

THE ELIJAH GORMAN FAMILY

1774–1993

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Dedicated to my Father, aged 94 years at death,

ALVY RAY SMITH

And to my Mother, aged 93 years at death,

EDITH HORTENSE (SANDERS) SMITH

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Preface

This work was formerly included in my Jesse Richard Smith book, then titled *Jesse Richard Smith and Associated Families*. It contained the genealogies of three related families—those of Jesse Richard Smith, Elijah Gorman, and John Malone Harrison. I formally severed that book into three books, one for each family, on 30 Jan. 2013. See Figure 1 for the relationship of the three families. The three related books are now:

A Texian-New Mexican Smith Family, c1770–2018: Brothers William Berry Smith and James M. Smith, who fought at San Jacinto, and their families: And their brother Joel N. Smith, who founded the Cocke County, Tennessee branch.

The John Malone Harrison Family, c1785–2009.

The Elijah Gorman Family, 1774–1993.

These books are always available online for free download at <alvyray.com/Smith/>. I do not allow printing because the books are never done and I wish to remain free to change them. This is particularly true of the Smith book. I can be reached at alvyray@gmail.com for changes to the books. I welcome receipt of any evidence or proofs of these families that I have not yet discovered.

On 23 July 2026 I received a surprising email from Jerry Large, whom I had known as a newspaper reporter in Seattle when I lived there in the 1980s and 1990s. He and I were both named Jerry (nicknamed in my case), we both had lived in Clovis, N.M., and we both attended NMSU in Las Cruces, N.M. We also both admired Norvill Howell, band director of Clovis High for many years. One major difference is that he is Black and I am White. Hence the surprise of the email in which he and his wife Carey informed me that they had chased his ancestry back to Elijah Gorman (see appendix D for a summary of their work)! I had ceased working on this book 2018, but Jerry's surprising story suggested that I revisit it to support their claim. This is the result of the 2026 revisit to the Gorman book.

Note added after an extended visit with Jerry and Carey on Bainbridge Island, WA (off Seattle) on 18 Aug. 2026: The three of us spent many ours going over the details of two different AI approaches to Jerry Large's ancestry. I discovered that their first AI analysis had made a connection with (possibly) my Gorman family in Leon Co., Tex. But I could find no record of my Gorman's in Leon Co. Jerry and Carey's second (and different) AI analysis also could not find a connection there. We (and I include the AI programs here) did discover another slaveholding Gorman family in Texas at about the right time and located near Leon Co. This was the Churchwell Gorman family from Georgia (as compared to my Elijah Gorman family from Mississippi).

Although there might still be an undiscovered connection between my Gorman family and Jerry Large, none has been established as of this date (17 Sep. 2026). So I am going to post this version of my Gorman book, updated as it has been while searching for records that might connect to Jerry Large. It includes Jerry and Carey's findings as of about the same time which appear in an appendix, with their approval. Perhaps this might help other researchers.

FIRST GENERATION

1. **ELIJAH¹ GORMAN** was born about 1774, Greenville District, Greenville Co., S.C., and died 23 Aug. 1841 (obit.), Cooksville, Noxubee Co., Miss., age about 67. He signed his will (appendix A1) 5 Dec. 1840, and it was proved 2 Jan. 1849, Noxubee Co., Miss. Elijah married about 1795 **MARY** —, who was born about 1777, South Carolina, and died Apr. 1852 (appendix AX), Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss.

N.B., Noxubee Co., founded 1834, is just over the state line from Pickens Co., Ala., Jesse Richard Smith's birthplace,^[1] and Cooksville, is very near the state line in the southeast part of the county. See also Figure 1.

Placeholder: *The Register Book of Baptisms Belonging to St Peter's Church in the City of Philadelphia, 1762–1829* contains the following entry: On 25 July 1774, three children of William and Rebecca Gorman were baptized: Mary, born 20 Nov. 1770; William, born 20 Feb. 1772; and Elijah, born 12 Sept. 1773.^[2] [This is an unlikely match but the name and date for Elijah stand out.]

Elijah's obituary in the *Macon Herald*:

Died.— At his residence in Cooksville, on the 23d inst., aged about 67 years, Elijah Gorman, who was born in Greenville District, S.C.; for more than twenty years a resident of Alabama—and for several years known as one of the most useful and enterprising citizens of Cooksville.^[3]

Greenville Co., S.C. Era

Elijah Gorman is documented here to have been in Greenville Co., S.C., from birth until 1804 at least.

Elijah Gorman was a witness on a deed dated 2 Mar. 1799, Greenville Co., S.C., from John Tubbs to Joseph Duncan, for 161 acres on both sides of the Enoree River.^[4]

1. See the companion book to this one, Alvy Ray Smith, *The Alexander Smith Family of Buncombe County, North Carolina, c1770–2025*. Jesse Richard Smith was my direct gggfather.

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3. Obit., *Macon Herald*, Macon, Miss., Sat., 28 Aug. 1841, p. 3, <newspapers.com> (♫).

4. *The Register Book of Baptisms Belonging to St Peter's Church in the City of Philadelphia, 1762–1829*,

On 3 Feb. 1799, Elijah Gorman, of Greenville Co., S.C., sold to John Sammon, of the same place, for \$80, a tract of 29 acres “on the waters of Ready [Reedy] river near the west End of Parisses [Paris] Mountain.” Witnesses John Tubbs, Robert Duncan, Enoch Benson. Proved on 27 May 1799.^[5]

Elijah Gorman is listed on a membership roll for the Head of Enoree (Baptist) Church, Greenville, S.C., 1799–1804.^[6]

On 14 Mar. 1800, Elijah Gorman witnessed the sale, by John Tubb of Greenville Dist., S.C., to Benjamin Benson of the same place, for \$300, of a tract of 150 acres in the same place. Other witness was Steven C. Wood. Proved 6 Oct. 1801.^[7]

On 15 Nov. 1800 Elijah Gorman of Greenville Co. purchased for £20 [sic] a tract of 200 acres in that county from James Nicoll “on the north side of the Nabon milk Creek.” It was acknowledged 1 Aug. 1801.^[8] **This deed was recorded 14 Oct. 1806, but was probably not the same land record as that for Elijah Gorman recorded in the period 1804–1819, since the two records appear on different pages of Deed Book G.**^[9]

The State of South Carolina granted 142 acres to Elijah Gorman, surveyed 21 May 1804 and certified 1 Dec. 1804 (Figure 2). This land was located in the District of Greenville “on the head branches of the meadow

baptisms, 1774, image 24070 of 28027 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), “[baptized] [1774] [July] 25 [child] Mary daur of William & Rebecca Gorman [born] Nov 20, 1770 | [ditto] William son of same Feb 20, 1772 | [ditto] Elijah son of same Sep 12, 1773.” Image 24030 is title page.

5. Greenville Co., S.C., Deeds, 1798–1800, E:222–223, image 419 (↗), FHL 24015, IGN 7856793.

6. “Head of Enoree Church, Greenville, S.C., Membership Roll 1799–1804” (↗), cites Townsend, “South Carolina Baptists 1670–1805,” p. 216. On the same roll are John and James Tubb, and John, Mary, and Mary Harrison.

7. Greenville Co., S.C., Deeds, 1798–1800, E:296–297, image 699 (↗), FHL 24014, IGN 7856793.

8. Greenville Co., S.C., Deeds, 1803–1807, G:423–424, image 226 (↗), FHL 24015, IGN 7856794, **photocopies of the handwritten deed and its transcription contributed by Sue Gorman.**

9. Email from Norma Gorman Wright, 14 June 2002, cites Alma Spires Smith and Jean Smith Owens, *South Carolina Patent Land Survey (Index of Land Acquisitions), 1770–1820*, “Parts of the old Ninety-Six District:” “Book G, 1804–1819 Elijah Gorman, p 170.” There is also an **unsourced** paragraph about Elijah Gorman, contributed by Sue Gorman, that claims he bought property from a George Gorman in Jan. 1817 in Warren Co., Tenn., with his son-in-law Ransom T. Payne. The same document mentions Elijah’s selling property in Warren Co. on 19 Feb. 1820, apparently the last record for him in Tennessee.

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fork of Mush creek waters of South Tyger River,” adjacent to another parcel already owned by Elijah.^[10] N.B. The location of the tract appears to be located near the current town of Tigerville, Greenville Co., S.C.

On 30 Oct. 1815, William Gorman, of the Pendleton Dist., S.C., sold to William Schalf, of the Greenville Dist., S.C., for \$45, 20 acres in the Greenville Dist. “on a branch of Mush creek waters of Tyger River.” The land description mentions Nichols Mill and James Nichols line. It was acknowledged 4 Nov. 1815. Witnesses David Barrett and William Aikens.^[11] Directly following this deed is the following one:

On 16 June 1807, John Patterson, of the Greenville Dist., S.C., sold to George Gorman, of the Greenville Dist., S.C., for \$45, 25 acres in the Greenville Dist. “on a branch of Mush creek waters of Tyger River.” The land description is essentially the same as that of the deed just above. Witnesses John Crawford and Thomas Arrasmith. On 22 Mar. 1808, George Gorman endorsed his right title to this died to William Gorman “Senior.” All of the above was acknowledged 4 Nov. 1815.^[12]

These three paragraphs just above suggest a family relationship between Elijah, George, and William Gorman (William Gorman and William Gorman Senior might be two persons).^[13]

Warren Co., Tenn. Era

Starting with the next deed, Elijah is found in Warren Co., Tenn., from 1812 to at least 1819.

10. Greenville Co., Ala., Land Grants and Surveys, 1804–1819, G:15, image 509 of 590 (↗), FHL 292482, IGN 7894543. See also South Carolina, Land Grants, Class 2, 1804–1805, 51:232, image 372 of 801, FHL 22563, IGN 8616152 (↗), grant to Elijah Gorman, 142 acres, Greenville Dist. “on the head branches of the Meadow fork of Mush Creek Waters of So Tygar,” surveyed 21 May 1804, issued 3 Dec. 1804.

11. Greenville Co., Ala., Deeds, 1810–1817, I:525–526, image 282 of 679 (↗), FHL 24016, IGN 7856795.

12. Greenville Co., Ala., Deeds, 1810–1817, I:526–527, image 283 of 679 (↗), FHL 24016, IGN 7856795.

13. Letter from professional genealogist Brent Howard Holcomb, Columbia, South Carolina, 30 July 1998, to Sue Gorman, cites Greenville Co. Deed Book I pp. 525–527, South Carolina State Grants vol. 51 p. 232, and State Plats vol. 40(2), p. 330.

On 5 Oct. 1812, Elijah Gorman entered 30 acres of land in Warren Co. on the south side of Pine River, mentions corner of James Tubbs's 100-acre survey.^[14]

A deed record of 24 May 1814 in Warren Co., Tennessee, records Elijah Gorman of Warren Co., buying 100 acres from James Tubbs for "a valuable consideration," witnesses George and Ransome Pane.^[15]

On 26 Mar. 1816, Jesse Allen and Elijah Gorman entered

One acre in Warren Co., Tenn., on the waters of the Comey fork

Two acres in Warren Co. on the waters of the Comey fork

Two acres in Warren Co. between Pine and Sink Creeks

One acre in Warren Co. between Pine and Sink Creeks

One acre in Warren Co. between Pine and Sink Creeks

Two acres in Warren Co. between Pine and Sink Creeks

Two acres in Warren Co. on the south side waters of Sink Creek.^[16]

On 10 Feb. 1818, Elijah Gorman entered 70 acres of land in Warren Co. on the waters of Pine Creek.^[17]

On 2 Apr. 1819 Jesse Allen and Elijah Gorman sold, for \$8,000, two tracts of 10 and 30 acres in Warren Co. on Pine Creek to Thomas Durham, Junior. There was a forge on one of the tracts which perhaps explains the high price.^[18] Then on 3 Apr. 1819 Elijah Gorman sold a tract of 30 acres on Pine Creek to Thomas Durham for \$30, all parties and land in Warren Co.^[19]

14. *Tennessee, U.S., Early Land Registers, 1778-1927*, 479, image 310 of 337 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), warrant no. 9146, signed by Elijah Gorman, with note "Made void 11th Decem^r 1813."

15. Email from Norma Gorman Wright, 14 June 2002, cites Warren Co., Tenn., Deed Book B, p. 199, and gives Sue (McLeod) Gorman, of Shawnee, Oklahoma, as contributor; a photocopy of the deed record, supplied by Sue Gorman, acknowledged 3 Sept. 1814 and recorded 6 Feb. 1816.

16. *Tennessee, U.S., Early Land Registers, 1778-1927*, 342-343, images 208-209 of 657 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), warrant nos. 16771-16777. For example, "N^o 16771 Jesse Allen & Elijah Gorman assee originally of the heirs of Benjn Sheppard by virtue of Certificate No 879 issued by the Commissioner of West tennessee for 640 acres Entered One acre of Land in Warren County on the waters of the Comey fork Beginning on a post oak mark'd X at the head of Copperas C[?] branch runing North & West to Include an Iron oar bank 26 March 1816 Elijah Gorman."

17. *Tennessee, U.S., Early Land Registers, 1778-1927*, 165, image 409 of 657 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), warrant no. 19583, signed by Brenton Sewell, with note surveyed 12 June 1818.

18. Warren Co., Tenn., Wills [Deeds?], B:501-503, transcription provided by Sue Gorman.

19. Warren Co., Tenn., Deeds, B:498, transcription provided by Sue Gorman.

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There are five other listings of deeds with Elijah Gorman as grantor in an 1814–1886 register of deeds in Warren Co.^[20] Elijah Gorman was a witness to a deed in Warren Co. on 6 May 1824, and a deed dated 31 Oct. 1823 mentions land “on the south side of Pine Creek below Elijah Gorman, Junior.” The “Junior” is a puzzle since no Elijah, Jr. is mentioned in Elijah’s will.^[21] Is the Elijah of Warren Co. in 1823 and 1824 the same as the Elijah in Alabama in the 1820s as recorded in the next section?

Alabama Era

From 1821 to 1837, records place Elijah Gorman in various counties in Alabama.

On 20 Jan. 1821, Elijah Gorman “of Perry” paid \$319.10 for NW¼ S5 T17 R8, 159.55 acres, in Cahaba Co., Ala., at \$2 per acre. On 21 Mar. 1822, \$109.69 of this amount was transferred to SE¼ S15 T19 R6.^[22]

Also on 20 Jan. 1821, Elijah Gorman “of Perry” paid \$319.35 for NE¼ S6 T17 R8, 159.675 acres, in Cahaba Co., Ala., at \$2 per acre. On 25 Mar. 1825, \$109.775 of this amount was transferred to SE¼ S15 T19 R6.^[23]

Elijah Gorman “of Conecuh County [Ala.]” purchased 3 Jan. 1826 a plot of 159.825 acres in Perry Co., Ala., from the U.S. government.^[24] On 28 Dec. 1828, Elijah Gorman of Perry Co., Ala., sold for \$280 to Robert Iverson 160 acres of land in Perry Co., being the land purchase of 1826, one witness being Ewel S. Harrison.^[25]

20. Photocopy of the index page, apparently for surnames of grantors beginning with the letter G, Vol. D, Register of Deeds, 1814–1886, Warren Co., Tenn., contributed by Sue Gorman. Three of the deeds are granted to Harmon Redman and the other two to Solomon Redman. There are also two deeds with George Gorman as grantor.

21. Warren Co., Tenn., Deeds, E:32–33, 42–44, transcription provided by Sue Gorman.

22. *United States, Bureau of Land Management Tract Books, 1800–c.1955*, Alabama, vol. 22 (Cahaba), 60, image 649 of 785, FHL 1445283, IGN 7110375 (↗).

23. *United States, Bureau of Land Management Tract Books, 1800–c.1955*, Alabama, vol. 22 (Cahaba), 62, image 651 of 785, FHL 1445283, IGN 7110375 (↗).

24. Bureau of Land Management, General Land Office Records, “[state] AL [meridian] St. Stephens [Twp – Range] 019N – 006E [aliquots] SE¼ [section] 15 [county] Perry,” item courtesy of Glenn Berry.

25. Perry Co., Ala., Deed Book B, pp. 17–8, transcription provided by Sue Gorman. This is SE quadrant of section 15, township 19, Range 6, district of Chawba.

Elijah Gorman “of Autauga County [Ala.]” purchased 16 Nov. 1830 a plot of 78.96 acres in Autauga Co., Ala., from the U.S. government.^[26]

Elijah Gorman “of Sumpter [sic] County” purchased 20 Mar. 1837 a plot of 160.2 acres in Sumter Co., Ala., from the U.S. government.^[27] On the same date, Elijah Gorman “assignee of Washington Clement” purchased a plot of 160.08 acres in Sumter Co., Ala., from the U.S. government.^[28]

Noxubee Co., Miss., Era

Final records place Elijah Gorman in Noxubee Co., Miss., from 1840 until his death.

Elijah’s 1840 will (appendix A1),^[29] Noxubee Co., Mississippi, mentions his wife Mary Gorman, deceased son Terrel Gorman, daughter Artemecy, wife of Ewell Harrison, son Oliver Gorman, widowed daughter Mary M. Clemment, daughter Elizabeth Harper, wife of Daniel E. Harper of the Republic of Texas, son Felix Gorman, daughter Sarah Gorman, deceased daughter Nancy Payne, and many slaves. This will took many years to settle since everything but some slaves went to Mary Gorman for her lifetime. A final settlement seems to have been reached 7 Aug. 1857, but then a petition dated 11 Dec. 1883 raised new issues (appendix AX).

26. Bureau of Land Management, General Land Office Records, “[state] AL [meridian] St. Stephens [Twp – Range] 019N – 012E [aliquote] E½SW¼ [section] 6 [county] Autauga,” item courtesy of Glenn Berry.

27. Bureau of Land Management, General Land Office Records, “[state] AL [meridian] St. Stephens [Twp – Range] 021N – 003W [aliquote] NW¼ [section] 31 [county] Sumter,” item courtesy of Glenn Berry.

28. Bureau of Land Management, General Land Office Records, “[state] AL [meridian] St. Stephens [Twp – Range] 021N – 004W [aliquote] NE¼ [section] 25 [county] Sumter,” item courtesy of Glenn Berry.

29. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, #575–#599, case #579, images 254–359 of 2353 (↗), FHL 2412255, IGN 5842068, the estate file of Elijah Gorman, 106 pages. Elijah’s will is images 352–355, but out of order, with image 353 being the first page of the will (↗), but otherwise the page images are in order. The will is also available at Noxubee, Co., Miss., Wills, 1834–1861, A:124–127, images 97–99 of 456, FHL 900856, IGN 5842147 (↗), proved 2 Jan. 1849.

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In 1840 E. Gorman, 60–70 [born 1770–1780], resided in Noxubee Co., Miss., with a woman 60–70, one boy under 5, one boy and one girl 5–10, one female 15–20, and one female 20–30.^[30]

Mary Gorman of Noxubee Co., Mississippi, sold, on 1 Oct. 1845, to Elizabeth G. Harper for \$1,000 lot no. 2 in block no. 8 in Macon, Noxubee Co., together with “the tenements hereditaments and appurtenance thereunto.”^[31] Mary apparently sold this same lot no. 2, block no. 8, of Macon to John M. Lowery for \$800 on 12 Nov. 1850, implying that it had come back into her possession for some reason.^[32]

In 1850 Mary Gorman, 73, born in South Carolina, with \$1,000 real estate, resided in Noxubee Co., Miss., with Felix, 32, a physician born in Tennessee with \$2,000 real estate, Mary A., 21, born in South Carolina, and an infant Thomas, ¼, born in Mississippi.^[33]

The 1850 Slave Schedule for Noxubee Co., Miss., listed for slaveowner Mary Gorman 13 slaves, eight males (three, ages 14, 15, and 40) and five females (two, ages 30 and 37), including eight children, ages 1 to 10 (five male and three female). Four slaves were designated B (black) and nine m (mulatto).^[34]

Jesse Blythe, the administrator of Mary Gorman’s estate, published a notice dated 10 Jan. 1853 in the *Union Beacon* (newspaper), Macon, Noxubee Co., Mississippi, six times beginning in Jan. 1853. It notified apparent heirs to appear before the probate court of Noxubee Co. in the matter of Mary’s estate. This list therefore is a guide to the progeny of Elijah and Mary Gorman:

the minor heirs of Elephia Lewis, deceased, to wit, Virginia Lewis, Wyatt Lewis; also the children of Mary Brummett, deceased, to wit: an infant child, whose name is unknown, and John Brummett; the said Mary Brummett, deceased was the daughter of Nancy Payne, deceased, and Melissa Uldrick, wife of John Uldrick, deceased, who is also the daughter of said

30. U.S. census, 1840, Noxubee Co., Miss., r. 218, p. 103.

31. Photocopy of original record, contributed by Sue Gorman.

32. Photocopy of original record, contributed by Sue Gorman.

33. U.S. census, 1850, Noxubee Co., Mississippi, dw. 67, fam. 67, r. 379, p. 199b.

34. 1850 U.S. *Federal Census–Slave Schedules*, Noxubee Co., Miss., image 7 of 135 at <Ancestry.com> (↗).

Nancy Payne, deceased; and Terrill Payne, and Irvin Payne. Mary Jane Gorman, Felix Gorman, jr., Laura Gorman, and the children of Mary Payne, deceased, to wit: Oliver D. Clements, Martha Underwood and John Underwood, her husband, and George W. Clements. The minor heirs of Sarah Allen, deceased, to wit: Mary M. Allen, Cynthia Allen, and Charles T. Allen, Artimeas Harrison, Lorinda Gorman, wife of Terrill Gorman, deceased, and her children, Cassindina E. Hines, and her husband, David Hines, Calesta Mobley, wife of Marion Mobley, Felix Gorman, Elizabeth G. Blythe, and Charles G. Bowen, guardian [ad litem] of all of said minor heirs, and all other heirs, legatees, or distributees of Elijah Gorman, deceased^[35]

See also the legal deposition 6 Oct. 1852 of Elizabeth G. Blythe (appendix A3) for another version of the list of heirs, with ages and locations.

Similarly, Jesse Blythe published another notice dated 10 June 1857 in the *Macon Beacon* (newspaper), Noxubee Co., Miss., four times from 17 June to 7 July 1857. Its list corrects some of the items above (items in red have not checked out):

the children of Nancy Payne, deceased, viz: the children of Elphada Lewis deceased, to-wit: Virginia, Wyatt and Elphada Lewis, minors; George W. Payne. Two children of Nancy Brummett, deceased, to-wit: John Brummett, and an infant, name unknown. Malissa Uldrick and husband, Martha Harrison and her husband, Elijah Harrison: Terrill Payne and Irving Payne, minors; John Harrison, James Harrison, Lawson Harrison, Elijah Harrison, Elisabeth Smith and her husband [who was Jesse Richard Smith]; Justenia Tomlinson and her husband, Cassandanna Hines and her husband David Hines; Mary Jane and William Marr; Calista and William Mobley; Felix Gorman, jr., Oliver D. Clements, George W. Clements, Martha Underwood and husband. Felix Gorman; the unknown heirs of Oliver Gorman, Mary M. Allen, Cynthia W. Allen, and Charles T. Allen, minor heirs of Sarah A. Allen deceased, and all other unknown heirs of Elijah Gorman deceased^[36]

35. Sworn statement with annexed newspaper clipping, swearing that the probate announcement in the clipping has been published six times in the *Union Beacon*, Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., 5 Apr. 1853.

36. *Mississippi Land Records*, Ancestry.com, land office: Mt. Salus, document no. 6162, base line:

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Children:

- + 2 i **STERLING [STARLING]² GORMAN**, born about 1797, Pendleton District, S.C., resided in Perry Co., Ala., beginning 1812, and died 1839 in Havana, Cuba, before his father's 1840 will.
- + 3 ii **TERRELL² GORMAN**, born about 1798, South Carolina, died before Elijah's 1840 will, married **LORINDA [LORENA]** —.
- + 4 iii **ARTEMECY² GORMAN**, born about 1800, South Carolina, died Texas, married 12 Sept. 1820, Perry Co., Ala.,^[37] **EWEL SEXTON HARRISON**, son of John Malone and Pheriba (Chism) Harrison. See my companion book on the Harrison family, for details.^[38] In Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3), "Artemese" Harrison is listed as "aged 45 years residing in Washington Co., Texas." But that would make her birth year about 1807, and her age about 13 at marriage.
- + 5 iv **NANCY² GORMAN**, born about 1803, probably Alabama, died before Elijah's 5 Dec. 1840 will, married **RANSOM THOMAS PAYNE**.
- + 6 v **OLIVER² GORMAN**, born about 1806, Alabama, married **JANE ANN PINCKARD**.
- + 7 vi **MARY M.² GORMAN**, born about 1810, Alabama, married **OLIVER CLEMENTS**, and had three children.
- + 8 vii **ELIZABETH² GORMAN**, born about 1816, married (1) **DANIEL E. HARPER**, and had at least two children, married (2) **WILLIAM B. REED**, married (3) **JESSE BLYTHE**.
- + 9 viii **FELIX² GORMAN**, born 30 Sept. 1819, Tennessee, married **MARY ANN WOODWARD**, and had four children.
- + 10 ix **SARAH ANN² GORMAN**, born about 1821, Alabama, married **CHARLES W. ALLEN**, and had three children.

Choctaw, aliquot parts E½SE, township 5N, range 2W, section 3.

37. *Alabama, 1800–1900 Marriage Index*, Genealogy.com, cites County Court Records, Film no. 1290271–2 and 1290341–2. One record each for 11 and 12 Sept. 1820; image online at <www.familysearch.org>, emailed to me 28 Apr. 2018 by Alan Radecki, in a document labeled: "Nº 10 | Marriage Licence | Bond | Ewel S. Harrison | [?]," "I Do hereby Certify that on the 12th day of Septm^r 1820 I Joined to geather as man and wife Newel [sic] Harrison and Artimiss [sic] Gorman | John Nave J P."

