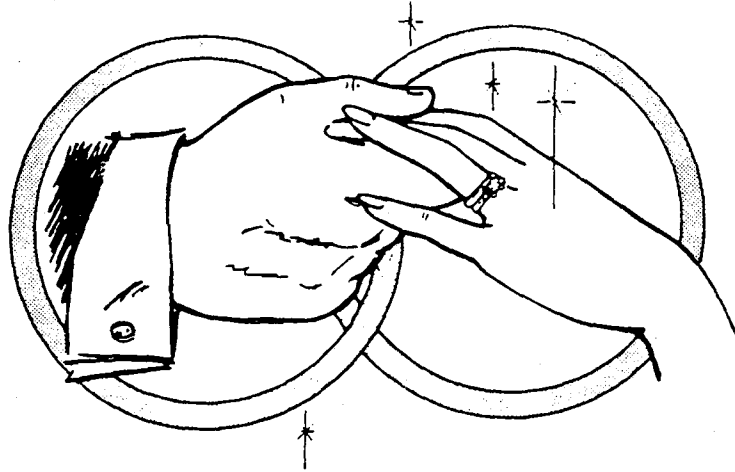
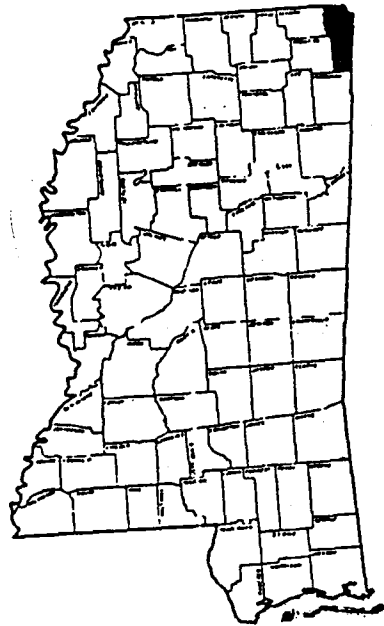


