1888 – Dukes’s Distillery on the Walnut River. One of the largest distilleries in North Georgia. A newspaper article in 1895 said Mr. Duke never took a drink of whiskey in his life and never advised anyone else to drink.

The Jackson County Historical Society Ramble

Date: Sunday, October 17, 1999
Time: 2:30 PM
Location: Braselton City Hall to the Duke Homeplace
The Jackson County Historical Society News is published quarterly and mailed before the next meeting. Back issues can be obtained for $1.50 each plus postage. Please send your Jackson County family connections with your dues and they will be published in the next newsletter.

DUES

The Jackson County Historical Society's Dues Year runs from July to July. A notice is enclosed in newsletters of members who have not as yet paid next year's dues. Checks should be written to the Jackson County Historical Society and mailed to:

JCHS, 28 College Street, Jefferson Georgia 30549.

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DONATIONS

Thanks to Ola Webb for donating books of the early census of South Carolina to the Historical Society library.

Thanks to Mrs. Sam Hall Flint for a donation made to the Historical Society honoring the birthday of Ann Jarrett.

NEW BOOKS PUBLISHED


CALENDAR

October 17 – 2:30 - JCHS Ramble beginning at Braselton City Hall - 4982 Hwy 53, Braselton, GA

October 30 – Crawford Long Museum - Opening of the Mulberry Tree Gift Shop and Trains, Trains, Trains – an exhibit of Railroading photographs and model trains. Model train village by Len Purdy

November 18, 12:00–1:30 P. M. - Crawford Long Museum - Book signing by Damon Gause Jr. of The War Journal of Damon Gause Sr.

FAMILY CONNECTIONS

Holly L. Pruitt, 148 Parker Road, McDonough, GA 30253; WILSON, BOWLES, PRUITT (Descendant of Gustavus James Nash Wilson)

Kenny Hayes, 3671 Leilani Way, Altadena, CA 91001, (626) 296–0157; HAYES, HEWITT, HEWETT, HEWET

JoAnn Burroughs, 75 Auburn Road, Auburn, GA 30011, (770) 963–3132; BURROUGHS, WARE, SEAGRAVES, TOLBERT, STRICKLAND, SAILORS, PERRY, STOVALL

Fred Wilhite, 1165 LaVista Rd N. E. Apt 208, Atlanta, GA 30324, (404)636-8122; WILHITE, ESPY, MINNISH, MORRIS
JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

OCTOBER 1999

The Braselton City Hall was the former home of the first mayor of Braselton, William Henry Braselton. Built in 1909, it was renovated this year for a city hall and community center.

QUERIES

SHIELDS
Does anyone have knowledge of Robert Fredrick Shields who married Elizabeth Espy. Married in Jackson County, GA. Parents were Martha Jane and Robert William Shields, born in Jackson County. Contact: George Shields, 403 First St, Blountstown, FL 32424.

CRONIC
16th GA. Infantry/ Cavalry
Looking for any Civil War letters from men in these units for copying. Hopefully to be published in a book. Contact: Paul Cronic, 1339 Hwy 124, Hoschton, GA 30548, (770)867-7746, (770) 962-3261, E-Mail Paul.Cronic@GTE.NET

ANGLIN
Does anyone have information on Sarah E. Anglin. Born in Jackson County, July 30, 1858; Died July 8, 1918. She was half Indian. Contact: Maggie Jr. Brown, 155 Holman Ave., Athens, GA 30606

WALNUT DISTRICT

excerpt from Treasured Memories of the Braseltons

Jacob Braselton, Sr. took the oath of allegiance in North Carolina. Jacob and his wife, Hannah Green, are buried at old Walnut Fork cemetery in Jackson County, Georgia. The church was originally a Pedo Baptist—that is, it was the practice to wash the feet of the members, and was kept up as late as 1870. At one time, Jacob had nine grown sons visiting him and he carried them all to church one Sunday. It is said—they broke loose from the Quakers and took part with the Confederates in the Civil War.

Apr. 18, 1907
Walnut School District, No. 12. Begins where new Jefferson and Hoschton Road crosses Indian creek, thence up creek to head 1/2 mile E. of Zion church on railroad, thence a straight line (crossing road at Charley Humphries) to Zion spring branch, thence down said branch to Walnut River, Thence down river to 1 1/2 miles below Maddox Mill, thence a straight line to
Duke’s Gin on Hog Mountain Road, thence a straight line to top of hill 1/2 Mile N. E. of Drew Robert’s place. Thence a straight line to Federal road 200 yards S. E. of J. C. DeLaperriere place, thence a straight line to cross roads 1/4 mile south of Gid Edward’s place, thence with road to beginning.

