

Among Cousins

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Dear Cousins,

February 15, 1990 came and went this year and **Among Cousins** was not near completion. Yes, I know, I have been late in the past, but never this bad. As it appears now, I will be a month late delivering **Among Cousins** to subscribers. Forgive me. This is a time of transition for me. Times will be better I am sure. For now, between teaching two courses part time, carrying out the preparation for a large conference in April, working on a book and

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incidentally, doing my work, in addition to attempting to spend more good time with my children, and keeping up with the Bland family history work, I find myself mired in a quagmire of my own making. It seems as if everything struck at once. This high-pressure situation should end in April, which will give me the chance to get a better start on the next number.

Thinking About the Future

In a previous number, I indicated that I would like to expand the **TRANSITIONS** section of **Among Cousins** to include births and marriages, as well as deaths. This stems in part from a certain inclination toward newsiness, because I know **Among Cousins** is a means of communication for many of you. But there also is a genealogical motive. Let us take this example: Amanda Leigh Lillard was born August 8, 1989, the first grandchild of Jim and Gerry Lillard of Tampa Florida. Amanda is the daughter of James W. Lillard Jr. and his wife Cynthia Kay Van Winkle Lillard, who live in Tampa. After seeing Amanda's photo, I have no difficulty understanding why Jim and Gerry skipped the Mississippi Reunion to be with her.

Now, for those of you whose ancestral grandmother is Catherine Key, wife of William Bland (C1682-1744), or Elizabeth Randolph (C1685-1720) or Anne Poythress (1712-1758), (this includes most of us) imagine how thrilled you would be to discover a document that included a pencil drawing or lock of hair, or brief anecdote about either of them. It has now been some 275 years since either of these ladies walked upon the earth and we know that because the poor characteristically left no such traces and even the well to do have had them lost in time, war, fires and fits of anger by jealous relations. But you would love to find something like that, right? Imagine then, how it will be in the year 2265 for one of Amanda's Bland descendants to come across this information about her, when they check into the Church of Latter Day Saints library, where this Newsletter is on micro-fiche or whatever its on by then, and after plowing through many volumes, find her name. See what I mean? So let me have those marriage and birth notices, and birth photos (bright contrast or, rare event these days, high quality black and white, for photographic efficiency). As the Joker said, "Think about the future."

The Fifth National Bland Reunion, August 12-13, 1989 The Fifth National Bland Reunion met at Cumberland Mississippi, August 12-13, 1989. The local turn out was very good, and there was a great deal of warmth and southern hospitality in evidence. I was gratified also that the reunion fired up the enthusiasm for research among several members of the Mississippi Blands, who descend from Joseph Henry Bland (1785-1862) and Mary Ann May Rea (1793-1850), (see discussion below, p.). The sponsors were "Hop" and Angelia Alford of Meban, and their son Ken Alford. Total attendance was 111, with representation from fourteen states.

A surplus of \$575. was used as follows: (1) Placement of two copies of A Vision of Unity in libraries in Tennessee and Mississippi (see discussion below), \$120.; (2) Creation of a perpetual care fund for the Marvin Hill Cemetery near Meban and Cumberland, where many Bland descendants are buried, \$305.; and (3) reimbursement to me for postage and other expenses related to the reunion, \$150.

After departing the National Bland Reunion on August 13, I stopped for a visit to a local Bland reunion that was held at the Spring Hill Congregational Methodist Church in Toccopola, Lafayette County Mississippi, (Faulkner Country). While there, I was given a tour of the church cemetery where many Blands are buried and I got many inscriptions, to be used below (pp. 11-15).

The Projected Sixth National Bland Reunion The Sixth National Bland Reunion will be held August 10-12, 1990 at Dumfries Virginia, in Stafford-Prince William County, near Powell's Creek, which is where the Northern Virginia Bland family got its origins in the early 18th Century. The Reunion will be sponsored by Thomas Bland of Burke, Virginia, his brother William and their wives. Details will be mailed out in May.

I would like to propose that anyone who has special expertise in research issues in these Northern Virginia counties or in Washington D.C. (DAR; National Archives; Library of Congress etc.) and would like to address the group or do a workshop during the Reunion, should contact either Thomas Bland, 19586 Reeds Circle Landing, Burke Virginia 22015, or me.

A word of early warning is in order. Dumfries is within range of Washington D.C. Research opportunities are abundant and there are many historical sights to see and I would expect this reunion to be well attended, so there will be many Blands to meet. But for those of you who are travelling from out of state, remember that the proximity to Washington unavoidably drives up the lodging rates. You should expect to pay \$50. to \$55. per day for a room at the Reunion Headquarters, which will be Howard Johnson's. The rate is competitive with other motels and motor inns in the area. Having said that, I look forward to seeing you in August.

Library Donations This has been a banner year for new library donations.

Gordon and Frances Owens of Newton Square Pennsylvania donated a copy of A Vision of Unity to the Oklahoma Genealogical Society, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

As noted above, surplus funds from the Fifth National Bland Reunion were used to donate copies of A Vision of Unity to The Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Jackson, Mississippi, and The Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville, Tennessee.

In May of 1989, an anonymous donor agreed to donate 10 copies of A Vision of Unity to libraries around the country, during a two year period. The first five volumes were placed in:

The Alabama Archives and History Department, Montgomery Alabama.

The Evans Memorial Library, Aberdeen Mississippi.

The Missouri State Library, Jefferson City Missouri.

The Mitchell Memorial Library, Mississippi State University, Jackson, Mississippi.

The State Library of Florida, Tallahassee, Florida.

I am grateful for these generous donations. While use of them may not be spectacular, I have had a surprising number of inquiries from persons who have come upon A Vision of Unity in a library they visited, so I think it is an effective way of generating shared research.

Your donation would be welcome. If you have a favorite library that to which you would like to donate a copy of A Vision of Unity, please feel free to write or call me. Your donation is tax deductible.

Becker's Bookshelf I would like to call to your attention a promising genealogical book rental agency called Becker's Bookshelf. For a list of publications available and rental rates, write to Charlene Becker, 1314 Prospect Avenue, Norfolk, Nebraska 68701.

Transition In addition to the birth of Amanda Leigh Lillard, noted on page one, I received word from Gordon and Frances Owens of Newton Square Pennsylvania of the birth on July 21, 1988 of their granddaughter Sarah Noel Owens, daughter of Douglas Owens. John Bland of Elizabethtown Kentucky announced the birth of his niece, Meredith Ashley Bland on May 25, 1989. Meredith is the daughter of Michael and Barbara Bland of Cooper City Florida. Howard and Sandra Bland of Tupelo Mississippi announced the birth of a granddaughter, Teresa Bland Wallace, on June 1, 1989. Mary Bland Smart of Bremond Texas, who descends through the James River line, and her husband Chester, announced birth of their granddaughter Cassandra Renee Smart on December 3, 1989. The parents are William and Samantha Smart of Bremond.

Edith Lanning of Dunnellon Florida sent me a clipping from the Grants Pass, Oregon, Daily Courier, citing the death of Herbert Bland, age 78, on September 16, 1984. Herbert was a railroad conductor who was born in Merlin, Oregon August 18, 1906 and lived in Dunsmuir California between 1924-1972. John W. Bland of Elizabethtown Kentucky informed me of the death on September 3, 1988, of Edgar U. "Sonny" Cave, husband of John's aunt Betty Akers Bland Cave of Hardin County Kentucky. I also received reports of the deaths in 1988, (dates unspecified) of George _____

Carlton Bland, brother of Richard Parks Bland of Denver Colorado and of Stephen and Worth Bland, cousins of Betty Bland Lovvorn of Coltewah Tennessee. Fredrick Bland of Pontotoc Mississippi reported to me the death of his wife Pauline Coleman Bland on April 17, 1989. John W. Bland also reported the death on April 21, 1989 of Lee Hulse Van Hoy, whose wife Adrian Van Hoy was descended from the Bland's of Hardin County Kentucky.

Daisy Smith Bland, age 86 and mother of Lenore Bland Brown of Paris Texas, died on August 12, 1989. Daisy married John Herbert Bland of Concordia Kansas on August 12, 1924. John was a member of the family of James O.D. Bland (1824-1907) who descended from James Bland of Chatham County North Carolina (1749-1799).

In a note dated September 14, 1989, I received word of the death of Lois Cramer of San Diego California, after a long illness. Lois descended from the Blands of Fauquier and Frederick Counties Virginia, through the line of Joseph Bland and Susan Bailey Johnson and their son Thomas Bland (1789-1874). Lois provided a great deal of information about this line in 1985 and subsequently sent me many post cards from Cumberland County England, Penrith, St. Andrew's Parish, which to our current thinking is a birth place of the Northern Virginia Bland family.

I received a return envelope from Blanche Blagg of Harris Missouri, dated September 18, 1989, indicating that she was deceased. This is something of a cautionary tale. I had only corresponded briefly with Blanche and cannot reasonably expect her family, short of instructions from her, to let me know more about her death.

I received word from Marilieu Bland Stanley of Dallas Texas that her husband died on November 19, 1989.

Finally, I received word from Laverne Bland of Edgerton Missouri that his step-father, Cleatis James Bland died December 16, 1989, just four days short of his eightieth birthday. Mr. Bland was also the father of Delores Sellars of Joliet Illinois, who has attended past Bland reunions. Cleatis James Bland (1909-1989), was the son of John William and Druscilla Jane Bland. Their son Vernon Virgil Bland (1915-1948) married Esther Haney and they were parents of Laverne Bland. After the death of Vernon Virgil Bland, the widow Esther Haney Bland married Vernon's brother Cleatis James Bland (AC 1-2, p. 9)

Reconstruction of Photographs for A Vision of Unity As noted in the last number of the Newsletter, my manuscript of **A Vision of Unity** was lost and I was forced to reconstruct it from a copy of the book. For the publication of the book to be published in June, and thereafter, I would like to reconstruct the photographs. If you have photographs that you think useful, please contact me by letter or phone, or send them to me for review. If I do not receive any new photographs, I will cull those previously published in the Newsletters.

Please keep in mind that this does not mean the narrative of the book will be revised. Only the photographic arrangements will be changed.

Change of Address As you may have noted, I have listed a new address because of changes in my life. I am at present uncertain where I will settle permanently though I am very sure it will be in this area. For that reason, it is best to write to PO Box 523, Williamsville New York, 14231-0523. My home phone is 716-83BLAND for your easy reference (832-5263). During this period I am teaching two courses and do a lot of computer work at my office, so most nights I am out until quite late. If, therefore, you call and I am not in, leave a number where and when you can be reached and I will get back to you within 24 hours.

Bid for Blands At Grant's Pass Oregon, date uncertain, a woman named Judy Moore bid "top dollar" for a date with 42 year old Gary Bland, director of trust investments for Boeing Aircraft. The money went to the March of Dimes. Bland said "I'm thrilled. I figure the only bad date is a woman who won't go out with you.¹ I never dreamed anyone would pay so much for an evening with me."

THE VIRGINIA FAMILIES

The James River Family

Dr. William B. Cleveland of Cleveland Ohio sent me information clarifying the line of Richard Bland (1769-1807), so of Peter Randolph Bland (1736-1781) and his wife Judith Booker. (VU. P. 163 and AC 5-1, pp. 14-17 and AC 7-1, pp. 7-9). Peter Randolph Bland and Judith Booker had four children, Richard, Peter, Edward and Ann.

Richard Bland (C1769-1807). Richard married Elizabeth Ridley Dickens, as proven by a Dickens family bible. This corrects my information that Richard married Sally Dickens. Richard and Elizabeth married in Caswell County, North Carolina, September 22, 1790, but moved back to Nottoway County Virginia, (AC 3-1, p. 15). Richard Bland and Elizabeth Ridley Dickens had four children and Mr. Cleveland provided further information about two of them:

1. Peter Randolph Bland (AC 5-1, p. 16; AC 7-1, p. 7). It is worth noting that Peter was named after his grandfather Peter Randolph Bland, and also had an uncle Peter Randolph Bland, just to keep later generations of genealogists on their toes.

¹ Gary should talk to me about that.

2. Sally Dickens Bland (1795-1861). Sally married William Brodnax (not Broadnax as earlier indicated) in 1814, and was widowed in 1824, leaving behind one child, Richard T. Brodnax. Sally and her son moved to Fayette County Tennessee about 1825 and lived with her brother Peter Randolph Bland at an estate called "Woodlawn". In 1831, Sally Dickens Bland Brodnax remarried to Jesse Browne. She is Dr. Cleveland's ancestor by virtue of this marriage and their son Peter Randolph Bland Browne. Sally survived Jesse Browne, whom she laid in his grave in Haywood County Tennessee in 1839. Sally Dickens Bland Brodnax Browne moved with her three children back to Woodlawn. According to Mr. Cleveland, all of this younger Peter Randolph Bland's children died before him (correcting my information AC 7-1, p. 8) and his farm was left to his sister Sally, who passed it to her son Richard T. Brodnax.

