

# BIBLE RECORDS

Bradley family (David Crenshaw Bradley,  
1808-1871), Henry County, TN  
Donor: Louise Davis, Nashville, TN

To be added to Bradley family Bible:

(Asterisks indicate members of the family buried at old Bradley-Cooper family cemetery, on their farm-- now the Frank Littleton farm-- near Puryear, Tenn. Others are buried at city cemetery at Puryear, a Henry county town built on Littleton farm)

- \* David Crenshaw Bradley, born May 19, 1808; died August 7, 1871.
- \* Abigail M. Calhoun, first wife of David C. Bradley, was born January 11, 1821. Died July 23, 1855 at age of 34 years, 6 months.
- \* Mary F. Bradley, second wife of David C. Bradley, was born April 6, 1836. Died August 1, 1858. No children.
- \* Mary Abigail Bradley, only child of David Crenshaw Bradley, was daughter by his first wife, Abigail M. Calhoun. Mary Abigail Bradley was born "in stone house" at Carthage, Tenn., on December 31, 1838. Died on father's estate, where she is buried, on January 2, 1900.
- \* Mary Abigail Bradley married Sylvester Clendenin Cooper, Major in the Confederate Army and member of the State legislature in 1905. Major S. C. Cooper was son of the Rev. Abner Cooper, Presbyterian minister at McMoresville for 40 years, and a founder of Bethel College at McKenzie. Major S. C. Cooper was born in Carroll County, Tenn., on April 12, 1830. Died September 13, 1906.

Children of Major S. C. Cooper and Mary Abigail Bradley Cooper:

- \* James Willie Cooper-- Born July 31, 1859; Died July 14, 1870.
- \* Ed B. Cooper-- Born July 28, 1872; Died September 9, 1872.

Mary ("Mollie") Abigail Cooper-- Born in Henry county, on Bradley estate, October 31, 1855. Died in Henry county, in her home at Puryear, in October, 1934.

Lura Lee Cooper-- Born March 24, 1867, on Bradley estate. Died on same estate on April 1, 1948. See entry on her and her husband, Joseph Edward Johnson Littleton, and their children, in Bradley Bible.

Mary ("Mollie") Abigail Cooper (see above) married William Sanford Littleton, oldest son of James Littleton and brother of Joseph Edward Johnson Littleton, on December 18, 1878, at Puryear, Tenn. William Sanford Littleton was born in Sumner County on August 19, 1855. Died in Puryear in September, 1924.

Children of Mary Abigail Cooper and William Sanford Littleton:

David Herbert Littleton-- Born April 7, 1881 on Bradley estate; Died June, 1939, on farm near Whitlock. Married Cora Ray of Henry county. Had one son, James Littleton.

Emma Estelle Littleton-- Born July 27, 1884, on Bradley estate.  
Died January 3, 1952, in Murray, Ky.  
Married Bonnie Watson Potts. Had  
seven children.

Willie Cooper Littleton-- Born Nov. 10, 1886, Max on Bradley  
estate. Lives in Paris, Tenn.  
Married Lillie Gibson of Henry county.  
One son died in infancy. Another son,  
Paul Edward, was killed in action in  
France in World War II.

LaRue Lucetta Littleton-- Born July 10, 1889, on Bradley estate.  
Died December 4, 1959, ~~Married Max Gray~~  
in Nashville, Tenn. Married Grover  
Cleveland Davis, of Mt. Vernon, Ill.  
Had five children: Marjorie, Louise,  
Joel, Grover and Earl.

Family Bible

Louise Littleton Davis  
2118 Ashwood Avenue  
Nashville, Tennessee

Information given by Louise Littleton Davis  
of 2118 Ashwood Ave., Nashville, Tenn., on  
December 21, 1959.

State of Tennessee  
Davidson County

Personally appeared before me Odie Shackelford  
a Notary Public in and for said state and county, Louise  
Littleton Davis, who makes oath according to law certifies that  
the additional information attached hereto is true and correct  
to the best of her knowledge.

Witness my hand and seal in office in Nashville,  
Tennessee on this the 21st day of December 1959.

