

Alexander EWING (marries a "cousin") & Descendants

First Generation

1. **Alexander EWING (marries a "cousin")** was born calculated 1724/1733 in Cecil Co., Maryland. Alexander married **Rachel Margaret EWING²**, daughter of Nathaniel EWING and Rachel PORTER (a 2nd cousin)

Note that Jim has death date of 16 October 1789 in Greene County, TN.

Notes of James R. McMichael, Genealogist - Clan Ewing of America:

Alexander Ewing b ca 1730, 2nd son of Samuel and Margaret Ewing d 16 October 1789 in Greene Co., TN. He married ca 1755/7 Rachel-Margaret Ewing, a daughter of Nathaniel and Rachel (Porter) Ewing of Cecil Co., MD. She is listed in I.G.I. as having been "baptised in 1734 in St. Anne's Parish, Cecil Co., MD child of Nathaniel and Rachel Ewing." In the Administration of the Estate of Nathaniel Ewing in 1750 "Rachel M(argaret) was about 15 years old." "Rachel Ewing died in Blount Co., TN 16 July 1823 at age 89." This is from a family Bible kept by her son, George Ewing, her 2nd son, and was a part of his Pension Application.

It has taken me years to get the correct information about Rachel-Margaret, who she married and where she lived. The incorrect information was begun by Col. Wm. A. Ewing's Manuscript page 21 in 1897 who stated she married an "own" cousin whose name was William, Sunbury PA. Exhaustive searches never located these two there. Col. Wm. A. "thought he was a son of her father's brother, Alexander." We know Nathaniel (I) had no brother by that name. M. and V. Ewing in EWING-McCULLOCH-BUCHANAN Genealogy page 38 repeat and copy, admittedly, from E.W.R. Ewing's CLAN EWING OF SCOTLAND page 177, the same incorrect information begun by Col. Wm. A. Ewing! (What a Web we weave).

[The correct information has been gleaned from Deeds, Wills, Tax and Bible Records etc.)

Marriage 1 Rachel b: ABT 1735

Married: ABT 1756 in Virginia 1

Children

Samuel Ewing b: ABT 1759 in Prince Edward Co, Virginia

George Ewing b: 3 FEB 1760 in Prince Edward Co, Virginia

John Ewing b: 6 JUN 1761 in Prince Edward Co, Virginia

Alexander Ewing b: ABT 1762 in Prince Edward Co, Virginia

James Ewing b: 6 APR 1766 in Prince Edward Co, Virginia

William Ewing b: 1 MAR 1771 in Wythe Co., Virginia

Nathaniel Ewing b: 27 DEC 1776 in Wythe Co., Virginia

Rachel

Margaret

Revolutionary War Patriots of Marshall County, Tennessee

Elijah Alexander, William Alexander, James Bass, William Bigham, Ezekiel Billington, Daniel Bills, Joseph Brittain, Hezekiah Bryant (Briant), John F. Carr, Sylvester Chunn, James Coffey, Benjamin Copeland, Lieut. Robert Cowden, Lieut. Presley Cox, Capt. Alexander Davidson, John Dysart. Sr., ALEXANDER EWING, Frederick Fisher, Sherwood Fowler, Laban Haislip, Samuel Hillis, Christopher Houston, Nathaniel Laird, Rowland Ledbetter, James Leeper, John London, Richard Long, Jacob Lowrance, Peter Luna, Sr., William Martin, Joseph McAdams, James McBride, John McBride, Manuel McConnell, Capt. John Medearis, Andrew Neil, Richard Oakley, John Patton, William Pickens, Isaac Rainey, Lieut. John Royal, Capt. Arthur Sheffield, John Tankersley, Richard Walker, Robert Walker, Matthew Wallis (Wallace), Shadrack Weaver, Aaron Wilson, James Wilson

"EWING In Early American Life,"

Alexander Ewing proves to be the second son of Samuel

Ewing. See his will, ahead. He is over 21 on the above date so born ca 1729-32.

- 1754, 22 March, TYLER'S QUARTERLY MAGAZINE Vol 17 page 244

"Mr. John Nash's Sr., Poll taken for the House of Burgesses" [in VA] included the following [familiar] names: "James Ewing, George Ewing, Alexander Ewing, Samuel Ewing, Edward Brathwaithe, Patrick Gillespie, William Ewing, William Davidson, Samuel Cobbs, John Colwell [sic Caldwell] Andrew Porter, Robert Gillespie, Hugh Challis, John Morrow" and others.

- 1755, 8 December *ibid.* p.246 "Col. Charles Anderson's Poll included John Caldwell [spelled correctly], Samuel Ewing, Patrick Gillespie, George Ewing, John Fulton, a second George Ewing, John Morrow, Robert Gillespie, Thomas Ewing, a second John Caldwell, Samuel Wallace." and others.

- 1755, June *ibid.*, Volume 18 page 50

A LIST OF TITHABLES BETWEEN BUSH AND BUFFALO RIVER, by one Thomas Scott. It included only one familiar name: "Hugh Challes and 3 slaves."

- 1755, [no date nor month] *ibid.*, page 51

A LIST OF THITHABLES FROM BUFFALO [RIVER] to COUNTY LINE: among many others were these familiar names:

"John Caldwell on Fort Creek and Thomas Caldwell" (together)

"Patrick Gillespie"

"Robert Gillespie"

"James Ewing and Joshua Ewing" (together)

"John Porter"

"Samuel Ewing and Alexander Ewing" (together)

"George Ewing" (alone) [eldest of Samuel?]

"James Ewing" (alone)

"Andrew Porter" (alone) [He married Margaret Ewing of Cecil Co., MD and moved to Amelia Co., VA].

