

The Family Record  
OF  
JOHN COOPER

1778 - 1909



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## Foreword

For several years I have been looking up my ancestry on my father's side. The task has been difficult because records have not been preserved; so that I have succeeded in going back only as far as my great grandfather. Had I talked to my father, or to his mother, who died in 1868 in her full faculties, I could have learned all that I have since been so anxious to know. Many of the lines I have traced into the later generations are incomplete because of inability to obtain dates, etc.

The task, however, has been pleasant, for in this search I have found many interesting facts about my forefathers, one of which is that my ancestors were godly, consecrated Christian men and women.

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## Cooper Ancestry

In 1620, there was a corporate body of men formed in London, known as the London Company. They settled in Virginia, their object being to develop the country and to protect the English interests as well. Among the names of this corporation we find that of JOHN COOPER, who, we think, is the ancestor of our family, as our family came from Virginia.

The next Cooper we find is THOMAS, SR., who lived in Henry County, Virginia. We think THOMAS, JR., and JOHN were his sons, and probably JAMES, WILLIAM, and ARTHUR, as all lived in the same county.

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THOMAS, JR. (1) married Sarah Clark, daughter of Joseph and Elizabeth Clark Anthony, in Henry County, Virginia, on February 5, 1762. He was a Captain of Virginia Volunteers in the Revolutionary War, having renounced allegiance to Great Britain and sworn it to the Commonwealth on January 1, 1778. He represented Henry County in the first Convention of 1788, which adopted the Federal Constitution. They moved to Greene County, Georgia in 1791. The children of THOMAS, JR., and SARAH ANTHONY COOPER were:

1. ELIZABETH, married Thomas Stovall in Henry County, Virginia.
2. JOSEPH, JR.
3. AGNES, married George Hamilton in Henry County, Virginia.
4. THOMAS, JR., born in Henry County, in 1767; married Judith Harvey in Georgia.
5. POLLY, married John Waller, Virginia.
6. PENELOPE, married Dr. James Nisbett of Georgia.
7. JOHN, JR., married a Weeks.
8. SARAH, married a Lancaster.
9. MICAJAH.

The children of THOMAS, JR. (4) and JUDITH COOPER were:

1. HARRIET, married a Nisbett of Georgia.
2. EMILY, married a Branham of Georgia.
3. NARCISSA, married a Boykin of Georgia.
4. MARK ANTHONY, married a Randall of Georgia.

EMILY BRANHAM (2) was mother of Judge Joel R. ham of Rome, and Richard.

NARCISSA BOYKIN (3) was mother of Rev. Thomas Boykin and Rev. Samuel Boykin.

Mrs. SUSIE COOPER POPE of Washington, Georgia, and cus Eugene Cooper of Atlanta, are children of Mark At Cooper.

JOHN COOPER, son of THOMAS, SR., and brother of THOMAS, JR., was born in Virginia about the year, 1742. renounced allegiance to Great Britain and swore it to the monwealth, December 31, 1777, in Henry County, Virg He enlisted as a private in the Revolutionary War from H County, in Carrington's Artillery, and served three-years pe He is not known to have been in a battle. (This was obta from Commissioner of Pensions.) In 1785 he drew back through Col. Carrington for services in the "Army Revolu ary Soldiers" (Vol. 4, page 148, Archives of State of Virgin He moved to Wilkes County, Georgia, about the year, 1786 '87. In the year 1789 he drew two hundred and eighteen a of land from the United States Government, in Wilkes Cou Georgia, for services in the War of the Revolution—(Book R. II. page 158, Office of State records, Atlanta, Georgi "Honorable George Walton, Esq., Captain-general and Gov nor-and-Commander-in-chief in and over the State of Georg in 1789. REGISTERED IN MERIWETHER COUNTY." He mi ried, first, ELIZABETH, daughter of Capt. John Wilson in Hen

County, Virginia, in 1778. The children of JOHN and ELIZA-BETH WILSON COOPER were:

1. JOHN WILSON, born January 17, 1783.
2. JOSEPH W., born 1785.
3. ELIZABETH (Betsy), born 1787.
4. AUGUSTIN.
5. GIDEON.
6. NANCY.

JOHN COOPER, married, second, a Holmes of Wilkes County, Georgia.

Their children were:

7. JAMES, born August 29, 1799.
8. MENTON.
9. THOMAS.

JOHN COOPER died November, 1835. His second wife died in 1836.

JOHN WILSON COOPER, son of JOHN and ELIZABETH WILSON COOPER was born in Bedford County, Virginia. On April 24, 1803 he was married to Nancy Thornton in Wilkes County, Georgia. He was a Baptist preacher, a man highly thought of. He died in Houston County near Perry, Georgia, May 3, 1850, having lived in the counties of Monroe and Harris before going to Houston County. He was taken sick in the pulpit of Sand Ridge Church in that county, and lived but a few days after.