If a vision of Peter Randolph Bland comes to you in a dream, be sure to awaken quickly and write it all down, but don't forget to ask him which one he is.

Edward Bland. Information from an unknown source (I think Robert O. Bland of Deland Florida) sheds further light on Martha Rebecca Bland, daughter of John Archer Bland and Mary Ann Dickinson (AC 5-1, p. 22). This new information, based on a death certificate, indicates she died at age 73, March 4, 1903, so in fact had dates of (C1830-1903). In my previous writing about her, she was said to have been married to Charles W. Fitzgerald. The new information finds her in 1880 in Covington Kentucky, married to "Colonel" Ezekiel P. Jones. Robert Bland indicates that correspondence between Martha's younger brother Robert Emmet Bland (1833-1896) and his future wife Emma Walton made mention of a "Colonel Jones", leading one to the conclusion that he was referring to a brother-in-law.

Susan and Lucy Bland. The third child of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress was Lucy Bland (1754-) who reputedly married Jacob Rubsamen May 31, 1780. Merle E. Turnipseed of Washington, Iowa, descends from this line. Merle traced his family name back to its German Roots and found that it was "Ribsamen" (translated as Turnipseed). Mr. Turnipseed found that Jacob owned and operated a grist mill, in Manchester, Chesterfield County. The mill was used mostly to make gun powder during the Revolutionary War. In numerous documentary references provided by Mr. Turnipseed, perhaps the most germane is the notation of Jacob Rubsamen was born April 4, 1745, the son of Jeremias Conrad Rubsamen and Maria Steinberger of Giessen Germany. Jacob made his will on March 22, 1792 in language that indicated his days were rapidly drawing nigh. Mr. Turnipseed's information indicates (Chesterfield Court Records Marriage Bond) that on May 21, 1780, Jacob married "Susy Bland". Previous information indicates that Susan Bland (1752-) eleventh child of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress, died young

and that Jacob Rubsamen married Lucy Bland (1754-) the last child. In the 1790 census for Chesterfield County, Jacob was enumerated with 3 whites and 10 black slaves, indicating his wife and a child. Neither wife nor child were noted in the 1792 will, in which Jacob scoured a doctor who had done him wrong and left his estate to siblings back in Germany. This would indicate that Jacob was the last to die.

Mr. Turnipseed's information sheds more light on this particular child of Richard Bland and Anne Poythress than I have heretofore seen.

The Prince William County Family Richard W. Price & Associates, a genealogical firm in Salt Lake City, Utah has inquired about the ancestry of Amanda Bland (September 22, 1856 - April 1, 1938) of Prince William County Virginia, who, about 1872, married John T. Robey, born in 1849 in Washington D.C. Amanda's parents were James P. Bland (C1810-1860), and Mary Lloyd (C1808-) of Prince William County. After that, the picture becomes opaque. The parents of James P. Bland have been shown, through tax records, to be John Bland (C1782-) and Mary Ann _____ Bland. According to Mrs. Cash, John and Mary Ann had four sons including James, Robert, Ben and Arthur. Mrs. Cash indicates that these same records suggest John was the son of Allen Bland. The only possible link-up in this geographic area is "Jackie", the son of Benjamin Bland (C1724-1771) and his wife Mary, unless we have previously erred in making Mary Benjamin's wife. Mary's will was made and probated in 1782 and she made a bequest to her son "Jackie". Benjamin was the son of James Bland (C1687-1755), son of the immigrant James Bland (1661-1708).^a Any help would be appreciated. (See discussion below, Prince William County, pp. 49-50).

The Frederick County Family Mrs. Bland Osborn (how about that name?) from Wilmington Delaware sends an interesting bit of speculation about Richard Bland (1787-1876) of this family, who by my theory originated in Fauquier County Virginia before moving to Frederick County. In June 1989, Mrs. Osborn visited some relatives in Clarksburg West Virginia and she learned from her husband's uncle Alex (age 86) that when he was a boy his mother or grandmother told him about an ancestor who donned a red coat on the fourth of July and went downtown, where someone shot and killed him. Alex's grandmother would have been Viann Frum, daughter of Catherine Bland Frum and grand daughter of Joseph Bland, who may have been the fool hardy Tory who forgot the war wasn't over yet. Mrs. Osborn speculates that it might have been Richard Bland (1787-1876), Joseph's son, who supposedly died on July 4, 1876. This doesn't seem likely, however, since Richard

^a VU, pp. 404-405 and letter from Judith Roby Cash to Charles L. Bland, February 26, 1990.

Bland has at least three suggested dates of death (AC5-2, p. 11) and was a contemporary of Viann Frum. If it should turn out to be true, (this family seems to have a rich tradition of stories by old-timers that have survived to today), that would more or less establish Joseph's date of death, be it 1812 or 1820. Actually, if the poor man did something like that on July 4, 1812, one would have to wonder how he lived as long as he did.

The King and Queen County Family In the last issues (AC 7-2, pp. 13-15) I ventured to separate two John Blands relying upon Carol Adams of Charleston S.C. and Bland Williamson of Tulsa Oklahoma.

1. John Bland (C1759-1818).³ Bland Williamson offered a "best guess" that this John was the son of the elder William Bland (1725-1788).

In the last number, I indicated that John had a daughter Joanna Bland, who married Charles Roane. Mr. Williamson indicates that Joanna's dates were (1776-1858), and that she was married to Roane June 1, 1824 as his second wife. They had five children, whom Mr. Williamson did not note. There are obvious contradictions that suggest Joanna's birth date should be set at a later time.

2. John Bland Jr. (C1766-1846). According to Mr. Williamson, this John Bland Jr. was "possibly" the son of William Bland (1746-1788), in which case the other John would be his uncle. Bland Macgillvary of Williamsburg Virginia supplied Mr. Williamson with a tax list for 1787, showing that a Betty Bland paid the taxes on behalf of "John Jr." In a separate document, Taliaferro's tax list of 1783, William Sr. and William Jr., Thomas Bland and John Bland (1759-1818) are listed separately. William Jr. was married to a woman named Mary (VU, pp. 393-394). Betty listed on the 1787 tax rolls was almost certainly the mother or older sister of John Jr., meaning that in all likelihood, William Jr. was not the father of John Jr.

Mr. Williamson has supplied a number of other interesting leads about the King and Queen family, and promised to update me when he had more work done. ⁴ The subjects are tantalizing and I look forward to further information about this family in a future issue.

³ Bland Williamson has made a persuasive argument for changing this John's dates to 1759-1818: He was 20 years old, January 24, 1780, so almost certainly was born in 1759. His estate was listed on the personal property tax list for King and Queen County, 1819, so it is presumed that he died in 1818.

⁴ Bland Williamson to Charles Bland, September 13, 1989.

At this juncture, I should enter a long overdue retraction of previous work. In my book, (VU, p. 368, Note 5) I suggested without actually saying it outright, that the elder William Bland of King and Queen County was a brother of Thomas Bland (C1719-1788) of Fauquier County. In hindsight it appears that I was struggling too hard to achieve a Vision of Unity. I now believe the King and Queen County and the Fauquier County families (derivative of Stafford/Prince William) were separate families who bore no relation that we know of.

The Pendleton County Blands In the last issue (AC 7-2, p. 37) I noted Zane Bland and his wife Harriet residing in the household of Isaac Gorsuch in Huntingdon County Pennsylvania. This was new information about a man whose life had only been touched on before, (AC 3-2, p. 27 and 4-2, p. 14). In a letter to me, citing records in Macon County Missouri, Edith C. Lanning of Dunnellon Florida, shows that there was a Zane W. Bland, the "one child and heir" of Zane Sr. and Harriet, married to Emma F. _____ Bland in 1896-1897 Zane W. Bland laid claim to his father's share of the estate of Henry Bland (1770-1853) and Mary Dolly. Also noted in his claim were Stewart D. Bland and Virginia his wife of Todd County Kentucky (AC 4-2, p. 41). Stewart was born in 1839 and evidently died after 1902, having, according to Edith Lanning, outlived his sister Lucinda; Harvey Bland and Melissa, his wife, of Shelby County, Illinois; Henry James Bland and his wife Annot, of Santa Clara County California (AC 4-2, p. 14); and Lucinda Bland of Pendleton County, West Virginia, (AC 4-2, p. 14). Edith indicates that Lucinda was preparing to visit Stewart in Kentucky when she became ill and died. Edith Lanning was good enough to share with me a photo of Lucinda, taken, it appears before she became known as "Old Luce". I am happy to display it here.



Lucinda Bland, (1836-1902) daughter
of Henry Bland and Mary Dolly
Courtesy Edith C. Lanning

THE NORTH CAROLINA FAMILIES

The Family of Joseph Bland New acquaintances made at the National Bland Reunion in Mississippi, have made possible the refinement of much that was known about the line of Joseph Bland, (C1754-1800), from Duplin County North Carolina, son of William Bland (C1726-1775), who was the son of James Bland (C1704-1774) of New Hanover/Duplin County North Carolina, earlier of Prince William County Virginia. James was the son of William Bland (C1682-1744), eldest son of the immigrant James Bland. Earlier discussion about Joseph Bland (AC 1-1, p. 3; and 2-1, p. 6), shows that in 1788, Joseph deeded property to his children Joseph Henry and Mary. In 1800, one William Nutt was named guardian of "Henry and Polly Bland" minor children of Joseph Bland. There is substantial evidence ⁵ to show that this younger Joseph Henry Bland is the same man, (1785-1862), who moved from North Carolina to Perry County, Alabama after marrying Mary Ann Ray ⁶ of Raleigh North Carolina about February 25, 1810. Joseph Henry Bland, a minister of the gospel, last appears in the North Carolina records in November 13, 1828, when he presides over a wedding in Raleigh. By 1840, he was living in Orange County North Carolina. Between 1840 and 1850, Joseph Henry moved to Perry County Alabama. He is listed in the Perry County census of 1850 with a net worth of \$1,000. Mary Ann Ray Bland evidently died between 1850 and 1860 and Joseph Henry died in 1862 in Perry County. ⁷

⁵ I am grateful to Mrs. Clara Faye Johnston West of Denver Colorado for showing me an entry from Early New Hanover County Records, (1986) pp. 194-195 an entry showing that on May 12, 1805, Joseph Henry Bland made an indenture with "Oliver Thomas and Mary Thomas, wife of said Oliver, formerly Mary Bland. . ."

⁶ Mary Ann Ray inherited from an uncle Anthony Wayne a walking cane with a gold head, a silver ladies pipe, and a sword, said to be the gift of George Washington. These have been passed down through the generations and were displayed at the 1989 Reunion.

⁷ Clara Faye Johnson West, "Joseph Henry Bland" 2 pages. Mrs. West indicates that Joseph Henry was born October 16, 1785, in Ireland, an assertion that is contradicted by previously offered documentary evidence. This assertion of Irish birth is founded in a document called "Bland Family", a confused document that links the Mississippi Family through Joseph Henry Bland (1785-1862) to the London/York County England Family of Richard Bland(1624-1692 and Jane Lane Pott (C1624-1694). How this 17th Century Couple could be parents of a man born in 1785 does not appear. (For a more accurate view of Richard Bland and Jane Lane Pott, see VU pp. 66-

The following, based on information obtained at the 1989 Reunion from Clara Faye Johnson West of Denver, Colorado, updates previously recorded information about the children of Joseph Henry Bland and Mary Ann Ray, all born in North Carolina (AC 3-1, pp. 16-20) ^a

William Calvin Bland (MD) (September 8, 1811 - November 20, 1851). William left home under mysterious circumstances about 1832. His family feared he had fallen prey to savage indians or a slave uprising (panic about slave rebellion seared the south after the Nat Turner Rebellion in Virginia in August 1831. A deadly cholera epidemic in 1832 also created fear in people, and might have had some effect on William's decision to leave home). He attended Transylvania University College of Medicine in Lexington Kentucky and practice medicine in Lafayette County Mississippi. William married Mary Elizabeth Meadow, (C1820-October, 1879), in Pontotoc County Mississippi, June 24, 1844. ^a He settled in Lafayette County Mississippi, where he is buried. Following William's death Mary Elizabeth Meadow Bland married John Keel. William C. Bland and Mary Elizabeth Meadow had two children:

1. John Henry Bland (July 4, 1845 - April 21, 1931). He married Nancy L. ----- (May 30, 1853 - December 4, 1932).

2. James Reuben Bland (September 9, 1849 - November 4, 1908). James Reuben was killed when his cotton gin caught hold of his coat and ground him up. James Reuben married Adeline "Addie" Rebecca Mackey (August 29, 1852 - September 9, 1937) on February 26, 1873 in Desoto County Mississippi. James Reuben Bland and Adeline Mackey are buried at the Springhill Baptist Church in Lafayette County, Mississippi. Their children were:

68). Richard Bland and Jane Lane Pott had a grandson Joseph Bland whose dates were 1686-1788. Mrs. Johnson shows persuasively that Joseph Henry's wife was named Mary Ann Ray, rather than Mary Ann Rea May as previously shown. She was the daughter of Mary Ann May Ray.

