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Endless Caverns, New Market; 12-13-46
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Letcher, Greenlee D., Lexington; 7-27-45

Letcher, Mrs. Greenlee D. (Katherine Paul), Lexington; 7-27-45
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Angeles; 5-21-46
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Thomas, Mrs. W. O., Harrisonburg; 3-7-46
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Wampler, Mrs. John B., Harrisonburg, Route 1; 8-27-46
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Wise, Julius, Harrisonburg; 7-14-45

A CORRECTION

The address of Mrs. Lurline E. Griffith (page 13, No. 1)
is 4407 Mainfield Avenue, Montebello Park, Baltimore 14,
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NECROLOGY

Miss Mary I. Bell, March 6, 1945
 George W. Chappellear, October 4, 1944
 Richard E. Griffith, Sr., October 24, 1945
 Claude W. Hanley, about January 1, 1946
 L. B. Hatke, July 6, 1946
 Frank H. Heatwole, April 6, 1945
 Wade W. Menefee, April 29, 1946
 Alvin H. Ney, July 29, 1945
 Henry Ney, July 27, 1946
 Mrs. Charles E. Palmer, May 10, 1946
 John J. Reilly, September 22, 1946
 C. M. Sneed, M. D., November 6, 1946
 Miss Lois Yancey, July 3, 1945

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Cherished in Memory

A BRIEF RESUME OF SOCIETY ACQUISITIONS

Acquisitions to the Society's Library are made in three different ways—by gift, by loan, and as custodian for the Donor's Family, etc. They are invited and welcomed, and will be catalogued and filed for future historical reference.

The most notable matter we have placed in our custody by S. H. Modisett, of Luray, Virginia. This is an old Family Bible published in Switzerland in 1536, and in America was the property of Jacob Strickler. It is placed with us for the benefit of all his descendants. Mr. Modisett also gave the Society a lot of ancient almanacs and newspapers.

The Henkel Sisters, Martha and Julia, of New Market, gave several large lots of publications, prints, etc., issued by the Henkel Press over a period of more than 100 years. We have in our possession numerous publications dealing with the History of the Lutheran Church, consisting of doctrinal books, pastoral letters, pastor's contracts for services, news papers, etc.

A. M. Turner, of Broadway, Virginia, gave us 40 books from his library. Mr. Turner is 87 years old and almost a county historian himself.

Kirby S. Bassford has secured many valuable donations for the library. He is a member of the Acquisition Committee. Among those who made contributions through him are Glenn Alexander, of Los Angeles, California. Mr. Alexander is a Rockingham boy; his contributions have been mostly photographs. Mr. Alexander is a photographer. Another is R. E. L. Russell, of Baltimore, Maryland, also of Harrisonburg originally, who gave us through Mr. Bassford a Railroad Lantern given to his Father, Mr. Ed. Russell, by the Fire Company of Harrisonburg in 1884. It has never been lit. Mr. Russell has written the early history of the Telegraph System in our county for the Society. Numerous others have given valuable matter to us through "Tommy."

C. R. McGahey has made several gifts and loans to the Society. Mr. Wm. S. Fallis is another donor of valuable gifts, one of which is a copy of the first license issued to operate a restaurant business in Harrisonburg, dated 1780.

F. H. Hoover, of Broadway, gave us a Genealogy of the Hoover Family. We also have a copy of a Branner and a Showalter Genealogy.

The Librarian is collecting a complete daily file of the Daily News-Record, and has 5 years to date. We also have 2 copies of the "Virginia Echo" of 1895, probably the only copies in existence.

Etta Wenger gave us numerous old letters dated in 1820,

and sent through the old Bowman's Mill Post Office long before Broadway was in existence.

We have a large collection of papers, letters, account books, diaries, etc., left by Mrs. Judd, who died in Page County at the age of 90. Mr. Charles Spitler, one of her descendants, gave us this lot. We also have part of the J. J. Bowman diary, which is very interesting.

Several interesting stories have been written for our library. One by J. S. H. Good, on the Dale Enterprise Community and School. J. O. Myers, of British Columbia, wrote his recollections on the Broadway Schools.

Several recent acquisitions by the Society include a pewter Baptismal Bowl and one Communion Plate from the Peaked Mountain Lutheran Church, at McGaheysville, presumably used in the original church edifice. Another interesting addition is a copy of the "Kentucky Harmony", published in Harrisonburg in 1826 by Ananias Davison. Mr. Davison also composed some songs.

We also have numerous books on County Histories, Atlases, etc., published by Dr. J. W. Wayland, Jos. K. Ruebush, Ruebush-Kieffer Company, Noah D. Showalter, and other publishers.

Miss Elizabeth Harris gave us some early Court Records, used by Judge John T. Harris.

We also have numerous museum trophies, dating before the year 1800.

Some work has been done on the erection of Monuments. The Monument at the Broadway High School is a notable example. It was erected some years ago prior to the Society's formation to commemorate the Rockingham Schools from before 1800 to the present time.

DR. PETER AHL TEACHES JOHN HUPP (HUPP) MYSTERY OF A PHYSICIAN.

1794-1796

It is recorded by historians of the Old Dominion that Governor Spotswood and his "Knights of the Golden Horseshoe" were among the first white men to visit the now-famed Valley of Virginia, or, as it is sometimes called, the Shenandoah Valley. That visit was in the early 1700's.

By the late 1700's the Valley was still distinctly frontier, a virgin land beckoning young, courageous and energetic men and women. Land was theirs practically for the asking; it was inexpensive and the King's quit rent seldom if ever collected. Jost Hite and Adam Mueller had, by the middle of the century, paved the way for the further settlement of one of America's currently best-known garden spots. Physiocratic followers of Hite and Mueller, some crossing the Blue Ridge from settled "Piedmont," most travelling south from Pennsylvania and other Northern Colonies, found economic security in the Valley within a few years and by 1783 had secured the blessings of political independence after a long drawn-out war with the Mother Country. Their primary original objective, however, was to settle down and make themselves self-sufficient in the necessities demanded in normal, progressive living.

In this frontier setting, and at this early period in our State history, an episode took place which resolved itself into a story some of us think worth telling.** It is a commonplace tale, but we think it significant because of two reasons. In the first place it took place here in Rockingham County, and in the second place it happened one and a half centuries ago.

The year was 1794 and the setting was Rockingham County in the Old Dominion. Major characters were Dr. Peter Ahl, practicing physician of the County, Martin Hupp, aged nineteen and apprenticed to the physician, and the young man's guardian John Hupp, both ward and guardian being from Shenandoah County.

On 15 August 1794 Dr. Ahl and Martin Hupp entered into a contract that called for the latter to be apprenticed to the former for a two year period expressly "to learn the Art and mystery of a Physician." Young Hupp was to "graduate" on his twenty-first birthday. This procedure was customary not only on the American frontier, but also in the more settled America on the East Coast as well as in the most settled and civilized portions of the Old World. It was not customary in

**See bibliographical note at the conclusion of the story.

those days, however, for the apprenticeship to be of so lengthy duration. A half-century later medical standards were no more exacting.

By the terms of the contract the apprenticeship was of two year's duration. On signing the contract the physician received £30 in Virginia currency and could demand an additional £20 whenever desired. Martin Hupp was to be tutored in the "Lattin, & English, & Jerman languages" Latin was the language most commonly used by European medical authorities in textbooks and research publications, while the provision that the youth be tutored in German was in all probability predicated upon the fact that the Valley was to a large degree settled by Germans or their descendants. Furthermore, it is rather interesting to note, "Lodging, washing and diet" was to be furnished the would-be physician.

On the other hand, Martin Hupp, as was the custom of the day, understood he was to make himself generally useful to the physician in his general practice. Not only were there three languages to be learned, and the "Art and mystery of a Physician" to be mentally and spiritually absorbed, but the office needed an occasional cleaning while the horse and stable needed daily attention. These, and many others, were the tasks set before the late Eighteenth Century disciple of Hippocrates.

Provision was made for the abrogation of the contract if either party to it died within one year. In case the apprentice was called to his fathers the other party was to return £30 and also interest accrued since 15 April 1794; and, had he during that time demanded the additional £20, that, too, without interest, was to be returned. The contract states quite specifically that only the death of one, or both, parties, would invalidate the carefully drawn-up provisions.

It is regretted that extant records covering the story are incomplete. There is documentary proof that basic provisions of the contract were put into effect, and we know that the sequel to what has already been told resulted apparently from failure on the part of Dr. Ahl to properly carry out his portion of the contract, but the intervening period, covering several years, is dependent purely upon an interpretation predicated on circumstantial evidence.

According to John Hupp the contract was broken by Dr. Ahl. The former then brought suit in a state court. On 24 January 1796 M^rWilliams, Clerk of the Rockingham County Court, issued a writ commanding Sheriff Ezekiel Harrison, in the name of the Commonwealth of Virginia, "to take Peter Ahl, if he be found within your bailiwick, and him safely keep, so that you can have his body brought before the Justice of said county Court, at the Court-House, on the fourth Monday of March next, to answer John Hupp of plea of Covenant

Broken: damage five hundred pounds." On the back of this writ there was written in longhand: "For not performing the Covenant, in his written agreement, entered into with the plaintiff as guardian, with his hand and Seal; Bail required."

This sudden turn of affairs must have been occasioned either by the defendant's refusal or neglect to fulfill his portion of the contract. Obviously this is strong circumstantial evidence which must be accepted in lieu of authenticated documentary evidence. That the plaintiff was serious and persistent is not to be doubted, for there are extant monthly writs from January thru July of 1796 demanding the arrest and detention of the physician.

On 2 July 1796 Benjamin Reighart and Isaac Peters of Rockingham County appeared before Asher Waterman, Justice of the Peace, and offered bail amounting to £1000 for their friend the physician, promising to either deliver the latter to the Court when his case came up or pay the £500 demanded by the plaintiff for the breach of contract. This was satisfactory to Justice Waterman and the defendant was released.

Shortly before the case came up Dr. Ahl surrendered himself to the Sheriff and was lodged in Harrisonburg's criminal and civil detention hostelry, there to await the pleasure of the Court. This information reached the ears of Martin Hupp, the former apprentice, who immediately dispatched a note to the Sheriff and the Court requesting release of the defendant from bail requirements.

Obviously from the extant facts of the case, the whole affair constituted a matter of litigation, which having been entered into was, to say the least, slightly distasteful to all parties concerned. The plaintiff and his ward were persistent in pushing legal charges but did not want the defendant in jail—a rather peculiar reaction—and certainly the defendant did not relish detention in the town brig. One gathers that the matter should have been settled out of court.

A trial was finally held and the litigation legally settled on "Damage and Judgment" amounting to \$262.50—something in the neighborhood of one-tenth the original amount demanded by the plaintiff. Right there the story ends. No papers on the subject following this date have been found, or rather, are known by the writer or his associates. Many questions are left unanswered, and the two main ones, from the point of view of the writer, are: 1. did Martin Hupp ever learn the "Art and mystery of a Physician;" and 2. just how and why did Dr. Ahl fail to live up to his part of the contract?

Bibliographical Note:

Readers are indebted to Joseph K. Ruebush, Esquire, of 236 Franklin Street, Harrisonburg, Virginia, for the papers from which was drawn the factual information of this story. Mr. Ruebush has as both his vocation and his avocation the collection of books and papers that, in general, tell the story of the development of the American people, and specifically, of the Old Dominion. The papers from which this story was drawn—the original contract, and original writs served on the defendant—are in Mr. Ruebush's possession and may be examined at his home or at one of the regular meetings of the County Historical Society. The "Damage and Judgment" reference is to be found in the Rockingham County Minute Book No. 4, p. 415. The writer's statements concerning the geographical setting and the spirit of the times are based on his research while a graduate student at the University of Virginia, particularly in connection with gathering material for his dissertation, Pamphleteers and the American Revolution in Virginia, 1752-1776.

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ABSTRACT OF SCHOOL-MASTERS ACCOUNTS

For the Tuition of poor Children, Paid by the Treasurer of the School Commissioners of Rockingham County, in the year ending 30th Septbr. 1834.

No. of District assigned to each Commissioner	Name of School Commissioners who entered the poor Children & directed payment of the Accounts	Name of School Masters	Number of poor Children taught	Number days attendance of Children at each school
District No. 1	George Clarke	Joseph Thornton	33	1396
		Rodney Atchison	2	79
		John Blecker	2	59
		Edward Morran	12	485
District No. 2	John Vigar	Malinda Blain	13	671
		John Rice	17	741
		Austin Cokeley	6	307
		Henry Copeland	3	282
		Cath. E. Brittain	2	125
		Hugh Ervin	2	141
District No. 3	Dorman Lofland	Benjamin T. Reed	4	138
		Wm. W. Deavers	6	348
		Benj. Bierly	1	53
		John Koontz	4	233
		E. G. F. Hughs	7	301
		B. Johnson	6	152
District No. 4	John Kratzer	George Paris	8	248
		Thomas Lindow	9	539
		D. P. Ragan	9	279
		Joseph Funk	2	73
		G. H. Porris	11	456
		John Rice	7	288
		John Moyers	4	156
		Sam Bowman	13	463
		Carried forward	183	8013
brought forwards	183	8013		
District No. 5	Jesse Rolston	Joseph Wenger	5	167
		Edward Morran	2	96
		Isaac M'Johnson	3	106
		R. Atchison	6	194
		Benj. Salomon	4	260

		Y. H. Hiner	2	217
		E. S. Fenny	4	407
District No. 6	George Rodes	Reuben Koontz	10	289
		E. E. Edgar	4	259
		Wm. W. Deavers	3	104
		W. C. Jennings	11	463
		John Koontz	9	410
District No. 7	Jacob Trumbo	Adam Harper	6	202
		David Greysbey	13	567
		George Stern	15	515
District No. 8	W. G. Thompson	Joshua Kring	2	75
		Rob. Cogley	14	553
		Dan. Wanner	9	580
		W. G. Adams	4	223
District No. 9	John Bell	William Jennings	11	437
		Daniel Stark	6	594
		G. F. Garnet	19	623
		Joshua Kring	5	141
District No. 10	Jacob Miller	Zach. Taylor	7	439
		Joseph Bougher	11	361
		S. M. Rossen	17	577
		Joseph Michel	8	209
		A. W. Lawson	9	256
		Vernon Ham	3	441
District No. 11	G. W. Kemper	John Pearson	2	150
		W. P. Rogers	15	692
		M. I. Pearson	3	145
		Carried forward,	425	18765
District No. 12	F. R. Brown	Brought forward:	425	18765
		M. E. Pearson	12	671
		Wm. R. Harris	4	144
		Joseph Field	6	194
		John Pearson	5	254
		S. H. Perkey	5	203
		John Rogers	3	127
District No. 13	John Brown	Ketura Gregory	2	201
		W. T. Newham	35	1128
		Jacob Fertig	5	325
		Christ: Hooper	5	345
		Thomas Burk	2	42
		Geo. Sampson	4	203

John I. Cupp	9	610
John Pearson	2	130

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John Bell	Geo. T. Garnett	9	358
Jacob Miller	Thos. G. Clarke	7	267
Jesse Ralston	E. S. Terry	3	270
Geo: Rhodes	Joshua Jennings	3	96
John Kratzer	John Rice	6	310
G. W. Kemper	M. L. Lewis	6	368
G. W. Kemper	Wm. P. Rogers	8	223
Tyre R. Brown	Geo: Sampson	4	75½
John Vigar	Austin Coakley	6	243
Jacob Miller	E. E. Edgar	8	196
Jesse Ralston	I. M. Johnson	1	72
D. Lofland	Wesley Rohr	6	179
George Rhodes	Wm. W. Deavers	3	168
D. Lofland	Wm. W. Deavers	3	167
D. Lofland	Wm. W. Deavers	5	284
D. Lofland	Wm. W. Deavers	3	138
D. Lofland	Joshua Jennings	4	353
John Vigar	John Rice	6	312
Jacob Miller	Stationary		
Jesse Ralston	Benj. Solomon	6	142
Wm. G. Thompson	Wm. G. Adams	6	409

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From an old manuscript in the archives of the Society.

