

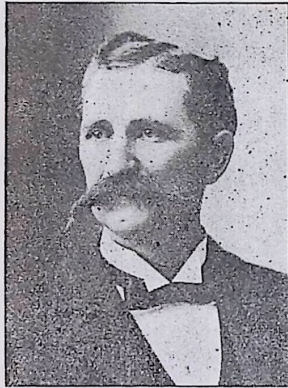
MR. B. F. WILSON.

Mr. B. F. Wilson was born in Houston county, Tennessee, in 1862.

In 1884 he came to Florida, and finding no other place he liked so well, he cast anchor in what was then Hernando county. (Hernando county then included what is now Citrus county.)

For several years he engaged in what was then the leading idea, namely: orange culture and the culture of citrus fruits in general. Later he was for several years in the phosphate business. Then he tried the mercantile business for six years, but every man has a particular niche in life into which he fits exactly, and this niche the voters of Citrus county found for Mr. Wilson when they elected him, unanimously and against one of the most powerful political men the county then had, to the office of county treasurer. He was elected to this office in 1901, and in 1903 he was re-elected to the same office, which was further proof of the confidence and esteem of the people, and that Mr. Wilson had really found his true vocation in life, namely: that of a public officer of trust.

It is Mr. Wilson's chief aim in life



MR. B. F. WILSON, County Treasurer.

to show his appreciation of the goodwill of his fellow citizens by proving strictly faithful to his trust. He takes a deep interest in the county's welfare and always (as far as it is in his power to do so) lends a helping hand to every enterprise that has a tendency to develop the industries and natural resources of the county, or in any way accrue to the welfare of Citrus county and the people in it.

Mr. Wilson, personally, is a man whom to know is to love and trust. He makes a true friend and a lenient, charitable foe. Nothing delights him more than to know that success came to any one worthy of it, and nothing saddens him more quickly than to know that a fellowman has been overtaken by misfortune.

As a public officer, Mr. Wilson can always count on the future support of the voters of Citrus county for he has proven his efficiency and his honesty in the way he has always ful-

placed in him.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN WILSON

One of the many natives of Florida who make their living on citrus and cattle, Benjamin Franklin Wilson owns 350 acres of land in Hernando County and has fifty to seventy-five head of grade cattle mixed with Brahmans and White Face Herefords. A hundred acres of his land is in improved pasture, twenty acres in farm lands, and forty acres in virgin timber. He sells his cattle at auction in Tampa, Webster, and Ocala, and his citrus to Newbern in Tampa and Pasco Packing Company.

He was born in Inverness September 27, 1894, son of Zachary Thomas Wilson, a native of Alabama, who was born June 21, 1864, and died in Largo in 1954. He was a blacksmith in Brooksville, Lecanto, and Safety Harbor. Benjamin's mother was Ellen Elizabeth King, who was born in Crystal River, June 22, 1864, and died January 2, 1914, in Safety Harbor.

He attended public school in Brooksville and worked in groves in Pinellas County until 1918, when he went to Blanton as caretaker for the groves of Jeffords and Smoyer, and also did some farming there. In 1924 he moved to Hernando County and bought some land which he eventually traded for ten acres of grove in the Spring Lake section. The trees in this grove were in poor condition and it took almost five years to get them bearing. He still owns this land.

During the tick eradicating program in 1934-35 Mr. Wilson was dipping inspector for the government. In 1946 he built and opened a liquor store with living quarters on U. S. Highway 41 in the town of Wilson-Haven.

From 1924 to 1932 he served as Deputy Sheriff of Hernando County under Sheriff Cobb. He was a charter member of Moose Lodge No. 912 in Brooksville, now inactive.

Benjamin Franklin Wilson was married on July 1, 1915, in Williston, Florida, to Mary Leona Brady, who was born June 23, 1897, in Georgia, daughter of Alonzo Brady, who died in Tampa in 1932, and Ida Johnston, who died in Williston in 1917. Both parents were natives of Georgia. Mr. and Mrs. Wilson have four children:

1. Margaret Louise Wilson Robison, born March 3, 1917, in Williston. She is a widow, living in Montgomery, Alabama, where she is a nurse at Maxwell Air Force Base.
2. Julia Bernice Wilson Fincannon, born January 5, 1919, in Pasco County. She married George A. Fincannon, Waterworks Superintendent in Brooksville.
3. Jewel Lucille Wilson Smith, born November 18, 1926, in Hernando County. She married Owen B. Smith, Lieutenant in the Coast Guard in Mobile, Alabama.
4. Benjamin Francis Wilson, born December 4, 1928, in Hernando County. He is a chemical engineer at Huntsville, Alabama.

WILSON. Joseph J.

Source: The Tampa Daily Times
Thurs. Feb 25, 1933
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Joseph J. Wilson

MR. WILSON, widely known newspaperman in Florida, has been connected with the newspaper business virtually all of his life. Born in Tampa, he for many years was editor of the Clearwater Sun. He is now editor and publisher of the Citrus County Chronicle at Inverness, where he has made his home for the past four years. He is a director in the Florida Press Association, member of the American Legion, the Kiwanis club and other civic organizations.



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HISTORICAL INFORMATION REQUEST

TO: Office of Historical Resources

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INQUIRER

NAME:	Jane A. Lucia
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INFORMATION REQUESTED

Property purchases + sales of Wilson family	
Samuel T. (1823-1893) widower	
Charles G. (1860-1927) + Jennie L. (wife)	
map - Citrus Co. - Rosehill - ✓	REQUEST RECEIVED BY:
	Name: M. Repp
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INFORMATION PROVIDED and SOURCE (complete all that apply)

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EAP

The enclosed photocopies are to go with the biography of Samuel Thomas Wilson recently sent to you. I sent a copy of the biography to Princeton Theological Seminary and they sent me the enclosed copies of his alumni file. When more information is received, I will send you copies.

Jane Lucia

March, 2002



Mrs. Jane A. Lucia
315 Winter Garden Ct.
Winter Haven, FL 33881

13. With what Presbyteries have you been connected, in their chronological order? *Huntingdon*
is circulated - Rock River - ordained by Synod & was then
tingdon again -

14. Your different settlements as pastor, and places of service as stated supply, in chronological order; giving name of church, and dates, (year, month, and day) of installation and release as pastor, and beginning and end of service as supply; distinguishing between pastorate and supply. [Dates of installation and release should be obtained, if necessary, from the records of the Presbytery, through its Stated Clerk.] *Have been 99. Pastor first at Leander Mills, was Milton*
in 72 years, Miss. for other half in various towns - installed May 20, 1853
Described on call to Rock Island Sept (Wed) 20-1872 - installed Pastor of 1st Church
Rock Island Feb 14-1857 - Described Nov 11-1868 - called to South Church -
to certain call - called to O.S. Church Galesburg - installed June 26-1869 - resigned to be-
come writer of 7th St. Church March 1st-1870 - was called to Birmingham Church
Oct 1870 - installed June 26-1872 - Described Oct. 17-1875

15. Service as Professor, Secretary, Agent, Tutor, Teacher, or other special work at any time in life, with dates of beginning and end, and in chronological order; also places of residence during life. -
Taught Public School during preparatory course & ac-
cumulate funds for college course -

16. What works, large or small, including volumes, sermons, pamphlets, &c., have you published?
Please give their exact titles. - *And the following sermons -*
(1) "The Elders" - (2) "So die is gain" - (3) "The stem of staff & Beautiful Rock"
(4) "Dead ysh speaking" - (5) "The House of God" - (6) "The little Church
on the Hill-Side" - (7) "Fruits of as President of B. of Des Moines S. Th."

17. Give any facts of interest, not called for by the above questions.
Autographs Sermonary of Chicago. When the four Professors, Rice, Lord
Tracy & Scott were transposed - "The Elders" was preached by
of prominent men of R. B. Presbytery published by it & recommended by the
Synod of Illinois etc.

18. The correction of any errors or omissions in the General Catalogue of 1872 will be gratefully received.

An immediate reply will add to the favor.

The Faculty of the Seminary specially request that this Circular, after being filled up, also all letters relating to the above matters, be addressed to

REV. WILLIAM E. SCHENCK, D. D.,

Secretary Alumni Association of the Seminary,

No. 4006 Baltimore Avenue,

PHILADELPHIA,

PA.

A REQUEST.

