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The Poor of Essex County Part 2: After the War

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After much argument and debate, Virginia seceded from the Union in April 1861, and joined with the newly formed Confederate States of America. In May all civil and military officials living within the state were released of their obligations to support the Union, and on 19 June 1861, Virginia ratified the new Constitution of the C.S.A.

In Essex war fever ran high, and the county ultimately furnished five companies to the 55th Regiment, and one company to the 9th Cavalry. Enlistments in these units began in May 1861, and the county ordered uniforms and arms for them, and required the stockpiling of munitions. The county also passed a bond resolution to raise money to support the wives and children of service men. With almost all of the county's money and energy poured into the Confederacy, very little was left for anything else.

The poor house, however, was still under the control of the Trustees of the Poor, and they still had control of the Glebe funds. With this money, they could continue to support the poor house, and keep what was a hard life from becoming impossible. In early 1861, Samuel T. Davis was paid \$15.75 by the trustees for repairing seven cabins, and \$20 for moving and rebuilding one cabin. In June, Dr. Thomas C. Gordon acknowledged receipt from E.M. Ware for \$50, as being half a year's salary for his medical services at the poor house.¹

The Courts of the county only met twice between March 1863 and November 1865, so there are no references to the poor house or any other county business. Taxes were more important than ever, and the tax assessment on *Howard Grove* for 1859 was \$13.18. This was based on 471 acres of land, valued at \$3,297, and buildings valued at \$1000.00, at 40 cents/dollar. In 1862 the tax rate was 60 cents, and in 1863, \$1.00. There are no tax records for 1864 or 1865, but in 1866 the tax rate for the impoverished county was 14 cents/dollar.

In May 1865 President Andrew Johnson recognized Governor Francis J. Peirpont, who had been elected by the Wheeling (West) Virginia Convention in June 1861. Peirpont served until 1868, when Henry H. Wells took office and governed Virginia as Military District # 1 (under Union occupation), until 20 Sept. 1869. A new state constitution was written and submitted to voters in Sept 1869. The rule of the Gentlemen Justices, who had governed every county in Virginia since the early days of the Colony, was ended. The last sitting of the Justices in Essex was in March 1870, with Henry A. Wilson, Emanuel Coltrider and William Breedlove. From then on each district in a county would elect a supervisor, and these supervisors would form the governing board.

¹ Business papers of Edward Macon Ware, Dunnsville, Va., in possession of Mrs. Neil Ware of Bellevue.

A state election was held in May of 1870, and in Essex, Dr. William H. Robinson (Rappahannock), Dr. Henry Gresham (Central), and Robert P. Baylor (Occupacia) were elected as the first supervisors, taking office in September. Baylor was ill ², and resigned in June 1871, replaced by Benjamin L. Sale.

Among other jobs, the new Board was required to take charge of the poor house, and to discharge the duties formerly done by the trustees. They had to hire a clerk to take the place of the Secretary of the Trustees to keep the minutes and codify all by-laws and ordinances as necessary. They also took control of the Glebe fund by an Act of General Assembly, approved in February 1872. William A. Baynham, receiver of the bonds, script or certificates of state or other stocks that belonged to the Glebe fund of St. Anne's Parish, and Robert P.W. Fauntleroy, receiver of the same for South Farnham Parish, were ordered to deliver the monies and stocks to the county treasurer to hold subject to the order and control of the Board of Supervisors. Messrs. Baynham and Fauntleroy were also ordered to settle an account of their transactions before James M. Matthews, Commissioner of Accounts for the court, and report the same with any other pertinent matters to the court.³ The county Treasurer, Richard Rowzie, was to receive all monies and stocks of the Glebe fund and place them in the hands of Isaac, Taylor & Williams Investments, of Richmond.

In a meeting of the Board at *Howard Grove* on 3 August 1872, the Board confirmed Thomas Boughan, elected in November 1871, as Superintendent of the Poor, and set his salary as \$200.00 per year. At the same time they set the rent of the dwelling, barns, garden, and fields, formerly given gratis to the Superintendent, at \$100.00 per year, to be taken out of his salary. There were five Superintendants between 1871-1920; Thomas Boughan (1871-1875), Booker Garnett (1875-1884), Henry S. Rouzie (1884-1888), John T. Boughan (1888-1896) John G. Boughan (1896-1920). Each district would continue to elect its own overseer, who would look after the poor in his district, and move them to the poor house if necessary.