Pertinent Items

The regular rate for tuition was three and a half cents a day per pupil. In one account the rate was three and a fourth cents. The number of pupils in most cases, as shown in the tabulation, was small. It is probable that the teachers at the same time had other pupils in school whose tuition was paid by parents or guardians.

The several textbooks as listed in the margins of the different reports present an interesting variety. They were the following:

Adams's Geography, American Elementary Spelling Book, Baxter's Saints' Rest, The Bible, C. F. Reader, No. 2, Comley's Spelling Book, English Reader, Nos. 1, 2, Goldsmith's Rome, History of the United States, Juvenile Reader, Life of

Marion, The New Testament, New York Reader, Nos. 1, 2, 3, Pike's Arithmetic, U. S. Primer, U. S. Reader, Walker's Dictionary, Webster's Spelling Book. Not all of these were used in any one school, but the New Testament, Webster's Spelling Book, and one or two of the readers appeared in most of the lists.

It is not possible at this time to fix the locations and boundaries of the several school districts, but some of them may be vaguely located by the residences of the commissioners, who, we may assume, lived in their respective districts. John Vigar may be identified with the region between Bridgewater and Spring Creek; Dorman Lofland probably lived in the vicinity of Lacey Spring; John Kratzer at or near Linville; Jesse Rolston west or northwest of Harrisonburg; Jacob Trumbo may be associated with Brock's Gap, W. G. Thompson with Timberville, and G. W. Kemper with Port Republic.

DIARY OF W. H. AREHART

(1862)

(Spelling and punctuation follow the original.)

Beginning of the War

It was my desire to enlist in Capt. Brock's Horse Company called the Valley Rangers, but my parents rejected to my enlistment for fear I would indulge in bad habits which often has been the case with many young men, though I was 25 years of age. So I obeyed my parents. As my brother George was captain of Co. I, 116th Regt., Va. Militia and I belonging to that company and the company not properly organized, there was vacancy of officers 2nd Lieut. So the Capt. and men prevailed on me to announce myself as a candidate to fulfill the vacancy, and after a long study and hesitating, I at last consented and was unanimously elected as 2nd Lieut. Co. K 116th Regt. Va. Militia, and of course I excepted of the office on the 3rd day of May 1861. On or about the 15th of May the militia was ordered to drill every week. And on the 17th of June the entire militia force of Rockingham County was ordered to Strasburg, taking the cars at Mt. Jackson on Sunday, the 18th at 9 O'clock A. M. and reaching Strasburg about 2 O'clock P. M. We had a fine car ride. There the order was countermanded and had a lively trip in returning home. Myself and Mr. John Thomas came as far to Mr. John Zirkle in New Market and remained there all night and returned home next morning. And from this time on all efforts being made for volunteers but still the number was too slow filling up so preparation was made for drafting. Received orders the 2nd of July all drafted men (included three of my brothers—the Capt. Isaac and Casper) to report in New Market the 6th of July by 12 O'clock M. At that time this generation was ignorant what equipments was required but all preparations was made to fully equip ourselves to start when we were called upon. During the draft existed I remained at home till on the 25th of July. I was ordered to report in New Market with the balance of my brother's company and was ordered to fairground, 1 mile below Winchester. Arrived there on the 27th of July 1861, and on the evening of the 28th the militia were properly organized, and as they were a surplus of militia officers I was relieved from my command for a short time. I returned home the morning of the 29th of July. Left Winchester at 8 O'clock A. M. and reached Mr. Hoovers, 2 miles from Woodstock by sundown and remained there all night. Left Mr. Hoovers early next morning in company

with Peter Long and Col. Dovel. I reached home by 4 O'clock P. M. by the way of New Market. Then remained at home till the 12 of November 1861. I was then ordered to report to New Market with all the men belonging to the 116th Regt. Va. Militia. The command was ordered to Winchester. I was permitted to remain at home till Thursday 21st of November 1861. I reached Fair Ground 1 mile below Winchester on the 22nd of November. I was then ordered to fill vacant in company H, 4th Regt. Va. Militia in Capt. Harvey J. Rosenberger's company from Smith's Creek, Rockingham County. Myself and John Kerlin were lieutenants in the above stated company. I was then stationed on Fair Ground till the 1st day of Jan. 1862, when Gen. Jackson with his force, and the militia commanded by Gen. Meen, went to Capon Mountain, Rumney, Bathe, Hancock and other places. At that time I been detailed to impress teams for Capt. Shoup, Gen. Quartermaster for Gen. Jackson in Winchester. I was engaged in pressing teams in the Countys of Frederick, Clark, Berkley and Jefferson till in the evening of the 17th of Jan., then the command had returned to Fair Ground. On the morning of the 18th of January was ordered to Martinsburg, the County seat of Berkley Co. and were quartered in fine houses, and on double rations till on the evening of 27th of February 1862, when the enemy advanced on the place, and our forces being week we were necessarily compelled to retreat back to Winchester in a force march. Casper had the mumps very bad. We reached the Fair Ground on the 28th, at 12 O'clock M. where I remained till on the morning of the 9th of March 1862. I then enlisted during the war under Col. Sipe, recruiting officer for Col. Ashby Command. Col. E. Sipe formerly Col. of 1st Regt. Va. Militia. After I enlisted a furlough of 15 days was given. I left Winchester the same day at 2 O'clock P. M. I reached Mt. Jackson at 3 O'clock in the morning of the 10th of March 1862 in company with J. W. Kratzer. I reached home by 8 O'clock in the evening of the 10th of March. Found George, Casper and Isaac there. Thence remained at home till the 16th of April. Early in the morning canonading was distinctly heard in the direction of Edinburg, and being too the same morning I had to report to my company in Harrisonburg. As I got to the pike at Lacey Springs I seen our army moving up the pike. Casper, Sam Ryman, and Casper Bowman being in company.

April 17, 1862

Our company still in Harrisonburg.

April 18, 1862.

Our army moved through Harrisonburg towards Swift Run Gap. At 4 O'clock P. M. our company left Harrisonburg. Camped near Peal's Tanyard.

April 19, 1862.

This day our company was organized and elected there officers. Our army still moving on. We left Peal's Tanyard at 12 O'clock M. and crossed the Shenandoah River. Camped in Mr. Miller's barn near the river, and raining very fast.

April 30, 1862 .

Left camp at Miller's barn, near the river. Moved in the direction of McGaheysville. Scouted to the right of McGaheysville and returned to camp late in the evening.

May 1, 1862 .

Left camp this morning at sunrise and traveled in the direction of Port Republic, the roads being very bad. Jackson's army left this day Swift Run Gap for Staunton. We camped at Widow Arglebrights.

May 2, 1862 .

Started after sunrise. Reached Port Republic at O. C. P. M. After selecting our quarters ordered from Capt. Winfield, who being in command, to mount our horses that the Yankees were within 1½ miles of town. In a few moments we were ready and took off in great speed on the Harrisonburg road. After going about 1 mile we came in contact with there advance guard. We pitched in and took them stage fashion for better than 1½ miles, captureing some prisoners. Our two companys drove 100 Yankees.

May 3, 1862

In camp at Port Republic. Casper was on picket at Mr. Isaac Long's with 6 men and captured a Yankee.

May 4, 1862 .

In camp at Port Republic till 4 O. C. P. M., then moved camp near Mt. Sidney. Casper was relieved at 2 O. C. P. M.

May 6, 1862

Moved camp near Mt. Crawford, on Mr. Grattin's farm.

May 8, 1862

Our company went on picket near Harrisonburg. Myself remained in camp.

May 9, 1862

Our company relieved from picket today.

May 10, 1862

Reported the Yankees advancing. We all ordered to the river. Today at 12 O'clock M. I started to Rockbridge County on furlough. Stayed all night at Mr. John Cline's, on Middle River. My horse had the estemper very bad.

May 11, 1862

Left Mr. Cline's this morning at 7 O'clock and proceeded 12 miles beyond Staunton where I fed and eat my dinner, thence proceeded to Mr. Fultz's where I remained all night.

May 12, 1862

This morning I left Mr. Fultz's and reached Mr. Sam Showalters by 12 O'clock M. Eat my dinner ther. I found George and John Minnick there. Went to Mr. Jos. Yount in the evening and found Isaac.

May 13, 1862

Left Mr. Yount's and Showalter's this morning and reached Mr. David Shavers by 10 O'clock A. M. Eat my dinner there. After dinner I preceeded to Mr. Fultzs, then fell in company with Isah Bowman. We took up the march at 3 O. C. P. M. and traveled till 3 O'clock next morning, then camped.

May 14, 1862

Reached Staunton this morning at daylight and at 7 O'clock I taken the train and went as far as Greenwood Station, in Albemarle Co., on the hunt of O. P. Horn's trunk, but did not get it and returned back to Staunton by 7 O'clock in the evening. Myself and Isah Bowman then preceed to Capt. R. Rolps, 3 miles north of Staunton and remained all night.

May 15, 1862 .

Left Capt Rolps this morning at 7 O. C. A. M. I caut up with our train in Harrisonburg on there way to Lacey Springs. Then myself, Jacob Hinegardner, William Bean and Dick Finnagan preceed to Mr. Jos. Shoups, thence home. We reached home by 11 O'clock in the evening, the river being very full.

May 16, 1862

Left home this morning at 8 O'clock A. M. Reached Lacey Springs at 12 O'clock M. and found my company camped in the old house next to the spring. On duty this evening guarding prisoners.

May 17, 1862

This morning our company went on picket below Woodstock. The Yankees were at Saumsville in force. I was picketing the post at the North Mountain road, near Mr. Coffman's. Taken off while after night.

May 18, 1862

Scouted below Woodstock. Got in contact with the enemy about 1 O'clock P. M. A portion of company were cut off. John Lary wounded in the heel. Camped for the night in Mr. Ripley's barn.

May 19, 1862

Relieved from picket this morning and returned to camp at New Market.

May 20 & 21, 1862

Remained in camp at New Market. Company drill twised a day.

May 22, 1862

Today Jackson's army and the Cavalry moved cross the mountain to Luray, Page County.

May 23, 1862

Took an early start this morning for Front Royal. Gen. Ashby with the cavalry force, attacked the enemy at Bucton Station. Captains Sheets and Fletcher were instantly killed on the field. Jackson's forces attacked them at Front Royal

Station. Captured great many prisoners. Casper was detailed for courier this morning. We camped for the night at the Shenandoah River.

May 24, 1862 .

Our company went on a scout this morning to the White Post and in the direction of Berry's Ferry and returned to our command by dusk, near Cedarville, Clark County.

May 25, 1862 .

A severe fight early Sunday morning at Winchester. Whipped and routed Gen. Bank's army, capturing great many prisoners, stores etc. Camped for the night in Winchester.

May 26, 1862 .

Our army is now camped 1 mile below Winchester. Ashby's Cavl. are still bringing droves of prisoners. Lieut. E. C. Randolph ordered to Front Royal, on picket with a portion of the company.

May 27, 1862 .

On picket at the Shenandoah River, 2 miles from Front Royal. We were left quiet and unmolested.

May 28, 1862 .

On picket today till 2 O'clock P. M., thence relieved and ordered to Strasburg. Remained there all night.

May 29, 1862 .

Ordered to go back to our command. Reached Winchester by 11 O. C. A. M. Different alarms—the enemy were advancing by the way of Charlestown, Martinsburg, Front Royal and Rumney. But still our army moved towards Charlestown to give them a whippen first, but the enemy withdrew.

May 30, 1862 .

Our Regt. ordred to Winchester, and scouted the different roads to Front Royal. Our company went to Newtown and returned to Winchester after dark. Thundering, lightning, and raining very fast.

May 31, 1862.

Our entire Regt. scouted to Front Royal. Reports that Shields is advancing up Page Valley. The army from Rumney halted near Cottontown, 11 miles N. W. of Strasburg. Jackson's army is moving up the valley briskly with about 4,000 prisoners. Some danger of Shields getting in his rear. I camped on Fishers Hill tonight by myself. Thundering, lightning and raining very fast.

June 1, 1862

Early this morning the enemy advanced on the Moorefield road. Gen. Jackson attacked them and held them in check till our army, prisoners and waggons had passed.

June 2, 1862

Still falling back. Camped at Ripleys. Good deal of skirmishing today, the enemy haveing strong force.

June 3, 1862

Our company rear guard. Skirmishing different times during the day. Fell back to New Market, burning the Shenandoah River bridge.

June 4, 1862

This morning our company (Lieut. E. C. Randolph in command) was ordered to report to Gen. Jackson. We overtaken the Gen. in Harrisonburg, then ordered to repair the roads leading to Port Republic.

June 5, 1862

This morning I was detailed as curier for Gen. Jackson. My trip bin from Taylors Spring.

June 6, 1862

Today Gen. Ashby was killed near Harrisonburg. Gen. Jackson moved his headquarters to Port Republic this evening, at Dr. Kempers. Captured 70 prisoners today, among them 1 Col.

June 7, 1862

Our troops falling back near Port Republic. At 9 O. C. this evening I taken a dispatch to Gen. Ewell, it being very dark and raining very fast. Returned to Port by 11 O'clock.

June 8, 1862

Early this morning heavy skirmishing commence. By 8 O'clock A. M. Gen. Ewell's forces are heavily engaged—Musketry and artillery. Also Gen. Shields made his appearance at Port, and driving our pickets in but Jackson soon made them howl and no more of Shields army that day. Gen. Ewell also whipped and routed Fremont.

June 9, 1862

Before daylight Jackson ordered Ewell across the river, and to burn the bridge. At 9 O'clock A. M. Gen. Jackson attacked Shield's forces at Gen. Lieve's Bottom. Whipped and routed Shields in the fight. We captured 6 pieces and about 300 prisoners. (Gen. Lieve's was Gen. Lewis.)

June 10, 1862

Last night our forces fell back cross the Blue Ridge. Today we camped in Albemarle County, 8 miles N. W. of White Hall. Raining all day.

June 11, 1862

This morning the Cavalry moved back to South River. Our company on picket at Mrs. Arglebrights.

June 12, 1862

Our Co. on picket at Widow Arglebright's, 8 miles below Port Republic.

June 15, 1862

Relieved from picket and joined our regiment in camp at Harrisonburg.

June 20, 1862

Moved camp below Harrisonburg, in widow Smith woods. Note: In these encampments near Harrisonburg we lived like Kings after we got home and carried pervisions to camp, which of course came in as extra rations. Our company picketed on the river above Timberville. I picketed the ford next above Broadway and boarded at Mr. John Thomas's and drank all the surplus milk in the neighborhood.

July 8, 1862 .

Left camp about 4 O. C. P. M. Took down the pike. Turned to right at New Market. Camped on Smith's Creek.

July 9, 1862.

Took up our march at 11 O. C. A. M. Halted at the White House Bridge. Exspected the enemy to advance. After a few hours we returned and encamped at our former camp.

July 10, 1862.

Our company returned to camp near Harrisonburg. Plenty of rations.

July 11, 1862.

In camp. Drilled twice today.

July 12, 1862.

In camp near Harrisonburg.

July 13, 1862.

In camp. We had permission to go black berrying.

July 14, 1862.

Started this morning on a scout. Camped near Edinburg. Myself and Daniel Garber bunked together.

July 15, 1862.

Started before sunrise. We attacked the Yankees near Middletown and drove them several miles below Town. Captured 9 or 10 prisoners and by next morning at daylight we were at Mt. Jackson, and it being very hot weather.

July 16, 1862.

Today we went to Sparty and most of the men of our company went home. Myself, David Bowman, and Emanuel Roller stayed all night at Mr. John Harrison's, on Smith Creek.