"George Ewing" (alone) next to others on Venabale's Creek:

"William Ewing, Thomas Ewing and William Ewing" (together)

[Will be proven to be two of his 3 sons and John Morrow proves to be son-in-law.]

"John Morrow and James Morrow" (together)

"Robert Bird, Williamson Bird and Philemon Bird" (together);

"John Caldwell"

"Samuel Wallace"

/signed/ Samuel Ewing (328)=number of Tithables taken.

"EWING In Early America" Chapter XXVI Samuel Ewing (c1705 - 1758) 216

- 1771, 19 October - Prince Edward Co., VA. Deed Book p127: "Alexander Ewing and wife, Rachel Ewing of Botetourt Co., Va. sell to Robert Powell 232 acres of land lying between Fort and Falling Creek by Samuel Wallace's line and Pugh Price's line."

They have already moved to Botetourt Co., VA from which in 1772 FINCASTLE CO VA. was Created and discontinued in 1777. From FINCASTLE, BOTETOURT and PULASKI COUNTIES, VA the county of MONTGOMERY VA was created 1776-77. WYTHE CO. VA was created 1789 from MONTGOMERY CO. VA and it is here we find George Ewing and Eleanor as well as children of Alexander Ewing died 1738 Cecil Co., MD.

Alexander Ewing, second son of Samuel Ewing died 1758 had already moved to Botetourt Co., Va. prior to 19 Oct 1771 (see page 216). We have been unable to acquire copies of Deeds to land he bought there. There is a record attached to the 14 April 1770 Deed 3 page 448 in Prince Edward Co., VA. dated 2 August 1770 reads:

"Botetourt County Va. to wit ... In obedience to the within Commission to us directed, we did go to the said Rachel Ewing, wife of Alexander Ewing and did examine her privily ... touching her relinquishment of her right of dower in 395 acres conveyed to John and Abraham Thompson, which she declared she was willing to do ... Certified under our hands and seals this second day of August, 1770." Signed John Montgomery and William Herbert.

When Alexander Ewing Sr. and Rachel-Margaret moved to Greene Co., TN, we are not sure. It was there he wrote his will. Prior to that we find him in Montgomery Co., VA. According to Thwaites and Kellog's Lord Dunmore's War of 1774 there is an Alexander, Sr. who enlisted in Capt. Robert Doaks Co. of Militia on June 2, 1774. The Alexander "Jr."

who enlisted in the same company in Montgomery Co., VA. is the son of John Ewing the second son of Alexander and Rebeckah Ewing of Cecil Co., MD. Dr. John Connolly was sent by Lord Dunmore to Virginia to enlist aid to enforce the claims of Virginia in the controversy between Maryland and Virginia/Pennsylvania. Dr. Connolly was a half-brother to General James Ewing son of Thomas Ewing and Susanna (Howard) Patterson Ewing Connolly. Thomas Ewing was a brother to MY ANCESTOR, William Ewing.

WILL OF ALEXANDER EWING:

The book by M. and V. Brown Ewing-McCulloch-Buchanan Genealogy page 53 states that Alexander Ewing died in Blount Co., TN in 1828 but that statement is incorrect. His Will was located in Greene Co., TN in Will Book 1 page 7. It was written 16 October 1789 and "proven and recorded ____?____ 1789." It was indexed under Erwin but clearly EWING in the will and in his signature. [Anne Kimball provided me with an abstract of his will, recognizing the name of his wife and those of his children. Bill Miner obtained a copy of the original and shared with me.] It reads, briefly:

"I Allaxander Ewing of Greene Co., TN being sick and weak of body ... give and bequeath ... in the following manner. To Rachal, my dearly beloved wife, the two negroes now in my possession as long as she remains in widowhood ... and allowing her a child's part of the other cattle, etc ... I give to my well beloved son, Samuel, one £15 horse. I also leave to George, my second son a £15 horse. I leave to my third son, James, a bay colt four years old. I leave unto my son, William, one young mear (sic) three years. I also leave to my son John, one young mear three years old the ensuing spring ... to my son, Nathaniel, a young 3-year colt ... Rest to be divided equally only Samuel and George no more than what is mentioned ... Land I now live on to William and John, my sons, and a Plantation in the cove to Nathaniel. William and John to pay each to Nathaniel the sum of £20 each in good property. My daughter, Rachel, a mare ... to Margaret, daughter, a mear, feather bed and furniture ... daughter Rachel, the same...."

/witnesses/

David Eagleton /signed/ Alexander Ewing [Seal]

David Caldwell

James Gillespy "Recorded 1789, Greene Co., TN"

Alexander married **Rachel Margaret EWING**², daughter of Nathaniel EWING and Rachel PORTER (a 2nd cousin). Rachel was born 2 Jan 1734 in St. Anne's Parish, Cecil Co., MD. She died 16 Jul 1823 in Blount Co., TN.

"Rachel-Margaret" married Alexander, son of half brother Samuel of Prince Edward Co., Va. as mentioned above, died 1758. Alexander was brother to Margaret (Peggy). Rachel and Alexander moved to Botetourt Co., Va. then moved to Green Co., TN, where Alexander died 1789 and Rachel died in Blount Co., TN in 1823 at age 89.

Rachel-Margaret Ewing was listed as the 6th of 9 children of Nathaniel and Rachel (Porter) Ewing and on 13 June 1750 she was "about 15 years old" in the Administration of her father's estate. She is listed in I.G.I. as having been baptised in 1734 in Cecil Co., MD. "Rachel-Margaret Ewing died 16 July 1823 at age 89, Blount Co., TN" and is part of the Application for a Pension, "torn from a Bible for George Ewing." Rachel-Margaret probably went to Amelia/Prince Edward Co., VA about 1753-4 when a second "wave" of Ewing, Gillespie and Porter family members seem to have gone there (based on Deeds and tax records only) Rachel-Margaret and Alexander were married about 1751-2 for the two only sons, George and Alexander, and bought land in 1753. By law a person must have lived there one year and be 21 years old.

