaves to him the Said Matson and his heirs for ever. And I oblige myself my heirs &c. to warrant and for ever defend the said Slaves ~~from~~ to the Said Matson his heirs &c. from the claim or claims of any person or persons whatsoever as ~~well~~ witness my hand this fourteenth Day

Day of December thousand seven hundred and eighty two 393.  
Test Thomas Chapman  
Robert Overall  
Wm Tebbs.  
At a Court held for Prince William County the 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of June 1782.  
This Bill of Sale from William Tebbs gent. to James Matson was acknowledged by the Said Tebbs and admitted to Record.  
Test Robert Graham Clerk.

Bill of Sale between William Tebbs and James Matson, 1782, FHL Film #007897263

# Cohabitation Registers

- Cohabitation registers were used as the legal document for the county to legitimize marriages between enslaved persons and the children that resulted from them prior to 1866
- There was a separate register for legitimizing children where the parents were no longer cohabiting together.

# Contents of Cohabitation Registers

- Names
- Ages
- Place of Birth
- Residence
- Occupation
- Previous Enslaver
- Previous Enslaver's City or County Residence
- Childrens' Names
- Childrens' Ages
- Date of Commencement of Cohabitation

# Buckingham County Cohabitation Register, Library of Virginia

Register of Children of Colored Persons in Buckingham County, State of Virginia, Whose Parents Had Ceased to Cohabit .... Which the Father Recognizes to Be His  
 Barcode 1166810 / Photo Lab 09\_0948\_01-02  
 Library of Virginia, Richmond, Va

Page	Line	Name of Child and Age	Place of Birth	Residence	Last Owner	Last Owner's Residence	Residence and Age of Father	Father's Last Owner	Last Owner's Residence	Name and Age of Mother	Residence of Mother	Last Owner	Last Owner's Residence	Father's Signature
1	1	Amy Moore, 12	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	Ro Moore	Buckingham County, Va.	Unknown	Ro Moore	Buckingham County, Va.	Julia, 30	Deceased	Ro Moore	Buckingham County, Va.	Adopted by Henry Walker with William Agee
1	3	Stephen Agee, 4	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	E. Robertson	Buckingham County, Va.	Unknown	Unknown	Buckingham County, Va.	Charlotte, 37	Deceased	E. Robertson	Buckingham County, Va.	Daniel Routon
1	5	Alick Routon, 12	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	W.D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 54	Washington Kyle	Buckingham County, Va.	Sophia, 30	Deceased	William D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Daniel Routon
1	6	Jim Routon, 11	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	W.D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 54	Washington Kyle	Buckingham County, Va.	Sophia, 30	Deceased	William D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Daniel Routon
1	7	Winnie Routon, 9	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	W.D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 54	Washington Kyle	Buckingham County, Va.	Sophia, 30	Deceased	William D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Daniel Routon
1	8	Daniel Routon, 6	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	W.D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 54	Washington Kyle	Buckingham County, Va.	Sophia, 30	Deceased	William D. Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Daniel Routon
1	9	Isabella Scott, 13	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	William Hocker	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 48	T.M. Bondurant	Buckingham County, Va.	Delia, 32	Deceased	William Hocker	Buckingham County, Va.	Aron Scott
1	10	Wyatt Scott, 14	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	William Hocker	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 48	T.M. Bondurant	Buckingham County, Va.	Delia, 32	Deceased	William Hocker	Buckingham County, Va.	Aron Scott
1	11	Charlotte Watson, 15	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	Rowena Cobb	North Carolina	Buckingham County, Va., 47	Charles Y. Hanley	Buckingham County, Va.	Maria	Unknown	Nancy Cobb (Deceased)	Buckingham County, Va.	Preston Watson
1	12	John Willie, 10	Appomattox, Va.	Lynchburg, Va.	Fanny Christian	Lynchburg, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 40	Mrs. Whitehead	Buckingham County, Va.	Henrietta, 26	Lynchburg, Va.	Fanny Christian	Lynchburg, Va.	Preston Watson
1	13	Mary Ann, 12	Appomattox, Va.	Lynchburg, Va.	Fanny Christian	Lynchburg, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 40	Mrs. Whitehead	Buckingham County, Va.	Henrietta, 26	Lynchburg, Va.	Fanny Christian	Lynchburg, Va.	Jack Nicholas
1	15	Sam Patteson, 17	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 45	W. Ann Patteson	Buckingham County, Va.	Harriett, 25	Deceased	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Henry Patteson
1	16	Randolph, 15	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 45	W. Ann Patteson	Buckingham County, Va.	Harriett, 25	Deceased	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Henry Patteson
1	17	Calvin, 14	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 45	W. Ann Patteson	Buckingham County, Va.	Harriett, 25	Deceased	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Henry Patteson
1	18	Morton, 12	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 45	W. Ann Patteson	Buckingham County, Va.	Harriett, 25	Deceased	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Henry Patteson
1	19	Henry, 10	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va.	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Buckingham County, Va., 45	W. Ann Patteson	Buckingham County, Va.	Harriett, 25	Deceased	Peter Jones	Buckingham County, Va.	Henry Patteson

# Runaway Ads

- Advertisements placed in local and regional newspapers describing the runaway enslaved person with details to help others identify them and bring back to their enslaver.
- Ads include name of enslaved person, physical description, possible route they were taking, name of enslaver, where the enslaved person escaped from, etc.





# Manumission Records

- Manumission records released an enslaved person from servitude
- These may be recorded in land deeds, probate records, and court records.
- State archives, universities, and libraries hold many of these records in their digital collections

Accomack Co.  
I Francis Lane of the Parish  
and County of Accomack do by these Pre-  
sents set free from bondage my Negro  
man named Jacob hereby declaring the  
said Jacob absolutely free from my service  
and from all others claiming under me  
In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand and seal this the 4<sup>th</sup> day March  
1797 — — — — —  
Test — — — — —  
Sentry Guindas Francis Lane Seal  
Peter DeBostallus  
Savage Corbin

Manumission for Jacob, Accomack County,  
Virginia 1797, Library of Virginia

## Manumitted: The People Enslaved by Quakers



A website developed by Haverford Libraries' Quaker and Special Collections and Digital Scholarship.

This website presents information found within manumission documents held by Haverford College's Quaker & Special Collections. In the context of American Chattel Slavery, Manumission refers to both the act of enslavers freeing the people they enslaved and the legal document that records this freeing. Manumission has existed across many slave societies in different forms and approaches. Further reasons Quakers manumitted the people they enslaved can be found on the [Essays Page](#). A major goal of this website is to highlight and center the stories and lives of enslaved people. At the same time, we acknowledge the shortcomings of what is available through our materials. The manumissions offer a snapshot rather than a story and must be understood as coming from the perspective of an enslaver. Enslaved people are largely listed through three data points: age, first name, and a presumed gender. Information such as whether or not they were actually manumitted, how they measured their own age, what they called themselves, and how they understood their own gender, or anything else about them as a person are not conveyed through the manumissions. What skills they possessed, their family ties, their faiths, the language(s) they spoke, their cultural practices may be found in other materials or may remain unknown to us.