38. Alvy Ray Smith, *The John Malone Harrison Family, c1785–2009* (Berkeley 2013).

Slave families (in Elijah's will of 3 Dec. 1840, appendix A1):^[39]

Slaves (17) to wife Mary Gorman (nine males and eight females). In the 1850 slave census, Mary had 13 slaves (eight males and five females):

- 1 i **HARRY**, wife **CHARITY**, children Amanda and Billy.
- 2 ii **BILLY**, wife **RITTA**, children Lotty, Emily, and Charles.
- 3 iii **JOSEPH**, wife **HARRIET**, children Jerry, Jefferson, and Harriet.
- 4 iv **AARON**.
- 5 v **WILLIAM**.
- 6 vi **LINDA**.

Slaves (3) to children of son Terrel Gorman, deceased:

- 7 i **SAMUEL**, wife **LOUISA**, child Cristiana.

Slaves (3) to daughter Artemecy Gorman, wife of Ewel Harrison:

- 8 i **CELIA**, children Emma and George.

Slaves (2) to son Oliver Gorman:

- 9 i **AARON**.
- 10 ii **CAROLINE**.

Slaves (3) to daughter Mary M. Gorman, wife of Oliver Clements:

- 11 i **MOSES**, wife **NANCY**, child Robert.

Slaves (2) to daughter Elizabeth Gorman, wife of Daniel E. Harper:

- 12 i **SUSY**.
- 13 ii **LINDA**.

Slaves (3) to son Felix Gorman:

- 14 i **JOSEPH**.
- 15 ii **JERRY**.
- 16 iii **JEFFERSON**.

Slaves (4) to daughter Sarah Gorman:

- 17 i **BILLY**, wife **RITTA**, children Emila and Charles.

39. See appendix A1 for a more careful analysis.

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SECOND GENERATION

2. **STERLING [STARLING]² GORMAN** (¹*Elijah*¹) was born about 1797, Pendleton District, S.C. He resided in Perry Co., Ala., beginning in 1812. He [as Starling Gorman] signed his will on 1 Aug. 1839 in Havana, Cuba (appendix B), and it was proved 2 Aug. 1839, before his father's 3 Dec. 1840 will, which does not mention him.^[40] There is a 157-page case file in the Perry Co., Ala., probate files for his estate [as Sterling Gorman].^[41]

Starling's will states that he was a son of Elijah and Mary Gorman. It lists his ownership of two tracts of land in Perry Co. and Marengo Co., Ala., of 800 and 720 acres, respectively, and 640 acres on Deer Creek in Mississippi in several lots.^[42] The will mentions his brothers and sisters as his heirs, and bequeathed special funds "for the Education of the two youngest Felix & Sarah."

3. **TERRELL² GORMAN** (¹*Elijah*¹) was born about 1798, South Carolina, died Aug. 1840, Mississippi,^[43] before Elijah's 3 Dec. 1840 will. He married **LORINDA [LORENA]** —.

There is an Alabama land purchase record 5 Aug. 1834 by "Terrel Gorman of Perry County Alabama," of 83.805 acres in Autauga and Dallas Counties.^[44]

Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3) lists "their children Cassanda E Hines of Noxubee County Missi. aged 21 years

40. Will of Starling Gorman, photocopy of original and transcription provided by Sue Gorman, probated in Perry Co., Ala. according to a letter from Lorene (Beeman) Shanks, of Blytheville, Arkansas, to Sue Gorman, 24 Mar. 1980.

41. Perry Co., Ala., Probate Estate Case Files, #1840–#1920, case #1844, images 762–918 (157 pages) of 1303 (7), FHL 2114434, IGN 4990699, Sterling Gorman.

42. There are 30 land Alabama land records for Starling, for over 3200 acres, recorded 9 July 1829, 16 Nov. 1830, 3 Mar. 1837, 2 May 1837, and 1 May 1839, and one in Mississippi for 108 acres, 1 Jan. 1832, all online at Ancestry.com.

43. Terrell, *Cases Argued and Decided in Tex. Supreme Court*, 59:525–529, Mrs. M. D. Thomson v. C. E. Hines et al., case no. 3988, decided 1 June 1883, p. 526, "That plaintiffs were the heirs of Terrell Gorman . . . They proved that Terrell Gorman died in August, 1840, in Mississippi," courtesy of Glenn Berry.

44. *U.S. General Land Office Records, 1796–1907*, accession no. AL0380__097, 19N, 11E, E½NW¼, section 1, Autauga and Dallas Counties.

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Calista Mobly wife of Marian Mobly aged 16 years Mary Jane aged 15 years, Felix Gorman aged 13 years Lamar aged 11 years all residing in Marshall Co. Missi.”

A land dispute in Texas of 1883, *Mrs. M. D. Thomson v. C. E. Hines et al*, contains this interesting information:

That plaintiffs were the heirs of Terrell Gorman . . . that he came to Texas in company with Jas. W. Patton in 1838 to purchase land and land claims; that he returned from Texas in February, 1840, and that he told his wife that he had secured some four thousand acres of land in Texas [probably a league and labor], and had located some more lands, but had not secured them, and deposited his deeds and certificates somewhere in Texas. He told her the place, but she could not remember the name of it, and that he never spoke of having a partner.^[45]

Children, from heirs as listed in the 1852 deposition mentioned above:

- + 11 i CASSANDINA [CASSANDANNA] E.³ GORMAN, born about 1831, Mississippi, married DAVID HINES, and had at least 11 children.
- + 12 ii CALISTA F.³ GORMAN, born 15 Apr. 1834, Mississippi or Alabama, married PLEASANT MARION MOBLEY, and had six children.
- 13 iii MARY JANE³ GORMAN, born about 1837, married 15 Jan. 1852, Marshall Co., Mississippi,^[46] WILLIAM T. MARR.
- 14 iv FELIX³ GORMAN, born about 1839.
- 15 v LAMAR³ GORMAN, born about 1841.^[47]

Slaves (3) inherited from Elijah¹ by son Terrell² Gorman (appendix A1):

- 7 i SAMUEL, wife LOUISA, child Cristiana.

45. Terrell, *Cases Argued and Decided in Tex. Supreme Court*, 59:525–529, *Mrs. M. D. Thomson v. C. E. Hines et al.*, case no. 3988, decided 1 June 1883, item from p. 526, courtesy of Glenn Berry.

46. Marshall Co., Miss., Marriages, 1848–1860, E:167, image 438 of 623 (↗), FHL 894365, IGN 7726133, William T. Marr to Mary Jane Gorman, licensed 12 Jan. 1851 [sic], married 15 Jan. 1852, by W^m. N. McHahn MG.

47. This is probably the Laura Gorman of the *Union Beacon* announcement of 1853.

5. ARTEMECY² GORMAN (¹*Elijah*¹) was born about 1800, South Carolina, and died in Texas. She married 12 Sept. 1820, Perry Co., Ala.,^[48] **EWEL SEXTON² HARRISON** (*John Malone*¹), son of John Malone and Pheriba (Chism) Harrison. See my companion book on the Harrison family, for details.^[49] In Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3), "Artemese" Harrison is listed as "aged 45 years residing in Washington Co., Texas." But that would make her birth year about 1807, and her age about 13 at marriage.

On 26 Dec. 1828 Ewel S. Harrison witnessed a deed of Elijah Gorman of Perry Co., Ala., selling for \$280 to Robert Iverson, of the same place, 160 acres of land in Perry Co., being SE¼ S15 T19 R6. Acknowledged 10 Jan. 1830.^[50]

In 1830 Ewell S. Harrison, 30–40 appears in the 1830 census for Dallas Co., Ala., with one woman 20–30, one boy and two girls under 5, and one boy 5–10.^[51] This suggests there was another daughter who died young.

On 15 Feb. 1834, Ewel S. Harrison and Artemecy his wife Taladega Co., Ala., sold to Richard McGee, of Perry Co., Ala., for \$200, 80.07 acres of land, being E½SE S34 T19 R11. Acknowledged the same day.^[52]

There are three Alabama land records, one dated 20 Mar. 1837 and two 5 Aug. 1837, listing Ewel S. Harrison as patentee.^[53] Ewel S. Harrison is recorded in a deed record as the recipient of a note from Amos Elliot and Nancy, his wife, 31 Dec. 1840, Shelby Co., Ala., next to Talladega Co.^[54]

48. Perry Co., Ala., Marriages, 1820–1832, 5, image 15 of 821 (↗), FHL 1290271, IGN 7316947, no. 10, Ewel S. Harrison to Artemecy Gorman, licensed 11 Sept. 1820, married 12 Sept. 1820, by John Nave JP.

49. Alvy Ray Smith, *The John Malone Harrison Family, c1785–2009* (Berkeley 2013).

50. Perry Co., Ala., Deeds, 1830–1835, B:17–18, image 14 of 839 (↗), FHL 1578227, IGN 8151540.

51. U.S. census, 1830, Dallas Co., Ala., r. 2, p. 72, no slaves.

52. Perry Co., Ala., Deeds, 1830–1835, B:754, image 385 of 839 (↗), FHL 1578227, IGN 8151540.

53. *Land Records: AL, AR, FL, LA, MI, MN, OH, WI, 1790–1907*, online at Genealogy.com, document number 11884 for 85.18 acres, 20 Mar. 1837, land office: Tuscaloosa, Alabama, vol. 870, p. 180, township 21S, range 2W, W½SE, Huntsville Meridian; document numbers 2687 and 3506 for 39.7 acres each, 5 Aug. 1837, land office: Mardisville, Alabama, township 21S, range 2E, SENW and NESW, Huntsville Meridian. No. 3506 says "assignee of Joseph N. Rogers," and no. 11884 has, "assignee of Allen Bishop."

54. *Early Alabama, Arkansas, and Mississippi Settlers, 1700s–1800s, Alabama Notes, Volume II, fam.*

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In 1840 Ewel S. Harrison, 40–50, and his family containing one woman 30–40, and nine children, resided in Talladega Co., Ala. There were two boys and one girl under 5, one girl 5–10, two boys and one girl 10–15, and one boy and one girl 15–20, and six slaves.^[55]

“By 1847 Artemecy Gorman Harrison is buying and selling property in Texas usually with John Malone Harrison.” So Ewel must have died before this. “The story is that John M. went home to get the Family. Ewel became sick on the way. They spent one year around what is now Madisonville [Madison Co., Tex.], time for one crop.”^[56] This is consistent with another story that has Ewel and Artemecy crossing the Red River in 1845.^[57] In 1847 Artemecy Harrison and John Malone Harrison are listed together on the Walker Co., Tex., tax records: Artemecy Harrison, 320 acres of the original Whitley land grant valued at \$320, no poll tax; John M. Harrison, 320 acres of the original Whitley grant, poll tax \$1. In 1847, the following three are listed together on the Walker Co. tax records: Mary Harrison, 50 acres of the original Stette land grant, value \$100; J. M. Harrison, 100 acres of the Whitley grant, value \$200; and Artemecy Harrison, 320 acres of the Whitley grant, value \$320.^[58]

Records (originally published New Orleans: 1899; Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1969), 34, from Shelby Co., Ala., Deed Record F-G: “p732. 31 Dec 1840. Amos Elliot and Nancy, his wife, to Ewel S. Harrison—witnessed by Samuel Wallace and John Elliott. Noel Mason, Clerk of County Court.”

55. U.S. census, 1840, Talladega Co., Ala., r. 14, p. 280, also six slaves, 200000, 021100, for a total count of 17 persons, 2 in agriculture.

56. Harrison, WFT, volume 24, tree 1095, quotes from extensive notes. Another family story related here has, “John Malone Harrison returned to Alabama to bring his parents to Texas. They returned after the Civil War and crossed the Mississippi River on horseback and wagon and when they reached the Brazos River, they settled down and planted corn. However, his father and another brother took sick and died with malaria and were buried on the Brazos River bottom.” Madisonville is not on the Brazos, however.

57. Mary McKenzie Moore, *Harrison/Alabama to Texas 1845*, posting 10 Jan. 1999, GenForum.Genealogy.com, “Ewel S. Harrison b. 1803 m. Artemacy Gorman Sept 1820 in Perry Cy Ala. The[y] crossed the Red River in 1845 settled near current Madison Cy Texas. Ewel dies[.] Widow goes on to Washington Cy where they miss 1850 census. Ewel is son of John M Harrison Jr. and Pherby Chisum.”

58. Harrison, WFT, volume 24, tree 1095, cites “Tax Records at Texas Archives (Walker County, Texas).”

Artemecy Harrison and J. M. Harrison on 31 May 1848 received full payment of \$320 for an 8-year-old Negro boy named George, from C. Harrison.^[59] N.B. Artemecy was bequeathed a slave child named George by her father Elijah¹ Gorman's will.

A. M. Harrison purchased 320 acres in Walker Co., Tex., from John C. Harrison for \$320. The deed was signed 31 Mar. 1847 and recorded 5 May 1847. A notary public apparently wrote Artemcia M. Harrison on it, 11 Dec. 1848. Artemecy Harrison sold this 320 acres to Isaiah Vick for \$335, deed filed 22 Feb. 1854, Walker Co., Tex.^[60]

Artemecy Harrison purchased 100 acres from Pleasant and Amanda Wimverly (or Wilverly) for \$100, deed signed 28 Mar. 1848 and recorded 13 Apr. 1850, Brenham, Washington Co., Tex.^[61] She deeded this 100 acres to O'Bryan and Wright for \$700, signing on 30 Nov. 1852 "in the presence of J. R. Smith (her son-in-law) in the State of Texas, Washington County. Filed for record Jan 9, 1853." Artemecy Gorman Harrison "is not on the census by 1860. She moves to Bexar County and Medina County where she is again buying and selling property with John M. and Jessie Smith."^[62]

Known children:^[63]

- 16 i JOHN MALONE³ HARRISON, born 17 Sept. 1822, Ala., married MARIAN N. JOLLY, *sister of the wife* of John's brother, Hugh Lawson³ Harrison, and had 14 children.
- + 17 ii ELIJAH BENTON³ HARRISON, born about 1827, Perry Co., Ala., married MARTHA³ PAYNE (*Nancy², Elijah¹*), and had at least five children.

59. Harrison, WFT, volume 24, tree 1095, cites "Index Book A to K in Book M Page 347," Conroe, Montgomery Co. Texas.

60. Harrison, WFT, volume 24, tree 1095, cites "Vol. C page 327 Walker County, Tx. (Whitley Survey)." The land was part of the original grant to John Whitley.

61. Harrison, WFT, volume 24, tree 1095, cites "Vol. I.J. pages 226 & 227." The land was part of the original league granted to Isac Jackson. The deed mentions her variously as Artemecy, Mrs. A. Harrison, and Mrs. Artemecy Harrison.

62. Harrison, WFT, volume 24, tree 1095, quotes from extensive notes.

63. Sworn statement with annexed newspaper clipping, *Macon Beacon*, Noxubee Co., Mississippi, 7 Aug. 1857. See my Gorman family book for full quotation: "John Harrison, James Harrison, Lawson Harrison, Elijah Harrison, Elisabeth Smith and her husband."

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- 18 iii **ELIZABETH MARY**³ **HARRISON**, born about 1829, Alabama, probably Perry Co., died 24 June 1884, Abilene, Taylor Co., Tex., buried south of Pleasanton, Atascosa Co., Tex. Elizabeth married 15 Feb. 1849,^[64] Brenham, Washington Co., Tex., **JESSE RICHARD**³ **SMITH** (*James M.*², *Alexander*¹) born Apr. 1820 in Alabama,^[65] died 1906 in Cloudcroft, Otero Co., N.M., and was buried there. *This is my Smith line—Jesse is my gggfather.* See my companion book to this one on the Smith family for details.^[66]
- 19 iv **JAMES CLINTON**³ **HARRISON**, born Nov. 1831, Alabama, and was single in the 1910 census, but listed as a widower in the 1900 census.
- 20 v **HUGH LAWSON**³ **HARRISON**, born about 1836, Perry Co., married **ELIZA M. JOLLY**, sister of the wife of Hugh's brother, John Malone³ Harrison, and had four children.

5. **NANCY**² **GORMAN** (*Elijah*¹) was born about 1803, probably Alabama, and died before Elijah's 5 Dec. 1840 will. She married **RANSOM THOMAS PAYNE**.^[67] Ransom married second, 4 Jan. 1844, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[68] **MARY ELLETT**.

Children:^[69]

64. Jordan R. Dodd, et al, *Early American Marriages: Texas to 1850* (Bountiful, Utah: Precision Indexing Publishers, 19-), as on *Texas Marriages to 1850*, Ancestry.com, "Harryson, Elizabeth married Smith, Jesse R. on 12 Feb 1847 in Washington County, Texas." Several others who cite this record give the date as 15 Feb. 1849, so the online transcription is probably in error.

65. U.S. census, 1900, Pct. 4, Sterling Co., Tex., ED 81, r. 1670, p. 264, dw. 186, fam. 195, living with his son Samuel Oscar Smith.

66. Alvy Ray Smith, *The Alexander Smith Family of Buncombe County, North Carolina, c1770–2025*.

67. U.S. census, 1830, Perry Co., Ala., r. 3, p. 85, lists Ransom T. Payne, next to Wm. Payne. Ransom 30–40 appears to have a wife 30–40, two sons, four daughters, and one male slave.

68. *Alabama, 1800–1900 Marriage Index*, Genealogy.com, cites County Court Records, Film no. 1293884–9. Sumter Co., Ala., Marriage Records White, 1833–1847, 1:273, image 899 of 1235 (↗), FHL 1293884 item 4, IGN 7614991, no. 617, Ransom S. Payne to Mary Ann Ellett, licensed 27 Dec. 1843, Sumter Co., Ala., bonded by Ransom S. Payne and George W. Payne, "Executed the 4th January 1844," Thomas J. George JP.

69. Elizabeth Blythe's 1852 deposition, appendix A3; also the Brummett brothers 1883 petition, appendix AX, for a different ordering of children. The age estimates in appendix A3 seem to be quite rough, by comparison to the implied census ages.

- + 21 i **GEORGE S.³ PAYNE**, born about 1825 in Alabama, married (1) **ELIZABETH WILLIAMS**, and had two children, married (2) **EMILY** —, and had at least two children.
- + 22 ii **ELPHIDA A.³ PAYNE**, born in Alabama, married **MILTON LEWIS**, and had at least three children.
- + 23 iii **NANCY A.³ PAYNE**, born about 1828, married **JAMES H. BRUMMETT**, and had three children.
- 24 iv **MELISSA³ PAYNE**, born about 1830 (aged 22 in 1852 deposition), married 6 Apr. 1842, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[70] **JOHN R. ULDRICK**, who had died before Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3). In 1850 she resided in the household of her brother-in-law, James Brummett (q.v.), with one child. There was a John G. Uldrick, 20–30, living alone, in the 1840 Sumter Co. census.^[71]
- + 25 v **MARTHA³ PAYNE**, born about 1832, Alabama, married (1) **JEFFERSON G. REYNOLDS [RUNNALS]**, married (2) **ELIJAH BENTON³ HARRISON** (*Artemecy², Elijah¹*).
- 26 vi **TERRILL³ PAYNE**, born about 1834 (aged 18 in 1852 deposition, but 21 in 1850 census), residing in Sumter Co., Ala. in 1852. In 1850 he resided in the household of his brother-in-law, James Brummett (q.v.). He died, according to the 1883 petition, unmarried and with no heirs before final accounting of the estate of Elijah Gorman by Jesse Blythe on 6 Feb. 1857, as did one of Terrill's brothers, thus either George or Irving Payne.
- 27 vii **IRVING³ PAYNE**, born about 1836 (aged 16 in 1852 deposition), residing in Sumter Co., Ala. in 1852. He was possibly the Ervin Payne, 18, living with Milton and Elphida (Payne) Lewis, his brother-in-law and sister, in the 1850 census, but the age is too far off (and the age "18" is definite).^[72]

6. OLIVER² GORMAN (*¹Elijah¹*) was born about 1806, Alabama, and died 1847, Washington Co., Tex. He married 14 Oct. 1838, Washington Co., Republic of Texas,^[73] **JANE ANN PINCKARD**, who was born about 1807

70. *Alabama, 1800–1900 Marriage Index*, Genealogy.com, cites County Court Records, Film no. 1293884-9: "Mallissa" to "J. R. Utrich."

71. U.S. census, 1840, Sumter Co., Ala., r. 15, p. 111.

72. U.S. census, 1850, Sumter Co., Ala., dw. 123, fam. 125, r. 15, p. 265.

73. Washington Co., Republic of Tex., Marriages, 1837–1858, 1:3, image 38 of 815 (↗), FHL

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(63 in the 1870) or about 1819 (41 in the 1860), North Carolina, died 8 Nov. 1873, Brenham, Washington Co., Tex.,^[74] and was buried in Prairie Lea Cem., Brenham, Washington Co., Tex.^[75] She married second 25 Mar. 1858, Washington Co., Republic of Texas,^[76] **JOHN STAMPS**.^[77] Probate records of the estate of Jane A. Stamps, dated 15 Dec. 1873, Washington Co., Tex., mention a last will and testament of hers and a codicil.^[78]

Oliver Gorman received a Republic of Texas land grant due to his arrival there in Nov. 1838 (the Republic dating to 2 Mar. 1836).^[79]

Oliver Gorman was on the Washington Co., Tex., tax rolls of 1838 and 1840.^[80] A probate court proceeding of 5 May 1857, Brenham, Washington Co., voided the sale of the Headright Certificate of Oliver Gorman, deceased.^[81] All of this suggests he was in Texas early.

Jane A. Gorman was appointed administrator of the estate of Oliver Gorman on 30 Nov. 1847, the person assigned the job in Oliver's will declining to accept the responsibility. Final settlement of the will occurred on 2 June 1857, probate court, Brenham, Washington Co., Tex., with all of the estate being given to Jane A. Gorman, widow of Oliver Gorman, deceased. The only other legatee was Felix Gorman, Oliver's brother, who "has been paid off and discharged by the compromise between the parties and conveyance of 1000 Acres of Land of the James S. Steele leagues."^[82]

956482, IGN 7255671, "[licensed] [1838] Oct 15 [sic] [parties] Oliver Gorman to Jane Ann Pinckard [paid] 1 [1/4?] [returned] Oct 16. [by] Samuel Lusk J.P. [celebrated] On the 14th October 1838."

74. Oliver and Jane Ann (Pinckard) Gorman family group sheet, by Sue Gorman, [unsourced](#).

75. *Find a Grave*, no. 88006199, gravestone photo, Prairie Lea Cem., Brenham, Washington Co., Tex., plot: section 2, range 2, "Jane Ann | Wife of | John Stamps."

76. Washington Co., Republic of Tex., Marriages, 1858-1867, 2:1, image 156 of 815 (↗), FHL 956482, IGN 7255671, licensed 23 Mar. 1858, John Stamps to Jane A. Gorman, married 25 Mar. 1858, by Henry L. Graves MG.

77. Oliver and Jane Ann (Pinckard) Gorman family group sheet, by Sue Gorman.

78. Photocopy of original record, contributed by Sue Gorman.

79. Marion Day Mullins, "Some Texas Land Grants," NGSQ 47 (1959): 183, "Oliver Gorman m,f- Nov. 1838." N.B., "m,f" means married, with family.

80. Worth S. Ray, *Austin Colony Pioneers* (Baltimore, Maryland: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1949, 1970, 1995), 111, 184, [Genealogy.com](#); *Texas Census, 1820-90*, [Ancestry.com](#).

81. Photocopy of original record, contributed by Sue Gorman.

82. Photocopy of original records, contributed by Sue Gorman.

In the 1850 slave schedule for Washington Co., Tex., slaveowner John Stamps is listed with 15 slaves, 13 males ages 1-50 (14 Black and 1 mulatto) and 2 females 33 and 50 years old (both Black).^[83]

In 1860 Jane A. Stamps, 41, born in North Carolina, resided in Sabine Pass, Jefferson Co., Tex., in the household of John Stamps, 61, "K K Contractor" born in Tennessee, with real and personal estates valued at \$59,000 and \$26,000, respectively, and Mollie Stamps, 17, a "Lady of Leashure" born in Texas, and Lena Leonard, 8, born in Texas.^[84] It is not known if Mollie was Jane's child. John Stamps had 26 slaves, 21 males ages 2-55 and 5 females ages 6-45.^[85]

In 1870 Jane A. Stamps, 63 [sic], born in North Carolina, with \$15,000 real and \$300 personal estates, resided in Brenham Twp., Washington Co., Tex., with Nathan Bush, 60, Assistant U.S. Marshall, born in North Carolina, with \$3,000 real and \$200 personal estates, and Margarete Bush, 55, born in Kentucky, and with two domestic servants Walter Stamps, 16, mulatto, and Lina Stamps, 20, Black, both born in Texas.^[86]

The inventory of the estate of Jane A. Stamps, dated 19 Dec. 1873, Washington Co., Tex., lists the following extensive real estate holdings:

19½ Acres of land Homestead tract in Washington County

1 House & Lot on Public Square in City of Brenham

1 House & Lot at the intersection of Goat Row & Sandy Street known as the Blake place

1 House & lot on Sandy Street known as the Wade place

1 House & lot on Main Street known as the Red Tap House

1 House & lot on Main Street known as the Cassidy house

83. 1850 U.S. Federal Census—Slave Schedules, Washington Co., Tex., image 6 of 36 at <Ancestry.com>, lines 21-35.