NANCY THORNTON, his wife, was born December 11, 1783. She was baptized in the old Rehoboth Church of Wilkes County, Georgia. She died in Houston County, August 7, 1867, being eighty-five years old. She was one of the finest women I have ever known; such a good Christian and so industrious and energetic. Always ready to help and do for others—she was indeed a model woman.

The children of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON were:

1. LUCINDA, born January 16, 1804; died August 5, 1804.
2. LLOYD THOMAS, born September 13, 1805.



3. JOSEPH MARTIN, born November 1, 1807; died January 23, 1877.

4. SARAH, born February 2, 1810.

5. THOMAS HAMILTON, born August 17, 1812; died September 20, 1854.

6. JOHN THORNTON, born January 12, 1815; died July 1 1875.

7. HARRIET NEWELL, born January 28, 1817; died April 26, 1849.

8. MARY ANN, born October 4, 1818; died October 20, 1826.

9. WILLIAM RABURN, born January 15, 1821; died November 1, 1835.

10. AUGUSTIN, born April 16, 1822; died in 1876.

11. GEORGE FRANKLIN, born July 31, 1825.

12. JESSE MILNER, born August 8, 1829; died October 29 1867.

LOYD THOMAS COOPER (2) was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. On August 19, 1824, he was married to Nancy Huguley in West Point, Georgia. Their children were:

(1) MARY ANN; (2) AMANDA; (3) JAMES H.; (4) WATKINS; (5) JOHN THOMAS; (6) WILLIAM.

MARY ANN (1) was married first to John Collier of Monroe County, Georgia; and second to Mr. Allen of Shelbyville, Tennessee. She had no children.

JOHN THOMAS COOPER (5) married and left one son, WALTER, who was adopted by his Aunt MARY ANN. WALTER married a Miss Childs of Forsyth, Georgia, and has five children namely:

(1) FLOYD CHILDS; (2) MRS. G. R. TRIPPER; (3) WINNIE DAVIS; (4) LISTON; (5) HALLIE CLIFTON.

FLOYD CHILDS (1) married and has one child.

JAMES H. COOPER (4) left one son, Lloyd.

AMANDA COOPER (2) married Mr. Hammel. Their children are:

(1) TULLEEN; (2) GEORGE; (3) ELOUZA; (4) ANNIE; (5) WILLIE. They are living in Texas.

WATKINS COOPER (4) married Mary Shealy. Their children were:

1. CORDELIA, married to John Smith.
2. MINNIE, married R. C. Watson.
3. ELIZABETH, married Curtis McCheskin.
4. MATTIE, married M. D. Langford.
5. EADIE, married Ettie Todd.

The family are living in Anniston, Ala.

WILLIAM COOPER (6) married Lula Simpson. Their children are:

(1) WATKINS; (2) KATE; (3) IOLA; (4) AMOS; (5) LLOYD; (6) ANNIE. The family is in Texas.

JOSEPH MARTIN (3), son of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. He married Allie Huguley, a sister of LLOYD THOMAS' wife. Of ten children, only one lived, GEORGE FRANKLIN COOPER, Jr. He married LEONORA DUNCAN, daughter of James Duncan of Perry, Georgia. Their children are:

(1) CLIFFORD; (2) CHARLES FRANKLIN; (3) KATE. CLIFFORD COOPER (1) married Charles M. Neel of Georgia.

Their children are:

(1) NORA; (2) MARY; (3) WARREN RABURN; (4) ETHEL; (5) CHARLES FRANKLIN.

MARY NEEL (2) was married in 1898 to W. J. Kendric, an officer in the United States Army. Their children are:

(1) NEEL; (2) JEAN.

CHARLES FRANKLIN COOPER (2) was married in 1874 to

Cinderella Faulk of Twiggs County, Georgia. Their children are:

(1) MARY JOE; (2) JOHN POWERS; (3) GEORGE FRANKLIN  
(4) KATE D.; (5) WILLIE F.; (6) CLINTON D.; (7) LEONOR

MARY JOE COOPER (1) was born in Perry, Georgia and was married in April, 1901, to Dr. William J. Little of Macon, Georgia. Their children are:

(1) WILLIAM J. JR.; (2) CHARLES COOPER; (3) ELIZABETH

JOHN POWERS COOPER married Martha Ansley of Americus, Georgia. They have one daughter, AURELIA.

GEORGE FRANKLIN COOPER (3) married Lutie Laidlen. They have two children.

CLINTON D. COOPER (6) married Mary Keizer, a cousin of William J. Kendrick, who married Mary Neel. CLINTON D. died in 1908.

LEONORA COOPER (7) was married August, 1908, to Mr. Edwards.