There was a Physician for the poor house, whose salary was set at \$100.00/year. John T. Boughan held this office from 1870-1895, and at his death in 1896, various doctors served, including E.L.W. Ferry, William J. Haile, William Taliaferro, and H.B. Bristow.

In 1871 the Board ordered repairs to the dwelling, barns, and six cabins, and ordered the building of five more cabins, the jobs to go to the lowest bidder. The number of the poor in the county had more than doubled, because of the influx of freedmen. No longer under the care of owners, many had no home, no income, and nowhere to go. In 1873 Joseph Mann was paid \$156.00 for building the new cabins; in 1885 D.P. Motley built 3 more for \$49.50 apiece, each

to be 16' wide x18' long, with an 8' (roof) pitch, with 2 floors, the first floor to be 1" thick...the roof to be covered with good pine slabs...each house to have one 6 light window with 8"x10" panes to slide...good mud chimneys to project 2' above the roof, with stone hearths and backs, 2 doors 3'x6' with 3 battens...open steps to go upstairs, a window upstairs with a wood shutter...the logs to be cut on the poor house farm of yellow pine...the bottom logs to be laid on rocks well put in the ground...the logs to be well chinked and daubed with clay and lime...

In a January 1873 meeting of the Board, bylaws conforming to the new Code of Virginia were introduced

The superintendent of the poor...shall have charge of the county poor house or place of general reception of the poor...where there is none, he shall...provide suitable places for the keeping of the poor of his county, by renting or leasing... He shall receive...such paupers as may be sent to him, and provide and care for said paupers in the manner provided for by law, and shall, when in his opinion it is unnecessary for any pauper to remain longer...discharge him therefrom. He is to make a report to the Board once a year...is to distribute rations and furnish meal and bacon...to oversee cleanliness...to detail nurses if necessary...to furnish implements of employment...to lay off land to be cultivated....to make sure the children attended school.

Two acres were laid off for the use of the residents, one half planted in cotton, one half in vegetables. Residents were also allowed to pen one hog, and could keep as many as six chickens per family. The Superintendent was not to allow visitors to stay more than one day, and visitors could take nothing away with them. Any woman resident found guilty of illicit intercourse was to be expelled, although no such provision existed for men.

² Robert P. Baylor died in March 1872 of consumption, age 35.

³ Essex Order Book 3: 573, Court 19 Feb. 1872.

Numbers remained fairly constant through the end of the century; staying between 40-60 persons living at *Howard Grove*. After 1900 there came a change, with the county letting people board at private homes, or stay in their own homes, but paying their accounts at stores. Numbers began to drop, and by 1912, there were only 30 people living at the poor house, and 17 more were furnished supplies on the county funds. By 1914, there was no one living at the poor house, but 55 persons drawing provisions from the county.

Howard Grove continued to be used to grow timber, and for a time in the 1920's, was loaned to the Virginia fish and Game Commission as a wildlife preserve. The 2-story frame dwelling there was still insured for \$800, although the cabins were allowed to fall in.⁴

By the 1930's, the continuing depression made the counties' support of the poor house very difficult, while the growing numbers of unemployed and destitute made this support even more necessary. In 1933 the Board wrote "whereas the appropriation and demands for care and support of the poor are steadily increasing...it is ordered that the Clerk communicate with the Virginia Director of Public Welfare...with a view to devise ways and means for handling the situation in the most beneficial manner..."⁵ The use of a facility like *Howard Grove* was no longer the best option, since housing and full support cost the county more than direct payments. Essex continued to pay out stipends, and allowed draws on local merchants to persons in each district until 1938. They also continued to pay for coffins and burials if the pauper had no funds or estate, although no burials took place at the poor house after about 1920. With the passage of the Social Security Act in Aug 1935, the use of county poor farms and stipends was ended.