84. U.S. census, 1860, Sabine Pass PO, Pct. 5 Sabine Pass, Jefferson Co., Tex., r. 1298, p. 431, dw. 312, fam. 312.

85. U.S. census, 1860, Pct. No. 5 Sabine Pass, Jefferson Co., Tex., slave schedule, r. 1311, p. 22.

86. U.S. census, 1870, Brenham Twp., Washington Co., Tex., r. M593_1606, p. 71B, dw. 271, fam. 281.

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1 House & lot on Main Street intersection of said street & Road to Independence known as the Sherrill place

1 House & lot on Main Street known as the Finney place

2 lots N^o 1 & 2 in Block No 5 lying between Day Street on the East & Key Street on the West and fronting on fourth Street containing 2 acres

1756 acres of land lying in Coryell County patented to John L. Graves assignee of Richard Wade

The total value of the real estate listed is \$15,156.^[87]

Slaves (2) inherited from Elijah¹ by son Oliver² Gorman (appendix A1):

- 9 i AARON.
- 10 ii CAROLINE.

7. **MARY M.² GORMAN** (¹*Elijah*¹) was born about 1810, Alabama, and died before the 1852 deposition (appendix A3). She married **OLIVER CLEMENTS**, and was widowed by him before Elijah's 1840 will. The children were all residing in Hinds Co., Miss., at the 1852 deposition.

Children:

- + 28 i **OLIVER D.³ CLEMENTS** [**CLEMENT**], born 22 Nov. 1831, Sumter Co., Ala., married **LOU JANE** —, and had two children.
- 29 ii **MARTHA A.³ CLEMENTS**, born about 1834, married **JOHN UNDERWOOD** before the 1852 deposition.
- 30 iii **GEORGE W.³ CLEMENTS**, born about 1840.

Slaves (3) inherited from Elijah¹ by daughter Mary M.² Gorman, wife of Oliver Clements (appendix A1):

- 11 i **MOSES**, wife **NANCY**, child Robert.

8. **ELIZABETH² GORMAN** (¹*Elijah*¹) was born about 1816. She married (1) 13 July 1836, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[88] **DANIEL E. HARPER**, who was born

87. Photocopy of original record, contributed by Sue Gorman. The final disbursement of this estate is not known by me.

88. Sumter Co., Ala., White Marriages, 1833–1847, 1:32, image 654 of 1,235, FHL 1293884, IGN 7614991 (↗), Daniel E Harper | To | Elizabeth Gorman } [licensed] July 1 1836 | Solemnized 13 July

about 1804, Alabama. She resided with him in the Republic of Texas at the time of Elijah Gorman's will of 5 Dec. 1840, but she had divorced from him by 24 Sept. 1851 when the heirs and legatees officially complained about the lack of action on Elijah's estate (appendix C). And she had moved from Texas to Noxubee Co., Miss., by that time.

In fact, she had married (2) 21 June 1846, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[89] **WILLIAM B. REED**. It was with him that she registered the 24 Sept. 1851 complaint against Elijah's widow, Mary Gorman. According to that document, he was in California on the date, 24 Sept. 1851, when the document was signed (by his wife Elizabeth²), perhaps seduced by gold fever.

She married (3) 2 May 1852, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[90] **JESSE BLYTHE**, who was born about 1812, North Carolina.

First Marriage: Daniel E. Harper

Six land records exist for Daniel E. Harper, all in Alabama, with issue dates of 2 Apr. 1825, 2 Mar. 1837, and 23 Oct. 1839, so he must have moved to Texas in late 1839 or in 1840.^[91]

In a notice dated 11 July 1837, Daniel E. Harper, of Sumter Co., Ala., published this ad: "having determined to remove to the City of Mobile, the ensuing season, begs leave to offer his services to his friends and the public generally, as Commission Merchant ... to sell Cotton at one dollar per bale."^[92]

On 20 Mar. 1839, Daniel E. Harper of Sumter Co., Ala., was granted 68.45 acres in S11 T20 R4W in Alabama by the General Land Office.^[93]

1836 | [by] W R Thomas JP } [security] Jesse Womack."

89. Noxubee Co., Miss., Marriages, 1834–1870, A:219, image 156 of 489 (↗), FHL 900888, IGN 7726174, William B. Reed to Elizabeth G. Harper, licensed 20 June 1846, married 21 June 1846, by James N. Gage JP.

90. Noxubee Co., Miss., Marriages, 1834–1870, A:323, image 210 of 489 (↗), FHL 900888, IGN 7726174, Jesse Blythe to Mrs. Elizabeth G. Reed, licensed 1 May 1852, married 2 May 1852, by S. S. Lattimore MG.

91. Alabama Land Records, Ancestry.com. Gifford White, *The First Settlers of Houston County, Texas* (St. Louis, Mo. 1983), cited in *U.S. and Canada, Passenger and Immigration Lists Index, 1500s–1900s*, <Ancestry.com>, states that Daniel E. Harper arrived in Texas in 1840.

92. Notice, *Voice of Sumter*, Livingston, Ala., Tues., 29 Aug. 1837, p. 1, <newspapers.com> (↗).

93. U.S., *General land Office Records, 1776–2015*, certificate no. 5265.

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Daniel E. Harper was recorded in the 1840 Montgomery Co., Tex., tax list and the 1846 Grimes Co., Tex., tax list.^[94]

In Spring Term 1845, Montgomery Co., Tex., Daniel E. Harper sued Thomas T. McIver for \$140. In Mar. 1847, he won the case, in a juried trial, and was awarded \$140 plus \$59.70 interest.^[95]

On 7 Oct. 1845, Montgomery Co., Tex., Daniel E. Harper lost a suit by Malekiah Nettles for \$1,721.59 plus costs.^[96]

The divorce from Elizabeth² had to occur before 21 June 1846, the date of her second marriage.

On 3 June 1849, Harris Co., Tex., Daniel E. Harper married, second, **MARTHA ELLEN HERRING**, who was born about 1829, Georgia, and they had at least one child: (1) Eliza Harper, born about 1849, Texas.^[97]

Apparently he got gold fever because in 1850 Daniel E. Harper, 46, a miner born in Alabama, resided in Sacramento Twp., Sacramento Co., Calif., with Martha E., 21, born in Georgia, and with Sarah E., 14, and Sterling G., 12, both born in Alabama, and Eliza, 11/12, born in Texas.^[98] Sarah and Sterling must have been children he had with Elizabeth². Indeed, in the 1860 census (see below), Sterling was with his mother in the household of her third husband.

Third Marriage: Jesse Blythe

In 1850 “Jessee” Blythe, 39, born in North Carolina, resided alone in Noxubee Co., Miss.^[99]

94. Texas Census, 1820–90, Ancestry.com.

95. *Montgomery County, Texas, Various Court Records 1840–1896* (Conroe, Tex. 1987), District Court Records, Court Cases, 1845–1858, 47, image 63 of 178 (↗), case #437, citing p. 97 of the court records.

96. *Montgomery County, Texas, Various Court Records 1840–1896* (note 95), District Docket for Costs, Spring and Fall Terms 1845, 75, image 91 of 178 (↗), case #417, citing pp. 214, 236, 305, 321 of the court records. “Last entry: May 6, 1846.”

97. Harris Co., Tex., Marriages, 1847–1854, B:176, image 335 of 523 (↗), FHL 25221, IGN 4705666, Daniel E. Harper to Miss Martha Ellen Herring, licensed 2 June 1849 in Houston, married 3 June 1849, by John W. Phillips MG.

98. U.S. census, 1850, Sacramento Twp., Sacramento Co., Calif., r. 35, p. 217a, dw. 1795, fam. 1863.

99. U.S. census, 1850, Noxubee Co., Miss., r. 379, p. 197a, dw. 27, fam. 27.

In 1853 Jesse Blythe resided in Noxubee Co., Miss., with three males and two females.^[100]

In 1860 “Jessee” Blythe, 48, a farmer born in North Carolina, with \$6,000 real and \$20,000 personal estates, resided in Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., with Mrs. E. G. Blythe, 36 [sic], born in Tennessee, with \$1,500 real estate, and with Sterling G. Harper, 21, a law student born in Alabama, Mora A. Harper, 16, born in Mississippi, and Susan A. Brooks, 27, born in Alabama.^[101]

In the 1860 slave schedule, slave owner Jesse Blythe, of Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., was listed with 19 slaves, all Black except for one mulatto, ages 2–45, 10 males and 9 females.^[102]

On 2 Nov. 1864, Mobile Co., Ala.,^[103] Jesse Blythe was licensed to marry **ANNIE E. ADAMS**, who was born about 1844, Alabama.

In 1870 Jesse Blythe, 58, a brick mason born in North Carolina, with \$1,300 real and \$900 personal estates, resided in Macon Twp., Noxubee Co., Miss., with Anna A., 26, born in Alabama, and with Pauline, 3, and Jesse Jr, 1, both born in Mississippi, and with Pauline Adams, 12, born in Alabama. In the next dwelling resided Jerry Blythe, 35, a laborer born in Mississippi, and Nancy, 35, born in North Carolina, both Black, and with Buchanan, 11, and Josephine, 8, both born in Mississippi and both mulatto.^[104]

Known children of the first marriage, to Daniel (appendix C):

- 31 i **SARAH E.³ HARPER**, born about 1836, Alabama.
- + 32 ii **STERLING GORMAN³ HARPER**, born about 1838, Alabama, married **ANNIE A. LOWE**, and had at least one child.

100. *Mississippi, U.S., State Archives, Various Records, 1820–1951*, Noxubee Co., state census returns 1853, 25, image 15 of 16 at <Ancestry.com> (↗).

101. U.S. census, 1860, Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., r. M653_588, p. 255A, dw. 1, fam. 1.

102. *1860 U.S. Federal Census–Slave Schedules*, Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., image 1 of 8 at <Ancestry.com>.

103. *Alabama, U.S., County Marriage Records, 1805–1967*, Mobile Co., 1862–1950, image 486 of 596 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), cites FHL 1294423.

104. U.S. census, 1870, Macon Twp., Noxubee Co., Miss., r. M593_743, p. 255A, dw. 8, fam. 7.

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- 33 iii **MORA A. [MYRA E.]³ HARPER**, born 20 Nov. 1843, Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[105] married 13 Mar. 1866, Macon,^[106] **RIENZI [RIE] MAHORNER**, born about 1842, Mississippi, died 7 July 1905, Travis Co., Tex.^[107] and had at least two children. I believe the evidence supports identification of Mora A. with Myra E.

In 1880 Rienzi Mahorner, 38, a lawyer born in Mississippi of a father born in Virginia and a mother in Maryland, resided in Madisonville, Madison Co., Tex., with his wife, Myra E., 36, born in Mississippi of Mississippi natives, and with his son, Louis R., 13, born in Mississippi, and daughter, Myra L., 9, born in Texas.^[108]

Slaves (2) inherited from Elijah¹ by daughter Elizabeth² Gorman, wife of Daniel E. Harper (appendix A1), but with this condition, “Not Subject to the Control debts or liabilities of her Said Husband Daniel E. Harper”:

- 12 i **SUSY.**
13 ii **LINDA.**

9. FELIX² GORMAN (¹*Elijah*¹) was born 30 Sept. 1819, Tennessee, and died 19 Jan. 1898, Greenville, Hunt Co., Tex.^[109] He married 22 Nov. 1849, Talladega Co., Ala.,^[110] **MARY ANN WOODWARD**, who was born about 1828, South Carolina, and died 29 Aug. 1887, Greenville, Hunt Co., Tex.^[111]

105. *Alabama, Texas and Virginia, U.S., Confederate Pensions, 1884–1958*, Texas, Pension File No. 16663, Mrs. Rienzie Mahorner, of Ft. Worth, Tarrant Co., Tex., filed application for pension 10 July 1909, and it was approved 3 Aug. 1909, images 34–42 at <Ancestry.com> (?), particularly image 37.

106. Texas, Pension File No. 16663 (note 105), image 37.

107. Texas, Pension File No. 16663 (note 105), image 37. There is an obit. for him at (?).

108. U.S. census, 1880, Madisonville, Madison Co., Tex., ED 98, r. 1318, p. 294a, dw. 3, fam. 3.

109. Death notice, Friday, 21 Jan. 1898, *Greenville Mel[?]* (newspaper), Greenville, Texas: “Died, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. George Payne, on South Wesley street Wednesday morning, Dr. Gorman, aged 90 years. Dr. Gorman was the father of Mrs. Payne and had lived in this city about seventeen years.”

110. Talladega Co., Ala., Marriages, 1846–1864, A2:109, image 71 of 244 (?), FHL 1639298 item 3, IGN 5205850, Felix Gorman to Miss Mary Woodward, licensed and married 22 Nov. 1849, by Thomas H. Cook MG.

111. Family group sheet for Felix Gorman and Mary Woodward, by Sue Gorman, Shawnee, Oklahoma, for his birth and death, and for Mary’s death.

Felix was a physician and “his son also became a physician;” he was executor of his father’s will.^[112]

The following petition captures Felix’s relatives’ impression of his poor abilities as executor of his father’s will (written after mother Mary’s death in Apr. 1852):

Felix Gorman though he resided in said county [Noxubee Co., Miss.] until AD 1851 or 1852 never presented said will for Probate nor did he ever take out letters of Executorship under the same, but on the contrary, up to the January AD 1849 the said will remained as it stood at the death of the deceased, and never was presented for Probate ... all of which said slaves were at his death & are hired out in this county—the balance of said life estate having been improvidently squandered by the said Felix or through his instrumentality—fraudulently—disposed of.^[113]

In 1850 Felix Gorman, 32, a physician born in Tennessee, resided in Noxubee Co., Miss., with Mary A., 21, born in South Carolina, an infant Thomas, born in Mississippi, and Mary Gorman, 73, born in South Carolina.^[114] As the petition fragment above states, Felix departed in 1851 or 1852 for Texas. The same petition places him in Anderson Co., Tex., in Oct. 1852.

The 1850 slave schedule for Noxubee Co., Miss., listed eight slaves for slave owner Felix Gorman, all mulatto, ages 1–35 (including six children), seven females and one male.^[115]

On 11 Nov. 1850 Felix Gorman bought (apparently for a song) for \$14 from Hezekiah W. Foote the following land in Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss.: the west half of lots 2, 3, and 9, and all of the lots 10, 11, 12, 17, and 18, all lying in section 4, township 14, range 17E. These lots were obtained by Hezekiah in a sale for back taxes on 3 Apr. 1848.^[116]

112. Email from Norma Gorman Wright, 14 June 2002; posting by Sue McLeod Gorman, RootsWeb.com, 16 Feb. 1997, cites Dr. Felix Gorman in the 1880 census for Washington Co., Tex., and deeds for him and his son Felix in Greenville, Hunt Co., Tex. starting in 1881.

113. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), images 261 (♂) and 263, petition by Jesse Blythe and Elizabeth G. his wife, to judge Reuben Ruff of the Probate Court, 5 Oct. 1852.

114. U.S. census, 1850, Noxubee Co., Miss., dw. 67, fam. 67, r. 379, p. 199.

115. 1850 U.S. Federal Census—Slave Schedules, image 8 of 135, <Ancestry.com>, Noxubee Co., Miss.

116. Photocopy of original record, contributed by Sue Gorman.

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Felix removed to Texas about 1852 according to the following record:

On 15 Aug. 1867, F. Gorman registered to vote in Milam Co., Tex., having resided in the state for 15 years and in the county 2 years.^[117]

In 1870 Felix Gorman, 52, a physician born in Tennessee, with wife, M. A., 42, born in South Carolina, resided in Brenham, Washington Co., Tex., with his children, Julia, 17, Felix Jr., 16, Arthur, 13, and Edith, 7, all born in Texas.^[118]

In 1880 Felix Gorman, 61 resided in Independence, Washington Co., Tex., with his wife, Mary, 50, son, Felix, 25, a farmer born in Texas, son, Arthur, 22, a photographer (“photogra[p]htist”) born in Louisiana, and daughter, Edith, 16, born in Texas. Felix (father) was a “physitian” born in Tennessee with both parents native to South Carolina. Mary was born in South Carolina with both parents also natives of South Carolina.^[119]

In an 1895–1895 directory of Waco, McLennan Co., Tex., were listed Felix Gorman, Jr. and Sr., both at the same residence, with Sr. a physician and Jr. a carpenter.^[120]

Children:^[121]

34 i **THOMAS³ GORMAN**, born about 1850, Mississippi.

35 ii **JULIA³ GORMAN**, born 25 July 1853, Palestine, Texas, died May 1933, Seattle, King Co., Washington, married 29 Jan. 1880, **DAVID HINES**.^[122] It is not known if there is any relation between this David

117. *Texas, U.S., Voter Registration Lists, 1867–1869*, Milam Co., image 56 of 75 at <Ancestry.com> (♂), “[line] 1103 [registered] August 15–1867. [name] F. Gorman [where] Milam County, Texas [precinct] 4 [time in state] 15 years [in county] 2 years [in precinct] 2 years.”

118. U.S. census, 1870, Brenham PO, Wasahington Co., Tex., r. 1608, p. 254, dw. 1157, fam. 1157. This supports his 1819 birth in Tennessee.

119. U.S. census, 1880, Independence, Washington Co., Tex., dw. 25, fam. 25, ED 151, r. 1332, p. 250.

120. U.S. *City Directories, Morrison and Fourmy’s General Directory of The City of Waco 1894–95*, 146, image 103 of 226 at <Ancestry.com> (♂), “Gorman Felix, jr., carp Kivett-Fleming Lumber Co., 4. 701 S, 11th. | Gorman Felix, sr., physician, (retired0, r. 701 S. 11th.”

121. Also listed in the family record sheet for Felix and Mary (Woodward) Gorman, by Sue Gorman, are Mary Gorman, born 1849, died 1850, and John Gorman, born and died 1852.

122. Family record sheet for Felix and Mary (Woodward) Gorman, by Sue Gorman. There are two towns named Palestine, Tex. It is not known which this was. The birthyear 1853 is inconsistent with that for brother Felix, also 1853 according to the 1900 census.

Hines and the one who married Cassandina E.³ Gorman (*Terrell*², *Elijah*¹).

- + 36 iii **FELIX**³ **GORMAN**, born Oct. 1853 in Texas, married **FANNIE JULIA RANKIN**, and had nine children.
- 37 iv **ARTHUR**³ **GORMAN**, born about 1857, in Louisiana or Texas.
- 38 v **EDITH**³ **GORMAN**, born 22 Feb. 1864, Texas, died 1935, married 26 Aug. 1888, Greenville, Hunt Co., Tex., **GEORGE V. PAYNE**.^[123] It is not known if there is any relation between this George V. Payne and Ransom Thomas Payne who married Nancy² Gorman (*Elijah*¹).

Slaves (3) inherited from Elijah¹ by son Felix² Gorman (appendix A1):

- 14 i **JOSEPH**.
- 15 ii **JERRY**.
- 16 iii **JEFFERSON**.

10. SARAH ANN² **GORMAN** (¹*Elijah*¹) was born about 1821, Alabama, and died Jan. 1850, age 29, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[124] of fever, before the 1852 deposition (appendix A3). She married 18 July 1841, Noxubee Co.,^[125] after her father's 1840 will, **CHARLES W. ALLEN**, who was born 1807 (grave-stone), South Carolina, died 16 Sept. 1863, and was buried in Odd Fellows Cem., Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., near his third wife.^[126] Sarah was his second wife of three.^[127] The children all resided in Noxubee Co., Mississippi, at the time of the 1852 deposition.

123. Family record sheet for Felix and Mary (Woodward) Gorman, by Sue Gorman.

124. U.S. census, 1850, Noxubee Co., Miss., mortality schedule, Sarah A. Allen, 29, female, died Jan., born Ala., ID MRT1974139, cause fever.

125. Noxubee Co., Miss., Marriages, 1834–1870, A:105, image 89 of 489 (↗), FHL 900888, IGN 7726174, Charles W. Allen to Miss Sarah Ann Gorman, licensed 6 July 1841, married 18 July 1841, by T. A. Smith “E.M.E.C.”

126. *Find a Grave*, no. 197933572, gravestone photo, by Stephen McBride, Odd Fellows Cem., Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., “Charles W. | Allen | 1807— | September 16, 1863 | Surveyor | of the | town | of | Macon | 1834.”

127. Noxubee Co., Miss., Marriages, 1834–1870, A:15, image 43 of 489 (↗), FHL 900888, IGN 7726174, Charles W. Allen to Sarah F. Harrison, 12 Nov. 1835, also A:320, image 209 of 489 (↗), Charles W. Allen to Elizabeth Lewis, 10 Feb. 1852.

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In 1840 Charles W. Allen, 30–40, resided in Noxubee Co., Miss., with one girl under 5, and with six slaves (1 male and five females).^[128]

In 1850 Charles W. Allen, 39, a planter born in South Carolina, with \$12,000 real estate, resided in Noxubee Co., Miss., with Sarah, 12, Mary M., 6, “Cinthia,” 4, and Charles T., 2, all four born in Mississippi, and F. D. Allen, 44, a male clerk born in South Carolina.^[129] Child Sarah was a daughter of his first marriage, and F. D. was probably his brother.

By the 1850 slave schedule, slave owner Charles W. Allen had 30 slaves, 21 females (ages 1–46) and 9 males (ages 2–70).^[130]

Elizabeth Blythe’s 1852 deposition (appendix A3) has “the children of Sarah Allen dec^d to wit Mary M. aged 8 years Cynthia aged 6 years Charles T aged 4 years residing in Noxubee County Missi.”

In 1860 C. W. Allen, 53, a farmer born in South Carolina, with \$25,000 real and \$33,250 personal estates, resided in Noxubee Co., Miss., with E. L., 38, born in Virginia, and with Mary M., 15, “S. W.,” female, 13, and C. T., male, 12, and Francis L., female, 4, all four born in Mississippi.^[131] Child Francis L. was a daughter of his third marriage.

Children:

- + 39 i **MARY M.³ ALLEN**, born about 1844, Mississippi, married **THURMAN CURTIS BAKER**, and had two children.
- 40 ii **CYNTHIA W.³ ALLEN**, born about 1846, Mississippi, married 5 Jan. 1864, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[132] **WILLIAM POPE**.
- 41 iii **CHARLES T.³ ALLEN**, born about 1848, Mississippi.

Slaves (4) inherited from Elijah¹ by daughter Sarah² Gorman (appendix A1):

- 17 i **BILLY**, wife **RITTA**, children Emila and Charles.

128. U.S. census, 1840, Noxubee Co., Miss., r. 218, p. 107.

129. U.S. census, 1850, Noxubee Co., Miss., r. 379, p. 226B, dw. 519, fam. 519.

130. 1850 U.S. Federal Census–Slave Schedules, Noxubee Co., Miss., image 58 of 135 at <Ancestry.com> (↗).

131. U.S. census, 1860, Dist. 3, Noxubee Co., Miss., r. M653_588, p. 913, dw. 465, fam. 465.

132. Noxubee Co., Miss., Marriages, 1860–1874, B:91, image 375 of 489 (↗), FHL 900888, IGN 7726174, William Pope to Cynthia W. Allen, 5 Jan. 1864.

THIRD GENERATION

11. CASSANDINA [CASSANDANNA] E.³ GORMAN (₃Terrell², *Elijah*¹)^[133] was born about 1831, Mississippi or Alabama, died 11 May 1885, Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., and was **apparently** buried in Odd Fellows Cem., Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss.^[134] She married 6 June 1850, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[135] **DAVID HINES**, who was born about 1816, North Carolina, died 1880, and was buried next to his wife.

Death notice from the *Macon Beacon*, 12 May 1885:

Mrs. C. E. Hines, relict of the late David Hines died yesterday and the body was interred in Odd Fellows cemetery this morning. She was one of the oldest citizens of the county and leaves a large family to mourn for her.^[136]

In 1850 David Hines, 34, born in North Carolina with \$800 real estate, resided in Noxubee Co. Mississippi, in the household of E. G. Reede, 33, born in Tennessee, Myra, 7, born in Mississippi, "Cassandan," 17, born in Alabama, and a merchant, Henry Joel, 27, born in Germany. "Cassandan" was probably David's wife since the census was enumerated on 22 Sept. 1850. The corresponding 1850 slave schedule shows nine slaves for David Hines and seven for E. G. "Reed."^[137]

In 1860 David Hines, 45, a mechanic born in North Carolina with \$8,000 real and \$13,270 personal estates, resided in Macon, Noxubee Co. Mississippi, with C., 29, female born in Mississippi, and with Sherrod, 9,

133. And several other variations of her name.

134. *Find a Grave*, no. 119292220, no gravestone photograph, but an inscription is transcribed: "Dear Parents, tho we miss you much we know you rest with God." The otherwise **unsourced** information here has "Casindinah Elizabeth" Hines born 1830, died 1888 [sic] and her spouse David Hines, born 1815, died 1880.

135. Noxubee Co., Miss., Marriages, 1834–1870, A:282, image 189 of 489 (↗), FHL 900888, IGN 7726174, David Hines to Cassindanah Gorman, licensed and married 6 June 1850, by R. Ruff, Judge of Probate.