KATE D. COOPER (4) was married in 1875 to Fletcher, son of Thomas J. Cater of Perry, Georgia. She died in Macon, Georgia, in 1899, leaving their children:

(1) CHARLES FRANKLIN; (2) FLETCHER; (3) THOMAS J.  
CHARLES FRANKLIN (1) was married in 1900 to Rachel McCall of Quitman, Georgia.

THOMAS J. (3) married Maybelle, daughter of Robert Boling Moore of Milledgeville, Georgia.

SARAH (4), daughter of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia, and was married to Roland Redding, a planter of Monroe County, Georgia, January 9, 1827. Their children were:

(1) ANN ELIZABETH; (2) HARRIET GREEN; (3) JOHN ANDERSON; (4) WILLIAM GIDEON; (5) SARAH MARGARET; (6) WALTER; (7) JAMES THORNTON; (8) JOSEPH M.; (9) GEORGE.

ANN ELIZABETH REDDING (1) married JAMES TURRENTINE of Gasden, Ala. Their children are:

(1) SARAH CATHERINE; (2) JAMES ROLAND; (3) HARRIET FRANCES; (4) IDA; (5) DANIEL; (6) OSCAR; (7) LULA; (8) WILLIAM.

SARAH CATHERINE TURRENTINE (1) married Dr. SIMMONS of Houston County, Georgia. They had several children.

JAMES ROLAND TURRENTINE (2) married NANNIE BAZENMORE of Charleston, Tennessee. They moved to Florida.

HARRIET FRANCES TURRENTINE (3) died quite young.

IDA TURRENTINE (4) died when a young woman.

LULA TURRENTINE (5) married a LAIDLER, and her daughter LUTIE married Dr. GEORGE FRANKLIN COOPER.

HARRIET GREEN REDDING (2) married Calvin Battle, a planter of Monroe County, Georgia. One daughter SARAH, who married a BAILEY of Macon, Georgia, was born to them.

JOHN ANDERSON REDDING (3) married Mary Collier of Dooly County, Georgia. Two daughters were born to them. He served in the Confederate Army in the Twelfth Georgia Regiment.

WILLIAM GIDEON REDDING (4); WALTER (6); JAMES THORNTON (7) and JOSEPH M. (8) were all in the Confederate Army.

SARAH MARGARET REDDING (5) married and left one child.

THOMAS HAMILTON (5), son of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. He married a Miss Crawford of Harris or Muscogee County, Georgia. They had one son WILLIAM CRAWFORD, born January 25, 1834. He married near Albany, Georgia, and dying left one child.



JOHN THORNTON (6), son of JOHN WILSON and N THORNTON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. December 20, 1838, he was married to Juliette Ann Cochran I have not searched carefully the records of my ancestor my mother's side, but I will give a few brief facts: Juliette Ann Cochran was the daughter of Martin and Miriam, strong Cochran of Jasper County, Georgia. Miriam Armstrong was the daughter of Peggy McAfee, whose father (name known) served in the Revolutionary Army with Georgia troops under General Greene. I have heard since a child of a daughter of Peggy McAfee's mother had, of the British and Tories passing by her home. The next day her husband came home and enemy's army passed her home in Jasper, and there was a skirmish near. She named her child, born soon after this, Green in honor of General Greene in whose company her husband was serving.

There is a story, too, of the Tories having gone to the home of Martin Cochran's mother, and ripping open her feather bed and otherwise destroying property, her husband being with Georgia soldiers. Miriam Armstrong's father was William Armstrong of Jasper County, Georgia. Miriam Armstrong Cochran, was born November 22, 1800; died March 12, 1860. Martin Cochran was born July 17, 1793; died March 13, 1860. He was the son of Susannah Lumesden Cochran of Jasper County. JULIETTE ANN COCHRAN COOPER was born May 1, 1822, and is living at present writing in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

JOHN THORNTON COOPER moved to Houston County, Georgia in 1847, his father having already gone there. He built a home on Mossy Creek, about four miles from Perry. Near his home he built a large flouring and lumber mill, which was called Cooper's Mill. He lived there until 1859, when he sold his plant and purchased the Houston Factory Cotton, Flouring and

\*Since writing the above, she died on May 20, 1900, being eighty-seven years and thirteen days old.

Lumber Mills several miles down the creek and about four miles, also, from Perry. He lived there until his death which occurred July 10, 1875. The children of JOHN THORNTON and JULIETTE ANN COOPER are:

1. OTIS, born December 16, 1839, died December 13, 1846.
2. SARAH EDNA, born April 28, 1842, in Harris County.
3. WM. HAMILTON DUDLEY, born October 5, 1844.
4. SUSAN VIRGINIA, born October 7, 1847.
5. ADONIRAM JUDSON, born April 27, 1850.
6. MARCUS DEMETRIUS BUNN, born September 10, 1854.
7. MARY LUELLA, born February 2, 1860.