^a Carolyn Miller of Vicksburg Mississippi, a descendant of this line, whose genealogical interest was ignited by the 1989 Bland Reunion, promises further research on the descendants of Joseph Henry Bland.

^a Pontotoc County Mississippi Deed Book 5, page 265. The marital contract indicates that at the time she was married, Mary Meadow owned six slaves, Keziah, age 25; Peter, 15; Margaret, 12; Francis or Frances, 6; James, 3; and Mary, six months.

A. William Calvin Bland II - (December 18, 1874 - July 2, 1952). William who married Mabel Minnie Hartsfield on March 14, 1906. They had two daughters, (1) Josephine Bland, who married Robert Crabtree; and (2) Jimmice Bland, who married Edward Vick. These daughters moved to Memphis Tennessee.

B. Edna Allen Bland - (September 4, 1877 - May 8, 1957). Edna married George W. Anderson, January 13, 1895. They moved to Hominy Oklahoma, where they are buried.

C. Robert Collier Bland (October 11, 1879 - November 3, 1967). Robert married Etta Munford Gilmer (1882-1973) on May 20, 1904. There were no children. Both are buried at Spring Hill cemetery in Lafayette County Mississippi.

D&E. Twins Virginia Louella Bland (October 3, 1882 - July 2, 1967), who married Lonnie Marshall Tallant November 22, 1903; and Eugenia Eudella Bland (October 3, 1882 - May 12, 1932), who married Arch Tallant, (brother of Marshall), June 6, 1899. Both sisters are buried at Springhill cemetery.

F. Margaret Ola Bland (August 31, 1884 - March 11, 1959) married Joe Cephus Anderson, January 11, 1900. Margaret is buried at Springhill Cemetery.

G. Sallie Catherine "Cate" Bland (May 21, 1887 - March 6, 1966), married Wade Hampton Johnson, February 18, 1904. Sallie was said by her daughter Lillian to have had "pretty blue eyes and . . . red hair." Both are buried at Coffeesville Mississippi. I was pleased to meet several of their children at the Fifth National Reunion, Clara Faye Johnson West, mentioned previously, Lillian Johnson Stebbing, Wanza Clarence Johnson and Wade Hampton Johnson.

H. Lou Ethel Bland (August 24, 1890 - June 25, 1909). She married William Henry Harrison, April 5, 1906.

I. Lucius Curtis Bland (May 14, 1893 - November 7, 1975), married Florence Lillian Harrison October 4, 1916. Both are buried in the Spring Hill Cemetery.

J. Leonidas (Lonnie) Frank Bland (June 21, 1896 - July 4, 1927). Lonnie married Gertrude Harrison.

I am happy to display photos of James Reuben Bland (1849-1904) and Adeline Rebecca Mackey Bland (1852-1937).



Courtesy:
Clara Faye
Johnson West

Joseph Henry Bland Jr. (March 29, 1813 -).

Catherine Ray (Rea) Bland (March 14, 1815 -). Catherine's date of death is uncertain. Some say she died in the 1890s in Webster County Mississippi. Lillian Johnson Stebbing of Coffeesville Mississippi, a grand niece of Catherine, believes that Catherine did not die until after she (Lillian) was born in 1906. Catherine never married. The story is told that the pipe, cane and a sword noted above (footnote 6), were entrusted to Catherine, because her brother William had left home at age 21). Catherine moved to Webster County, Mississippi with her brother Robert Galbert Bland. In the early 1870s, a stranger passing through the Mathison/Maben area informed her of a Bland Mercantile Company in what is Tocappola Mississippi. Lo, upon inquiry, Catherine discovered that the proprietor of Bland Mercantile Company was her nephew James Reuben Bland, son of her long lost brother, William Calvin Bland. Catherine then took up residence with James Reuben Bland and lived with him until she died.

Robert Galbert Bland (May 1, 1817 - August 1862). He is buried in Spring Valley, Webster County Mississippi. Galbert was derived from Galbreath. No one knows why the change. Robert evidently was a minister for the Henderson Baptist Church in Perry County Alabama, sometime after 1849. Robert's sister Catherine wrote of him, "my brother and all his children had red hair." Robert's family is discussed in (AC 3-1, pp. 17-18). In a long letter to Lillian Johnson Stebbing, Robert's son Joseph Henry Bland (1847-1941), said:

My father had deep red hare and so did I. I had ameny fight at school. My hare was so red the boys would call me a red headed peckerwood.

Of his wife, Pinkey Miller (May 1862 - April 12, 1890), Joseph Henry wrote:

I was near 30 year old before I found that sweet girl of my (unintelligible). She was born May 1862 and you can bet your socks, she was a Pink of the rarest kind and pretty, as pretty as she could be. But the half I have told she was so sweet, so lovely, so kind and tender-hearted. . . her eyes were blue and her hare was a golish coller. She was so kind, she never spoke an unkind word to no one and was a true lover of the lord. We had four girls. . . well I lost dear Pinkie. She died in 1890, the 12th of April). . . so it has been 41 years since she died and I am in my 84 years now. ¹⁰

¹⁰ Joseph Henry Bland to Lillian Johnson, 1931.

At the Marvin Hill Cemetery near Webster, I found the following tombstone markings that refine information known about the family of Robert Galbert Bland and Frances Morgan Wilkinson (AC 3-1, p. 18):

The grave for William C. Bland, third child of Robert Galbert Bland shows his dates as (January 15, 1853 - August 28, 1893). His wife, Mary Elizabeth (not Elizabeth) Gibson's dates were (February 6, 1856 - January 29, 1940).

James D.K. (or O.K.) Bland (February 15, 1819 - 1867).

Charles W. Bland (C1821 -).

Mary Ann Bland (C1823 -).

Frances Bland (1828-).

Thomas W. Bland (1830 - March 15, 1854). Thomas died in Perry County Alabama. ¹¹

Allen P. Bland (December 1, 1833 - 1920). Allen died in Arkansas.

The Family of "Old" Moses Bland For the past two years I have been gathering material from Jane Midtby of Denver Colorado, Lois Hudson Taylor of Shelbyville Illinois and Mary Ella Day of North Vernon Indiana, about the children of William Bland (C1751-1801) of Randolph County North Carolina. William was the son of "Old" Moses Bland (C1718-1800) of Prince William County Virginia, who married Rachel Wiggonton January 14, 1750/1751 and later moved to Randolph County North Carolina.

William had nine or ten children. As presented by Jane Midtby, they are:

Moses Bland (C1772-after 1850). Moses moved from North Carolina through Kentucky and settled finally in Sullivan County Indiana. Over the years, thanks to the work and cooperation of Jane Midtby and the late Max Kessinger, Moses and his four wives have been covered, fairly comprehensively, (VU pp. 349-352; AC 2-1, pp. 10-11; 2-2, p. 34, 4-1, pp. 6-11; 5-2, pp. 23-25).

"Captain" James Bland (May 21, 1773 - May 4, 1832). James was an indian fighter in Kentucky and the Indiana territory. His relationship to William Bland is not fully established. James married Jane Johnston (December 12, 1780 - May 2, 1866), on September 8, 1796. Subsequently, he moved to the area that became

¹¹ E.M. and Ema L. Tipton, Comp. Marriages and Obituaries from the New Orleans Christian Advocate: 1851-1860, Vol. I, (1981) p. 51.

Ballard County, Kentucky and Clark's Grant, Indiana Territory. (See discussion below, pp. 28 re. Bland Ballard, (1761-1853), another indian fighter for whom Ballard county was named. Both James Bland and Jane Johnston are buried in Lancaster Township, Jefferson County Indiana. James and Jane had a family of eleven children, who have been discussed previously (VU, pp. 352-361). In the following, I shall be concerned only with their fourth child and eldest son:

1. Reverend Thomas Bland (January 24, 1804 - 1892), was born in Clark's Grant, the Indiana Territory. He died of pneumonia in Jennings County Indiana. On December 25, 1825, Thomas married Martha "Patsy" Bland (November 23, 1803 - 1891). Martha was born in North Carolina. Whether she had any relation to Thomas is not known. Thomas and Martha had eight children:

A. Francis Asbury Bland (October 1, 1826 - September 22, 1907). Francis married Frances Anna Hall (March 3, 1829 - June 6, 1860) on April 4, 1847. Their children were:

(1) John Hall Bland (March 25, 1848 - November 11, 1906), who, on January 1, 1871, married Mary Catherine Hansell (1844-1901). They had seven children, including a son Ben Thomas Bland (1884-1892).

(2) Thomas Ewbank Bland (May 3, 1850 - October 7, 1924), who on October 29, 1877 married Elizabeth Jennie Adams.

(3) Benjamin F. Bland (February 4, 1853 - October 12, 1933) who never married.

(4) Martha Ellen Bland (August 23, 1855 - March 2, 1929), who never married.

(5) Martin Chapman Bland, (February 14, 1858 - February 8, 1946), married Jane C. Hansell on August 2, 1882.

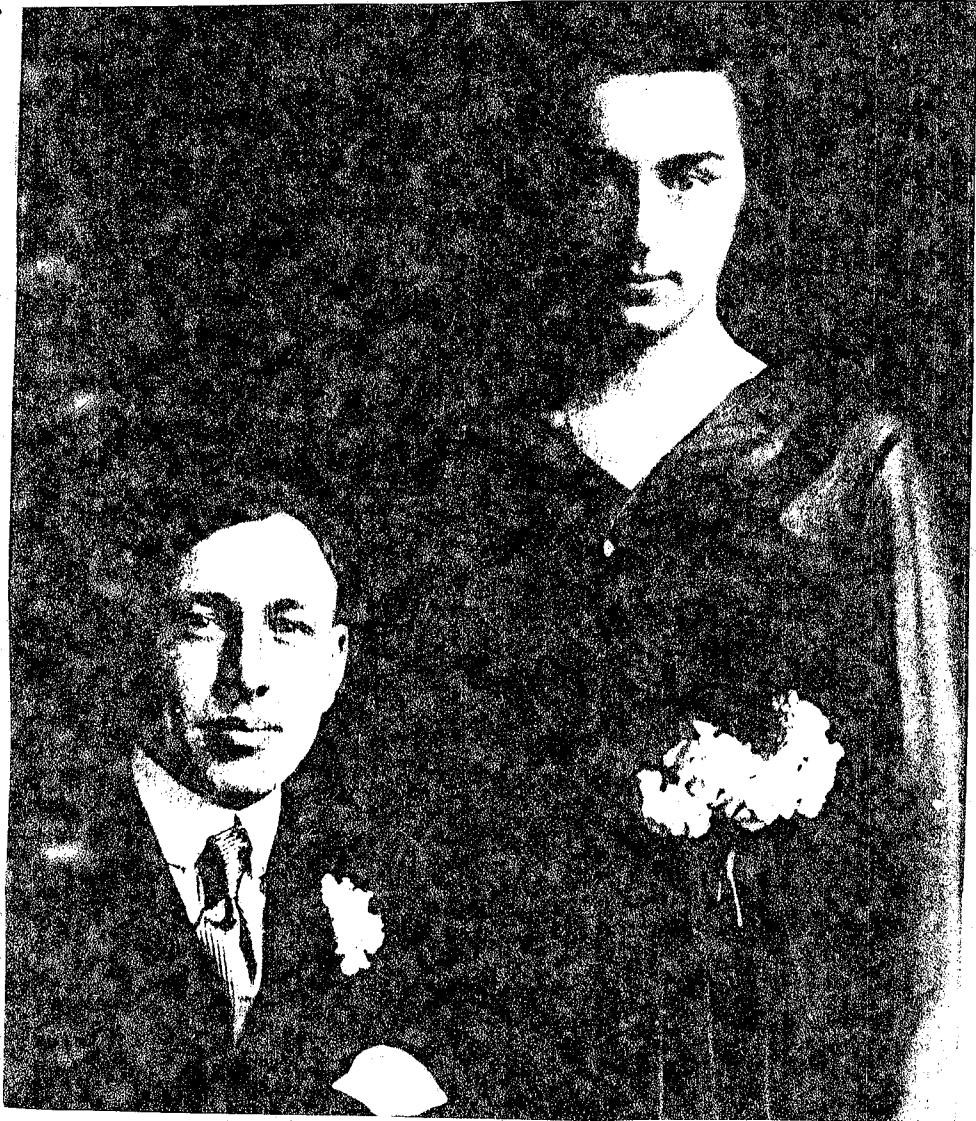
After the death of Frances Anna Hall in 1860, Francis remarried in August 28, 1862 to Jane Ann Hansell (1833-1896). Francis and Jane had one child, Elizabeth (1865-1872).

