

Hopewell Adams, listed 1805 Ga. land lottery, Washington Co.; 1820-40 Washington Co. Census; d. 1847 Washington Co. Bk A, P. 64-5, Divs, Washington Co., 1829-71: "By virtue of an Order from the Honorable Court of said county sitting for ordinary purposes on the first day of November instant, ...authorizing and requiring us to make a distribution of the estate of the late Hopewell Adams, deceased, among the distributees of said estate...We ascertained there were eleven distributees, to-wit: William D. Jordan, James Adams, Abijah Wiggins, the children of John W. Adams, deceased, Arnold L. Adams, Benjamin Adams, Thomas Jordan, the children of Nancy Jordan, deceased, Hopewell Adams, Jordan P. Adams and William Tanner." The property consisted of slaves. Issue:

I. James Adams.

II. Nancy Adams m. William D. Jordan, decd in 1847.

III. Dau. who m. Abijah Wiggins.

IV. Elsy Adams m. Thomas Jordan 10/24/1840 Washington Co., Ga.

V. Hopewell Adams m. Amanday Mathis 3/9/1843 Washington Co., Ga.

VI. Jordan P. Adams m. Mary Susan Mathis 4/27/1848 Washington Co.

VII. Rebecca Adams m. William H. Tanner 12/6/1838 Washington Co.

VIII. John W. Adams, decd before 1847.

IX. Arnold L. Adams m. Nancy Gilmore 7/30/1829 Washington Co., Ga. Bk A, P. 121, Washington Co. Divs., 1829-71, Dec. Term 1852, an Order of Ct. to divide negroes of est. of Arnold L. Adams between the distributees, to-wit: Nancy D. Adams, wid. and relict of Arnold L. Adams, decd.; Thomas J. Adams, s. of sd decd of full age; and Ann Frances Adams; Virginia Adams; Mary Ann Adams; and Venessa Adams, minor children of sd Arnold L. Adams, decd, whose interest in sd distribution represented by Thomas J. Adams, gdn of sd minors.

X. Benjamin Adams m. Ardeman Tanner 3/7/1829 Washington Co., Ga. The LWT of Benjamin Adams recorded P. 170, Bk B, Washington Co. Wills, dtd 10/12/1863, naming w., Ardelia, and son, Irwin L. Adams.

Kin to this family was John Adams, b. 1770/1780, d. 1836 Monroe Co., Ga., w., Margaret, b. 1774. George Adams and Martin Adams were sec. on est. bond given for \$2000 1/4/1836 Monroe Co., with George Adams, admr. John Adams was in Monroe Co., Ga. by 1822. Monroe Co. DB B, P. 193, 5/18/1822, George Miller and his wife of Chatham Co. to John Adams of Savannah, land in 8th dist. of Henry Co., Lot 241. George Miller also deeded to John Adams land in 15th dist. Houston Co., being Lot 77, and land in 12th dist. Houston Co., land in 6th dist. Henry Co., 15th dist. of Houston Co., 11th dist. Dooly Co., 16th dist. Henry Co., 2d dist. Monroe Co. There was deed dtd 1/7/1824, Bk B, P. 204-5, Monroe Co. of John Brigham of Burke Co. to John Adams of Savannah, 202 1/2 acres in Monroe Co. John Adams drew in 1827 land lottery, Monroe Co., land in Lee Co. His wid., Margaret, b. 1774 Ga., was listed on 1850 Monroe Co. Census in household of her son, George Adams. Issue of George Adams follows:

I. George Adams, b. 1806 S. C. m. 4/8/1828 Elbert Co., Ga., Jemima Anderson, b. 1806 Ga. Listed 1840-50 Monroe Co. Census. His family removed to Henry Co. where his wid., Jemima Adams, was listed on 1860

Census in home of S. M. Ellis, age 34, and w., Lucinda M., age 25. George Adams d. 1855 Henry Co., Ga. Robert M. Adams given p/a 7/1/1855, and apptd admr. Inv. and Appr. given 10/17/1855, Bk C, P. 322, Henry Co. Ga. Issue of George Adams follows:

1. Robert Adams, b. 1830 Monroe Co. Ga.
2. Lucinda M. Adams, b. 1835 Monroe Co. m. 8/17/1856

Shadrick M. Ellis, Henry Co., and had issue: George W. Ellis, b. 1848; Mary J. Ellis, b. 1850 Henry Co., Ga.

3. John M. Adams, b. 1837 Monroe Co., listed in home of sister, Lucinda on 1860 Henry Co. census.

4. James Adams, b. 1843 Monroe Co., Ga., listed in home of sister, as above.

Another family, the progenitor of Adams in Jones, Muscogee, Twiggs, and Chattahoochee Counties in Ga. was Richard Adams of Richland Co., S. C. in 1770, listed as early landowner in History of Richland County, S. C. by Edwin L. Green, having 150 acres, 9/10/1770. South Carolinians in the Revolution by Ervin, "The following is a list of persons who received pay for clothing - who are not included in Sumter's list and special bounty: Richard Adams, etc."

The LWT of Richard Adams dtd 10/28/1787, pvd 2/19/1788 Richland Co., S. C., recorded WB B, P. 19, names w., Mary and son, Abraham, exrs. Also named are his children, except William and James, who are proven to be his children by LWT of Richard Adams, Jr. dtd 1/11/1803, pvd 1/2/1807 Richland Co., S. C., naming children: William Adams and Rachel Bryson, his wife, Jane, and four bros., i.e., John Carroll Adams, William Adams, James Adams and Abraham Adams, and bro-in-law, John Bryson. Issue of Richard Adams, Sr. follows:

I. Annes Adams m. Mr. Gregory.

II. Abraham Adams.

III. Richard Adams, Jr., LWT dtd 1/11/1803, pvd 1/2/1807 Richland Co., S. C., w., Jane. Issue: William Adams and Rachell Bryson. Richard m. Jane Bryson, sister of John Bryson.