A special Album has been set apart in the Library of Princeton Seminary, to be called "THE ALUMNI ALBUM," into which it is proposed to gather complete sets of the publications, large and small, of all who have ever been connected with the Seminary. It is earnestly desired that all who have been Students, Directors, or Trustees of the Institution for any length of time will co-operate in making this undertaking a complete success. We therefore respectfully solicit from you, dear sir, a copy of each of your publications for this collection. Sermons and pamphlets will be cared for, and bound so as to be convenient for reference.

Any publications given, in response to this call, may be left with the Rev. DAVID IRVING, D. D., at the Mission House, No. 23 Centre Street, New York; with Rev. W. E. SCHENCK, D. D., at the Presbyterian Publication House, No. 1334 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia; or sent to

PROF. CHARLES A. AIKEN, D. D.,

Librarian of the Seminary,

PRINCETON, N. J.

ALUMNI OF PRINCETON THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

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No. 1704

Gen. Cat. 1872, p. 69.

Name in full, Samuel Thomas Wilson - D.D.

P. O. Address (1878) Birmingham, Huntington Co. Pa.

DEAR SIR:

Both the Faculty and The Alumni Association of Princeton Theological Seminary are anxious to obtain materials for a full and accurate Registration in regard to the lives and labors of all Alumni of the Seminary. Such a Registration will be invaluable in enlarging and making more accurate the future General Catalogues of the Institution, and for a variety of other uses. Each gentleman receiving this sheet is earnestly requested to fill the blanks with the desired information, and return it to the address given below, as soon as possible.

N. B.—In giving dates, please be particular to give the day and month, as well as the year.

1. Your full name, including full middle name. Samuel Thomas Wilson
2. The date and place of your birth. November 25th 1825 - Doop - Huntington Co Pa
3. The full names of your father and mother. { Charles Wilson }
{ Elizabeth Thomas }
4. Where, and under whose tuition, were you prepared for College? Holidaysburg - under old one course was taught Archibald McSparran, friend of Southern University = A grand old Irishman!
5. Date and College of graduation. - June 14. 1845 - Jefferson College
6. With what particular Church did you first unite, and at what age? St. Holliday church under the Pastorate of Rev David McKeeney, was at the age of about sixteen (16)
7. Did you go immediately from College to Princeton Seminary? If not, how was the interval spent? No - Graduated in June 1845 to Princeton in Sept. - months. following - spent the interval in my father's wheat fields binding sheaves!
8. Length of time spent in Princeton Seminary, and in any other Theological Institution before or after residence at Princeton. - Three full years at Princeton & no time spent in any other Seminary
9. In what year did the Seminary Class at Princeton, with which you were connected, regularly graduate? 1851

10. By what Presbytery (or other ecclesiastical body) were you Licensed to preach? And at what date? By Presbytery of Huntington Co. & in June (Wednesday 26th 1851 - Called immediately to Liberty Church, Northumberland Presb. - isolation several weeks where was persecuted with sickness for a while in an extreme -

11. By what Presbytery (or other ecclesiastical body), at what place, at what exact date, and in what denomination were you Ordained? By Presbytery of Rock River in the Synod of Illinois, and then was - At Camden Mills, near Milan - May 10. 1858. Having been called to Camden Mills the sabbath - on previous

12. Where, when, and whom did you marry? Miss Abby Ann, daughter of Dr J. P. Kern of Washington Pa. Sunday 10.20. 16. 1851 - She died a Martyr to wisdom Inf. life, Apr 30. 1874 - 2^d Married Mrs Sarah Ann Warner daughter of George Semney Esq of 117 2 Avenue New York City - Dec 1st 1856, by Rev John Knox

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Bureau of Finance, Dec 17-28
Rev. Mr. E. Schreck 200

Dear Sir - I send the blank
filled up the book I know you
I have not much to say for
this movement, see much here
to do what I have done -

But I give my best regards -
wrote in the case & comply
with your personal request
Yours truly

L. P. Milord

PRINCETON SEMINARY NECROLOGICAL REPORT:

Dear Sir -

Will you kindly fill out the following blank with the information it calls for concerning the late Samuel Thomas Wilson, J. D., once a student in the Seminary at Princeton? An early compliance with this request will greatly oblige

Yours sincerely,

Princeton, N. J., Oct. 15 1893.

REV. J. H. DULLES,
Chairman Committee on Necrology.

Full name of father. Charles Wilson

Full maiden name of mother. Elizabeth Thomas

Place and date of birth. Nov. 25, 1823. Lotts, Huntingdon Co., Pa.

Public profession of faith, when and where. Hollidaysburg, Pa., at 18.

Preparatory studies, where. Hollidaysburg, Pa. "Under an A. D., one-armed, two-legged Arch-hall in Sparrow, fellow of Dulles' Mission, and 1st Fishman".

Student in what college. Jefferson. Graduated 1848.

Occupation between college and seminary courses.

Entered Princeton Seminary. 1848 - 3 yrs. Graduated 1851.

Time spent in any other seminary. 0

Licensed, when and by what body. By Huntingdon. June 26, 1857

Ordained, when and by what body. "Rock River May 10, 1853

Served what churches (as pastor or stated supply), giving dates of installations and releases.

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Died, when, where, and of what disease.

Oct. 4, 1893; Winter Haven, Fla.; dysentery

Honorary appointments.

Med. Phy. & Syn. Ch. Standing Com. in Home Miss.
Mentle Board Directors M^r Common Sch.

Honorary degrees, where and by what institution conferred.

D. S., Westminster Coll., Ill.

DD

Married—giving date, place, full maiden name of wife and name and address of wife's father—also date of death of first wife, if married twice.

1. Dec. 16, 1851, Washington, Pa.; Miss Abby Kerr; died Apr. 30, 1874.
2. Dec. 1, 1856; New York City; Mrs. Sarah Ann (Kinney) Warner, died several years before him.

Does his widow survive?

No.

How many surviving sons? 1 (2) Daughters? 1 (2)

Titles and dates of published writings; prominent traits of character, and any other facts of interest.

Learned

taught school during preparation for college.

PRINCETON SEMINARY
GENERAL CATALOGUE.

REV. J. H. DULLES, Compiler.

PRINCETON, N. J., Apr. 3, 1894 189

Mrs. Samuel T. Wilson:

Dear Madam:-

Will you kindly give me the following facts necessary to complete our record of your husband, the late Rev. Samuel Thomas Wilson:- ¹⁴⁸

1. At what age did he make a public profession of his faith.
about 14 under the pastoral of Rev. Dr. W. M. W. at Philadelphia Pa
2. Where and when did he receive the degree of D. D.
By Westminster College, Westminster Md. don't know when but think between 70-75
3. When did he begin his work at Winter Haven.
Summer of 88
4. Of what disease did he die.
Dysentery. from which soon to prostrate by overwork he was able to rally
5. Number of his surviving sons and daughters (of each marriage)-
3 - Harriet - K (Sauborn) the younger - Charles & Melvin 2 children of second wife
6. Any honorary appointments he received, such as moderator of

Presbytery or Synod, public appointments, etc.

*Moderator of presbytery, and Synod.
Chapman's standing committee on the
missions, President of Board of trustees of
Jackson College of South Florida - Member of
Directors of the Pennock Theological Seminary etc.*

An early reply in the above spaces will greatly oblige

Yours sincerely,

J. H. Dulles

UICAE DIST.

Scotch Springs Fla Oct 14/93

Rev J H Duller
Princeton N.J

10/19

Dear Bro.

Our record & beloved bro.
Rev S. T. Wilson D.D. was summoned to his
coronation ten days ago; ten days hence (24th)
memorial services will be held in the
Church he had just finished, and in midst
of his people, who even themselves with prayer
& honor in their remembrance & reward for him.

Our S. Clerk has just notified me that I
am "Done for a paper on his early life - and
Labor in Penna." Of these the only thing I
know is that he was born near Williams
Penna.

would it be too much to ask you
kindly to furnish such facts as you have
been able to gather concerning him
and very much oblige us all
Very truly

S. T. Thompson

PRINCETON, N. J., Mar. 23, 1894 . 189

Rev. J. H. Potter:

Dear Sir-

Can you give me the place of the death of the late Rev. Samuel T. Wilson, who died Oct. 4, 1893? Does his widow survive? If so, what is her address? He was connected with your Presbytery, I believe. Perhaps you can also tell me the number of his surviving sons and daughters.