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**Bolton, Isaac**

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**Brown, Thomas**

Role(s): Enslaved Person

**Pemberton, (?)**

Role(s): Witness

**Titus, Sarah**

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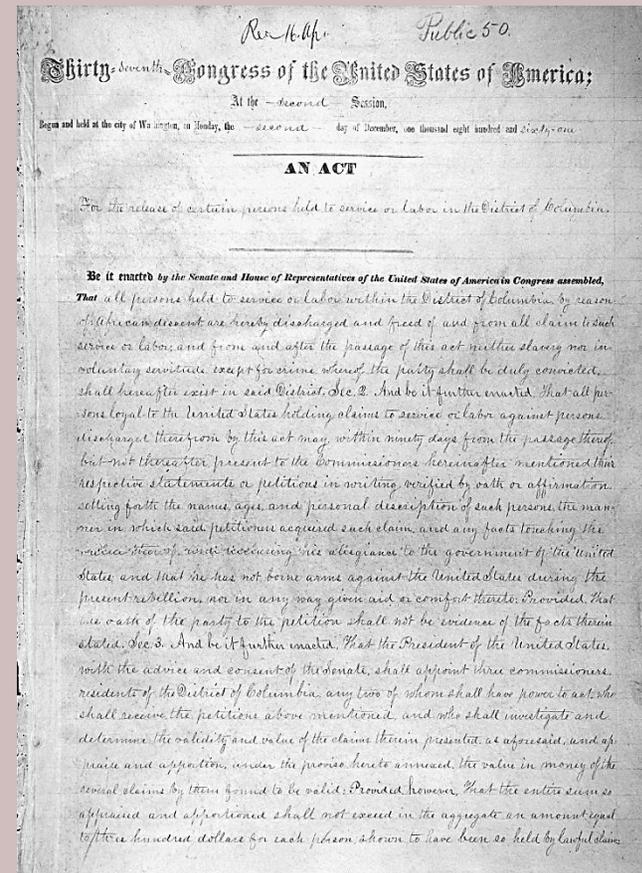


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# State-Level Emancipation Acts

## Compensated Emancipation in the District of Columbia:

- Claimant, names of those in their service freed under the law, and amount of compensation awarded
- Former slaves, including where they were born and occupation



District of Columbia Emancipation Act, 1862, NARA

## Other Published Sources on Emancipation

- *Chains Unbound: Slave Emancipations in the Town of Greenwich, Connecticut* by Jeffrey B. Mead
- *Freedom Papers: 1776-1781* by M.M. Pernot, editor, introduction by Clement Alexander Price
- *The NYG&B Record* published several articles on births and manumission of slaves in New York (Volumes 1-54 on [AmericanAncestors.org](http://AmericanAncestors.org))

# WPA's Slave Narrative Collection

- During the Great Depression one of the projects set up during the New Deal was the Federal Writers' Project
- One of their projects was interviewing formerly enslaved persons between 1936 and 1938
- Collection was done from the following states: Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Virginia

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**Aberdeen, Mississippi**

**Dora Franks, ex-slave, lives at Aberdeen, Monroe County. She is about five feet tall and weighs 100 pounds. Her hair is inclined to be curly rather than kinky. She is very active and does most of her own work.**

**"I was born in Choctaw County, but I never knowed sactly how old I was, 'cause none o' my folks could read an' write. I reckon I be's 'bout a hund'ed, 'cause I was a big girl long time fo' Surrender. I was old 'nough to marry two years after dat.**

**"My mammy come from Virginny. Her name was Harriet Brewer. My daddy was my young Marster. His name was Marster George Brewer an' my mammy always tol' me dat I was his'n. I knew dat dere was**

U.S., Interviews with Formerly Enslaved People,  
Ancestry.com, Mississippi

# Massachusetts Vital Records

- The names of enslaved persons were often recorded at the back of a town's vital record books
- They recorded baptisms, marriages, and deaths of enslaved and free Negroes and indigenous persons

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\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, "Nurse Child at Joseph Shaws," Aug. 2, 1783. P.R.  
\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, "stranger," Apr. 23, 1811.

### NEGROES, ETC.

Cesor, "Servant of George Cut  
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1743. P.R.  
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Cesor, "Servant of George Cutter," July 25, 1777. P.R.  
Cesor, "Servant of Deacon Cutter," "hanged himself," June 26, 1743. P.R.  
Dinah, "Negro Woman of Ed Winship — Lexing:," [Jan.] 27, 1755, a. 40. P.R.  
Jack, "Negro of Boy of Thomas Adams," May 29, 1755, a. 6. P.R.  
Pegg, "Woman Servant of Capt: Carteret," Dec. 10, 1757. P.R.  
Pina, "Indian Servant Late M<sup>rs</sup> Barrys," Feb. 2, 1776, a. 84. P.R.  
Roger, "Negro Boy of Dan<sup>l</sup>. Brown," Apr. 1, 1754, a. 8. P.R.  
Rose, "Servant of William Cutler," Aug. 29, 1769, a. 48. P.R.  
Tobey, "Slave of W<sup>m</sup>. Cutler," Apr. 16, 1774. P.R.  
Tone, "Belonging to y<sup>e</sup> Dunsters," Mar. 4, 1744-5, a. 90. P.R.  
Violet, "Negro girl of Joseph Wellington," Dec. 3, 1772, a. 16.  
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List of Negroes, etc. in Arlington Town Vital Records, AmericanAncestors.org

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# QUESTIONS?

# The Impoverished

# The Approach

- It's a commonly repeated myth that you can't find records on the poor as they didn't leave any financial assets behind
- While they may not appear in traditional records such as land deeds and probate records, they do create a paper trail as they were supported by their local governments and institutions

# Colonial Poor Laws – Reluctant Public Charity

- Mirrored existing British law
- Strong Puritan influence, even in the southern colonies
  - Religious responsibility to help poor
  - But not the “idle poor”
  - And not individuals from outside the community

# Representative Attitudes

- Idle poor characterized as vagabonds, beggars, drunkards
- 1645 – Virginia - Binding out of children of unemployed to prevent “sloath and idlenesse wherewith such young children are easily corrupted”
- 1727- Connecticut – “diverse idle and disorderly person” choose to “stroll from one country to another, neglecting labor”

Raymond A. Mohl, “Three Centuries of American Public Welfare: 1600-1932” *Current History*, Vol. 65, No. 383 (JULY, 1973), pp. 6-10, 38-39

# Who Were the Poor?

- Children, orphaned or in pauper families
- Sick
- Aged
- Blind or had a crippling injury
- Also seasonally employed, day laborers, immigrants, widows, runaway enslaved people, abandoned families, social misfits, refugees, mentally ill

# General Principles Adopted by Colonies

- Family first - Three generations of family required to care for person
- Needy person must be a resident and eligible for relief
  - Three-month residency
- Persons capable of work must do so
- Pauper and orphaned children could be apprenticed

# Towns

- Towns
  - Appointed Overseers of the Poor
  - Levied taxes to raise funds
  - Identified those in need and supplied relief
- Found in New England colonies
- Middle colony cities (e.g., Philadelphia)