IV. William Adams.

V. James Adams.

VI. John Carroll Adams, Rev. War Soldier in S. C., served under William McKinzey, inherited land in Beaufort Co., N. C. from his father. He was J. P. in Richland Co., S. C. 1801. Issue follows:

1. Richard Adams, b. 1796 Richland Co., S. C., listed 1850 Muscogee Co., Ga. Census. His w., Catherine, b. 1805 Jones Co., Ga. He drew in 1821 Ga. land lottery, resident of Hall Co., land in Houston Co., which he never took up. He was listed on 1820 Hall Co. Census and drew in 1832 land lottery, Clarke Co. From 1832 to 1834 he was resident of Jones Co., Ga., having deed transactions in Muscogee Co. from 1834 to 1836, and was found on 1840 Twiggs Co. Census, 1850 Muscogee and 1860 Chattahoochee Co., Ga. Census. P. 36, History of Twiggs County, The Twiggs Co. Cavalry attached to 37th Regt. names reported by Capt. Harrison opposing Twiggs Co. Cavalry who enlisted 2/4/1836, "Richard Adams." Issue of Richard Adams follows:

a. Wiley Adams, b. 1813 Richland Co., S. C., listed 1850 Muscogee Co., Ga. Census, as a Cooper, with son, Emanuel, age 7, and Georgia Ann, age 6, both b. in Ga.

b. George Adams, b. 1819 Richland Co., S. C., listed 1850 Muscogee Co. Ga. Census with w., Malinda J., b. 1824 Washington Co., Ga. Issue: Eugenia, b. 1846 Talbot Co.; Thomas M., b. 1847 Talbot Co.;

inf. dau., b. 1850 Muscogee Co., Ga.

c. James A. Adams, b. 1832 Jones Co., Ga.

d. William D. Adams, b. 1834 Twiggs Co., Ga.

e. Daniel Adams, b. 1836 Twiggs Co., Ga.

f. Richard M. Adams, b. 1837 Twiggs Co., Ga.

g. John C. Adams, b. 1838 Twiggs Co., Ga.

h. Susan Adams, b. 1833 Twiggs Co., Ga. m. Mr. Banister,

living with parents in 1850.

i. Edwin Adams, b. 1812 Richland Co., S. C. m. Sarah Fisher of Twiggs Co., Ga. They were listed on 1860 Chattahoochee Co. Ga. Census. His LWT dtd 12/5/1870 Chattahoochee Co., Ga., Bk A, 1854-1935, P. 68-69, naming w., Sarah, and children: Jane Wilson; James P. Adams; Frances E. Cody; Catherine A. Lightner; Mary F. Adams. History of Twiggs County states that Sarah Fisher m. Edwin Adams and they had children: Jane, James, Philip, Catherine A. Lightner, and M. Frances, as follows:

i. Jane Adams m. Thomas Wilson, having issue: William T. Wilson; Laura Wilson m. W. B. Fussell; Sallie Wilson m. C. W. Johnson; Charles Wilson; James E. Wilson; and Mary Ida Wilson.

ii. James Adams.

iii. Philip Adams.

iv. Frances Adams m. 1st David C. Cody, son of Lawson Cody, and m. 2d, John Smith.

v. Catherine Augusta Adams m. J. M. Lightner. She was b. 1850 Columbus, Muscogee Co., Ga., d. 1/14/1891. She m. James Marion Lightner, b. 1836, d. 1909, his LWT recorded Chattahoochee Co. Ga. WB A, 1854-1935. After Catherine's death, he m. Ellen Smith, a sister of Willis M. Smith, whom he made gdn of his children in his LWT. His plantation was near Jamestown, Ga., 970 acres, which he left to his minor children, i.e., Alice, Mary Ella, and Clark. Also named were Ennis M. and Charlie. His LWT dtd 6/28/1900.

## **New Additions by Jeannette Holland Austin**

Hopewell Adams, son of Hopewell Adams (1745-1794), was born 7/22/1769 in Edgecombe County, North Carolina and died 6/14/1847 in Washington County, Georgia, as per his estate records. He was married ca 1798 to Nancy Manning (4/10/1783-6/15/1842), a daughter of Benjamin Manning and his wife, Pheraby Duggan Manning. When Hopewell Adams, Sr. died in Edgecombe County, he named in his Last Will and Testament sons, James and William, but not Hopewell Jr. as he was already in Georgia. A more complete record of Hopewell, Jr.'s children is as follows:

1. Pharaby Adams 7/21/1799-1/11/1856, buried in the Jordan cemetery in Washington County, Georgia.
2. James Adams, born 12/18/1801 Washington County, Georgia.
3. Elizabeth Adams, born 10/10/1803 in Washington County, Georgia.
4. John W. Adams, born 7/30/1807 in Washington County, Georgia., died before 1847.
5. Levy Arnold Adams 3/26/1810-11/20/1851, buried in Powell Cemetery, Washington County, married Nancy Gilmore 7/30/1829 in Washington County.
6. Benjamin Adams 5/16/1812-11/12/1863, married Ardeman Tanner 3/7/1829 in Washington County.
7. Nancy Adams, born 5/1/1816 in Washington County, married William D. Jordan.
8. Hopewell Adams, 8/14/1818-4/23/1897 Washington County.
9. Jordan Adams, born 1/4/1821 Washington County, married Mary Susan Mathis 4/27/1848 Washington County.
10. Rebecca Adams 1/31/1824-5/27/1907, buried Tanner-Adams Cemetery, Washington County.

Ref: Jordan Cemetery, Powell Cemetery and Tanner-Adams Cemetery, Washington County.