July 17, 1862.

The Co. assembled at Lacey Springs this morning at 8 O'clock and reached camp about 10 O. C.

July 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 1862.

In camp near Harrisonburg. I paid great deal of attention to my mare (Coly). She was graveled. We all lived like Kings in this camp.

July 23, 1862.

This morning I started out of camp to buy a horse. I proceeded to Mr. Holsinger's and bought a horse of Silas, paying him \$250.00 for the horse, then went to Mr. D. Drivers and stayed all night. The 12th Regt. received marching orders at 12 O. C. M. by the way of McGaheysville.

July 24, 1862.

This morning I reached home at 7 O'clock and left again at 10 O. C. A. M. Silas Holsinger in company with me. I reached camp near Harrisonburg by sundown.

July 25, 1862.

In camp near Harrisonburg. The 12th Regt. returned to camp this evening off from a scout.

July 26, 1862

Today Casper taken my mare to Mr. John Lincoln's and returned by evening.

July 27, 1862.

Today George came to camp. Solon Bowman come to our camp on his return from Richmond and enlisted in our company.

July 28, 29, 30, 31, 1862.

In camp near Harrisonburg, on Irick's farm, under marching orders.

August 1, 1862.

Left our camp near Harrisonburg this morning at day-break, for Eastern Virginia. Camped at the foot of the Blue Ridge at Brown's Gap.

August 2, 1862.

Started early in the morning. Camped at Mechams River, it being a very hard march.

August 3, 1862.

Sunday morning. Lay still today. Marching orders in the morning.

August 4, 1862.

Started early in the morning. Passed Woodville Station, 3 miles from the river, Charlottesville 8 miles from the river.

August 5, 1862.

Laid still today. Tremendous hot. We were grinding our sabers today.

August 6, 1862.

Took near Gordonsville across to the pike leading from Gordonsville to Standardville. Took up the pike to Barbersville and encamped. Barbersville is six miles from Gordonsville and 13 from Standardville. The roads is very dusty and disagreeable.

August 7, 1862.

Our Regt. reconnoitered 7 or 9 miles from Standardville, on the Madison road. Came across a bunch of Yankees. Captured some prisoners, 4 horses and equipments and killed one man.

August 8, 1862.

Left our camp early in the morning at Barbersville. Held as rear guard of Jackson train to Orange Court House.

August 9, 1862.

Started at 10 O. C. A. M. Scouted the country on the right of Jackson's army. Our forces attacked the enemy at Cedar Run about 2 O. C. P. M.. After few hours severe fighting the enemy give away, losing heavy. Captured 600 prisoners. This was to be the first time as Gen. Pope said he ever turned his back to the enemy. He told his troops never to turn back on the enemy.

August 10, 1862.

The enemy perfectly quiet today. 4 or 5 miles of Culpeper Court House.

August 11, 1862.

The enemy heavily reinforced. Gen. Jackson withdrawing towards Orange C. H.

August 12, 1862.

Today the enemy made there appearance. Our forces fell back beyond the Rapidan River. Our Co. on picket above Rapidan Station and raining very fast.

August 15, 1862 .

Relieved from picket this afternoon

August 18, 1862 .

Started after 10 O. C. A. M. and traveled on the Fredericksburg road till about 3 O. C. next morning.

August 19, 1862 .

Took up the march after sunrise and returned back to Orange C. H. Then took back again 12 miles down on the Fredericksburg road, then turned to the left and went 5 or 6 miles and encamped for the night .

August 20, 1862 .

Started early. Took through Stevensburg, 6 miles below Culpeper C. H. and overtook the enemys cavalry few hundred yards below town. Whipped and routed them, we loosing 2 killed and several wounded. J. K. P. Ritchie's mare wounded. The cavalry were engaged nearly all day, and it being the first engagement for me under Gen. Stuart.

August 21, 1862 .

Advanced this morning several miles, but the enemy in heavy force. Gen. Jackson's forces came forward. Cannonading commenced and lasted all day.

August 22, 1862 .

Gen. Jackson commenced early cannonading. Our Regt., with a portion of Stuart's Cavalry, took a scout through Fauquier County. Raining very fast from 3 O. C. till midnight. Went 4 miles below Warrenton, where we met Stuart's Cavalry on there return with 300 prisoners. This surely was a disagreeable night and riding nearly the whole night.

August 23, 1862 .

At Warrenton, taking the road to Warrenton Springs. Reached the springs about 11 O'clock. The enemy attacked

us about 5 O. C. P. M. Our Regt. was under very heavy shelling. Infantry engaged late in the evening.

August 24, 1862 .

Cannonading all day across the Rappahannock river.

August 25, 1862 .

Also cannonading all day across the river.

August 26, 1862 .

Started at 1 O. C. in the morning with 3 days rations. Took up the river, crossed at Rocky Ford. Jacksons and Hills forces following us, passed through Salem, through Thoughfare Gap, and got in the enemy's rear at Bristo Station after dusk, 3 miles above Manassas Junction. There a short time. 3 trains of cars came along. The track tore up and off they went, making things lumber. Ours and 6 Regt. went to the Junction yet and drove in their pickets while a brigade of infantry flanked around. Captured their forces at daybreak, numbering 100 and upwards, with a large amount of army stores very valuable.

August 27, 1862 .

Today driving the enemy below Centerville, capturing many prisoners. Left Centerville after night and went up the Warrenton pike 4 or 5 miles.

August 28, 1862 .

Scouted towards Haymarket. Our company in advance. Encountered and skirmished with the enemy near Haymarket, wounding orderly J. W. Huffman. Infantry heavily engaged in the evening.

August 29, 1862 .

Heavy infantry. Fighting all day. Gen. Ewell was wounded this evening—shot through the leg.

August 30, 1862 .

Still heavy fighting. We routed the enemy in the evening. Our brigade charged their cavalry on the right, capturing many prisoners and horses. Sergt. D. H. Garber wounded.

August 31, 1862 .

Scouted early this morning. Captured 120 prisoners

within 4 or 5 miles from Fairfax C. H. About 35 captured about 10 O. C. after night without firing a single shot. We rode our horses in a trot from 1 O. C. in the morning of the 26th to about 8 O. C. P. M. without anything to eat or having time to water them. Next morning again till late in the evening, then getting a few mouthfulls of hay.

September 1, 1862.

Gen. Jackson's forces moving down the pike leading from Middleburg to Fairfax C. H. Our Regt. moved to the right. Commenced skirmishing about 1 O. C. P. M. After the fight Casper was detailed to take a message to Maj. Massie, who in command of Co. R. & B of our Regt. in the valley.

September 2, 1862.

On the flank of our army to Leesburg. Camped 5 or 6 miles from Fairfax C. H.

September 3, 1862.

Moved off early this morning in the direction of Alexandria. Commenced skirmishing about 1 O. C. P. M. We had about 3 miles skirmish. Killed and wounded several Yankees and taken some prisoners. This evening our company was ordered to Wianna on picket.

September 4, 1862.

On picket at Wianna till 7 O. C. in the evening, then ordered away. We marched till 9 O. C. then camped not far from Fairfax C. H. (Wianna was probably Vienna.)

September 5, 1862.

This morning our company was ordered to Leesburg on duty. We reached the place about 4 O. C. P. M.

September 6, 7, 8, 1862.

Our company on duty in Leesburg. Mr. John Bowman been with our company several days.

September 9, 1862.

Today at 12 O. C. M. we left Leesburg. We crossed the river into Maryland about 1 hour before sundown. Continued our march till 9 O'clock in the night, then camped.

September 10, 1862.

On our march to Frederick City, and met Gen. Jackson's forces at the Minockacy river, 2 miles from the city. Our company was then detailed as rear guard for Gen. Armstead Brigade. Taken up the march about 3 O'clock P. M. Marched through the city, then in the direction of Hagerstown, on the National Road. Marched till 11 O. C. in the evening, then camped for the night. Our Regt. and 7 Regt. had a fight with the Yankees near Poolsville. Capt. Ford of our Regt. and Geo. Knupp of the 7th Regt. were wounded.

September 11, 1862.

Marched off early this morning, passing through Burksville and other towns. Camped in Pleasant Valley, Maryland.

September 12, 1862.

This portion of the army laid still today in Pleasant Valley, Maryland while Gen. Jackson with the balance of his army went to Williamsport.

September 13, 14, 1862

This portion of the army still remaining in Pleasant Valley. Skirmishing with the enemy on the Maryland Heights.

September 15, 1862

Captured Harpers Ferry—11580 prisoners, artillery and a great deal of commissary stores. Our Regt. was camped near Sandyhook, Maryland this evening.

September 16, 1862.

This morning our cavalry crossed the Potomac on pontoon bridges at Harpers Ferry, then moved to Haultown and remained there till 10 O'clock in the evening, then moved off in the direction of Shephardstown and camped for the night about 6 miles from the place.

September 17, 1862.

The fight at Sharpsburg. Our company still rear guard for Gen. Armstead Brigade. Severe fighting all day. Our forces commenced falling back about 9 O'clock this evening. Casper joined his company this evening.

September 18, 1862.

This morning our troops were all ordered across the river.

Our company on detail. I noticed great many men wounded at the hospittles.

September 19, 1862 .

Our army still falling back. Recrossing the river near Shephardstown.

September 20, 1862 .

Our company reported to the Regt. at Haynesville, on the Valley Turnpike.

September 21, 1862 .

Today our Regt. in camp near Haynesville. John Brooks was received in the company as a substitute for Michael Bowman. Preparing rations for a march.

September 22, 1862

Left Haynesville at 11 O. C. A. M. on a scout to destroy a bridge on the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, 5 miles beyond Shephardstown. Destroyed the bridge and captured a few prisoners, then returned to camp near Haynesville. This has been a hard march.

September 23, 1862.

Moved camp 3 miles beyond Charlestown, on the Berryville road.

September 24, 1862.

In camp about 8 miles from Charlestown. Two drills today. Dress parade in the evening.

September 25, 1862.

Moved camp today near Leetown, 5 miles below Smithfield.

September 26, 1862.

In camp near Leetown. We had our horses valued today. My sorrel horse valued \$350.00.

September 27, 1862.

Our Co. went on picket 1 mile below Charlestown.

September 28, 1862.

Relieved from picket this evening and returned to our former camp.

September 29, 1862.

The enemy advanced this morning. We fell back above Charlestown and encamped 3 or 4 miles above Charlestown.

September 30, 1862.

In camp 3 or 4 miles west of Charlestown. All quiet along the lines today.

October 1, 1862.

Went on picket at sunset 2 miles below Charlestown.

October 2, 1862

Relieved from picket and returned to our former camp.

October 3, 1862.

Reported to our Regt. in camp 3 or 4 miles west of Charlestown.

October 4, 5, 6, 1862.

In camp and been very attentively at drilling.

October 7, 1862.

Ordered on picket early this morning.

October 8, 1862.

Still on picket below Charlestown. The enemy appeared in front of our post today.

October 9, 1862.

Relieved from picket and held as reserve .

October 10, 1862.

Held as reserve. Skirmishing today along the lines. Several prisoners captured.

October 11, 1862.

In camp 1 mile below Charlestown and raining all day.

Casper and Henry Roller taken prisoners.

October 12, 1862.

In camp below Charlestown. Casper and Henry Roller hav'nd returned from Gen. Lees' Headquarters.

October 13, 1862.

On picket below Charlestown. Casper and Henry Roller reported to there company this evening.

October 14, 1862.

Relieved from picket this evening and returned to our former camp near Charlestown.

October 15, 1862.

In camp near Charlestown. Preparing rations for a move.

October 16, 1862.

The enemy advanced in large force drawing us above Charlestown. Also in the evening ordered on picket on the Charlestown and Winchester road 4 or 5 miles from town.

October 17, 1862.

On picket 4 or 5 miles above Charlestown on the Summers Point and Winchester road.

October 18, 1862.

Relieved from picket and reported to our Regt. at our former camp.

October 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 1862

In camp near Charlestown. Very varied from drilling.

October 24, 1862 .

Went on picket early this morning. Held in reserve.

October 25, 1862 .

On reserve picket. In camp near Charlestown.

October 26, 1862.

This morning ordered to picket on front posts near Haultown. All quiet along the lines.

October 27, 1862.

Picketing on front post. The enemy appeared in front of my post near Reeze's Ferry. Only a few shot fired at the enemy. (Probably Keys's Ferry.)

October 28, 1862.

Relieved from picket and still found our Regt. at the old camp 4 or 5 miles above Charlestown.

October 29, 30, 31, 1862.

In camp. Company drill 2 each day and besides Regt. drill.

November 1, 1862.

Went on picket at Manning's Ford, 12 miles below Cabletown, Jefferson County.

November 2, 3, 1862

On picket at Mannings Ferry. We having a gay time of picketing.

November 4, 1862.

Drew the pickets back to Charlestown. Held the reserve at the old camp.

November 5, 1862.

In camp 4 or 5 miles west of Charlestown. All quiet along the lines.

November 6, 1862.

Went on picket on the pike leading from Charlestown to Harpers Ferry. Held our reserve near Browns .

November 7, 1862.

On picket. Our reserve near Browns, 2 miles below Charlestown.

November 8, 1862.

On picket. Isaac came to us this evening with our winter clothing.

November 9, 1862.

Received orders to report to our Rgt. in camp. The enemy were advancing from Leetown, then to Charlestown and as far towards Berryville as far Ripan.

November 10, 1862.

The enemy went back. We taken up our old line. Our company was ordered to Lewis Ford. Capt. Sipe assigned myself and party to Mr. Lewis Mill to command that post.

November 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20,
21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 1862.

On Picket at Lewis Ford. We had a nice time of picketing.

November 27, 1862 .

Relieved from picket at Lewis Ford and reported to our Regt. in camp near Berryville.

November 28, 1862.

Our Co. husking corn for the Regt. near Charlestown and returned to camp in the evening. The boys all had plenty of corn. I received a letter from home this evening.

November 29, 1862.

Very snowy morning. At 12 O. C. M. reported that the Yankees was in our rear. Ours, Grandstaff's and Gilmore's Cos. was mounted in a short time and away we broke for Berryville, finding the enemy in town. About 2/3 of of the enemies cavalry had passed the Charlestown road. We pitched in and divided there colum. After fighting them 15 or 20 minutes there entire colum moved up compelled us to withdraw, wounding James Stone and captured Peter Holsinger. Also mortally wounded Previous Bowman of Co. K Regt. The enemy retired across the river. Our Co. followed them to the river and remained there on picket and it being very cold.

November 30, 1862.

On picket at Snigers Ferry. Relieved at 2 O. C. P. M. and reported to our Regt. at Hollingsworth Mills above Winchester, and it being very cold evening.

December 1, 1862.

In camp above Winchester, near Hollingsworth's Mills. I went to Winchester to Mr. McVicer in the afternoon and returned to camp in the evening.

December 2, 1862.

This morning our brigade left in camp. About sundown the whole brigade left for Strasburg and encamped near the place.

December 3, 1862.

In camp near Strasburg and it being very cold.

December 4, 1862.

Left camp this morning at 11 O'clock. Pickets at Kernstown till midnight. The enemy left Winchester. We then advanced our pickets below Winchester.

December 5, 1862.

Advanced our pickets near Berryville, in Clark County. Tremendous cold and stormy.

December 6, 1862.

In camp near Bartonsville, 6 miles above Winchester. I being unwell.

December 7, 1862.

Started to my company today. Before reaching Berryville I got very sick and returned back. On the 4th of Dec. I been on relay curier post at Mr. Cristmans, 1 mile above Bartonsville.

December 8, 1862.

In camp near Bartonsville. I taken a dispatch to Winchester and returned to camp.

December 9, 1862.

Started to the company this morning. The company on picket near Cabletown, in Jefferson County.