# Who Were the Overseers of the Poor?

- Appointed by town or city or county
- Responsibilities of Overseers
  - Determining eligibility for services (e.g., residency)
  - Assessing needs
  - Providing services
  - Warning out
- In the latter part of the 18<sup>th</sup> century would establish a network of merchants to supply food and clothing

# Private Charities

- Religious
  - Episcopal Charitable Society of Boston (1724)
  - South Carolina Society (founded 1737 by Huguenots)
- Ethnic
  - The Scots Charitable Society (Boston, 1657)
  - Charitable Irish Society of Boston (1737)
- Other
  - Fellowship Society of Charleston (founded 1762)

# Outdoor Relief

- Non-institutional relief, in a home setting
- Funded by town or city taxes
- Methods:
  - Direct assistance to person - food, fuel, medicine in their own home
  - Boarding in someone else's home - host reimbursed by town
  - Pauper Auctions – town auctioned poor to lowest bidder
  - Indentures / Apprenticeships for children

1823  
fol. 29

Town of Danville  
in acct with Nathl Sturges  
Treasurer

			8	6
To	No			
Food	1	Enoch Moody for his Mother 1822	2	74
"	2	John W Jordan " Molly McKerny 1822	5	20
"	3	Enoch Moody " his Mother 1822	27	26
"	4	David Crockett " cloth of Michl Davis 1822	5	50
"	5	Simon Harris " Mrs Starbuck & children	31	00
"	6	Daniel Brannan " Dacas Rand 1822	24	01
"	7			

Boarding Out Payments

Town Treasurer, Danville, Maine,  
1823

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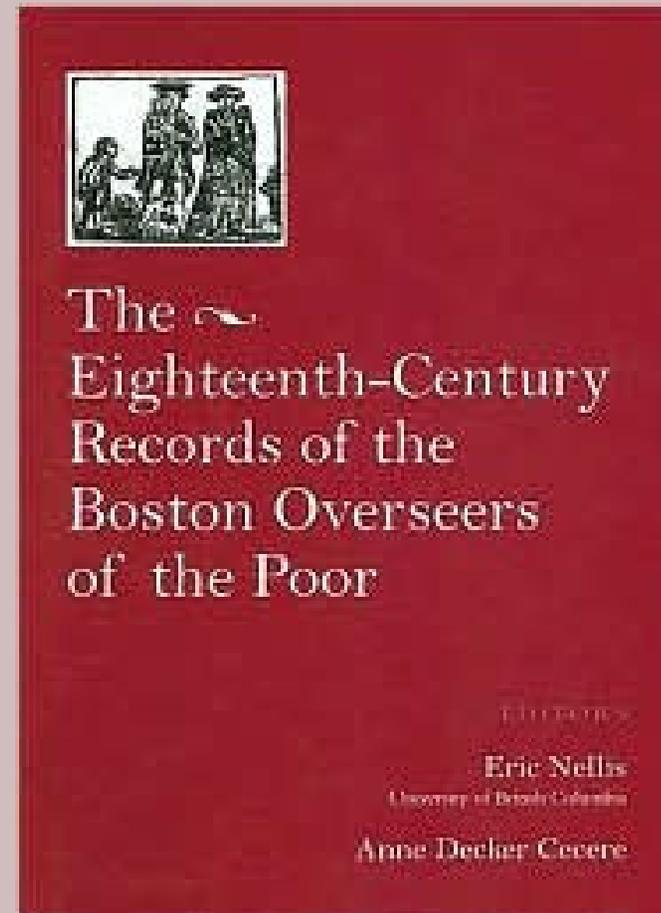
To 2 bushells & one peck of Turneps	2.4	
To house Rent from y <sup>e</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> of Feb <sup>r</sup> 1758	16	
To this day		
To a horse to fetch & carry a midwife from Rowbury to Stoughton	3	
To a hen & two chickens	1.4	
To 339 quarts of milk	2.4.2	
To 9 Duffen & 1/2 of Judgons	4	
To 4 lb of Cheese	1	
To 3 lb of Hoggs Fat	1.1.1	
To 45 lb of Mutton	9	
To Mr Richard Higgin for providing y <sup>e</sup> above Articles	10	
To Dr Nathan Bucknam for Sundry vizets & Medicines for y <sup>e</sup> French Exiles assigned to Stoughton	14.3.7.1	17
To Jeremiah Ingraham for Transporting French		2
To 13 bushells of Indian Corn of Mr Joseph Hartwell		0
To 39 lb of Salt pork	1.14.8	
To 1/2 bushel of Beans	13	
To 2 bushells of Potatoes	2.8	
	4	
	2.14.4	
Charge carried forward	18.11.1	

Direct Assistance

## Town of Stoughton 1758

# Finding Overseer Records

- Published Sources
- Town Record Books
  - Minutes
  - Town Treasurer
  - Warning Out
- County Records
  - Indentures



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Children's Names when Bound	when Bound	to Whom	when Free
Anthony Trazier	April 21 <sup>st</sup> 1756	Jacob Yeaton	Septem <sup>r</sup> 3 <sup>d</sup> 1770
William Thomas	May 11 <sup>th</sup> 1756	Joseph Johnston	Octe. . . 6. 1776.
Isiah Thomas	June 4 <sup>th</sup> 1756	Zachariah Towle	Janu <sup>a</sup> 8. 1769
James Gordon	June 18 <sup>th</sup> 1756	Robert M <sup>c</sup> Clure	April. . . 25. 1767
Eliz <sup>a</sup> Manning	June 18 <sup>th</sup> 1756	John Tilson	Novem <sup>r</sup> 15. 1768
Richard Griffis	June 29 <sup>th</sup> 1756	Samuel Bates	July. . . 20. 1771.
James Penaway	July 3. 1756	Israel Ashley	June. . . 2. 1766
Mary Miller	August 5. 1756	Rev <sup>d</sup> Gad Hitchcock	March. . 16. 1768.
William Brackett	August 6. 1756	William Lombard	Aug <sup>r</sup> . . . 6. 1772.
Mary Courtney	August 6. 1756	William Lombard	Aug <sup>r</sup> . . . 6. 1769.
Japhes Negro Boy	August 26 1756	Alex <sup>r</sup> Chamberlain	Sept <sup>r</sup> . . 12. 1767.
Thomas Negro Boy	August 26. 1756	Alex <sup>r</sup> Chamberlain	Nov <sup>r</sup> . . . 20. 1765.
Narius Thomsor	August 28. 1756	Joseph Boardman	Sept <sup>r</sup> . . 15. 1764
William Townsend	Septem <sup>r</sup> 1. 1756	John Corintnall	Sept <sup>r</sup> 17. 1767
Robert Humphrys	Octo <sup>r</sup> 6. 1756	Joseph Dyer	Sept <sup>r</sup> . . 16. 1771
Thomas Field	Nov <sup>r</sup> . . 3. 1756	Paul Khoroles	Decem <sup>r</sup> . 17. 1770
Bartholomew Lynch	Decem <sup>r</sup> 1. 1756	Joseph Roundey	April . . 24. 1771
John Stone	Decem <sup>r</sup> 1. 1756	John Skillins	March 11. 1761.
Mary Noell	Janu <sup>a</sup> 5. 1757	Andrew Delehar Esq <sup>r</sup>	May . . . 13. 1765
Francis Sumner	Febru <sup>a</sup> 2. 1757	Ph. Godfrid East	Janu <sup>a</sup> . . 1. 1766.
Thomas Sharp	Febru <sup>a</sup> 4. 1757	John Glover	March . . 16. 1770
		Benjamin Howard	March . . 5. 1767.