B. Benjamin Bland (January 25, 1829 - July 28, 1862). Benjamin married Permilia Violet Kail (1831-1880) and they had a family of two, Charles (1856-) and Everett (1859-).

C. James Calvin Bland (January 1 or 13, 1831 - July 19, 1896). On March 29, 1855, James married Sarah M. Burge (November 29, 1835 - October 10, 1895). Their children were:

(1) Edgar Burge Dayton Bland (July 11, 1856 - 1942). Edgar married Emma E. Van Tresse (1859-1944) about 1878 and they had three children (a) Myrtle Bland (1879-1971) who married Howard A. Strickler; (b) Gertrude Bland (1882- 1975) who never married; (c) Mae Bland (1885-1973) who married Rufus Kamp Ground, (whose parents must have had a sense of humor).

(2) James Omer Bland (C1859 - April 1927). James Omer Bland married, first, Emma Petree, about 1883, by whom he had one child (a) Inez Bland (1884-1974) who married Roy Marsh and later Walter Lough. About 1888, James Omer Bland married Sarah Idell Shepherd, and had by her (a) Earnest Ellsbury Bland (1889-1959) who married Dora Stanley and had two sons, Stanley and Robert Earl; (b) Charles Omer Bland, (1895-) who married Meade Love McCarnan (1900-1979) at Vernon Indiana and had two children, Mary Ella Bland Day and William Omer Bland. I am pleased to display photographs of James Omer Bland and his wife Sarah Idell Shepherd, along with their son Charles Omer Bland, and his wife Meade Love McCarnan.



Charles Omer Bland and Meade Love McCarnan, Wedding Photo
Courtesy: Mary Ella Day



James Omer Bland and Sarah Idell Shepherd
Courtesy Mary Ella Day

(3) Sarah E. "Nettie" Bland - (February 7, 1861 - March 3, 1926). Sarah married Will Robertson on February 16, 1882.

(4) Angie D. Bland (January 25, 1863 - August 27, 1863).

(5) Charles Bland (February 14, 1865 - August 11, 1890). Charles was killed in Warsaw Wisconsin.

(6) Ada Bland (April 4, 1866 - May 6, 1960). On December 25, 1888, Ada married John S. Smith. They had two children, (a) Alice Bland (1893-1940) who married C.S. Huffman. They had no children; (b) Mildred Elizabeth Bland, who married Jesse Armstrong. They had three children, Dorothy, Betty and John.

(7) Josephine "Josie" Bland (July 15, 1867 - February 6, 1942). On January 13, 1892, Josie married Benjamin Franklin Sporleder. (photo, AC 3-1 pp. 23-24).

(8) Thomas Bland (1869-1870) died at age 18 months.

(9) Ernest Ellsbury Bland (1870-1871) died at 18 months.

(10) Louisa "Lou" Bland (August 26, 1872 - August 8, 1959). Louisa married John Coleman.

(11) Lucy E. Bland (May 28, 1875 - March 11, 1910). Lucy married George L. Shuck.

(12) (1879-1886). Age 7 at death.

D. William U or V. Cooper Bland (1832 -).

E. Thomas Johnston Bland (May 12, 1833 - January 18, 1864). Thomas was a Civil War Veteran. It is apparent that information given by me (VU, P. 356) was in error. See discussion below, pp. 24 re family of Thomas Jefferson Bland (1840-1918).

F. Elizabeth Jane Bland (December 4, 1835 - January 23, 1870) Elizabeth was a seamstress and she evidently died in childbirth. Her husband was Jeb G. Alexander.

G. John A. or Osburn Bland (April 18, 1838 -), a doctor, may have married twice, first to Lucy Mooney (1843-1891) and Josephine Warren Park. (VU, p. 357).

H. Marion Elhanan Bland (May 29, 1843 - February 10, 1884)

The dates of Rachel Hannah Hall, who married Francis Marion Bland (1824-1909) youngest son and child of James Bland and Jane Johnson, are given as (June 18, 1832 - February 13, 1908).

A daughter, listed by Jane Midtby but unnamed.

Ann Bland (C1778-1808), who married William Wilkey c. 1797.

William Bland (C1786-1828), who married Mary _____ who is found in Clark County Indiana between 1807-1828, (AC 3-1, pp. 24-25).

Jane Bland (C1787 - 1861), married (1) William Wilkey and (2) William Kelly (- 1852). (AC 2-2, p. 35). By Wilkey, Jane had two children, both of whom were drowned in a creek in Clark County Indiana. Four additional sons, Francis, Dennis, Aaron and Frederick moved to Sullivan County Indiana. By William Kelly, Jane had William Kelley Jr.

Abel Bland (1787- 1863/1864) This essay is based primarily on material provided by Jane Midtby, from a collection she dedicated to Vera Bland of Pasadena Texas and Dorothy Thomas of Covino California. ¹² Abel married Ann James (C1793 - 1859) in Henry County Kentucky, October 18 or 27, 1808. Abel and Ann moved on to Jackson County Indiana in 1820 and from there to Red River County Texas by December 29, 1834. Lewis Needham filed a lawsuit against Abel and James Bland on May 18, 1840, for killing Needham's horse. Needham recovered \$100. in damage. Abel Bland and Ann James were involved in land transactions in Red River County between 1836-1841. ¹³ About 1842, Abel moved to Ouachita County Arkansas, near the Texas border, where he was a Methodist and a storekeeper. Abel made his will January 29, 1863, in Hempstead County Arkansas, and it was filed January 17, 1865. (VU, p. 347; AC 2-2, p. 35; 3-1, p. 25; 7-1, pp. 21-22). The children of Abel Bland and Ann James were:

Benjamin Bland (C1809/1810 - 1859). Benjamin was born in Henry County Kentucky. He arrived in Red River County Texas, September 15, 1835. Benjamin was a circuit rider for the ministry. He married Martha Ann Reid, born in Illinois, (March 15, 1815 - August 6, 1883) on March 6, 1838 in Red River Texas. He was killed by bushwhackers. Benjamin and Martha had nine children (AC 2-2, pp. 35-36 and 7-1, pp. 21-22)

In a former issue, I noted Mary Jane Bland, daughter of Benjamin Bland, (AC 2-2, p. 36). Mary's dates were (March 1847 - December 1, 1939). Mary married Peter Farrell Jarnigan (1850-1919), about 1870. I am pleased to display a photograph of Peter Jarnigan and Mary Jane Bland with their family.

¹² In her essay, Jane received additional help from Kay Monroe of Sullivan Indiana and Joyce Bland McCool of Overland Park Kansas.

¹³ There were three additional transactions in 1853, 1857, 1859.

Mary Jane Bland (1847-1939) with husband,
Peter Farrell Jarnigan and family
Courtesy Jane Midtby

2. Elizabeth Bland (C1811 -) was born in Henry County Kentucky. She married a man named Talkington.
 3. Sarah Bland (C1813 -) was born in Henry County Kentucky or Indiana. She married a man named McFarland about 1832 in Arkansas. Secondly, Sarah married John Samuel Reid about 1836 in Texas.
 4. Preston Bland (September 26, 1818 - March 11, 1895). Preston was born in Henry County Kentucky or Indiana. Preston was sued on October 13, 1840 in Red River County Texas. Between 1845-1853, Preston entered into 10 separate land transactions in the same county. His first wife was Mary Reed of Texas, (November 3, 1820 - March 19, 1853), whom he married about 1836. Their children were:
 - A. Sarah Bland (November 1, 1836 -). Sarah married Jim Gurley and she died in Calero Oklahoma.
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B. Josiah McGee Bland (January 19, 1842 -). Josiah was born in Jefferson County Arkansas, near Little Rock. Josiah was a Civil War Veteran who became a doctor. He married Nancy A. Glover, ¹⁴ November 8, 1865 in Hempstead County Arkansas.

C. Ann Bland (October 29, 1845 -). Ann was born in Saline County Arkansas. She married S. Jones Glover and Franklin Gurley.

D. Frances Bland (C1847 - after 1889). Frances married Daniel J. Grounds about 1869 and they lived in Saratoga Arkansas.

E. Caroline Bland (March 8, 1850 - October 18, 1928) who was born in Codd's Parish Louisiana. Carolina married John Henderson Grounds in Arkansas August 23, 1868. She is buried at Durant Oklahoma. John Grounds and Caroline Bland had nine children, including Mary Ann Grounds, (1873-1944), who married William Marion Henson. Their son was Jim Henson, who married Myrtle J. Johnston, parents of Dorothy May Henson Carter Thomas.

F. Mary Bland (C1853 -)

Second, Preston Bland married Elizabeth Grounds, September 4, 1853. in Hempstead County Arkansas. Their children:

A. Jim Bland (C1855 -)

B. Jack Bland (C1858 -)

C. Ellen Bland (C1862 -)

D. Rebecca Bland (C1866 -)

I am pleased to display below a photograph of Preston Bland, and of his daughter Caroline Bland Grounds on the following page.

5. Margaret Bland (C1817 -) was born in Jackson County Indiana. She married _____ Right.

¹⁴ Jane Midtby indicates that the Glovers who married children of Preston Bland were sons and daughters of Abel Bland's second wife, Elizabeth Glover. The Grounds who married into Preston's family were sons and daughters of Preston's brother in law, John Grounds.

6. John Wesley Bland (C1820 -) was born in Jackson County Indiana and about 1842, married Sarah _____. Their children were:

- A. James (1843 -
- B. Elizabeth (1845 -
- C. John Wesley (1847 -
- D. Benjamin (1849 -
- E. Francis M (1852 -
- F. Monroe (1855 -

7. James Bland (C1822 - February 6, 1847) was born in Jackson County Indiana. James enlisted in Arkansas Volunteer Militia for the Mexican American War July 1, 1846. He served in Camp I, Arkansas Cavalry under Captain English. James was killed in Saltillo Mexico, February 6 or 7, 1847. He died intestate.

8. Mary Bland (C1830-) Mary was born in Arkansas and was unmarried at her fathers death but married _____ McKown about 1864.

9. George Washington Bland (C1833 -) was born in Arkansas. He married Ann _____ (C1836 -) about 1854, in Lafayette County Arkansas. Their children were:

- A. Martha E. Bland (1855
- B. Mary Ann Bland (1857

Ann James, first wife of Abel Bland died about 1859. On September 23, 1860, Abel married a woman named Eliza Ann Glover (C1819 -).

John Bland (C1790-1830). John has been shown to have married Mary Bland (1793/1794 - after 1860), October 9, 1811, in Clark County Indiana. ¹⁵ (VU pp. 357-359, AC 2-2, p. 35 and 3-1, p. 25). The identities of his two proven sons, Osborne and Meredith Bland, living close by Reverend Thomas Bland (1804-1892), and his wife Martha in the 1850 Census, as well as other similarities, strongly suggests that John is a son of William Bland and _____ Ward.

¹⁵ Mary Bland was head of the household in the Jennings County Indiana census of 1830. Jane Midtby shows Mary's parents as Benjamin and Ruth Bland. Benjamin was the brother of Abel's father William.

1. Osborne Bland (1812-1882) who lists Kentucky as his birth place. Osborne married Mary Ann Clarkson, May 10, 1836, (VU, pp. 357-358). Among their children was Thomas Jefferson Bland (January 17, 1840 - December 14, 1918) who married Melissa Olin Cole (July 24, 1840 - October 16, 1912), on July 11, 1861. (See discussion above, p. 19 re. Thomas Johnston Bland). His son was James Olmer Bland (September 11, 1873 - December 22, 1947). James Olmer Bland married Myrtle May Petterson (1879-1933). Their daughter Lula Bland married Clifford Hudson and they were the parents of Lois Hudson Taylor of Shelbyville Indiana.

2. Meredith Bland (1813-1881) listed Virginia as his birth place. On February 23, 1835 in Jackson County Indiana, Meredith married Priscilla Burge (February 27, 1813 - died before 1875). Priscilla is not mentioned in Meredith's will of 1875. Their children were, (VU, pp. 358-359):

A. Eliza G. Bland (C1836 -) who married Thomas Ewbank Hall in March 1860.

B. George Meredith Bland (October 8, 1840 -), who married Harriet Painter.

C. Nancy Elizabeth Bland (April 9, 1843 - 1909) who, on March 9, 1865, married Leonard W. Coles (1837-1909). These are the ancestors of Jane Midtby of Denver Colorado.