SARAH EDNA COOPER (2) was married to JESSE ASBURY, son of JOHN GRAHAM and Lucy Newsome Holtzclaw of Greene County, Georgia, November 20, 1860. Jesse Asbury Holtzclaw was born February 28, 1836 in Greene County. A few facts of my husband's record will not be amiss. He was descended from Henri Holtzclaw whose father Jacob came to Virginia from Germany in 1716. The grandson of Henri, Timothy, who was the grandfather of Jesse Asbury, fought in the War of the Revolution.

JESSE ASBURY HOLTZCLAW was a graduate of Mercer University and was a lawyer. He served three years in the Confederate Army with the old Jackson Artillery first, and later with Massenburg's Battery of Macon, Georgia. He was in the Murfreesboro and other skirmishes. He died July 13, 1898. The children of SARAH EDNA COOPER and Jesse Asbury Holtzclaw are:

1. COOPER, born July 22, 1861.
2. LUCY, born October 28, 1863, in Houston County.
3. GRAHAM THORNTON, born July 8, 1865, in Houston County.
4. HENRY MARCUS, born December 28, 1866, and died August 24, 1868.
5. JESSAL, born August 17, 1877, in Whitfield County.
6. JULIET, born October 13, 1879, in Whitfield County.

COOPER HOLTZCLAW (1) was born in Bibb County. On January 14, 1890, he was married to Stella, daughter of John L. and Rachel James Divine. Stella Divine Holtzclaw was born in Hamilton County, Tennessee, May 18, 1865, and died January 1, 1905 in Chattanooga, Tennessee. One child was born to them, Sarah Cooper, May 1, 1892.

GRAHAM THORNTON HOLTZCLAW (3) was married to Daisy Fluker on February 14, 1893. The children born to them are:

1. MYRTLE, born 1894; died January, 1895.
2. JULIA GRAHAM, born January 20, 1896.
3. BERLIN COOPER, born March 20, 1897.

On October 15, 1901 JULIET HOLTZCLAW (6) was married to Howard Weaver McCall, son of James P. and Claud Weaver McCall. Howard Weaver McCall was born October 15, 1877 in Greensboro, Georgia. Their children are:

1. JAMES HOLTZCLAW, born July 23, 1902.
2. HOWARD WEAVER, Jr., born August 11, 1907. These children were born in Chattanooga.

WILLIAM HAMILTON DUDLEY COOPER (3), was born in Harris County, Georgia. He was twice married, first to ANNA BEALL of Macon County, Georgia, who died in 1873. He married second, Fannie E., daughter of Jack and Ann Ely Odom of Muscogee County, Georgia, on June 11, 1874. He was in the Confederate Army, enlisting first with the Southern Rights Guards of Houston County, and afterwards serving in Massenburg's Battery of Macon. He was in the Battles of Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge, and Green Briar and was wounded at New Hope Church. The children of WILLIAM DUDLEY and FANNIE ODOM COOPER are:

1. GUY, born May 20, 1875, in Muscogee County, Georgia.
2. ROBERT ELY, born December 15, 1876, in Muscogee County.
3. WILLIE D., born March 3, 1878; died April 7, 1879.
4. JACK ODOM, born January 7, 1880 in Salem, Alabama.

5. WILLIE JULIETTE, born June 26, 1881; died August 28, 1881.

6. ALMA, born December 18, 1882 in Birmingham, Alabama.

7. MAUD, born October 16, 1884; died March 20, 1885.

8. J. T., born October 1, 1886 in Birmingham.

9. SALLEFANNE, born December 6, 1888 in Birmingham.

10. MARY B., born December 7, 1889; died February 23, 1890.

GUY COOPER (1), was married on October 20, 1897, to Amelia Lykes of Birmingham. Their children are:

1. MARIE LYKES, born July 18, 1898.
2. AURELIA LYKES, born April 25, 1900; died October 9, 1901.
3. WILLIAM LYKES, born December 18, 1906; died February 20, 1908.

ROBERT ELY COOPER (2), married on February 26, 1900, to Fannie Morrow of Eutaw, Alabama. Their children are:

1. WILLIE MARGARET, born March 5, 1901.
2. ROBERT ELY, Jr., born November 9, 1904.
3. FRANK MORROW, born April 9, 1908.

JACK ODOM COOPER (4), was married on May 22, 1905, to Nell Johnson of Birmingham. They have one child, JACK THORNTON COOPER, born September 24, 1908.

ALMA COOPER (6), was married on August 27, 1907, to William Augustus Morgan of Birmingham. They have one child, WILLIAM AUGUSTUS, Jr., born April 12, 1908.