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12	25	1898	BROWN, JOSEPH	JOURDAN, MINNIE
07	21	1895	BROWN, JOSIE	ROBINSON, FRANK
01	04	1892	BROWN, L T	KING, MOLLIE
01	14	1900	BROWN, L T	ROLLER, MOLLIE ANN
05	07	1899	BROWN, LEE	HOLLAND, G W
11	18	1888	BROWN, LIZZIE E	ROBINSON, J T
12	07	1893	BROWN, M E MISS	GRISHAM, T H
SEP	20	1831	BROWN, MARIA	PORTWOOD, ZEBULON
		1867	BROWN, MARTHA	FLOYD, NEWTON
04	23	1899	BROWN, MARTHA J	CUTSHAW, J J
08	14	1895	BROWN, MATTIE	JONES, J J
12	06	1899	BROWN, MOLLIE	PAYNE, EDGAR A
09	07	1899	BROWN, MONROE	SIGGS, LUCILE
		1865	BROWN, MRS P G	MOORE, H S
07	12	1896	BROWN, NANCIE	THORN, LEANDER
12	03	1893	BROWN, PERCILLA	DERRICK, H C
09	06	1888	BROWN, R E	DEGROW, IDA
09	23	1894	BROWN, S E MISS	MUKES, J M
12	05	1891	BROWN, SARAH	COMAN, JAMES
04	23	1893	BROWN, SARAH F	BULLARD, WILLIAM
04	04	1892	BROWN, W A	MOORE, CYNTHIA MRS
12	11	1898	BROWN, W M	ARDIS, M C MISS
08	01	1889	BROWN, W R	HANN, NANCY
11	25	1896	BROWN, W W	ISABEL, JANIE
DEC	07	1831	BROWN, WILLIAM	GASTON, MATILDA
07	21	1897	BROWN, WILLIE A	HUDSON, C A
02	11	1896	BROWNING, F J MISS	BINGHAM, W W
03	08	1893	BROWNING, J A JR	HOWARD, DORA
02	12	1891	BROWNING, JOE	WILLIAMS, GEORGIA
JAN	29	1850	BRUCE, W F	ISBALL, CASEY L
11	24	1895	BRUMLEY, J H	ABLIS, MARY E
DEC	27	1832	BRUNNET, HENRY	ROBIN, ZEDA
08	09	1896	BRUTAN, KATY	PANNELL, J F
01	16	1899	BRUTON, E L	STANLEY, A M MISS
01	25	1891	BRUTON, G A MISS	COBB, CHARLEY
05	27	1888	BRYANT, ELIZABETH MRS	KRAUSE, GEORGE
08	27	1899	BRYANT, JANIE	OWENS, J H
OCT	23	1860	BRYSON, SAMUEL	CROCKETT, MARGARET
		1848	BUCHANAN, I A	MOORES, MARY E
OCT	09	1847	BUCHANON, WILLIAM	LAILER, NANCY LOUISE
02	02	1891	BUCHANON, MONTANA	COOPER, J E
12	21	1890	BUCHANON, R H	FINCH, CORA
02	05	1888	BUCHANON, R W	ROBINSON, BELLE Z
11	07	1887	BUCHANON, W S	MILLFORD, C M MISS
03	31	1897	BUGG, D R	BONDS, ALMA
		1845	BUGG, LOUISA JANE	MOORE, SEABORN
03	13	1898	BUGG, PHEBA	SKINNER, WILLIAM H
12	03	1899	BULLARD, BETTIE	ROBINSON, T J
08	22	1897	BULLARD, DELLA	JOHNSON, T M
02	19	1899	BULLARD, DICK	MCMASTERS, JOSIE
02	05	1899	BULLARD, EMMA	DAVIS, J E
10	01	1899	BULLARD, FRANCES MRS	MEEKS, E A
09	02	1893	BULLARD, I C MISS	JOHNSON, A J
06	25	1896	BULLARD, J B	DUNCAN, W A MISS
04	14	1895	BULLARD, J D	HOLLAND, P V MISS
10	15	1898	BULLARD, JOHN B	TIGNER, BETTIE
10	09	1898	BULLARD, M A MISS	HIGGINS, J M
09	01	1889	BULLARD, SALLIE	BARNES, W J
12	21	1895	BULLARD, SUSIE	HUBBARD, R L
03	21	1889	BULLARD, T H	TACKET, SUSIE
11	09	1899	BULLARD, W P	SEAGO, FAITHY
04	23	1893	BULLARD, WILLIAM	BROWN, SARAH F
09	18	1898	BULLARD, WILLIAM	CARSON, DELIE
01	18	1894	BULLEN, EDWARD	TATUM, MARY D
			BUMAN, MARTHA	COLBERT, HEINES H
04	23	1892	BUNT, C H	CONN, SALLIE
09	11	1890	BUNT, JOHN H	WINGO, SHELLANA
		1865	BUOY, SARAH C	KIZER, WASH E
		1866	BURDEN, J H	PARKER, MARGARET A