Aug. 2, 1888
SINGING CONVENTION WALNUT CHURCH JULY 30, 1888

The Jackson County Musical Convention met in the above named church house today, by invitation of the same, and was called to order by the president.

The opening song “Golden Light,” led by Prof. A. H. Brown, of Madison County; prayer led by brother J. Y. Pharr. The convention then proceeded to organize.

First appointed a committee on credentials, viz: M. G. Wilhite and H. B. Mathis.

Second, heard report of committee as follows:

Academy Church S. S. — delegates Viz: Misses. J. C. Roberts, M. C. Blackstock, Mrs. Lula Niblack and Miss Winnie Roberts.

Beauford’s Academy M. S. — Messrs. Steve Carrington, W. D. Lancaster, Misses Howington and Mollie Oakes.

Line School House S. S. — Misses M. L. Chandler, T. F. Anderson and Miss M. W. Faver

Called for verbal reports which were as follows:

Oconee Church S. S. — Misses M. G. Wilhite, R. S. Blackwell.


Mountain Creek S. S. — Sikes, Lovic Martin, Misses H. A. Mitchell and D. L. Martin

Pond Fork S. S. — J. N. Hill.


Dec. 20, 1906
JACKSON COUNTY SINGING CHOIR

Met at Walnut Fork church, on Dec. 9 at 10:30
Song by H. F. Baird

Andrew Evans spoke in behalf of the committee for dinner, and complimented the good singing. Also, Scott Davis of Apple Valley for the excellent music rendered on his horn.

The following were organists during the day: Misses Etta Evans, Lizzie May Baird, Maybel Cooper, Juette Hill, Mrs. Belle Mathis

Oct. 1910
OBITUARY — Wade Hampton Banks was born June 7, 1888 and departed this life Oct. 31, 1910. Age 22 years, 4 months and 36 days. Died within half mile of where he was born. Joined the Walnut Fork Baptist Church, Aug. 1904; lived a faithful and consecrated member until death. He was elected clerk of the church in 1908 and served about 18 months.

The funeral service was conducted by Rev. S. P. Higgins and G. H. Collins. It was a touching scene to see the singing class, in which he had sung so often, gathered around his coffin, and hear them sing the last song he ever sang at Walnut. It’s sad to think we have lost one of our sweetest singers, but we feel sure he is singing around the Great White Throne of God, where singing choirs are never broken up and where there is no sickness, sorrow, or sad partings.

FAMILY VS. LOVE

Nov. 29, 1889

Mr. Scott Jackson and Miss Mary Jarrett of Rocky Branch have been sweethearts for some time, but have now entered a holier estate, and will walk life’s pathway hand in hand mid storm and sunshine, sorrow and joy. Scott’s suit had not met the approbation of Miss Mary’s father, which fact was very depressing to him. Last Saturday night Miss Harrett staid at Mr. Andrew Williamson’s. On Sunday morning her plighted lover met her true to appointment, and they repaired to Squire George Bennett’s and were married about 9 o’clock and went away happy as two singing birds.
When two loving hearts want to get united they are going to do it, and that's all there is to it. The young generation is very wise, and when a girl loves a fellow he knows it, and it is a difficult thing, for her parents to convince her that she doesn’t.

Feb. 21, 1890
Last Friday evening about 6 o’clock Mr. A. M. Anthony of Nicholson and one of our detectives left here bound for a Jug Tavern, where Miss Annie Pace, the charmer of the former, had gone to spend a while with relatives. For about two years Mr. Anthony had been a constant visitor of Miss Pace, and last Christmas they were to be married, but her people being opposed to Mr. Anthony, the marriage was prevented until last Saturday night. At Dr. Bush’s in Jug Tavern Miss Pace was met at the gate by detectives and assisted to the buggy where Mr. Anthony was waiting to take flight as soon as intended bride could be brought to him. They were hastily drawn away to Mr. George D. Bennett’s of Apple Valley, where the two hearts were made one at the hour of 11:30 o’clock.

WALNUT FORK CHURCH MINUTES
The first members of Walnut Fork Church met at the home of Joseph Thompson on May 29, 1802 to form a constitution. The following list of members were transcribed from the original church records to the best of our ability.