My Commission Expires APRIL 23, 1960

NOTARY PUBLIC

Buried at Cooper family cemetery on French Lick  
farm, near Purgas, Tennessee: (through C. D. Cooper) -

David Cranham Bradley - Born May 19, 1818 -  
Died August 7, 1871

Abigail M. Colburn, first wife of David C. Bradley  
was born January 11, 1821. Died July 23, 1855  
at age of 34 years, 6 months.

Mary J. Bradley, second wife of David C. Bradley,  
was born April 6, 1836. Died August 1, 1858.  
No children.

Two other wives of David C. Bradley.

Mary Abigail Bradley, only child of David C.  
Bradley, was daughter by his first wife,  
Abigail M. Colburn. Mary Abigail Bradley  
was born in Nashville, Tenn. on  
December 21, 1858. Died on father's estate,  
near Purgas, on January 1, 1900.

Marrried Captain Gordon Cooper,

Major in the Confederate Army, and member of  
the State Legislature in 1915. Major S. C. Baker  
was son of the Rev. Oliver Baker, Presbyterian  
minister at Wrensboro, Tenn. for 40 years, and  
a founder of Bethel College. Major S. C. Baker  
was born in Carroll County, Tenn. on April 12, 1837.  
Died September 13, 1906.

Children of Major S. C. Baker and Mary Chigai  
Bradley Cooper:

James Willie Cooper - Born July 31, 1859 -  
Died July 17, 1870

Eel B. Cooper - Born July 28, 1872  
Died September 9, 1872

(Mollie)  
Mary Chigai Cooper - Born in Henry County,  
on Bradley estate, October 31, 1855 -  
Died Henry County, October, 1934 -

Jura Lee Cooper - Born March 24, 1867 -  
Died April 1, 1948 - (Married Joseph  
Edward Johnson Littleton)

(Mollie)  
Mary Chigai - Sister of Major William Sanford  
Littleton, married to S. C. Baker, on  
December 17, 1872, at Wrensboro, Tenn. W. S.  
Littleton born in Sumner County on August 14, 1855 -  
Died September, 1924.

Children of Mary Chigai Baker and William  
Sanford Littleton:

Daniel Herbert Littleton - Born April 7, 1881 -  
Died June, 1939  
(Married Ora Day of Henry County)

Emma Otelie Littleton - Born July 27, 1884  
Died January 3, 1952  
(Married Bonnie Watson Patton)

Willie Cooper Littleton - Born Nov. 10, 1886  
(Married Lillie Gibson of Henry County)

La Rue Lucette Littleton - Born July 10, 1889  
Died December 4, 1959  
(Married Homer Cleveland Davis  
of Mt. Vernon, Illinois)

DEATHS

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

My dear  
 This life the  
 Day of August 1835 in  
 shows 47  
 Day old

My dear  
 This life  
 August  
 1844

My dear  
 This life  
 1844

FAMILY RECORD.

MARRIAGES.

MARRIAGES.

The age of Judah  
 Bradbury  
 17 1/2

John Bradbury  
 in the year of our  
 Lord 1769

My dear  
 was married the 30  
 day of August 1836

Mary Ann Bradbury  
 born in the year of  
 our Lord 1788

My dear  
 married Sept 1836

My dear  
 married

My dear  
 married

Joseph J. Littleton  
 born before her name  
 Dec 18 1844



FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Franklin Bradley  
born the 1st May  
1880

Franklin Bradley  
born the 1st May  
1880

Alice P. Bradley  
was born Sept. the  
1 in the city of Lond  
1886

Franklin Bradley  
born the 1st May  
1880

Franklin Bradley  
born the 1st May  
1880

Franklin Bradley  
born the 1st May  
1880

Franklin Bradley  
born the 1st May  
1880

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Sarah Ann Bradley  
was born the 11  
Day of February 1882