In 1935 *Howard Grove* farm was rented to Frank Brooks for \$5.00 a month. His daughter Clara E. Brooks Long writes

Howard Grove was 9/10 of a mile off the road...when you arrived at the house you would be at the front end...the back yard was where the garden was...there was a small grove of trees there, and behind them, the barn. There was a door at the front end of the house into the basement kitchen, which had a brick floor...the cellar floor was dirt. At the other end of the kitchen was a flight of stairs that led to the first floor hallway. There were two doors, front and back, and another flight of stairs to the second floor with the bedrooms. On the right of the hallway was a bedroom, and through that another small room, which had a door to the back porch. To the left of the main hall was a short flight of stairs that led to two rooms on a different level. There was another flight of stairs that led to a large attic. The source of water was a spring located down a hill a good distance from the house...the water ran from the earth into a large wooden box, where jars of milk were kept cold...there was a large hole off from the house that was called the Ice House. Back in the woods to the right of the driveway, there was a small house...the floor was gone, but the joists were there...there were newspapers on the wall to keep out the wind and cold.

DEATHS OF PAUPERS AND PAYMENTS

The following names were found either in the records of the Board of Supervisors, or in the Essex County Death Register. Vouchers were submitted to the county for making a coffin or burying a body. The date given is the date of the invoice or payment. Due to space restrictions, only the names are listed here. For a full account, please see S.P. Derieux at the Courthouse. This list is not complete.

Abbreviations Used

—	No data available	FB	Free Black
(C)	Colored	g/o	granddaughter of
c/o	child of	i/o	infant of
d/o	daughter of	s/o	son of

⁴ Board of Supervisors records, 1914. Policy 1090617 with Virginia Fire & Marine Insurance Co., Richmond, Va., for the dwelling situated on the poor house land about 6 miles from Tappahannock, Va.

⁵ Supervisor's Order Book 3: 282.