136. Transcription from Lucille M. Reeves, 14 Mar. 1990, Macon, Mississippi, via Sue Gorman.

137. U.S. census, 1850, Noxubee Co., Mississippi, r. 379, p. 200A, dw. 77, fam. 77.

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and David, 7, males born in Mississippi, Effa, 6, “Sallie,” 4, and [unnamed], 2, all three females born in Mississippi.^[138]

In 1870 David Hines, 55, a carpenter born in North Carolina with \$670 real and \$665 personal estates, resided in Macon, Noxubee Co. Mississippi, with “Celia” E., 36, born in Mississippi, and with Sherrod, 18, a farmer, David, 16, a farmer, “Effie,” 14, Sarah, 12, and Martha, 11, Terrell, 9, Leland, 7, Jesse, 5, Percy, 3, Marian, 2, and John, 1/12, born in May, six youngest all males [sic], all born in Mississippi.^[139]

In 1880 C. E. Hines, 48, a widowed farmer born in Alabama of Alabama natives, resided in Noxubee Co. Mississippi, with her daughter, “Mattie,” 21, and her sons, Terrell, 19, Leland, 18, “Jessee,” 16, “Persey,” 15, and “Marion,” 12, all born in Mississippi.^[140]

Children:

- 42 i **SHERROD⁴ HINES**, born about 1851, Mississippi, died **perhaps** 1878, and buried **apparently** in Odd Fellows Cem., Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss.^[141]
- 43 ii **DAVID⁴ HINES**, born about 1853, Mississippi.
- 44 iii **EFFA⁴ HINES**, born Feb. 1857 (gravestone), Mississippi, died 31 July 1912, and buried near her husband,^[142] married (her cousin) **SAMUEL C.⁴ MOBLEY**, born 14 Oct. 1857 (gravestone), Mississippi, died 28 Aug. 1929, buried in Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn.^[143] See him for further details.
- 45 iv **SARAH⁴ HINES**, born about 1856, Mississippi.
- 46 v **MARTHA⁴ HINES**, born about 1858, Mississippi. A daughter, “Mattie,” who was born 2 Jan. 1867 (gravestone), died 5 Feb. 1910, buried in Soule Chapel Cem., Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[144]

138. U.S. census, 1860, Macon PO, Noxubee Co., Mississippi, r. 588, p. 927, dw. 570, fam. 550.

139. U.S. census, 1870, Macon PO, Noxubee Co., Mississippi, r. 743, p. 113B, dw. 152, fam. 156.

140. U.S. census, 1880, Noxubee Co., Mississippi, ED 30, r. 660, p. 149A, dw. 152, fam. 156.

141. *Find a Grave*, no. 119292273, no gravestone photograph, **unsourced** information here has Sherrod Hines, born 1851 [sic], died 1878.

142. *Find a Grave*, no. 7751072, gravestone photograph, Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., “My wife | Effie Hines | wife of | C. S. Mobley | born Feb. 1857 | died July 31, 1912 | [inscription].”

143. *Find a Grave*, no. 7751135, gravestone photograph, Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., “S. C. Mobley | born | Oct. 14, 1857 | died | Aug. 28, 1929.”

144. *Find a Grave*, no. 97985359, gravestone photograph, by Ann Robertson, Soule Chapel Cem.,

married 8 July 1891, Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[145] **JAMES F. BARNHILL**, born 16 May 1860 (gravestone), died 3 July 1944, and buried near his wife.^[146] This would work if the gravestone were off by 10 years. They had children.

- 47 vi **TERRELL⁴ HINES**, born about 1861, Mississippi.
- 48 vii **LELAND⁴ HINES**, born about 1863, Mississippi.
- 49 viii **JESSE⁴ HINES**, born about 1865, Mississippi.
- 50 ix **PERCY⁴ HINES**, born about 1867, Mississippi.
- 51 x **MARIAN⁴ HINES**, a boy born about 1868, Mississippi.
- 52 xi **JOHN⁴ HINES**, born May 1870, Mississippi. He wasn't mentioned in 1880 so probably died young.

12. CALISTA F.³ GORMAN (₃*Terrell², Elijah¹*) was born 15 Apr. 1834 (gravestone), Alabama or Mississippi, died 6 Oct. 1905, and was buried in Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn.^[147] She married 12 Sept. 1850, Marshall Co., Miss.,^[148] **PLEASANT MARION MOBLEY**, who was born 2 Feb. 1832 (gravestone), Alabama, died 25 June 1918, and was buried near his wife.^[149]

In 1860 Marion Mobley, 28, a farmer born in Alabama with a personal estate valued at \$10,000, resided in Marshall Co., Miss., with Calista, 26, born in Mississippi, Lorena J., 4, Samuel, 3, and Mary H., 1, all three born in Mississippi. Also with them were D. Solomon Mobley, 16, and Calvin W. Mobley, 14, both born in Mississippi, who are too old to have been Calista's children so were perhaps nephews or even younger brothers of Marion Mobley. The corresponding 1860 slave schedule shows seven

Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., "Mattie H | Barnhill | Jan 2 1867 | Feb 5 1910 | [inscription]."

145. *Miss. Marriages, 1776–1935*, "Mattie" Hines to J. F. Barnhill, 6 July 1891, Noxubee Co., Miss.

146. *Find a Grave*, no. 34116566, gravestone photograph, by Ann Robertson, Soule Chapel Cem., Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., "James F. | Barnhill | May 16, 1860 | July 31, 1944."

147. *Find a Grave*, no. 7751077, gravestone photograph, Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., "Callista F. | wife of | P. M. Mobley, | Apr. 15, 1834 | Oct. 6, 1905 | [inscription]."

148. Marshall Co., Miss., Marriages, 1848–1860, E:101, image 402 of 623 (↗), FHL 894365, IGN 7726133, Pleasant M. Mobly to Calista F. Gorman, licensed 10 Sept. 1850, married 12 Sept. 1850, by W^m. N. McMahan MG.

149. *Find a Grave*, no. 7751079, gravestone photograph, Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., "P. M. Mobley, | Feb. 2, 1832 | June 25, 1910 | [inscription]."

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slaves for P. Marion Mobley, six females ranging in age from 2 to 35 and one male 14; two of them are marked fugitives from the state.^[150]

In 1870 P. M. Mobley, 38, a farmer born in Alabama with \$1,280 real and \$500 personal estates, resided in Marshall Co., Miss., with C. F., 36, female born in Alabama, L. "C.," 15, "Sammie," 12, and "Mollie," 10, D. H., 8, female, and J. W., 1, male, all five born in Mississippi.^[151]

In 1880 Marion "Mobly," 48, a farmer born in Alabama of a father born in North Carolina and a mother in Alabama, resided in Wall Hill Dist., Marshall Co., Miss., with his wife, Calista F., 46, born in Alabama of Alabama natives, and his daughter, D[aw?]son, 17, and son, John 11, and son Samuel, 23, a farmer, all three born in Mississippi, and his daughter-in-law, Effa, 20, born in Mississippi of Mississippi natives, and one black servant.^[152]

In 1900 P. Marion Mobley, 68, a farmer born Feb. 1832 in Alabama of a father born in South Carolina and a mother in Alabama, resided in Byhalia, Marshall Co., Miss., with his wife of 50 years, "Callista," 66, born Apr. 1834 in Alabama of Alabama natives, and his grandson, Percy, 14, born Oct. 1885 in Alabama of Mississippi natives. Calista had had six children, with four surviving.^[153]

Known children of six:

- 53 i **LORENA J.⁴ MOBLEY**, born about 1856, Mississippi.
- 54 ii **SAMUEL C.⁴ MOBLEY**, born 14 Oct. 1857 (gravestone), Mississippi, died 28 Aug. 1929, buried in Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn.,^[154] married (his cousin) **EFFA HINES**, born Feb. 1857 (gravestone), Mississippi, died 31 July 1912, and buried near her husband.^[155] They had at least one child, Percy H. Mobley, born

150. U.S. census, 1860, Marshall Co., Mississippi, dw. 409, fam. 454, r. 587, p. 58; corresponding 1860 slave schedule, r. 601, p. 25.

151. U.S. census, 1870, Marshall Co., Mississippi, r. 740, p. 399A, dw. 513, fam. 544.

152. U.S. census, 1880, Wall Hill Dist., Marshall Co., Mississippi, ED 122, r. 587, p. 58, dw. 111, fam. 111.

153. U.S. census, 1900, Marshall Co., Mississippi, ED 64, r. 820, p. 139, sh. 5B, dw. 98, fam. 98.

154. *Find a Grave*, no. 7751135, gravestone photograph, Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., "S. C. Mobley | born | Oct. 14, 1857 | died | Aug. 28, 1929."

155. *Find a Grave*, no. 7751072, gravestone photograph, Mullins Chapel Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., "My wife | Effie Hines | wife of | C. S. Mobley | born Feb. 1857 | died July 31, 1912 |

25 Oct. 1882, died 6 Jan. 1960, and buried in Memorial Park Cem.,
Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn.^[156]

55 iii **MARY H.⁴ MOBLEY**, born about 1859, Mississippi.

56 iv **DAWSON H.⁴ MOBLEY**, born about 1862, Mississippi.

57 v **JOHN W.⁴ MOBLEY**, born about 1869, Mississippi.

21. GEORGE S.³ PAYNE (⁵*Nancy*², *Elijah*¹) was born about 1825 in Alabama. He married (1) 26 Dec. 1844, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[157] **ELIZABETH WILLIAMS**, who was born about 1829 in Alabama. He married (2) before the 1860 census **EMILY** —, who was born about 1828 in Alabama.

In 1850 Sumter Co., Ala., George S. Payne, 29, born in Alabama, resided next door to Milton Lewis and his family, that of George's sister Elphida³, with Elizabeth, 21, Adeline C., 5, and Nancy W., 2, all four born in Alabama.^[158]

Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3) has heirs of Nancy Payne as "Elphida Lewis deceased ... also George Payne 27 years [born about 1825] all residing in Sumpter [sic] County Ala."

In 1860 George S. Payne, 35, a farmer, resided in Intercourse, Sumter Co., Ala., with Emily, 32, Adaline, 13, Nancy, 11, son, Winter, 9, and son, Abija, 2, all six born in Alabama.^[159]

Children of the first marriage, to Elizabeth:

58 i **ADELINE C.⁴ PAYNE**, born about 1845, Alabama.

59 ii **NANCY W.⁴ PAYNE**, born about 1848, Alabama.

Known children of the second marriage, to Emily:

60 iii **WINTER⁴ PAYNE**, born about 1851, Alabama.

[inscription]."

156. *Find a Grave*, no. 102913752, gravestone photograph, Memorial Park Cem., Memphis, Shelby Co., Tenn., "Percy H. | Oct. 25, 1882 | June 6, 1960 || Mary F. | Apr. 12, 1875 | Nov. 16, 1963 || Mobley."

157. Sumter Co., Ala., Marriage Records White, 1833–1847, 1:310, image 937 of 1235 (↗), FHL 1293884 item 4, IGN 7614991, no. 733, George S. Payne to Elizabeth Williams, licensed 26 Dec. 1844, Sumter Co., Ala., bonded by George S. Payne and Daniel Spradley, "Executed by Ja^s Bevers J.P. the 26th of Dec^r 1844."

158. U.S. census, 1850, Sumter Co., Ala., dw. 124, fam. 126, r. 15, p. 265.

159. U.S. census, 1860, post office Intercourse, Sumter Co., Ala., dw. 258, fam. 258, r. 24, p. 497.

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61 iv **ABIJA⁴ PAYNE**, born about 1858, Alabama.

22. ELPHIDA A.³ PAYNE (⁵Nancy², *Elijah*¹) was born in Alabama, and died before Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3) and before the 1850 census when her husband had remarried. She married 11 Nov. 1838, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[160] **MILTON LEWIS**, who was born about 1818 in Alabama, and "died in a yankee prison in Alton, Ill."^[161] He married, second, 16 Jan. 1850, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[162] **ELIZABETH A. DABNEY**.

Evidence from relatives: Milton and "Elphada" Lewis had children Virginia E.⁴ Lewis, born about 1844, Ambrose Wyatt⁴ Lewis, born about 1846, and Mary A. Elvira⁴ Lewis, born about 1848, all born in Alabama.^[163]

In 1850 Sumter Co., Ala., Milton Lewis, 32, a farmer born in Alabama, resided with Elizabeth A., 23, born in Alabama, Virginia E., 6, Ambrose W., 4, and Mary A. E., 2, all born in Alabama, and Ervin Payne, 18, a farmer born in Alabama.^[164] They lived next to George S. Payne, 29, born in Alabama. These were surely her brothers Irving and George Payne.

160. Sumter Co., Ala., Marriage Records White, 1833-1847, 1:87 image 709 of 1235 (↗), FHL 1293884 item 4, IGN 7614991, no. 9, Milton Lewis to Elphada Payne, licensed 5 Nov. 1838, bonded by Milton Lewis and William Kelly, married 11 Nov. 1838, by Richard W. Gayle JP.

161. Letter from descendant Lorene⁶ (Beeman) Shanks to Sue Gorman, 14 Feb. 1985, mentions that (Lorene's) Grandma Beeman's brother Ambrose was captured with her father Milton Lewis at Oxford, Mississippi, and that both died in prison at Alton, Illinois, Ambrose being about 16; that Grandma (Mary A. Elvira Lewis) and Virginia Lewis were raised in an orphanage, that Virginia married a Greene and went west, possibly dying in the Galveston, Texas, tidal wave, that Lorene's grandfather (and Mary Elvira's husband) was Ivy Hines Beemon (spelling difference explicitly noted) who had already been married to Mary Jane Johnson; that Lorene's father was Arthur Lewis⁵ Beeman; that her husband is (1985) Richard Donald Shanks, born 20 May 1928; that her daughter is Jo Ann⁷, married M. Whitney Morgan, Jr., and has four children, one of whom is son Ross⁸ 23.

162. Sumter Co., Ala., Marriage Records White, 1847-1865, 2:88, image 1109 of 1235 (↗), FHL 1293884 item 5, IGN 7614991, no. 174, Milton Lewis to "Eliza^h" A. Dabney, licensed 12 Jan. 1850, security by David M. Dial, married 16 Jan. 1850, by John C. Gillespie JP.

163. Letter from descendant Lorene (Beeman) Shanks to Sue Gorman, 24 Mar. 1980: "My father's mother, Mary Elvira (Lewis) Beemon, whose grandfather was Ransom T. Payne, mother Elphada (Gorman) Payne, ... I have seen in an old thin book of marriages in Sumter Co. Ala, Livingston, Ala. ...a copy of Ransom T. Payne giving permission for his daughter Elphada, to marry Milton Lewis."

164. U.S. census, 1850, Sumter Co., Ala., dw. 123, fam. 125, r. 15, p. 265.

Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3) has heirs of Elphida Lewis as "Virginia Lewis aged 9 years [born about 1843], Wyatt aged 7 years [born about 1845] also George Payne 27 years [born about 1825] all residing in Sumpter [sic] County Ala."

Children (some based on hearsay from relatives):

- 62 i VIRGINIA E.⁴ LEWIS, born about 1844, Alabama, married —GREENE.
- 63 ii AMBROSE WYATT⁴ LEWIS, born about 1846, Alabama.
- 64 iii MARY A. ELVIRA⁴ LEWIS, born about 1848, Alabama, married —BEEMON.

23. NANCY A.³ PAYNE (⁵Nancy², Elijah¹) was born about 1828, and died before the Apr. 1852 death of Mary Gorman, according to the 1883 Brummett petition (appendix AX), and died before Elizabeth Blythe's 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3). She married 12 May 1842, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[165] JAMES H. BRUMMETT, who was born 28 Apr. 1818 (gravestone), North Carolina, died 8 Apr. 1884, and was buried in Mount Prospect Cem., Columbia Co., Ark.^[166] He married, second, 23 Jan. 1851, DeSoto Co., Miss.,^[167] MALINDA A. WHITEHEAD, who was born 27 Aug. 1838, died 16 June, 1896, and was buried near her husband,^[168] and they had several more children.

In 1850 James "Brummet," 33, a "Gin-wright" born in North Carolina, with \$225 real estate, resided in Southern Division, Desoto Co., Miss., with Daniel, 7, born in Alabama, Robert, 4, born in Mississippi, "Buerma V. Z.," 2, male, born in Mississippi, and with Terrill Payne, 21 [sic], a Gin-

165. Sumter Co., Ala., Marriage Records White, 1833-1847, 1:214, image 839 of 1235 (↗), FHL 1293884 item 4, IGN 7614991, no. 430, James H. Brummet to Nancy A. Payne, licensed 9 May 1842, bonded by James H. Brummet and Ransom T. Payne, married 12 May 1842, by D. S. Wood.

166. *Find a Grave*, no. 125938171, gravestone photo, by Rob Riley, plot: Row 3 from east, difficult to read, uncertain items in [], "James H. Brummett | born | April 28, 18[18] | died | April 8, 1884."

167. DeSoto Co., Miss., Marriage Records White, 1851-1854, B:485, image 327 of 720 (↗), FHL 895690, IGN 7726281, James H. Brummitt to Melinda A. Whitehead, licensed 21 Jan. 1851, married 23 Jan. 1851, by A. Green JP.

168. *Find a Grave*, no. 125938451, gravestone photo, by Rob Riley, plot: Row 3 from east, difficult to read, uncertain items in [], "Malinda A. | wife of | J. H. Brummett | born | April 28, 18[3]8 | died | June 16, 1896."

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wright born in Alabama, “Malissa Ulrick,” 24 [sic], and Caroline “Ulrick,” 3, both born in Alabama.^[169]

They had at least two children, John⁴ Brummett and an unnamed infant, at the time of Elizabeth Blythe’s 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3). So that deposition is in error for this family.

The 11 Dec. 1883 petition, by D. W and R. C. Brummett (appendix AX), states that there were three sons R. B., D. W., and R. C. Brummett. D. W. Brummett resided in Richland, Arkansas, in 1883, and R. C. Brummett in Terrill, Texas.

Children:

- + 65 i **DANIEL WEBSTER⁴ BRUMMETT**, born 28 Aug. 1843, Alabama, married **MARY VICTORIA SMITH**, and had at least eight children.
- + 66 ii **ROBERT CHERRY⁴ BRUMMETT**, born 12 Apr. 1846, near Holly Springs, Miss., married **MARGARET HALL MCCLURIN**, and had 11 children.
- 67 iii **R. B.⁴ BRUMMETT**, born about 1848, Mississippi. I assume this is “Buerma V. Z. Brummet,” of the 1850 census.

25. MARTHA³ PAYNE (₅*Nancy*², *Elijah*¹) was born about 1832 (aged 20 in 1852 deposition, or born about 1827 in Alabama, according to Texas census data). Martha married (1) 18 Jan. 1844, Sumter Co., Ala.,^[170] **JEFFERSON G. REYNOLDS [RUNNALS]**, married (2) before Elizabeth Blythe’s 6 Oct. 1852 deposition (appendix A3) **ELIJAH BENTON³ HARRISON** (₄*Artemecy*², *Elijah*¹), and resided in Texas at the 1852 deposition. See my companion book on the Harrison family for continuation of this line.^[171] She is listed as Martha Runnals in the Brummett petition of 1883.

28. OLIVER D.³ CLEMENTS [CLEMENT] (₇*Mary M.*², *Elijah*¹) was born 22 Nov. 1831, Sumter Co., Ala., and died 25 Mar. 1874, Chambers Creek,

169. U.S. census, 1850, Southern Division, Desoto Co., Miss., r. 371, p. 357a, dw. 624., fam. 624.

170. Sumter Co., Ala., Marriage Records White, 1833–1847, 1:276, image 902 of 1235 (↗), FHL 1293884 item 4, IGN 7614991, no. 626, Jefferson G. Reynolds to Martha Payne, licensed 17 Jan. 1844, Sumter Co., Ala., bonded by Jefferson G. Reynolds and George S. Payne, “Execute the 18th of January 1844 by Joining the within named Couple in matrimony,” Benjamin Stone.

171. Smith, *John Malone Harrison Family* (note 38).

Ellis Co., Tex. (obit.). He married **LOU JANE** —, who was born about 1840, Mississippi.

In 1850 Oliver Clement, 19, born in Mississippi, resided in Hinds Co., Miss., in the household of “W^m” S. Clement, 42, a planter born in South Carolina.^[172]

In 1870 Oliver D. Clement, 37, born in Alabama, resided in Hinds Co., Miss., with Lou Jane, 30, born in Mississippi, and with William W., 4, born in Mississippi.^[173]

An obituary for Oliver:

Oliver D. Clement departed this life March 25th, on Chambers Creek, Ellis county, Texas, after an illness of nine weeks ... He was born in Sumpter Co., Ala., Nov. 22, 1831; made a profession of religion in his twenty-first year, and was baptized by Eld. S. B. Holaway into the fellowship of the County Line Church, Copiah county, Miss., and remained a firm Baptist till his death ... His last request was that he should be buried near the Little Church, Bee Creek, where his membership was, and hoped it would become a bright and shining light. He leaves a widow with two little boys, and a large circle of friends to mourn their loss. | E. C. Leake | Pastor of Bee Creek Church. | Lancaster, Texas, April 11, 1874.^[174]

Known child of two:

68 i **WILLIAM W.⁴ CLEMENTS**, born about 1866, Mississippi.

32. STERLING GORMAN³ HARPER (§*Elizabeth*², *Elijah*¹) was born about 1838, Alabama, died of murder 11 Mar. 1896, Huachuca Mountains, Cochise Co., Ariz. Terr., and was buried in Benson, Cochise Co.^[175] He married 1 May 1874, Woodland, Yolo Co., Calif.,^[176] **ANNIE A. LOWE**, who was born about 1855, California, and then they divorced.

172. U.S. census, 1850, Hinds Co., Miss., r. 372, p. 185a, dw. 1001, fam. 1001.

173. U.S. census, 1870, Twp. 4, Hinds Co., Miss., r. M593_730, p. 500A, dw. 476, fam. 496.

174. “Oliver D. Clement,” *Tennessee Baptist*, Memphis, Tenn., 25 Apr. 1874, <newspapers.com> (↗).

175. *Arizona, U.S., Wills and Probate Records, 1803–1995*, Probate Case Files, 1880–1921, Hanley-Harris, Cochise Co., image 962 of 1392 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), petition for letters of administration for the estate of S. G. Harper, resident of Cochise, Ariz. Terr., “died on or about the 11th day of March 1896, in the County of Pima, Territory of Arizona.”

176. BYU/Idaho Special Collections, “01 May 1874 Harper Sterling G. Lowe Annie A. 01 May 1874

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In 1870 Sterling G. Harper, 30, a lawyer born in Alabama, with \$150 personal estate, resided in Cache Creek Twp., Yolo Co., Calif.^[177]

In 1880 S. G. Harper, 41, a lawyer born in Alabama of a father born in Georgia and a mother in Tennessee, resided in Woodland, Yolo Co., Calif., with his wife, Annie, 25, born in California of a father born in Missouri and a mother in Kentucky, and with Russell, 2, born in California.^[178]

On 29 Nov. 1912, the *Macon Beacon* published "a list of Noxubeeans who have attended the University of Mississippi since its establishment." It listed "Sterling Gorman Harper 1861 Macon," still living.^[179]

An obituary for Sterling:

A dispatch from Fairbanks, Arizona, says that Oscar Eddenfield had surrendered himself to the sheriff for the killing of Sterling G. Harper, and that he had been held to answer for wilful murder.

The murder was committed in the Huachuca mountains and they had a dispute over a mine. Harper owned a mine in which Eddenfield claimed the old man gave him a half interest, and they quarreled over the division of the profits.

Eddenfield claims that Harper was about to shoot him when he grappled with him, taking his gun away. He held him with one hand while he shot him in the breast.

The body of Harper was taken to Benson, Arizona, where an inquest was held and interment had.

Sterling G. Harper, the murdered man, resided in Yolo county a number of years ago. He married Miss Annie Lowe, of this city, who afterwards obtained a divorce from him. The deceased was 50 years of age.^[180]

Known child:

Yolo California" (♂).

177. U.S. census, 1870, Cache Creek Twp., Yolo Co., Calif., r. M593_93, p. 429A, dw. 274, fam. 286.

178. U.S. census, 1880, Woodland, Yolo Co., Calif., ED 156, r. 86, p. 271b, dw. 93, fam. 96.

179. "Noxubee at the University of Mississippi," *Macon Beacon*, Macon, Miss., Fri., 29 Nov. 1812, p.1, <newspapers.com> (♂).

180. "A Former Woodlandite. S. G. Harper is Murdered in the Arizona Mountains," *Woodland Daily Democrat*, Woodland, Calif., Wed., 18 Mar. 1896, p.3, <newspapers.com> (♂).

- + 69 i **RUSSELL⁴ HARPER**, born 1877, Woodland, Yolo Co., Calif., married (1) **MARIECHEN NEEF**, married (2) **FLORENCE —**, and married (3) **LAURA DAGMAR PERCY**, and had no children.

36. FELIX³ GORMAN (9Felix², Elijah¹) was born Oct. 1853 (1900 census), Texas, died 1912, and was buried in White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla.^[181] He married 6 Oct. 1880, Brenham, Washington Co., Tex.,^[182] **FANNIE JULIA RANKIN**, who was born 13 May 1859, Brenham, daughter of Daniel and Julia R. (Sheppard) Rankin, and died 17 Aug. 1953, Bartlesville, aged 94 years 3 months 4 days, and was buried 20 Aug. 1953, White Rose Cem., Bartlesville.^[183] Fannie had been a resident of Bartlesville for 46 years at her death.

The deed records of Hunt Co., Tex., show that Felix Gorman and his family arrived there in about 1881, the first deed, dated 15 Sept. 1881, showing a purchase of 440 acres for \$500 by F. Gorman from A. B. Kerr. Felix made another land purchase on 28 Dec. 1881 and another on 23 May 1882. On 19 May 1883, Felix Gorman, Jr., and his wife Fannie Gorman sold a lot to Felix Gorman, Sr., for \$650.^[184]

In 1900 Felix Gorman, 46, a building contractor born Oct. 1853 in Texas, resided in Waco, McLennan Co., Tex., with his wife of 19 years Fannie, 39, born May 1861 in Texas. With them were eight of the nine children who still survived in 1900, all born in Texas: Arthur, 18, a carpenter born Aug. 1881; Mary, 16, born Sept. 1883; Annie, 13, born Apr. 1887; "Emma," 10, born Dec. 1889; daughter, Golden, 8, born Dec.

181. *Find a Grave*, no. 88312626, gravestone photograph, by Joe Todd, White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., "Felix | Gorman | 1853-1912."

182. Marriage certificate for Felix Gorman Jr. and Fannie J. Gorman, 6 Oct. 1880, State of Texas, Washington Co., no. 105, p. 53.

183. Death certificate for Fannie Julia Gorman, 17 Aug. 1953, State of Oklahoma, Department of Health, state file no. 013039, informants Arthur and Charles R. Gorman; *Find a Grave*, no. 88312552, gravestone photograph, by Joe Todd, White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., "Fannie R. | Gorman | 1859-1953."