All of the information on their children obtained from "Ewing in Early America." One source claims she married William Ewing, son of John, of Queen Anne County, MD, but I find no further information to verify that.

They had the following children:

- + 2 M i. **Samuel (son of Alex. & Rachel) EWING** was born calculated 1755/1757.
- + 3 M ii. **George EWING** was born 3 Feb 1760 and died 4 Jul 1840.
- + 4 M iii. **James EWING** was born 6 Apr 1766 and died 11 Nov 1856.
- 5 F iv. **Rachel EWING** was born 1767.

Rachel Ewing was born about 1767. Her father gave her bedding etc. so she may have married prior to 1789. One

Rachel Ewing married David Caldwell in Knox Co., TN 21 January 1793. One David Caldwell

witnessed the 1789
Will of Alexander Ewing in Greene Co., TN.

- + 6 M v. **William EWING** was born calculated 1770/1771.
7 F vi. **Margaret EWING** was born about 1770.

Margaret Ewing the last child mentioned was born about 1770 , and we have no information on her except that she was to get a horse, bedding and furniture as if she, too, were to be married. She may have married David Eagleton, father to Robert, James and Margaret (Turbot?) Eagleton. David Eagleton wrote his will in Blount Co., TN on 3 Nov 1827. It was witnessed by J. Montgomery, R. Eagleton and Robert McCulloch. David Eagleton had children other than these above. We have not tried to trace them further.

- 8 M vii. **John EWING.**

John Ewing was the 5th son named in Alexander's 1789 Will. He and above William Ewing were given the land where Alexander lived, in Greene Co., TN. William and John were each to pay to Nathaniel £20 in good property. We have been unable to acquire the Deed selling either piece of property. One John, John Ewing married 6 Nov 1797 in Washington Co., TN, Mary Campbell. This is recorded in "Early East Tennessee Marriages" Volume 1 Grooms.

- 1817, 3 July, Blount Co. Deeds Vol 1, page 448
"A lot in Maryville where John Gardner lives on SE by Main St. on SW by lots of John Gardner Jr. etc is sold by Sheriff sale to John Ewing and Sam Cowan."

- 1824, 1 July, Blount Co. Clerk's File
"Bond made to Administer on the estate of John Ewing, dec. signed by James Ewing, Alexander, George Ewing and Jesse Wallace." And on "27 Dec, 1824 the Inventory was reported and signed by the same three Ewing men." [Note: One was, surely his brother James, one was, surely his brother George. An Alexander Ewing died in Blount Co. on 4 April n 1825 according to records of New Providence Church. We have been unable to find who he was.]

- 1826, 26 March, Blount Co. Guardian Bond:
John Ewing's minor children were John C. Ewing and Ezekiel Alexander. [Note: Ezekiel Alexander and Elizabeth G. Ewing married October 10, 1824 in Blount Co., TN and one John Campbell Ewing became a Presbyterian Minister.] The names of the "minor children" were: "Rachel Ewing, Jane Ewing, Nancy Ewing, Elinor Ewing, Samuel Harvy Ewing, [Note: ancestor of the grandchildren of Bill Miner] and James Ewing being the minor children of John Ewing deceased."

- 1826, 6 June, in Blount Co., TN Deeds Vol 2 page 540:
"George Ewing and James Ewing sell land on Little River, 71 acres of the 120 acre tract granted to John Ewing by Grant #553 and 111 ac(res) adjoining William Ewing being a part of Grant # 10900 to said John Ewing by the State of Tennessee."

- 1827, 7 July in Blount Co., TN Deed Vol.5 page 114:
"Land belonging to John Ewing, dec . is sold by Sheriff's d sale and bid in by George Ewing and James Ewing. It being on Little River under Grant #553 and #10900 and the house and lot in Maryville (see 1817 above) and land that was owned by Thomas Clark under his grant #1625."

- 1828, 23 September in Blount Co., TN Deed Vol.5 page 118:
"James and George Ewing sell to John C. Ewing 50 acres and 120 acres and 120 acres of the Grants #553 and #1625."

- 1832, 13 March in Blount Co., TN Vol 4 page 325:
"George Ewing and James Ewing sell to William Ewing land adjoins John Ewing's line on Little River and the original survey."

- 1833; 28 Nov Blount Co., TN Deeds Volume 5 page 185:
"John C. Ewing of White Co., TN gives his Power of Attorney to Samuel H(arvy) Ewing of Blount Co., TN to sell 2 tracts of land on Little River sold 'to me by George and James Ewing' ." Important note: Another John Ewing died in Blount Co., TN . See wills Vol 1 page 41 dated April 28, 1827. His wife is Rebecca.

All his land is on Baker's Creek. His family and ancestors traced in Chapter XVII page 138.

- 1830, 26 January, Roan Co., TN Marriages lists:
 "Samuel H. Ewing married Catherine Spence." (Descendants say he was born 1808.)

John married **Mary CAMPBELL** on 6 Nov 1797 in Washington County, TN.