An early reply will greatly oblige

Yours sincerely,

J. H. Dulles.

Postis Fla. 2.27.1894.

Rev. Samuel T. Wilson D.D. died at Winter Haven, Fla. His wife died several years before his death. He was a member of South Florida Presbytery, a very efficient member. He leaves one son and one daughter both married. He was born Nov. 25, 1823. spent about 40 years in the active work of the ministry.

Yours sincerely J. H. Potter S.C.

Office Depot.

315 Winter Garden Court
Winter Haven, Florida 33881-9443
February 16, 2002

Ms. Kathy T. Thompson
c/o Citrus County Historical
Resources Office
1 Courthouse Square
Inverness, FL 34450

Dear Kathy:

At long last, I have gone about as far as I can in my research into the life of Rev. Samuel Thomas Wilson, my great-grandfather. You may remember our visit with you several years ago; you had expressed a wish to have a copy of the finished biography. I feel that it is by no means finished, as there are still unanswered questions.

As you can see by reading the biography, Rev. Wilson led a very interesting and fruitful life. Additionally, he was a well loved and respected person.

Thank you for your input and your patience. If you should ever have anything else to add, please don't hesitate. My husband and I plan to visit your area again and we will look you up again.

Sincerely,

Jane Lucia

Jane A. Lucia

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The following is a short biography of the life of Rev. Samuel Thomas Wilson, D.D., the founder and first installed pastor of First Presbyterian Church here in Winter Haven, Fla. who was my great-grandfather. Some information was passed on to me through family members, some from court records, some from church records, and some from publications. This biography surely is only the "tip of the iceberg" as he apparently lived a full and prosperous life. As attested to in the Courier-Informant (Bartow) obituary of October 11, 1893, it is obvious that he was a well-respected and loved person.

Jane A. Lucia
Winter, 2002

SAMUEL THOMAS WILSON, D.D.

On November 25, 1823, Samuel Thomas Wilson was born to Charles W. and Elizabeth Thomas Wilson in Huntingdon County, Pa. (The Loop), one of eight children. At the age of 18 he united with the Presbyterian Church at Hollidaysburg, Pa. After graduating from Jefferson College (later Washington and Jefferson College in Washington, Pa.) in 1848, he attended Princeton Theological Seminary, graduating in 1851. He was licensed on June 26, 1851, by the Presbytery of Huntingdon. He married Abby Kerr, daughter of Dr. J. P. Kerr of Claysville, Pa. on December 16, of the same year in Washington, Pa.

On May 10, 1853, he was ordained by the Presbytery of Rock River, Pa., being installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church at Camden Mills (Milan), Ill. at the same time. His wife, Abby, died childless on April 30, 1854.

After serving the church at Camden Mills one year, he became pastor of the First Church of Rock Island, Ill. and served until 1868. During this time he was sent as a delegate to the church in New York City and was housed at the home of George Hewcomb and Elizabeth (Eliza) Gibbs Cahoon Kinney. Here he met their daughter Sarah Ann Kinney Warner, a widow with one son, and was married on December 1, 1856, in the well-known "Little Church Around the Corner."

After serving the First Church of Rock Island, he was pastor at Galesburg, Ill. from 1869-1870 and Birmingham, Pa. from 1870-1878. From 1879-1880 he served as principal of a seminary for girls in Hollidaysburg, Pa. In 1881 and 1882 he served as pastor at the Presbyterian Church in Lincoln, Ill.

In May of 1882 he started his Florida service in Palatka. The history of the First Presbyterian Church in Palatka goes back to February 16, 1856 when the Presbytery of Florida and Georgia of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America organized it. From 1856-1879, the congregation met in

the "Old Powder Magazine" which was a log structure used by Federal Troops. This structure was later covered with white clapboard and became the property of the church in 1866.

In 1879, Robert Lenox Kennedy, a New York businessman and a winter visitor to Palatka, gave \$10,000 to build a new church building, plus an additional \$2,000 for its maintenance. This same man donated an additional \$10,000 to reconstruct the church after a fire gutted the brick structure on November 7, 1884. The rebuilding was accomplished in less than a year, almost exactly as it was originally erected. The same structure is still in use today.

On February 2, 1882, Rev. Wilson was installed as pastor. He served until January 31, 1885, finishing his contract. His wife, Sarah Ann, had died the previous July 29th.

Rev. Wilson and wife Sarah Ann had three children: Abby, Charles George, and Harriett Kinney. Abby had died in 1875 in Birmingham, Pa. of Consumption at the age of 17.

Rev. Wilson went to St. Augustine to serve as pastor at the First Presbyterian Church in 1885. This church was built of coquina stone in 1826 and dedicated in 1830. It was the first church of its denomination to be organized in Florida. This church existed until 1889, and in 1890 the present magnificent "Memorial Presbyterian Church" was occupied. Henry M. Flagler was responsible for building this edifice, a memorial to his daughter, in exchange for the properties of the original church. During Rev. Wilson's service here, his hostess at the manse was his daughter Harriett, since he was a widower.

From St. Augustine, Rev. Wilson travelled to west Florida presumably to his son's home in Rose Hill, in 1887. Rose Hill (8-3/4 miles northeast of Brooksville) was established in 1843. The Rose Hill Post Office was established on July 29, 1884, with Charles G. Wilson (Rev. Wilson's son) as the first Postmaster. Rose Hill became a "ghost town" sometime around 1901,

as the Post Office was discontinued on April 30, 1901. The papers of the Rose Hill Post Office were sent to a nearby town called Stage Pond.

The First Presbyterian Church in Crystal River was established in 1885 as reported in "The History of Citrus County." It further reports that an early minister, Dr. Wilson, came on horseback two Sundays of the month."

In October, 1887, Rev. Wilson, then President of the Board of Trustees of Presbyterian College of South Florida, was asked to preach in Winter Haven. At this time the local Presbyterians were meeting at the Baptist Church. Rev. Wilson had come to Winter Haven from Rose Hill, Florida, at the request of the Presbytery of South Florida to establish a Presbyterian College. Since the college did not come to pass because of the lack of money to continue, the property Rev. Wilson had bought for this purpose had to be sold.

While here, First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven called Rev. Wilson to be the first installed pastor in June, 1888. E. C. Johnson, Clerk of Session, reported, "Apr. 26, 1888 application was made to Presbytery for the services of Rev. Samuel T. Wilson, D. D. on two sabbaths of each month from June 1, 1888, to June 1, 1889, as ministerial supply, with view to calling him as Pastor of this Church. Two hundred dollars was pledged as partial pay for such service. Application was approved by Presbytery. Rev. C. C. Thomas, on request, remained one sabbath and preached A.M. 29th." June 5, 1888, minutes read "Rev. Samuel T. Wilson, having spent some time at Winter Haven and Auburndale and having preached at both places since meeting of Presbytery, with great inconvenience to his own personal affairs and relations, consented to accept and comply with the request approved by Presbytery and devote two sabbaths each month at Winter Haven and the same service at Auburndale, the year to commence with June 1st, 1888." signed E. C. Johnson, Clerk of Session.

Rev. Wilson had with him for company his nephew Wm. C. Kinney. Mr. Kinney helped Rev. Wilson with household chores, farming, driving the horse and buggy, and keeping busy otherwise. He also found time to court Miss Annie Gibbons, the local school teacher. They later married in 1893.

At the January 11, 1892, session meeting, the first reference to a new church was recorded: "The officers of the Church held a meeting for prayer and conference with special reference to matters of a new church building. All present except Dr. Peacock. Pleasant and profitable meeting." signed S. T. Wilson, Minister in Charge.

Rev. Wilson died October 4, 1893, after having been sick with dysentery. He was under the care of Dr. Frederick W. Inman and wrote his will on October 3 at 2:00 p.m., one of three witnesses being Mrs. Florence J. Inman.

Ironically, the newly built First Presbyterian Church was dedicated on November 26, 1893, little over a month after his death.

The original structure was replaced by the current place of worship in 1925.