1860	Jun. 27 Langham, Robert	1886 (cont)	— Robinson, Avaline	1892	Feb. 15 Acres, Charles	1897 (cont)	Dec. 29 Sparks, Rose
Jul. 16 Johnston, Betty, c/o	— Turner, Rebecca	1887	Jul. — Davis, Judson	Feb. 28 Holmes, Esther, c/o	(C)	1898	Feb. 24 Cole, Dennis (C)
Aug. 10 Jeffries, Martha		Jul. — Lewis, Julia	Jul. — Evans, Emma, i/o	Apr. 15 Ball, Fannie	Mar. 18 Wright, Ben (C)	Aug. 13 Ritchie, William (C)	Jul. 9 Davis, Henry
Aug. 23 Tucker, Biven, c/o		Aug. — Jackson, Julia, i/o	Aug. — Courtney, Hannah	Jul. 9 Motley, Bettie	Aug. 13 Basket, Mary, i/o	Jul. 9 Robinson, Belle	Nov. 14 Epps, Sarah (C)
Dec. — Brizendine, Thomas		Sep. — Webb, Family: Eliza	Nov. — Muscoe, Robert	Sep. 9 Jackson, Tom (C)	Oct. 25 Richards, James	1899	Jan. — Hasty, Capt. Peoples
1861	Apr. 10 Ware, Edward (FB)	Nov. — Sheppard	Nov. 5	Oct. 27 Haile, Charlotte	Nov. 8 Carter, Emma (C)	Mar. — Ganes, Barbara (C)	Apr. — Carter, Jennie
Apr. 10 Williams, John, c/o		1888	Jan. — Jones, Earnest Tilliage	Nov. 14 Hedgeman, Lucinda	Nov. 14 Farrell, Louisa (C)	May 20 Holmes, John (C)	Jul. — Ware, Rachel
May — Williams, John, c/o		Jan. — Booker, Sarah	Jan. — Warrington, Lucy (C)	Dec. 26	Feb. 27 Jones, Maria	Jul. 7 Johnson, Henrietta, d/o	Jul. 29 Motley, Dinah
May 15 Ware, Letty (FB)		Jan. 6 Wawter, Portia	Jan. 7 Lewis, Ambrose (C)	1893	Mar. 23 Parratti, Aley	Jul. 26 Hall, Millie	Aug. 1 Pratt, Henry, d/o
1864-1868	No records found	Jan. 7 Homes/Holmes, Murteen (C)	Jan. 8 Brooks, John O.	Feb. 27	May 20 Collier, Peter (C)	Aug. 1 Johnson, Rose	Sep. 27 Davis, Miss Lucy
1868-1870	Pay outs for 23 coffins, no names given	Feb. — Kay, Mary	Feb. — Ball, Taswell, i/o	Mar. 25 Jones, Mariah	Mar. 15 Owen, John	Nov. — Davis, Miss Lucy	Dec. 27 Holmes, Adaline (C)
1869	Dec. — Dunn, James	Mar. 3 Davis, Lavinia	May 26 Bundy, Joel/or Joseph (C)	Aug. 15 Holmes, Escror (C)	Mar. 25 Jones, Mariah	Dec. 27 Holmes, Adaline (C)	4 th Qtr. Davis, Sallie
1872	Jan. 29 Griffith, Joseph	Jun. 17 Henry, Betty	Jun. — Brooks, James	Sep. 26 Ball, Moses	Mar. 25 Jones, Mariah	1900	Jan. — Tune, Mrs. Olivia
4 coffins, no names		Jul. — Homes, Dicey (C)	Aug. 24 Scott, Bettie	Aug. 1 Scott, John (C)	Aug. 15 Holmes, Escror (C)	Feb. — Vogues, Mattie (C)	Feb. — Ramsey, Mattie
1873	— Griffin, Jennie	Nov. 20 Johnson, Samuel (C)	Nov. 20 Bunday, Nettie (C)	Jan. 11 Hammons, Liz	Sep. 26 Ball, Moses	Feb. — Ramsey, Mattie	Mar. 29 Shaw, Lucy
1875	— Davis, Betsy	— Cooper, Peter	— Dowell, Clinton	Jan. 10 Cook, Jackson (C)	Aug. 1 Scott, John (C)	Mar. 29 Shaw, Lucy	May 1 Crowley, Mrs. Jane
— Gardner, Winnie (C)	— Cooper, Susan	— Hill, Ida	— Minor, Parker	Feb. 25 Hill, Julia Ann (C)	Jan. 11 Hammons, Liz	Jun. 28 Lomax, Page (C)	Jun. 28 Banks, Daniel (C)
— Cooper, Susan	— Garnett, Charles (C)	— Pratt, Annie (C)	— Smith, Aaron	Mar. — Warrington, Lucy (C)	Jan. 10 Cook, Jackson (C)	Sep. 12 Banks, Daniel (C)	Nov. — Acres, Leslie, s/o Jim Acres
— Garnett, Charles (C)	— Williams, Dollie	— Smith, Aaron	— Tucker, Charles L.	May 23 Muse, Lawrence	Feb. 25 Hill, Julia Ann (C)	Nov. — Acres, Leslie, s/o Jim Acres	Dec. 30 Johnson, Fannie
1876	— Golly, Griffin	1889	Mar. 1 Homes/Holmes, Horace (C)	May 25 Ball, James T.	Mar. — Warrington, Lucy (C)	1901	Mar. 1 Holmes, Winter (C)
— Lawson, Sarah	— Lawson, Lucy	Apr. — Young, Emily (C)	Apr. — Dell, Mary (C)	May 25 Vauters, Dick (C)	May 1 Crowley, Mrs. Jane	Mar. 1 Holmes, Winter (C)	Mar. 26 Simmons, Mary
— Lawson, Lucy	— Moody, Christopher	Jul. 7 Homes, Jefferson (C)	Apr. — Smith, i/o Jenny	Jun. 27 Jeffries, Robert	Jun. 28 Lomax, Page (C)	Mar. 26 Simmons, Mary	Jun. 1 Smith, Lucy
— Moody, Christopher	— Ritchie, Catherine (C)	Apr. — Dell, Mary (C)	Apr. 15 Holmes, Anderson (C)	Jul. 23 Sheppard, Nancy	Sep. 12 Banks, Daniel (C)	Jun. 1 Smith, Lucy	Jul. 27 Clarke, Betsy