December 10, 1862.

I got to my company today. It being near Cabletown on picket.

December 11, 1862.

On picket near Cabletown, in Jefferson County and it being very cold.

December 12, 1862.

Relieved from picket and reported to our Regt. in camp at Bartonsville.

December 13, 1862.

The entire force of Jone's Cavalry moved near Front Royal and camped about 3 miles from town on the river.

December 14, 1862.

Moved off early this morning. Encamped above Strasburg, near Piper's Mills.

December 15, 16, 1862

In camp near Strasburg, near Piper's Mill. I was ordered to arrest James Dearres, and deliver him to the guardhouse, Dearres being drunk.

December 17, 1862.

In camp above Strasburg, near Piper's Mills. Casper got a 8 day detail to go home for another horse. Col. Harman returned.

December 18, 1862.

In camp near Piper's Mill. Col. Massie went on a scout in the direction of Wardensville, Hardy County. 12 men detailed of our company.

December 19, 1862.

This evening Gen. Jones Brigade commenced moving up the pike. Drew 5 days rations—hard tacks and beef. Encamped for the night at Toms Brook, it being very cold.

December 21, 1862.

Moved off early this morning. Reached camp near New Market about 3 O'clock P. M. I went to Mr. John J. Zirkle's for a bundle of hay in the evening and returned to camp.

December 22, 1862.

This morning I was detailed to take charge of a squad and forage. I got some hay at Mr. Newman's. I went to Sam Myres and eat my breakfast and returned to camp at 11 O'clock.

December 23, 1862.

In camp near New Market. Col. Massie and squad returned to camp this evening.

December 24, 1862.

In camp near New Market. Casper reported to his company today.

December 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 1862.

In camp near New Market. 2 drills each day.

December 31, 1862.

In camp near New Market. Mustered for pay.

(To be continued.)

NOTE: The publication of Mr. Archart's war diary has been made possible through the kindness of Mrs. Joseph K. Ruebush and the Turner Ashby Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy.

VOTERS OF 1871 and 1872

Following is a copy of an old manuscript owned by the Society.

List of qualified Voters selected by James Kenney, Judge of the County Court of Rockingham County, to act as Grand Jurors, in accordance with the provisions of an Act of the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled "An Act to amend and re-enact Chapter 206 of the Code of Virginia, (edition of 1860) as to Grand Jurors":

HARRISONBURG TOWNSHIP

1. Nelson Sprinkle April 24, 1871
2. A. W. Jones April 30, 72
3. J. C. Braithwaite April 24, 1871
4. R. R. Douthat Jany. 20, 71
5. R. C. Paul CC Apl 1871
6. George Messersmith Jany 21, 71
7. George W. Gasman Dr. Jan. 3, 1872
8. Joseph Andrew CC Apr 1871
9. J. H. Wartmann Apl. 30, 72
10. S. R. Sterling Jany 20, 71
11. G. W. Tabb CC Apl 1871 April 24, 1871
12. Samuel Upp
13. Thomas W. Bassford Drawn Jan 30, 1872
14. Anthony Hockman Oct 31, 1871
15. Adolph Wise Oct. 31, 1871
16. Elijah Dudley
17. Wm. Liskey
18. Reuben N. Harrison Oct 31, 1871
19. Samuel Sheets Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
20. Nathaniel N. Funkhouser Apl. 30, 72

STONEWALL TOWNSHIP

1. John W. Palmer CC Apl 1871
2. J. A. Lewis Oct. 31, 1871
3. John F. Lewis (Marked out)
3. Ross Reppeto Jany. 20, 71
4. D. F. Haynes Removed
5. Harrison Bateman Oct. 31, 1871
6. G. W. Kemper, Jr. Jany. 20, 71
7. Wm. S. Downs Oct. 31, 1871
8. John Harper

9. John W. See Jany. 20, 71
10. W. S. Haugher
11. Wm. A. Maupin
12. R. A. Scott April 24, 1871
13. G. W. Mauzy (Marked out)
13. R. A. Gibbons Apl. 30, 72
14. J. J. Littell CC Apr 1871 Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
15. Wm. A. Leap Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
16. A. L. O'Brian Apl. 30, 72
17. Emanuel Sellers CC Apr 1871 April 24, 1871
18. A. J. Life April 30, 72
19. Nicholas Miller April 24, 1871
20. A. P. Nicholas Dr. Jan. 30, 1872

ELK RUN TOWNSHIP

1. Edward S. Peale CC Apr 1871
2. Henry E. Sipe
3. Peter N. H. Pickering
4. Joseph H. Wolf
5. Wm. S. Miller Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
6. Noah Flick Oct. 31, 1871
7. J. W. T. Samuels Apl. 30, 72
8. James A. Shipp April 24, 1871
9. C. F. Harnsberger Jany 20, 71
10. Nicholas Breeden
11. Geo. W. Harnsberger Apl. 30, 72
12. R. S. Yancey
13. A. J. Johnson Oct 31, 1871
14. F. W. Kirtley Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
15. T. K. Miller Jany 20, 71
16. W. D. C. Covington April 24, 1871
17. Wm. Sigler
18. A. Argabright CC Apl 1871
19. J. B. Ammon
20. R. W. Bear Apl. 30, 72

PLAINS TOWNSHIP

1. I. F. Brenner CC Apr 1871 April 24, 1871
2. John C. Homan Oct. 31, 1871
3. Jacob C. Rhodes Jany. 20, 71
4. David B. Sites Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
5. Nason Bare
6. John J. Bowman (Marked out)
6. Daniel Zigler Apl. 30, 72
7. Saml. L. Cootes Jany 20, 72
8. Thornton Thomas April 24, 1871
9. George Will CC Apr 1871 Oct. 31, 1871
10. Martin Wampler Dr. Jan. 30, 1871

11. Benjamin Hoover CC Apr 71 Oct. 31, 1871
12. Willis B. Moffett Apl. 30, 72
13. Phillip P. Kennon
14. Geo. W. Reherd Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
15. Madison West April 24, 1871
16. Morgan Layton Apl. 30, 72
17. Frederick Hilyard
18. Danl. G. Martz
19. Gideon B. Reed Jany 20, 71
20. Emanuel Driver

CENTRAL TOWNSHIP

1. George Chrisman CC Apr 1871
2. David F. Lineweaver Jany 20, 71
3. Asher Messick April 24, 1871
4. Adam Gowd Apl. 30, 72
5. Eli Andes
6. John Burkholder Oct. 31, 1871
7. Wm. R. Hopkins CC Apl 1871
8. Jacob Dundore CC Apl 1871 Oct. 31, 1871
9. D. R. Hopkins
10. Samuel C. Hazle Jany. 20, 71
11. John Eversole April. 30, 72
12. James C. Heltzel Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
13. David Brunk
14. Harvey Liskey Jany. 20, 71
15. H. M. Wilkins Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
16. John N. Kiser
17. Benjamin Wenger April 24, 1871
18. Abraham Paul Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
19. John A. Hess Oct. 31, 1871
20. John G. Robinson

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

1. David Link April 24, 1871
2. Thomas M. Hite CC Apl 1871
3. Joseph Dinkel
4. John L. Kerlin
5. Edward B. Nipple
6. Francis W. Shupman Apl. 30, 72
7. John Williamson
8. John R. Koogler CC Apl 1871
9. John C. Herring April 24, 1871
10. Lewis Reherd
11. Adam Thomas April 24, 1871
12. A. J. Blakemore
13. David Blosser Jany. 20, 71
14. Peter Cline

15. Henry Argenbright
16. Aaron Shutters Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
17. George F. Funkhouser Jan. 20, 71
18. Jno. W. Wise Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
19. Andrew B. Lago Jany 20, 71
20. John H. Carpenter CC Apl 1871 Drawn Jan. 30, 1872

ASHBY TOWNSHIP

1. Jos. B. Webb
2. Peter S. Roller CC Apl 1871 Oct. 31, 1871
3. John B. Earman
4. Jacob P. Slusser
5. Franklin Pence Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
6. Samuel W. Chandler April 24, 1871
7. Elijah Huffman Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
8. John Hedrick
9. Shem Bowman Jany. 20, 71
10. Edward S. Kemper CC Apl 1871
11. Henry E. Cromer April 24, 1871
12. M. J. Moyerhoeffer Apl. 30, 72
13. Peter W. Whitmore
14. Harvey Wise Apl. 30, 72
15. Samuel Reubush
16. Levi Pirkey
17. James R. Eiler
18. Robert Koontz Apl. 30, 72
19. Eli Keran Jany. 20, 71
20. E. W. Jones Oct. 31, 1871

LINVILLE TOWNSHIP

1. Gideon Kratzer Jany. 20, 71
2. Jesse Burkholder CC Apl 1871 April 24, 1871
3. Eli Summers Oct. 31, 1871
4. John P. Brock Jany 20, 71
5. Dewitt Coffman
6. Isaac Stone April 24, 1871
7. D. P. Ragan
8. John H. Beery CC Apr 1871
9. Henry Hale Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
10. Silum Sellers Oct. 31, 1871
11. Preston Rhodes Apl. 30, 72
12. J. C. Harrison
13. Eli Long
14. Wm. Sellers April 30 72
15. John W. Sterne Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
16. Wm. H. Armentrout Jany 20, 71
17. Christian Sites Oct. 31, 1871

18. Wm. Funk April 30, 72
19. Thos. G. Hopkins CC Apr 1871 Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
20. John B. Kline April 24, 1871

BROCKS GAP

1. Daniel Brenneman
2. Adam H. Fulk CC Apl 1871 Oct. 31, 1871
3. Isaac Riddle
4. Abraham Hoover Apl. 30, 72
5. Isaac Shoemaker
6. Geo. W. Fawley
7. Abraham Brenneman April 24, 1871
8. Philip Ritchie Jany 20, 71
9. Stephen Fawley Apl. 30, 72
10. George Fulk
11. Jacob Turner
12. Berryman Custer Dr. Jan. 30. 1872
13. James Fitzwaters
14. Joseph Dove
15. Isaac Caplinger
16. Philip Sowders, Jr.
17. Isaac Fink Dr. Jan. 30, 1872
18. Wm. Wittig CC Apl 1871 Oct. 31, 1871
19. Samuel Moyers Jany 20, 71
20. Josiah Sowders April 24, 1871

Teste, Wm. McK. Wartmann, C. C.

The word "Drawn" appears twice; "Dr." probably means drawn. The other dates, without "Drawn" or "Dr.", perhaps indicate when the several men were summoned for possible jury duty.

Franklin Township evidently included the region of Bridgewater, Spring Creek, and Beaver Creek; Ashby Township, apparently, centered around Cross Keys and Friedens Church. Stonewall Township took in only a part of the present Stonewall District—that part extending from Port Republic to or towards McGaheysville, while Elk Run Township centered around Conrad's Store, now Elkton.

HONOR ROLL OF
HARRISONBURG and ROCKINGHAM COUNTY
DEAD IN WORLD WAR I

1917-1919

Airhart, Earl D., Broadway, Va.
 Allebaugh, Geo. Yancey, Harrisonburg, Va.
 Arey, Walter S., Hinton, Va.
 Armentrout, Peachey, Keezletown, Va.
 Atkins, Oral B., Harrisonburg, Va., Route 1
 Billheimer, George Robert, Keezletown, Va.
 Blankenship, Walter T., Harrisonburg, Va., Route 5
 Bowman, William H., Penn Laird, Va.
 Bradley, John S., Jr., Harrisonburg, Va.
 Bruce, Harry Gordon, Elkton, Va.
 Burtner, Winton Paul, Harrisonburg, Va., Route 2
 Clayton, J. Arthur, Dayton, Va.
 Deeds, Kenny Henry, Keezletown, Va.
 Ettinger, Wade H., Broadway, Va.
 Fisher, Charles F., Port Republic, Va.
 Gentry, Leon Calvin, Spring Creek, Va.
 Good, James C., Timberville, Va.
 Harmon, Clarence Robert, Stokesville, Va.
 Heishman, Charles E., Timberville, Va.
 Knighten, Sheffie M., Swift Run, Va.
 Lantz, Isaac Laban, Dovesville, Va.
 Lee, Joseph Cromer, Linville, Va.
 Life, George Frank, Elkton, Va.
 Lily, Vernon Lee, McGaheysville, Va.
 Long, Thomas Bayard, Harrisonburg, Va.
 Miller, Carey F., Bridgewater, Va.
 Miller, Harry Franklin, Bridgewater, Va.
 Minnich, Elijah, Dayton, Va., Route 1
 Minnick, John, Timberville, Va., Route 1
 Riggelman, Charles W., Dovesville, Va.
 Rion, Herbert W., Harrisonburg, Va.
 Rogers, Samuel H., Elkton, Va.
 Rolston, Charles H., Mt. Clinton, Va.
 Royer, Charles R., Penn Laird, Va.
 Sellers, Edgar W., Elkton, Va.
 Swank, Reuel Philip, Singers Glen, Va.
 Thacker, Byrd O., Dayton, Va., Route 1
 Trussell, John Ray, Timberville, Va.
 Webster, George W., Dayton, Va.
 Webster, Herbert E., Harrisonburg, Va.

Whitesel, Edwin Ward, Harrisonburg, Va.
 Wise, Harry Wilt, Bridgewater, Va.
 Wood, Russell H., Broadway, Va.

COLORED SOLDIERS

Arrington, Henry, Elkton, Va.
 Billhimer, John, Zenda, Va.
 Brown, Hamilton, Elkton, Va.
 Newman, Jno. Warren, Harrisonburg, Va.
 Rouser, Ernest, Harrisonburg, Va.
 Washington, William L., Bridgewater, Va.

SECOND INSTALMENT FROM THE FIRST MINUTE BOOK OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COURT

At a Court continued and held for Rockingham County
 Friday the 24th November 1778

present

Daniel Smith	George Boswell
John Thomas	John Fitzwater
John Davis	Isaac Henkel
Willm. Nalle	Gawan Hamilton
Abraham Smith	Michl Coger

The Deputy Attorney having filed an information against
 Jacob Rambo for refusing to give in his taxable property on
 Oath, O that he (be) summoned to next Court to answer sd
 Inform.

Hook vs. Jackson Atta defd.
 Grattan vs Deck J W C
 Bright vs Croyder & Ux' N Giv leave jd?
 Smith vs White Contd:
 Mc pike vs Hook N.Assd jd.Spa Norton Gum &
 Danl. Gum
 Haines vs Christler Agd.
 Owens vs Rutherford N: Giv leave jd: ?
 Marshall vs Gustard N Giv leave jd ?
 Woodley vs Warren Agd
 Kerr vs Scott Abates Defts. Death
 Williams vs Wier N Giv leave jd
 Peartree vs Knox N. Assd jd
 Alderson vs Murray Contd. to be advertised in the
 Gazette
 White vs Benson paymt jd
 Brudens vs Fulks & als (et als) Contd. for Bill
 Boswell vs Carthrae Imp.

Keissel vs Haines C O
 Scothorn vs Hinton not G:iv leave jd ?
 Branders vs Burns A.C.

Appearances to Sepr.

Munsey vs Vanpelt & Als Time for Bill
 Miller vs Ireland Agd
 Brock vs Williams Imp
 Ruddle vs Her d & Ux Agd by Sh(eriffs) return
 Carpenter vs Bear Agd
 vs Same Agd
 Hudlow vs Keiser Agd
 Smith vs Harnet Imp
 Diltings vs Melsop & Ux contd. to (be) advertised in
 the Gazette
 Boyles vs Hewitt Imp

Appear to Nov.