184. Letter, dated 26 Dec. 1966, from W. Walworth Harrison, Curator and Correspondent, Hunt County Historical Society, to Sue Gorman, my correspondent, cites Hunt Co. deed records: Vol. A-1 p. 615, Vol. F-1 p. 320, Vol. D-1 p. 116, and Vol. F-1 p. 324.

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1891; Ruby, 6, born Nov. 1893; Charlie, 4, born Dec. 1895; and Edith, 2, born Mar. 1898.^[185]

In 1910 Felix Gorman, 56, a building contractor born in Texas of a father born in Mississippi and a mother in Alabama, resided in Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., with his wife of 30 years, Fannie, 46, born in Texas of Tennessee natives, and with his son, Arthur, 28, a carpenter, his daughters, "Imogene," 21, a schoolteacher, Golden, 18, and Ruby, 16, son, Charlie, 13, daughter, Edith, 11, all six born in Texas, and grandson Anthony Farr, 4, born in Oklahoma of Texas natives. Fannie had had nine children, with seven surviving.^[186]

In 1930 Fannie J. Gorman, 68, a widow born in Texas of Tennessee natives, resided in Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., in the household of her son, "Arther J." Gorman, 48, an architect born in Texas of Texas natives, and with his nephews, Sidney Smith, 18, and Felix Smith, 16, and his niece, Emogene Smith, 10, all three born in Oklahoma of a father born in Missouri and a mother in Texas.^[187]

Children:^[188]

- 70 i **JAMES ARTHUR⁴ GORMAN**, born 28 Aug. 1881, Greenville, Hunt Co., Tex., died 25 May 1961, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Tex., buried in White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla.,^[189] married 1961, Bartlesville, **MAUDE CAYWOOD**.

In 1930 "Arther J." Gorman, 48, an architect born in Texas resided in Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., with his mother, two nephews, and one niece. See his parents' sketch for details.

- 71 ii **MARY⁴ GORMAN**, born 10 Sept. 1883, Greenville, Hunt Co., Tex. (obit.), died 21 Aug. 1905, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla.,

185. U.S. census, 1900, Ward 2, Waco, McLennan Co., Tex., dw. 229, fam. 230, ED 73, r. 1656, p. 206, address N. 17th St.

186. U.S. census, 1910, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., ED 252, r. 1275, p. 254, sh. 9A, dw. 185, fam. 190.

187. U.S. census, 1930, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., ED 9, r. 1938, p. 117, sh. 12A, dw. 270, fam. 294.

188. Family group record for Felix and Fannie J. (Rankin) Gorman, by descendant (in-law) Sue (McLeod) Gorman; U.S. census, 1900, Waco, Texas.

189. *Find a Grave*, no. 61452875, gravestone photograph, by Joe Todd, White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., plot: block 2, "Arthur | Gorman | 1891 [sic]-1961."

buried in White Rose Cem., Bartlesville,^[190] married 8 Apr. 1904, Valley Mills, (in both Bosque and McLennan Cos.), Tex. (obit.), **ANTHONY R. FARR**, and had one child: (1) Anthony⁵ Farr, born just before her death, Oklahoma.

Her obituary:

Mary Gorman was born in Greenville, Texas, September 10, 1883. She was united in marriage with A. R. Farr in Valley Mills, Texas, April 8, 1904. She died at her home in Bartlesville at 4 o'clock on Monday afternoon, Aug. 21, 1905. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Gorman of Bartlesville. . . . She was a member of a large family of brothers and sisters, and mother of little infant Anthony, whom she named just before her death. . . .^[191]

- 72 iii **FELIX⁴ GORMAN**, born about 1885, died before the 1900 census.
- + 73 iv **ANNA⁴ GORMAN**, born 17 Apr. 1887, Texas, married **SIDNEY ELIAS SMITH**, and had four children.
- 74 v **EMOGENE⁴ GORMAN**, born Dec. 1889 (1900 census) or 1933 (gravestone), Texas, died 1913, buried in White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla.^[192]
- 75 vi **GOLDEN⁴ GORMAN**, born 15 Dec. 1891, Texas, died 31 Jan. 1978, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Oklahoma, married 19 Jan. 1918, Independence, Montgomery Co., Kansas, **H. M. HAMILTON**.^[193]

In 1930, H. M. Hamilton 33, an Indian farmer with father of "Mixed Blood" and mother "Cherokee," resided with his wife Golden 35, a white born in Texas of parents both born in Texas. H. M. was first married at age 21, hence about 1918, and Golden at 22, hence about 1917. With them resided daughter Marlene⁵ Hamilton 4 4/12, an Indian, with father of "Mixed Blood" and mother "Cherokee," which doesn't match Golden. Nevertheless, Marlene is

190. *Find a Grave*, no. 40413989, gravestone photograph, by Joe Todd, White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., plot: block 2, lot 21, space 4, "Mrs. A. R. | Farr | 1883-1905."

191. Obit., *Bartlesville Daily Enterprise*, Wed., 23 Aug. 1905, digital photocopy at *Find a Grave*, no. 40413989.

192. *Find a Grave*, no. 88312432, gravestone photograph, by Joe Todd, White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., plot: block 2, "Emogene | Gorman | 1888-1913."

193. The family group sheet for Felix and Fannie (Rankin) Gorman, by Sue Gorman, has him listed as H. H. Hamilton.

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probably her daughter and the “Cherokee” a census error since H. M. and Golden have been married about 12 years.

- 76 vii **RUBY⁴ GORMAN**, born 9 Nov. 1893, Waco, McLennan Co., Tex., married **JAMES PUMPHREY**.
- + 77 viii **CHARLES RANKIN⁴ GORMAN**, born 4 Dec. 1896, Waco, McLennan Co., Tex., married **ETTA SUE SIMPSON**, and had two children.
- 78 ix **EDITH⁴ GORMAN**, born Mar. 1898, Texas.^[194]

39. MARY M.³ ALLEN (₁₀*Sarah Ann*², *Elijah*¹) was born about 1844, Mississippi, and apparently died before the 1880 census and probably before 1877. She married 30 Mar. 1869 Noxubee Co., Miss.,^[195] **THURMAN CURTIS BAKER**, who was born about 1843, New York.

In 1870 T. C. Baker, 26, a merchandiser born in New York, resided in Maysfield, Milam Co., Tex., with “Dude” A., 25, born in Mississippi, and with Curtis, 6/12, born Jan. 1870, Texas.^[196]

In 1880 T. C. Baker, 37, a general trader born in New York of a father born in Vermont and a mother in New York, resided in Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., with his wife, F. C., 23, born in Mississippi of a father born in North Carolina and a mother in South Carolina, and with his son, T. C. Jr., 10, born in Texas [but crossed out], daughter, D. A., 8, born in Michigan, and daughters, Ida, 3, Ada, 3, and son, O. K., 1, all three born in Mississippi.^[197] The three youngest children were probably children of Thurman’s second wife.

Children:

- 79 i **THURMAN CURTIS⁴ BAKER JR.**, born 2 Feb. 1870, Mississippi (death certificate), or Jan. 1870, Texas (1870 census), died 16 Sept. 1956, San Antonio, Bexar Co., Tex., buried 20 Sept. 1956, Mission Burial Park, San Antonio.^[198]

194. In the U.S. census, 1900, Waco, Texas, only (i.e., not in family group sheet of Sue Gorman).

195. Noxubee Co., Miss., Marriages, 1860–1874, B:273, image 466 of 489 (↗), FHL 900888, IGN 7726174, T. C. Baker to Miss Mary M. Allen, 30 Mar. 1869.

196. U.S. census, 1870, Maysfield PO, Milam Co., Tex., r. 660, p. 196D, dw. 507, fam. 511.

197. U.S. census, 1880, Macon, Noxubee Co., Miss., ED 31, r. 660, p. 196D, dw. 356, fam. 286.

198. Death certificate, Tex. Dept. of Health, Bureau of Vital Statistics, no. 45932, Thurman Curtis Baker, died 16 Sept. 1956, San Antonio, Bexar Co., Tex., male, white, aged 86 yrs. 7 mos. 14 dys., born 2 Feb. 1870, Mississippi, male, white, widowed, father T. C. Baker Sr., born N.Y., mother Mary

- 80 ii **DOLLY/DONNA A.⁴ BAKER**, born 12 Feb. 1872, Van Buren Co., Mich.,^[199] married 17 Feb. 1900, Falls Co., Tex.,^[200] **GEORGE W. ROTAN**, born 29 June 1873, Falls Co., Texas, son of George and Mary (Curtis) Rotan, died 12 Dec. 1959, San Antonio, Bexar Co., Tex.,^[201] and had two children:^[202] (1) Thurman C.⁵ Rotan, born 7 Oct. 1903, Texas, died 4 Jan. 1991;^[203] and (2) Donna B.⁵ Rotan, born about 1907, Texas.

Allen, born Miss., occupation salesman of general insurance, resident of San Antonio, buried 20 Sept. 1956, Mission Burial Park, San Antonio, informant Mrs. Donna Alexander, image online at *Tex. Deaths, 1890–1976* [FHL 2114933].

199. *Mich. Births and Christenings, 1775–1995*, “Dolly” Baker, born 12 Feb. 1872, Van Buren Co., Mich., father Thurman C. Baker, mother Mary, baptism Van Buren Co. [FHL 1019201].

200. *Tex. Marriages, 1837–1973*, G. W. Rotan to Donna Baker, 17 Feb. 1900, Falls Co., Tex. [FHL 985643].

201. Death certificate, State of Tex., no. 66068, George W. Rotan, died 12 Dec. 1959, San Antonio, Bexar Co., Tex., male, white, married, aged 86 yrs., born 29 June 1873, Falls Co., Tex., father George Rotan, mother Mary Curtis, occupation construction contractor, resident of San Antonio, buried 14 Dec. 1959, San Jose Cem., San Antonio, informant Rev. Jack Rotan, image online at *Tex. Deaths, 1890–1976* [FHL 2116045].

202. U.S. census, 1920, Texline, Dallam Co., Tex., ED 42, r. 1790, p. 7, sh. 7A, dw. 141, fam. 141, lists George W. Rotan, 46, drayman born Tex., wife, Maud M., 36, born Tenn., son, Thurmon C., 16, and daughter, Donna B., 13, both born Tex., and two other sons, 6 and 5, presumably Maud’s children.

203. SSDI, Thurman Rotan, SSN 102–28–7839, born 7 Oct. 1903, died 4 Jan. 1991, issued N.Y. (1952–1954).

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65. DANIEL WEBSTER⁴ BRUMMETT (²³Nancy A.³ Payne, Nancy², Elijah¹) was born 28 Aug. 1843, Alabama, died 3 Nov. 1892, and was buried in Oakland Cem., Camden, Ouachita Co., Ark.^[204] He married **MARY VICTORIA SMITH**, who was born 1843 (gravestone), died 1917, and was buried in Greenwood Cem., Camden.^[205]

In a birth certificate for Thomas Lawrence Brummett, born 1 Apr. 1877, Richland, Smackover Twp., Ouachita Co., Ark., his father is listed as Daniel Webster Brummett, 34, a resident of Richland, Ark., who was born in Richland, Ark., occupation a planter, and his mother as Mary Victoria Smith, 35, a resident of Richland, born Rome, Ga., a housewife.^[206]

Known child of at least eight:

- 81 i **THOMAS LAWRENCE⁵ BRUMMETT**, born 1 Apr. 1877, Richland, Smackover Twp., Ouachita Co., Ark.

66. ROBERT CHERRY⁴ BRUMMETT (²³Nancy A.³ Payne, Nancy², Elijah¹) was born 12 Apr. 1846, near Holly Springs, DeSota Co., Miss., died 14 May 1935, and was buried in Childress Cem., Childress, Childress Co., Tex.^[207] He married about 1868 **MARGARET HALL MCCLURIN**, who was born Mar. 1852, Alabama.

In 1870 Robert “Brummet,” 24, a farm laborer born in Mississippi, with \$100 personal estate, resided in Boone Twp., Columbia Co., Ark.,

204. *Find a Grave*, no. 8594326, gravestone photo, Oakland Cem., Camden, Ouachita Co., Ark., “Daniel W. | Brummett | born | Aug. 28, 1843 | died | Nov. 3, 1892 | Brummett.”

205. *Find a Grave*, no. 61792728, gravestone photo, by Mary Hall Ferguson, Greenwood Cem., Camden, Ouachita Co., Ark., “Mary Victoria | wife of | D. W. Brummett | 1843–1917.” Also an obit.

206. *Arkansas, U.S., Birth Certificates, 1914–1925*, no. 238, for births prior to 1914, image 249 of 2188 at <Ancestry.com> (↗).

207. *Find a Grave*, no. 65668152, gravestone photo, by Jim Davenport, Childress Cem., Childress, Childress Co., Tex., “Robert C. Brummett | Co I | 18 Ark Inf | C. S. A. | April 12 1846 | May 14 1935.”

with Margaret, 18, born in Alabama, and with James R., 2, and Margaret E., 1, both born in Arkansas.^[208]

In 1880 “Robt. C. Brummet,” 33, a preacher born in Mississippi of a father born in Alabama and a mother in Mississippi, resided in Red River Co., Tex., with his wife, M. H., 28, born in Alabama of Alabama natives, and with his son, James R., 12, daughters, M. E., 10, and Nancy L., 9, and son, “Benj.,” 5, all born in Arkansas, and twin sons, Thomas M., and Webster, 1, both born in Texas.^[209]

In 1900 “Pat” C. Brummett, 54, born Apr. 1846 in Mississippi of a North Carolina natives, resided in Henrietta, Clay Co., Tex., with his wife of 32 years, “Margarett” H., 48, born Mar. 1852 in Alabama of a father born in North Carolina and a mother in Alabama, and with his son, Webster D., 21, born Mar. 1879, and daughters, Sara L., 17, born July 1882, and Hope, 13, born Oct. 1886, all born in Texas. Margarett had had 11 children, with 7 surviving.^[210]

An excerpt from *Gospel Preachers Who Blazed the Trail*:

Robert Cherry Brummett was born near Holly Springs, Miss., April 12, 1846. At age 18 he enlisted in the Confederate Army, Co. I, 18th Arkansas Regiment. At close of war he entered school. After two years in school he married, January 10, 1867. In 1869 he obeyed the Gospel, under preaching of E. M. Northum, soon after began preaching ... came to Texas in 1876, taught school two years ... In 1879-80 he was county evangelist of Red River County. His happy marriage to Miss Margaret Hall McClurin resulted in birth of eleven children. She still lives and blesses ... Brummett is 65 ...^[211]

Known children of 11:

82 i **JAMES R.⁵ BRUMMETT**, born about 1868, Arkansas.

83 ii **MARGARET E.⁵ BRUMMETT**, born about 1869, Arkansas.

84 iii **NANCY L.⁵ BRUMMETT**, born about 1871, Arkansas.

208. U.S. census, 1870, Boone Twp., Columbia Co., Ark., r. M593_50, p. 346A, dw. 147., fam. 147.

209. U.S. census, 1880, Pct. 4, Red River Co., Tex., ED 102, r. 1323, p. 243c, dw. 162., fam. 162.

210. U.S. census, 1900, Henrietta, Clay Co., Tex., ED 14, r. 1619, p. 13, dw. 258., fam. 258.

211. C. R. Nichol, *Gospel Preachers Who Blazed the Trail* (1911; repub. with index by Patsy R. Clark, Ft. Worth 1983), excerpted at U.S., *Family History Books*, image 45 of 58 at <Ancestry.com> (↗).

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- 85 iv **BENJAMIN⁵ BRUMMETT**, born about 1875, Arkansas.
- 86 v **THOMAS M.⁵ BRUMMETT**, twin, born Mar. 1879, Texas.
- 87 vi **WEBSTER D.⁵ BRUMMETT**, twin, born Mar. 1879, Texas.
- 88 vii **SARA L.⁵ BRUMMETT**, born Oct. 1882, Texas.
- 89 viii **HOPE⁵ BRUMMETT**, born Oct. 1886, Texas.

69. RUSSELL⁴ HARPER (₃₂*Sterling Gorman³ Harper, Elizabeth², Elijah¹*) was born 1877 (gravestone), Woodland, Yolo Co., Calif. (obit.), died 5 Oct. 1930, Victoria, B.C., and was interred in Acacia Memorial Park and Funeral Home, Lake Forest Park, King Co., Wash.^[212] He married (licensed) (1) 20 June 1908, Manhattan, New York City, N.Y.,^[213] **MARIECHEN NEEF**, who was born about 1885, Austria. He married (2) **FLORENCE** —, who was born about 1888, California. He married (3) 3 June 1926, Paddington Dist., London, England,^[214] **LAURA DAGMAR PERCY**, who was 2 Dec. 1884, London, died 1969, and was buried in the Chapel of the Chimes Memorial Park, Hayward, Alameda Co., Calif.^[215] There were apparently no children from any of these marriages.

In 1910 Russell Harper, 32, a farmer born in California of a father born in Mississippi and a mother in California, resided in Cacheville Twp., Yolo Co., Calif., with his wife of two years, Mariechen (the first marriage for both), 25, born in Austria of a father born in Germany and

212. *Find a Grave*, no. 77172321, gravestone photo, by Stephen Kronberg, Acacia Memorial Park and Funeral Home, Lake Forest Park, King Co., Wash., plot: Mausoleum MC-101 (Lily Corridor), Level D, Crypt 46, “Russell Harper | 1877 1930.” Also an obit.

213. *New York, New York, U.S., Marriage License Indexes, 1907–2018*, Manhattan, 1908, image 515 of 1315 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), cert. 14322, also (↗).

214. *England & Wales, Civil Registration Marriage Index, 1916–2005*, 1926, Q2–Apr–May–Jun, P, 194, image 39 of 74 at <Ancestry.com> (↗), Laura D. Percy to Harper, Paddington 1a:173. Also, *Washington, U.S., County Naturalizations, 1878–1974*, Petition for citizenship in USA, no. 632 (marked “Denied”), Port Townsend, Jefferson Co., Wash., Laura Dagmar Harper, of Glendale Ranch, Chimacum, Wash., born 2 Dec. 1884, London, England, widow of Russell Harper, married 3 June 1926, London, he born 6 Oct. 1877, San Francisco, Calif., deceased, in U.S. since 30 Sept. 1928, subscribed 29 Apr. 1935.

215. *Find a Grave*, no. 15468645, gravestone photo, Chapel of the Chimes Memorial Park, Hayward, Alameda Co., Calif., plot: Masonic Cemetery Section, “Laura D. | Harper | 1882–1969.”

a mother in Austria, and with a servant and two hired men. She had immigrated in 1899 and had had no children.^[216]

In 1920 Russell Harper, 42, a shingle mill manufacturer born in California of a father born in Mississippi and a mother in California, resided in Florence Pct., Snohomish Co., Wash., with his wife, Florence, 32, born in California of a father born in Scotland and a mother in California.^[217]

In 1930 Russell Harper, 52, born in California of a father born in Mississippi and a mother in California, resided in Long Beach, Los Angeles Co., Calif., with his wife, Laura, 46, born in England of England natives. She was unnaturalized. He was age 48 at first [sic] marriage, and she was 42.^[218]

An obituary for Russell:

Woodland, Oct. 6.—Russell Harper, 52, nephew of T. R. Lowe of Woodland and a native of this city, died Sunday at Victoria, B.C., it was learned here today.

Interment will be tomorrow in Seattle, Wash., local relatives were notified. Harper had not lived in Woodland for the past 20 years, but he had made several short visits here.^[219]

73. ANNA⁴ GORMAN (₃₆*Felix*³, *Felix*², *Elijah*¹) was born 17 Apr. 1887, Texas, died Feb. 1925,^[220] and was buried in White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla.^[221] She married about 1910 **SIDNEY ELIAS**

216. U.S. census, 1910, Cacheville Twp., Yolo Co., Calif., ED 175, r. T624_110, p. 7b, dw. 72, fam. 73.

217. U.S. census, 1920, Florence Pct., Snohomish Co., Wash., ED 170, r. T625_1939, p. 2A, dw. 25, fam. 26.

218. U.S. census, 1930, Long Beach, Los Angeles Co., Calif., ED 1064, r. FHL 2339863, p. 3B, dw. 13, fam. 94.

219. "Former Woodland Resident Succumbs," *The Sacramento Union*, Sacramento, Calif., Tues., 7 Oct. 1930, p. 4 (published on his *Find a Page* page).

220. Full dates from family group record for Felix and Fannie J. (Rankin) Gorman, by descendant (in-law) Sue (McLeod) Gorman; and U.S. census, 1900, Waco, Texas.

221. *Find a Grave*, no. 30141279, gravestone photograph, by Joe Todd, White Rose Cem., Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., plot: 2-21-1 "Anna | Smith | 1887-1925."

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SMITH,^[222] who was born 10 Oct. 1885,^[223] Missouri or Nebraska, died 8 June 1968, last residence Tulsa, Tulsa Co., Okla.,^[224] and was buried in Sperry Rest Haven Cem., Sperry, Osage Co., Okla.^[225] He married, second, Armenta Louise —, who was born 4 Nov. 1914, died 9 Aug. 1991, and was buried with him.

In 1910 Sidney Smith, 24, a railroad boilermaker born in Missouri, resided in Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, with his wife of zero years, Anna, 23, born in Texas, and with his brother, Charles Smith, 20, a railroad machinist, born in Missouri. Anna had had no children, with none surviving.^[226]

In 1920 Sidney E. Smith, 34, a taxi line manager born in Nebraska of U.S. natives, resided in Sapulpa, Creek Co., Okla., with his wife, Anna, 32, born in Texas of Texas natives, and with his sons, Sidney E. Jr., 7, and Felix E., 6, and daughters, “Lucile,” 2 1/12, and “Emagene,” 8/12, all four born in Oklahoma.^[227]

In 1930 Sidney Smith, 18, Felix, 16, and Emogene, 10, all resided in Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., with their grandmother, Fannie J. Gorman, 68, in the household of their uncle “Arther J.” Gorman, 48. See Fannie’s sketch for details.^[228]

In 1940 Sidney Elias Smith, 54, a night watchman born in Nebraska, resided in Tulsa, Tulsa Co., Okla., with his wife, Armenta Louise, 27, born in Kansas, and with his son, Jackie Edward, 9, daughter, Barbara May, 7,

222. His middle name comes from his son Sidney E. Smith Jr.’s gravestone.

223. *WWI Draft Registration Cards, 1917–1918*, Sidney “Ellies” Smith, 33, of Sapulpa, Creek Co., Okla., boilermaker on the “Frisco R. R. Co.,” nearest relative Anna Smith at the same address, registered 12 Sept. 1918, Sapulpa.

224. SSDI, Sidney Smith, SSN 443-01-0351, born 10 Oct. 1885, died June 1968, last residence 74126 Tulsa, Tulsa Co., Okla., issued Okla. (before 1951).

225. *Find a Grave*, no. 15929105, gravestone photograph, Sperry Rest Haven Cem., Sperry, Osage Co., Okla., “Armenta Louise | Nov. 4, 1914 | Aug. 9, 1991 || Sidney Elias | Oct. 10, 1885 | June 8, 1968 || Together forever | Smith | in God’s name.”

226. U.S. census, 1910, Salt Lake City, Salt Lake Co., Utah, ED 121, r. 1606, p. 234, sh. 7B, dw. 138, fam. 143.

227. U.S. census, 1920, Sapulpa, Creek Co., Okla., ED 38, r. 1460, p. 11, sh. 11B, dw. 146, fam. 279.

228. U.S. census, 1930, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., ED 9, r. 1938, p. 117, sh. 12A, dw. 270, fam. 294.

and son, Dan O'Shea, 1, all three born in Oklahoma, and with one housekeeper. In 1935 all of them but the baby resided in Tulsa.^[229]

Children:^[230]

- + 90 i **SIDNEY ELIAS⁵ SMITH JR.**, born 23 Jan. 1912, Oklahoma, married **NADINE MARIE HARDMAN**, and had at least one child.
- 91 ii **FELIX E.⁵ SMITH**, born 17 Mar. 1914, Oklahoma, died 25 Mar. 1997,^[231] last residence Katy, Harris Co., Tex., buried in Houston National Cem., Houston, Harris Co., Tex.^[232]

In 1940 Felix Smith, 26, a petroleum accountant born in Oklahoma, resided in Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., as a lodger. He had resided in the same place in 1935.^[233]

In 1992 Felix E. Smith, born 17 Mar. 1914, resided in Katy, Harris Co., Tex.^[234]
- + 92 iii **LUCILLE⁵ SMITH**, born 24 Nov. 1917, Sapulpa, Creek Co., Okla., married **KARL JACKSON TAYLOR**, and had at least three children.
- 93 iv **EMOGENE⁵ SMITH**, born about 1919, Oklahoma.

77. CHARLES RANKIN⁴ GORMAN (₃₆*Felix*³, *Felix*², *Elijah*¹) was born 4 Dec. 1896, Waco, McLennan Co., Tex., and died 10 Apr. 1993, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla.. He married 29 Aug. 1926, Tulsa, Tulsa Co., Oklahoma, **ETTA SUE SIMPSON**, who was born 17 Sept. 1907, Cooper, Kentucky, died 30 Jan. 1985, Bartlesville.

229. U.S. census, 1940, Tulsa, Tulsa Co., Okla., ED 79-20A, r. 3348, p. 345, sh. 61A, dw. 201.

230. Email from descendent Jean Ford, 24 Jan. 1015, "they had 4 children. Sydney Smith Jr. lives in Poway, Ca. and or was at the time she [her mother] gave me this information still alive. Felix Smith - lives in Katy, Texas and or was alive. Lucille Smith Taylor- lives in Spring ,Texas married to Karl Taylor, one daughter,Karlene who lives in Baton Rouge Louisiana."