— Ritchie, Catherine (C)	— Samuel, James	Apr. — Smith, i/o Jenny	Mar. 1 McFarland, Richard	Aug. 4 Muse, John	Nov. — Acres, Leslie, s/o Jim Acres	Jul. 27 Clarke, Betsy	Oct. 25 Broadley, Martha (C)
— Samuel, James	— Rogers, Nancy	Apr. 15 Holmes, Anderson (C)	Jun. — Smith, Jenny	Sep. 3 Waits, James	Dec. 9 Roberta	Oct. 25 Broadley, Martha (C)	Nov. 28 Gaines, Julia (C)
— Rogers, Nancy	— Tucker, Nancy	Jul. 7 Homes, Jefferson (C)	Nov. — Hunter, Maria (C)	Sep. 20 Roberson, Leanner	1902	Nov. 28 Gaines, Julia (C)	Nov. 15 Harris, Robin
— Tucker, Nancy	— Brizendine, Christopher	Apr. — Dell, Mary (C)	Dec. 25 Davis, Catherine	Nov. 26 Payne, Ben (C)	Jan. 15 Clark, Sandy	Nov. 15 Harris, Robin	Nov. 26 Crow, Robert
1877	— Jenkins, Ursela	Apr. — Smith, i/o Jenny	1890	Dec. 12 Mercer, Simon (C)	Jan. 15 Clark, Sandy	Nov. 26 Crow, Robert	Dec. 9 Robinson, Mrs. Roberta
— Brizendine, Christopher	— Matthews, Scott	Apr. 15 Holmes, Anderson (C)	Jan. 12 Trimill, Pat	Dec. 28 Jones, Charity (C)	Jan. 18 Robinson, Ellen	Dec. 9 Robinson, Mrs. Roberta	
— Jenkins, Ursela	— Minter, Samuel	Mar. 1 McFarland, Richard	Feb. 28 Hunter, Maria (C)	1895	Jan. 22 Upshaw, John (C)		
— Matthews, Scott	— Straughn	Jun. — Smith, Jenny	Apr. 4 Roane, Randall (C)	Jan. 17 Clark, Tom	Jan. — Dunn, Joseph C.		
— Minter, Samuel	— Page, Polly	Aug. 15 Williams, Lucy	Apr. 24 Nelson, Dolly	Jan. 15 Grimes, Sarah (C)	Feb. 12 Holmes, Horace (C)		
— Straughn	— Page, Polly	Nov. — Hunter, Maria (C)	May 20 Lewis, Emma, c/o	Feb. 15 Russ, Pollie	Feb. 16 Ransome, James (C)		
— Page, Polly	— Corbin, Armistead (C)	Dec. 25 Davis, Catherine	May 25 Hayes, Lucy, i/o	Feb. 16 Green, Martha (C)	1 st Qtr. Chandler, Richard (C)]		
1878	— Harris, Mary	1891	May 27 Hantz, Rachael (C)	Mar. 18 Wright, Mimamie	May — Motley, Fanny		
— Mahone, Richard	— Wheeler, Jane	Mar. — Holmes, Strawn	Aug. 26 Hayes, Lucy	May — Mercer, Edmond (C)	Jul. — Fortune, Judy (C)		
— Ritchie, Eliza (C)	— Cobb, Lucy	Apr. — Motley, Catharine, i/o	Sep. 23 Gaskins, Delphy	Oct. 11 Clement, L. (C)	Aug. — Ransome, Joe (C)		
— Wheeler, Jane	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Apr. 11 Brooks, Delphy (C)	Nov. 28 Lee, Aca	Nov. 15 Green, Lorenzo (C)	Sep. 23 Washington, Gregory (C)		
1879	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Apr. 11 Hammons, Lizzie	Dec. 16 Blake, Robert	Mar. 9 Gary, Mrs. Lucy	Nov. 25 Tate, Lowry		
— Cobb, Lucy	— Webb, Muscoe	May 20 Hammons, Sidney	1896	Mar. — Washington, Thomas (C)	Dec. 9 Washington, Sidney (C)		
— Billups, Scilla (C)	Oct. — Jones, Emily	Jul. 25 Norman, Emmerliner, c/o	Jan. 25 Taylor, George	Apr. 1 Gaines/Ganes Page (C)			
1884	Nov. — Garnett, John	Aug. 26 Hayes, Lucy	Mar. 10 Jeffries, Nancy	(C)			
— Roy, Catherine (C)	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Sep. 23 Gaskins, Delphy	Mar. 9 Gary, Mrs. Lucy	Apr. 20 Roberson, Harry			
1885	— Miles, Jeremiah	Nov. 28 Lee, Aca	Mar. — Washington, Thomas (C)	Jul. 12 Roberson, Charles H. (C)			
Apr. — Webb, Muscoe	— Wormley, Ralph	Dec. 16 Blake, Robert	Mar. 20 Moody, Wilton	Aug. 12 Croxton, Jennie, c/o			
Oct. — Jones, Emily	— Redd, Prudence	1897	Apr. 1 Gaines/Ganes Page (C)	Aug. 12 Saunders, Lucy. c/o			
Nov. — Garnett, John	— Cobb, Lucy	Mar. — Holmes, Strawn	(C)	Feb. 16 Ransome, James (C)			
— Cauthorn, Rachel	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Apr. — Motley, Catharine, i/o	Apr. 1	1 st Qtr. Chandler, Richard (C)]			
— Miles, Jeremiah	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Apr. 11 Brooks, Delphy (C)	Apr. 1	May — Motley, Fanny			
— Wormley, Ralph	— Webb, Muscoe	Apr. 11 Hammons, Lizzie	Apr. 1	Jul. — Fortune, Judy (C)			
— Redd, Prudence	Oct. — Jones, Emily	May 20 Hammons, Sidney	Apr. 1	Aug. — Ransome, Joe (C)			