Joseph Edward  
was born the 11  
March 1882

William Grenshaw  
Bradley was born  
the 1st Day of April  
1883

was born the 1st  
Day of April 1883

Mary Cor Bradley  
was born the 27  
August 1885

was born the 27  
August 1885

Thomas Bradley  
was born the 6  
October 1887

was born the 6  
October 1887

Franklin Bradley  
was born June the  
1st 1888

was born June the  
1st 1888

All were born in  
Haverley  
Tasman

John C. Adams  
was born the 27  
May 1888

...the merits of Christ. After  
 saved through the merits of Christ, he had been  
 ing returned from the woods, where he had been  
 crying like the Publican, he took his seat at the  
 some relief to his mind, he took his seat at the  
 stand, to hear the Rev. Mr. McGready preach.  
 The sermon was on experimental religion, and  
 in the progress of the discourse, Brother CALHOUN  
 exclaimed at the top of his voice, "if that's re-  
 ligion I have got it!"  
 He soon afterwards felt it to be his duty to  
 preach the Gospel, and became a candidate for  
 the ministry in the Transylvanian Presbytery.  
 The ministry in the Transylvanian Presbytery  
 to be exercised by the Com-  
 Synod. The writer has  
 licensed.

...When about 10  
 observed; Brother CALHOUN I shall no more  
 you in time—he threw his arms around his neck,  
 as he leaned over his bed and said, "it is enough,  
 we shall meet in heaven." Other friends had inter-  
 views with him equally pleasant. But further  
 details are deemed unnecessary now. This state  
 of mind remained till the moment he departed.  
 He died on the 13th of April, 1855, in the  
 seventy-third year of his age, and after spending  
 near half a century in the ministry.

He was buried the next day in the family cem-  
 etery, by the side of his wife, who for many years  
 had sympathized with him in his ministerial toils,  
 and contributed, as he often declared to the writ-  
 ter, much to cheer him in his life of self denial.  
 He has repeatedly remarked too, that to her in-  
 dustry, economy and good management in his ab-  
 sence from home, he was mostly indebted for his  
 prosperity in the accumulation of property.

His burial was numerously attended. The  
 Sons of Temperance, joined in the funeral pro-  
 cession, and accompanied it with the observance  
 of the very appropriate ceremony  
 prescribed by that order, on such occasions.

Brother CALHOUN was among the first, that  
 joined, when a Division was organized in his  
 neighborhood, and he labored assiduously to pro-  
 mote the interests of the order, till prevented by  
 ill health, from attending their meetings.

To our loss, the writer would say, let all the  
 heralds of the cross, whether in the meridian of  
 life, or in a more advanced period, be diligent,  
 remembrance of fact, however faithful and useful,  
 they must die. May we not suppose that could  
 of departed ones, speak to us, today he would  
 say, be active and laborious in your Master's ser-  
 vice, for it ever raised to the granite above, you  
 will not regret the sacrifice made for Christ on  
 earth.

—P. P. BASHAM.

W. P. Basham, was received as candidate for  
 holy ministry under the care of this Presbytery,  
 and texts were assigned to them, from which to  
 prepare discourses to be read at its next regular  
 session. Brother Levi Donnell, Treasurer of the  
 Book Concern of this Presbytery, reported that  
 the Presbytery was about out of debt, so far as  
 the bills showed, and that there was still on hand,  
 Books about \$63 00 worth at the marked prices,  
 and cash \$28 24 making in all about \$101 24.  
 On motion it was resolved, that Rev. N. J. Fox  
 be associated, as agent, with Brother Levi Donnell,  
 the Treasurer, to act as a committee to manage  
 the Book Concern of this Presbytery.—Resolved  
 further that they be instructed if practicable, to  
 make an arrangement with the publishing house  
 of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church at Louis-  
 ville Kentucky, to furnish books on deposit, at  
 Columbus Mississippi, and to allow to agents ten  
 per cent, for selling the same. The committee on  
 the state of religion and classes of the church,  
 report that most of the churches have had pro-  
 tracted meetings, and that the Lord of the harvest  
 was present to reward the labors of the husband-  
 men. That the revivals have not been of a gener-  
 al character, as is desirable, but the religious  
 feeling manifested on these occasions, has been of  
 a better character than heretofore, the churches  
 have been encouraged, blessed and strengthened,  
 spiritually and numerically to some extent.—But  
 they still find great reason to prompt to humility,  
 prayer and energetic action, in the vineyard of the  
 Lord. They further report in the bounds of the  
 Presbytery, 15 ordained ministers, one licentiate,  
 4 candidates, 14 churches, 563 communicants, 27  
 elders, and since last session of Presbytery, 85 pro-  
 fessions and 59 accessions to the church.—Brother  
 J. B. Cherry and N. J. Fox (ministers) were elec-  
 ted commissioners to the next General Assembly,  
 and Brothers O. H. P. Smith and William C.  
 Ross, alternates, and Brothers William A. Eakin  
 and Ebenezer Gaston elders, were also elected.  
 The examining committee having attended to their  
 duty assigned to them, reported favorable recom-  
 mendations that Brother James Grammar in  
 Geography preparatory to a critical examination  
 at the next session of Presbytery, and also that he  
 prepare for examination on Natural Philosophy  
 and Astronomy, and also that Brothers Barnes  
 and Taylor, prepare to be examined on English  
 Grammar and Geography, and that Brother Bas-  
 sham prepare to be examined on English Grammar.  
 They further recommended that all the probationers  
 prepare to be examined on Theology as taught in  
 our confession of faith, at the next session of Pres-  
 bytery, and that a committee be appointed to con-  
 duct that examination, and for that purpose, that  
 said committee and the probationers, be required  
 to meet at the place of our next regular meeting  
 of Presbytery, at 10 o'clock on the day preceding  
 said meeting. Report concurred in, and Brothers  
 N. J. Fox, J. B. Cherry and William C. Ross  
 were appointed examining committee.—It was re-  
 solved that each minister, in the bounds of this  
 Presbytery, preach a sermon, to their respective  
 congregations, at some time previous to the next  
 meeting of presbytery, on the subject of missions.  
 Brother N. J. Fox was appointed to deliver a  
 public sermon, under