1 yr when bound

# Boston Children Bound Out

Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston Overseers of the Poor Records, 1733-1925, II. Almshouse records, 1735-1911, Reel 8, Box 9, Folder 1

Boston h May 1754

Granted by the Overseers of the Poor.

To Mercy Rayner & Phillip Marlow & Henderson	12	—
To Hannah Dyar in full of her disbursements	44	6
To Joseph Labinby for support of distracted & sick Prisoners in the Workhouse Subjects of the Almsh.	9	4
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To Aaron Clinton for keeping Joseph Clifford a poor Child aged 15 Months to be free at 21 year, as per Indenture	8	—
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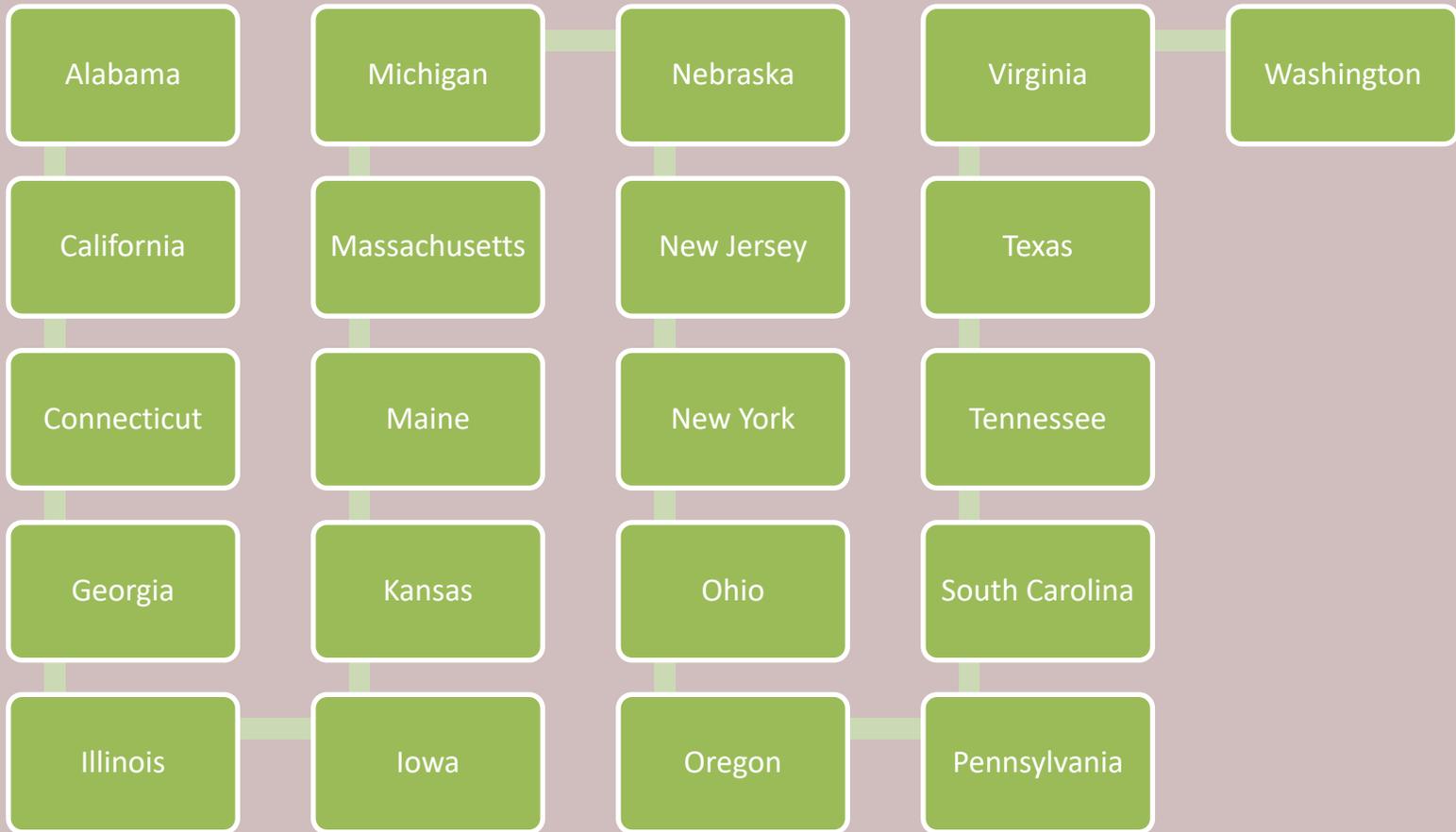
## Boston Overseers of Poor 1754

Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston Overseers of the Poor Records, 1733-1925 Reel 1, Box 1, Folder 2, Record of money granted at monthly meetings, 4 April 1738-1 March 1769

# 1880 Census Schedule

- The 1880 U.S. census has a separate population schedule for those deemed "Defective, Dependent, and Delinquent"
- The following classes are included in this schedule:
  - "Insane"
  - "Idiots"
  - Deaf-mutes
  - Blind
  - Paupers and indigent persons
  - Homeless children
  - Prisoners

# 1880 Census Schedule Available for the Following States



# Questions on 1880 Census Schedule (Paupers)

- Line and page # for 1880 Census
- Name
- Residence when at home
- How supported (City or town, county, state, or institution)
- Is this person able-bodied? Y/N
- Is he (or she) habitually intemperate? Y/N
- Is he (or she) epileptic?
- Had he (or she) been convicted of a crime?

# Questions on 1880 Census Schedule (Paupers) Cont'd

- If disabled, state form of disability
- Was this person born in the institution?
- Date of admission
- What other members of the family of this person are in this institution? Husband, wife, mother, father, sons, daughters, brothers, sisters
- Is this person also blind?
- Is he or she deaf and dumb?
- Is he or she insane?
- Is he or she idiotic?