1886	Nov. — Garnett, John	Jul. 25 Norman, Emmerliner, c/o	Apr. 1	Sep. 23 Washington, Gregory (C)			
May — Webb, Robert	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Aug. 26 Hayes, Lucy	Apr. 1	Nov. 25 Tate, Lowry			
Dec. — Banks, H. Smith	— Miles, Jeremiah	Sep. 23 Gaskins, Delphy	Apr. 1	Dec. 9 Washington, Sidney (C)			
— Acres, Jim	— Wormley, Ralph	Nov. 28 Lee, Aca	Apr. 1				
— Corbin, Lewis (C)	— Redd, Prudence	Dec. 16 Blake, Robert	Apr. 1	1903			
— Davis, Lizzie	— Cobb, Lucy	1898	Apr. 1	Feb. 3 Holmes, Martha (C)			
— Davis, May	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Mar. — Holmes, Strawn	Apr. 1	Feb. 3 Lewis, Kate			
— Dow, John	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Apr. — Motley, Catharine, i/o	Apr. 1	Feb. 6 Brooks, Millie			
— Fox, Anna	— Webb, Muscoe	Apr. 11 Brooks, Delphy (C)	Apr. 1	Apr. — Parker, Bethany			
— House, Ryburn	Oct. — Jones, Emily	Apr. 11 Hammons, Lizzie	Apr. 1	May — Manning, George (C)			
— Long, Robert, c/o	Nov. — Garnett, John	May 20 Hammons, Sidney	Apr. 1	Jun. 15 Elliott, Mrs. Patsey			
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Jul. 25 Norman, Emmerliner, c/o	Apr. 1	Aug. 10 Tate, Martha Ellen			
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Aug. 26 Hayes, Lucy	Apr. 1	Aug. 21 Williams, Ned (C)			
	— Wormley, Ralph	Sep. 23 Gaskins, Delphy	Apr. 1	Oct. — Alexander, William			
	— Redd, Prudence	Nov. 28 Lee, Aca	Apr. 1	1904			
	— Cobb, Lucy	Dec. 16 Blake, Robert	Apr. 1	May 24 Waugh, Portia (C)			
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	1899	Apr. 1	Jun. 7 Pickles, Mary (C)			
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Mar. — Holmes, Strawn	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	Apr. — Motley, Catharine, i/o	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	Apr. 11 Brooks, Delphy (C)	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	Apr. 11 Hammons, Lizzie	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	May 20 Hammons, Sidney	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Jul. 25 Norman, Emmerliner, c/o	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	Aug. 26 Hayes, Lucy	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	Sep. 23 Gaskins, Delphy	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	Nov. 28 Lee, Aca	Apr. 1				
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Dec. 16 Blake, Robert	Apr. 1				
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	1890	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	Jan. 12 Trimill, Pat	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	Feb. 28 Hunter, Maria (C)	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	Apr. 4 Roane, Randall (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Apr. 24 Nelson, Dolly	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	May 20 Lewis, Emma, c/o	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	May 25 Hayes, Lucy, i/o	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	May 27 Hantz, Rachael (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	Aug. 26 Hayes, Lucy	Apr. 1				
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Sep. 23 Gaskins, Delphy	Apr. 1				
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Nov. 28 Lee, Aca	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	Dec. 16 Blake, Robert	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	1891	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	Mar. — Holmes, Strawn	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Apr. — Motley, Catharine, i/o	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Apr. 11 Brooks, Delphy (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	Apr. 11 Hammons, Lizzie	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	May 20 Hammons, Sidney	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	Jul. 25 Norman, Emmerliner, c/o	Apr. 1				