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10	17	1894	CRANE, BESSIE F	FULLER, A D
01	16	1898	CRANE, JOHN	FULLER, WILLIE
11	20	1898	CRANFORD, H J MISS	YARBER, P
12	15	1897	CRANFORD, J G	HAMMETT, MARY A
MAR	24	1835	CRAPAN, MARY ELEANOR	DICKERSON, HENRY
11	14	1889	CRAWFORD, J R	VINSON, MARY A
11	16	1893	CRAWFORD, M E MISS	WYNNS, E C
07	24	1898	CREDILLE, B W	NENELL, A B MISS
01	06	1898	CREDILLE, DONA	STACY, W M
03	04	1897	CREDILLE, E S	STACY, DELBY BELL
09	07	1899	CREIGHTON, J H	STEEL, ETHEL
03	16	1899	CRENSHAW, PALISTINE	THOMPSON, PAUL
SEP	30	1847	CRESSNO, ISAAC	KINDAL, ANN LIZA
08	04	1892	CRIDDLE, W B	STACY, M J MISS
08	20	1899	CRISAMORE, ANNIE B	CLAUNCH, GEORGE T
12	15	1890	CRISLER, J A	HUBBARD, JOSIE
DEC	13	1855	CROCKET, ANN	IRWIN, J C
12	15	1890	CROCKET, SARAH	BEAVERS, ROBERT
JAN	07	1856	CROCKET, SARAH	WILLBANKS, D P
OCT	22	1853	CROCKET, SINA A	WILDMAN, BENJ. J
JUL	30	1849	CROCKETTE, MARY K	HESTER, ROBERT F
DEC	19	1865	CROCKETT, J C	FULGHAM, CALLIE
AUG	05	1848	CROCKETT, JAMES M	BILLINGS, SARAH
JAN	11	1861	CROCKETT, LOUISA M	KENNEDY, G A
OCT	23	1860	CROCKETT, MARGARET	BRYSON, SAMUEL
MAR	24	1834	CROPLY, SUSAN ANN	SANDERS, JASON
11	25	1897	CROSS, DILLIE ANN	SEAGO, J C
		1865	CROSS, MARY J	SMITH, J B
FEB	13	1834	CROSSLEY, LAURINDA	HUTSON, JOSEPH L
12	04	1898	CROUSE, J R	MARLOR, MAGGIE MRS
07	27	1890	CROW, G A	MCRRIS, LULA
11	29	1888	CRUMP, CHARLIE	CHERRY, LUCY MRS
12	15	1891	CUMMINGS, HENRY	ALDRIDGE, SARAH
MAR	31	1835	CUMMINGS, JOHN	BAILY, ADALINE
FEB	19	1833	CUMMINGS, MALICHI C	ROGERS, SARAH
01	05	1895	CUMMINGS, MOLLIE	MOORE, HENRY
07	15	1897	CUMMINGS, SALLIE	TAYLOR, T L
SEP	20	1854	CUNNINGHAM, ALFRED	FINCH, MARY ANN
SEP	02	1857	CUNNINGHAM, ANDY	FINCH, FANNY GREEN
JAN	12	1853	CUNNINGHAM, JAMES	PLYTHE, ELIZABETH
OCT		1855	CUNNINGHAM, MARTHA	HESTER, JOSEPH
OCT	10	1865	CURLEE, W P	BOCNE, MARY E
03	14	1897	CURTIN, LORINDA	BLUNT, W S
06	09	1889	CURTIS, C W	CURTIS, JENNIE
11	05	1892	CURTIS, EDNIE	YARBOROUGH, WILLIAM
07	18	1891	CURTIS, H A	ALEXANDER, ALICE
01	23	1896	CURTIS, J S	YARBER, EMMA
06	09	1889	CURTIS, JENNIE	CURTIS, C W
11	26	1898	CURTIS, LIZZIE	MCKINNEY, R L
12	24	1899	CURTIS, THOMAS	BLUNT, LOU
NOV		1832	CUSHMAN, MARIA L	BILLINGTON, JOHN
04	23	1899	CUTSHAW, J J	BROWN, MARTHA J
02	16	1896	CUTSHAW, M B MISS	LONG, W S
JUL	20	1834	DABENPORT, ESSAY	DOUGLAS, STEPHEN
01	05	1889	DAILEY, ANDREW	DOP, J N MISS
JUL	26	1832	DALE, ALLEO	GIVEN, WILLIAM N
DEC	14	1854	DALLEN, ELIZA	ROBBINS, JEPHTHA
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SEP	29	1847	DANCER, JAMES	WELCH, NANCY
01	11	1900	DANIEL, JOHN	WAITS, ELLA
06	19	1897	DANIEL, LUCY	MURPHY, T E
SEP	30	1847	DANIEL, T A	CHEEK, ELIZABETH
JUN	21	1832	DARDEN, ELIAS	TAYLOR, LUCINDA R
DEC	23	1847	DARES, SARAH	MORRISON, SAMUEL
09	12	1888	DAVANAY, C	WAGNON, J J MISS
10	10	1894	DAVIDSON, J D	MILLER, LAURA
10	01	1896	DAVIDSON, JOE	PANNEL, MARY MRS
02	01	1893	DAVIS, A W	BROUGHTON, HATTIE