Keisel vs Williams C.O.
 Powers vs Harper Imp.
 Baker vs Miller & als Oyr. & Terminer
 Miller vs Baker Imp.
 vs McNeil C.O.
 Keiser vs Hudlow Agd.

petitions

Archenbright vs Bowiers Jud according to note
 Zimmerman vs Bear Agd
 Appler vs Archenbright A.S?
 Com.wealth vs McCaumes defen (or discontinued?)
 Vaneman vs Johnston
 On the petition of Sundry Inhabitants in the forest for
 turning the road leading from Brocks Gap to Massanutting O
 that Math Reader John More & Nicholas Cairn do view the
 Conveniences and Inconveniences attending turning the road
 as prayed by the petitioners & report the same
 On the petition of Sundry Inhabitants praying a road
 from Reuben Harrisons to Hintons Mill. O that Michal War-
 ren, Reuben Harrison, Jno. Hinton view & make report of the
 Conveniences & inconveniences attending the same
 Order'd that the Churchwardens bind out Chas. Berry a
 base born Child of Judith Berrys according to Law, W.N.I.
 And then the Court proceeded to lay the County Levy

To the Clerk for extra Services	1200	tobo. (Tobacco)
attending a Court of of Oyer	200	£.S.P.

bringing up the Comisson of the peace		3. 0. 0.
The Sheriff for extra Services	1200	
Summons a Court of Oyer &c	200	
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	2800	
Sheriffs Acco. agt. the publick		20. 0.4.
Deputy Attorneys Salary		40. 0.0.
Gawen Hamiltons Acco for running the County Lines		36.16.9.
William McDowell Gent for money advanced as the reward for returning Will a condemned Negro		45. 0.0.
Daniel Smith Corroner for holding an Inquest on the Body of Jno. Bright	133	
Elliot Rutherford Constable for Sums. the Jury	50	
Jaylors Acco. for directing 4 men as a guard & Criminal, 10 days at 4 s per day each		10. 0.0.
Danl. Smiths Acco. for building the Jayl		48.18.9.
Ditto for use of his house in holding Courts— 6 Courts at £5 per Court		30. 0.0.
Evan Thomas for 1 wolfs head & 5 young ones	350	
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Ordered that a Levy of fifteen Shillings
 be collected from every Tithable person
 in this County to satisfy the above Charge
 due to the County Creditors amounting to 254.16.1 1/3
 & leave a depositum of 746. 5.10 2/3
 Sheriffs Comsn. on Collecting at
 6 pr Cent

	63.18
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	810. 3.10 2/3

1420 Tithables at 15/ or 120 lb Tobo per Tith £1065.0.0.

Order'd that Tithables within three miles of the road
 work on the same from the fork of the Road leading from
 Swift Run Gap to Casper Haines under Paul Ingle the Over-
 seer of sd road.

On the mot'n of the Churchwardens Ord. that Godfrey
 Hamilton & wife be summoned to next Court to shew Cause
 why they did not deliver up the two Girls in their custody
 agreeable to the former Ord. of this Court.

Order'd that William McDowel Gent be empowered to
 purchase a Seal for the County & that the Sheriff pay for the
 same out of the Depst in his hands.

Order'd that the Clerk procure a Book press for the
 Clerks Office and that the Sheriff pay for the same out of the
 Depositum in his hands.

Order'd that John Fultz be Overseer of the Road in the room of Henry Long from Shanandoe Line to the deep hollow & that the Tithables within 3 miles of sd road work thereon.

Order'd that John Craford be Overseer of the Road from the Mountain in bryery Branch Gap to Abrahams Smiths & that the usual Tithables work thereon.

Order'd that Abraham Smith Gent & Hugh Douglas be Overseers of the road from sd Smiths house to Shanklens Run & that they be empowered to turn the said road to any of the adjacent Ground where more convenient & that the usual Tithables work thereon.

Order'd that the Court be adjourned till the Court in Course.

Daniel Smith

At a Court held for Rockingham County Monday the 22d March 1779

present

Daniel Smith
Thomas Hewit
John Thomas

Henry Ewing
John Fitzwater

Deed of Bargain & Sale from Abraham Bird & Catherine his wife to John Ruddle was acknowledged by said Abraham & O for Dedimus to examine his wife. Ordered to be recarded.

Deed of Bargain & Sale from sd Abraham Bird to the same & Ord. for Deds. to examine his wife O to be recorded.

Deed of Bargain & Sale was acknowledged by Charles Dailly to Jacob Trumbo Junr. & O to be recorded O for Deds. to examine his wife.

Deed of Bargain (& Sale) was acknowledged by Philip Dailly to John Hunter & O to be recorded & O for dedimus to examine his wife.

Deeds of L & Release from Robt. Fowler to William. Fowler was proved by the witnesses & O to be recorded

Appraisment of Wilm. Magills Estate ret'd & Ord to be recorded.

Thomas Lewis Daniel Smith & peach Ridgway Gilmore Gent being elected Commissioners of the Tax for this County took the Oath appointed by Act of Assembly which is ordered to be certified.

Deeds of L & Release from Jacob Copelin & Ann his wife to David Ralston was proved by the witnesses as to the said Jacob & acknowledged by the sd Ann she being first privately examined

Appraisment of John Cravens Estate ret'd. & O to be recorded

Appraisment of the Estate of Alex. Herron ret'd & O to be recorded

Appraisment of the Estate of John Fulton ret'd & O to be recorded

present James Dyer

Andrew Hudlow acknowledged L & Release to Willm. Hook which is O to be recorded & Mary his wife being first privately examined acknowledged the same

Appraisment of the Estate of John Riffe ret'd & O to be recorded

Administra of the Estate of Danl Calahan is granted to Charles Calahan his son, he having ent'd into Bond made the Oath according to Law. O Jno Hinton John Shanklen Wm Stevenson & Jas Dun or any 3 (of them) appraise sd Estate

James Scott acknowledged L & Release to Jacob Whitmore which is ordered to be recorded

Deed from Robt Hill to the Presbyterian Congregation was proved by the Witnesses & O to be recorded Thos. Brewster to pay fees

Administra of the Estate of Chas Frederick Sybert is granted to Nicolas Mildeberger who securely ent'd into Bond & made Oath according to Law O that Adam Pence Geo Jenes Geo Weaver & Geo Shaver or any 3 being first sworn appraise sd Estate

Deed of Barg & Sale from Elizabeth price to Augustine price was proved by 3 of the witnesses & O to be recorded

The last will of Geo Schulenger was produced into Court & proved by Chas rush one of the witnesses & James Frasier & Jn. Hetrick the Exrs therein named having in open Court refused to take upon themselves the execution of the sd will, Administra with the will annexed is granted to Elizabeth Schulenger the widow who made oath and ent'd into Bond according to Law. O that Frederick Armantrout Jno Burk Peter Sellers & Casper Haines or any 3 (of them) being first sworn appraise sd Estate.

Mary Sybert the widow of Chas Fredk. Sybert a Soldier who died in the Service of the Commonwealth, appearing to this Court to be in indigent Circumstances with one helpless Child, are of the opinion that she be allowed the Sum of £30 for her present relief & O that the Treasurer be desired to pay the said Sum to the said Mary or her Ord.

Elizabeth Shulenger the widow of Geo Shulenger a deceased, late a Soldier in the Continental Service from this State appearing to be in distressed Circumstances the Court are of the opinion that she be allowed the sum of £30 & that the Treasurer be desired to pay her that Sum for the present Year.

Deeds of L & Release from Philip Armentrout was acknowledged to his son Philip Armentrout Junr. O to be recorded.

the same to his Son Henry }
the same to his son Peter } O to be recorded

The privy Examination of Jno. Davidson's wife ret'd & O to be recorded with the Deeds sd Davidson to Henry Black.

Benj. Harrison & William Herron Gent took the Oath of a Justice of peace & a Justice of the County Court in Chan also a Justice of Oyer & Terminer, which is O to be certified Present Reuben Harrison Benj. Harrison & William Herren.

Deed of Bargain & Sale from John Cessner & Mary his wife to Edw Welden & Wm Fariss was proved by three of the witnesses thereto as to the sd John. O to be recorded & O for Deds. to examine his wife.

Isaac Gum & Martha his wife (she being first privily examined) acknowledged Deed of Bar & Sale to Abraham Smith with receipt indorsed, O to be recorded.

George Ruddle produced a Comsn. from his Excellency the Govr. as a Captain of Militia & made Oath which is ordered to be certified. Geo. Baxter did the same & was sworn O to be certified John Herdman was sworn as first Lieut of a Company of Militia. Thos. Gordon as second Lieut. which is ordered to be certified.

Ord that the Church wardens bind out Jonathan Wright & Mary Wright Orphans of . . . Wright decd to some proper or fit person according to Law not being about to remove out of the County.

Ordered that the Church wardens bind Moses Webb a base born Child, according to Law.

Order'd that the Church wardens bind out William Stratten to some fit person not about to remove out of the County.

George Lair acknowledged Deed of Bar & Sale to John Beck which is order'd to be recorded.

Deeds of L & Release from Gerald Erwine to Jno. Groens was produced in Court & O to Summons the witnesses.

Deeds of L & Release from Joseph Rutherford & Mary his wife to Andrew McKinley was proved by the witnesses & O to be recorded. O for Deds to examine his wife. Jo. rutherford Junr. to pay fees.

Reuben Rutherford acknowledged his Deeds of L. & Release to Joseph Rutherford O to be recorded.

Anne Huston Orphan of Archbd. Huston decd came into Court & chosed Thos. Hewit Gent as her Guardian, Abigail

Huston Orphan of Archbd Huston decd came into Court and chosed James Brewster as her Guardian.

Order'd that Samuel Smallridge a runaway Servt serve his master Jno Driver fourteen days for his runaway time.

On an Information against Anto. Gartner & Jno. Snider for swearing to join a Compy. of black Boys or Volunteers & it appearing to the Court that the said Cartner & Snider were inadvertently & innocently drawn into join some ildesigning persons against the peace of the Commonwealth it is the Opinion of the Court that they be discharged.

On an Information lodged by Jacob plumb on Oath against Nicolas Weatherholt for conspiring & consulating the Destruction of the Commonwealth it is the Opinion of the Court that the sd Weatherholt be recognized to appear at the grand Jury Court in May next himself in the Sum of two Thousand pounds with one Security in the Sum of one Thousand. Where upon the said Niclas Weatherholt & Marten Witsell severally acknowledged themselves, made Oath to his Excellency Patrick Henry Esq Governor the said Nicolas Weatherholt in the Sum of two Thousand pounds & the said Marten Witsell in the Sum of one Thousand pounds of their respective Lands & tenements Goods & Chattels to be levied to the said Governor & his Successors rendered. Yet upon this Condition that the said Nicolas Weatherholt shall appear at the grand Jury Court to be held for this County in May next & shall not depart without leave of the Court then the above recognizance to be void otherwise to remain in force.

John Fitzwater was sworn as a vestryman which is ordered to be certified.

Ordered that the Court be adjourned till morrow 8 o'clock
Daniel Smith

At a Court contd & held for Rockingham County Tuesday 23d March 1779

	present	Gawen Hamilton
Daniel Smith		
Benj Harrison		
William Herren		

Conrad vs Keisel	C O
vs Spoon	Agd by Sh return
Peartree vs Stiff	Jud for Costs
Charles Power vs Harper	Imp
vs Same	Imp
Bruster vs Hansberger	Imp
Monsey vs Lincoln	left to Arbitra.
White vs B. Smith	C O
D Smith vs Copelen	Imp

Morris vs J Smith AC
 Shanklen vs Chessum CO
 Fowland vs Humbles Atta. for appear
 Wright vs Stewart & als Agd Defs. Costs
 Lair vs Mifford Agd Sh return
 Beal vs pitner CO
 Fudge vs Bush C. O
 Lincoln vs S Monsey left to Arbitra
 Huston vs Henderson A C
 Rodgers vs Wood A C
 Morriss vs B Smith Agd by pit.
 Erwine vs Shull A C
 Price vs Runkle CO
 Commonwealth vs Jacob Rumbo CO

Attachments

Weaver vs Leggate Agd
 Ruddle vs Refer
 Ruddle vs Johnston P C
 vs Same P C
 Boswell vs Carthrae Agd Defts Costs
 McComb Admr vs Dooley J W E
 Fowler vs Campbell Atta
 Stunkard vs Mullen P C
 Keisel vs Haines J W E
 Breedings vs Fultz Contd for Bill
 Alderson vs Murray Contd
 Branders vs Burns P C
 Sellers vs Dulen
 Monsey vs Vanpelt & als Bill & Time
 Dillens vs Milsop Contd
 Boyles vs Hewit N G
 Brock vs Williams N G
 Kissle vs Williams Agd Defts Costs
 Smith vs Harnet N G
 Powers vs Harper dismd by plt
 Baker vs Miller further Oyer
 Miller vs Baker N G
 vs McNeil
 Vanpelt vs Monsey Agd

present Henry Ewing Jno Thomas & Jas Dyer

John Keslinger & Elizabeth his wife she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of Bar. & Sale to Nicolas Conrod which is order'd to be recorded

Deed of Bar & Sale from George Davis & Sarah his wife

to Tunis Vanpelt was proved by two of the witnesses & O to lye for further proof

present Reuben Harrison, Thomas Hewit
 (tobacco)

Grand Jury vs Jesse Harrison fined 500 tobo & Costs
 vs Jesse Harrison fined
 vs Reese Thomas fined
 vs John Herdman fined
 vs John Craig fined
 vs Robert Shanklen fined
 vs James Laird Junr. fined remitted paying
 Costs vs David Laird fined remitted paying
 Costs vs Jacob Perkie Against
 vs Casper Haines Against
 vs John Stiff N G
 vs James Laird fined remitted paying
 Costs vs John Vance A S
 vs John Davis A S
 vs Godfrey Hamilton dismd.
 vs Thos. Fulton dismd.
 vs Fras Evick dismd.
 vs Robt Carrol dismd.

It appearing to the Court that Rachael Cash the wife of Jno Cash a Soldier in the service of the United States from this Commonwealth is in distressed Circumstances wi two smal Children It is the Opinion of the Court that she be allowed the Sum of £30 & that a Draught be drawn on Treasurer for that Sum

Ordered that William Chestnut be Overseer of the Road from Thos Gordons to dry river that the Tithables within 3 miles of the road work thereon & Ord. that G. Hamilton & Jno rice do view the Brocks Gap road that crosses dry river & make reports

Inventory of the Estate of Robt Scott decd retd & O to be recorded

Ordered that Saml. Skidmore be Overseer of the road from hampshire (Hampshire County, now W. Va.) Line to Joseph Skidmore & that the usual Tithables work thereon
 present Geo Boswell Abraham Smith

Deed of Bargain & Sale from John Johnston Andrew Johnston & Hannah his wife to Jno Smith was proved by the witnesses as to John Johnston and acknowledged by the said Andrew in Court. O to be recorded. O for Deds. to examine his wife

Ordered that the second day of the Court in May next be Appointed to fix the Courts & that the Sheriff summons the Justices not now present to wit: Silas Hart, William McDowell, William Nalle, Michl. Coger, John Davis, Anthony reader & John Fitzwater to appear on that day

On an information against Henry Peninger for speaking disrespectful & disgraceful words of the Congress & words tending to depreciate the Continental Currency, several witnesses being examined the Court are of the Opinion that the said Henry Peninger has been guilty of throwing of such disgraceful reflections ag (ainst) the Congress & words tending to depreciate the Continental Cury (Currency) therefore they Order the said Henry to be indicted at the grand Jury Court in May next & that he be recognized to appear at the said Court himself in the Sum of £5000 & two Securities in the Sum of £2500 each and also to be of the good Behavior for a year & a Day, whereupon the said Henry Peninger with Sebastian Hover & Henry Stone his securities severally acknowledged themselves indebted to Patrick Henry Esq. the Govr. the said Henry peninger in the Sum of five Thousand pounds & the said Sebastian Hover & Henry Stone in the Sum of two thousand five hundred pounds each of their respective Lands & Tenements, Goods & Chattles to be levied & to the said patrick Henry or his Successors rendered, Yet upon this Condition, that if the sd. Henry peninger shall personally appear the first grand Jury Court to be held in May next & to be of the good Behavior for a Year & a Day then the above recognizance to be void. Thos Hick & Nicolas Sybert severally Acknowledged themselves indebted severally to Patrick Henry Esq. the Governour in the sum of five hundred pounds each of their respective Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattles to be levied & to the said Pat. Henry or his Successors rendered Yet upon this Condition that if the said Thos Hick & Nicolas Sybert personally appear at the grand Jury in May next to give Evidence on behalf of the Commonwealth against Henry Peninger then the above recognizance to be void

Philip Akert & Job Reynolds being accused of plotting & conspiring with several other Enemies of the State & some witnesses examined, the Court ordered that the said Akert & Reynolds be bound to their good Behavior for a Year & a Day themselves in the Sum of five hundred pounds & their Securities (in) the Sum of £250 each, whereupon the said Philip Akert with Henry Stone & Christian Ruleman his Securities severally acknowledged themselves indebted to Pat. Henry Esq the Govr the said Philip in the sum of five hundred pounds & the said Henry & Christian in the Sum of two hundred & fifty pounds each of their Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattels to be levied & to the said Pat. Henry & his

Successors rendered, Yet upon this Condition that the said Philip Akert shall be of the good Behavior for a Year & a Day then the above recognizance to be void.