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Aug. 26 Hayes, Lucy	Apr. 1				
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Sep. 23 Gaskins, Delphy	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	Nov. 28 Lee, Aca	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	Dec. 16 Blake, Robert	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	1892	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Feb. 15 Acres, Charles	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Feb. 28 Holmes, Esther, c/o	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	(C)	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	Apr. 15 Ball, Fannie	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	Mar. 18 Wright, Ben (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Jul. 9 Motley, Bettie	Apr. 1				
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Aug. 13 Basket, Mary, i/o	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	Sep. 9 Jackson, Tom (C)	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	Oct. 25 Richards, James	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	Oct. 27 Haile, Charlotte	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Nov. 8 Carter, Emma (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Nov. 14 Hedgeman, Lucinda (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	Dec. 26 Farrell, Louisa (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	1893	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	Feb. 27 Jones, Maria	Apr. 1				
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Mar. 23 Parratti, Aley	Apr. 1				
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	May 20 Collier, Peter (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	Mar. 15 Owen, John	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	Mar. 25 Jones, Mariah	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	Aug. 15 Holmes, Escror (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Sep. 26 Ball, Moses	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Aug. 1 Scott, John (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	1894	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	Jan. 11 Hammons, Liz	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	Jan. 10 Cook, Jackson (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Feb. 25 Hill, Julia Ann (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Mar. — Warrington, Lucy (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	May 23 Muse, Lawrence	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	May 25 Ball, James T.	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	May 25 Vauters, Dick (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Jun. 27 Jeffries, Robert	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Jul. 23 Sheppard, Nancy	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	Aug. 4 Muse, John	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	Sep. 3 Waits, James	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	Sep. 20 Roberson, Leanner	Apr. 1				
	— Billups, Scilla (C)	Nov. 26 Payne, Ben (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Roy, Catherine (C)	Dec. 12 Mercer, Simon (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Webb, Muscoe	Dec. 28 Jones, Charity (C)	Apr. 1				
	Oct. — Jones, Emily	1895	Apr. 1				
	Nov. — Garnett, John	Jan. 17 Clark, Tom	Apr. 1				
	— Cauthorn, Rachel	Jan. 15 Grimes, Sarah (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Miles, Jeremiah	Feb. 15 Russ, Pollie	Apr. 1				
	— Wormley, Ralph	Feb. 16 Green, Martha (C)	Apr. 1				
	— Redd, Prudence	Mar. 18 Wright, Mimamie	Apr. 1				
	— Cobb, Lucy	May — Mercer, Edmond (C)	Apr				