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On the 30th of May the board met and canvassed the returns and announced the following parties as having been duly elected to serve the county until the next general election: Probate Judge, H. B. Mitchell; Sheriff, William B. Owens; Treasurer, Amis Curtis; Clerk of probate court and of the board of police, John Reeves; Circuit Clerk, Mathies B. Click; Coroner, John Fitch; -----, James White; Surveyer, Jeremiah Phillips; Assessor and tax collector, Joseph Phillips.

On the 7th of June, 1836, Hezekiah B. Mitchell and John Reeves subscribed to the oath of office as judge and clerk of the probate court and announced the court as ready for business. On the same day the court of police met and approved the official bonds of the following officers, payable to the president of the board of police: William B. Owen, sheriff-elect, in the penal sum of \$4,000, with the following citizens as sureties: Christopher Skillman, David Hyneman and Richard Smith; John Fitch, in the penal sum of \$2,000, with the following citizens as sureties: Benjamin J. Kizer, Leonard B. Wade, William W. Crook, John Thomas, Miles Thomas, Leroy Farmer and Aaron Johnson; Jeremiah H. Phillips, surveyer-elect, in the penal sum of \$2,000 with the following citizens as sureties: Gregory Johnson, Terrill B. Phillips, John Essary and Simeon King; James W. White, ranger-elect, in the penal sum of \$500, with the following citizens as sureties: Benjamin Hancock and Samuel Reed; John Reeves, clerk-elect of the board of police in the penal sum of \$2,000, with the following citizens of sureties: Reuben Boone, Leonard B. Wade and Elias Rinehart; John Reeves, as clerk-elect of the probate court, in the penal sum of \$2,000, with the following citizens as sureties: Thomas Mays, Peter Johnson, Reuben H.

Boone and Francis Kizer; Mathias B. Click, clerk-elect of the circuit court, in the penal sum of \$10,000 with the following citizens as sureties: William Lesley, Matthew Gage and John E. Winn; Amis Curtis and Joseph Phillips, elected to the office of treasurer and assessor and tax collector respectively, failing to file their bonds within the time prescribed by law, the offices were declared vacant by the board of police, and a special election resulted in the election of William Rushing and Stephen O. Gibbs. William Rushing, treasurer-elect, filed his office bond, payable to the president of the board of police in the penal sum of \$15,000, with the following citizens as sureties: Miles Thomas, Leonard B. Estes, Sebern Jones, Gregory Johnson, Moses Johnson, Neil Morrison, James B. Merchant, John Reeves, Benjamin Hancock, Peter Searcy, John Binion, William W. Crook, Labern Kelly, Reuben Johnson, John Fitch, Lewis Jones, Gilbert Robbins, John D. Roden, Ezekiel Roden, Thomas Robbins, Daniel Vanlandingham, Elias Rinehart, John A. Johnson, John Robbin, Foster O'Neil, Terrill B. Phillips, James W. White, Francis Kizer, Benjamin J. Kizer, William Nail, Williams Smith, Mark Rushing, Silas Cheek, and William Hancock.

Stephen O. Gibbs, Assessor and Tax Collector-elect, presented his official bond in the penal sum of \$4,000, with the following citizens as sureties: Reuben H. Boone, Sebern Jones, Thomas Mays, Moses Johnson, James B. White, James B. Merchant, Gregory Johnson, Miles Thomas, and Lyddal B. Estes.

After subscribing to the oath of office the several county officers entered upon the discharge of their official duties, and the county of Tishomingo was an established fact.

During the June session of the board of police the county was divided into

others  
V C. Jones, Stokeley Choate, William Rowsey, John Swain, Wilson Winn,  
George Williams, Madison Griber, Christopher Skillman, William Walker and  
Benjamin Hancock.