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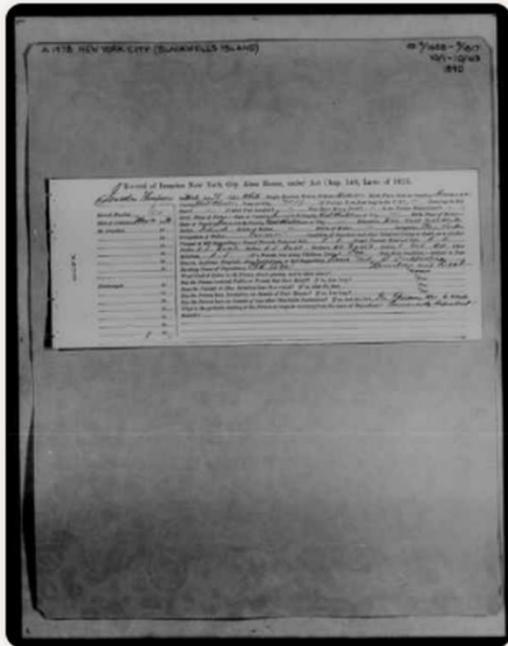
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# Jonathan Thompson

in the New York, U.S., Census of Inmates in Almshouses and Poorhouses, 1830-1920



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Name	Jonathan Thompson
Gender	Male
Age	78
Birth Year	abt 1812
Birth Place	New York, West Chester, United States
Admission Date	20 May 1890
Father's Birth Place	West Chester, America
Mother's Birth Place	West Chester, United States

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**Record of Inmates New York City Alms House, under Act Chap. 140, Laws of 1875.**

*Nathan Thompson* Sex, Male Age, 78 Color, White Single, Married, Widow, Widower, Widower Birth Place, State or Country, America  
 County, Westchester Town or City, Y. S. (If Foreign B. rn, how long in the U. S.? — How long in this State? — At what Port Landed? — Was Head Money Paid? — Is the Person Naturalized? —)  
 Record Number, 7816 Birth Place of Father — State or Country, America County, Westchester Town or City, — Birth Place of Mother — State or Country, America County, Westchester Town or City, — Education, Can read and write  
 Date of Admission, May 20 1890 Habits, Temper Habits of Father, — Habits of Mother, — Occupation, Stone Worker  
 Re-Admitted, 18— Occupation of Father, Farmer Condition of Ancestors and other Relatives (living or dead), as to whether Pauper or Self-Supporting — Grand Parents Paternal Side, P. S. Grand Parents Maternal Side, P. S.  
 18— Father, P. S. Dead Mother, P. S. Dead Brothers, as Dead Sisters, 1 us 25 Other Relatives, P. S. (If a Parent, how many Children Living? One State their Condition — whether in Poor Houses, Asylums, Hospitals, other Institutions, or Self-Supporting, None  
 18— Existing Cause of Dependence, Old Age Homeless and Destitute  
 18— What kind of Labor is the Person able to pursue, and to what extent? none  
 18— Has the Person received Public or Private Out-Door Relief? If so, how long? no  
 18— Have the Parents or other Relatives been thus aided? If so, state the fact, no  
 18— Has the Person been, heretofore, an Inmate of Poor Houses? If so, how long? no  
 18— Has the Person been an Inmate of any other Charitable Institution? If so, note the fact, In Bellevue Hosp 6 weeks  
 18— What is the probable destiny of the Person as respects recovery from the cause of Dependence? Permanently dependent  
 18— Remarks: —  
 18—  
 18—

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1890 Inmates Census, New York City Alms House, Ancestry.com

# Searching Poorhouse Records

- Check genealogy web sites like FamilySearch.org under the county where the person resided
  - Note: Not all of these records have been digitized and may be at county or state archives and historical societies
- County poorhouse records may NOT have an index
- Use the approximate dates for when they may have been admitted

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[Records, 1826-1914](#) Author: St. Lawrence County (New York). County Poorhouse + ADD

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## Records, 1826-1914

<b>Authors</b>	<a href="#">St. Lawrence County_(New York). County Poorhouse</a> (Author)
<b>Format</b>	Microfilm 35mm
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Publication Date</b>	1981
<b>Publisher</b>	Filed by the Genealogical Society of Utah
<b>Place of Publication</b>	Salt Lake City, Utah
<b>Physical</b>	on 2 microfilm reels ; 35 mm.

### Notes

Microfilm of original records is possession of Walter and Mary Smallman, Hermon, New York.

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Note	Location	Collection/Shelf	Film	Image Group Number (DGS)	Format
Records of inmates, accounts 1826-1866	<a href="#">Granite Mountain Record Vault</a>	United States & Canada Film	1304692 Items 8-11	7899503	
Records of inmates 1854-1914	<a href="#">Granite Mountain Record Vault</a>	United States & Canada Film	1304693 Items 1-3	7899504	 

1868	Names of Paupers	Received from	Discharged	at	Time
June 1	Betsy Wood	65	Can		
"	John Beslow	12	Can		
5	Robert Stuart	50	Fre		
"	Alexander Stuart	70	Fre		
4	Mariah McDonald	22	Can		
12	Emily Pitchard child born				
"	W. M. Dimick	57	pt		
x 79	Mary Perry child born				
"	Albert Delancey	38	Can		
"	Betsy Clark	56	Hy		
27	Emily Larue	41	Can		

1868 Inmate Register, St. Lawrence County Poor House, FamilySearch.org

# Pauper Burials

- Usually paid by the local Overseers of the Poor, town governments, or churches
- Depending on the town these may be recorded separately from other deaths/burials
- Paupers were often buried in "potter's fields" and may have unmarked graves



## Record of burials of indigents, 1931-1961

<b>Authors</b>	<a href="#">Sacramento County Cemetery (Sacramento, California)</a> (Author)
<b>Format</b>	Microfilm 35mm
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Publication Date</b>	1990
<b>Publisher</b>	Filmed by the Genealogical Society of Utah
<b>Place of Publication</b>	Salt Lake City, Utah
<b>Physical</b>	1 microfilm reel ; 35 mm.
<b>References</b>	(See Also) <a href="#">Sacramento County burial grounds</a>

### Notes

Microfilm of records located at the Sexton's Office, St. Mary's Cemetery, Sacramento.

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Richishita	Fukutaro U-10477 3-15-56 Klempp	Kennedy	Albert Ralph U-10990 6-1-56 Cramer
King	William Frank U-10465 3-17-56 Klempp	Kitchen	Stanley U-10554 6-3-56 Klempp
Kriner	Richard Wayne U-109824 3-21-56	Kachiwada	Mitsuna U-11343 6-14-56 Daggett

Sacramento, California County Indigent Burials,  
FamilySearch



# QUESTIONS?

# Native Americans

# The Approach

- Native Americans are one of the most marginalized groups in the United States. They were forcibly removed from their lands and have experienced loss of culture through governmental policies that forced assimilation.
- First, identify the tribe of your ancestor. This involves multiple records like vital records, census records, tribal enrollment records, and more.
  - DNA can be used as a tool to assist you.

# Why can't I find them in the Census?

1790

- “Omitting Indians not taxed, distinguishing free persons, including those bound to service, from all others.”
- Indians living “wild,” generally meaning plains Indians in the west, or on reservations, were not taxed—but those who were enumerated were recorded in the “all other free” column on the census form.

1800

- Indians living off of reservations and not “wild” would have been recorded in the “all other free persons” column on the census form.
- Options were free, white, slave and “all other free persons.”

1810 –

- Indians living off of reservations would have been recorded in the “all others” column on the census form.
- Options were free white, slave and “all other.”

1820

- Indians living off of reservations would have been recorded in the “free colored persons” categories.
- Other options were free whites, slaves and “all others except Indians not taxed.”