John Ewing and Mary (Campell) Ewing married 6 Nov 1797 Washington Co. They had:

1. John C. Ewing b ca 1799, and became a minister. He was last heard of in White Co., TN in 1833. Was in Blount 1828.
2. Elizabeth G. Ewing b ca 1804 married 10 October 1824 in Blount Co., TN Ezekiel Alexander. George Ewing, J.P., married them.
3. Rachel Ewing b ca 1806 was still the eldest of "minors" in 1826. There are several Rachel Ewing marriages, none proven.
4. Jane Ewing b ca 1807 was 2nd minor child named. No more found as marriage of Jane is unproven.
5. Nancy Ewing b ca 1808/9
6. Elenor Ewing last female.
7. Samuel Harvy Ewing "b 1808" married 26 Jan, 1830 Catherine Spence in Blount Co., TN. They moved to AR 1847-50. They had:
 - a. Newton Campbell Ewing b 1832 married Nancy E. Ingram, 10/6/99. She was born 1843. (1789 AR to TX). They had Newton Ewing, Jr. b 1878. (One that Bill Miner has traced.)
 - b. Hugh L. W. Ewing
 - c. James T. Ewing
 - d. George W. Ewing
 - e. Mary Jane Ewing
 - f. Martha M. Ewing
 - g. Margaret A. Ewing
 - h. Emily E. Ewing
8. William Ewing b ca 1810. He "seems" to be the William Ewing who bought land in 1832 from (his uncles? George and James.) We are not sure of this. William married 14 Sept 1836 Malinda Alford. He moved with Samuel H. to Carrol Co., AR ca 1847-50.
9. James Ewing is the last minor named on the Administration Bond dated Sept 1826. One James was in Blount Co. 1830. [There is no mention of a mother to be guardian. She may have died but no records tell us this.]

9 M viii. **Nathaniel EWING** was born 1777. He died 23 Mar 1853.

Nathaniel Ewing the last son mentioned in the will of Alexander. M and V. Brown indicate he was "born in 1777 in that part of Virginia that became Wythe County. He died March 23, 1853 and is buried in Paris, IL." He married Elizabeth McCulloch on 16 Oct 1805 (from the Parham Papers) and also listed in Early East TN Marriages Vol 1, Grooms by Byron and Barbara Sistler, Nashville TN 1987. She was the daughter of Thomas McCulloch and Betsey Gillespie.

Nathaniel Ewing was given the "land in the Cove" by his father. His older brothers John and William were to pay to him £20 in good property." Elizabeth was listed as one of "the original members of New Providence Presbyterian Church in Maryville, Blount Co., TN." It was organized in 1786 and George Ewing and James Ewing were also original members.

Nathaniel married **Elizabeth MCCULLOCH**, daughter of Thomas MCCULLOCH and Betsey GILLESPIE, on 16 Oct 1805.

She was a daughter of Thomas McCulloch. "Their children were located by M. and V. Brown and appear on their page 73, and we copy, Nathaniel and Elizabeth McCulloch Ewing had:

1. James M. Ewing b 22 Nov 1813, Blount Co., TN, d 13 Sep 1882 in Lawrence, KS. He married, his cousin, Mary Ewing, 7 July 1837 in Edgar Co., IL. She was b 1813 and d 1871 in Lawrence, KS. She is a daughter of William Ewing.
2. Hiram Ewing b 18 Aug 1817 in Blount County, TN and Edgar Co., IL. 8 Feb 1892. He married Hannah M. Dryden. He married 2nd Sarah Bruce in 1870.
3. Alexander C. Ewing b 1811 in Blount Co., TN and married Eleanor McNutt in Edgar Co., IL. Her mother was a Gillespie.
4. Rachel Ewing b ca 1806 married her cousin James Ewing, Jr. son of James and Mary (Thompson) Ewing.
James was an elder brother of Nathaniel. James Ewing, Jr. was born 3 Nov 1804 and died in Neoga, IL 1 March 1889. Rachel and James, Jr. were married in Edgar Co., IL in 1833. They had 8 children.
5. John Ewing died in Edgar Co., IL. and his children were Hiram Joseph and Anna.

Second Generation

2. **Samuel (son of Alex. & Rachel) EWING** (Alexander) was born calculated 1755/1757.

Alexander Ewing and Rachel-Margaret Ewing had:

Samuel Ewing b ca 1755-7 in Prince Edward Co., VA. and is mentioned in the 1758 Will of his grandfather, Samuel Ewing. He married 4 September 1783 Diana Bird in Prince Edward Co., VA. (She was the daughter of Philemon Bird whose name is seen often on Legal Documents in P.E. Co. He moved, prior to 1787, to Wilkes Co., Ga. where he died in 1809. His will is there and mentions a living daughter, Diana Ewing.) The surety on the marriage license of Samuel and Diana was William Ewing who, we believe was the son of James Ewing, Sr. thus a "first cousin-once removed of this Samuel Ewing of Alexander." From Samuel Ewing's 6 Oct 1819 Will filed in Book E page 173-5 in Fayette Co., Ky., we learned the names of his children. As it was probated in April Court 1826 he died sometime before that. An Index to Deeds there do not tell us of any purchase of land. [Note: The Samuel Ewing who bought land in Fayette Co., KY on 13 Aug 1804 was "of Clarke Co., KY" and died there in 1806. He was a brother to the William Ewing, d Logan Co KY 1799. William a surety on the marriage bond of Samuel and Diana.] Lee Bird witnessed the 1816 Will, was in Prince Edward County in 1787! Samuel Ewing and Diana (Bird) Ewing had (Order of Birth not determined):

1. Philip Ewing (No marriage, will nor Deed found.) Executor.
2. Kitte (Catherine) Rogers. No marriage records found.
3. Elizabeth Calvert. No marriage records found.
4. Rachel Ewing [Note the Rachel then Margaret naming pattern in other grandchildren of Alexander.]
5. Margaret Ewing
6. Mary Ewing
7. Nancy Ewing
8. Samuel Ewing
9. James Ewing

It has been difficult to get information from Fayette Co. We continue to search for the families of these children. As Samuel was to "be put to trades" in the 1816 Will he seems to be next to the youngest and as James seems to have been an afterthought he, too, must have been quite young. There are Deeds made to/from a James Ewing in Fayette Co., KY and some settling his estate. We have not purchased them.

Samuel married **Diana BIRD**.