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A grand jury was then drawn as follows: Allen Kemp, foreman, Aaron  
Johnston, Ezekiel Roden, John Jobe, J. R. Roden, William Lesson, Thomas Choate,  
D. Vanlandingham, LaBern Kelly, Peter Searcy, William Smith, Samuel B. Reed  
and Abner George. J. B. Merchant was appointed to attend the grand jury as  
constable. The first civil cases on the docket were two, wherein Willis B.  
Miller was plaintiff and William P. Powell defendant. Both cases were compro-  
mised at the cost of the defendant. Soloman B. Isaacs was appointed district  
attorney for the September term of court.

After being in session two days the grand jury returned nine true bills,  
as follows: Hardy Kelly, adultery; William Rowsey and Micheal Kizer, fighting;  
B. Hancock, assault and battery; Lydell B. Estes, assault and battery; James  
Patton, adultery; Jesse Baker, adultery; Overton Piles, adultery; B. Flannigan  
and John Fanish, fighting; and John Redden, assault and battery. The grand  
jury was then discharged.

Sheriff Owens presented a bill to the court for "impanelling the grand  
jury, advertising and holding elections, and serving public orders during the  
year 1836", for the sum of \$50, which was allowed. Soloman B. Isaacs,  
district attorney pro tem, was allowed the sum of \$50. There being no further  
business, the court adjourned until the first Monday in March, 1837.

The second term of circuit court for the county of Tishomingo was begun  
in the court house at the county seat on Monday, the 6th day of March, 1837.

Present were: Hon. F. W. Huling, judge; Mathias B. Click, clerk; William B. Owens, sheriff. The following jurors answered to their names: William Anderson, Jefferson J. Knight, Samuel Marrah, William Carpenter, William P. Powell, James Richards, Isaac Essary, Samuel Johnson, James Hodges, Lewis M. Fortner, William Coates, Soloman Johnson, A. B. Baker, William Lesley, William Rice, Daniel Carpenter, Tiley Cowan, William Cowan, Joseph Phillips, Davidson Fanish, Thos. Lindsey, John Thompson, Francis Kizer, Lewis Jones, H. M. Bingham, Andrew Brown, Jesse Barnes, William Cook, Reuben H. Boone, Neil Morrison, Benjamin J. Kizer, and A. B. Curtis. The following named persons were drawn and sworn as grand jurors: Wm. P. Powell, foreman, Francis Kizer, Davidson Fanish, William Cowan, Thomas Lindsey, Andrew Brown, Benj. J. Kizer, William Anderson, William Cook, Isaac Essary, Samuel Marrah, Neil Morrison, Samuel Johnson, James Hodges, and William Coats.

The following dispositions were made of the first indictments returned by the grand jury: Lyddal B. Estes, assault: continued and the defendant required to give bond in the sum of \$125; Overton Piles, adultery: continued and the defendant admitted to bail in the sum of \$125; Hardy Kelly, adultery: dismissed at the cost of the state; Rowsey and Kizer, fighting: continued and the bond set at \$125 each; Benjamin Hancock, assault: continued and bond fixed at \$125; Flanigan and Fanish, fighting: continued as to the former and bail fixed at \$125, Fanish entered a plea of guilty and was fined \$5 and cost, being the first fine assessed and collected by the circuit court of Tishomingo County; James Patton, adultery: dismissed at the expense of the state; John Reddon, assault: dismissed; Jesse Baker, adultery: continued.



for advertising twenty-eight estray notices in the Ripley Transcript. During this period the Ripley Free Press also carried legal advertising for Tishomingo County.