D. Mary Bland (March 10, 1845 - died after 1875). Mary was noted in her father's will.

E. Margaret Bland (September 8, 1847 -) married Zebulon Turner before 1870. Previously I stated that she died before 1860, (VU, p. 358).

F. Martha Bland (C1849 - before 1860).

G. Benjamin M. F. Bland (August 15, 1852 - November 23, 1885).

H. Lucy "Olive" Bland (January 13, 1855 -). Lucy married Frank Whitmore about 1878.

I. Ruth Bland (June 16, 1857 -), married Andrew Adams.

J. Olive Bland (after 1870 -).

3. Noah Bland (C1815 - 1900). On September 15, 1837, Noah married Susannah Hand (1819-1866) in Jennings County Indiana, (AC 1-1, p. 8). Second, Noah married Elizabeth Robinson, a widow. He died in Liberty Township, Tipton County Indiana.

4. Ruth Bland (C1816/1817 - after 1860). Ruth married George Waggoner, December 26, 1833. She married James G. Russell September 2, 1841. Both marriages occurred in Jennings County Indiana. (AC 1-1, p. 7)

5. Ruby Bland (August 27, 1822 - August 23, 1895). Ruby married Nicholas McCarty Waggoner on January 1839. Second, Ruby married Sidney King, (1804-1866).

6. Mary Jane Bland (C1825 -) married Francis M. Denton, April 23, 1853.

Thomas Bland (C1792 - after 1820) AC 3-1, p. 26. In the 1820 Census, he was married, in Jackson County Indiana, with 3 sons and 3 daughters.

Margarette or Margaretta Bland (C1795 - after 1860). Margarette married Walter Morien (Moring, Mourning) in Sullivan County Indiana on February 24, 1817.

The Family of George Bland of Pitt County In a previous issue (AC 6-2, pp. 7-9), I discussed the line of Theophilus Bland (1768-1832), son of George Bland (C1734-1797), founder of this family line. Theophilus had a son Levin (1798-1850) who moved to St. Francis County Arkansas in 1848. By his marriage to Elizabeth Anne Moore of Pitt County N.C., Levin had 10 children, including James T. Bland (February 2, 1829 - January 4, 1869). James was "murdered" by the occupation government in Arkansas after the Civil War. James married his first wife, Emily J. Snow, (1833-1858) on January 5, 1854. Their first child was Lee Ander Bland (December 18, 1854 to January 4, 1941). Lee Ander Bland is buried at Mounds, Oklahoma. On October 20, 1876, Lee Ander Bland married Cornelia Frances Helm (September 16, 1859 - December 14, 1910). Cornelia is buried at Melbourne Arkansas. The following information about the ten children of Lee Ander Bland and Cornelia Helm has been provided by Julia Brewer Watkins of Bixby Oklahoma:

(A). Ada May Bland (July 29, 1877 - April 18, 1941). Ada Married J.M. Freeman, October 27, 1908.

(B). Mary Julia Bland (October 5, 1879 - September 4, 1947). Mary married Lee Arthur Brewer, March 20, 1904. Among their seven children was Joseph Bland Brewer, (1917-) who married Dottie Opal Mifford, (1918 -), on February 10, 1936. Their daughter, Julia Maude Brewer Watkins was good enough to furnish me the information about this line.

(C) Effie Lee Bland (1883-1887).

(D) Nora Snow Bland (1886-1887).

(E) Willie Laura Bland (November 22, 1887 - August 1940).
Willie married R. H. Smith.

(F) Mauna Mildred Bland (August 24, 1891 - 1919). Mauna
also married R.H. Smith.

(G) James Edward Bland (September 6, 1893 - June 15, 1951).
James married Joyce L. Shirley September 16, 1912.

(H) Lula Ann Bland (May 19, 1896 - May 28, 1938). Lula
married Ralph U. Cooper, March 12, 1916.

(I) Nona Ruth Bland (December 10, 1898 -) married Toke
H. Ward, December 6, 1914.

(J) Cornelia Fern Bland (December 11, 1903 -) married
Henkle Ward, November 15, 1923.
A second child of James T. Bland and Emily Snow, William Bland,
died at age 3 weeks, June 20, 1858. William's mother Emily had
died ten days before.

James T. Bland (1829-1869) remarried to Lucy A. Perry
(C1839-September 1869), at Augusta, Woodruff County Arkansas.
Their children were: Oliver Perry Bland (March 15, 1860 - July
20, 1930); Gustaroy Bland (December 8, 1861 - September 23,
1863).

Martin County North Carolina Wills

The potential connection between Pitt and Martin County
Blands with the main line New Hanover/Duplin County Blands, has
been discussed previously, (AC 5-1, p. 28; 6-2, p. 9). The
following Halifax/Martin County (Martin was formed from Halifax
County in 1774 so we are probably dealing with a single
family), Wills were given to me by Carrie Scales Evans of
Shuqualak Mississippi, during the National Reunion in August
1989.

In Halifax County, June 27, 1772, Thomas Bland made out his
will, leaving his wife Judith a slave named Tony and a horse
named Temper, the cattle and hogs and a feather bed.

To his daughter Priscilla, Thomas left a plantation on Maple
Swamp along with a horse named Tobby, livestock and household
items.

To his son William Bland, Thomas gave five shillings.

To his daughter Elizabeth Bland Bryant Thomas left five
pounds cash.

The will was witnessed by William Everett, John Whorton and
William Bland. Executors were Robert and Neitham Bryant.

In Martin County, January 24, 1792, Thomas Bland made out his will, leaving his personal estate to his wife Sarah.

He left to a son John Bland and daughters Mary and Fanny, five shillings.

To his son Thomas Bland, Thomas left his plantation and land.

Thomas left whatever remained to his children Ann, Elizabeth, Catey, Chearty and Thomas. The will was probated in 1795. It was witnessed by William Watson and Thomas Brown. Executors were James Bennett and Jonathan Cherry.

The Family of William Bland and Susan Alderman

Connie Gene Funderburke of Beaver West Virginia is the first descendant I have found through Edith "Eady" Bland (C1827 -) daughter of William Bland (1797-1873) and Susan Alderman (1795-1880), (VU pp. 301-305, esp. 304. Edith Bland's dates were (March 5, 1829 - September 25, 1906). She married Batte Gay, (1825-1899), February 13, 1845 in Emmanuel County Georgia. Batte Gay and Edith Bland had a family of 11 children, including, Laura F. Gay, who was Connie Gene Funderburke's great grandmother. Ms. Funderburke's information helped those of us who are interested in this Duplin County North Carolina/Bulloch County Georgia Family. Happily, I was able to provide key information to Ms. Funderburke who did not know the name of Edith Bland Gay's parents.

The Chatham County North Carolina Bland Family Recently I received an inquiry from Charles E. Bland of Greenville North Carolina inquired about the parents of William G. Bland who married Mary _____ apparently in Chatham County North Carolina. William G. Bland had a son James Everett Bland (1869 -) born in Chatham County. James married Martha Wilson Nichols (1879 -) on April 8, 1896 in Neapolis Virginia. Their children were Mitzy Bland; Sallie Bland; James Bland, George Bland; William Bland and Charles Atlas Bland (1910-1953) who was born in Ellenboro, Rutherford County North Carolina, a physician who married Mary E. Johnson. They were the parents of Charles E. Bland, my correspondent. Any help with this line would be appreciated.

THE KENTUCKY FAMILIES

The Washington County Kentucky Family Jane Midtby has submitted to me a comprehensive review of the family of John Bland (C1742-1807) and his wife Rachel (-1799) of Washington County Kentucky. This family has been much discussed, (VU, pp. 463-477); AC 1-1, pp. 6-7; 1-2, pp. 13-18; 2-1, pp. 13-15; 2-2, pp. 27-29; 4-2, pp. 33-37; 5-2, pp. 27-32; 6-2, pp. 33-34). In the next issue of the Newsletter, I will use Jane's material and what has already been done in my publications for a synthesis of the family.

The Family of Samuel Bland and Jennie Shecklesworth Previous explorations leave me convinced that a Samuel Bland (1780-1848) who married Rachel Jean "Jennie" Shecklesworth in 1800, was the son of John and Rachel Bland of Washington County and that they had a son, Thomas Bland (C1803-1860), who was in Casey County Kentucky. Samuel's name is mixed in with Casey, Green and Pulaski County, causing me also to believe that Reuben Bland of Pulaski County was a son of John and Rachel.

By now, Thomas Bland (1803-1860) has been linked in a father-son relationship with Samuel Bland (AC 4-2, p. 40; 5-2, pp. 30-31 and 6-2, pp. 33-34). Thomas married a woman named Ann, C. 1824, and they had a child Cynthia Jane Bland (May 11, 1825 - June 30, 1898). Ann died in childbirth and Thomas subsequently married Elizabeth Stephens and Lucretia Riggins.

Cynthia Jane Bland married Levi Sandusky, (1815-1887) on February 4, 1841. Levi took Cynthia and their children to McDonough County Illinois about 1858, following a falling-out with his father about slavery. They remained in Illinois for a year and then moved to Putnam County Missouri. Cynthia is buried at the Deepwater Missouri Cemetery.

Bland Williams Ballard: Indian Fighter After a period of quiet, the name of Bland Ballard, has surfaced again. Bland Williams Ballard (October 16, 1759/1761- September 5, 1853) was born at Fredericksburg, Spotsylvania County, Virginia a revolutionary soldier and indian fighter who moved to Shelby County Kentucky in 1779. In 1782-1783, Bland Ballard may have married Elizabeth Williamson at Tyler's Station near Shelbyville Kentucky. Elizabeth died January 12, 1827. They had seven children. Secondly, on September 9, 1833, Bland Ballard married Diana Matthews, who died August 17, 1835. Third, on October 28, 1841, Bland Ballard married Elizabeth Weaver. Ballard-Ballord Bits, (1978) P. 125, indicates that Ballard enlisted as a corporal in Captain Ben Roberts' company, of Major Slaughter's battalion. Ballard was sent to aid George Rogers Clark in 1781-1782. He served as a major in 1794, under General Wayne at the Battle of Fallen Timbers. Between 1799-1810, he represented Shelby County in the legislature. During the War of 1812, he served as a Captain at the battles of Raisin River and Tippecanoe. Ballard County and Blandville in Ballard County, as well as Ballardsville in Oldham County, were named for Bland Williams Ballard.

It is interesting to note that Captain James Bland, another Indian Fighter, went to Ballard County (or Jefferson County or to the part of the Kentucky Territory from which Ballard County was formed, Logan, Christian Livingston), about 1798. (See above p. 16).

One of Bland Ballard's ancestors, perhaps a grandmother, may have been Elizabeth Bland, (C1697 -) of Spotsylvania County (derivative of King and Queen County), who married John Ballard (1693-1745), son of Thomas Ballard and Catherine Hubbard, about 1714. John and Elizabeth had four sons born between 1715-1721, _____

any one of whom could be an father to Bland Ballard (AC 4-2, pp. 41-42), especially since there were two grandsons named Bland Ballard.¹⁶

Jeff Lighter of Fredericksburg Virginia reports that his wife is descended from Bland Ballard (C1700 -1791/1792) of St. Thomas Parish, Orange County Virginia (derivative of Spotsylvania). This man came to Spotsylvania County about 1734, the year Orange County was formed. Bland Ballard married Mary Deering. Reputedly,¹⁷ this elder Bland Ballard, perhaps the brother of John Ballard, was the son of William Ballard (C1670-1750) of Essex and King and Queen County Virginia, who married Philadelphia Lee or Ludwell. William Ballard in turn, was the son of Thomas Ballard (C1630-1689)¹⁸ and Ann Thomas.

According to Lorraine Mannix of Montgomery New York, The elder Bland Ballard's son was Benjamin Ballard, (1725-1814)¹⁹ and Bland Ballard (C1735-) both born in Spotsylvania County. None of this sheds precise light on who the parents of Bland Ballard were or where the name Bland became grafted into the Ballard family. Thanks to Mr. Lighter and Mrs. Mannix however: we now know a lot more about Bland Williams Ballard.

The Family of Staughton Edward Bland and Margaret Parks Nall In July 1989, Dorothea Gilbreath paid a visit to our Olympics Gold Medalist, (1936) Harriet Claiborne Bland Greene (AC 7-2, pp. 4-8). Whilst there took the photograph which I am pleased to display on the following page.

¹⁶ Jeff Lighter to Charles Bland, January 23, 1990.

¹⁷ Ibid. Mr. Lighter indicates this connection is from Ballard Family Books, but he has no solid proof. Information provided by Mr. Lighter, is supplemented by letters, Lorraine Mannix, Montgomery New York, to Charles Bland, February 1 and 15, 1990.