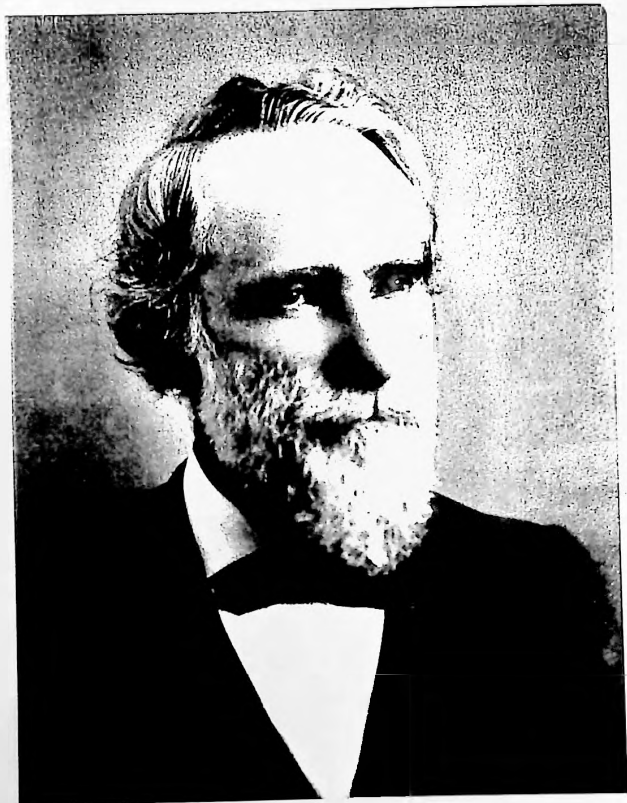
Rev. Wilson's remains are buried in the Chippiannock Cemetery in Rock Island, Ill., as well as those of his wife Sarah Ann, his stepson Will Warner, and his daughters Abby Wilson and Harriett Sanborn.

Sometime in Rev. Wilson's lifetime he adopted a boy, Albertus Frazer Wilson. It is recorded in the minutes of January 24, 1892, that he became a member of First Presbyterian Church of Winter Haven. There is no other mention of him except in Rev. Wilson's will. There is a picture of him as a little boy.

I have had so much wonderful help, encouragement and leg-work from so many people, too many to list. You have my eternal gratitude as this has been an important endeavor to me.

Jane Lucia
Winter, 2002

OFFICE DEPOT





SARAH ANN KINNEY WILSON -
as a younger woman



SAMUEL THOMAS WILSON -
as a younger man



SARAH ANN KINNEY WILSON -
as an older woman



ALBERTUS FRAZER WILSON -
adopted son of Samuel T. Wilson



ABBY WILSON -
Child of Samuel T. Wilson



HARRIETT KINNEY WILSON -
Child of Samuel T. Wilson



CHARLES GEORGE WILSON -
Adult son of Samuel T. Wilson

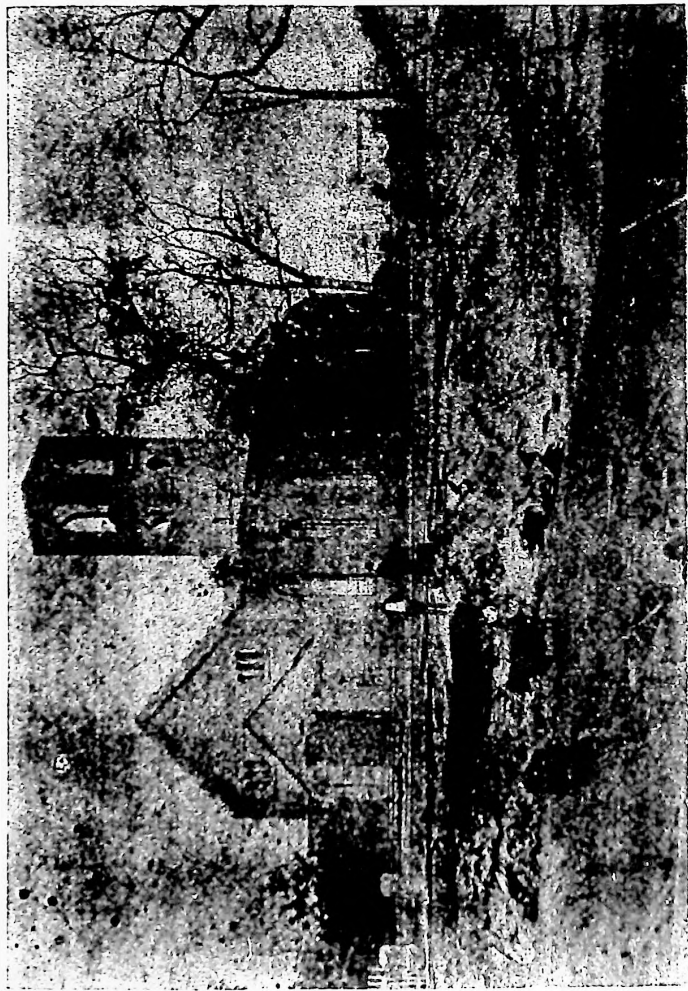


CHARLES GEORGE WILSON -
Child of Samuel T. Wilson

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PALATKA, FLORIDA

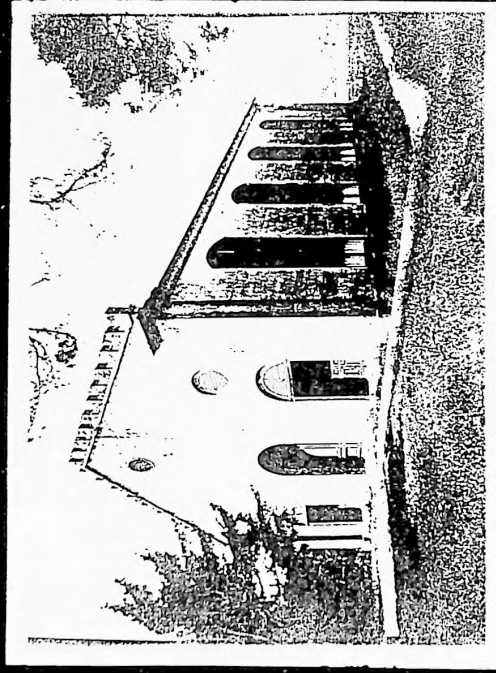
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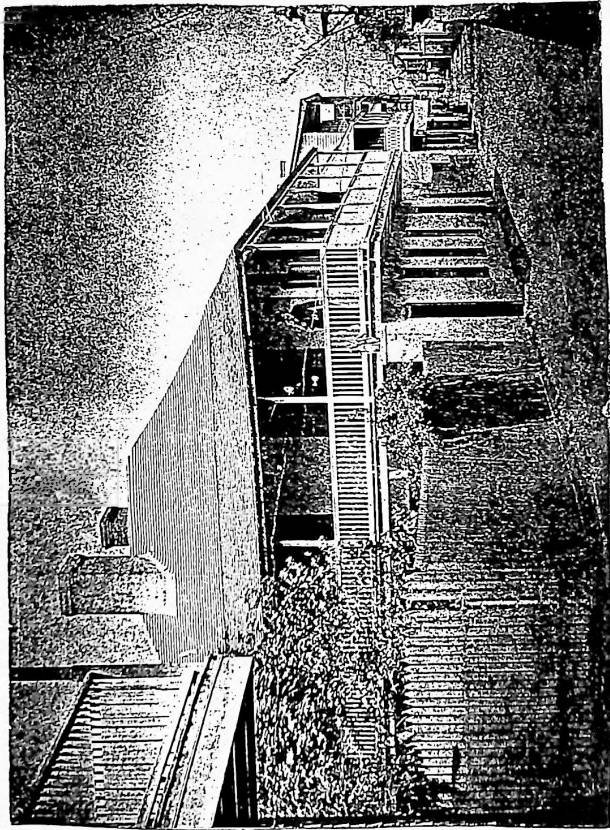
First Presbyterian Church, Palatka, Florida gutted by the Great Fire on November 7,

Organized 1824 in St. Augustine, Fla., the First Presbyterian Church was
the first church of its denomination organized in Florida



St. Augustine's First Presbyterian Church, 1830-1889

Rev. Samuel Thomas Wilson and his daughter Harriett on the porch.