SUSAN VIRGINIA COOPER (4), was born in Houston County, Georgia. On October 31, 1871, she was married to John C. Dyson, son of James Madison and Mary Anne McKekin Dyson of Wilkes County, Georgia. John C. Dyson served the four years of the Civil War in the Confederate Army from Wilkes County. He was with Lee in Virginia. He died on returning



from a reunion of Confederate Veterans in Richmond, Virginia June 10, 1907. Their children are:

1. EDGAR, born January 15, 1873; in Wilkes County.
2. MARY JULIETTE, born May 22, 1874, in Wilkes County.
3. EVA DIBBLE, born August 7, 1876 in Wilkes County.
4. SUSAN VIRGINIA, born November 4, 1878 in Wilkes County.

MARY JULIETTE DYSON (2), on November 22, 1878, was married to John B. Wingfield of Wilkes County, Georgia. Their children are:

1. JOHN DYSON, born October 1, 1900.
2. JULIAN COOPER, born June 17, 1902.
3. ROBERT HESTER, born January 18, 1904.

EVA DIBBLE DYSON (3), on October 5, 1898, was married to William Wynne, Jr. Their children are:

1. WILLIAM H., born July 20, 1899.
2. ANNIE SUE, born June 22, 1901.
3. EVELYN, born June 29, 1905.
4. JACK DYSON, born March 20, 1907.

ADONIRAM JUDSON COOPER (5), was born in Houston County, Georgia. On July 3, 1872, he married Ella Martin, niece of Henry and Sallie Scarborough Oliver of Macon, Georgia. ELLA MARTIN COOPER, died in Atlanta, June 3, 1887. Their children are:

1. HENRY OLIVER, born April, 1873; died January, 1875.
2. JOHN MARTIN, born April 30, 1875, in Atlanta.
3. ALBERT JUDSON, born December 27, 1877, in Atlanta.
4. ELLA VERA, born February 15, 1881, in Atlanta.
5. SARAH EDNA, born September 26, 1884, in Atlanta.

On July 10, 1900, JOHN MARTIN COOPER (2) was married to JIMMIE LOUISE, daughter of Theodore Henry and Nancy Ogburn Byrd. JIMMIE BYRD COOPER was born December 29, 1875. Their children are:

(1) LOUISE BYRD, born August 20, 1901; (2) FRANCES, born March 5, 1905; (3) JOHN THORNTON, born June 3, 1906.

MARCUS DEMETRIUS BUNN COOPER (6), was born in Houston County, Georgia. On March 15, 1885, he was married to Estelle Weaver of Hernando County, Florida. He died in a strange manner April 17, 1883.

MARY LUELLA COOPER (7), was born in Houston County Georgia. On November 2, 1876, she was married to George Hilliard, son of John Carroll and Carrie Rebecca Riley Staley. George Hilliard was born in Houston County, January 27, 1851. Their children are:

1. GEORGE COOPER, born November 18, 1877.
2. EDNA, born October 2, 1879.
3. MARCUS COOPER, born July 20, 1881.
4. MYRTLE CAROLINE, born June 15, 1883.
5. JUDSON CHEVES, born March 28, 1885.
6. ISCAH, born February 15, 1887.
7. DUDLEY CLEVELAND, born November 7, 1888.
8. LISTON, born March 5, 1890; died October 2, 1890.
9. G. H., born June 24, 1892.
10. JESSIE LU, born July 11, 1896.
11. JOHN THORNTON, born May 15, 1900.
12. SUNIE, born August 29, 1902.

GEORGE COOPER (1); EDNA (2), and MARCUS COOPER STALEY (3), were born in Houston County, Georgia.

EDNA STALEY (2), married Jo Beutz of Tampa, Florida. They have two children.

MARCUS COOPER STALEY (3), was married to Leila Strickland in Tampa, Florida, and has two children, RUTH and DOROTHY.

MYRTLE CAROLINE STALEY (4), was born in Pasco County, Florida. She married John M. Henry, Jr., of Monticello, Florida, in 1904.

JUDSON CHEVES (5); ISCAH (6); DUDLEY CLEVELAND (7); G. H. (9); JESSIE LU (10), and JOHN THORNTON STALEY (11) were born in Dade City, Florida.

HARRIET NEWEL (7), daughter of JOHN WILSON and THORNTON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia, was twice married; first, on January 15, 1833, to James, a planter of Harris County, Georgia. He died July 24, Their children were:

(1) NANCY SUSAN; (2) SARAH ANN; (3) JAMES; PELATIAH.

NANCY SUSAN JONES (1), was born in Harris County, Georgia. She married, first, John Howard of Monroe County; and, Willis Harris of Albany. Her children are:

(1) DAVID HOWARD; (2) JOHN HOWARD; (3) JAMES HARRIS.

SARAH ANN JONES (2) died unmarried.

JAMES JONES (3) was born in Harris County, Georgia, was married in Louisiana. He has several children. He served in the Confederate Army, in the Civil War, from Louisiana.

PELATIAH JONES (4) was born in Harris County, Georgia, and married DeWitt Clinton Fountain of Terrell County, Georgia. They left one child, Harriet, who married a Zelner Monroe County, Georgia.