The names of the following families not heretofore mentioned were found on the records of the county for the year 1839: Abbot, Alexander, Adams, Aiken, Berry, Benham, Branstutter, Brumley, Bolls, Brunts, Boyd, Burnes, Cahorn, Cogdell, Canfield, Collins, Carmack, Condrey, Chase, Conner, Christian, Cornelius, Coffman, Devanport, Derrick, Dment, Duke, Embry, Eppes, Emerson, Evans, Flannagan, Frank, Flynt, Galager, Gresham, Goats, Grissom, Goble, Grizzard, Gragg, Hagood, Hicks, Hartsell, Houston, Harvey, Hudson, Harwell, Hulsey, Hawks, Humble, Helton, Hutchings, Kogle, Kirkman, Ledbetter, Lewis, Lumley, Little, McAfee, McElhannon, McCarty, McKinney, McDonald, Majors, Molder, Mauldin, Moody, Melton, Nevel, Norcutt, Oliver, Pearce, Pounds, Peden, Prickett, Perdue, Pruitt, Pierce, Shackelford, Stocks, Sherrill, Suggs, Silman, Suiter, Singleton, Tankersley, Toland, Terry, Tucker, Thomason, Tyre, Thrower, Vaughter, Weaver, and Wheeler.

MARRIAGES 1838 - 1839  
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Guilford Ulcy and Cynthia Gage, Jan. 18; Bailey Henry and Catharine Wisdom, Jan. 25; J. J. Busby and Martha T. Casey, Jan. 31; W. B. Smith and Jane Dean, Feb. 20; Charles Waddell and Mary Walker, Feb. 27; J. H. Gholston and Sarah J. Rorie, April 19; B. M. Jones and Avarilla Phillips, April 22; Benjamin Johnson and Emil (y?) C. Reeves, April 25; Abner George and Leah Phillips, May 2; J. B. Chase and Nancy Cooper, June 4; Eli Cowan and Anne E. Hays, June 4; Alexander Houston and Louisa Rorie, June 14; Nicholas Wolf and Omy Tally, June 26;

Bilbra Curtis and Elizabeth Curtis, July 11; G. W. Halmark and Martha Byram, July 19; Alden Byram and Kiziah Halmark, July 19; Chesley Cockran and Lucinda Richardson, July 20; S. L. Donald and Sarah A. Smith, July 28; T. J. Azbell and Susannah Jobe, August 17; Joseph Hunt and Elizabeth McClung, August 25; Frederick Branstutter and Darcas Bruton, August 30; Elisha Armes and Sarah Autrey, Sept. 6; Andrew Mallady and Lolund Pigg, Sept. 19; J. A. Shoops and Rebecca Wallace, Sept. 12; James Wolverton and Elizabeth Seay, Sept. 20; F. W. Barnes and Harriet Richardson, Sept. 25; G. W. Graham and Louisa McHugh, Sept. 30; Joseph Wyatt and Margaret Hutchison, Oct. 6; Joseph Carter and Jane Sounders, Oct. 9; Dennis R(B?)arnes and Ann Liner, Oct. 11; R. M. Rhea and Permelia Burnside, Oct. 13; P. M. Epps and Elizabeth Neil, Oct. 20; Joseph Priest and Elizabeth Clark, Oct. 12; W. G. Etheridge and Ann W. Gates, Nov. 5; John Latham and Martha Early, Nov. 16; L. M. Hamm and Elizabeth Farris, Nov. 27; M. A. Bickerstaff and Charlotte Gray, Dec. 3; Leroy Carpenter and Matilda Farris, Dec. 5; Jesse Baker and Mary Onesley, Dec. 5.

#### MARRIAGES IN 1839

D. A. Patrick and Mary A. Toland, Jan. 12; J. H. Clark and Eliza A. Mahan, Jan. 22; James Cowan and Louisa Blassingame, Jan. 26; W. P. Lindsey and Elizabeth Robison, Jan. 29; O. W. White and Mary Roden, Jan. 30; W. C. Bishop and Mary A. Walker, Feb. 1; Eli Hutchings and Martha Owens, Feb. 13; James Smith and Catharine Branstutter, Feb. 21; W. O. Wood and Lucinda Hancock, Mar. 26; L. M. Brodie and Nancy A. Mitchell, April 3; Benjamin Hancock and Matilda Rowsey, April 8; John Murphy and Elizabeth Priest, April 17;