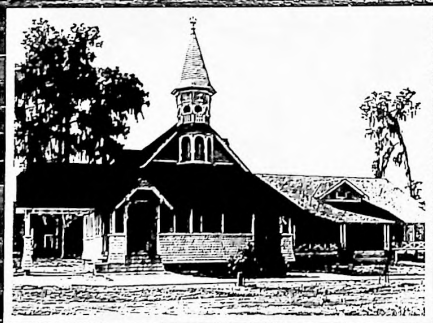
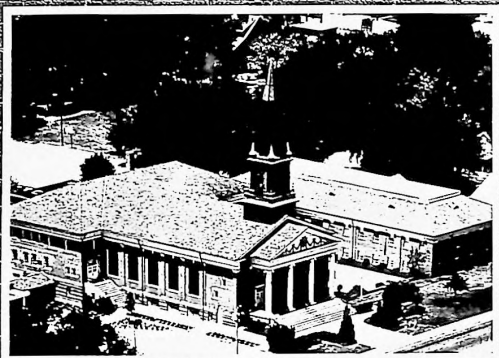


Presbyterian Manse, St. Augustine, 1875

First Presbyterian Church

Winter Haven, Florida

1997



1893



1925

April 2 1888
 Annual Report to Presbytery
 Contributed to
 Board Home Missions \$7.00
 " Foreign " 5.00.
 Genl Assembly 1.00
 Miscellaneous 190.00
 203.00

Total Communion 10.
 One leaving church & on dismission -
 No Sabbath School

E. C. Johnson, Clerk

Examined & approved by the Presbytery of
 South Florida in session at Mink's Room
 April 25th 1882

J. M. Hunter, Mod. do Ten

April 7th application was made to Presbytery
 for the services of Rev. Samuel S. Wilson D. D. on
 two sabbaths of each month from June 1st '88
 to June 1st 1889, as ministerial supply, with
 one to calling him as Pastor of this
 church and \$200.00 was pledged as
 partial pay for such service.

Application was approved by
 Presbytery. Rev. E. C. Thome on request
 remained one sabbath and preached
 A. M. 7th 8th. E. C. Johnson clerk

June 5th 1888

Rev Samuel J. Wilson leaving about
 some time at Winter Haven and
 Auburndale and having preached
 at both places since meeting of
 Presbytery, with great inconvenience
 to his own personal affairs relations
 consented to accept and comply with
 the request approved by Presbytery
 and devote two Sabbaths each
 month at Winter Haven and the
 same service at Auburndale the
 year to commence with June 1st
 1888 E. J. Johnson Clerk of Session

January 11-92

1st. representative
to visit
church

The officers of the Church held a
meeting for prayer & benediction with special
reference to matter of a new Church building.
All present except St. Peacock
Heard and prophetic speaking

S. J. Wilson
Minister in Charge

January 24-92

The Session met as in previous
sessions in the Johnson house. Present S. J. Wilson
& H. B. Moore. Opened with prayer -

Master Abraham Dagen Wilson appeared & after satisfac-
tory examination, was received to membership
in the Church on profession of faith -

Miss Minnie Coffey was received in her letter
of dismission from the Sheffield M. E. Church in
the city of Chicago -

closed with prayer -

S. J. Wilson
Minister in Charge

1894
 Rev. S. T. Wilson died October 4th, 1893. ¹⁸⁹⁴ ~~1893~~ ¹⁸⁹⁴ ~~1893~~

John C. Kelley invited to act as pastor for a limited time.

June 3^d, 1894 Communion services held by Rev. E. S. McKinley. Three accessions to the church by letter - Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson from the M. E. Church of Brookville in Conn. and Mrs. L. L. Pitt from the Christian Church.

June 10th Resignation of the pastor, John C. Kelley. Accepted by congregational Meeting June 16th, Final session the 17th.

Oct 7th 1894.

Minutes of Church meeting for the Election of officers. Motion (by Blood) prevailed that the Rotary System be adopted. The Caldwell (Rev) in Chair. Proceeded to such election by ballot. Three Elders are having highest votes for next for two & next for one year. Same system for Deacons. Results: - S. R. Wharton 37^{pts} H. F. Blood 29^{pts} & R. H. Peacock 29^{pts}. Deacons. C. W. Allen 37^{pts}. Allen Blood 29^{pts}. E. Workman 29^{pts}.

Oct 8-9th

Meeting called together at Dr Peacock's house. Mr. Blood temporarily in Chair. Dr Peacock chosen as per Chairman. E. L. Wharton Sec & E. Workman Treas. Minutes of 2nd of taken up.

H. F. Blood & E. Workman after came to see to fixing the ceiling of lecture room.

Sept 18-1899

Meeting called to order with
 Dr. Kequim in the chair. Present
 Messrs. Eclesiomer, Peacock, Walton
 Brown - Dr. Kequim. Opened with
 prayer by Dr. Kequim. (C. J. Wilson
 tendered his resignation as ~~clerk~~ + Elder
 which was accepted.) Motion carried
 that the treasurer audit his own
 account. A resolution was passed
 that we pledge ourselves to raise \$50-
 on Pastor's salary with probability
 of 9/50. Present Board was dictated
 Clerk of the board and church and
 Dr. Peacock Treasurer. It was
 suggested that Dr. Peacock read his
 account before the congregation,
 which was complied with the
 following Sunday. In Walton met
 with us for the first time he being
 installed as Secy on the 1st Inst by
 our Synod Board.

Feb. 18-1900

Meeting of session was held after
 church, opened with prayer. The session
 authorized Mr. Lodge to grant Mrs. Bruce
 \$25 a week for the church to Pres.
 Church at present board.

Ordg

Present Board

February 6, 1996

Appearing in the COURIER-INFORMANT, Bartow, Fla., Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1893 are the following articles:

W. C. Kinney was taken seriously ill on Monday, the 4th, while storing away hay in the loft of his barn. He suddenly received an attack of apoplexy. Although not yet out of danger, he is gradually improving, and his friends hope for his speedy recovery.

NOTE; W. C. Kinney was the nephew of Rev. Samuel T. Wilson.

One of the saddest events experienced here for many years occurred on Wednesday last. On the evening of that day at about 8 o'clock Dr. S. T. Wilson passed away and the community suffers a loss which will be irreparable.

Dr. Wilson has been suffering for some time and the end was not unexpected to those who were near him. He was a man much beloved by his people, and in fact by all with whom he came in contact, and his kind, unassuming character, made him friends everywhere. For the past five years he has labored as pastor of this charge, and only last winter dedicated the beautiful little church which was the result of his efforts. The vacancy caused by his death will be a difficult one to fill, and the community in general mourns the loss of a man of whom it might be said "He lives a better sermon than any man can preach." His son Chas. Wilson, from Rose Hill, Fla., and his daughter, Mrs. Sanborn, from Massachusetts, both arrived in time to attend the funeral of their father on Friday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Keigwin officiated, assisted by Rev. Mr. Stevens, of Kissimmee, Rev. Mr. McKinley, of Bartow, and Rev. Mr. Crosier of this place. His son left Friday evening with the remains for Rock Island, Ill. where they will be interred.

NOTE;

The following article appears in the book "The History of Winter Haven" by Josephine Burr, Chap.13:

W. C. Kinney showed up in Janesville, Ill. deciding to become a dentist, and we find him the office of an uncle as an apprentice.

Two years later another uncle, the Rev. Samuel T. Wilson, who was called to Florida because the Presbyterian Church expected to build a college in Winter Haven, persuaded him to come to Florida with him. The Rev. Mr. Wilson had purchased 40 acres of land east of Winter Haven, between Lake Elbert and Lake Clinch, and, his wife having died several years before, he wanted his nephew with him for company, and possibly to keep house.

Besides helping his uncle in the housekeeping and in the farming, Will Kinney found time to organize the first baseball team in Winter Haven. They used the cow pasture for their diamond, seldom clean, of course, and he got the young bloods who owned horses to start a polo team, a game they all enjoyed until the casualties became too great for both boy and beast. He drove the horse and buggy for his uncle when he had church business to attend to, and as the years slipped by, he started courting Miss Annie Gibbons, the local school teacher.

February 5, 1996

Obituary of Rev. Samuel Thomas Wilson taken from the COURIER-INFORMANT dated October 11, 1893, Bartow, Polk County, Florida.

With pen of grief we record the death of Rev. S. T. Wilson, D. D., of Winter Haven, who departed this life on Wednesday last. He was a personal friend whose goodness of heart and simplicity of manner won from us, as from all who knew him, our highest respect and esteem. His was a long life of devotion to the betterment of fellow man, and no higher tribute could be paid him than that self with him was always secondary.