## W. S. LITTLETON DEAD AT PURYEAR

W. S. Littleton died at his home in  
 Puryear Wednesday night, after a  
 short illness from pneumonia and  
 complications. He was one of Pur-  
 year's most prominent citizens, being  
 owner and manager of the Puryear  
 Water and Light Company, and a  
 well known stock man. He was a  
 member of the High Hill Baptist  
 church at Puryear, where he was a  
 faithful attendant for a greater part  
 of the 60 years of his life.

Surviving him are his wife and  
 four children, Herbert of Whitlock,  
 Cooper of Nashville, Mrs. Emma  
 Potts of Puryear and Mrs. Grover  
 Davis of St. Louis, and his mother,  
 Mrs. Set Littleton of Puryear.

Funeral services were conducted  
 Friday at the Baptist church at Pur-  
 year by Rev. Tommy Mayo of Mar-  
 shfield. The interment was at the city cem-  
 etery, where a huge mound of flow-  
 ers was the last resting place of

## Obituary of Rev. Thomas Calhoun.

"Your fathers, where are they and the prophets, do  
 they still live?"

How solemn to reflect, that most of those who  
 participated in the first struggles of our church,  
 have been called from the walls of Zion and, that  
 men conversed to God, and brought into the minis-  
 try, through their instrumentality, are now sustain-  
 ing the solemn responsibility, transferred by their  
 death. While we mourn the absence of their life-  
 giving example and lessons of instruction, we regard  
 it as a high privilege, as well as a solemn duty to  
 preserve their memory and place their deeds upon  
 permanent record, for the benefit and encourage-  
 ment of their sons in the ministry, as well as the  
 church at large. For this purpose, the writer  
 would now offer a brief sketch of the life, labors  
 and death of the late REV. THOMAS CALHOUN.

He was born in North Carolina, on the 21st of  
 May, 1782. His parents were members of the  
 Presbyterian church, and carefully instructed  
 him while young, in the principles of our holy  
 religion. His grand parents came from Ireland,  
 and were converted to God under the preaching  
 of Mr. Whitfield.

His father moved to Davidson county, Tennes-  
 see, in the fall of 1800, and settled in the vicinity  
 of Mr. Craighead.

In the fall of 1801, the family attended a camp-  
 meeting, at the Ridge, not far from the neighbor-  
 hood in which they lived, where our departed brother  
 received his abiding convictions. For several  
 weeks, he suffered the most bitter agony of mind,  
 at times almost in a state of desperation, feeling  
 that he was too great a sinner to be forgiven.—  
 But at a camp-meeting, held at Big Spring, in the  
 same fall—he was enabled to see how such a