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Wm. Trapp and Mary Kenner, April 23; Isaac Williams and Martha Campbell,  
May 3; Madison Evans and Sally Stepp, May 13; John Grisholm and Rebecca  
Hicks, May 21; John Cook and Polly Patton, June 15; R. L. Mathews and  
Rebecca A. Chism, June 18; Robert Boshears and Mary Armstrong, Aug. 9; J. J.  
Burns and Feletha J. Kennedy, Aug. 15; Charles Murphy and Martha J. Elkins,  
Aug. 17; G. W. Norwood and Nancy J. Martin, Aug. 21; Moses Curtis and  
Louisa Nixon, Sept. 10; Thomas Couch and Mary Clark, Sept. 11; W. H. Tyner  
and Louisa A. Barnes, Sept. 11; George Lofton and Nancy Foxshee, Sept. 26;  
John Rogers and Mary Carmack, Sept. 30; B. H. Estes and Mary A. Ducse,  
Oct. 12; Hiram Bruton and Elizabeth Rinehart, Oct. 31; Cavalier Byram and Sarah  
Lair, Nov. 2; Robert Trimble and Elizabeth Johnson, Nov. 6; David Lumley and  
Dicy Essary, Nov. 12; T. B. Youngblood and Sarah Hutchison, Nov. 15; James  
Roseman and Eliza Taylor, Nov. 18; James Harris and Ann Hynes, Dec. 7; T. M.  
Milam and Elizabeth R. Lynn, Dec. 10; Giles McGehee and Martha Woods, Dec.  
18; H. H. Welch and Milly Patterson, Dec. 24; Giles Savage and Mary Rowsey,  
Dec. 25; L. S. Owens and Elizabeth Hughs, Dec. 25; J. A. Knight and Elizabeth  
Rowsey, Dec. 31.

#### COUNTY OFFICERS 1838--1839

S. S. Hodge, sheriff; Wm. Rushing, treasurer; J. D. Moore, ranger; Wm.  
Cowan, coroner; Thos. Pate, clerk of board; Jeremiah Phillips, surveyer; S. O.  
Gibbs, assessor and tax collector; Chisley D. Key, probate judge; Board of  
police: John C. Carter, pres.; Wylie Belcher, James Harris, David Ross and  
Lyddal B. Estes; Deputy sheriffs: Mathew Gage, Abner E. Pate, James B. Mar-  
chant, John Doan; Justices of the Peace: Andrew J. Aldrege, Samuel Dancer,

Value of clocks: \$2,380

Number of Bowie knives: 4

Number of cattle, not exempt: 2,257

Number of white polls: 1,099

Number of free Negroes: 2

Number of slaves: 758

State tax: \$2,902.65

### A MURDER

On the 11th day of February, 1843, Bernetty, a negro slave girl, the property of Aaron Dean, was found dead on the premises of Daniel Peel by that gentleman and Shelby Ussery. Upon being notified, Coroner R. B. Archer impaneled a jury and on the day following repaired to the Peel residence. A number of witnesses were examined and the evidence conclusively demonstrated that the death of the slave was caused by the severe treatment received at the hands of Mrs. Dean. Witnesses testified that the slave was unmercifully beaten, at different times, and was seen by neighbors with a heavy log chain fastened around her neck with a padlock. The slave left the Dean residence on the 10th and was found dead the following day in the woods. The jury reported as follows: "We, the jury, Jesse Medley, William Curtis, Joshua Robinson, Charles Hughes, James L. McGee, Jackson Akers, John Castleberry, Mathew Barnett, James Castleberry, Jr., Wright Bonds, Sr., Martin Pigg and James Wood (foreman), find that the woman, Bernetty, was a slave, the property of Aaron Dean; that she came to her death by cruel treatment, wounds, bruises, stripes, want of clothing, exposure to cold, etc., inflicted by and through the means of Mrs. Meeky Dean. We find no person who was present at the death. She was found upon the premises of Daniel Peel by Shelby Ussery and Daniel Peel, about 4 or