Dr. Wilson was born in Blair county, Pennsylvania, in 1823, and entered the Presbyterian ministry at the age of twenty-five, and rapidly rose into positions of power and influence in the church. About five years ago he came to Winter Haven and the beautiful little edifice there which was built by his energy and untiring devotion, will stand as the greatest monument that could be erected over his remains.

A Bartow lady caught from one of Dr. Wilson's sermons the striking simile which he drew between the night blooming cereus and human life, and she wreathed in into the following beautiful (unreadable) which we reverently lay on the brow of our departed friend:

REVELATION

Brain-weary, heart-weary, soul-weary.
I sit me down to-night,
And sadness deep enfolds me
As the dark engulfs the light.
Our toil and care and sadness,
Do they not far out-weigh
The little grains of gladness
We pick up day by day?

Not for myself I sorrow,
My lot is heavenly bright
In contrast to the many
That throng my thoughts to-night
So much of needless sorrow,
So much of needless pain,
So much ofwasted riches
Of hand and heart and brain!

I strive to put it from me--
This puzzle, old as Time,

Of unrewarded virtue,
Of thriving, happy crime,
And glancing round for something
To turn my thought's sad strain,
My eye falls on the Cereus
That wreathes my window pane.

So gaunt and grim and ugly
In its tortuous twisting there,
So full of thorns, so graceless,
Devoid of all that's fair.
"Fit symbol," muse I, sadly,
"O, our twisted thorn-strown lives,
All barren, bent and wasted
Where hope alone survives!"

But even as I whisper
These words of rebel gloom,
A strange delicious perfume
Pervades my lonely room;
And starting up in wonder,
I trace the perfume's source
To a bud upon the branches
I had scorned as mean and coarse.

I watch it, wonder stricken!
The clasping leaves unfold
And reveal its matchless beauty
So pure with heart of gold!
I feel its mystic message
To my very being's core,
And the sadness that oppressed me
Is gone to come no more.

Could ever sweeter token
Or clearer answer come
Than this perfect stainless blossom
From its strange, unsightly home!
A flash of revelation
Enlightens all my soul,
The clouds of doubt and darkness
Forever from me roll.

My heart wells up in gladness,
In gratitude and love,
In faith and trust implicit,

To the Father-heart above.
I know, past all distrustful,
That from our toil and strife
Will bloom, in perfect beauty,
A glorious after-life!

Blazing The Trail On The New Frontier

Immediately before, during and immediately after the Civil War, settlements began to spring up in the territory. The big expansion actually did not come about until the 1880s.

One early settlement was the community of Rose Hill, eight and a half miles north of Brooksville, five miles west of Istachatta and five from Floral City. There is a discrepancy between early histories on the founding of Rose Hill. One source says it was first settled in 1843, but another puts the founding in 1864, during the Civil War, by J.C. Jenkins.

As related earlier, Red Level had settlers as early as 1820, as did another old settlement in Homosassa. The late Mrs. Mary MacRae, local historian extraordinary, once wrote that Homosassa has been in existence since 1835. And Homosassa did have an established post office during the Territorial days, the only one listed in this area.

The two early gazetteers also disagree on the birth date of Lecanto, one saying 1858, and the second declaring it was founded in 1862 by Dr. William Morton. In the early days the settlement was called Middleground and it was called that until the post office was established in 1883. Since the name Middleground was similar to other post offices already established, the name was unacceptable to the Post Office Department. Middleburg, Fla., was one nearby post office that was cited. Lecanto became "Old" Middleground, and was the halfway point between the river and the old stage stand where horses were changed, and dispatch riders stopped overnight, if they needed to. The old stage stand was near what is now the cemetery at Homosassa, known as the Stage Stand Cemetery. D.B. McKay wrote that there were three trails that came together at the old stage stand from different blockhouses or stockades along the Homosassa river, the Suwannee River and the Withlacoochee. One from Fort Fannin on the Suwannee, one from Camp Laird and then old Horn's Bridge, where Stokes Ferry is now located. They all converged on Hale's stage stand at Homosassa.

The late Judge E.C. May, another prolific local historian, interviewed John W. Davis and wrote it up for McKay's Pioneer Florida column in *The Tampa Tribune*. Davis was brought to Citrus County from South Carolina as an infant with his parents, arriving on Christmas Day 1867. He lived in Lecanto all his life, and when he died in November 1955, at the age of 90, he was characterized by Judge May as "one of Nature's noblemen."

John W. Davis was taught by Miss Ohme, a traveling school teacher, Miss Alice Peterson of Brooksville, and by Eugene A. Harrison, who later became a well-known Methodist preacher. Davis worked for the Georgia Southern and Florida Railroad and as labor superintendent in the old King phosphate mine, a mile south of Hernando. Returning to Lecanto, he took over his father's farm and citrus grove. The grove was wiped out by the Big Freeze of 1894-95. Davis later became postmaster, ran a general store, served as County Commissioner for eight years, and at one time was County road superintendent.

When the new Lecanto post office was dedicated in February, 1939, B. A. King, a nephew of John King, the first postmaster, credited his uncle with naming "Lecanto." He saw a picture of a

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THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY.

This Indenture, Made and entered into this 17th day of

September A.D. 1889, between Joseph H. Wilson

and Joseph H. Wilson of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and

The Board of Public Auctioneers of the County

of State aforesaid and their Successors in office parties of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of

500.00 Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said parties of the second part, the receipt whereof

is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Bargained, Sold and Conveyed, and, by these presents do Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said

parties of the second part, and their Successors forever, the following land lying, being and situate in the said County of

Citrus and State of Florida, to wit:

A Lot, one hundred and forty (40), feet square in the South East Corner of a Tract of land conveyed to S. C. Wilson by Wm. G. Baker and wife under date of May 19th 1866 and duly recorded in record book no. on page 577 in the County Clerk's office at Brookville Reynolds County Florida. Said land lying, being and situate in the South West quarter of the N. 1/4th West quarter of Section Seven in Township thirty one South by Range twenty east of Tallehachee Meridian the 15th 16th 17th

containing Our naly nered, be the same more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, accreditments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

in of DO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said part of the second part of this deed of the same date as above expressed and forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators to warrant and forever defend the title to said premises unto the said parties of the second part of this deed of the same date as above expressed, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses:
M F Baker
Mrs J Baker

CHAS A NELSON
[SEAL]

Jessie L Nelson
[SEAL]

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, } ss.
COUNTY OF CITRUS.

Mrs J Baker in said County and State, do hereby certify that on this 9th day of September A. D. 1898, personally appeared before me Chas A Nelson and Jessie Nelson his wife, to me well known to be the parties described in and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and severally acknowledged to me that they signed the same for the uses, purposes and consideration therein expressed, and in full and true acknowledgment to the end that the same may be admitted to record according to law and the said Chas A Nelson and Jessie Nelson, being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said Deed, for the purpose of renouncing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the lands therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

Mrs J Baker
Jessie

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.

Mrs J Baker M P
[SEAL]

RECORDED This 14th day of October 1898.

M. G. Zimmerman
D. C. Deputy
Circuit Court

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY.

This Indenture, Made and entered into this 13th day of September A.D. 1920, between Wesley Wilson and Genevieve Wilson his wife of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and D. J. C. Jones

of the County of Marion State of Florida, party of the second part: Witnesseth, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One Thousand and

Five Hundred (500.00) Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Bargained, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said party of the second part, and his heirs and assigns forever, the following land lying, being and situate in the said County of Citrus and State of Florida, to wit:

Best Quarter of Section Eight (81), Township (26)
North Range (21) South Range (Township (26)
East

2-1-20

containing: 182.69 14.01 errors, be the same more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said part 1 of the second part, *160* heirs and assigns forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators to Warrant and Forever Defend the title to said premises unto the said part 2 of the second part. *162* heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses:
Wm J Baker [SEAL]
Wm J Baker [SEAL]

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, } ss.
COUNTY OF CITRUS, }
a *Mary Public* in said County and State, do hereby certify that on this the *Twenty-fifth* of *September* A. D. 18 *91*, personally appeared before me *Chas J Nelson* and *James*

Wm J Baker his wife, to me well known to be the parties described in and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and severally acknowledged to me that they signed the same for the uses, purposes and consideration therein expressed, and make this acknowledgment to this end that the same may be admitted to record according to law. And the said *Wm J Baker* *Wm J Baker*, wife of the said *Chas J Nelson*, being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said Deed, for the purpose of releasing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the lands therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

Mary Public

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.
RECORDED This *7th* day of *May* 1891. *Notary Public* [SEAL]
Wm J Baker [SEAL]
Wm J Baker [SEAL] Clerk Circuit Court
By: *[Signature]* Deputy

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY.