Mc pike vs Hook a Jury to wit

Michl Wearing Jacob Woodley Alexr. Herren Josiah Harrison Saml. Skidmore Conrad Humble Jeremiah Reagen Jno Ewing William Hinton Jno Chesnut Joseph Dictum Ezekiel Harrison, who being sworn well & truly to try the Issue joined Verd for the plt & Jud

The last will & Testament of Anthony Lewis was produced into Court & proved by the Robt Denniston one of the witnesses thereto & ordered to lye for further prooff.

Job Reynolds with Henry Stone & John Sheltman his Securities severally acknowledged themselves indebted to Pat Henry Esq the Governor, the said Job in the Sum of five hundred pounds & the said Henry & John in the Sum of two hundred & fifty pounds each of their respective Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattels to be levied & to the said Patrick Henry & his successors rendered Yet upon this Condition that if the said Job Reynolds shall be of the good Behavior for a Year & a Day then the above recognizance to be void.

O that Madalen Roller a base born Child be bound out by the Church Wardens according to Law

Ordered that Benj. Harrison Joseph Dictam Danl. Smith & Jeremiah Reagen do view a road from Danl. Smiths planta to James Magills ford on the North river & report the Inconveniences & Conveniences attending the same

Robt Davis, Robt Cravens, Andrew Johnston & John Rush produced Commissions as Captains of the Militia in this County & were sworn into their Office which is ordered to be certified Joseph Dictam in as Ensign O to be certified

Ordered Christopher Our be appointed Overseer of the road from Danl Smiths to the dry fork in the room of Jeremiah Harrison &c

Danl Smith & Jane his wife she being privily examined acknowledged Deed of Barg & Sale to Marten Witsel O to be recorded

The Court proceeded to lay the ordinary rates as follows to wit:

	£.	S.	P.
Rum by the Gallon or French Brandy	10.	0.	0.
Whiskey per Ditto	4.	16.	0.
Wine pr Ditto	10.	0.	0.
Cider & Beer pr Ditto	1.	4.	0.
Rum Toddy pr Quart with loaf Sugar	1.	4.	0.
Whiskey Ditto pr Ditto	0.	12.	0.
Warm Breakfast	0.	9.	0.
Ditto Dinner with Beer	0.	12.	0.

A Bed with Clean Sheets pr night	0.	5.	0.
Oats or Corn pr Gallon	0.	6.	0
Stableage with Hay a Night	1.	10.	0
Pasturage a Night	0.	6.	0.

Ordered that the Court be adjourned to the Court in Course

Daniel Smith

At a Court held for Rockingham County Monday the 26th Day of April 1779

present

Silas Hart
Daniel Smith
Henry Ewing

Geo. Boswell
John Davis
Benj Harrison

Deed of Barg & Sale from George Friedly & Margt his wife to Conrod Snider was acknowledged by sd George & O for Ded. to examine his wife & ordered to be recorded

Deed of Barg & Sale from Jno. Armentrout & Catherine his wife was acknowledged by them to George Friedly, the sd Catherine being first privately examined & O to be recorded

Deed of Barg & Sale from John Armentrout & Catherine his wife, she being first privily examined was acknowledged by them to John Bright & O to be recorded

John Chestnut & Patience his wife, she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of Barg & Sale to William Boyd which is ord. to be recorded

Deeds of L. & Release from James Denniston to Lewis Circle was proved by the Oath of Andrew Hudlow & Andrew Shanklen & Thomas Hewit the witnesses thereto & O to be recorded together with the Comsr.

Thomas Shanklen took the Oath of a Lieut of the Militia in this County which is order'd to be certified

On the petition of Handel Vance setting for (th) that John Kyser has stopt up a passage that was necessary for the sd Vance to go out from his plantation order'd that John Hinton & George Chrisman being first sworn do view the said passage & report the Inconveniences & Benefits arising from stopping or opening the sd passage either to the sd Vance or the sd Kiser & report the same to the next Court

Ordered that the Sheriff Summons 24 free holders of this County to serve as a grand Jury at the next Court, not being Millers &c

present William Herring & Gawen Hamilton Gents

On the complaint of Henry Brewster Agt. Gabriel Jones Gent for threatening to shoot him for kicking his horse by

Virtue of Authority of Capt. Reash (Rush?) without showing his warrant on hearing the complaint & the Answer of sd Jones the Court are of Opinion that the sd Brewster acted illegally & therefore dismiss the complaint

Order'd that the Court be adjourned till tomorrow at 8 o'clock

Silas Hart

At a Court contd & held for Rockingham County Tuesday the 27th April 1779

present

Silas Hart
Abraham Smith
Benj Harrison

Daniel Smith
Henry Ewing

Ordered that John Morris Son of James Morris on the request of the sd James be bound Apprentice by the Church wardens to David Fudgh until he comes of age

Scothorn & Ux vs Hinton on the moto. of the plt. setting forth that Danl Helfray is a material witness in this Suit & that he is draughted to go out on the frontiers by which she shall lose the benefit of his Testimony O. that Ded issue to take his Deposition De bene esse

The last will & Testament of Henry Lung deceased was produced into Court & proved by philip Kite & Lewis Runkle two (of) the wits. thereto whereupon John Wise one of the Exrs. (named therein) in open Court refused to take upon him the Burden of the Execution of sd Will & the other Exr desired time till next Court

Inventory of the Estate of Danl Callahan deceased was returned & O to be recorded

Williams vs Faris A C
Johnston vs Bowyer Als, Spa

Kyser vs Vance A C
" vs Same A C
Vance vs Kyser & Ux
} these Suits by consent of parties are left to the Arbitration of John Hinton, Josiah Davidson, George Boswell & Leonard Herring whose award to be the Jud. of Court.

Smith vs Harnet N.Gwd. leave jd.

William Chesnut having recd. a propotionable part of the Estate of Danl Callahan decd for his four Children in right of their mother Catherine, Daughter of sd Callahan & late wife of sd Chesnut decd was appointed Guardian for his sd Children & entd. into Bond w(ith) Security

A report of the persons appointed to view the road from Danl Smiths to the ford of the No(rth) river by James Mc gills having returned that they have viewed & marked a road on good Ground. Ordered that the said Road be opened and that Richd Reagan be Overseer of the same from sd Danl Smiths to where the sd Road will cross the Butter Road & that all the Tithables on that End within 3 miles of the road work thereon & that Nehemiah Harrison be Overseer from the said Butter road to Col. Benja. Harrisons & that the Tithables on that End of the road within 3 miles of the same work thereon & that William Mc gill be Overseer from sd. Harrisons to the ford of the river & that the Tithables within 3 miles of the same work thereon.

Order'd that Reuben Harrison Gent devide the Tithables working on the road from the Line of Shenandoah to Geo Hentons under John philips & John Harrison the Overseers thereof

present Jn Fitzwater

On the petition of Jno. Craig setting forth that he was abroad at the Time of giving in the List of Tithables the Court are of the Opinion that the sd. reason is not valid & that the sd. Craig be fined only for concealing one Tith as the grand Jury have not particularized how many Tiths were concealed by him

Francis Stevens produced a Certificate of his Freedom from his master James Mc vey who acknowledged the same it is order'd to be certified

absent Silas Hart & Benja. Harrison Gents.

John Huston is appointed Guardian of Archbd. Huston Orphan of Archbd Huston decd. he having entd. into Bond w Geo Huston his Security.

James Brewster formerly chosen Guardian of Abigail Huston Orphan of Archbd. Huston entd into Bond with David Laird his Security.

Deed of Covenant from Gerard Erwine to John Smith Jun. was acknowledged by the sd Erwine & O to be recorded.

James Laird was appointed Guardian of Sarah Huston, Orphan of Archbd. Huston decd who with David Laird his Security entd. into Bond.

Richd. Reagen is recommended to his Excellency the Governor as first Lieutenant, Joseph Smith as second Lieut. and Saml. Twitchet as Ensign in Capt. Danl Smiths Company.

Deeds of L & Release from Andrew Ewing & Susanna his wife to John Maple & John Sharp was proved by Danl Smith & Henry Ewing two of the witnesses & O to lye for further proof & the privy Examina. of Susanah was ret'd. & O to be recorded

Richd. Reagen & Joseph Smith took the Oath of Lieutenants in the Militia in this County which is ord. to be certified
Isaac Lincoln acknowledged his Deed of Barg & Sale to philip Reimel O to be recorded

Ordered that the Court be adjourned till the Court in Course

Daniel Smith

At a Court held for Rockingham County the 24th Day of May 1779

present

Daniel Smith
Henry Ewing
Reuben Harrison
James Dyer

Abraham Smith
Gawen Hamilton
Benja. Harrison

Appraisement of the Estate of William Lemar deceased, was ret'd & O to be recorded

Appraismt. of the Estate of Christian Miller ret'd & O to be recorded

Article of Agreement between Robert Daniel & James Dever was proved by the witnesses & admitted to record

David Robinson Jnr. is appointed Constable in the room of Jno Bryan O he be Summoned &c.

Robert Harrison, Son of Zebulon is appointed Constable in the room of Jacob Woodley Jnr. O he be Sumd. &c.

Abraham Hankle is appointed Constable in the room of Jacob Ellsworth O he be Sumd. to swear in

Andrew Bird is appointed Overseer of the road in room of Jno. philips O that the usual Tithables work thereon

David Ralston is appointed Overseer of the Road in the room of Thomas Bowen O that the usual Tithes work under him

David Reader is appointed Constable in the room of Mat. Lear Junr. O he be sumd. &c.

On the motion of Conrod Gustard O that the Church wardens bind out Charity Humble Orphan of Master Humble to Conrod Custard until she comes of age

Joseph Lemon & Ann his wife she being first privily examined Acknowledged their Deed of Barg & Sale to Henry Countryman O to be recorded

Conrod Weeble & Margt. his wife she being first privily examd. acknowledged their Deed of Barg & Sale to John Hunter O to be recor'd

John Magill is appointed Guardian of Jane Huston Orphan of Archbd Huston who entd into Bond with Security

Mary Huston widow is appointed Guardian of Elizabeth

Huston Orphan of Archbld Huston who entd. into Bond w Security

Deed of Barg & Sale from Jno. Maple & Jane his wife John Sharp & Margt his wife to John Blain was proved by the wits: & the privy Examina: of their wives ret'd & O to be recorded

Agnes Shanklen wife of Richd. Being first privily examined acknowledged Deed of L & Release to Mich Wise formerly acknowledged by sd Rich & O to be recorded

Andrew Bird took the Oath of a Captain of the Militia in this County O to be certified

Commonwealth vs Peninger	Indictmts.	a true bill
vs Courtner		a true bill
vs Frasier		a true bill
		O to be Sumd.
vs Owe		a true bill

Michael Bowyer produced a License from under the hand of the Gov. & took the Oath of an Atto. which is ordered to be certified

Peter Vanemon is appointed Overseer of the road in the room of Frans Evick O that the usual Tithables work under him

Johnston vs Bowyer & Mathews p Spa

Ordered that the Court be adjourned till tomorrow at 7 o'clock

Silas Hart

(To be continued.)

NOTE: Grateful acknowledgment is made to Mr. F. Wilmer Coffman, deputy clerk, who had the copy typed for the above instalment of the early court records, and to Miss Mary L. Jansen of Madison College, who compared the copy with the original.

A CHRONOLOGY OF THE SHENANDOAH VALLEY

(For forty years or more Dr. John W. Wayland has been tabulating in chronological order items relating to persons, institutions, newspapers, books, and historical incidents belonging to Rockingham and other counties of the Shenandoah Valley. The manuscript, consisting at this date of 263 typed pages and including more than 2600 items of interest and historical value, beginning in the year 1670, has been donated to the Rockingham County Historical Society and will be published by the Society in the **Rockingham Recorder**. The first instalment follows.)

1670, August—John Lederer, coming up from Tidewater, explores in the vicinity of Front Royal.

1705—The Virginia government encourages trade with Valley Indians.

1707—Louis Michelle explores the lower Shenandoah Valley.

1716, Sept. 5—Spotswood and his party, coming over Swift Run Gap, reach the Shenandoah River, which they call the Euphrates.

1720—Spotsylvania County formed, including the Shenandoah Valley.

1722—Michael Wohlfarth goes through the Shenandoah Valley from Pennsylvania to North Carolina.

1725—John Van Meter in the valley of the South Branch of the Potomac.

1727—Adam Miller settles on the Shenandoah River in what is now Page County, at or near Massanutten, an Indian old field.

1728—William Russell and others take up land at or near the site of Front Royal.

1729—Beginnings of the Massanutten colony; Stricklers, Selzers, Longs, Rineharts, Rhodesses, Kaufmans, and Stovers locate near Adam Miller.

- 1730—Robert ("King") Carter granted 50,000 acres on the Shenandoah River and Opequon Creek, largely in what is now Clarke County.
- 1730, June 17—Jacob Stover, a native of Switzerland, obtains grants for 10,000 acres on the Shenandoah River, in what are now the counties of Page and Rockingham.
- 1730, June 17—John Van Meter assigns 10,000 acres in the forks of the Shenandoah River, including Cedar Lick and Stony Lick.
- 1730, Oct. 28—Alexander Ross and Morgan Bryan granted 100,000 acres between Opequon Creek and North Mountain for themselves and a colony of Friends (Quakers).
- 1731, June 10—William Beverley, Joseph Smith, Joseph Clapham, Thomas Watkins, and Simeon Jeffries obtain a grant for 20,000 acres between Cedar Creek and Lost River.
- 1731, June 10—John Fishback, Jacob Holtzclaw, Henry Settler, Jacob Sengaback, Peter Reid, Michael Shower, John Vandehouse, George Wolf, William Carpenter, and John Richlu, for themselves and other German Protestants, obtain a grant of 50,000 acres between the Blue Ridge and the Shenandoah River, in the present counties of Warren and Page.
- 1731, Oct. 21—Robert McKay and Joist Hite obtain a grant for 100,000 acres on the Shenandoah River.
- 1731-32—Joist Hite brings his colony from Pennsylvania into the lower Shenandoah Valley.
- 1732—John Lewis and others settle in the upper Shenandoah Valley.
- 1732, May 5—Francis Willis, John Lewis, and Francis Kirkley are granted 10,000 acres on both sides of the Shenandoah, just above the mouth of Hawksbill Creek.
- 1732, Oct. 27—William Russell is granted 20,000 acres in and about the forks of the Shenandoah, site of Riverton and Front Royal, in lieu of what he had claimed from the Van Meter grants.
- 1732, Nov. 23—Robert Brook surveys 582 acres for Abraham Hollingsworth near the site of Winchester.