1802 – 1805
Joseph Thompson Sr.
Jacob Cole
Littleberry Eppison
William Bennett
Cullivan Clements
Joseph Thomson Jr.
Joseph Watts
Ann Thomson
Winford Cole
Mary Cochran
Agness Clements
Hannah Bennett
Nancy Epperson
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1812 – 1827 (con’t)
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1802 – 1805
Henry Burdine
Catherine Hornsby
Catherine Phillips
Joseph Thomson
Moses Hornsby
Richard Williamson
A. G. Strubling
Cissy Watts
Abraham Menes
John Strickland
Letty Williamson
Margaret Ledford
John McClung
Elizabeth McClung

1812 – 1827 (con’t)
Robert Dowdy
Cathy Dowdy
Sarah McCather
J.T.Cole
32nd member
Ruben McClung
Elizabeth Thomson
Nancy Price
Polly Thomson
Charles Price
Randal Burns
Betty Howard
John Howard
Elizabeth Ledford
Polly Williamson
John Tidwell
Winey Tidwell
Wm. Beal
Nancy Beal
Amelia Beal
Mary Hall
Mary Thomson
Mary Tidwell
Mary Fipp
Sarah Beal
Jemimah Tidwell
Nancy Burdine
Henry Tidwell
Jane Williams
Ann Ferrell
Rachel Lafferty
63rd member
Celia Tidwell
Walter Beck
John Tidwell
(b) Toney
Polly Glaze
Nancy McKenday
Thomson Jones
Mary Jones, his wife
Sally Glenn
William Patterson
Charlotte Patterson
Nancy Majors
Charity Wade
Kinchin Pikes
Gus Silver
(b) Chisy
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Edward Wade Jr.
Thomas Jones
William Blake
John Williamson
John Inzer
Robert Inzer
John Wade
Elizabeth Cosart
Luiza Ledford
Eip Jo
John Wade
Polly Griggs
Wm McWhirter
Susanna McWhirter
Edward and Nancy
John Patterson
Walter Beal
Nancy Sanford
Samuel Herrin
Benjamin Dowdy
Ellen Cook
Polly Smith
Betty Hancock
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Aaron Dowdy
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Aaron Williamson
Mary Inzor
John Cordill
Jacob Brazelton
Hannah Brazelton
Lucrecia Sanford
Polly Sanford
Poessy Sanford
Thomas Barker
Elizabeth Cason
Thomas Langley
Sister Nancy Langley
Susanna
Thomson
Frances Tidwell
John Glenn
Miles Langley
Sarah Hinton
Benj Dowdy
Charlotte Patterson
Wm Bennett
Caty Dowdy
John Inzor Sr
Patty Inzor, his wife
Robert Inzor
John Inzor, Jr.
Delilah Wilson
B. Osburn
(black) Jay Thomas
Charity Wade
Sister Barker
Mitchell Bennett
Peggy H
James Wilkins
Susannah Wilkins
Jane Ward
Jacob Brazelton, Jr
Sister Ward
Brother Hurst
Hannah Bennett
Charles Daoughtery
Elizabeth Daughtery
Mitchell Austan
(black) Jack
Sister Brazelton
Brother & Sister Barker
Turner
Elizabeth Ashairn
Margel Cotten
Martha Dowdy
(black) Bob
Mahilda Barker
Mingo
Joe
Lucy
Lyda
Jeremiah Reeves
Polly Reeves
Jamima Hearstile
Susannah Green
Moses Roberts
Nancy Roberts
Mary O'Dear Sr.
Mary O'Dear Jr.
Drucilla Mann
Jeremiah Allbright
Fanny
William Ward
Elizabeth Long
Joshua Rainwater
Charles H. Smith
John Saxon
T. Murphy
Anderson Diels
Cicero E. S
Epson G
Alvin Yearwood
C. Tenard
M. Whitmire
Cicero R. Bowles
James Milton
John Oakes
Jesse Murty
H. Cowan
P. N. Carlille
Charles Belonging
Davy Belonging
Elizabeth Human
Sarah Attaway
Mahala Lankston
Tabitha Garner
Frances Bradley
Maryan Oaks
Elizabeth Bowles
Saryan Davis
Mariahann
Smith (married Murphy)
Slena Murphy
(married Mullins)
Lucinda Irvin
Jane Lowrey
Arminda Sexton
Elender Irvin Jr
Elender Irvin Sr
Patty Irvin
Marilla Reynolds
Elizabeth Reynolds
Susan Coker
Christiana McElvy
Cynthia Cheek
Mary Cheek
Sarah Clark
Mary Braselton
Lucy W. Murphy
Nancy Porter
Margree J. Carlisle
Adaline Stone
Martha Roberts
Christy Dalton
Tomeinha Eades
Sarah J. Yearwood
Lewinner Cheek
Charity Cheek
Mary Cheek
Malitta Sawls
Elizabeth Sexton
Everline Williams
Irma Cheek
Aleatha Lowery
Nansa Carliel
Susan Wood
Mary Stone
Mary E. Human
Margaret White
Matilda Kinney
Adaline Finch
Susan Oaks
Nancy J. Bowles
Rody Grubs
Lida Cheek
Balsore J. Whitmire
Elizabeth Timbs
Alah J. Oaks
Elizabeth Ward
Elisabeth Bowles
Nancy McEver
Mary Mattox
Martha Mattox
Elisor B. Walis
Mahalda Porter
Mary J. Davis