This Indenture, Made and entered into this the Third day of October A. D. 1888, between Samuel T. Wilson and Temperance T. Wilson of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and the same place part 2 of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Three Thousand Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said part 2 of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Bargained, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said part 2 of the second part, and his heirs and assigns, forever, the following land lying, being and situate in the said County of Citrus and State of Florida, to wit:

The north East quarter 1/4 of the north East quarter (1/4) and ten acres lying on the north side of South East quarter of North East quarter (1/4) to the south line of the land formerly purchased by Wilson Bingen and Wilson Dard. South line of said purchase to be extended westward to the West line of said South East (1/4) quarter of North East quarter 1/4, also a strip of land across said last described forty one (41) Rod in width lying immediately south of and joining said ten (10) acres as above described and parallel with said South boundary line all in Section twelve (12) Township (19) East of the Tallahassee Meridian

containing forty one and one half (41 1/2) acres, be the same more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said part 2 of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators to Warrant and Forever Defend the title to said premises unto the said part 2 of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and his heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses:

D. A. Cooke
W. J. Jennings

Samuel T. Wilson
Temperance T. Wilson

SEAL
SEAL

THE STATE OF FLORIDA,) ss.
COUNTY OF CITRUS.

I, W. Sherman Jennings County Judge of said County and State, do hereby certify that on this the Third day of Oct A. D. 1888, personally appeared before me Samuel T. Wilson and Madam

Wilson, to me well known to be the party described in and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same for the uses, purposes and consideration therein expressed, and make this acknowledgment to the end that the same may be admitted to record according to law. And the said Wilson wife of the said Wilson

being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said Deed, for the purpose of releasing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the lands therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.

Seal of
for Judge
W. Sherman Jennings
County

W. Sherman Jennings
W. J. Jennings Clerk Circuit Court

SEAL

RECORDED This 31st day of October 1888

Notes

#2 \$300.⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct. 3rd 1888
 On the fifteenth day of June 1890 for
 value received I promise to pay to the Order
 of S. D. Wilson Six hundred dollars, with interest
 at the rate of five per cent per annum
 after due

Chas. G. Wilson

The above note endorsed as follows:
 Pay to Florida Land & Colonization Company
 as per agreement
 S. D. Wilson.

#3. \$840.⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct. 1888
 On the fifteenth day of June 1891
 for value received I promise to pay to
 the Order of S. D. Wilson, Eight Hundred and
 Forty dollars, with interest at the rate of five
 per cent per annum after due

Chas. G. Wilson

The above note endorsed as follows;
 Finding error in the make up of the within
 note I hereby enter credit for one hundred
 & forty dollars received.

True Bill Oct. 4th 1888

S. D. Wilson

Pay to Florida Land & Colonization Company
 as per agreement
 S. D. Wilson

#4 \$1000.⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct. 3rd 1888
 On the fifteenth day of June 1892 for value
 received I promise to pay to the Order of S. D. Wilson
 One Thousand dollars, with interest at the rate of
 five per cent per annum after due!

Chas. G. Wilson

The above note endorsed as follows;
 Finding error in the make up of the within note
 I hereby enter credit for two hundred dollars as received

Pay to Florida Land & Colonization Company
as per agreement

S. J. Wilson

#5 \$600⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct. 3rd 1888

On the fifteenth day of June 1893 for value received I promise to pay to the order of S. J. Wilson Six Hundred and Sixty Dollars with interest at the rate of five per cent per annum after due

Chas. S. Wilson

The above now endorsed as follows;

Pay to Florida Land & Colonization Company
as per agreement

S. J. Wilson

#6 \$2,380⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct. 3rd 1888

On the fifteenth day of June 1894 for value received I promise to pay to the order of S. J. Wilson Two Thousand Three Hundred and Eighty Dollars with interest at the rate of five per cent per annum after due

Chas. S. Wilson

Endorsed as follows

Pay to Florida Land & Colonization Company
as per agreement

S. J. Wilson

#7 \$720⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct. 3rd 1888

On the fifteenth day of June 1895 for value received I promise to pay to the order of S. J. Wilson Seven Hundred and Twenty Dollars with interest at the rate of five per cent per annum after due

Chas. S. Wilson

Endorsed as follows;

Pay to Florida Land & Colonization Company
as per agreement

S. J. Wilson

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 \$500⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct 3rd 1888
 On the fifteenth day of June 1899 I do hereby
 received & promise to pay to the order of S. N. Wilson
 the sum of One Thousand dollars with interest
 at the rate of five per cent per annum after eight
 years from date,
 Chas. S. Wilson

The above note endorsed as follows;
 finding error in the make up of the within note
 I have entered credit on the same of one hundred
 dollars received
 Fox Hill Oct 2th 1888. S. N. Wilson
 Pay to Florida Land & Colonization Company
 as per agreement
 S. N. Wilson

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 \$500⁰⁰ Brooksville Florida Oct 3rd 1888
 On the fifteenth day of June A.D. 1894
 and on each and every subsequent fifteenth
 day of June during the natural life of my
 father Samuel N. Wilson I promise to pay to
 the order of the said Samuel N. Wilson for value
 received the sum of Eight Hundred dollars with
 at the rate of five per cent per annum after
 due.
 Chas. G. Wilson

The above note endorsed as follows
 Pay to Florida Land and Colonization Company
 as per agreement.
 S. N. Wilson

State of Florida
 County of Orange

The within notes marked 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 9 are
 assigned and endorsed by me to the Florida Land
 & Colonization Company of Sanford Florida
 as collateral to secure payments of five notes
 of \$500.⁰⁰ each given by me to the Florida Land and

Colonization Company as payment for land deeded to me by said Company the 28th day of May A.D. 1887. If said notes so assigned are not paid, they shall be a lien upon the land in Hernando Co. for which they are given to the amount of (\$4000) Four thousand dollars the amount of the notes for which there are assigned as collateral. If the five notes given by me to the Florida Land Colonization Co. are paid then these notes or those unpaid at the time of the payment of the five notes are to be surrendered to me by the said Florida Colonization Company, and my endorsement are made under this agreement and in accordance with the terms thereof and for the purpose stated herein.

I, the witness whereof I affix my hand and seal this 28th day of May A.D. 1889. The land upon which these notes are made a lien in event they are not paid is the E^{1/4} of N^{1/4} of Section 12 Township 21 S. R. 19 East and the W^{1/4} of E^{1/4} of N^{1/4} Sec. 7 Township 21 S. R. 20 E and N^{1/4} of the N^{1/4} of said Section seven Township 21 S. R. 20 East

In the presence of
 Ben H. Dudley
 J. K. Mettinger

Samuel J. Wilson (S)

State of Florida

County of Orange } Before me a notary Public personally appeared Samuel J. Wilson to me well known to be the individual described in, and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged that he signed sealed and delivered the same for the purposes therein mentioned

I, the witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Sanford Florida this Twenty Eighth day of May A.D. 1889

One thousand eight hundred and eighty nine
 Recorded this 1st June 1889
 J. K. Mettinger Clerk

John H. Mettinger
 Notary Public

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY,

This Indenture, Made and entered into this first 1st day of July A. D. 1892, between Charles J. Wilson

and Jennie L. Wilson his wife of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and Samuel J. Wilson of the County of Columbia State of Florida part of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Fifteen Thousand (\$15,000.00) Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said part of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Bargained, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said part of the second part, and his heirs and assigns, forever, the following land lying, being and situate in the said County of Citrus and State of Florida, to wit: The North West quarter of the North East quarter, and the North half of the North West quarter, all of the North West quarter of the South East quarter, and the South half of the South West quarter of the North East quarter, and Fifty and one half (50 1/2) acres in the East half of the North East quarter, more particularly described in, and being the same premises conveyed by, deed from Samuel J. Wilson to Charles J. Wilson, dated the 3rd day of October, 1888, and recorded in deed Book 4 Page 143 in the Office of the Clerk of Citrus Co., said State. All being in Section Twelve (12) Township Twenty One (21) South Range Nineteen (19) East.