# Why can't I find them in the Census?

1830

- Indians living off of reservations and not “wild” would have been recorded in the “free colored persons” category. Other options were free whites and slaves.

1840

- Essentially the same as 1830 with the exception that an additional column labeled “pensioners for revolutionary or military services” with a blank for the pensioner’s name to be included and applies to all individuals.

1850

- First census in which every individual in the household was enumerated.
- In prior years, only the name of the head of household was recorded and other household members were recorded by age grouping by category.
- In 1850, the instructions say that Indians not taxed (meaning on reservations) were not to be enumerated and the categories for race were white, black, mulatto.
- If your ancestor looked “dark” and was an Indian, chances are they were recorded as M for mulatto.

CONTINUED FROM "A" SIDE OF SHEET.

The following instructions apply to columns 33 to 46:

**Columns 33, 34, and 35. Tribal relations.**—If the Indian was born in this country answers should be obtained, if possible, to inquiries 12, 13, and 14, relating to the state or territory of birth of the person and of his or her parents. In any event, take particular pains to secure the name of the tribe with which the person is connected and the name of the tribe of each of his or her parents, and enter the same in columns 33, 34, and 35.

**Columns 36, 37, and 38. Proportions of Indian and other blood.**—If the Indian is a full-blood, write "full" in column 36, and leave columns 37 and 38 blank. If the Indian is of mixed blood, write in columns 36, 37, and 38 the fractions which show the proportions of Indian and other blood, as (column 36, Indian)  $\frac{1}{2}$ , (column 37, white)  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and (column 38, negro) 0. For Indians of mixed blood all three columns should be filled, and the sum, in each case, should equal 1, as  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 0,  $\frac{1}{2}$ ;  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ , 0;  $\frac{3}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ,  $\frac{1}{4}$ ; etc.

Wherever possible, the statement that an Indian is of full blood should be verified by inquiry of the older men of the tribe, as an Indian is sometimes of mixed blood without knowing it.

**Column 39. Number of times married.**—If the Indian is married, enter in this column the number of times he or she has been married.

**Column 40. Whether now living in polygamy.**—If the Indian man is living with more than one wife, write "Yes" in this column; otherwise, write "No."

**Column 41. If living in polygamy, whether the wives are sisters.**—If the Indian man is living with more than one wife, and if his wives are sisters, write "Yes" in this column. If his wives are not sisters, write "No."

**Column 42. Graduated from what educational institution.**—If the Indian is a graduate of any educational institution, give the name and location of such institution.

**Column 43. Is this Indian taxed?**—An Indian is to be considered "taxed" if he or she is detached from his or her tribe and is living among white people as an individual, and as such is subject to taxation (whether he or she actually pays taxes or not); or if he or she is living with his or her tribe but has received an allotment of land, and thereby has acquired citizenship. In either of these two cases write "Yes" in this column.

An Indian on a reservation, without an allotment, or roaming over unsettled territory, is considered "not taxed," and for such Indians the answer to this inquiry is "No."

**Column 44. If Indian has received allotment, give year of allotment.**—If the Indian has received an allotment of land, enter, in column 44, the year in which the allotment was made.

**Column 45. Residing on his own lands.**—If the Indian lives on his or her own land, write "Yes" in this column; if the Indian lives elsewhere, write "No."

**Column 46. Living in civilized or aboriginal dwelling.**—If the Indian is living in a house of civilized design, as a

## 1910 Instructions

### SPECIAL INQUIRIES RELATING TO INDIA

Title of this Indian.	Title of Father of this Indian.	Title of Mother of this Indian.	PERCENTAGE OF INDIAN BLOOD IN THIS INDIVIDUAL			Number of times married.	Whether now living in polygamy.	If living in polygamy, whether the wife or wives are colored.	GRADUATED FROM WHAT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION.	Is this Indian taxed?	RESIDENT AND DWELLING.		
			Indian.	White.	Other.						Residing on his own land.	Living in city, town or village last dwelling.	
33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46
Pembocot	Pembocot	Huron	3/4	1/4	0	1				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	3/4	1/4	0	1				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	3/4	1/4	0	1				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	3/4	1/4	0	2				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Malicate	Full							No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	American	1/2	1/2	0	1				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	Full			1				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	3/4	1/4	0					No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	3/4	1/4	0					No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	Full			1				No	yes	land	
Panamagood	Panamagood	Panamagood	Full			2				No	yes	land	
Malicate	Esquiate	Esquiate	1		0	1				No	yes	land	
Panamagood	Panamagood	White man	1/4	3/4	0					No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	3/4	1/4	0	1				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	American	Pembocot	1/4	3/4	0	1				No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	1/2	1/2	0					No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	1/2	1/2	0					No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	1/2	1/2	0					No	yes	land	
Pembocot	Pembocot	Pembocot	1/2	1/2	0					No	yes	land	
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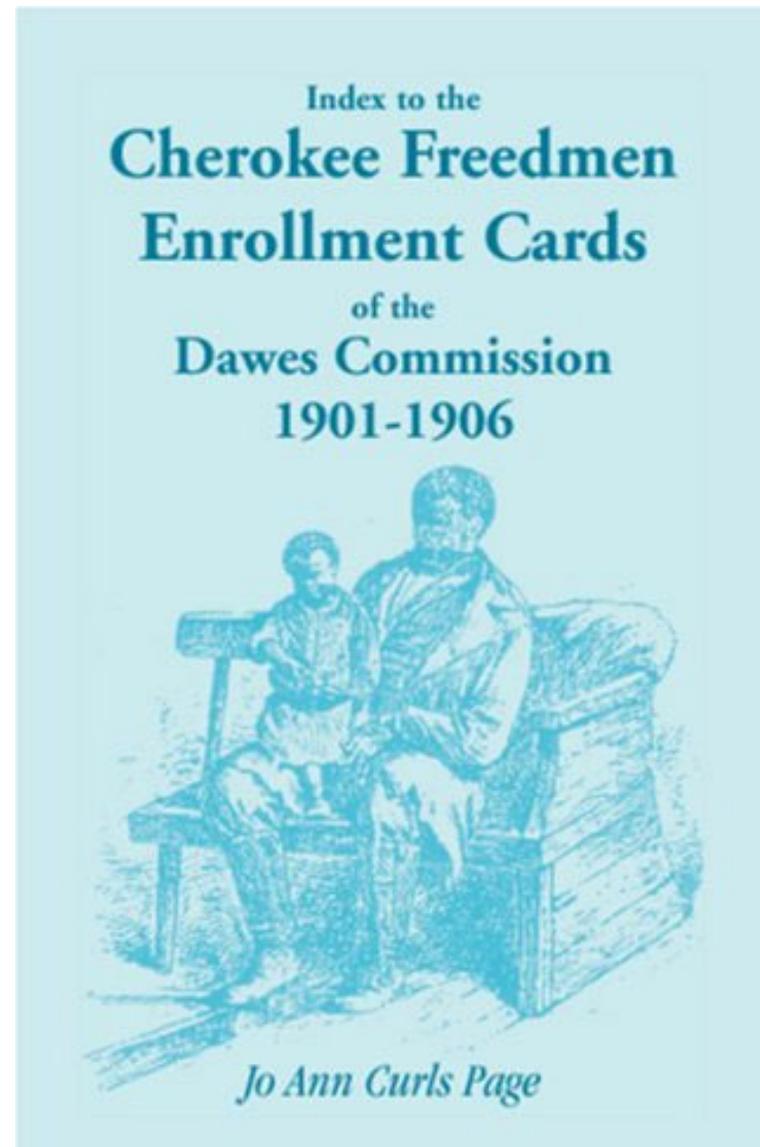
## "Special Inquiries Relating to Indians"