All of the children listed were mentioned in Samuel's will, along with his wife, Diana Bird Ewing.

They had the following children:

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| 10 | F | i. | Rachel EWING. |
| 11 | F | ii. | Margaret EWING. |

- 12 F iii. **Mary EWING.**
- 13 F iv. **Nancy EWING.**
- 14 M v. **Samuel (Jr.) EWING.**
- 15 M vi. **Phillip EWING.**

3. **George EWING** (Alexander) was born 3 Feb 1760. He died 4 Jul 1840 in Blount County, TN.

George Ewing b 3 Feb. 1760 d 4 July, 1840 married 3 June 1785 Margaret Caldwell (b 13 February 1765 d 4 March 1849). They were said to have been cousins but we have not found "how". The Bible Record kept by this family and given as proof of his age and Rev. War Service has been an invaluable source in tracing some members of this family. Records of The New Providence Church, Maryville, Blount Co., TN and the Parham Papers (copy sent by Bill Miner) have been helpful. Ann Kimball has helped with copies of lists of Pensioners which included this George Ewing, who received a Pension as a Private and his widow received a Pension "# W9" after George died. Neither the will of George (Blount Co. WB 1, page 42) nor the Will of Margaret (same Will Book 1 page 42) his dated 4 Apr 1838 and hers dated 6 March, told the names of their children. Thus the value of the Bible Record, the Church Record and the Pension Record.

George Ewing, their eldest wrote his will on 4 April 1838 in Blount Co., TN. located in Will Book 1 page 42. Margaret (Caldwell) Ewing his wife, wrote her will in 1846 and it is filed in the same Will Book according to the Index to Early Tennessee Wills and Administrations. George mentions only his wife, Margaret, his son-in-law William Eagleton, George E. McCulloch, son of Samuel McCollock my son-in-law, children of his daughters Eleanor McCollock and Margaret Eagleton and to Elizabeth White who is now living with her twenty five dollars provided she remain with my wife Margaret during her natural life. [wording is awkward].

Notes from Doris York:

History of Blount CO, TN: From War Trail to Landing Strip:1795-1955," revised by Inzez E. Burns, Sponsored by Mary Blount Ch. DAR; TN Historical Comm., 1957.

P 36. On Aug. 2, 1795, the following appointments were made for Blount CO: Alexander KELLY, Lt. Col. Commander; John McKEE, Lt. Col; Samuel GLASS, 1st Major; James WOODS LACKEY, 2nd Major; George EWING, Capt; Wm. RAGAN, Lt; John RAGAN, John SINGLETON, Robert RHEA, Samuel HOUSTON, Henry RAGAN, John COCHRAN, James SCOTT, James HOUSTON, Robert BOYD, George TEDFORD, Joseph TEDFORD, Joel WALLACE, and Samuel BOGLE, all Ensigns. Calvary offices were: James CUNNINGHAM, Capt; John LOWRY, 1st Lt; John ALEXANDER, Cornet, Civil Appointments: Littlepage SIMS, Sheirff; John McKEE, Clerk; Wm. WALLACE, Register; Robert RHEA, Coroner. Justices of the Peace: David CRAIG, William WALLACE, John TRIMBLE, Samuel HOUSTON, George EWING, James GREENWAY (another of Doris Yorks folks of Blount CO) Mathew WALLACE, James SCOTT, Andrew BOGLE, Thomas McCULLOCH, William LOWRY.

By these appointments the machinery of Blount CO were ready to set into motion in September, 1795.

p 39. The first Circuit Court was organized Feb. 2, 1810, by James Trimble, who appt. Robert HOUSTON, clerk.

About this time Sam HOUSTON of future TX fame was in town and he and Capt. John B. CUSICK disturbed the court with a drum to the extent that they fined Houston \$5 and Cusick \$10 (fine was suspended the next day). This was, of course, leading up to the time that Capts. McKAMY, DUNCAN, TEDFORD, TRIMBLE, TIPTON, WALKER, BUCHANAN, GILLESPIE, and others recruited men locally and went to the battles of the Horseshoe and New Orleans.

George married **Margaret CALDWELL (a "cousin")** on 3 Jun 1785. Margaret was born 13 Feb 1765. She died 4 Mar 1849.

They had the following children:

- 16 M i. **John EWING** was born 27 Feb 1786. He died 7 Oct 1819 in Blount Co., TN.

He may have married 26 Sept 1812 Susanna Minnis. We have no more information on him except this church Record.

- 17 F ii. **Rachel EWING** was born 15 Aug 1788. She died 20 Aug 1826.

(One David Eagleton witnessed the 1789 Will of Alexander Ewing.) Rachel and Alexander had:
 a. David C. Eagleton who d 4 July 1815
 b. Elinor Eagleton b 4 July 1815
 c. Margaret Eagleton b 27 Jan 1817 d. George Eagleton b 21 Oct
 e. Mary Jane Eagleton b July 1822.

Rachel married **Alexander EAGLETON** on 9 Feb 1813.

18 M iii. **Alexander EWING** was born 25 Feb 1791.

Married 1st Jane Warner 9 Dec 1817, married 2nd Sally Caldwell 20 Jan 1824. They moved to Edgar Co., IL prior to 1845 when he is listed, 4 Mar 1845 as "54" years of age. We have not traced his family.

Alexander married (1) **Jane WARNER** on 9 Dec 1817.

Alexander also married (2) **Sally CALDWELL** on 20 Jan 1824.

19 F iv. **Eleanor EWING**³ was born 4 Nov 1792.

Samuel also married (2) Eleanor Ewing 20 Jul 1824 in Blount County, Tennessee. She was born 4 Nov 1792 in Blount County, Tennessee. She was the daughter of George Ewing and Margaret Caldwell. Eleanor died 22 Oct 1855 in Blount County, Tennessee, and was buried in Clarks Grove Cemetery in Blount County, Tennessee four miles north of Maryville.