- 1733, Dec. 15—Jacob Stover's grants for 10,000 acres (in two tracts of 5000 acres each) are confirmed. These tracts lay along the Shenandoah River between the sites of Luray and Port Republic.
- 1734—Hopewell Friends Meeting, 7 miles northeast of the site of Winchester, organized.
- 1734—Israel Friend, a Friend, settles near the site of Harper's Ferry.
- 1734—Orange County cut off from Spottsylvania and organized, including practically all of Virginia west of the Blue Ridge.
- 1734—Joist Hite appointed a magistrate for Orange County.
- 1734—Benjamin Allen, Riley Moore, and William White settle at or near the site of Mt. Jackson.
- 1734, Oct. 3—Benjamin Borden secures a grant for Borden's Manor in the Shenandoah Valley and at the same time is promised 100,000 acres on James River, west of the Blue Ridge, in what is now Rockbridge County.
- 1734, Oct. 21—Friends' meeting at E. Nottingham in Cecil County, Md., recognizes the meeting at Hopewell, 7 miles northeast of the site of Winchester.
- 1735, July 15—Henry Willis sells to Jacob Funk for £100 5s. 2030 acres, called Stony Lick, on Tumbling Run, north side of the north fork of Shenandoah River, at or near Fisher's Hill.
- 1735, Nov. 12—Alexander Ross, Morgan Bryan, and their associates receive patents for the lands granted them on October 28, 1730.
- 1735, Dec. 16—Jacob Stover sells to Abraham Strickler of Pennsylvania for £84 5s. 1000 acres at "Mesenettin on Gerundo" (Shenandoah).
- 1735, Dec. 16—Jacob Stover for £41 5s. sells to John Brubaker two tracts totalling 500 acres on the north side of Shenandoah River, adjoining Mathias Selser. Witnesses, John Bramham, Gideon Marr, and William Ferrell.
- 1735, Dec. 16—Jacob Stover for £41 5s. sells to Mathias Sel-

- ser three tracts totalling 500 acres on the Shenandoah River.
- 1736—Thomas Lord Fairfax first comes to Virginia and the Shenandoah Valley.
- 1736—In connection with Fairfax's claims surveys are made up the Potomac (north branch) and the Rappahannock (southern branch, the Rapidan), to the head of each.
- 1736—A ferry provided on the Shenandoah River near the sites of Front Royal and Riverton.
- 1736—Beverley Manor, in what is now Augusta County, surveyed for William Beverley.
- 1736, March 21—Jost Hite for £16 sells to Christian Niswanger 435 acres on the west side of Sherrendo (Shenandoah) River; part of 3395 acres granted to Hite, June 12, 1734.
- 1736, Aug. 12—Patent issued for Beverley Manor, 118,491 acres in what is now Augusta County.
- 1737, Feb. 16—Jacob Funk for £18 5s. sells to John Funk of Lancaster County, Pa., 180 acres on the northwest side of the north fork of Shenandoah River, near a place called Stony Lick; part of a tract of 2030 acres granted to Henry Willis, August 20, 1734.
- 1737, Feb. 24—Ludwig Stein for £200 5s. sells to Martin Coffman three tracts of land totaling 617 acres on the south side of Shenandoah River, in what is now Page County.
- 1737, autumn—Ephriam McDowell and family settle on Benjamin Borden's tract in what is now Rockbridge County.
- 1737-38—The Presbyterians organize at Opequon (site of present Kernstown).
- 1738—The Friends (Quakers) have a meeting house on Smith Creek near the present village of Tenth Legion.
- 1738—Anna Maria DuBois, Jost Hite's first wife, dies at Long Meadows, near the sites of Strasburg and Middletown.
- 1738, Feb. 23—William Russell for £21 5s. sells to John Funk 320 acres on the east side of the north fork of the Shen-

- andoah River, adjoining Christian Bowman.
- 1738, November—Act of Virginia Assembly passed providing for Frederick and Augusta, new counties west of the Blue Ridge.
- 1739—Peter Ruffner settles on Hawkesbill Creek, in what is now Page County.
- 1739—Extensive surveys made for Benjamin Borden.
- 1739, March 13—Survey of 400 acres made for John Miller on Cub Run and at a spur of Peaked Mountain.
- 1739, March 26—Patent issued to Robert McKay, Jost Hite, William Duff, and Robert Green for 7009 acres on Linville Creek. It extended from above Edom to Broadway and beyond.
- 1739, June 29—William White gets a patent for 989 acres near the site of Mt. Jackson.
- 1739, Dec. 18—Survey of 400 acres made for Thomas Harrison at the site of Harrisonburg.
- 1739, Dec. 19—Survey of 250 acres for Thomas Harrison at the site of Harrisonburg.
- 1740, Nov. 11—Survey of 400 acres for Robert Scarborough on both sides of Smith Creek, adjoining Absalom Hayworth and Daniel James—near the site of Tenth Legion.
- 1740, Nov. 12—Survey of 234 acres for John Harrison, Sr., on the drafts of Smith Creek; also 166 acres on both sides of Smith Creek.
- 1740, Nov. 13—Survey of 250 acres for Jeremiah Harrison on the Drafts of Cook's Creek, including a sinking spring.
- 1740, Nov. 14—Survey of 400 acres for Samuel Harrison on the south branch of Linville Creek.
- 1740, Nov. 15—Survey of 400 acres for Daniel Harrison on the head of "Linvell's Mill Creek."
- 1740, Nov. 18—Survey of 400 acres for Daniel Harrison on a branch of Muddy Creek, adjoining Jacob Pye.

- 1740, Nov. 19—Survey of 387 acres for Daniel Harrison on the southeast side of Muddy Creek and North River—at or near the site of Dayton.
- 1741—Adam Miller locates at or near Bear Lithia Spring, below the site of Elkton.
- 1741, March 22—Jacob Stover, Jr., with Henry Downs and Jacob Castle sureties, gives bond to administer on the estate of Jacob Stover, deceased.
- 1742—Death of Mary Marquis, wife of John Wilson; buried at Opequon Presbyterian Church, near the site of Kernstown.
- 1742—Capt. John McDowell and 7 others killed in a fight with Indians near the site of Glasgow.
- 1742—Birth of Col. Arthur Campbell in Augusta County—distinguished in Southwest Virginia.
- 1742, March 13—Adam Miller naturalized—had "Settled and Inhabited for fifteen years past on Shenandoa in this Colony."
- 1742, May—William Vestal and others take steps to build a bloomery on Shenandoah River, southeast of Berryville (site of).
- 1743—Birth in Augusta County of William Christian, later colonel, for whom Christian County, Ky., was named.
- 1743—Courts first set up at Winchester for the new county of Frederick.
- 1744—Survey by G. Home of the line between Frederick and Augusta, from the head of Hedgman River (Chester Gap) to the head of the Potomac (North Branch). The line crossed the great road (later the Valley Pike) at "Thomas's Brook."
- 1745—Birth in Augusta County of William Campbell, later general; commander of the Americans at King's Mountain, October 7, 1780.
- 1745, Aug. 6—John Kountz for £65 5s. sells to Lewis Stephens 195 acres in Frederick County, on the north side of "Sedar Run"; witnesses, Thos. Rutherford, W. Russell, John Hardin. Kountz had bought of John Branson, who

- obtained the tract in a 1000-acre grant in 1732.
- 1745, Sept. 23—Birth of John Sevier about four miles east of the site of Broadway.
- 1745, Dec. 9—Courts first held for the new county of Augusta at or near the site of Staunton.
- 1746—Death of Jacob Funk, pioneer at site of Strasburg (Stover Town, Funk's Town).
- 1746—The gap in the mountain east of New Market called Massanutten Gap; the mountain called Peaked Mountain.
- 1746—Mill Creek at Mt. Jackson called "Benjamin Allen's Mill Creek"; the river there called "Benjamin Allen's or North River."
- 1746, April 11—Peter Ruffner of "Orange County" for £40 5s. sells to Christopher Comber about 271 acres on the Hawksbill, formerly belonging to Francis Thornton; witnesses, John Newport, Richard Price, Isaac Strickler.
- 1746, May 7—Zeruiah Borden, Deborah Borden, and Mercy Fearnley presented to the court in Frederick County for unorthodox "words."
- 1746, July 16—Augusta County Court orders a road to be cleared from the court house to the clerk's office—John Madison, clerk.
- 1746, Aug. 20—Augusta County Court grants leave to Valentine Sevier to keep an ordinary at his house. (By this time Sevier had probably moved over to the great road at or near the site of Tenth Legion. He was there in 1753.)
- 1746, Aug. 20—William Lenivell for £12 5s. sells to Joseph Bryan 500 acres on Lenivell's Creek.
- 1746, Thursday, Sept. 25—Thomas Lewis, Peter Jefferson, and others begin to survey the Fairfax Line from the head of Conway River to the head of the Potomac. The line crosses one mile above New Market.
- 1746, Nov. 14—Thomas Lenivell for £100 5s. sells to Jacob Christman of Frederick County 500 acres on or near Linville Creek.

- 1747—Gov. William Gooch grants 200 acres in Augusta County (the part now Rockingham) to William Downes.
- 1747—Rev. John Gordon minister for Frederick Parish.
- 1747; July—Moravian missionaries, Schnell and Handrup, in what is now Shenandoah County.
- 1747, Oct. 7—Birth in Frederick County of Ebenezer Zane, later a distinguished frontiersman.
- 1747, Nov. 20—Henry Downs sells to Ludwick Francisco of Augusta County 470 acres on the south side of the Shenandoah River.
- 1748—An act of the Virginia Assembly passed for establishing a town in Augusta and for holding annual fairs therein; repealed by proclamation in 1752.
- 1748, Feb. 4—William Hiatt and Alice Lowden married at Hopewell Friends meeting, 7 miles northeast of Winchester.
- 1748, March or April—Gottschalk, Moravian missionary, in what is now Shenandoah County.
- 1748, March and April—Young George Washington, employed by Lord Fairfax, in the vicinity of Winchester and on the South Branch of the Potomac.
- 1748, May 11—Rev. Michael Schlatter, German Reformed minister, at the site of Strasburg.
- 1748, July 26-28—Spangenberg and Reutz, Moravians, in what is now Shenandoah County.
- 1749—Lord Fairfax opens his land office by advertisements.
- 1749—Rev. Samuel Doak, "Presbyterian Bishop," educator in Tennessee, born in Augusta County.
- 1749, Jan. 22—Augusta Stone Church at Fort Defiance, Augusta County, dedicated. This may have been the second building.
- 1749, Feb. 28—Samuel Wilkins for £80 5s. sells to Alexander Herrin 305 acres on Cook's Creek (now in Rockingham County), adjoining Daniel Harrison; witnesses, Daniel Harrison, William Lusk, Silas Hart.

- 1749, Aug. 27—James Madison, later bishop and president of the College of William and Mary, born in Augusta County.
- 1749, Sept. 5—190 acres on Smith Creek, adjoining lands of Benjamin Borden, Thomas and Robert Millsaps, granted to Andrew Byrd.
- 1749, Nov. 27—Christopher Franciscus, Jr., for £28 5s., Pa. money, sells to Jacob and Valentine Pence 210 acres on Cub Run (now in Rockingham County), adjoining Nicholas Null; witnesses, Nicholas Null, Ch. Franciscus Sr., Stofel Francisco.
- 1749, Sunday, Dec. 3—Leonard Schnell, a Moravian missionary, meets Adam Miller.
- 1750—The levy by Augusta County Court provides payment for 256 wolf heads.
- 1750—Squire Boone and family on the way from Pennsylvania to North Carolina sojourn on Linville Creek.
- 1750, June 6—Lot No. 7 (815 acres) of the George Carter tract, on Opequon Creek, sold to Zebulon Hollingsworth.
- 1750, Aug. 2—Dr. John Henry Neff granted 470 acres at the place later and now known as Rude's Hill, Shenandoah County.
- 1750, Friday, Dec. 21—Destructive rain, sleet, and snow storm in Augusta County.
- 1751—Gabriel Jones, "The Lawyer," buys land on the Shenandoah River, in what is now southeast Rockingham County, near or adjoining that of his brother-in-law, Thomas Lewis.
- 1751, Aug. 28—Thomas Lewis buys of Christopher Francisco 470 acres on the south side of Shenandoah River, part of 800 acres granted to Jacob Stover in 1738.
- 1751, Oct. 6—Died Winifred, a wife for 26 years of Major Marquis Calmes; grave at Old Chapel, Clarke County.
- 1752, February—Winchester established by law, with provision for annual fairs.

- 1752, April 2—Jacob Miller gets a grant for 400 acres from Fairfax at or near the site of Woodstock.
- 1753—Col. John Hite, son of Jost, builds his fine stone house at Springdale, on the Opequon, 1½ miles northeast of Stephens City.
- 1753—Shenandoah Falls (now Harpers Ferry) suffers heavily from the "Pumpkin Flood."
- 1753, May 11—Valentine and Joannah Sevier (parents of Gen. John Sevier) sell land to Andrew Byrd on or near Smith Creek, in the vicinity of present Tenth Legion.
- 1753, October—Moravian single brethren trek through the Valley from Pennsylvania to North Carolina, with horses and a wagon.
- 1753-54—Hampshire County formed from Frederick and the line between Frederick and Augusta moved up to the Fairfax Line, 1 mile southwest of present New Market.
- 1754, April—Lt. Col. George Washington, with a small force, marches across the lower Valley westward to aid Captain Trent in building forts and defending against the French in the Ohio Valley.
- 1754, May 4—Died Philip Long, pioneer, in what is now Page County. He had been born in Germany in 1678.
- 1755, June—Parts of Braddock's army cross the lower Valley going westward towards Fort Duquesne. The part of Braddock's Road from Clearbrook westward past Hopewell and across Applepie Ridge called Sir John's Road, after the builder, Sir John St. Clair.
- 1755, July—Col. James Patton of Augusta County killed by Indians at the site of Blacksburg.
- 1756—Washington builds Fort Loudoun at Winchester.
- 1756, Feb. 25—Birth in Winchester of Joseph McDowell, soldier and member of Congress from North Carolina. He grew up in Quaker Meadows, N. C., and was known as "Quaker Meadows Joe."
- 1756, June 2—Rev. John Alderson, Sr., certifies at Winchester court that he attended public worship at the meeting house on the North River of Shenandoah and the meet-

ing house on Linville Creek.

- 1756, Aug. 6—The Baptists organize at their meeting house on Linville Creek, with John Alderson, Sr., pastor. A Baptist church was organized on Smith Creek, at or near the site of New Market, about the same time.
- 1756, Oct. 20—Dr. John Henry Neff granted 404 acres adjoining his 470 acres of 1750 at Rude's Hill.
- 1756, Nov. 17—Augusta County Court provides in its levy to pay for 120 wolf heads.
- 1757, Wednesday, Sept. 28—Indian invasion of Linville Creek and other sections of the Shenandoah Valley. Indian alarms continued till the following January.
- 1758—Isaac Hollingsworth and others lay out additions to Winchester.
- 1758—Indians and French capture Fort Painter in what is now Shenandoah County, kill several and carry off nearly 50 captives.
- 1758, April 28—Massacre by the Indians at Fort Seybert, a short distance northwest of the Valley. Indian incursions into the Valley resumed.
- 1758, June 11—Ann Jones (who later married John Brock) born in Holman's Fort, near the site of Quicksburg.
- 1758, September—Stephensburg, now Stephens City, established by law.
- 1759—Stone meeting house built by the Friends at Hopewell, 7 miles northeast of Winchester.
- 1760—Records of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Strasburg, begin.
- 1760—The "White House," on the Shenandoah River, in what is now Page County, erected.
- 1760, April—James Waddell licensed to preach by Hanover Presbytery at Augusta Stone Church. He was later famous as the "Blind Preacher."
- 1760, Dec. 2—John Breckinridge, later U. S. Senator from Kentucky, born in Augusta County.