231. SSDI, Felix E. Smith, SSN 442-07-0579, born 17 Mar. 1914, died 25 Mar. 1997, last residence 77449 Katy, Harris Co., Tex., issued Okla. (before 1951).

232. *Find a Grave*, no. 1191199, no gravestone photograph, Houston National Cem., Houston, Harris Co., Tex., plot: G3, 0, 231, "SK1, US Navy"; *U.S. Veterans Gravesites, ca.1775-2006*, Felix E. Smith, service SK1 US NAVY WORLD WAR II, born 17 Mar 1914, died 25 Mar. 1997, service start date 1 Apr. 1943, interment date 28 Mar. 1997, Houston National Cem., 10410 Veterans Memorial Dr., Houston, Tex., buried at Section G3 Site 231.

233. U.S. census, 1940, Bartlesville, Washington Co., Okla., ED 74-2, r. 3339, p. 23, sh. 4A, dw. 82.

234. *U.S. Public Records Index, Vol.1*, Felix E. Smith, born 17 Mar. 1914, address "22319 Vobe CT, Katy, TX, 77449-2803 (1992)."

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Charle Rankin Gorman was a sailor in World War I.^[235]

Children:^[236]

- 94 i **CHARLES IRWIN⁵ GORMAN**, born 27 Nov. 1937, Bartlesville, married 2 Sept. 1961, Bartlesville, **SUE KINNEY MCLEOD**.
- 95 ii **ARTHUR PAUL⁵ GORMAN**, born 23 Feb. 1930, Bartlesville, married 4 Aug. 1967, Tulsa, Tulsa Co., Oklahoma, **CAROLYN KRISOR**.

235. *Oklahomans in WWI* – “Oklahoma Spirit of ‘17” – G surnames, “Gorman, Charles Rankin Sailor Bartlesville Washington 251,y.” The last item is probably a page number in *The Oklahoma Spirt of '17, Biographical Volume*, compiled by W. E. Welch, J. S. Aldridge, L. V. Aldridge (Oklahoma City: Historical Publ. Co., 1920).

236. Family group record for Charley Rankin and Etta Sue (Simpson) Gorman, by daughter-in-law Sue (McLeod) Gorman, my correspondent.

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90. SIDNEY ELIAS⁵ SMITH JR. (⁷³Anna⁴, Felix³, Felix², Elijah¹) was born 23 Jan. 1912, Oklahoma, died 20 Oct. 1999,^[237] last residence Poway, San Diego Co., Calif., and was buried in Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego Co., Calif.^[238] He married **NADINE MARIE HARDMAN**, who was born 1916, Missouri, daughter of William J. Hardman, and died 1995, and was buried in Greenwood Memorial Park.^[239]

In 1940 Sidney E. Smith, 28, a public dance hall musician born in Oklahoma, resided in Kansas City, Wyandotte Co., Kans., with his wife, Nadine, 23, born in Missouri, and his daughter, Virginia Lee, 1, born in Kansas, and his father-in-law, William J. Hardman, 56, a widower born in Missouri. Nadine and her father resided in the same house in 1935; Sidney resided then in Kansas City, Jackson Co., Mo.^[240]

Known child:¹

96 i **VIRGINIA LEE⁶ SMITH**, born about 1939, Kansas.

92. LUCILLE⁵ SMITH (⁷³Anna⁴, Felix³, Felix², Elijah¹) was born 24 Nov. 1917, Sapulpa, Creek Co., Okla., died 2 Nov. 2011, Houston, Harris Co., Tex., and was buried in Houston National Cem., Houston.^[241] She married **KARL JACKSON TAYLOR**, who was born 4 Mar. 1916, Bartlesville,

237. SSDI, Sidney E. Smith, SSN 487-01-2281, born 23 Jan. 1912, died 20 Oct. 1999, last residence 92064 Poway, San Diego Co., Calif., issued Mo. (before 1961).

238. *Find a Grave*, no. 76365058, gravestone photograph, Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego Co., Calif., plot: Bible Mausoleum, "Sidney Elias Smith | 1912 1999."

239. *Find a Grave*, no. 76365248, gravestone photograph, Greenwood Memorial Park, San Diego, San Diego Co., Calif., plot: Bible Mausoleum, "Nadine Marie Smith | 1916 1995."

240. U.S. census, 1940, Kansas City, Wyandotte Co., Kans., ED 106-78, r. 1269, p. 1133, sh. 3A, dw. 52.

241. *Find a Grave*, no. 80414633, gravestone photograph, Houston National Cem., Houston, Harris Co., Tex., plot: Sect U2, Site 0131, "U2 131 | Lucille | Taylor | Nov 24 1917 | Nov 2 2011 | together | forever."

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Washington Co., Okla., died 22 Feb. 2011,^[242] Houston, last residence, Spring, Harris Co., Tex., and was buried in Houston National Cem.^[243]

In 1993 Karl J. Taylor, born Mar. 1916, resided in Spring, Harris Co., Tex.^[244]

An obituary circular gives this information:

Karl Jackson Taylor
Born: March 4, 1916 in Bartlesville, OK
Passed away: February 22, 2011 in Houston, TX
At 94 years of age
Survived by
Wife
Lucille Taylor
Daughter
Anna Murphy and husband Michael
Grandson
Wayne Taylor and wife Lisa^[245]

A similar obituary circular gives this information:

Lucille Taylor
Born: November 24, 1917 in Sapulpa, OK
Passed away: November 2, 2011 in Houston, TX
93 years
The Family
Daughter
Anna Murphey and husband, Michael
Grandson
Wayne Taylor and wife, Lisa
Great-Grandchildren
Austin Taylor
Alex Taylor
...

242. SSDI, Karl Jackson Taylor, born 4 Mar. 1916, died 22 Feb. 2011, last residence 77388 Spring, Harris Co., Tex., issued Okla. (before 1951).

243. *Find a Grave*, no. 69351982, gravestone photograph, Houston National Cem., Houston, Harris Co., Tex., plot: Sect U2, Site 0131, "Karl J | Taylor | US Navy | World War II | Mar 4 1916 | Feb 22 2011 | in loving | memory."

244. *U.S. Public Records Index, Vol. I*, Karl J. Taylor, born Mar. 1916, address "4314 Shalom Creek Ln, Spring, TX, 77388-4031 (1993)."

245. *Find a Grave*, no. 69351982, digital image online of the obit. circular.

Preceded in death by
Husband
Karl Jackson Taylor
Parents
Sidney and Anna Smith^[246]

Known children:¹

- 97 i KARLENE⁶ TAYLOR.
- 98 ii ANNA⁶ TAYLOR, married MICHAEL MURPHY [MURPHEY].
- 99 iii [SON]⁶ TAYLOR, had at least one child: (1) Wayne⁷ Taylor, who married Lisa —, and had at least two children: (i) Austin⁸ Taylor; and (ii) Alex⁸ Taylor.

246. *Find a Grave*, no. 80414633, digital image online of the obit. circular.

APPENDIXES

A. THE PROBATE FILE FOR ELIJAH GORMAN'S ESTATE

This is a transcription of the major parts of the 106-page probate file for Elijah¹ Gorman's estate. The original pages are images 254–359 of 2353 (↗), FHL 2412255, IGN 5842068, at FamilySearch.org. They are arranged in date order, which does not match page order in the probate file. Therefore, following each subtitle is a notation such as 352–355 of 2353 (used in the following item), which gives the pages actually used for the transcription.

I supply paragraphing for ease of reading.

A1. ELIJAH GORMAN'S WILL, 3 DEC. 1840, PROVED 2 JAN. 1849

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Also Will Book A:125^[247]

Noxubee Co., Miss.

3 Dec. 1840, proved 2 Jan. 1849

In the name of God Amen. Be it remembered that I Elijah Gorman of the County of Noxabee [Noxubee in the other copy of the will] and State of Mississippi being at this time weak and in feeble health and far Advanced in life tho of Sound and rational Mind And Memory And being fully Sensible of the great Uncertainty of human life And of the Certainty of death, do Make ordain And declare this to be My last Will And Testament revoking all Wills or Testaments heretofore Made And declared by Me Whatever Verbal or in Writing What Estate I Now possess I give And divide in the following Manner

To Wit,—in the first place I give And bequeath unto My Wife Mary Gorman the following Negro Slaves viz Harry And his Wife Charity And

247. My transcription is from: Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), the estate file of Elijah Gorman, 106 pages. Elijah's will is images 352–355, but out of order, with image 353 being the first page of the will (↗), but otherwise the page images are in order. The will is also available at Noxubee, Co., Miss., Wills, 1834–1861, A:124–127, images 97–99 of 456, FHL 900856, IGN 5842147 (↗), proved 2 Jan. 1849.

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Children Amanda A girl And Billy A Boy—Billy And his Wife Ritta And Children Lotty Emily And Charles Joseph And his Wife Harriet Jerry Jefferson And Harriet Also Aaron William And Linda to have And to hold the Aforesaid Negro Slaves during her lifetime or Widowhood.

My summary in blue type:

Slaves (17) to wife Mary Gorman:

Harry, wife Charity, children Amanda and Billy
Billy, wife Ritta, children Lotty, Emily, and Charles
Joseph, wife Harriet, [presumed children but perhaps not] Jerry, Jefferson,
and Harriet
Aaron
William
Linda

I Also give And bequeath unto My Said Wife All My Stock of every description Horses Mules Waggons Steers & Also My Carriage And Harness All Moneys remaining On hand Also all Notes Accounts And every Other document relating to Matters of Accounts or due Me at the time of My death to receive Occupy And Control the Same As She May think proper during her Widowhood Also All My household furniture in like manner.

I give And bequeath Unto the Children of My Son Terrel [Terrell] Gorman dec^d the following Negroes together with their increase viz Samuel And his Wife Louisa And her Child Cristiana—

Slaves (3) to children of son Terrel Gorman, deceased:

Samuel, wife Louisa, child Cristiana

I give And bequeath Unto My Daughter Artemecy Wife of Ewell Harrison the following Negroes viz Celia And her Two Children And Emma^[248] George together With their increase—

Slaves (3, perhaps 4) to daughter Artemecy Gorman, wife of Ewell Harrison:

Celia, children Emma and (ambiguous) George

I give And bequeath Unto My Son Oliver Gorman the following Negroes viz Aaron And Caroline.

248. Probably an error for “Emma And George,” but possibly “[empty] And Emma” | George.

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Slaves (2) to son Oliver Gorman:

Aaron

Caroline

I give And bequeath Unto My widowed daughter Mary M. Clemment Three Negroes viz Moses And his Wife Nancy And Child Robert.

Slaves (3) to daughter Mary M. Gorman, wife of Mr. Clemment:

Moses, wife Nancy, child Robert

I give And bequeath Unto My daughter Elizabeth Harper Wife of Daniel E. Harper of the Republic of Texas Two Negroes viz Susy And Linda to have And to hold the Same to her And her Heirs Not Subject to the Control debts or liabilities of her Said Husband Daniel E. Harper

Slaves (2) to daughter Elizabeth Gorman, wife of Daniel E. Harper (and independent of him):

Susy

Linda

And it is further My Will And desire that in Case of the death of My Said daughter Elizabeth Harper And her Children that the Said Negroes, Susy And Linda be returned to My Estate and divided to And Among My Surviving Heirs.

I give And bequeath unto my son Felix Gorman three negroes viz Joseph Jerry and Jefferson.

Slaves (3) to son Felix Gorman:

Joseph

Jerry

Jefferson

I give And bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Gorman four negroes viz Billy and his wife Ritta and their two children Emila and Charles.

Slaves (4, but this could be a double count) to daughter Sarah Gorman:

Billy, wife Ritta, children Emila and Charles

(this appears to be a clash with wife Mary's list of slaves but I will assume not)

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I will and devise unto the children of my deceased daughter Nancy Payne an equal share with the rest of my children when a general division of my Estate takes place

Slaves (0) to children of daughter Nancy Gorman, deceased, wife of Mr. Payne:

none

Total slaves bequeathed: 37.

and it is further my will and desire that upon the decease of my wife that a division of all the property shall take place putting a fair and equitable valuation on the same and that all my children shall receive share and share alike

in conclusion I constitute and appoint my son Felix Gorman as my Executor to execute this my last Will and testament this the third day of December AD 1840.

Elijah Gorman [Seal]

Done in presence of Us Who Were present At the time of Signing This
And Were Called Upon to become Witnesses by the testator himself

W^m J. Craig
James Randals

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A2. JESSE & ELIZABETH BLYTHE PETITION, 5 OCT. 1852

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Deposition of Jesse Blythe and Elizabeth G. Blythe
Probate Court, Noxubee Co., Miss.^[249]
5 Oct. 1852

The following petition is excerpted in the sketch of Felix² Gorman:^[250]

The State of Mississippi
Noxubee County

To the Hon¹ Reuben Ruff Judge of Probate in and for said County:

The Petition of Jesse Blythe and Elizabeth G Blythe his wife, showeth unto your honour, that Elijah Gorman formerly of said County, died some time in the year 1841, leaving a last will and testament, which was on the 2^d day of January AD 1849, duly probated, and was recorded on the 11th day of the same month -

that deceased as his death was seized & possessed of a large & valuable personal property - consisting chiefly of slaves and of notes , accounts, monies &c -

That said will gives legacies in slaves to all of the children of the dec^d then living & the grand children whose parents were then deceased -

and also bequeath to Mary Gorman his wife the following negro slaves "viz Henry and his wife Charity and children Amanda a girl and Billy a boy - Billy and his wife Ritta and children Lotty , Emily and Charles. Joseph and his wife Harriet Jerry, Jefferson and Harriet - also Aaron William and Linda to have and to hold the aforesaid Negro slaves during her life time and widow hood" also all the "stock of every description, horses, mules, waggons, steers, the carriage & harness, all monies remaining on hand, all notes, accounts and every other document relating to matters of accounts and all the house hold & Kitchen furnature to control and occupy during her widow-hood.

249. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), images 350-351 (↗).

250. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), images 261-264 (↗), petition by Jesse Blythe and Elizabeth G. his wife, to judge Reuben Ruff of the Probate Court , 5 Oct. 1852, "For appointment of the Sheriff as adm^{or} with the will annexed of Elijah Gorman dec^d."

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said Will further provides that upon the decease of the said Mary Gorman, a division of all the property shall take place, putting a fair and equitable valuation on the same and that all the children shall receive share and share alike –

Said will also appoints Felix Gorman as sole Executor – the original Will & the Record thereof give petitioners pray may be made a part of this petition with leave to refer to the same as often as may become necessary –

Your Petitioner^s would further show that said Felix Gorman though he resided in said county until AD 1851 or 1852 never presented said will for Probate nor did he ever take out letters of Executorship under the same, but on the contrary , up to the January AD 1849 the said will remained as it stood at the death of the deceased , and never was presented for Probate [page] until your petitioner Elizabeth in 1849 had the same probated and recorded for the purpose all of the now here of protecting the heirs and legatees under the same and for the preservation of said Estate for life in tact, so that the same might be divided according to the terms of said Will at the death of the said Mary Gorman your petition

Your Petitioners further shows that the said Felix Gorman not regarding the provisions of said will nor the statute in such case made and provided, arbitrarily under took & did divide out upon his personal responsibility all of the property of said deceased amongst the heirs & legatees and said widow –

Your petioner [sic] further shows that your petitioner Elizabeth was then a resident citizen of Texas and was not present at the division aforesaid – but under said division the afterwards received a portion of the property in negroes of which deceased died possessed – but your petitioners do not know of their own knowledge whether the said heirs & legatees & widow did receive all the property, he [gathered?] to them under said Will – nor do they know of their own knowledge whether or not all the debts of the deceased were or have been, discharged by the said Felix Gorman or any one else,

Your petitioners would further show that the said Mary Gorman went into possession of a portion of the property ([@@@] is her for life under said will & other property allotted to her upon said [@@@] divission in lieu of the property bequeathed under said will shortly after the death of said decedent, that she continued in the possession of the same up to the time of her death which, took place on the 14th Ap [sic] day of 1852 April AD 1852

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except such of the Negroes, notes & accounts, belonging to said life estate, which the said Felix Gorman improperly possessed himself of & fraudulently squandered & disposed of, for his own benefit -

Your Petitioners would further show that at the death of the said Mary Gorman, she had in her possion [sic] the following property in slaves belonging to said life estate, to wit - Joe Harriet & Jerry, Jefferson, Joe & Harriet, their children owen, alicie & an infant, Louisa, Sam, James, Benjamin, Mary, & John [page] all of which said slaves were at his death & are now hired out in this county - the balance of said life estate having been improvidently squandered by the said Felix or through his instrumentality—fraudulently—disposed of.

Your petitioner^s further aver that the heirs & legatees of said Elijah Gorman are as follows, to wit,

the heirs of Nancy Payne to wit Elphada Lewis dec^d whose heirs are Virginia Lewis aged 9 years, Wyatt aged 7 years, also George Payne aged 27 residing in Sumter Co Ala - the children of Nancy Brummett dec^d (who was daughter of Nancy Payne) to wit John Brummett & an infant whose name is unknown residing in Marshall Co Mississippi - & Malissa aged 24 years old Tyrrell aged 18 years old. Irving 16 years old. Residing in Sumpter Co Ala -

also artimecy Harrison (wife of Ewell Harrison) 45 yrs old residing in Washington Co Texas - Also Lorina Gorman wife of Terrill Gorman deced [sic] and then children Cassanda E Hines of Noxubee Co Miss of age, Calista Mobley wife of Marion Mobley) aged 16 yrs old, Mary Jane Gorman aged 15 years - Felix Gorman aged 13 yrs Lamar aged 11 yrs all residing in Marshall Co Miss - also the children of Mary Clement dec^d to wit - Oliver aged 20 years, Martha aged 18. George W. aged 12 yrs. residing in Hinds Co Miss. & the children of Sarah Allen dec^d Mary M aged 8 years, Cynthia aged 6, Charles T, aged 4 residing in Noxubee Co Miss.

and Felix Gorman, the Executor under under [sic] said will, residing in Anderson Co Texas.

Said Mary departed this life in said County & State [blank] day of Apl AD 1852 That it is important that letters of administration should be taken out for the purpose of distributing the life Estate of said Mary Gorman, which according to the directions of said will as for the purpose of a general administration of the Estate of said Elijah Gorman deceased, should the same become necessary.

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That said Felix has up to this time neglected and disregarded the provisions of said Will & has refused to probate the same or take out letters – that all of the heirs & legatees have neglected & refused to apply for letters of administration in the same – and that your petitioners prefer that some other person or persons, than themselves shall administer [page] in said Estate – They therefore pray your honour to appoint John B Maston (Sheriff of said County) administrator with the will annexed of said estate, according to the statute in such case made and provided and to grant such other & further orders or decrees in the premises which to your honour may seem necessary & proper –

Jesse Blythe
Elizabeth G. Blythe

Sworn to & subscribed by Elizabeth Blythe before me this 5th day of Oct
AD 1852

E. Dismukes [seal]
Justice of the Peace

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A3. ELIZABETH BLYTHE'S DEPOSITION, 6 OCT. 1852

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Deposition of Elizabeth G. Blythe
Probate Court, Noxubee Co., Miss.^[251]
6 Oct. 1852

Personally appeared this day before me Elisha Dismukes justice of the Peace in and for said county Elizabeth G Blythe who b[e]ing by me first duly sworn deposeth and saith that the following named persons constitute all of the heirs and legatees of Elijah Gorman dec^d

to wit—this affiant who resides in the said county.

The heirs of Nancy Payne to wit—Elphida Lewis deceased whose heirs are Virginia Lewis aged 9 years, Wyatt aged 7 years also George Payne 27 years all residing in Sumpter [sic] County Ala.

The children of Nancy Brummett dec^d (who was daughter of Nancy Payne) to wit—John Brummett and an infant whose name is unknown residing in Marshall Co. Missⁱ aged 24 years.

Mallissa Uldrick wife of John Uldrick dec^d (who was also daughter of said Nancy) aged 22 years residing in Mobile Co.

Also Martha Harrison wife of Elijah Harrison aged 20 years (who was likewise a daughter of said Nancy) residing in [illegible, the Republic?] of Texas.

Also Terrel aged 18 years Irving aged 16 years residing in Sumpter [sic] Co. Ala.

Also Artemese Harrison (wife of Ewell Harrison) aged 45 years residing in Washington Co., Texas.

Also Lorena Gorman Wife of Terril Gorman dec^d and their children Cassanda E Hinen [sic] of Noxubee County Missⁱ aged 21 years Calista Mobly wife of Marian Mobly aged 16 years Mary Jane aged 15 years, Felix Gorman aged 13 years Lamar aged 11 years all residing in Marshall Co. Missⁱ.

also the children of Mary Clement dec^d to wit Oliver aged 20 years Martha A Underwood wife of John Underwood aged 18 years George W aged 12 years residing in Hinds Co. Missⁱ.

251. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), images 350–351 (↗).

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And the children of Sarah Allen dec^d to wit Mary M. aged 8 years Cynthia aged 6 years Charles T aged 4 years residing in Noxubee County Missⁱ, and Felix Gorman (the Executor named in said will) residing in Anderson Co. Texas aged [blank] years.

Elizabeth G. Blythe

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of October AD 185[2?]

Elisha Dismukes [seal]

Justice of the Peace

Filed 6 Oct. 1853^[252]

252. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 251), image 351.

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A4. JESSE BLYTHE PETITION RE ADMINISTRATION, 11 DEC. 1852

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Deposition of Jesse Blythe
Probate Court, Noxubee Co., Miss.
11 Dec. 1852^[253]

To the Honourable Reuben Ruff Judge of Probates in & for said County:

Your Petitioner Jesse Blythe would show unto your Honour that at the October term of your court himself & Elizabeth Blythe his wife filed a petition [appendix A2] before your Honour citing the heirs of Elijah Gorman dec^d, to be and appear at the present term of the court & show cause if any, they have why John B Maston Sheriff of said county should not be appointed administrator with the will annexed of said deceased –

Said petition so filed is prayed to be made a part of this petition & is herewith presented marked exhibit=A

Petitioner further shows that he is informed & believes that legal notice has been given to all of said heirs, legatees & distributors to appear at this term of the court for the purpose aforesaid

He further shows that Elizabeth Blythe his wife is the oldest heir & legatee of said estate residing in this State – the other his living children now residing in Texas – that the said Elizabeth is entitled to letters as aforesaid & petitioner is also entitled in right of his said wife – that petitioner & his said wife own the largest interest in said Estate, having purchased the entire interest of Felix Gorman in the same –

Petitioner further shows that John B Maston, as Sheriff aforesaid declines taking out letters as aforesaid on said estate –

That it is important to take out letters at this time, to enable some person legally, to take possession of the slaves of said dec^d (now hired out) by or before the 1st January next – property of said dec^d consists of slaves about fourteen in number as he is informed said Negro slaves are supposed to be worth from six to eight thousand dollars –

253. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), image 259 (↗), petition by Jesse Blythe, to judge Reuben Ruff of the Probate Court, 12 Dec. 1852, to have him and his wife Elizabeth appointed administrators of the Elijah Gorman estate.

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Petitioner prays that letters of administration with the will annex^d be granted him on said estate, upon his giving bond & security as required by law & as in duty bound he will ever pray be

Jesse Blythe

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 11th day of December AD 1852

R Ruff [*seal*]

Probate Judge

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A5. JESSE BLYTHE PETITION RE SLAVES, 11 DEC. 1852

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Deposition of Jesse Blythe
Probate Court, Noxubee Co., Miss.
11 Dec. 1852^[254]

To the Hon^l R. Ruff Judge of Probates in and for Noxubee County State
of Mississippi

The undersigned administrator of the Estate of Gorman, late of said
County, now deceased, desire to represent to your Honor, that there are
Several negro Slaves belonging to said Estate, all of whom are hired under
previous contract until 1 January 1851, that your petitioner deems it nec-
essary to hire them after that time for the interest of the Estate, as well as
all the heirs and legatees thereof, and preferring to hire them privately, so
as to Secure houses for them where they will be treated with Humanity,
and not Knowing when this Court may order a Sale for devision, pray
your Honor to grant an order authorizing your petitioner to Hire them
privately, by the month or otherwise until such time as this Court may be
pleased to order a sale for division of said Estate, and that your Honor
grant such other orders and decrees as may be necessary for the carrying
out the views of this petitioner, and as in duty bound, will ever pray &c.

Jesse Blythe

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 11th day of Dec^r A D 1852.

A. M. Dowling [seal]
Justice of the Peace

254. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), image 267 (↗), petition by Jesse Blythe, to judge Reuben Ruff of the Probate Court, 11 Dec. 1852, to hire slaves.

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A6. JESSE BLYTHE PETITION FOR SALE OF SLAVES, 4 JAN. 1853

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Petition by Jesse Blythe
Probate Court, Noxubee Co., Miss.
4 Jan. 1853^[255]

To the Honl Riuben Ruff Judge of Probates in & for said County—

Your Petitioner Jesse Blythe administrator with the will annexed of Elijah Gorman dec^d, shows unto your honour that by the return made on yesterday a day in the term of this Court — by the commissioners appointed to appraise the personal property of said dec^d, it appears that there are 14 slaves belonging to said Estate, the names of which are mentioned in said appraisement & the same is prayed to [be] made a part of this petition with leave to refer to the same as often as may be necessary —

Your Petitioner would show that following are the heirs legatees & distributees of said deceased, to wit the children of Nancy Payne — viz Eliphia Lewis dec^d, whose children Virginia Lewis aged 9 yrs old, Wyatt aged 7 yrs old — also George Payne aged 27 yrs all residing in Sumpter County Ala — also the children of Nancy Brumett dec^d (who was daughter of Nancy Payne) to wit John Brummett & an infant child (whose name is not now known) — residing in Marshall Co Mississippi & Malissa Uldrick wife of John Uldrick dec^d (who is also daughter of the said Nancy Payne) about 22 yrs old residing in Mobile Co Ala — ~~Martha Harris ... Elijah Harrison~~ & Tyrill aged 18 yrs old & Irvin aged 16 yrs residing in Sumpter Co Ala. Artimecy Harrison (wife of Ewel Harrison) 45 yrs old residing in Washington County Texas — Also Lorina Gorman Wife of Terrill Gorman dec^d residing in Marshall Co Miss and their children Cassandra E Hines residing in Macon Noxubee Co Miss & wife of David Hines of said place Calista Mably (wife of Marion Mably) aged 16 yrs old, Mary Jane Gorman aged 15 yrs, Felix Gorman Jr aged 13 yrs, Lamar aged 11 yrs all residing in Marshall Co Miss — The children of Mary Clement dec^d, to wit, Oliver aged 20 yrs, Martha aged 18, George W aged 12 yrs all residing in Hinds Co Miss — and the children of Sarah Allen dec^d (late wife of Charles W Allen) to wit Mary M aged 8 yrs,

255. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), images 270-272 (↗), petition by Jesse Blythe, to judge Reuben Ruff of the Probate Court, 4 Jan. 1853, to sell slaves.