1858

J. Human
H. Attaway
Evean Porter
W. T. Oaks
Joseph Irvin
Wm C. Reynolds
James Reynolds
Simeon Coker
J. M. Cheek
Moses J. Clark

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PENSIONS

excerpt from the Jackson Herald

In 1879 Georgia began paying pensions. At that time only such men as had lost a limb or limbs were paid. The price was regulated by the cost of the artificial limb.

In 1885 the constitutional amendment, extending the pension list to include all who had suffered permanent injuries other than the loss of a limb, was adopted.

In 1887, this constitutional amendment was embodied in an act of the legislature, and the blind, sick soldiers of Georgia were given pensions. The latter law doubled former pensions besides largely increasing the list of those entitled to pensions.

As the pension law stands today, the following are the allowances for different injuries:

For total loss of sight, $150. For total loss of sight, one eye, $30. For total loss of hearing, $30. For loss of a foot or loss of a leg, $100. For loss of all of a hand or loss of arm, $100. For loss of both hand or both arms, $150. For the loss of one hand or foot and one arm or leg by same person, $150. For permanent injuries from wound whereby a leg is rendered substantially and essentially useless, $50. For permanent injuries from wound whereby an arm is rendered substantially and essentially useless, $50. For the loss of one finger or one toe, $5. For the loss of two fingers or two toes, $10. For the loss of three fingers or three toes, $15. For the loss of four fingers or four toes, $20. For the loss of four fingers and a thumb, or five toes, $25.

An important change in the law was as follows:

For other permanent injury from wounds or disease contracted during the service, and while in line of duty as a soldier, whereby the person injured or diseased has been rendered practically incompetent to perform the ordinary manual avocations of life, $50.

Cemetery

The Nash Family Cemetery will be moved for the Highway 441 widening. Three graves are marked but many more people are known to be buried there. Listed below are the known burials:

James Nash  
Born 1803  
Died 1897  

Mary Ann Ledbetter Nash  
Wife of James Nash  
Born 1807  
was in the 1860 census  

James R. Nash  
son of James and Mary Ann Nash  
born March 10, 1837  
Died June 6, 1913  

Lucelia Collins Nash  
wife of James R. Nash  
Born August 19, 1843  
Died April 18, 1917  

Reuben Long Nash  
son of James and Mary Ann Nash  
Born 1835  
was in 1880 census  

Elizabeth Nash  
wife of Reuben L. Nash  
Born 1831  
Died between 1850 and 1855  

George V. Nash  
son of Reuben and Elizabeth Nash  
Born 1858  
Died between 1860 and 1870  

Eddie Nash  
son of James and Lucelia C. Nash  
Born 1867  

Susie Whitehead Nash  
wife of Eddie Nash  

James W. Nash  
son of Reuben and Elizabeth Nash  
Born 1871  
Died 1892  

Willie Myrt Tolbert  
daughter of W.H. & Mary Ann Tolbert  
granddaughter of Reuben L. Nash  
Born April 27, 1897  
Died June 18, 1899  

Twin Children of James and Lucelia Nash  
Died at birth  

Colored Tom  
Freed slave, stayed with the family  

(maybe) Nancy Katherine Chandler Nash, Second Wife of Reuben L. Nash  
Born April 20, 1846  
Married 1885  

Information was compiled by Lois T. Strasbaugh. Lois took Irene Nash Bolton and Addie Nash Thurmond to the cemetery and taped their conversation. Lois lives at 100 West Mariana Ave, North Fort Myers, Florida 33903.
The Fall Ramble will begin with a tour of the Braselton City Hall, located at 4982 Highway 53. Then the group will then travel to the Duke Homeplace (now called the Hallelujah Farm, 2078 McNeal Road) to tour the house, cemetery and remains of the distillery.

Braselton City Hall

Duke Homeplace

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