¹⁸ Thomas Ballard is shown by Ballard-Ballord Bits to have been on the side of Governor Berkeley during Bacon's Rebellion in Virginia. His wife is said to have been one of the women put up by Bacon as a human shield. He served on the courts martial inquiry after the rebellion. Thus he would have been an opposite of Giles Bland (1647-1677), (VU pp. 76-126)

¹⁹ Evidently, this Benjamin Ballard was the father of Margaret Ballard (1783-1830) who married Jesse Waite and is the ancestor of Lorraine Mannix.



L-R: Dorothea Gilbreath and Harriet Claiborne Bland
Courtesy: Dorothea Gilbreath

Gloria Coppedge of Portland Oregon sent to me previously unknown information (to me anyway) that Elizabeth Jane Bland, daughter of Staughton Edward Bland (1807-1842) and Margaret Parks Nall Bland Black (1816-1849), whose dates were (November 17, 1837 - January 5, 1917) married Frederick Ingman Tetley from Derbyshire England November 15, 1860. They were the great grandparents of Mrs. Coppedge, who says that the family stressed education. Richard Parks Bland (1835-1899) was an educated man who stressed education to his relations. Mrs. Coppedge's grandmother, Margaret Ann Tetley Thomas, as well as "Silver Dick's" sister Elizabeth Bland Tetley, were well schooled in advanced math.

The Family of William Bland of Nelson County H. Alan Walker of Seminole Florida wrote to me searching for information about the far back ancestors of Gideon Walker, whose son Mareen Duvall Walker of Prince George County Maryland married Ann Berry. Their son Lewis Berry Walker (C1797 - 1877) married Susannah Bland, the daughter of William Bland (1765-1850) and Sarah Peake, (1769-1844), (VU, pp. 459-461; AC 3-1, pp. 26-28). It is interesting to note that the siblings of Lewis Berry Walker married mates with interesting family names like "Bayse" (Bays), Edmonson and Watson. Thus, we have established the Bland-Walker connection but don't know any more about the parents of Gideon Walker. If anyone can help, please write to H. Alan Walker, 9964-84 Way North, Seminole Florida, 34647.

THE SOUTH CAROLINA FAMILIES

The Family of William Bland of Rutherford County North Carolina

In September, I heard from Leslie Manning Harton, of Mount Holly New Jersey, who descends from a common ancestor with me, William Bland (1792-1868) of Union County South Carolina and Rutherford County North Carolina, (VU pp. 522-544, esp. pp. 530-531, and AC 6-1, pp. 32-34). Leslie Harton's line of descent is from William's eldest son William Bland (C1818-1884) who married Caroline Suttles in Rutherford County North Carolina about 1838. Mrs. Harton indicates that William and Caroline's daughter Martha A. Bland, (C1840 -) married T. J. Harton, (1828-after 1860), on November 5, 1855. T.J. Harton, moved away from Rutherford County to Arkansas during the Civil War. Evidently he never returned. His son Thomas Jefferson Harton (1858 -) remained in Rutherford County, where he married Hester Norville September 3, 1876. I am delighted to have this information.

The Family of Elisha Bland During the past reporting period, I received an unnamed document ²⁰ that adds detail to the family of Elisha Bland (1775-1837) of Edgefield County South Carolina and Washington County Georgia. Elisha Bland was the son of Robert Bland, (1732-1787), of Loudon County Virginia and Edgefield County, but moved to Washington County Georgia by 1794. (AC 1-2, pp. 20-21; 6-1, pp. 21-24). Elisha married Agnes _____ (C1768-1862) ²¹ and had by her the following family:

1. Simeon Bland (C1797/1798 - 1864), who married Elizabeth Hodges, (C1800-1853). Simeon Bland's son Micajah H. Bland (1826-1862), had a son, Augustus Prosser Bland who was buried in the Friendship Baptist Church cemetery, at the extreme North West corner of Washington County in Deepstep Georgia. His dates were (December 3, 1853 - March 4, 1930). His wife, Docia Underwood's dates were (July 11, 1868 - March 4, 1930). A second son of Simeon Bland was Samuel Johnson Bland, (1858-1930), whose son Augustus Prosser Bland (February 7, 1894 - November 23, 1958), also was buried at the Friendship Cemetery. Other, unidentified, Blands found at the cemetery were Thomas P. Bland (August 4, 1889 - March 29, 1920) and Horace A. Bland (1900-1912).

Members of the family of Simeon Bland's son William Freeman Bland, (-1865) were found in the Bland Family Cemetery located about 12 miles from Sandersonville Georgia. William's wife Mary Elizabeth Williams Bland (December 13, 1835 - February 5, 1914)

²⁰ The documents is headed by the following: "FRIENDSHIP CHURCH CEMETERY (BAPTIST) (Transcribed by E.P. and J.S.N. July 23, 1961) "

²¹ Agnes appears in the 1850 Census for Washington County Georgia as age 82.

is buried there,²² as is their son William Rubin Bland (September 13, 1856 - December 3, 1908) and William Rubin's wife, Susie W. Bland (September 10, 1867 - December 31, 1945). Daughters of William Freeman Bland would include: Nannie Bland Brown, wife of James Brown; and Mary Ann Bland (1862-1882).

2. Micajah Bland (1797-1798 - 1866), possibly a twin of Simeon Bland. Micajah married Elizabeth Marshall sometime after 1820. Micajah's son Marshall Bland married Sarah Jordan, who is buried at the Jordan (Elisha Woodward) Cemetery, 17 miles from Sandersonville Georgia. They had a son Marshall H. W. Bland, who received a bequest from his grandfather Micajah Bland in his will of 1866.²³

3. Rachel Bland (1803-1888), who married Thomas Prosser between 1820-1824 and had a family of nine children, including the great grandmother of my correspondent, Mildred Snyder of Panama City Florida.

4. John Bland (1805-1885), who died in Telfair County Georgia. On March 30, 1830 John married Emiline Daniels (1815-). John Bland had a son Simeon Daniel Bland (1832-), whose wife Tabitha J. Wood Bland (May 23, 1831 - June 11, 1873) was buried at the Henry Wood Family Cemetery near Oconee Georgia.²⁴

5. Jane D. Bland (1812-after 1860). Jane married John Hodges, (1798-) on December 10, 1829. John Hodges was born in North Carolina and possibly a brother of Elizabeth Hodges, who married Simeon Bland.

²² Buried close by Mary Elizabeth Williams Bland are her parents Moses B. Williams (1805-1880) and Nancy F. Taylor Williams, (1803-1882).

²³ Washington County Will Book B, June 8, 1866, pp. 230-231. The same will shows Almira Bland to have married John R. Hodges and Elizabeth Jane Bland to have married J.F. Kennedy.

²⁴ Tabitha's father, Henry Wood, (1797-1873) and mother, Frances Kinman, (1803-1888) were buried in the same cemetery, as well as an infant daughter of Simeon and Tabitha Bland. In Washington County Will Book B, January 9, 1873, pp. 230-231, Note that Henry Wood identified his daughter Tabitha as the wife of Simeon D. Bland. Elizabeth Bland, daughter of Simeon Bland, married Robert F. Wood. Also note the Bland-Wood connection in (AC 5-1, pp. 42-49) and below in the discussion of the Pike County Alabama Family pp.

ALABAMA FAMILIES

The Family of William E. Blan In a previous issue, (AC 4-1, pp. 28-29; 5-1, pp. 42-49), I employed the research of Virginia McLaughlin of Selma Alabama to develop an hypothetical line that began with William Bland (March 9, 1772 - September 15, 1857) of Pike County Alabama, and his wife Elizabeth Wood, (C1776 - March 24, 1835).²⁵ This couple were the parents of Harrison Jones Bland (1818-1893), but I made the hypothetical link with four other Blands, including William E. Bland and Margaret M. Bland of Pike County. Although there are several researchers interested in this line, as well as that of Harrison Jones Bland, the principal researchers now are Gordon N. Owens of Newton Square Pennsylvania and his niece, Reba Jo Curry Jones of Lubbock Texas. Gordon indicates that the "final triggering action" that helped him to positively identify William E. Bland and Margaret McDowell McIlveen as his great grandparents and the great great grandparents of Reba Jones, was Reba's inquiry to The Genealogical Helper, November-December 1988. The inquiry resulted in quite a find. What follows is the family of William E. Bland and his wife Margaret McDowell McIlveen:²⁶

William E. Blan (October 12, 1811 - March 11, 1872). William was born in South Carolina, and married there. William appears to have moved to Alabama between 1845-1848. He was living in Coffee County Alabama as late as 1870. His occupation was mechanic and farmer. On March 28, 1837, William married Margaret McDowell Mcilveen (July 21, 1819 - After 1870). She was born in South Carolina also. Their children were as follows:

1. Margaret Catherine McCall Blan (November 15, 1838 -), was born in South Carolina. Margaret married Zachariah Wise on March 11, 1858.
2. Mary Ann Elizabeth Blan (December 23, 1840 -), was born in South Carolina. On January 15, 1857, Mary Ann married Solomon S. Cumbie. Solomon died from wounds received in the Civil War, at the Battle for New Hoppe, Georgia, March 27, 1864.
3. Thomas William Wilson Blan (1843-1846), was born in South Carolina.

²⁵ I have noted the possibility of a Bland-Wood connection above, in the discussion of the family of Elisha Bland of Edgefield County South Carolina and Washington County Georgia, pp. 32.

²⁶ Reba Jo Jones and Gordon Owens do not, as I did, link William E. Bland to William Bland and Elizabeth Wood.

4. John Robert Britt Blan (March 24, 1845 - October 8, 1862), born in South Carolina. John was killed at the Battle at Perryville Kentucky.
5. Ely Watson Blan (May 28, 1848 - March 27, 1864), was born in Alabama. He died at the Battle of New Hope in Georgia
6. James Thomas Blan (April 9, 1850 - 1933). Born in Alabama. On May 4, 1871, James married Mary Ann "Jane" Mathews, "Mollie" (March 19, 1852 - 1904), and had by her Grover Cleveland Bland (1882-1952), (AC 3-1, p. 42). James Thomas Bland and Mary Ann Mathews were also parents of a daughter, (name illegible) born March 10, 1872, and Doshia Lucretia Blan, (December 6, 1875 -). Their son, Willie Newton Blan, (May 25, 1878 - January 3, 1963), who married Martha Dandridge, (C1880-1968) on January 22, 1896. James and Mary Ann Bland also had sons Luther and Nathaniel Blan. They died at Antlers Oklahoma.
7. Joseph Andrew Blan (February 8, 1853 - August 17, 1934). Joseph Andrew was born in Pike County Alabama and died at Tipton, Tillman County Oklahoma. On November 20, 1872, Joseph married Nancy Ann Mathews (1857-1944). This family has been previously delineated, (AC 4-1, pp. 28-29 and 5-1, p. 44).
8. Martha Permelia Blan (1857-1860).
9. William Alfred Blan (January 25, 1860 -) born in Alabama. William married Cora Jones December 6, 1888, in Clayton, Barbour County Alabama, on December 6, 1888. William had a son Austin Blan and a daughter Ida Blan, born in the early 1900s.

MISCELLANEOUS

John Bland Smith

It has been quite some time since anyone has inquired about John Bland Smith (C1590-1667) (AC 4-1, p. 34). John was born Bland in England Later he adapted the surname of his Step Father, Smith. John died in Martha's Vineyard Massachusetts. The geography suggests he may have been a Puritan. John married first, Isabella Drake (C1579, 1586, 1588 - 1639). Secondly, John married Joanna _____. A new correspondent, Bailey Rogers, 1008 Regency Court, Cincinnati, Ohio, 45251, descends from John through his daughter Isabella Bland Smith (1642-1699) who married Francis Asten or Austin. Mrs. Rogers would appreciate hearing from anyone who has further information about John Bland Smith.

1850 CENSUS: VIRGINIA/WEST VIRGINIA

Introduction: During 1987-1988 Joyce Bland McCool, Overland Park Kansas, at my request, compiled a comprehensive record of Blands Blanns and Blans who appeared in the State Censuses for 1850. Blands, Blanns and Blans appeared in 32 states for this census year. In the previous two numbers (AC 7-1, pp. 32-39; AC 7-2, pp. 32-49), I covered the sparsely populated New England and Northeastern states where Bland's probably did not have established families until the 19th Century, and Indiana, where numerous families of Blands had migrated and settled by 1850, coming from Virginia, North Carolina and Kentucky primarily. In this issue, I cover the state of Virginia, including the various counties that became West Virginia in 1863, but appeared in the 1850 census for Virginia.

Dwelling/
Family

Page Number Names Age/Sex Occupation Value Birth N:

Amelia County

66 487/487 Bland, Matthew R. 25M Farmer \$10,000. Va.

This may be the Matthew Richard Bland, previously noted (AC 5-1, p. 25).