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Cynthia aged 6 yrs, Charles T aged 4 yrs old residing in Noxubee Co Miss

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Petitioner would further show that Felix Gorman of Anderson Co Texas is also a legatee of said Elijah German dec^d, under said Will, but that the said Felix has sold out his entire interest in said property of said dec^d to your petitioner

Your Petitioner would further show that he intermarried some time since with Elizabeth G Reed who is now residing with your Petitioner in this County & state — & that in right of the said Elizabeth G (his wife who is administrator of the said Elizabeth [I don't understand this ???]) your petitioner is also entitled to her share in said property of said dec^d.

Your Petitioner would further show that said slaves cannot be equally distributed amongst said heirs & legatees — that to effect an equal distribution it will be necessary to sell all of said slaves at public outcry — so that the monies arising therefrom (after paying the expenses arising from the administration of said Estate) may be equally distributed amongst the heirs of said dec^d or distributed according to the provisions of said last will and testament

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Petitioner therefore in his own right & in right of his said wife legatees as aforesaid, prays that Guardians ad litem be appointed for all the minor heirs & legatees herein named — that citation be issued to said Guardians ad litem & all the heirs of said dec^d residing within the jurisdiction of your Honourable Court — and that publication be made according to law to all of such heirs & legatees residing without the jurisdiction of said Court — notifying Guardians ad litem & said heirs & legatees to be & appear at a term of your Honourable Court to be named by your [sic] to show cause, if any they have, why said slaves, should not be sold under an order of Court, for the purpose of as a distribution & — &

your Petitioner prays your Honour to grant him an order as administrator as aforesaid to sell said slaves at public outcry, before the court house door in the town of Macon (at such time as your honour may appoint) on a credit of Twelve months, taking [page] bonds with approved security for the purchase Money & — & as in duty bound your Petition will ever pray & —

Jesse Blythe

Sworn to & subscribed before me this 4th day of January AD 1853

C. G. Bowen [seal]

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Clk

The State of Mississippi
Noxubee County SS

I Charles G. Bowen Clerk of the Probate Court of said County do hereby certify that the foregoing and inclosed Petition, Citation &c was duly Record in Book D of the Probate Court of said County & , on Pages 269, 270, 271, & 272.

Given under my hand and seal of office at Macon Mississippi this the 25th day of January AD 1854

C. G. Bowen Clk
By C. Dowling D.C.

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AX. BRUMMETT BROTHERS PETITION, 11 DEC. 1883

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Petition by D. W. and R. C. Brummett
Noxubee Co., Miss.
11 Dec. 1883:^[256]

The Estate of Elijah Gorman Dec^d

In Chancery, Noxubee County, Miss.

To the Hon. F. Worth Chancellor of the 6th Chancery District, sitting at Macon in the county of Noxubee, and sole presiding therein.

Your petitioners D. W. Brummett, a citizen of the state of Arkansas, whose P.O. address is Richland in said state of Arkansas, and R. C. Brummett, a citizen of the state of Texas whose P.O. address is Terrill in said state of Texas – in this their sworn amended petition filed by leave of the court, would respect fully show to your Honor, that they are the sons of Nancy A Brummett, now deceased and that said Nancy A Brummett was a grand daughter of Elijah Gorman Late of said county deceased, who died testate.

Petitioners further show to your Honor, that said Testator Elijah Gorman in the year 1846 [sic], departed this life, and left surviving him as his heirs at law the following.

- 1st Mary Gorman wife of decedent
- 2nd The heirs of Terrill Gorman dec^d who was a son [page] who was a son of decedent.
- 3rd Oliver Gorman, a son of decedent.
- 4th Mary M. Clements, a daughter of decedent.
- 5th Elisabeth Harper, a daughter of decedent,
- 6th Felix Gorman, son of decedent
- 7th Sarah Gorman, a daughter of decedent.
- 8th Nancy Payne, a daughter of decedent, and the grand mother of Petitioners.

256. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #579 (note 29), images 327-335 (↗). N.B., images 334 and 335 are partially redundant.

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The place of residence, and post office address of none of said heirs and legatees is Known to petitioners, except as hereinafter stated, nor are they known, after diligent enquiry, Where their place of residence is, and they pray the court, that said parties, other than those whose P.O. address & place of residue is hereinafter shown, be summoned by publication as provided by statute, if the court should deem the same means.

Petitioners further show, that said testator after making certain special bequests to each of his children, and to his wife, decided, that his remaining estate, should be Kept together during the lifetime, or widowhood of his said wife Mary, and at her death, that it should be equally divided among his said children, as will more fully appear by reference to said will.

Petitioners further show to your Honor [page] that as is shown by the papers in this case, said Mary Gorman, wife of said deceased testator departed this life in April 1852, leaving a large real and personal estate of the said testator, then subject to division under the will of said Elijah Gorman dec^d.

Petitioners further show, that on the 11th day of Dec. 1852, letters of administration with the will annexed, was granted to Jesse Blythe, by the probate court of said county as will appear by the records of said court, to which reference is prayed and said Blythe as administrator, took charge of both the real and personal estate, under said will.

Petitioners further show, that at the time of the grant of said letters of administration, there were seven heirs or legatees of said estate as herebefore shown, and that each of them was entitled to one seventh of said estate, under said will, and petitioners now charge as true, that on the 6th day of Feb^y 1857, said administrator filed his final report as administrator of said estate, showing in balance [page] in his hands in form of said estate of Ten Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty four & 82/100 Dollars. 10734^{\82}.

Petitioners further show, that as appears in Minute Book C. Page 646 of the words of the then probate court of said County, said final report was duly and regularly considered and acted upon by said probate court, and said final report of said Administration was ratified and confirmed, and ordered to be recorded as the final report of said administrator, and in the decree of said court confirming said report, said administration was ordered to pay over to the heirs of said estate the distributive share of said ballance in the hands of said administrator, the distributive share of the heirs of Nancy Payne is shown by said final report, the sum of \$1533^{\54}, which sum

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petitioners allege is [then?] in the hands of said administrator & due & unpaid.

Petitioners now show to your Honor that said Nancy Payne departed this life intestate sometime before the death of her mother [page] the said Mary Gorman, and before the grant of letters of administration to said Blythe, having surviving her the following heirs to wit:

- 1st Elphida Lewis, daughter of decedent
- 2nd Melissa Uldrick, daughter of decedent
- 3rd Nancy A Brummett, daughter of decedent & mother of Petitioners
- 4th Martha Runnals, daughter of decedent
- 5th George Payne, son of decedent
- 6th Terrell Payne, son of decedent
- 7th Irving Payne, son of decedent

Petitioners further show to your Honor, that the said Nancy A Brummett decd departed this life (intestate) before the death of the said Mary Gorman dec^d, and before letters of administration were granted to said Blythe as aforesaid, leaving as her heirs, the following:

- 1st R. B. Brummett, a son of decedent.
- 2nd Your petitioners, sons of decedent.

Petitioners would respectfully show to your Honor, that the said Terrell Payne and Irving Payne, both died intestate before the filing of said final account of said Administrator and at their death were unmarried, and left no heirs except their brothers & sisters above mentioned five in number.

Petitioners would now show to your Honor [page] that the place of residence and post office address of the said R B Brummett is Terrell Texas, and they [?] state to your Honor , that the place of residence and post office address of the remaining heirs of Nancy Payne towit: Elphida Louis, Melissa Uldrick, Martha Runnals and George Payne is unknown to these petitioners and cannot be ascertained after diligent inquiry.

Petitioners now show to your Honor that the above named heirs of Nancy Payne including petitioners and their brother R B Brommett, are justly entitled to one seventh of the ballance reported by said administrator in his said final report, to wit: The som of \$1533^{/54}, together with interest thereon since the date of filing said final account and of said sum these petitioners and their said brother R. B. Brummett is entitled to one fifth

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viz: \$306^{\70} & of this amt. petitioners are entitled to \$204^{\46} or two thirds thereof with interest from the date of filing said final account by said administrator.

Petitioners further show to your Honor [page] that they have frequently requested the payment of their distributive share of said estate but that said administrator has put them off from time to time by his pretext, that there was still something further to be done by the court in the matter before he could settle, which representation, petitioners [soon?] had to believe was true, and they now state to your Honor, that since the close of the war, and up to within the past two years, they have been writing to and receiving letters from said administrator in reference to their interests in said estate, and at no time within the knowledge of these petitioners, has said administrator, ever denied having in his hands the interest of petitioners in the monies of said estate reported by him in his final account, or set up any claim to said monies adverse to petitioners or in any manner repudiated his fiduciary relations to these petitioners.

Petitioners now show to your Honor, that more than 12 months have elapsed since the grant of letters of administration with the will annexed to said administrator, and they state, that all the [page] debts due said estate have been long since paid; but if any debts were still due from said estate, they would now be bor[?] by the statute of limitations; but if in the judgment of the court it be necessary or proper petitioners are ready & willing to execute a refunding for the said administrator as provided by statute in this state

Petitioners now pray for a rule upon said administrator, requiring him to make the distribution of said estate according to law, and they further pray for the appointment of commissioners to ascertain the shares of said estate due petitioners, they further pray that summons issue to said administrator as is required by law, and they further pray that all the other heirs of said estate of Nancy Payne, Nancy Brommett as herein before shown, be made parties hereto by publication is provided by law.

Petitioner further [pray?] for such other relief as they may be entitled to under the laws of this state and the principle of Equity.

D. W. & R C Brummett,
By Thomas J. O'Neill
[Solicitor] &c

State of Miss.

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This day personally came before me the undersigned clerk of the chancery court in & for said county Thomas J. O'Neill agent & attorney for D.W. & R. C. Brummett, who upon oath says that he has information [concerning?] the matters & things stated in the foregoing bill of complaint, & upon such information he states the same to be true.

Thos J. O'Neill
Agent & atty,

Sworn to & subscribed before me this the 11th day of Dec 1883.

Robert C. Pathe
Clerk

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B. STARLING GORMAN'S WILL, 1 AUG. 1839

I Starling Gorman of Pendleton District South Carolina, Since Eighteen hundred & twelve of Perry County, Alabama, Son [of] Elijah and Mary Gorman, and born citizen of the United States, being of sound mind but dangerously ill, now at the House of Donn'a Josefa Carbonaifelaz Vieja in the City of Havana do hereby declare before witnesses, J W Brown W^m Chandler Doctor D E Osgood & W^m Johnson this to be my last will and Testament.—Firstly that I possess in the expedition of the “Harriet[.]”—Capⁿ Andrew Moore which sailed hence for Texas about the 2nd or 3rd of June last—property of the value of about Thirty five hundred or four thousand dollars for which and the profits Capⁿ Moore will have to account to Mess^{rs} Forcade & Co—Secondly is that I have in the hand of Mess^{rs} Forcade & Co funds amounting to about Thirty five hundred dollars cash—Thirdly—that in hands of Mess^{rs} Reeves & Battle of Mobile papers are deposited relative to moneys due me amounting to about Twenty four thousand dollars—Fourthly—that I have two tracts of Land one in Perry & the other in Marengo County Alabama of 800 & 720 acres—I will and bequeath the above property & such not named herein after my Just debts & funeral Expenses are paid to be Equally divided amongst my brothers & Sisters Share & Share [alike] and Sufficient laid aside over & above their share for the Education of the two youngest Felix & Sarah—Besides the above property I possess three hundred & twenty acres of land on deer Creek Mississippi and three hundred and twenty more or less in another lot besides two or more other lots, all in the Same Creek. To carry fully into effect all my above bequests, I appoint Leonard E Weisinger of Perry County Alabama as my Administrator, in witness whereof I set my hand this first day of Aug. One thousand Eight hundred and thirty nine.

Starling Gorman —
Consulate

(Witnesses) Daniel Osgood—

W. Johnson, Joseph W. Brown, W^m Chandler

[Proved 2 Aug. 1839 at the Consulate of the United States of America, Havana, by John A. Smith, Consul of the U S of America.]^[257]

257. Perry Co., Ala., Wills, 1821-1855, A:103-104, image 85 of 371 (↗), FHL 1290344 item 3, IGN 4704297, “Mr. Starling Gorman’s Will.”

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C. WILLIAM B. REED ET AL VS MARY GORMAN, 24 SEPT. 1851

The following is excerpted from a 36-page probate file in Noxubee Co., Miss., between Elizabeth² Gorman's second husband, William B. Reed, and on behalf of all the other heirs and legatees of the Elijah¹ Gorman estate, and Elijah¹'s widow, Mary:^[258]

Your orator & oratrix would further shew unto your honor, that your oratrix is mentioned in the said last will and testament of the said Elijah Gorman deceased by the name of Elizabeth Harper wife of Daniel E. Harper of the Republic of Texas, and that since the death of the said Elijah Gorman your oratrix has been legally divorced from the bonds of matrimony with the said Daniel E. Harper and has since said divorce intermarried with your said orator the said William B. Reed, that the said William B. Reed is now absent in the State of California and is at this time more than two thousand miles from the county of Noxubee aforesaid and is only a nominal party to this Suit. Your oratrix would therefore pray your honor that on account of such absence of said Reed that she may be permitted to prosecute this suit in her [?] said Reed name as aforesaid & execute bond or bonds in her own name as the names of herself & said Reed that may be necessary for the legal prosecution of the same.

Your orator & oratrix would further show unto your honor that your oratrix has children by her first husband the said Daniel E. Harper who are now living and has no children by said Reed, and that your oratrix will be as a legatee & heir of the said Elijah Gorman deceased entitled to one seventh part of said Slaves & their increase now in the possession of the said Mary Gorman defendant as aforesaid upon her death or marriage, in or by virtue of the said last will and testament by her father the said Elijah Gorman deceased.^[259]

258. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, #1458-#1488, case #1477, images 772-807 of 1303 (↗), FHL 2416214, IGN 5832219, William B. Reed et al vs. Mary Gorman, 36 pages.

259. Noxubee Co., Miss., Chancery Cases, case #1477 (note 258), 7-8, images 781-782 (↗).

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D. PRELIMINARY AI STUDIES—JERRY & CAREY

On 3 Aug. 2026, I received the following fascinating letter from a Seattle friend **Jerry Large and his wife Carey Quan Gelernter**. Jerry and I were (or are) both called Jerry (I was nicknamed that for my first 17 years). We both came from Clovis, N.M. We both played in the Clovis High School Band and loved the band director, Norvil Howell, who influenced both our lives. We both attended New Mexico State University in Las Cruces, N.M. We both attended Stanford University. And we both lived in Seattle, Wash., where we first met each other and marveled at our parallel lives. Jerry Large is about a decade younger than me. But there is one distinction that I haven't yet listed: Jerry Large is Black, and I am White. Hence my surprise at receiving the following letter, in which Jerry and Carey, using modern genealogical tools (such as AI, easy access to original records online, and a hired genealogist), have found a possible connection between our two genealogies—that his ancestors were enslaved by mine—the Gorman family of this book being the potential enslavers. My preliminary inspection of Jerry and Carey's AI results led me to believe that this might plausibly be true. So, I am revisiting this Gorman book to modernize it (since I wrote it over a decade ago) and to see if I can validate the AI claims.

First, I append the initial document I received from Jerry and Carey about this matter. **[I make comments in red as I proceed.]** Meanwhile they made a newer, better AI pass to get a “third version” of their working document, which addresses issues in red and tentatively comes to different conclusions. My purpose here is to preserve this very interesting case study and its use of AI, with the permission of Jerry and Carey.

Hi Jerry,

Glad to hear you got the latest version of your Rutan paper sent off. And we'd love to talk while you're spending time on Bainbridge Island.

What we know of the Gormans is mostly what was on your site and what Carey found in her AI searches. The probate records according to AI went through different iterations, and changed over time. We haven't seen the later probate records, if they exist. (We know AI isn't always accurate.) We tried to look at

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the new information you sent but couldn't decipher the handwritten documents.

To clarify: The genealogists we hired did not at all explore who enslaved Jerry and Mary – they ran out of contracted time. The Gorman name came up solely from AI.

That said, AI research seems to be pretty solid in pinpointing Daniel Harper & Elizabeth Gorman as the enslavers of Jerry Gorman and Mary. We looked through the earlier probate and will info on your website, and as mentioned, saw references to Jerry but not Mary. We couldn't see where Elizabeth's mother had given her Jerry or Mary. But AI had an answer for that (below).

[I found voter Jerry Gorman, colored, #1006 on the 27 Sept. 1867 Texas voter registration list for Leon Co., Tex. He had been in the state for 26 years, implies entry in about 1841, and in Leon Co. for one year (↗)]

[I found Texas death certificate, #9133, for Harreitte Miles, died 11 Feb. 1918, Franklin, Robertson Co., Tex., female, black, married, daughter of Jerry Gorman and Mary Gorman (↗).]

What the Ancestry genealogist documented was the few facts of Jerry Gorman's life, as mentioned in our last email. We asked AI if, from those facts Ancestry established, it could suggest likely enslavers of Jerry and his wife Mary (maiden name unknown). It provided the following (when AI says "you" it means Jerry (Large)):

In Leon County, Texas, the prominent white Gorman family matches your timeline:

A well-documented white family headed by William Churchill Gorman (often recorded as W. C. Gorman) settled right in the northeastern pocket of Leon County (primarily around Oakwood). [1, 2] [True, but this Gorman family was from Georgia and I can find no intersection of it and Elijah Gorman's family of Alabama and Mississippi. A serviceable genealogy of Georgia's Churchwell Gorman (father of W. C.) family is found here (↗), images 83–94. I have read through all these images and have found no intersection of names or places with the Elijah Gorman family so far.]

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- **The Timeline Alignment:** Members of this Gorman family migrated from the Deep South directly into the east-central Texas region during the antebellum period. [2, 3]
- **The Proximity:** Oakwood sits directly on the border of Leon County. Crucially, it is positioned right next to the Navasota River and Trinity River basins, which naturally connect Leon County to Robertson County. This geographic placement explains how Jerry could easily move between the two counties by 1874. [4]

The primary antebellum Gorman slaveholder in Leon County was Daniel E. Harper, whose wife was Elizabeth G. Gorman. [I have not found a single record of Daniel E. Harper in Leon Co., Tex. The Texas counties I have found him in were Harris, Grimes, and Montgomery.] Elizabeth was the daughter of Elijah P.^[260] Gorman of Noxubee County, Mississippi. Elizabeth's mother, Mary Gorman, gifted or sold several enslaved people to Elizabeth right before she migrated to the Republic of Texas in the 1840s. [1, 2] [Elijah left two female slaves to Elizabeth, wife of Daniel E. Harper, in 1841 with the proviso (not asked of any other daughter) that they were Elizabeth's, not her husband Daniel's. But the Harpers were already in Texas at the time, and furthermore the will was not executed, hence the many court documents. Elizabeth divorced Daniel, so presumably the two slaves stayed with Elizabeth, if they were with them at all, because of the unusual caveat of the will. She moved back to Mississippi, before 1846. She married there twice again in 1846 and 1852. Daniel E. Harper and William B. Reed, her first two husbands were in California 1850ish, apparently there (separately for the gold rush). Her third husband, Jesse Blythe, owned many slaves but they were in Mississippi, never in Texas.]

[This doesn't disprove the theory that Jerry Large might have had ancestors enslaved by the Elijah Gorman family, but I don't believe it could have been Elizabeth Gorman who was the connection.]

This directly explains why your ancestor Jerry stated he arrived in Texas around 1841, and why his wife Mary was born in Mississippi (matching the Gorman family's Mississippi origins). [1, 2]

260. I dropped the "P." from Elijah's name, for lack of evidence, only recently, on 10 Aug. 2026.

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1860 Slave Schedule Context

While the local plantation was often colloquially known by the family name “Gorman soil,” the actual property in the 1850 and 1860 censuses was largely registered under Daniel E. Harper and his extended estate due to the legal ownership of the inherited Gorman property. [1, 2, 3]

In the 1860 Slave Schedule for Leon County, (under Daniel Harper’s name), the Harper/Gorman holdings show specific profiles that match your family’s exact structure just two years before Alexander (Jerry and Mary’s son) was born in 1862:

- The Mother (Mary): Listed as a 35-year-old Black Female (putting her birth year exactly at 1825).
- The Father (Jerry): Listed nearby as an adult Black Male matching Jerry’s general age profile.

Because the Harper and Gorman properties sat right on the northern edge of Leon County near Oakwood, their land was situated immediately adjacent to the railroad switches and river bottoms leading straight into Robertson County, providing the exact geographic pipeline Jerry used when he moved in 1874. [4, 5, 6]

The Noxubee County, Mississippi probate/deed records of Elijah and Mary Gorman (1840–1857) would detail specific slaves distributed to Elizabeth Gorman Harper in Texas, brother Felix, and others. [1, 2]

[1] <https://alvyray.com>

[2] <https://alvyray.com>

[3] <https://tile.loc.gov>

[4] <https://www.texasalmanac.com>

[5] <https://www.findagrave.com>

[6] <https://www.tshaonline.org>

Elijah’s first will speaks in one place of giving his wife Mary “Jerry Jefferson” but also of giving “Joseph Jefferson and Jerry” to Elijah’s son/Elizabeth’s

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brother Felix. But AI argues the following:

Because Elizabeth and Daniel Harper moved to Texas in the 1840s—well before Elijah Gorman’s estate was finally settled in 1857—the allocation of Jerry and Mary makes perfect logical sense through the laws of estate advances.

The pieces lock together through the following historical mechanics:

1. The Legal Concept of an “Advance”

When children of planters moved to new territories like Texas, it was standard practice for parents to give them an advance on their inheritance (often enslaved people, livestock, or cash) to clear land and establish a homestead.

- Although Elijah died in 1840, his probate records show that his children were receiving “advances” from the estate long before the final 1857 distribution.
- If Elizabeth’s brother Felix was assigned Jerry in a temporary 1840 arrangement or inventory, it is highly probable that Jerry was later traded, hired out, or officially transferred to Elizabeth to accompany her and Daniel Harper to Texas, or to balance out the values of what each child took out of Mississippi.

2. Proof in the 1867 Registration and 1870 Census

The ultimate proof that these specific unnamed individuals in the Harpers’ 1860 Leon County household were indeed your ancestors comes from what happened immediately after emancipation:

- In 1867, when the Reconstruction laws allowed Black men to register to vote, Jerry registered in Leon County—the exact same county where the Harpers were established. He chose the surname Gorman, pointing directly back to his original enslaver in Mississippi, rather than Harper.
- By 1870, Jerry and Mary moved one county over to Robertson County, where they finally appear on a regular population census with their actual names, correct ages, and birthplaces (Jerry in TN, Mary in MS).

The chaotic shuffling of names in Elijah’s 1840 paperwork was simply the starting point of a 17-year legal process, during which Jerry and Mary were ultimately

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sent west to Texas with Elizabeth and Daniel Harper.

Have a great evening,

Jerry and Carey

The status of this case is summarized by the document below:

The Jerry Gorman Enslaver Question

Research findings, shared for comment

Prepared for: Alvy Ray Smith

From: Carey Gelernter and Jerry Large

Date: 18 August 2026 (third version — new material at sections 5, 6 and 7, and section 7 expanded)

Why we are writing

Jerry Large is descended from a man recorded as Jerry Gorman, who was enslaved and who surfaces in the records of Leon County, Texas, immediately after Emancipation. We are trying to identify who enslaved him. Because he carried the Gorman surname, your study of the Elijah P. Gorman family became central to our work, and we have spent considerable time inside the Noxubee County records.

We are sharing this for two reasons. First, we found material in those records that bears directly on your family study and that you may not have seen — in particular the November 1841 trustees' sale and the chancery case Reed v. Gorman. Second, we have questions only someone with your command of the white Gorman family can answer.

We should say plainly at the outset: we began with a theory that the Harpers of Texas carried our ancestor there, and the records disproved it. What follows

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separates what the documents establish from what remains conjecture.

1. The subject: what is documented about Jerry Gorman of Texas

- Born in Tennessee; birth year unknown.
- Registered to vote 27 September 1867 in Leon County, Texas, Precinct 5. The roll records him as Black, born in Tennessee, twenty-six years in the state, and one year in the county — so in Texas from about 1841, and in Leon County only from 1866.
- Leon County tax rolls, 1869, 1871 and 1873: no real estate, a few cattle, later two horses.
- Robertson County tax roll, 1874. He died between 1874 and 1880.
- His wife Mary was born in Mississippi in about 1825. She appears on the 1880 census in Robertson County, aged 55, born Mississippi, living with their son Lewis. She died before 1900.
- Known children: Harriett (b. about 1856), Lewis (b. 1857), and Alexander G. Gorman (b. March 1862, d. 4 October 1952 in Waco). Harriett's 1918 death certificate names her parents as Jerry Gorman and Mary Gorman.

The critical constraint is his own sworn statement in 1867: twenty-six years in Texas. If accurate, he was brought to Texas around 1841 and was already here through the entire antebellum period.