HARRIET NEWEL COOPER JONES was married (2nd) to Isaac Brooks of Houston County, Georgia, in 1846. Their children were:

1. JOHN NEWEL, born 1847 in Houston County.

2. HARRIET, born April 1, 1849, in Houston County. She married Judson Ely of Harris County.

WILLIAM RABURN (9), son of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. On

November 1, 1855, he was thrown from his horse and instantly killed.

AUGUSTIN (10), son of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. He was married in 1848 to Carrie Houser of South Carolina, a niece of Rebecca Butler, second wife of Joseph Martin Cooper. Their children are:

(1) JOHN; (2) MILTON; (3) LUCIUS; (4) AUGUSTIN; (5) GEORGIA; (6) ELLEN; (7) HOUSTON. These were born in Houston County.

JOHN COOPER (1), married Carrie Debardelaben of Birmingham, Alabama, and left one child, CHARLES W.

MILTON COOPER (2) married Clifford Burnham Davis, of Perry, Georgia.

LUCIUS (3), married and lives in Texas.

ELLEN, Nellie (6), married William, son of Monroe Gray, of Fort Valley, Georgia. She died and left two children, LINDA and LETA.

HOUSTON (7), married and is living in Montgomery, Alabama.

AUGUSTIN COOPER (10) served in the Confederate Army from Houston County. He died in 1873. His wife, Carrie Houser, died in 1874.

GEORGE FRANKLIN (11), son of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. He was a surgeon in the Confederate Army during the Civil War. He was taken prisoner and confined in Fortress Monroe, whence he was released by exchange of prisoners. He was a Baptist preacher with a beautiful dependence on God both for comfort and supply of daily needs. He was twice married,—first to CORNELIA IRENE, daughter of Samuel Staley of South Carolina. (She was an Aunt of George Hilliard Staley, who married MARY LUELLA COOPER. See JOHN THORNTON COOPER.) The



children of GEORGE FRANKLIN and CORNELIA IRENE STALEY COOPER are:

- (1) EVA; (2) LISTON; (3) MARY; (4) SAMUEL COOPER; (5) LISTON; (6) SALLIE; (7) GEORGE; (8) MARY.

LISTON (2) and MARY COOPER (3) died in infancy.

EVA COOPER (1) was born in Perry, Georgia. She married Jasper Dibble of Americus, Georgia, now living in Atlanta. They had four children, three girls and a boy. EVA COOPER DIBBLE died in 1877.

SAMUEL COOPER (4) was born in Perry. He married KATE, daughter of Henry and Sallie Oliver of Macon. (See ADONIRAM JUDSON COOPER under JOHN THORNTON COOPER for connection.)

LISTON COOPER (5) was born in Americus, Georgia (the first child named Liston died). He married FLORENCE, daughter of Nathaniel Kendrick, of Rochester, N. Y.

SARAH COOPER (6) was born in Americus, Georgia. She died in 1877.

GEORGE COOPER (7), was born in Americus, Georgia. He married a woman from Maine. They have one child, LOWELL GEORGE COOPER, is in the U. S. Navy.

MAY COOPER (8) was born in Americus, Georgia. She married Ryland, son of Nathaniel Kendrick of Rochester, N. Y. Their children are JEAN and NATHANIEL.

GEORGE FRANKLIN COOPER (11) was married the second time to CARRIE, daughter of Nathaniel Kendrick of Rochester, N. Y. Their children are:

- (1) PAUL; (2) THORNTON.

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JESSE MILNER (12), son of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER, was born in Monroe County, Georgia. He served as Captain of Louisiana Infantry in the Confederate Army. He died October 27, 1867. He was married twice; first, to LOUISA HARDY, daughter of Hardy Brown of Houston

County, Georgia. There were born to them the following children:

1. JULIAN BROWN FAIRLY, born October 17, 1851, in Houston County.

2. FANNIE BROWN, died in infancy.

3. EUGENE, born June 7, 1856, in Louisiana.

4. CHARLES WHEELER, born August 9, 1860, in Louisiana.

5. JESSE BROWN, born December 22, 1862.

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JULIAN BROWN FAIRLY COOPER (1) married ROSA, daughter of Abraham Crowder, of Houston County. Their children are:

- (1) LULA J.; (2) LILLIAN; (3) MARTIN MILNER; (4) ROSABELLE; (5) JULIAN BROWN; (6) CHARLES WHEELER, who died in infancy; (7) KATE, who died in infancy.

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EUGENE COOPER (3) was married to Nancy F. Swain of Helena, Georgia. Their children are:

- (1) JULIAN BROWN; (2) MARY LOUISA; (3) JESSIE EUGENIA; (4) JOSEPH WHEELER; (5) LEE ELLA; (6) CHARLES FRANKLIN; (7) RUTH SWAIN.