The family of Margaret Porter and Samuel McCulloch is presented in a book by the Browns, "Ewing - McCulloch - Buchanan Genealogy".
 Children:

- a. Margaret Rachel McCulloch b 21 Apr 1825 married Miles Hooper in 1851.
- b. Mary Jane McCulloch b 6 Aug 1826 in Blount Co., TN and died at Neoga, IL in 1910. She married John Rodgers or Rogers in Blount County on 30 Mar 1852 and moved to Arkansas.
- c. George Ewing McCulloch b 20 Apr 1828 married Mary McKanny in 1847.
- d. John Alexander McCulloch b 11 Sep 1830 married 1850 Martha Hooper.
- e. Martha Ann McCulloch b 18 Jul 1832, unmarried, buried Neoga Cemetery.

Eleanor married **Samuel MCCULLOCH**, son of Thomas MCCULLOCH and Betsey GILLESPIE, on 20 Jan 1824. Samuel was born about 1778 in Augusta County, VA. He died 13 Feb 1845 in Blount Co., TN.

Samuel's first wife was Margaret Porter, a daughter of Margaret Lindsay and Robert Porter.

+ 20 F v. **Margaret "Peggy" EWING (had 9 children)** was born 4 Aug 1795.

21 M vi. **Samuel EWING (never married)** was born 27 Jan 1797. He died 16 Dec 1822.

Samuel Ewing b 27 Jan 1797 and died 16 Dec 1822. His Estate Bond and Administration were made 23 Dec 1822. by George Ewing (father), John Ewing (uncle) and James McNutt. "He seemed to be a bachelor, merchant" was one note. Bill Miner found that "Samuel Ewing was a trustee of Rittenhouse Academy in Kingston, Roan Co., TN in 1819. In 1823 a new trustee was elected to replace Samuel."

4. **James EWING** (Alexander) was born 6 Apr 1766 in Prince Edward Co, VA. He died 11 Nov 1856 in Monroe Co., TN.

"James Ewing, third son of Alexander and Rachel Ewing, was born 6 April 1766 in Prince Edward Co., VA. He married, 30 April 1798, Mary Thompson b N.C. d 25 Dec 1835 Blount Co., TN. James wrote his will in Monroe Co., TN 25 Dec 1854 and died on 11 Nov 1856 at 90 years. His will is in Monroe Co, TN WB A page 215. He mentions a daughter Margaret McSpadden and children Alexander, Samuel, George, (Jr.) and James. Son, Nathaniel, Exec. James stated that he saw "George Ewing marry Margaret Caldwell 3 January 1786 in Virginia." He, like brother George, may have been

one of the Charter Members of the New Providence Church in Maryville, Blount Co., TN. [Additional information on the children et. al. can be found in M. and V. Brown Genealogy].

James married **Mary THOMPSON** on 30 Apr 1798. Mary died 25 Dec 1835 in Blount Co., TN.

CHILDREN:

1. Alexander Ewing b 13 Feb 1799 married 14 sept, 1824 in Blount Co., TN. Margaret McCulloch. He was an elder in the New Providence Presbyterian Church Edgar Co., IL. He d 10 Feb 1866
2. Samuel Ewing b ca 1801 in Blount Co., TN married Mary McCulloch (b VA d Edgar Co., IL. 1846). Samuel d 22 June 1858 in Edgar Co., IL.
3. George Ewing (Jr.) b 22 Oct 1802 in Blount Co., TN married 1st Eleanor Parker 13 Sept 1827 (b 26 Feb 1805 TN. d 10 May 1888). He died 25 June 1866 near Neoga, IL. (His uncle was SR.)
4. James Ewing, b 3 Nov 1804 Blount Co., TN married 1st 1833 in Edgar Co., IL Rachel Ewing (cousin, daughter of Nathaniel and Elizabeth McCulloch Ewing. Rachel d 1834). James Jr. married 2nd 1837 Mary Alexander (d 1864). He d Neoga, IL 1 March, 1889.
5. Nathaniel Ewing b 10 Feb 1809 in Blount Co., TN. married 16 March 1837 Margaret Caldwell in Blount Co., TN He d in Monroe Co., TN 29 Dec 1866, ten years after his father!
6. Margaret Ewing b ca 1816 married ca 1829 Matthew McSpadden. The only tracing of them is through the 1850 Census of Monroe Co., TN "Margaret McSpadden, head of household, "age 34, b TN. Children: James McSpadden age 10, Mary McSpadden age 6, and James Ewing, age 84 living in the household."

They had the following children:

- 22 M i. **Alexander EWING** was born 13 Feb 1799. He died 10 Feb 1866.
Alexander married **Margaret MCCULLOCH** on 14 Sep 1824.
- 23 M ii. **Samuel EWING** was born calculated 1801 in Blount Co., TN. He died 22 Jun 1858 in Edgar County, IL.
Samuel married **Mary MCCULLOCH**.
- 24 M iii. **George EWING (called "Jr." - Uncle was "Sr.")** was born 22 Oct 1802. He died 25 Jun 1866 in near Neoga, IL.
George married **Eleanor PARKER** on 13 Sep 1827.
- 25 M iv. **James EWING** was born 3 Nov 1804 in Blount Co., TN. He died 1 Mar 1889 in Neoga, IL.
James married (1) **Rachel EWING (dau of Nathaniel & Eliz. McCulloch Ewing)**, daughter of Nathaniel EWING and Elizabeth MCCULLOCH. Rachel died 1834.
James also married (2) **Mary ALEXANDER** on 1837.
- 26 M v. **Nathaniel EWING** was born 10 Feb 1809 in Blount Co., TN. He died 29 Dec 1866 in Monroe, TN.
Nathaniel married **Margaret CALDWELL** on 16 Mar 1837 in Blount Co., TN.
- + 27 F vi. **Margaret EWING** was born calculated 1816.