Bedford County

304 Bland, Nathaniel 36M Laborer Ireland

Caroline County

<u>Page</u>	<u>Dwelling/ Family Number</u>	<u>Names</u>	<u>Age/Sex</u>	<u>Occupation</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Birth N:</u>
224	27/27	Bland, Ambrose	50M	Carpenter		Va.
		Sarah	50F			Va.
		Jane E.	20F			Va.
		John F.	17M	Laborer		Va.
Ambrose is shown as illiterate. John F. Bland is called "idiotic".						
229	105/105	Bland, Ann P.	58F			Va.
		Augusta	13F			Va.
249		Bland,	15M	Student		Va.

Dinwiddie County

337	241/240	Bland, V.	55F			Va.
		Jarrott, P.	40M	Laborer		Va.
Both members of this household were noted as Black and illiterate.						
388	1086/1191	Bland, Bettie	11F			
Bettie Bland was enumerated in the household of A. Laurence Smith						
493	374/376	Bland, R. Bates	37M	Farmer	2,000.	Va.
		Ann A.E.	28F			Va.
		Richard R.	80M			Va.
		Ann	78F			Va.
		Mary G.	47F			Va.
		Robert C.B.	7M			Va.
		Laura R.	5F			Va.
		John W.G.	1/12M			Va.
		Chambers, Thomas R.	22M	Overseer		Va.

The elder Bland in this household is Richard Yates Bland and his son, Richard Yates Bland Jr. There is fairly strong evidence that the elder man is the son of John Bland (1739-1777), (AC 5-1, pp. 18-21 and 7-1, pp. 10-11).

Doddridge County

12	167/168	Bland, Richard	63M	Farmer	500.	Va.
		Mary	57F			Pa.
		Malinda	13F			

This is Richard Bland (1787-1876), son of Joseph Bland (C1752-1820), and his wife Mary Jobes and daughter Malinda Bland (1836-1871) who married William Matheney, (VU, pp. 396-398; AC 2-2, pp. 37-38 and 5-2, pp. 10-12)

Doddridge County (Continued)

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12	169/170	Bland, Richard J.	26M	Farmer	\$ 500.	Va.
		Mary J.	21F			Va.
		Alsind	3F			Va.
		Sanford	3/12M			Va.

Re: (AC 5-2, p. 13).

23	338/315	Bland, William	37M	Farmer	\$ 150.	Va.
		Sarah	38F			Va.
		Druscilla	15F			Va.
		John	14M			Va.
		Priscilla	12F			Va.
		Rheuhama	10F			Va.
		Mary A.	7F			Va.
		Simon	3M			Va.
		Richard	1M			Va.

Re: (AC 5-2, pp. 11-12). Sarah Stiles Bland was listed as illiterate. Druscilla and John were shown "school within year".

Giles County

414	649/442	Bland, James	50M	Farmer		Va.
		Ida	49F			Va.
		Manah	34F			Va.
		Sarah	20F			Va.
		Rebecca	18F			Va.
		Aurena	16F			Va.
		Lenia	14F			Va.
		William	12M			Va.
		Eliza	10F			Va.
		James M.	6M			Va.
		Nancy	23F			Va.
		William	6M			Va.
		Newton	3M			Va.

James Bland, the elder, is listed as illiterate.

418	696/689	Bland, Isaac	33M	Farmer	\$ 100.	Va.
		Anna	30F			Va.
		Jane	9F			Va.
		Cynthia	6F			Va.
		Taylor	4M			Va.
		James	2M			Va.
		Havens, James	7M			Va.

Giles County (Continued)

This county derives from Montgomery and Monroe counties, among others. These two Bland families may be part of a larger Monroe County Virginia contingent (AC 3-1, p. 10; and below, pp. 43). Mrs. Dana Watson of 413 Hunter's Ridge Circle, Coppell Texas, 75019 has initiated an inquiry for the parents of William and Sarah Bland, whose son, William Sylvester Bland, was born about 1853 in Giles County. He married Martha Jane Caves, August 11, 1872, at Montgomery County Virginia. They were the parents of William Winfred Bland of Montgomery County Virginia (April 5, 1875 - March 27, 1918), who married on May 2, 1893, Mary Cathern Oliver (1871-1930). They were parents of Mrs. Watson's grandfather, Nelson Kenneth Bland (1903-1952). Mrs. Watson would be glad to hear from anyone with further information.

Gloucester County

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44	23/23	Bland, Edward	12M			Va.
Edward was enumerated as a boy attending school, in the household of William Chapman.						
66	385/386	Bland, Samuel	58M	Carpenter		Va.

Gloucester County was adjacent to King and Queen County. The two individuals enumerated here are probably from the King and Queen County line.

Hardy County

70	945/946	Bland, Josiah	30M	Blacksmith	\$ 350.	Va.
		Margaret	29F			Va.
		George W.	7M			Va.
		Hiram	6M			Va.
		Mary Ann	5F			Va.
		Sarah C.	4F			Va.
		John A.	10/12			Va.

This is the family of Josiah Bland and Margaret Coler, probably part of the Pendleton County Virginia Family, previously noted (AC4-2, p. 17). Margaret Coler is shown as illiterate but their children George and Hiram are shown as in school.

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Henrico County

420	330/309	Bland, Thomas	50M	Laborer	\$ 500.	Ireland
		Grace	38F			Ireland
		John L.	6M			Va.

Thomas Bland is shown to be illiterate.

565		Bland, W.S.	22M	Student		Va.
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W.S. Bland is a student of Richmond College. These two individuals appear to be unrelated to the James River Blands, even though Henrico County is adjacent to Prince George County.

Isle of Wight County

125	80/80	Bland, Elizabeth E.	25F			Va.
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Elizabeth is enumerated in the household of Catherine Womble.

153	548/548	Bland, Sally	33F			Va.
		John L.	5M			Va.
		Polly	3F			Va.
		Watson, Polly	80F			Va.

Sally and Polly Watson both are listed as illiterate.

151	498/498	Bland, Julia A.	15F			Va.
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Julia is enumerated in the household of William Bridger.

156	602/602	Bland, John	28M			Va.
		Cherry	26F			Va.
		Benja. L.	1M			Va.
		Bracey, Virginia	35F			Va.

John is shown as illiterate.

161	677/677	Bland, Martha	20F			Va.
		Nancy	13F			Va.
		Robert	4M			Va.

163	716/716	Bland, William	48M			Va.
		Abby	47F			Va.

William and Abby are both indicated as illiterate. Living in this household is Jesse Carr, Mary A. Carr, Sally Carr, Martha Carr, Pempsey Carr, James Carr and Susan Carr, ranging in age from 7-24, possibly siblings and children of Abby by a previous marriage.

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Isle of Wight County (Continued)

165	747/747	Bland, Thomas	43M	Farmer		Va.
		Patsy	32F			Va.
		Mary E.	9F			Va.
		Andrew J.	7M			Va.
		Thomas I.	5M			Va.
		Benja. F.	4M			Va.
		Susannah	3F			Va.
		John R.	10/12			Va.

Thomas and Patsy are both shown illiterate.

176	937/937	Bland, Samuel	61M	Farmer	\$ 72.	Va.
		Elizabeth	35F			Va.
		Lemuel E.	20M			Va.
		Martha V.	4F			Va.
		Busby, Rose	18F			Va.

Samuel and Lemuel are both indicated illiterate.

177	949/949	Bland, Georgiana	24F			Va.
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Georgiana was enumerated with Allen Edwards.

I confess that I do not know who the Blands in this tidewater county are tied to. There were some early loose links between the Bennetts and Blands in Virginia and London, with Isle of Wight County, but it is very tenuous and inconclusive (VU, pp. 243-248, esp. 245-246).

King and Queen County

164	256/256	Bland, Absalom	45M	Farmer	\$5,700.	Va.
		Margaret	18F			Va.
		Mary Francis	15F			Va.
		Joseph	4M			Va.
		Tulipa(Julia?)	2F			Va.
		Roberta	22F			Va.

Absalom's household included a manager, Arthur C. Mason, 28; a laborer, Alamander Gaines and Robert Gaines.

164	260/260	Bland, Polly,	45F			Va.
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Polly was enumerated as illiterate, residing in the household of Mrs. Fanny Pearce.

164	264/264	Bland, William	22M	Physician	\$3,700.	Va.
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Living in William's household was William Bray, 28M, a laborer.

King and Queen County (Continued)

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165	278/278	Bland, Mrs. Ann R. Mary Ann Benjamin F. Sarah Foster	46F 17F 14M 8F		\$1,700.	Va. Va. Va. Va.
173	395/395	Bland, Frances A. Joseph R. William C. Alexander F.	40F 11M 11M 9M		\$1,500.	Va. Va. Va. Va.
Also in this household were Mrs. Lucy Kemp and Lucy Ann Kemp.						
174	413/413	Bland, Paschal Eliza Joel	33M 35F 6M		\$1,700.	Va. Va. Va.
175	434/434	Bland, Henry Rachel	27M 20F	Farmer	75.	Va. Va.
175	435/435	Bland, Cary L. Maria H. John H. William C.	34M 22F 3M 1M	Farmer	400.	Va. Va. Va. Va.
175	442/442	Bland, Emiline Martha Ann James Theodore	29F 4F 2M			Va. Va. Va.
176	463/463	Bland, Col. Robert Mary A. James G. Lucy M. Virginia	50M 40F 16M 14F 2/12F	Farmer	\$16,000.	Va. Va. Va. Va. Va.
159	179/179	Bland, John R. Mary Catherine	21M 19F		4,500.	Va. Va.
John and Mary Catherine were "married within year".						
180	519/519	Bland, Zachariah Delilah Pricilla A.C.M. James R. William C.	29M 29F 7F 5M 7M	Farmer		Va. Va. Va. Va. Va.

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King and Queen County (Continued)

180	521/521	Bland, John B.	43M	Farmer	\$2,000.	Va.
		Mary	23F			Va.
		Araminter	1F			Va.

This household included laborers John and Robert Thomas.

181	544/544	Bland, Maj. Roderick	45M	Farmer	\$4,000.	Va.
		Frances	30F			Va.
		Frances A.E.	19F			Va.
		Patrick	17M			Va.
		Emiline	15F			Va.
		John W.	11M			Va.
		Ellen Jane	8F			Va.
		James L.	5M			Va.
		George C.	2M			Va.

This household included Edward J. Mitchell, 21, a school teacher.

189	677/677	Bland, Robert	19M	Student		Va.
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197	810/810	Bland, Marjorie	16F	Student		Va.
		Lucy	14F	Student		Va.

201	865/865	Bland, Eliza Ann	24F			Va.
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The Bland family of King and Queen County Virginia has been previously discussed, (VU, pp. 392-296); AC 1-2, pp. 26-27; 2-1, pp. 19-22; 2-2, pp. 24-26; 3-1, pp. 8-9, 39; 3-2, pp. 9-10, 15-22;

4-1, pp. 17-20; 4-2, pp. 5-7; 5-2, pp. 13-15; 6-2, pp. 3-5; 7-1, pp. 12-14; 7-2, pp. 13-15; 8-1 pp. 9-10.

Levis County

65	869/880	Bland, Job	33M	Farmer	\$1,200.	Va.
		Margaret	26F			Va.
		Virginia	6F			Va.
		Nancy	5F			Va.
		Rachel	3F			Va.
		Henry	1M			Va.

Job (C1812-1854) was the son of Thomas Bland (C1740-1826) of Pendleton County Virginia, (VU p. 398 and AC 2-2, p. 22. Even though the census shows Job's age as 33, Edith Lanning has given his birth date as June 11, 1812. After 1850, Job and his wife Margaret Cunningham had Mary Ann Bland, (1853 -) and John Bland, (C1855-).

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Lewis County (Continued)

105	1405/1432	Bland, Thomas	57M	Landlord	\$10,000.	Va.
		Mary	54F			Va.
		William J.	34M	Physician	5,300.	Va.
		Mary	16F			Va.
		Edwin	14M			Va.
		Newton	12M			Va.
		John	9M			Va.

This is the family of Thomas Bland (1793-1867) and Mary Newlon (1796-1879), (VU. pp. 377-390). Their eldest son William J. Bland (1816-1897) was in the household. The three youngest children were in school.

Middlesex County

205	123/132	Bland, Robert C.	21M	Teacher		Va.
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Monroe County

430	8/8	Bland, Martha J.	10F			Va.
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Martha was enumerated with William Crosier, 66, born in Va.

463	452/461	Bland, Uriah F.	38M	Laborer		Va.
		Nancy	39F			Va.
		Elizabeth	14F			Va.
		Madison	11M			Va.
		Robert	9M			Va.
		Jonathan	6M			Va.
		Benjamin	6M			Va.
		George	3M			Va.

Uriah is called illiterate. His children Elizabeth and Madison are in school.