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CHARLES WHEELER COOPER (4) was born in Louisiana. On April 25, 1888, he was married to JULIA ANNA DASHER of Macon, Georgia. Their children are:

- (1) CHARLES WILLIAM; (2) MAY THORNTON; (3) ALBERT THARIEN; (4) ERNEST BROWN; (5) MARS MCINTOSH; (6) SAMUEL PAUL, who died in infancy. These children were all born in Thomasville, Georgia.

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JESSE HARDY COOPER (5) was born in Louisiana. On October 9, 1901, he was married to Hattie Ruth Johnson Murphy. Their children are:

1. JESSE HARDY, born August 17, 1902.

2. JOEL CRAWFORD, born February 11, 1904; died October 7, 1904.

LOUISA HARDY, first wife of JESSE MILNER COOPER, died August 14, 1863.

JESSE MILNER (12), son of JOHN WILSON and NANCY THORNTON COOPER married a second time in 1865, having one daughter, LEILA ELLA. He died October 27, 1867. His sons were brought to Houston County to be reared by his brothers.

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JOSEPH W. (2) son of JOHN and ELIZABETH WILSON COOPER, was born in Bedford County, Virginia. In 1825 he married JULIA ANN, daughter of James and Sarah Harris Elliott, of Double Wells, Georgia. Their children were:

(1) JAMES E.; (2) NARCISSA; (3) SARAH ANN; (4) MARY LOU; (5) CASSANDRA; (6) JOSEPHINE; (7) WILLIAM.

MARY LOU COOPER (4) was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. She was married to D. J. Taylor, near Opelika, Alabama.

WILLIAM COOPER (7) was in the Confederate Army in the Civil War with the Virginia Infantry, and was killed in battle.

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GIDEON (5), son of JOHN and ELIZABETH WILSON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. He moved to Alabama before the Civil War.

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ELIZABETH (Betsy), daughter of JOHN and ELIZABETH WILSON COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia, in 1787. She married Nathaniel Leland McMeekin. Their children are:

1. NATHANIEL LELAND, born 1814. He was never married. Died August 13, 1863.

2. MARY ANN, born February 3, 1816, in Wilkes County.

3. AUGUSTINE COOPER, born November 25, 1820, in Wilkes County, Georgia.

MARY ANN McMEKIN (2) was married on February 3, 1816, to James Madison Dyson. Their children are:

1. SARAH E., born February 29, 1836; died April, 1879. Born in Wilkes County.

2. JOHN C., born August 26, 1840, Wilkes County.

3. MARY ANN, born July 5, 1843; died December 8, 1895. Never married.

4. WILLIAM H., born September 3, 1845; died November 10, 1863.

5. GEORGE ROBERT, born July 4, 1851. Never married.

6. AUGUSTIN NATHANIEL, born October 11, 1853; died August 23, 1854.

7. EMILY C., born October 4, 1855, in Wilkes County.

8. HARRIET V., born January 8, 1860. Never married.

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SARAH E. DYSON (1) in 1876, married George M. Lazenby.

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JOHN C. DYSON (2) on October 31, 1871 married SUSAN VIRGINIA COOPER (see JOHN THORNTON COOPER where also their descendants have been given).

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EMILY CAROLINE (7) was on May 4, 1851, married to Milton S. Lazenby. Their children are:

1. KATE DYSON, born March 26, 1884.

2. JAMES MILTON, born September 22, 1885.

3. ANNIE MAY, born January 29, 1888.

4. LAURA HAYGOOD, born March 25, 1893.

KATE DYSON LAZENBY was married to Homer F. Sharp. June 26, 1907.

JAMES MADISON DYSON died September 12, 1875.

MARY ANN McMEKIN DYSON died August 13, 1863.

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AUGUSTINE COOPER McMEKIN (3) was married twice: first, to — Reelin. They had one child, GEORGIA, born in 1847.



and married to W. G. Tatom in 1875, their offspring being,—  
AUGUSTINE S., born in 1877 and married to Kate Reese, Sep-  
tember, 1907.

AUGUSTINE COOPER McMEKIN (3) was married, second, to  
Ann, daughter of JAMES and MARGARET STUART DYSON  
COOPER. Their children are:

(1) FLORENCE; (2) JOHN; (3) AUGUSTIN COOPER, JR.,  
born January 24, 1863; (4) HELEN.

JOHN McMEKIN (2) married Annie Smith. Their children  
are:

(1) GEORGIA FLORENCE; (2) CARRIE; (3) AUGUSTIN.

AUGUSTIN COOPER McMEKIN, JR., (3) was born in Wilkes  
County and was, on ——— 29, 1890, married to Clara Lewis  
Meriwether. Their children are:

(1) FLORENCE; (2) ANNIE McMEKIN, who was married  
to De Leon Reynolds, December, 1908.