6. **William EWING** (Alexander) was born calculated 1770/1771.

William Ewing was the next son named in his father's will. Alexander mentions "William and John" together. William was born ca 1770-71. He married 9 Nov 1796 Elizabeth McNutt, "an, original Church Member". The record states : "she died on 8 July 1817 a member of New Providence Church in Blount Co., TN." We know that William moved to Edgar Co., IL. and had a daughter Mary Ewing who married 1837 her cousin, James M. Ewing a son of Nathaniel Ewing "F" below. M and V. Brown indicate they died in Kansas, Mary in 1871 and James M. in 1882. [This was obtained from their Book quoted above.]

William married **Elizabeth MCNUTT**. Elizabeth died 8 Jul 1817 in Blount Co., TN.

They had the following children:

- 28 F i. **Mary EWING**.
Mary married **James M. EWING (son Of Nathaniel Ewing)**.

Third Generation

20. **Margaret "Peggy" EWING (had 9 children)** "Peggy" (George, Alexander) was born 4 Aug 1795.

Peggy married **Rev. William E. EAGLETON**, son of David EAGLETON, on 2 Apr 1816 in Blount Co., TN. William was born 25 Mar 1796 in Blount Co., TN. He died 28 Mar 1866 in Murfreesboro, TN.

He is listed in the Parham Papers as being Pastor of Baker Creek and Grassy Valley Churches. He was the Minister who performed the marriage ceremony when George E. Ewing, Jr. married Eleanor Parker 17 Sept 1827. "Peggy" and Rev. William Eagleton had:

- a. Margaret A. Eagleton
- b. Samuel Ewing Eagleton
- c. Edward H. Eagleton
- d. Elvira H. Eagleton
- e. William Clark Eagleton
- f. George E. Eagleton
- g. John A. Eagleton

Listed in THE FIRST FAMILIES OF AMERICA, Vol. VI.

General David Eagleton of Eaglesham on the Clyde River near Glasgow, Scotland, had a son, David, from whom American clan descended. He came to English America sometime before the outbreak of the American Revolution and settled briefly near Philadelphia. Thence, he moved to Craig's Fort, Blount County, Tennessee. There he married a Miss Kelley, and to them were born a daughter and five sons. Of the latter, William [1796-1866] reputed to have been a very effective speaker and noble Christian leader and minister of the First Presbyterian Church in Murfreesboro for thirty seven years, merits special attention. On January 11, 1976 a portrait in oil of the minister was presented to the church and placed beside an old marble plaque containing the following inscription:

In Memoriam

Rev. William Eagleton

Born Blount County, Tennessee

March 25, 1796

died at Murfreesboro

March 28, 1866

He came to us in December, 1829

And for 37 years brought to us

The bread of life

How good and true, how guileless

And faithful, how sympathizing

And affectionate

This shepherd was

We his flock only know

Blount County, TN

EAGLETON, Alexander marr. HUMPHREYS, Leona on 25-SEP-1855

EAGLETON, David marr. HOOK, Elizabeth on 02-DEC-1797

EAGLETON, Elijah M marr. GAULT, Eleanor on 07-SEP-1826

EAGLETON, Ellen marr. MINNIS, Wm on 15-APR-1846

EAGLETON, George E marr. FOOTE, M E Miss on 23-JAN-1856

EAGLETON, Margaret marr. TORBET, Hugh on 05-SEP-1823

EAGLETON, Margaret A marr. COWAN, George W on 06-OCT-1846

EAGLETON, Mary Jane marr. KIDD, T Jefferson on 24-DEC-1855

EAGLETON, Robert H marr. MCCULLOCH, Elizabeth G on 19-SEP-1825

EAGLETON, William marr. EWING, Peggy on 02-APR-1816

They had the following children:

- 29 F i. **Margaret Angeline EAGLETON** "Angie" was born 27 Jan 1817 in Blount Co., TN. She died 18 Aug 1895 in Rutherford Co., TN.