# The Removal Act of 1830

- President Andrew Jackson granted land west of the Mississippi River to Native American tribes that would give up their homelands.
- By the end of his presidency, almost 50,000 Native Americans were removed to Indian Territory
  - West of the Mississippi River
  - Excluded the states of Missouri, Iowa, and the Territory of Arkansas

# Dawes Act

- Passed in 1887 under President Grover Cleveland
- Allowed the federal government to divide tribal lands. Native Americans who accepted the division were allowed to become U.S. citizens.
- 160 acres of farmland or 320 acres of grazing land was granted to the head of each Native American family.
- To receive allotment, enroll with the Office of Indian Affairs. Their name went on the "Dawes rolls".



# Dawes Final Rolls Index

This is the index to the Dawes Final Rolls, listing individuals eligible for enrollment in the Five Civilized Tribes in Indian Territory. Each entry includes the enrollee's name, final roll number, blood quantum, and index page.

Please note: Not every roll number in this index corresponds to an individual listed in the original Dawes Rolls. The final rolls include additions from court filings, new births, and other updates.

Use this index to find your ancestor's correct roll number. Once you have their enrollment category and final roll number, [search the Dawes Rolls](#) to locate their census card. You can do this automatically by clicking on their Roll ID in the results.

First Name	Last Name
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Tribe	Last	First	Middle	Age	Sex	Blood	Card #	Roll #	Misc	Type
Choctaw	Brown	Agnes		50	F	FULL	<a href="#">599</a>	1372	KULLI TUKLO	BB
Choctaw	Brown	Austin		7	M	FULL	<a href="#">599</a>	1375	KULLI TUKLO	BB
Choctaw	Brown	Byington			M		<a href="#">599</a>			P
Choctaw	Brown	Grayson		12	M	FULL	<a href="#">599</a>	1373	KULLI TUKLO	BB
Choctaw	Brown	Mary		10	F	FULL	<a href="#">599</a>	1374	KULLI TUKLO	BB
Choctaw	John				M		<a href="#">599</a>			P

The following letter guide was furnished by the National Archives. These letters can appear both on Type and Card number.

A – Adopted AD- Adopted Delaware BB – By Blood D – Doubtful or denied F – Freedman FD – Freedman, doubtful or denied FM – Freedman, minor	FRR – Freedman, rejected IW – Intermarried White MCR – Mississippi Choctaw Rejected NR – Not Registered, Non Resident O – Owner – at one time a slave OS – Old Series* Old Settler P – Parent
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# U.S., Native American Applications for Enrollment in Five Civilized Tribes, 1898-1914

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Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Fairland, I.T., July 11th, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Wesley B. Hillen for enrollment as an intermarried Cherokee citizen, and for the enrollment of his wife and his wife's minor children as Cherokees by blood; being duly sworn, and examined by Commissioner Needles, he testified as follows

Q What is your name? A Wesley B. Hillen.  
Q What is your age? A 33.  
Q What is your post office address? A Fairland.  
Q Where do you live? A 4 miles north of Fairland.  
Q How long have you lived there? A About 7 years.  
Q Where did you live prior to that time? A I have been in the Territory nearly all my life.  
Q Are you a Cherokee? A No, sir.  
Q Do you make application as a Cherokee by intermarriage? A Yes, sir.  
Q What is the name of your wife? A Samantha.  
Q Is she upon the roll of 1880? A I don't know.  
Q What was her name before she married? A Samantha Duncan.  
Q What was her father's name? A Garrett Lane.  
(The name of Samantha Duncan is found on roll of 1880, page 246, No. 776, Delaware District.)  
Q When were you married? A In 1893.  
Q What was your wife's age? A She was born in 1846.  
Q That would make her 53? A Yes, sir.  
Q Have you your marriage certificate? A Yes, sir.  
Q Have you any children by Samantha Duncan? A No, sir.  
Q Have you ever applied to the Dawes Commission before for enrollment? A No, sir.  
Q Have you ever applied to any of the authorities of the Cherokee Nation for enrollment? A No, sir, I am on the 1896 roll.  
(On roll of 1896, Delaware District, page 574, No. 260.)

Wesley B. Hillen's name being found upon the authenticated roll of 1896, and he presenting a certificate of his marriage, which is examined and found satisfactory evidence as to his legal marriage under the laws of the Cherokee Nation, and his wife, Samantha Hillen, being found upon the authenticated roll of 1880, page 246, No. 776, Delaware District, and being fully identified as the identical Samantha Duncan who was then enrolled, which is conclusive evidence of her rights to citizenship, Wesley B. Hillen and his wife, Samantha Hillen, will be enrolled as citizens of the Cherokee Nation on the rolls of the same which are being made by this Commission.

Samantha Hillen, being duly sworn, and examined by Commissioner Needles, testified as follows:

Q What is your name? A Samantha Hillen.  
Q What is the name of your first husband? A My first husband was James Swiss.  
Q When did he die? A He died in 1863.  
Q Did you live with him till the time of his death? A Yes, sir.  
Q What was the name of your next husband? A Frank Barnett.  
Q Is he dead? A Yes, sir.  
Q When did he die? A He died in 1864 I believe.  
Q Did you live with him until the time of his death? A Yes, sir; he died in 1870, I think.  
Q Then your next husband is Mr. Hillen? A No, sir, Buford A. Duncan.  
Q When did he die? A He has been dead 10 or 11 years I think.  
Q Did you live with him until the time of his death? A Yes, sir.  
Q What was the name of your next husband? A W. B. Hillen.  
Q Is Buford Duncan's name upon the roll of 1880? A Yes, sir, I think he was, but he is dead.

Native American Application for Enrollment,  
Cherokee, Ancestry.com

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## Description

This database provides an index to the Appendix of *1861 Massachusetts Earle Report of Native Americans from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts*. The index was created in 2020 by David Allen Lambert, Chief Genealogist of American Ancestors & New England Historic Genealogical Society. It includes the names, tribal membership, tribe/race, and location where the Native Americans resided in Massachusetts in 1861. The database is searchable by name, location, and tribe.

The *1861 Massachusetts Earle Report of Native Americans from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts*, is a unique census substitute is the only attempt by the Commonwealth to identify those associated with Native Americans in the Commonwealth, and those formerly of the Commonwealth residing outside of Massachusetts. It has been used as a genealogical reference by many Massachusetts area tribes to determine if someone may qualify as a member on the current tribal membership rolls as a descendant.