ANN COOPER, wife of AUGUSTIN COOPER McMEKIN (3).  
died February 16, 1885.

NATHANIEL LELAND McMEKIN (1), son of ELIZABETH  
COOPER and NATHANIEL McMEKIN, married SALLIE BELLE.  
Their children are:

1. NATHANIEL L., JR., married Lettie Dozier.  
2. BESSIE, married F. G. Tuttle.

3. FERDINAND, married ALMA HOLLISSED.

All of them live in Wilkes County, Georgia.

NANCY (6), daughter of JOHN and ELIZABETH WILSON  
COOPER, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia. She married  
James Burdette. Their children are:

(1) JOHN, who married Nancy Dyson; (2) THOMAS; (3)  
JOSEPH; (4) JAMES; (5) NANCY; (6) LUCINDA.

THOMAS (2) was born January 19, 1805. He was married  
three times; first, to a Zellus; second, to a McKenney; third,  
to Martha Park. Their children are:

1. THOMAS COOPER, born August 15, 1851; died January  
25, 1873.

2. KATHERINE A., born 1853.

3. JOHN COOPER, born November 17, 1855.

4. JAMES LEWIS; (5) WILLIAM; (6) JOSEPH.

KATHERINE BURDETTE married Otis Holliday. Their chil-  
dren are:

(1) THOMAS; (2) BERNARD; (3) ROBERT WILLIAM; (4)  
MARTHA; (5) PETER; (6) LULA MAY.

JOHN COOPER BURDETTE (3) married Roberta Anthony.  
December 21, 1876. Their children are:

(1) JULIA PARKS; (2) NANNIE LOU; (3) THOMAS POPE;  
(4) ALLEN MITCHEL; (5) EDNA KATHLEEN; (6) MABEL.

JAMES LEWIS BURDETTE (4) married Nannie Ellis Coke.  
Their children are:

(1) ASHBY; (2) MEEL; (3) JOE; (4) AGNES; (5) JOHN  
FORRESTER; (6) WILL ELLIS; (7) MARGARET; (8) HELEN;  
(9) DOROTHY.

WILLIAM BURDETTE (5) married Nannie Lu Anthony.  
Their children are:

(1) ETHEL; (2) IRVIN; (3) CLARENCE; (4) EDWIN; (5)  
JOHN LEWIS; (6) AUBREY.

JOSEPH BURDETTE (4) married a Powell. Their children  
are:

(1) VIRGIL; (2) GEORGE; (3) MARY ANN; (4) FANNIE.  
FANNIE was killed in battle.

GEORGE BURDETTE (2) married Bettie Burdette. Their children are:

(1) ROBERT; (2) EDWARD; (3) CORA; (4) HATTIE; (5) FRANK; (6) LULA; (7) GEORGE; (8) BETTIE.

ROBERT BURDETTE (1) married Judie Garrard. They have two children.

ED (2) married Judie Garrard Burdette. Their children are:

(1) GEORGE OTIS; (2) JOHN ZELLUS.

CORA (3) daughter of George Burdette, married Otis Holliday. Their children are:

(1) GEORGE OTIS; (2) JOHN ZELLUS.

FRANK, son of George Burdette, married Eva McCauley. They have two children.

MARY ANN (3), daughter of Joseph Burdette, married Mitchell Birins.

FANNIE (4), daughter of Joseph Burdette, married Alexander McCauley. Their children are:

(1) ALEXANDER; (2) EVA, who married Frank, son of George Burdette.

JAMES (6), son of Nancy Cooper and James Burdette, married Margaret McKenney. Their children are GEORGE and ELIZABETH.

JAMES, son of first JOHN COOPER and his second wife, was born in Wilkes County, Georgia, August 29, 1799. He married Margaret Stuart Dyson, sister of James Madison Dyson, who married Mary Ann McMekin. Their children are:

(1) JOHN D.; (2) ANN; (3) HAMILTON; (4) JAMES M. BASS; (5) GEORGE; (6) LIZZIE.

ANN (2), was second wife of Augustin Cooper McMekin, the children (see AUGUSTIN COOPER McMEKIN).

HAMILTON COOPER (3), had six children, namely:

1. JOHN, married Combs.
2. WILLIAM, married Garrard.
3. MARGARET, married Robertson.
4. ED, married Harris.
5. SAMUEL, married Newsome.
6. HOGAN, married Wood.

GEORGE COOPER (5), married Belle Marshall. Their children are:

(1) THOMAS; (2) WARREN; (3) SUSIE.

LIZZIE COOPER, married first, Mr. Florence; second, Judge T. M. Meriwether. She had no child.

THOMAS (8), and MENTON (9), sons of first JOHN COOPER and his second wife, moved to Warren County, Georgia, before the Civil War.

THOMAS COOPER has one living son at Norwood, Georgia, and another, Jack, who lives in Alabama.