1904 (cont)		1909		1915		1923		
Nov. 3	Holmes, Iverson (C)	Nov. 2	Alexander, Harvey	Jun. 30	Braxton, Fanny (C)	Feb. 16	Hoskins, Louisa (C)	
Dec. 17	Rich, Winnie (C)	Dec. 7	Davis, Eliza Ann	Sep. 7	Rankins, Elizie (C)	Apr. 30	Jones, Mortimore	
Dec. 17	Hunter, Ben	1910		Sep. 28	Hall, Lizzie (C)	Jun. 17	Cauthorn, Richard (C)	
1905		May 3	Robb, Frederick (C)	Oct. 26	Washington, James	Jul. 10	Johnson, Robert (C)	
Jan. 18	Davis, Miss Dicie	Jul. 23	Brill, Philip (C)		Latany	1924		
Jan. 26	Brooks, William E.	1911		1916		Jan. 2	Johnson, Bartlett	
Feb. 6	Curry, William	Mar. 7	Holmes, Amelia (C)	Feb. 23	Roy, Edward/Ned	Feb. 28	Gaskins, George G. (C)	
Feb. 27	Vogues, Evelina (C)	May 2	Sale, Robert	Mar. 4	Gatewood, Patsey (C)	May 5	Unknown Female, drowned	
Apr. 24	Vogues, Solomon (C)	Jul. 28	Smith, Silas	Mar. 9	Johnson, John	Aug. 25	Clark, Patt (C)	
Jul. 18	Kendall, Emma	Aug. 25	Fortune, Spurgeon (C)	May 22	Gray, William (C)	Dec. 2	Norman, Mortimore (C)	
Aug. 25	Waugh, Judy (C)	Sep. 5	Hackless, James	Jun. 6	Johnson, Harriott	1925		
Oct. 25	Hamilton, Ben	Oct. 3	Ritchie, Fanny (C)	1917		Jan. 6	Burch, Edna Walker	
Oct. —	Moody, Thomas	Nov. 11	Moore, Mary	Sep. 17	Payne, Henry	Jan. 6	Grimes, Phillis	
Nov. 5	Robinson, Fannie	1912		1918		Jan. 28	Randall, Lewis (C)	
Dec. —	Wright, Felicia	Apr. 25	Schools, Charly	Jan. 24	Davis, Peter (C)	1930		
1906		May 7	Bunday, Clary (C)	Apr. 20	Russell, Andrew	Oct. 12	Bogues, (Vogues) Harry	
Jan. 1	Roane, Harry (C)	May 22	Clark, Peachie	Jul. 2	Vawter, James W. (C)	—	Cooper, Bessie	
Feb. 29	Johnson, Eli	Jun. 4	Parker, Cleveland	Aug. 10	Davis, g/o Frank	—	Cox, Richard	
Apr. 1	Graves, Tribble	Jun. 29	Lomax, James	Sep. 29	Small, Lizzie (C)	—	Norman, Elnora	
May 30	Reynolds, Philip (C)	Aug. 5	Tompkins, Lucy	1919		—	Wright, March	
Jun. 6	Johnson, Sallie	—	Banks, Albert	Jan. 24	Dandridge, Joe A. (C)	1931		
Jul. 24	Robinson, Matilda (C)	1913		Mar. 4	Vawter, Female (C)	—	Carter, Hundley	
Sep. 15	Epps, Betsy (C)	May —	Harris, Anderson	Jun. 3	Saunders, E.D.	—	Vawter, Jack	
1907		Jun. —	Robinson, Annie	[Unknown number of influenza deaths 1918-1919]			—	Willis, Henry
Feb. —	Greenwood, Mrs. Ophelia	May 13	Thomas, Maggie (C)	1920		1932		
May 10	Washington, Tage (C)	Aug. 31	Warrington, Jacob (C)	Feb. 16	Clark, Ruffin	—	Page, Tom (C)	
Nov. —	Hunter, Sarah (C)	—	Lewis, Henry	Feb. 23	Brooks, Wesley, s/o	1933		
—	Holmes, Eliza (C)	1914		May 31	Hill, Milton (C)	—	Taliaferro, Willie	
—	Saunders, Muscoe;	Jan. 4	Hill, Ella	Jun. 21	Brooks, Alfred	—	Bunday, Henry	
1908		Mar. 15	Harris, Francis	Sep. 8	Young, Maggie (C)	—	Holmes, Henrietta	
Jan. 9	Bates, Patsey	Mar. 26	Robb, Millie (C)	Dec. 12	Robinson, Silas (C)	—	Satterwhite, Lawson	
Feb. 24	Alexander, Mrs. ?	May 7	Lee, Pollie (C)	1921				
Jun. 5	Blackburn, Albert (C)	Aug. 17	Davis, James	Mar. 4	Robb, Spencer (C)			
—	Mercer, Matilda	Sep. 16	Wright, James Henry	May 2	Davis, Hannah (C)			
4 th Qtr.	Covington, Marinda	Sep. 18	Roby, Howard	Jul. 2	Waring, Easter (C)			
		Oct. 8	Wright, James Henry	Dec. 11	Dunn, Harry G.			

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- 1 cup Pillsbury BEST® All Purpose Flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2 3/4 cups old-fashioned rolled oats
- 1 cup dried cranberries
- 1 cup chopped walnuts

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1. HEAT oven to 350 degrees F. Coat baking sheets with no-stick cooking spray.
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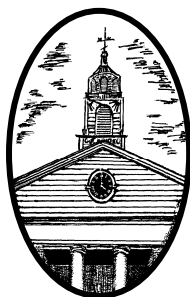
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