John Milton Earle was born at Leicester, Massachusetts, 13 April 1794 and died at Worcester, Mass. 8 February 1874. Earle was a Massachusetts politician, and editor of the Massachusetts Spy and later the Daily Spy newspapers from 1823-1857 in Worcester. He was an avid abolitionist in rallying support for the end of slavery in the Commonwealth as a Whig. Earle served as a member of the Massachusetts House of Representatives 1844-46, and 1850-52. He would later serve in the Massachusetts Senate in 1858. Earle would be appointed the Commissioner of Indian Affairs of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. It was during his tenure as Commissioner that the Senate passed an Act of April 6, 1859 to complete a report on the Native American population of the Commonwealth.

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MARSHPEE TRIBE—Continued.

NAME.	Age.	Sex or Condition.	Tribe or Race.	Occupation.	Residence.	Personal Property.	Acres of Land in severalty.	Value of Land.	Value of Land and Buildings.
Abner Hicks, . . . .	75	Married, . .	Colored, (for.)	Farmer, . . . .	Marshpee, . . . .	\$175	-	-	-
Sally Hicks, . . . .	75	" . . . .	Marshpee, . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	180	\$1,080	\$1,330
Eleanor B. Hicks, . . . .	34	Single, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Amanda M. Hicks, . . . .	12	Girl, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Frankie Hicks, . . . .	7	Boy, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Mercy A. Hicks, . . . .	4 mos.	Girl, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Horace A. Hicks, . . . .	15	Boy, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Andrew Hicks, . . . .	12	" . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	30	90	-
Mary T. P. Low, . . . .	19	Single, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	30	90	-
Ariel F. Low, . . . .	17	Boy, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	20	80	-
Susanna A. Low, . . . .	15	Girl, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	20	80	-
Carmeta F. Low, . . . .	12	" . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	20	80	-
Cornelius E. Low, . . . .	6	Boy, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	20	80	-
Hannah P. Low, . . . .	3	Girl, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	20	80	-
Hebron Hicks, . . . .	43	Married, . .	" . . . .	Miner, . . . .	California, . . . .	-	60	180	-
Mercy Hicks, . . . .	44	" . . . .	" . . . .	-	Marshpee, . . . .	-	60	180	-
Thomas L. Hicks, . . . .	16	Boy, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Melora E. Hicks, . . . .	15	Girl, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Christopher Hinson, . . . .	77	Married, . .	" . . . .	Farmer, . . . .	" . . . .	-	60	220	260
Susanna Hinson, . . . .	77	" . . . .	-	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Hezekiah Jackson, . . . .	32	" . . . .	Colored, (for.)	Laborer, . . . .	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Jerusha Jackson, . . . .	22	" . . . .	Marshpee, . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	60	300	325
Lafayette Jackson, . . . .	3	Boy, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-
Fanny L. Jackson, . . . .	1	Girl, . . . .	" . . . .	-	" . . . .	-	-	-	-

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INDIANS OF MASSACHUSETTS.  
[March,

1861 Massachusetts Earle Report,  
AmericanAncestors.org - Marshpee Tribe

# Bureau of Indian Affairs

- Oversaw boarding schools to Americanize native children
- These schools started in the early 1800s. Children were removed from their families and their homes on the reservations.
  - Ex. Carlisle Indian School

*Bloomfield Seminary, Boarding SCHOOL*  
(Name) (Boarding of Day)

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE, Quarter ending Sept 30, 1924.

No.	NAME	AGE	TRIBE	DEGREE OF INDIAN BLOOD	AGENCY AND RESERVATION, IF NOT ENROLLED ON RESERVATION, POST OFFICE OF FAMILY.	DATE OF ENTRY THIS YEAR	DATE OF ORIGINAL ENTRY IN THIS SCHOOL	Months in school before enrollment here.	TOTAL MONTHS ATTENDANCE AT ALL SCHOOLS	IN WHAT TRADE OR INDUSTRY INSTRUCTED DURING QUARTER.	IN WHAT GRADE.		Distance to nearest public school from pupil's home.	Number of days in attendance during quarter.	REMARKS. (Temporarily absent, out-of-school, on sick leave, special authorities for enrollment, etc.)	No.
											On entering here.	At date of this report.				
1	Alexander, Caroline	14	Chickasaw	Full	Davis, Okla.	9-8-24	9-8-24	27	28	Home Economics	5 <sup>2</sup>	4 <sup>2</sup>	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	23		1
2	Madeline	12	"	"	Stedman, "	"	"	24	24 <sup>5</sup> / <sub>8</sub>	"	3	3	3	10	Dropped 9-18-24	2
3	Lucille	9	"	"	Davis, "	"	"	15	16	"	2	2	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>2</sub>	23		3
4	Atkins, Hattie	15	"	"	Stonewall, "	9-8-24	9-8-22	27	55	"	4	5	1 <sup>1</sup> / <sub>4</sub>	23		4
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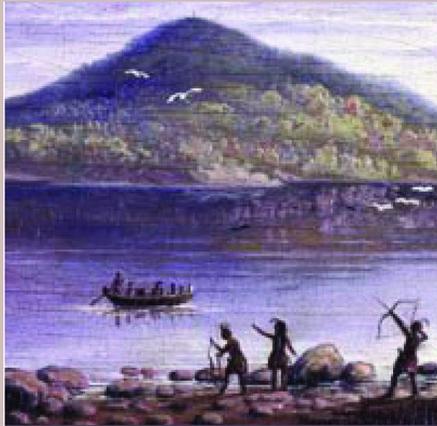
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1. Alexander, Elmer	Creek	1/2	8	3	Christine Alexander,	Broken Arrow,	Tulsa
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8. " , Sam	"	1/4	15	8	" " ,	" "	"
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12. " , Harrison,	"	"	9	4	Lucinda Barnett,	Sapulpa, "	Creek
13. " , Waite	"	"	13	7	" " ,	" , "	"
14. Beaver, Louis	"	"	14	8	Nellie Barnett,	46 East Locust st.	
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					Turner Beaver,	Eufaula, Okla.	McIntosh

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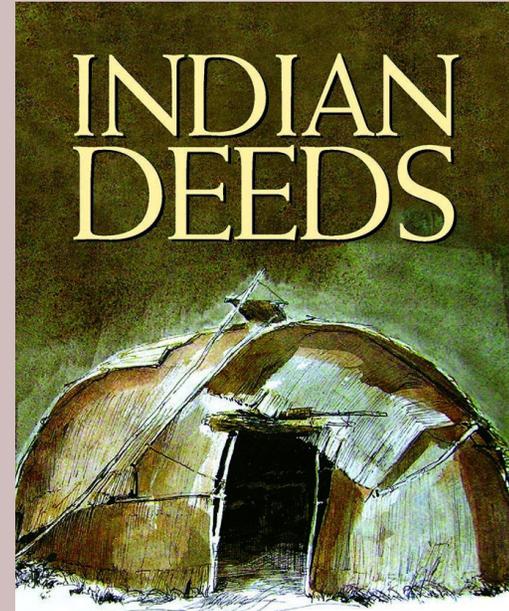
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