463	457/466	Bland, Robert	65M	Carpenter	\$700.	Va.
		Coffee, Sarah	50F			Va.
		Bland, Benjamin F.	6M			Va.

Robert is called illiterate. The child Benjamin F. Bland is called deaf and dumb.

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Monroe County (Continued)

464	461/470	Bland, George W.	40M	Carpenter	\$500.	Va.
		Polly	33F			Va.
		Mary J.	9F			Va.
		Madison	7F			Va.
		Ellen	4F			Va.
		Campbell, Polly	74F			Va.
		Bland, Jackson	33M	Laborer		Va.

In this household, George and his daughter Mary were shown, in School. George's wife Polly and her mother Polly Campbell were illiterate.

467	508/519	Bland, Joseph	48M	Farmer	\$200.	Va.
		Margaret	38F			Va.
		Eliza	17F			Va.
		Phebe	14F			Va.
		Thomas	12M			Va.
		Augustus	10M			Va.
		Matthew	6M			Va.
		Isabel	4F			Va.

Joseph and Margaret were both illiterate.

467	510/521	Bland, Alexander	68M	Laborer	\$300.	Va.
		Ida	38F			Va.

467	515/526	Bland, Benjamin	23M	Laborer		Va.
		Jane	20F			Va.
		Candy C.	1M			Va.

Benjamin Bland was listed as illiterate.

467	516/527	Bland, Moses	38M	Laborer		Va.
		Rebecca	30F			Va.
		Alexander	14M			Va.
		Sally	12F			Va.
		Jane	10F			Va.
		Margaret	6F			Va.
		Ida	3F			Va.
		William	1M			Va.

468	520/521	Bland, Jonathan	30M	Farmer		Va.
		Sarah	30F			Va.
		Sidney	3F			Va.
		Polina	1F			Va.
		Phebe	14F			Va.

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Monroe County (Continued)

476	647/659	Bland, Reuben	35M	Laborer		Va.
		Milly	37F			Va.
		James	13M			Va.
		Frances	7F			Va.
		Margaret	5F			Va.
		Richard	3M			Va.
		Caroline	1F			Va.

Reuben Bland was listed illiterate.

477	652/664	Bland, Elizabeth	27F			Va.
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Elizabeth was enumerated with George Lowery, age 24).

478	673/685	Bland, Adam	30M	Methodist Preacher		Va.
		Ellen	19F			Va.

On Adam Bland, (AC 2-2, p. 18; 4-2, p. 14)

Monroe County was formed in 1799 from Greenbrier. In turn Giles County, (Above, pp. 37-38) was formed in part from Monroe, (AC 3-1, p. 10).

Nansemond County

197	1171/1171	Bland, Vernon E.	16M			NC.
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Vernon was enumerated with Margaret Byrd, age 47, born NC.

Norfolk County

060	910/1008	Bland, Mary	53F			Va.
		Elizabeth	26F			Va.
		John D.	24M	Watchmaker		Va.
		Martha J.	17F			Va.

Martha J. Bland is shown in school.

154	/528	Bland, Maria	26F			Va.
		Harrison	25M	Carpenter		Va.
		Ann E.	2F			Va.

This family was enumerated with Mary Montague, age 50, born in Va. Their husband and father may have been Harrison Bland, 28, a carpenter born in Virginia, who was in the jail for a misdemeanor.

185	942/1032	Bland, Pauline	8F			Va.
		Bland, George	15M	Apprentice Brick Mason		Va.

Pauline and George were enumerated with Albert Handley, age 33, born in Virginia.

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Norfolk County (Continued)

201		Bland, George	21M	Sailor		Ohio
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George was an out of townner, found in the Norfolk Ship Yard.

Nottoway County

276	181/181	Bland, Mary E.	21F			Va.
		Martha R.	19F			Va.
		Cornelia A.	17F			Va.

These three Blands were enumerated with Mary P. Jeter, 63, born Va.

377	193/193	Bland, William H.	25M	Overseer		Va.
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Enumerated with Louis C. Bouldin, 54, born Va.

382	268/268	Bland, Robert E.	17M			Va.
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Enunedrated with John P. Duprey, 60, born Virginia.

387	370/370	Bland, Thomas P.	35M	Farmer	\$7,100.	Va.
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Also living in Thomas Bland's household were Sevina Johnson, 80, born in Virginia and a dictcher, Pleasant Hardy, 45, a mullato, born in Virginia.

389	398/398	Bland, George C.	30M	MD & Farmer	\$10,000.	Va.
		Rebecca	25F			Va.
		Theodora	2F			Va.
		Eva L.	6/12F			Va.

390	418/418	Bland, Mary	56F		\$ 1,500.	Va.
		Imogine	15F			Va.

Mary and Imogine were living on the land of John Bland, deceased. Page 392, dwelling/family number 451, includes this notation: "John Bland's plantation cal' Burnt chimneys," \$4,000. value.

393	469/469	Bland, William R.	31M	Farmer/Attorney	\$2,585.	Va.
		Matilda O.	19F			Va.
		Rebecca	6F			Va.
		Sarah A.E.	4F			Va.

Nottoway County is adjacent to Mansemond/Norfolk and Isle of Wight, suggesting some family interrelationships. Nothing further is known by me.

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Pendleton County

21	292/292	Bland, Mary	22F			Va.
		Miles	22M			Va.
		Mary E.	8/12F			Va.

This is Miles H. Bland (1826-1902) and his wife Mary A. Bible, who were residing in the household of John Bible, age 59, born Va. (AC 4-2, p. 11).

27	373/373	Bland, Henry	78M	Farmer	\$2,000.	Va.
		Mary	54F			Va.
		Jesse	26M	Farmer		Va.
		Annis	24F			Va.
		Asa P.	18M	Farmer		Va.
		Lucinda	14F			Va.
		Steward	11M			Va.
		James	2M			Va.

Henry Bland (1770-1853) and his wives Margaret Weirich and Mary Dolly have been extensively covered, esp. (VU pp. 398-399; AC 2-2, pp. 14-23; 3-2, pp. 23-27; 4-2, 9-20).

27	374/374	Bland, Enoch	47M	Farmer	\$1,200.	Va.
		Mary A.	40F			Va.
		John	15M			Va.
		Caroline	13F			Va.
		Pleasant	11M			Va.
		Isaac	9M			Va.
		Phoebe A.	6F			Va.
		Elizabeth	4F			Va.
		Ellen	1F			Va.

Enoch Bland (1804-1882) was married to Mary A. Harper by 1850. He was the son of Thomas Bland (C1740-1826) and Rachel Shoulders (C1775-). (AC 2-2, pp. 20-22; 4-2, pp. 15-17).

27	376/376	Bland, Rachel	75F			Va.
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Rachel was the second wife of Thomas Bland (C1740-1826). (VU pp. 398-399; AC 2-2, pp. 14-23; AC 4-2, pp. 9-20).

33	447/447	Bland, George W.	32M	Farmer		Va.
		Margaret	18F			Va.
		James	2M			Va.

George Washington Bland (1818-1889), a son of Henry Bland (1770-1853) and Mary Dolly, (1796-), was married at this time to Margaret Skidmore (1832-1910). The child James was a son by George's first wife, Caroline Woods, (1828-1849). (AC 2-2, pp. 18-19; 4-2, pp. 13-14).

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Pendleton County (continued)

44	595/595	Bland, Johnson	21M	Farmer		Va.
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Johnson Bland (1829-1897) was enumerated here with Joel Teter, age 71, born Virginia. (AC 2-2, p. 20; AC 4-2, p. 15-16 & Photo p. 20).

36	495/495	Bland, Eli	53M	Farmer	\$2,000.	Va.
		Anne	46F			Va.
		William	21M			Va.
		Amos	18M			Va.
		Lucinda	16F			Va.
		Washington	13M			Va.
		John W.	11M			Va.
		Perry	8M			Va.
		Mary	10F			Va.
		James	7M			Va.
		Franklin	1M			Va.

Eli Bland (1797-1862) was the son of Henry Bland (1770-1853) and Margaret Weirich. He was married to Annie Haigler (1804-). (AC 2-2, pp. 17-18; 4-2, pp. 11-12).

Powhatan County

310	140/140	Bland, Sarah	45F		\$1,000.	Va.
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Prince Edward County

053	751/754	Bland, Jno. R.	27M	Farmer		Va.
		Emily	27F			Va.
		Richard B.	4M			Va.
		Theodore B.	1F			Va.

Living with John R. Bland was Jacob Waddell, 83, born in Virginia. For one Bland-Waddle link, (AC 5-2, pp. 32-33).

Prince George County

61	51/51	Bland, Jno. B.	52M	Farmer	\$10,000.	Va.
		Elizabeth	38F			Va.
		William	22M			Va.
		Robert	14M			Va.
		R. M.	9F			Va.

This is the family of John Bolling Bland (1798-1863) and his third wife Elizabeth Cargill, (VU p. 162; AC 5-1, pp. 13-14). John's household included an overseer William Hain, age 22.

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Prince George County (Continued)

61	53/53	Bland, Theod.	45M	Farmer	\$30,000.	Va.
		Mary	40F			Va.
		S. R.	5F			Va.
		Theod.	4M			Va.
		M. S.	1F			Va.
		Ann P.	20F			Va.

This is Theodorick Bland (1804-1859) and his wife Mary Harrison, (1809-1860), (VU, p. 162 and AC 5-1, p. 14).

65	138/138	Bland, John J.	24M	Farmer	\$ 6,000.	Va.
66	144/144	Bland, Richard	55M	Farmer		Va.
		M. E.	35F			Va.
		Susan	16F			Va.
		Peter	15M			Va.
		John	6M			Va.

Prince William County

152	816/816	Bland, John	68M	Farmer		Va.
		Angeler	34F			Va.
		Hiram	3M			Va.
		Ann M.	1F			Va.

This household includes Jane Thompson, age 15.

152	817/817	Bland, Rob't	39M	Laborer		Va.
		Nancy	35F			Va.
		Wesley	15M			Va.
		Edward	11M			Va.
		Lora	13F			Va.
		Rob't	7M			Va.
		Benjamin F.	6/12M			Va.

Reinforced by the information on page 8 above, proximity of residence would indicate that this would be Robert Bland, the son of John Bland, noted directly above. Sons Wesley Bland (1835-1911) and Edward (1838-1915) have been previously noted buried in the Greenwood Primitive Baptist church, Prince William County. Robert is probably the sibling of James P. Bland, noted next and on page 8, above.

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Prince William County (Continued)

159	954/954	Bland, James P.	40M	Tenant		Va.
		Mary	42F			Va.
		Deneza	14F			Va.
		James	13M			Va.

Residing in the household of James B. Bland was Ann Maddord, age 75, born in Maryland.

160	942/942	Bland, Alexander	25M	Boatman		Va.
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Alexander Bland is shown illiterate. He is enumerated with John Hutchinson, 35 of Virginia.

161	983/983	Bland, John A.	10M			Va.
		Mary	8F			Va.
		Elizabeth	6F			Va.

These children were enumerated in the household of Sarah E. Phillips, 56, born in Virginia.

Spotsylvania County

424	845/845	Bland, J. Lewis	27M	Carpenter		Va.
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Lweis Bland was enumerated with Burrell Jones 56, born in Va. For discussion about Spotsylvania County, cf above, pp. 28-29.

Surry County

71	207/207	Bland, Laura	11F			Va.
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Laura Bland was enumerated with Ishmael Coker, 50, born North Carolina.

Warwick County

64	84/84	Bland, Ira	42M	Lumbergetting		Va.
		Ann P.	34F			Va.
		Maria E.A.	14F			Va.
		Edward P.	12M			Va.
		Ira R.	6M			Va.

Residing in this household was Catherine Fogg, 60, born in Virginia. (AC 5-1, p. 21).

Wythe County

236	185/185	Bland, James M.		Stage Contractor		Va.
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Wetzel County

4	42/42	Bland, Joseph	29M	Farmer	\$ 500.	Va.
		Casandes	29F			Va.
		Thornton	7M			Va.
		Rachel	5F			Va.
		Mary	1F			Va.

Cf. AC 5-2, p. 13.

23	310/310	Bland, Samuel	24M	Farmer	\$ 500.	Ohio.
		Mary	24F			Pa.
		Hannah	4F			Va.
		Elizabeth	2F			Va.
		John	1/12M			Va.

Samuel and Mary are listed as illiterate.

23	311/311	Bland, George	28M	Farmer	\$ 450.	Va.
		Mathilda	26F			Va.
		Garison	6M			Va.
		Joseph	4M			Va.
		Elizabeth	2F			Va.
		Gerusha	1F			Va.

36	492/492	Bland, Joseph	25M	Farmer		Ohio.
		Rebecca	20F			Pa.
		Henry	2M			Va.

Joseph and Rebecca are listed as illiterate.

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