Eagleton Family - Among the First Families

History

His father, Rev. William Eagleton D.D., and mother Margaret Ewing were born, reared, and married in East Tennessee. Shortly after they crossed the Cumberland Mountains and settled in Murfreesboro. They had 9 children, George Ewing being the 7th born. His early years spent with his family, some 5 months out of 12 in the school room. He attended Union University at Murfreesboro graduating with the second class in 1851 the youngest pupil of 8. At the outbreak of the war with Mexico, he was seized with a strong desire to enlist in the service. He weighed the opposition of his parents, the danger of his health [suffering from chills and fevers quite often] from the climate, his future, and his lack of preparation. He then decided to remain in school. Studying Hebrew and theology for a year under his father. He received licenseure, and 2 days later left Murfreesboro to complete his theological course at Union Seminary, N.Y. Appearing before the faculty with his college diploma and church certificate from Shiloh Presbytery, he entered the senior class and passed his final exams on May 7, 1854. He met Col. D.D. Foute and his daughter Ethlinda Foute in Cades Cove, TN. and on Jan. 23, 1856 they married. He continued to have the chills, fever, and sick headaches that plagued him through his life. He continued to preach and teach forever wandering from town to town. He did a lot of evangelistic work with negroes, but by no means was an advocate of equality. Instead, he believed it was well for the community and the individual to have them Christianized. He defended the inaugural of President Lincoln believing it meant peace, only to find that he made a declaration of war against the south. He stood by the south saying, this resolution is forced upon us, war is inevitable. Let it come, we must fight. The call of war being sounded, the Governor of TN. called for fighting men. On Nov. 26th, G.E. Eagleton volunteered as a private soldier to aid in driving the invader from southern soil. He never failed to avail himself with nightly prayer meetings, Sunday services, nursing the dying, and all the while, doing regular military duty such as keeping guard, cooking, and cutting wood. Never strong, his health began to fail, and again the chills and headaches came. He felt those crying the loudest for secession, were now leaving as deserters. He was elected Chaplain of the 44th regiment of Tennessee Volunteers. When in Bowling Green, KY., he took 12 days leave to see his family and settle his affairs. He returned to service and retreated towards Nashville and heard of the surrender of Fort Donelson, Nashville is given up next. They march through Murfreesboro seeing familiar faces all the while flying above them their flag emblazoned with "Liberty or Death". He becomes ill again due to the physical hardships of war and knowing he will be captured, him and his brother John acquire a buggy and move on to Shelbyville across the state line through Athens, ALA. moving southward until they rejoin their regiment in Corinth, MS. Then comes the battle of Shiloh. Although they had fought and driven the enemy back, Gen. Buell had to reinforce and now the weary confederates move back to Corinth. Such a life proved to be too much for his usefulness and health being sickly so much of the time, so he sent in his resignation, and was approved and discharged June 2, 1862. He finds his way back to Murfreesboro only to find betrayal by the negroes. Yankee Cavalry surround him, but a sudden dash of Gen. Forrests Cavalry a week later, allows him to take his family to his in-laws in East TN. Constantly antagonized by Union sympathizers by whom the country was controlled, he vowed to tenfold this yankee despotism and teach his children forever to hate it. He unexpectedly meets up with his aged parents refugees from their own home. Besides his own 4 children, there were now in his household his father, mother, sister Angie, brother John, and 3 others of his family and the servants Lucy, Sam, and Sarah. While taking a position at the New Market Church he found himself being harassed by the yankees using his church for guard house. They raided and pillaged the chairs, tables, pulpit, bibles, and even took the bell ropes. In other areas the churches suffered even more as the yankees cut down the shade trees, burned the fences around the churches and grave yards. They tore up the head and foot stones to make fireplace jams to keep them warm, and made wagon yards in the cemeteries. The Union sympathizers in East TN. were many and being told to leave, and not doing so, I was stripped to my pants and inflicted upon my breast and back the bloody stripes twice falling to the earth by the stroke of a club inflicting wounds above both eyes, the scars of which I take to my grave. My congregation was told anyone visiting or showing sympathy to me would get the same treatment. Finally convinced to leave for my own sake, I traveled for months looking for a safe haven, and received word of the downfall of the Confederacy. At my parents homeplace, I find only a few books and manuscripts. Everything ruined by the vandal yankee foe. May God have mercy on the souls of northerners who heap war

on old men, women, and children, who desecrate, pillage, tear down and burn, who desecate tombs and bones of the dead to steal any and everthing. The underdeveloped west is being rapidly settled, ARK. and TX. are calling to him . For 16 yrs. he has been a minister, 13 of which spent in wedlock, and yet since he left his fathers roof as a seminary student, he has never known a home of his own. He has lived a life of toil, hardship, and exposure and it is showing him the effects of age, so he decides this is where he needs to go. He accepts a position at Mt. Holy, ARK. and he purchases his own home and 330 acres. He erected a school and dedicated it Quachita Seminary, always favoring to educate his children. After accepting a call to Fannin County, he sold off his home, school, and farm, auctioned off his surplus possesions and left for Ladonia reaching it Jan. 3, 1884. He had charge of 4 churches, Ladonia, Cooper, Hoiney Grove, and New Hope. To eke out a slender salary he purchases the Ladonia School buildings, and organizes the Ladonia Academy. He shared the Cumberland Presbyterian Church but by Dec. 26, 1890, their own church was finished, himself paying \$500.00 of his own money. In Ladonia he became a silent partner in a grocery, loan and exchange assoc. of which he was director, took shares in a banking enterprise, president of Ladonia Auxiliary Bible Society, Chaplain of the Masonic Ordr, and even bought land in FLA. After preaching on Sunday Apr. 9, 1899, while boarding a train home he fell and crushed his hip. With help he managed to make it home and died there Apr. 12, 1899. His funeral services were brief and simple.

The last 44 yrs. of his life he has:

letters written - 5,688
manuscript sermons - 160
contributions to periodicals - 262
skeleton sermons - 819
meetings attended - 503
sermons preached - 4,070
churches served - 29
members received - 590
baptisms - 380
church officers ordained - 99
couples married - 138
sabbath schools organized - 12
churches organized - 7
months of teaching - 122
months in C.S.A. - 36
maonths as colporteur - 6
degrees as a mason - 12
miles of travel - 114,010

He lies to the north of the burial ground, in the north part of the lot he purchased. Midway on either side stands a huge oak glorious in repose, with broad branches suggestive of strength, grandeur, and protection. It is in the Odd Fellows section of the Ladonia Cemetery.

George married **Ethlinda FOUTE**.

His wife Ethlinda M. Foute was daughter of Daniel Davis Foute who owned most of Cades Cove before the Civil War. Effie Foute kept a diary during the Civil War that has been published, named Stray Thoughts.

- 31 M iii. **John A. EAGLETON.**
- 32 M iv. **Samuel Ewing EAGLETON.**
- 33 M v. **Edward H. EAGLETON.**
- 34 F vi. **Elvira H. EAGLETON.**
- 35 M vii. **William Clark EAGLETON.**

27. **Margaret EWING** (James, Alexander) was born calculated 1816.

Margaret married **Matthew MCSPADDEN** calculated 1829.

They had the following children:

36 M i. **James MCSPADDEN.**

37 F ii. **Mary MCSPADDEN.**

Appendix A - Sources

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