2. What the Noxubee County records actually show

We worked through FamilySearch's full-text images of the Noxubee County probate and court books, and of the Lowndes County chancery material recorded with them. The decisive document is a sworn affidavit of Felix Gorman, dated 23 October 1857, filed in Reed v. Gorman in the District Chancery Court at Columbus.

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Felix recites that after his father's death the widow Mary Gorman was dissatisfied with the terms of the will, and that the heirs wanted their shares at once. All the heirs and legatees signed an instrument appointing four trustees — Oliver Gorman, W. B. Woods, R. S. Payne and one other — to sell the estate outright and give warranty bills of sale. The signatories included Oliver Gorman, Mary Clement, Felix Gorman, Sarah A. and Charles W. Allen, R. S. Payne as guardian of Mary Payne's children, the guardian of Terrell Gorman's children, and afterwards Artemecy Harrison and her husband Ewell Harrison, and Elizabeth G. Harper and her husband Daniel E. Harper.

"a sale took place 29th November 1841 ... at said sale all the legatees purchased property and negroes"

And then the sentence that settled our question:

"at said sale Mary Gorman ... purchased [Joe] and his wife Harriet and their three Children Jerry, Jefferson & Harriet"

The bill of sale conveyed an absolute estate, not a life interest. So the Jerry named in your transcription of the 1840 will was a child in 1841, sold with his parents and siblings to Elijah's widow, and he stayed in Mississippi. He is on the 1850 slave schedule under Mary Gorman; he is in the 3 January 1853 appraisal of the estate as "Jerry, Louisa & Infant, \$800"; and he is named in the sheriff's attachment of 25–29 September 1857.

He cannot be our Jerry Gorman, who by his own account had been in Texas since about 1841.

What the Harpers received

"a negro girl Lotty was purchased and received by said Harper now Reed at said sale as a part of her part of said estate and ... she recd the balance in money ... she was not present at the sale and division ... afterwards came & signed the agreement"

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Elizabeth G. Harper's entire share was the girl Lotty and cash. Daniel E. Harper's \$600 note was counted against her share, and Mary Gorman paid her the \$600 out of her own portion. There is no Jerry in the Harper allocation, and the Harpers were never in Leon County, Texas — the 1860 slave schedules place no Harper slaveholder in Leon, Grimes or Montgomery County.

3. People enslaved by the Elijah P. Gorman estate, by record

We set this out in full because it may be useful to you, and because these names deserve to be recorded somewhere they can be found. Spellings and readings are as the OCR and our reading of the images give them; question marks mark uncertain readings.

Date	Record	People named
5 Dec 1840	Will of Elijah P. Gorman	Harry & wife Charity and children incl. Amanda; Billy; Joseph and his wife Harriet; Jerry; Jefferson; Harriet; Aaron; William; Linda
29 Nov 1841	Trustees' sale of the estate	To widow Mary Gorman: Joe and his wife Harriet and their three children Jerry, Jefferson and Harriet. To Felix Gorman: John, Christian(?), and Louisa (mother of Benjamin, Sam, James and Mary). To Elizabeth G. Harper: the girl Lotty, plus cash.
11 Oct 1843	Bill of sale	Mary Gorman purchases from E. G. Harper (later Reed); Louisa and two of her children are also repurchased from Harper in this period
1850	Federal slave schedule	Mary Gorman, Noxubee County; Felix Gorman, Noxubee County
3 Jan 1853	Appraisal of the estate (\$6,000)	Joe Sr. \$500; Alice, Harriet & infant \$1,150;

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Date	Record	People named
		Jerry, Louisa & infant \$800; John and Jeff \$740; Sam(?), Harriet, Joe; Owen \$1,550; James Jr. \$1,550; Ben \$150
25–29 Sep 1857	Chancery attachment, Reed v. Gorman	Garret(?) and his wife; Jerry; Jefferson; Harriet; Joe; Owen; Alice and an infant, the children of Joe and Harriet; Louisa; Benjamin; John; Sam; James; and Mary — seized and valued at \$6,000

Other facts from the same case file: the widow Mary Gorman died before 5 May 1852, when an affidavit of her death was filed; the litigation ran from before 1852 through at least late 1857; and the sheriff of Noxubee County, J. R. Cavett, executed the attachment on 29 September 1857.

4. Every Gorman slaveholder in the 1850 census

Because the surname is the thread we are pulling, we checked it exhaustively. Searching the 1850 federal slave schedules on the slaveholder field returns 205 enslaved individuals held by Gorman slaveholders nationwide. The complete list of those slaveholders:

Slaveholder	Place
George Gorman; A. Gorman	Northern Division, Marshall, Mississippi
Mary Gorman; Felix Gorman	Noxubee, Mississippi
James Gorman	Pontotoc, Mississippi
William Gorman	Jefferson, Florida
A. M. Gorman; Elisabeth Gorman	Raleigh, Wake, North Carolina
Mike Gorman	District 5, Franklin, Alabama

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Slaveholder	Place
J. B. Gorman	Macon, Bibb, Georgia
William H. Gorman	District 10, Campbell, Georgia
John B. Gorman	District 23, Talbot, Georgia
J. P. Gorman	Charlestown, Jefferson, Virginia
Thomas Gorman; D. K. Gorman	Eastern District, St Helena, Louisiana
John Gorman	District 1, Fleming, Kentucky
Peter Gorman	Howard, Anne Arundel, Maryland
Wm Gorman	Johnson, Union, Arkansas

No Gorman slaveholder appears in Texas in 1850. In 1860 there are exactly two in the entire state: Churchwell Gorman of Freestone County, with 32 enslaved people, and W. S. Gorman of Goliad County. There is no Gorman slaveholder in Leon County in either year.

Correction to our first version. We previously offered the 1850 result as a finding. It is not one. The Harrison County tax roll for 1850 assesses Churchwell Gorman for eleven enslaved people in his own name and thirteen more as an estate administrator — twenty-four people, in Texas, in 1850, none of whom reach the slave-schedule index. Section 5 sets this out. The 1850 slave schedule cannot be used as a negative for this family, and we would not want you to rely on it.

5. The Gormans of Harrison County, Texas

This is the part we would most like your eye on. The 1850 census of Harrison County, in far East Texas, shows two Gorman households:

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Head	Household
J. Gorman	Age 40, born Georgia. Farmer, real estate \$8,000. Wife A. Gorman, 40, born South Carolina. Children: A. (12, born Alabama), M. E. (8, born Texas), T. S. (6), J. W. (4), C. L. (2). Also in the household: J. G. Graves, 45. Dwelling 815.
C. Gorman	Age about 38, born Georgia — Churchwell "Churchill" Gorman (1811–1869).

Read the children's birthplaces as a timeline: this family was in Alabama in 1838 and in Texas by 1842. They arrived, in other words, at almost exactly the moment our Jerry says he was brought to Texas.

Churchwell Gorman appears throughout the Harrison County records — deeds from 1847 to 1859, court minutes 1848–1854, and probate minutes showing him as administrator of the estate of Charles Livingston in 1850–52. By 1860 he is in Freestone County with 32 enslaved people. His son William Churchwell Gorman was born 27 December 1856 at Marshall in Harrison County, was living in Freestone County in 1860, and died 4 January 1935 at Oakwood — in Leon County. Another son, John Wesley Gorman (1847–1902), had a child born at Butler, Freestone County, in 1876.

So the family's path runs Harrison County to Freestone County to Leon County — ending in the county where our Jerry Gorman appears in 1866. We are not claiming a connection. We are saying it is the most suggestive geography we have found, and we do not know whether these Gormans are yours.

The county tax rolls, read year by year

In our first version we flagged a puzzle: J. Gorman held \$8,000 in real estate in Harrison County in 1850 — planter scale for an East Texas cotton county — yet no Gorman appeared anywhere in the 1850 Texas slave schedules. We said we would test it against the tax rolls, which record the number of enslaved people assessed to each taxpayer. We have now done that, reading the film images directly rather than relying on any index.

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Year	County	Enslaved / value	Notes
1850	Harrison	11 — \$4,400	Entry 180. Also 12 horses, wagon and team; 1,432 acres (Moses & Smith) and 320 acres (Holman's deed); total assessed \$5,630.
1850	Harrison	13 — \$5,950	Entry 181, as administrator of the C. Livingston estate. 9 horses, 51 cattle, a town lot; 4,287 acres; total assessed \$16,029.
1854	Freestone	13 — \$6,500	Entry 102. Land: 320 acres (G. W. Wisdom), 200 (part Dexter & Allen 11-League), 53.
1855	Freestone	21 — \$9,450	Entry 122. Land: 320 (Boyd assignee), 320 (Chisman pre-emption), 50, 225 (Dexter & Allen). Also \$3,000 miscellaneous property.
1856	Freestone	20 — \$8,000	Entry 127. One parcel is described as "C. Gorman pre-emption."
1857	Freestone	24 — \$12,000	Entry 138. 50 horses, 98 cattle.
1858	Freestone	26 — \$13,000	Entry 134. 70 horses, 125 cattle.
1860	Freestone	32	Federal slave schedule, not the tax roll.

Two things follow. First, the 1850 negative was an artefact of the schedule or its index, not a fact about the family: Churchwell Gorman held eleven people in his own name in Harrison County in 1850, and none of them reach the federal schedule. Second, and more useful to us both, the series is flat except in one place. He goes from thirteen enslaved people in 1854 to twenty-one in 1855 — eight people added in a single year — and then resumes ordinary growth. Whatever purchase this family made, it was made between the 1854 and the 1855 assessment.

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James Gorman bought a woman named Charlotte in 1846

The Harrison County deed books are inside FamilySearch's full-text index, and bills of sale for enslaved people were recorded in them alongside land deeds. One is a direct Gorman transaction:

"I Slaughter D. Pinkard of said County & State have this day bargained sold and released unto James Gorman of the same place a Certain Negro Woman Named Charlotte of black Complexion aged 22 years"

Dated 22 June 1846, witnessed by Jesse Brothers, acknowledged before county clerk E. C. Beazley. Charlotte was therefore born about 1824. We record her name here because it is the only enslaved person we have yet found named in a Texas Gorman transaction, and because someone may be looking for her.

James, Churchwell and W. H. Gorman are one family group

On 16 March 1854, James Gorman sold to W. H. Gorman, for \$1,700, his interest in part of the Thomas Gray headright survey — described as beginning at a corner of "James Gorman's Headright Survey." Filed 24 March 1854 before county clerk O. Hendrick; witnesses Richard Peete and N. A. Morgan. Three things follow from that one page.

- A fourth Gorman. W. H. Gorman is on the Harrison County tax rolls from 1855 to 1859. With James, Churchwell and W. S. Gorman, that is four Gormans in one county.
- James Gorman held a headright survey of his own. Headrights were Republic of Texas grants requiring residence before 1842 — independent confirmation that this family reached Texas in the same window in which our Jerry says he arrived.
- The Thomas Gray headright is the survey Churchwell was already dealing in. His 1850 tax entry as administrator of the Livingston estate

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includes 400 acres of the Thomas Gray headright. James, W. H. and Churchwell were transacting land out of one survey.

Set beside the census — James born about 1810 in Georgia, Churchwell about 1812 in Georgia, both reaching Texas about 1840–42 — this reads as one family operating together, not as strangers who share a surname. We still have no document that uses the word brother. That is one of the things we hope you can supply.

The acquisition window, searched

“Marshall, Harrison, Texas, Deeds 1854–1855” is inside FamilySearch’s full-text index, and we read every Gorman page in it. Both entries are the land sale above. There is no bill of sale for an enslaved person involving any Gorman in the Harrison County deed book for the window in which Churchwell’s count rises by eight. That leaves Freestone County, whose deeds are not in the index at all, or a private transfer, or movement within the family.

The Charles Livingston estate, and thirteen people named

Churchwell Gorman administered the estate of Charles Livingston in Harrison County from 1850. We pursued this hard, because an estate administration names people individually where a tax roll only counts them. The distribution decree, certified by clerk Edward C. Beazley on 6 December 1851, awarded the whole estate to Livingston’s widow Martha, since remarried to John G. Morris, there being no children. After the cattle, the mules, the fifty-saw cotton gin stand and the brass clock, it lists:

*Big Toney · Little Toney · Moses · Simon · Harry · Nancey · Flora ·
Lucy · Violet · Rosetta · Phillis · Hannah · John*

Thirteen people — exactly the thirteen the 1850 tax roll assessed to the estate at \$5,950, so the roster is complete rather than a fragment. There is no Jerry among them, and they did not stay with Gorman; the court decreed them to Martha Morris. We set the lead aside, and we record the names.

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6. Every Jerry in the Harrison County records, 1850–1860

Because the surname can only take us so far, we tried the given name instead — and first tested whether it was distinctive enough to be worth tracing. In the same corpus, with the same phrase pattern, “named Jerry” returns thirteen documents for Harrison County; “named George” returns roughly eighty to a hundred. Jerry runs six to eight times rarer. It is not a common name in these records, which makes the field small enough to work to exhaustion.

Date	Record	Assessment
Sept 1852	Estate of Joseph Fields, distribution: "a woman named Harriet & boy child named George & a boy named Jerry"	A boy — doubtful on age.
20 Nov 1852	S. S. Woods conveys to his sister Louisa R. C. Barnett "a certain Negro boy, a slave for life, of black complexion, named Jerry, about ten years of age"	Ruled out — born about 1842, and our Jerry was already in Texas by 1841.
3 Jan 1854	Estate of Wm. S. Richardson, sold at the courthouse door in Marshall: "Septimus Taylor — negro man Jerry"	An adult man, sold in the month the Gorman count begins to move.
1860	Estate of Cole, partition: "Allen a negro man, Jerry a negro man" set apart to F. Cole	An adult, but moving within the Cole family.

Two adult Jerrys, then, in the county across the decade. One of them changes hands in the same month Churchwell Gorman’s count begins to move. We want to be careful about this: nothing whatever connects Septimus Taylor to any Gorman, and what we have is a coincidence of name, date and place rather than evidence. We set it down because the list is short, and because you may recognise a name on it that we would not.

7. Mary

We have written mostly about Jerry, but the question is really about two

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people. His wife Mary was born in Mississippi about 1825 and died before 1900. She has no documented maiden name — the one candidate, a surname on a son's 1952 death certificate, is a conflation with the informant's own mother, which our professional researcher had already caught and which we have now confirmed from the certificate image.

We raise her with you for one specific reason. Elijah P. Gorman's estate was in Noxubee County, Mississippi. Our Jerry was born in Tennessee, which fits that family imperfectly. Mary was born in Mississippi, which fits it rather well. If any part of this household came out of the Noxubee orbit, she is the better candidate, not he.

There is a Mary in the estate — and she does not work

We checked, because it is the obvious thing to check. A Mary is named twice in the Elijah P. Gorman records. At the trustees' sale of 29 November 1841 she appears among the people Felix Gorman purchased, as one of four children of Louisa — "Louisa, mother of Benjamin, Sam, James and Mary." She is named again in the sheriff's attachment of 25–29 September 1857, in the list of people seized and valued at \$6,000.

On age she fits well. Louisa already had four children by 1841, so a Mary born about 1825 would have been sixteen then and thirty-two in 1857.

But she runs into the same wall that removed the Noxubee Jerry. The September 1857 attachment has her still in Mississippi, seized as estate property, while our Mary was in Texas bearing children — a daughter about 1856 and a son in 1857. She cannot be in both places.

A second detail cuts the same way. The appraisal of 3 January 1853 lists "Jerry, Louisa & Infant, \$800," which reads as a family group. So in the Noxubee household Jerry's partner was Louisa, and Mary was Louisa's daughter. Our Texas couple is a Jerry and a Mary. The pairing is different.

Why we keep returning to your family, and why we do not

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claim it

This is worth saying plainly, because you will have seen others make the leap. The Elijah P. Gorman estate contains a Jerry, a Mary and a Harriet. Our Texas family is a Jerry, a Mary, and a daughter Harriett. Three shared given names, on top of the shared surname. That resemblance is why this family keeps drawing researchers back to it — an earlier investigator built an entire theory on it, and it is why we have spent weeks inside these records ourselves.

But shared given names among enslaved people in one region are weak evidence, and every time we have tested a named individual against the dates, the chronology has broken it. The Noxubee Jerry was in Mississippi through September 1857. So was the Noxubee Mary. We are not trying to claim your family. We are trying to eliminate it honestly, and to tell you exactly where the resemblance comes from so that you can judge it yourself.

Which turns our question into a sharper one, and it is the last thing we would ask of you. Not whether there is a Mary in Elijah's estate — there is, and she does not fit — but whether there is a Mary of about 1825 in any other Gorman household in or near Noxubee: in Felix's own holdings, in Oliver's, or among the Marshall County Gormans, who left Mississippi in the early 1850s.

8. The questions we would most like your help with

1. Are the Harrison County Gormans related to Elijah's family at all? This is now our first question rather than our third, because everything else turns on it. Churchwell Gorman (1811–1869) and James Gorman (b. about 1810) were both born in Georgia, came by way of Alabama, and reached Texas about 1840–42; they are almost certainly brothers to each other. Elijah's people came out of Tennessee into Mississippi. We can find nothing linking the two groups — no deed, no probate, no shared witness, no common county. But Gorman is not a common enough name in 1840s Texas for us to dismiss the coincidence, and we have no way to test it from the county records alone. If they are

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cousins, then the 1841 Noxubee sale and Churchwell's Texas holdings stop being two unrelated stories. If you can rule it out, we will re-weight the entire Freestone thread accordingly.

2. At the 29 November 1841 sale, did Oliver Gorman purchase enslaved people? He was both a trustee and a legatee, and he had been on the Washington County, Texas tax rolls since 1838. If he bought people in Noxubee in November 1841 and took them to Texas, that is the one mechanism we have found that would put a Gorman-surnamed enslaved man in Texas in 1841 — precisely matching what our Jerry told the registrar in 1867. Do your notes show what Oliver bought?
3. What became of the enslaved people of Oliver Gorman's estate? He died in Washington County in 1847; his widow Jane Ann was appointed administratrix on 30 November 1847 and the estate was not finally settled until 2 June 1857. Yet no Gorman appears in the 1850 Texas slave schedules. Were they sold, hired out, or held under another name?
4. Is there a Mary of about 1825 in any Gorman household in or near Noxubee other than Elijah's? See section 7. The Mary inside Elijah's estate is Louisa's daughter and is still in Mississippi in September 1857, so she is not ours. But Jerry's wife was Mississippi-born in about 1825, which fits your family's geography better than his Tennessee birth does, and no one has ever searched for her on your side. Felix's own holdings, Oliver's, and the Marshall County Gormans are all unexamined for her.
5. Do you have anything on a Gorman purchase of enslaved people in Texas in 1854 or 1855? That is the year Churchwell Gorman's assessed count jumps by eight. Freestone County deeds are not in FamilySearch's full-text index, so we cannot reach them by keyword; if the family papers or your notes carry anything from those two years, it would be worth a great deal.
6. Is James S. Gorman, physician, of Milam and Williamson County (b. about 1813 in Tennessee, wife Margaret of Georgia, son Joel H. born in

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Mississippi in 1834) connected? We note that Felix Gorman was also a physician, which may be nothing or may be a family pattern.

7. Elijah's Tennessee period. Felix was born in Tennessee in 1819. Our Jerry was born in Tennessee. Where in Tennessee was the family, and is there any record of whom Elijah held there?
8. Elizabeth G. Harper appears in this case file as Elizabeth G. Reed, wife of William B. Reed. When did Daniel E. Harper die, and did Elizabeth return to Mississippi? She is transacting there in 1843 and suing there in the 1850s.

9. What we have ruled out, so you need not repeat it

- There is no Harper slaveholder in Leon County, Texas, in 1860 — nor in Grimes or Montgomery County, where the Harpers actually lived.
- There is no Gorman slaveholder in Leon County, Texas, in either 1850 or 1860.
- The Jerry of the Elijah Gorman estate remained in Mississippi from 1841 through at least September 1857.
- Elizabeth G. Harper's allocation from the 1841 sale was the girl Lotty and cash — not Jerry.
- The thirteen people of the Charles Livingston estate, in Churchwell Gorman's hands as administrator in 1850–51, are all named and none is a Jerry. They went to the widow, not to Gorman.
- There is no bill of sale for an enslaved person involving any Gorman in the Harrison County deed book for 1854–1855 — the window in which Churchwell Gorman's assessed count rises by eight.
- The Mary named in the Elijah P. Gorman estate — Louisa's daughter, named in 1841 and again in the September 1857 attachment — was still

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in Mississippi in 1857, while our Mary was in Texas bearing children. She is not ours.

- The Jerry conveyed by S. S. Woods in November 1852 was “about ten years of age,” so born about 1842, and cannot be ours — our Jerry was born in Tennessee and was already in Texas by 1841.
- The 1870 census households of Ananias Green and J. L. Green of Leon County, which we had pursued on a DNA lead, are recorded as white and are not connected to the Green family in Jerry Large’s line.
- Withdrawn: our earlier statement that no Gorman held enslaved people in Texas in 1850. See the correction in section 4.

A note on the surname

We are conscious that a freedman’s surname is evidence, but not proof of who held him last. Formerly enslaved people took surnames from a former enslaver, from an earlier owner before a sale, from a father who lived on another place, or by their own choice. Our Jerry was born in Tennessee, and your family had a Tennessee period. That may be the connection, or the connection may be a Gorman household we have not yet found. We would rather test it than assume it.

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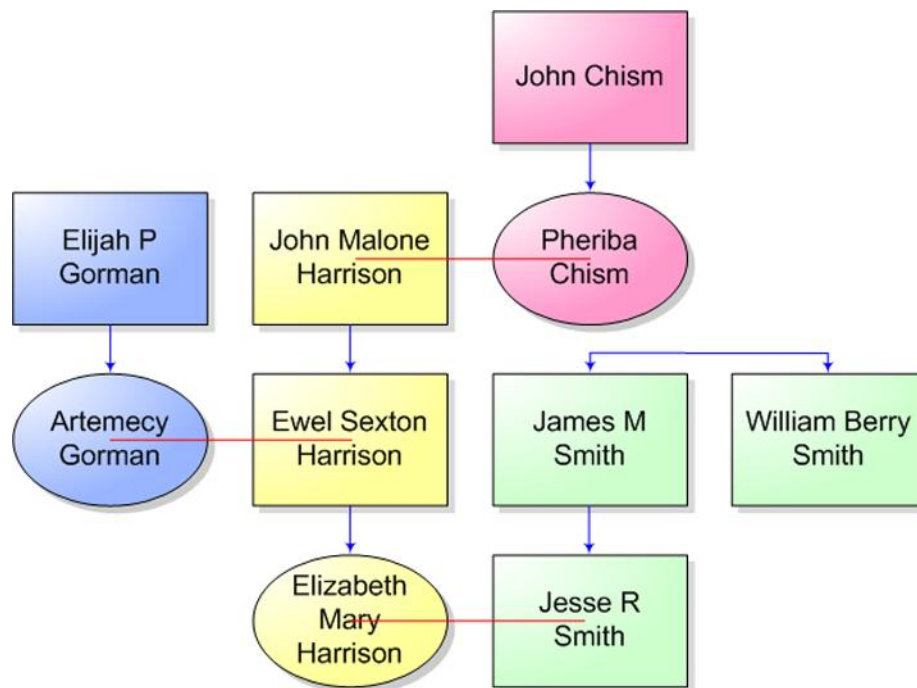


Figure 1. Relationships of the major families*

*To bring this chart up-to-date: (1) delete the P from Elijah Gorman's name; (2) add a father of James M. and William Berry Smith, namely Alexander Smith, at the same level as Elijah; (3) change the R in Jesse Smith's name to Richard.

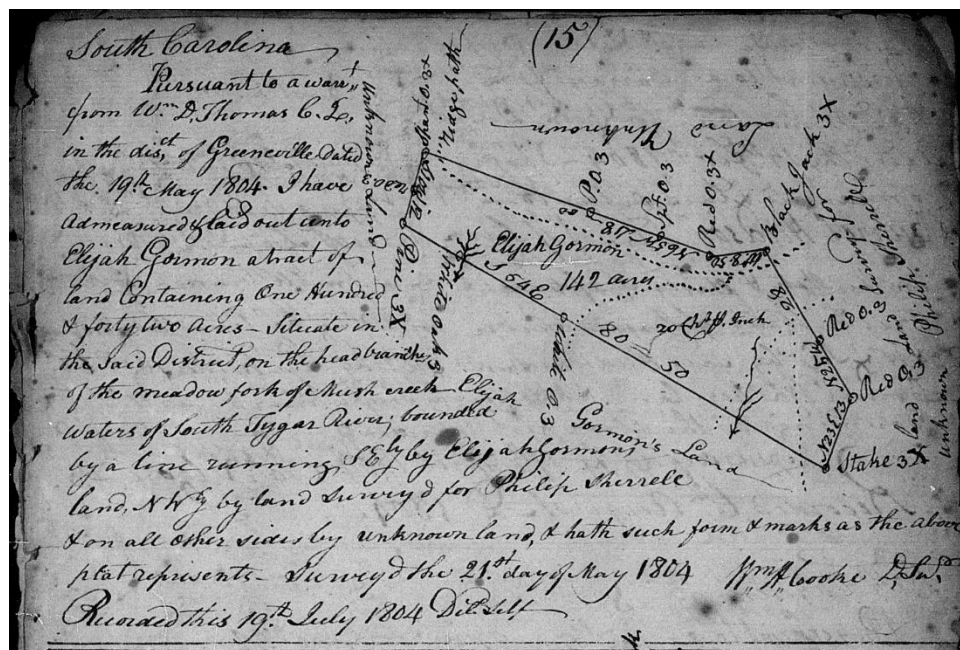


Figure 2. Elijah¹ Gorman land survey, Greenville Co., S.C., 1804