- 1761, March—Woodstock established by law; trustees, Cornelius Riddel, John Skean, Burr Harrison, Matthew Harrison, Joseph Langdon, Moses Striker, Adam Yeaker, Jacob Miller, Peter Hainger.
- 1761, November—Staunton established by law.
- 1761, November—Strasburg established by law.
- 1762—John Lewis, Augusta pioneer, dies at his home 2 miles east of Staunton.
- 1762—Jan. 20—Frederick Conrod, tanner, of Frederick County, for £8 paid to Patrick Hagan, farmer, receives as tanner apprentice Marmaduke Hagan, aged 11 years and 7 months, till he shall be 21; also for £8 Conrod and wife get Hagan's daughter Hannah, aged nearly 13, till she shall be 18.
- 1762, April 26—Jacob Miller, proprietor of Woodstock, and his wife, Barbara make deeds for 44 lots and outlots in Woodstock.
- 1762, November—Mecklenburg (now Shepherdstown) established by law.
- 1762, Nov. 2—John Adlum and Michael Geiselman appraise the "Goods and Chattles Rights and Credits" of Nicholas Beery, on Linville Creek, totaling 1300 or 1400 pounds.
- 1762, Nov. 3—Christly Bumgardner buys a lot in Strasburg.
- 1762-63—An Episcopal parish church, a brick building, erected in Staunton. This was early for brick structures in the Valley.
- 1763—Harper's Ferry made a town by law.
- 1763—George Madison, brother to the bishop, born in Augusta. In 1816 he was elected governor of Kentucky.
- 1764—St. Michael's Church (Lutheran and German Reformed), 3 miles southwest of Bridgewater, organized.
- 1764 or 1766—John Dellinger and George Miller killed by Indians and a white man near Strasburg.
- 1764 or 1766—The Rhodes family killed by Indians at their

- home in what is now Page County, the place since called Bloody Ford.
- 1765—The first Lutheran church at or near Shepherdstown organized.
- 1765—John Sevier acquires land at the site of New Market.
- 1765, May 20—Land for Rader's Church (near the site of Timberville) deeded to Peter Scholl for the German Reformed and Michael Neese for Lutherans.
- 1765, Aug. 2—Birth in Augusta County of Gen. Francis Preston.
- 1765-69—Robert Worthington, Jr., and others build Berkeley Church, later known as St. George Chapel, near the site of Charles Town.
- 1766—Death of Jacob Miller, founder of Woodstock.
- 1767—Isaac Zane, Jr., acquires an interest in the iron works on Cedar Creek in Frederick County.
- 1767, July 10—William Christall gets a grant of 320 acres on Jennings's Creek, or the waters thereof, in Augusta County.
- 1768—James Ireland, later a distinguished Baptist preacher, teaches school near Cross Roads, now New Market.
- 1768—Henry Miller secures grants of land on or near Mossy Creek in Augusta County. Shortly thereafter he established iron works on Mossy Creek.
- 1768, April 17—Rev. Charles Lange, Reformed minister, at Rader's Church, near the site of Timberville.
- 1768, June 22—The McKays sell 600 acres of land on Linville Creek to John Lincoln, later known as "Virginia John."
- 1769—Beckford Parish (later Dunmore, now Shenandoah, County) formed.
- 1769—Lutherans and German Reformed at Peaked Mountain (at or near the site of McGaheysville) agree to build a union church.

- 1769—First building (log) of St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Strasburg.
- 1769—John Grattan has a store on North River, Augusta County, 1 mile south of the site of Mt. Crawford.
- 1769, Jan. 30—Samuel Brown, later a professor in Transylvania University, Ky., born in Augusta County.
- 1769, April 3—Henry Kagey buys of Samuel and Catherine Lusk for £350 5s. 404 acres on Smith Creek, adjoining Samuel Newman. This tract lies about 2 miles northeast of New Market.
- 1769, April 12—Rev. Thomas Jackson preaches his trial sermon at Mossy Creek Presbyterian Church—the first mention of this church in the records.
- 1769, April 19—Augusta County Court acts favorably upon a petition to lay taxes for keeping Rockfish Gap Road and Swift Run Gap Road in order.
- 1770—John Sevier moves to Woodstock.
- 1770, May 3—Rev. Thomas Jackson installed as pastor of Cook's Creek Presbyterian Church.
- 1771—Buck Marsh Baptist Church, near the site of Berryville, constituted.
- 1771, Aug. 20—John Coalter, later a distinguished jurist, born in Augusta County, near New Providence Church.
- 1771, Nov. 11—Ephraim McDowell, later a famous surgeon in Kentucky, born at the Red House Estate in Augusta (part now Rockbridge) County.
- 1771, Dec. 23—Lord Fairfax grants land to Baker and others for a church at or near Strasburg.
- 1772—Berkeley County organized—formed from Frederick.
- 1772—Jonathan Clark, older brother of George Rogers Clark, locates at Woodstock.
- 1772—Gen. Horatio Gates settles in Berkeley County, the part now Jefferson.

- 1772—Abraham Wright sells to Daniel Smith land at or near the head of the Dry Fork of Smith Creek, west of the Irish Road.
- 1772—Samuel Dale, later general and the "Daniel Boone of Alabama," born in Augusta, the part now Rockbridge.
- 1772—Mill Creek Baptist Church constituted, in what is now Page County.
- 1772, March 24—Dunmore (now Shenandoah) County created from Frederick by act of Assembly of Virginia.
- 1772, April 17—Archibald Alexander, later president of Hampden-Sydney College and professor in Princeton Theological Seminary, born in Augusta County.
- 1772, April 18—Taverner Beale commissioned the first sheriff of Dunmore (now Shenandoah) County.
- 1772, April 23—Abraham Brewbaker sells 391 acres in Meem's Bottom (as now known) to Taverner Beale.
- 1772, April 25—Rev. Peter Muhlenberg, Lutheran minister, ordained as an Episcopal clergyman by the Bishop of London, in London.
- 1772, May 15—The act of Assembly creating Dunmore County becomes effective.
- 1772, May 19—Berkeley County organized at the house of Friend Edward Beeson, a short distance northeast of the site of Martinsburg.
- 1772, Summer or autumn—Muhlenberg locates in Woodstock as an Anglican clergyman.
- 1772, Dec. 30—John Allen, later Kentucky pioneer and killed in 1814 in the battle of the River Raisin, born in Augusta County, the part now Rockbridge.
- 1773—John Sevier moves from Woodstock to East Tennessee.
- 1773—Col. John Willson, who had served 27 years in the Virginia House of Burgesses, buried in the Glebe Graveyard, western part of Augusta County.
- 1773, Aug. 15—Valentine and Joanna Sevier sell land in Long

- Meadows (now in Rockingham) to Michael and David Holsinger.
- 1773, Nov. 18—The vestry of Augusta County decide to build a chapel in the neighborhood of Cook's Creek. This was probably the one that stood just north of Dayton, site now in the old part of the graveyard.
- 1774—The first jail for Shenandoah County built in Woodstock.
- 1774, April 20—Abraham Brewbaker deeds 2 lots in Woodstock to the court for county buildings.
- 1774, April 20—Abraham Brewbaker deeds two lots in Woodstock to the vestry of Beckford Parish.
- 1774, April 21—Died Rev. John Craig, pastor at Tinkling Spring and Augusta Stone Church; organizer and author.
- 1774, May 5—Philip Huver for £74 buys of Ebenezer Parkins 52½ acres near Kernstown, lying on both sides of "the great Waggon Road that Leaves Winchester to Stephensburgh."
- 1774, June 16—Muhlenberg presides over a revolutionary meeting in Woodstock.
- 1774, Oct. 10—Valley men in the battle of Point Pleasant.
- 1774, Thursday, Nov. 24—Nicholas Cresswell in Alexandria sees much wheat and flour brought down from the "back Country" (Shenandoah Valley?) in wagons.
- 1774, Monday, Dec. 5—Nicholas Cresswell crosses the Blue Ridge and the Shenandoah River at Key's Gap and Ferry; gets to Whittington's Mill.
- 1774, Dec. 6—Nicholas Cresswell at Hopewell, "a fine plantation belonging to Mr. Jacob Hite."
- 1774, Dec. 7—Nicholas Cresswell in Winchester,—"one of the largest towns I have seen in the Colony. . . Regularly laid out in squares, the buildings are of limestone."
- 1775—Gen. Charles Lee locates in Berkeley County, the part now Jefferson.

- 1775, Jan. 10—The freeholders of Dunmore (Shenandoah) County elect a committee of safety.
- 1775, Feb. 22—A patriotic meeting in Staunton—a letter to Continental Congress.
- 1775, March—Jonathan Clark and Peter Muhlenberg delegates from Dunmore County to the Virginia Revolutionary convention in Richmond.
- 1775, May 29—Muster roll of Capt. Jacob Holeman's militia company in Dunmore (Shenandoah) County.
- 1775, July 5—William Clarke, a Tory, signs a recantation and promises to leave Woodstock within 10 minutes and the county "before tomorrow night."
- 1775, July-August—Jonathan Clark a delegate from Dunmore County to the Virginia Revolutionary convention in Richmond.
- 1775, Summer—Hugh Stephenson and Daniel Morgan lead companies of riflemen from the lower Valley to Boston.
- 1775, Sept. 26—Muhlenberg made an arbitrator between Isaac Hite and John Tipton.
- 1775, October—Rev. John Alderson, Jr., ordained minister of Linville Creek Baptist Church by Rev. John Marks.
- 1775, December—Philip V. Fithian writes of the Pastures region of Augusta County, where he was then sojourning.
- 1775 (Dec.—1776 (Jan.)—Jonathan Clark and Peter Muhlenberg delegates from Dunmore County to the Virginia Revolutionary convention in Williamsburg—perhaps the convention met part of the time in Richmond and part of the time in Williamsburg.
- 1775 or 1776—John Garber settles at Flat Rock in Dunmore (now Shenandoah) County.
- 1776—Philip V. Fithian meets Isaac Zane at Stephensburg.
- 1776, Jan. 10—Alexander Machir commissioned captain of militia in Dunmore County.
- 1776, Friday, Jan. 12—Muhlenberg appointed colonel of the 8th Virginia regiment; Thomas Marshall Sr. major of the same.

- 1776, January—Muhlenberg preaches his famous farewell sermon at Woodstock and calls to arms.
- 1776, March 13—Leonard Cooper receives £457 for Muhlenberg's Dunmore County troops.
- 1776, March 13—Abraham Lincoln of Linville Creek one of 29 militia captains present at a court martial at Augusta Court House. He was present at 6 later courts martial at the same place.
- 1776, May 28—Shenandoah County Court arraigns Jackson Allen for freeing his slaves.
- 1776, May-July—Jonathan Clark and John Tipton delegates from Dunmore County to the Virginia Revolutionary convention in Williamsburg.
- 1776, Aug. 27—Thomas Marshall, late clerk of Dunmore County Court, announced as colonel of the 3d Virginia regiment.
- 1776, Aug. 27—John Clark, a younger brother of George Rogers Clark, made deputy clerk of Thomas Marshall for Dunmore County.
- 1776, Thursday, Dec. 19—Nicholas Cresswell and Mr. Nourse attend (in now Jefferson County) a sale of horses that belonged to Jacob Hite, "killed by the Cherokee Indians last summer."
- 1777—In or about this year Col. Gerard Briscoe moved from Montgomery County, Md., to a place about 3 miles from Winchester. In 1791 his daughter, Eleanor, married Archibald Stuart of Staunton.
- 1777—Birth in Augusta of Robert Allen, later a colonel in the War of 1812 and a member of Congress from Tennessee, 1819-1827.
- 1777—The name of Dunmore County changed to Shanando.
- 1777—Muhlenberg made a brigadier-general. Abram Bowman of Dunmore County succeeds Muhlenberg as colonel of the 8th Virginia regiment.
- 1777, March 27—Isaac Hite, Jr., elected to Phi Beta Kappa at Williamsburg.

- 1777, June—St. Peter's Lutheran Church, in what is now East Rockingham, dedicated.
- 1777, October—Act of Virginia Assembly passed providing for the formation of Rockingham County from Augusta.
- 1777, Oct. 5—Died Martin Funk, aged 54; grave in Mt. Hebron Cemetery, Winchester.
- 1778—Rockbridge County formed from Augusta and Botetourt.
- 1778—The first jail (of squared logs) for Rockingham County built at or near Smithland, the home of Daniel Smith, 2 miles northeast of the site of Harrisonburg.
- 1778, Jan. 8—Isaac Smith, son of Joseph and Rachel of Frederick County, and Mary Allen, daughter of Jackson and Betty of Shenandoah, married at Smith Creek Friends' meeting, near the site of Mt. Jackson.
- 1778, Feb. 1—The act renaming Dunmore County Shanando becomes effective.
- 1778, April 27, 28—Rockingham County organized at Smithland, where the first courts were held.
- 1778, April 30—Abram Bird, Jr., sworn in as a captain of militia in Shenandoah County.
- 1778, May 7—William Nalle sworn in as a major in Rockingham.
- 1778, May 19—Sampson Matthews sworn in as a lieutenant-colonel in Augusta.
- 1778, May 28—William Jennings sworn in as a captain in Shenandoah.
- 1778, June 16—George Moffet sworn in as a colonel in Augusta.
- 1778, July 30—Capt. Joseph Bowman, native of Shenandoah County, writes letters from Kaskaskia, Ill.
- 1778, Aug. 30—Michael Reader commissioned as a captain in Shenandoah County.

- 1778, October—Act of Assembly gives legal status to Martinsburg on 130 acres of Gen. Adam Stephen.
- 1778-79—Conquest of the Northwest (Illinois Country) by George Rogers Clark, Joseph Bowman, and other Virginians.
- 1779, March 22—George Baxter sworn in as a captain in Rockingham.
- 1779, April 20—Richard Madison, clerk of Augusta County Court, in service as a lieutenant of militia.
- 1779, April 29—Benjamin Fry sworn in as a captain in Shenandoah County.
- 1779, Aug. 5—Moses Collier allowed 50 acres of land by Rockbridge County Court for service in the French and Indian War.
- 1779, Aug. 5—Thomas Harrison and wife sell 2½ acres of land around the Big Spring for Rockingham County buildings.
- 1779, Aug. 19—Major Joseph Bowman, native of Shenandoah County, dies at Vincennes (now Indiana).
- 1779, Sept. 1—Reuben Allen, Sr., makes his will in Shenandoah County.
- 1779, Sept. 7—In Frederick County Francis Austin is given title to 200 acres of land for service in the French and Indian War.
- 1779, Sept. 7—John Nisewanger sworn in as a major in Frederick.
- 1779, October—Winchester is incorporated.
- 1779, Oct. 5—Josiah East, in Augusta County Court, is certified for 50 acres of land for his service as a soldier "in the old Virginia Regiment under Colo. Washington," in the French and Indian War.
- 1779, Oct. 19—In Augusta John Atkins is allowed 50 acres for service in the French and Indian War.
- 1779, Nov. 2—In Rockbridge William Alexander is allowed 200 acres for service in the French and Indian War.

- 1779, Nov. 17—Walter Cunningham by Augusta Court is certified for 3000 acres for service as lieutenant and captain in the French and Indian War.
- 1779, Nov. 18—Augusta Court allows John McClanachan 2000 acres for the service of his father, John McClanachan, deceased, as a lieutenant in Capt. Charles Lewis's company in Boquet's expedition against the Indians in 1764.
- 1779, Nov. 22—Rockingham County Court moved from Smithland, the home of Daniel Smith, to the plantation of Thomas Harrison, site of Harrisonburg.

(To be continued.)