And the West half of the South East quarter, and thirty (30) acres in the West half of the North West quarter of Section Seven (7) Township Twenty one (21) South Range, Township (20) East, The thirty (30) acres aforesaid being more particularly described as follows: Beginning at the North West corner of the North West quarter of the North West quarter of said section Seven (7) thence running South along the Range line One hundred (100) Poles, thence East forty eight (48) Poles, thence North One hundred (100) Poles, thence West forty eight (48) Poles to the point of beginning

containing in all One hundred and Eighty Eight (188) acres, be the same more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said part of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators to Warrant and Forever Defend the title to said premises unto the said part of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid.

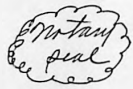
Signed, Sealed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses: Charles J. Wilson Jennie L. Wilson
M.P. Letchworth J. Masley Allen

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, } ss. J. Masley Allen
COUNTY OF CITRUS

Whany Public in said County and State, do hereby certify that on this first 1st day of July A. D. 1892, personally appeared before me Charles J. Wilson and Jennie L. Wilson

his wife, to me well known to be the parties described in and who executed the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and severally acknowledged to me that they signed the same for the use, purpose and consideration therein expressed, and made this acknowledgment to the end that the same may be admitted to record according to law. And the said Jennie L. Wilson wife of the said Charles J. Wilson, being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said Deed, for the purpose of renouncing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the lands therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.



J. Masley Allen Whany Public
McGinnisman Clerk Circuit Court
H. H. Rowcut Deputy
Filed 3rd + RECORDED This 4th day of August 1892

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, Made and entered into this the January day of January A. D. 1893, between

Samuel P. Wilson widower of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and

Samuel P. Wilson of the County of Citrus and State aforesaid party of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of One thousand Dollars and other valuable considerations to be in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Bargained, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said party of the second part, and his heirs and assigns, forever, the following land lying, being and situate in the said County of Citrus and State of Florida, to wit:

The North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) and the West half (W. 1/2) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) of section fifteen (15) and the East half (E. 1/2) of the South East quarter (S.E. 1/4) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) of section thirty two (32) and the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of section thirty three (33) All in Township twenty (20) Range twenty (20) South + East and the East half (E. 1/2) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) and the South half (S. 1/2) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) + the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of the South East quarter (S.E. 1/4) and the North half (N. 1/2) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of the South East quarter (S.E. 1/4) all in section twelve (12) and the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) and the South East quarter (S.E. 1/4) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) of section nine (9) all in Township twenty one (21) Range twenty (20) South + East and the West half (W. 1/2) of the South East quarter (S.E. 1/4) and the East half (E. 1/2) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) except ten + eight (18) acres on the South side and end of section seven (7) Township twenty one (21) Range twenty (20) South + East.

containing Five Hundred seventy (577) acres, be the same more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and executors and administrators to Warrant and Forever Defend the title to said premises unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hand and seal the date aforesaid.

Eigned, Sealed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses:

J. Kimmerer
Chas. J. Wilson

Samuel P. Wilson DEAL
DEAL

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF CITRUS.

Wm. J. Parker ss. I, Wm. J. Parker Notary Public in said County and State, do hereby certify that on this the 26th day of January A. D. 1893, personally appeared before me Samuel P. Wilson and affirming

his wife, to me well known to be the parties described in and who executed and delivered the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and severally acknowledged to me that they signed the same for the uses, purposes and consideration therein expressed, and make this acknowledgment to the end that the same may be admitted to record according to law. And the said Samuel P. Wilson wife of the said Samuel P. Wilson

being examined by me, separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said Deed, for the purpose of renouncing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the lands therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.

Notary Seal

Wm. J. Parker DEAL
W. J. Kimmerer Clerk Circuit Court.
By W. J. Kimmerer Deputy.

RECORDED This 6th day of April 1893

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Deed freely and voluntarily as and for their own act and deed for the purpose therein stated; and afterwards, on the same day personally appeared before me, the said Public Seller and was by me examined separately and apart from her husband, and on such separate examination she acknowledged and declared that she signed stated and delivered said deed for the purposes therein stated and relinquished her dower and right of dower in and to the lands and property thereby conveyed freely and voluntarily, and without compulsion, constraint, apprehension or fear of or from her said husband, and that she did not wish to retract the same.

Witness my official signature and seal this day and year last above written.

G. C. Warren Notary
Public State of Florida.
at Large. *(Notary's Seal)*

Filed & Recorded on this 10 day of March 1893.

W. C. Zimmerman Clerk
By F. Zimmerman D. C.

Quit-Claim Deed.

State of Florida }
County of Polk } This Indenture made the 20th day of December A.D. 1892. Between Samuel F. Wilson (widower of Polk and State of Florida party of the first part, and W. H. W. of the City Albany and State of New York party of the second part, Witnesseth, that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of One hundred ⁷⁵/₁₀₀ Dollars in full paid by the party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged has remise released and quit-claimable, and in these

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the said party of the second part, and his heirs, and assigns forever, all the right, title, interest, claim and demand which the said party of the first part has in and to the following described lots pieces or parcels of land, to wit:

The West half the South half of the North East quarter, the North half of the South East quarter The South West quarter of the South East quarter of Section four (4) The North West quarter of Section Five (5) The East half of the South East quarter, + the South half of the North East quarter of Section Six (6). The South half of the North East quarter of the South West quarter + the North West quarter of the North East quarter of the South West quarter and the South half of the South East quarter of Section Eight (8) all in Township Twenty-one (21) Range Twenty (20) South & East, containing nine hundred and fifty acres (950) more or less all lying, being & situated in Citrus Co. & State of Florida.

To have and to hold the same, together with all and singular the appurtenances therunto belonging, or in any wise therunto appertaining and all the estate, right, title, interest and claim what ever, of the said party of the first part, either in law or equity, to the only use, benefit and behoof of the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever.

In witness whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, Sealed and
delivered in presence of,
R. H. Beasock
M. B. Bierpont.

Samuel T. Wilson (Seal)

301 State of Florida } ss.
County of Polk. }

I hereby certify, that Samuel T. Weil whose name is signed to the foregoing deed, and who is personally known to me, came before me this day and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein expressed, and as his free act and deed.

Witness my hand and seal this twenty first day of December A.D. 1892.

M.B. Pierpont
Notary Public

(Notary's Seal)

Filed & Recorded on this 10 day of March 1893.
W.C. Zimmerman Clerk
By F. Zimmerman P.C.

Honestad

Final Receiver's Receipt no 10390
Application no 16914

Honestad

Receiver's Office Gainesville Fla
Dec 27 1892

Record of Francis A Swain (see Sumner) the sum of Four Dollars - cents being the balance of payment required by law for the entry of N 1/4 of Section 30 in Township no 25 of Range 18 E Containing 160.57 acres under Section 2291 of the Revised Statutes of the United States

V.J. Shufman
Receiver

\$4.00

\$1.00 Testimony fee received, Number of 700
750 Rate for 900 words 15 cents

Filed & Recorded 11th March 1893
W.C. Zimmerman
C.M. et al

and deed, and the said Dora L. Nobles wife of John F. Nobles upon an examination made separate and apart from her said husband, acknowledged before me that she executed the same for the purpose of relinquishing her dower and right of dower in and to the lands therein described, and that she did the same freely and voluntarily, and without any constraint, apprehension or fear of or from the said husband

Witness my hand and seal this 1st day of Sept, 1897.
 J. Wiley Allen,
 Notary Pub. State of Ga.

(Notary Seal)

Filed Sept. 30, 1897, and recorded Oct. 13-1897.
 W. Zimmerman, Clerk,
 by W. W. Hancock, D.C.

This Indenture, made this Eleventh day of September 1897, between Charles E. Wilson and Jennie Wilson, his wife, of the County of Polk, and State of Florida, parties of the first part, and Tutuall Investment Company, in trust for Smith, of the County of Hernando, and State of Florida, party of the second part,

Witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of Eighty Dollars, in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have remised, released, quit claimed, and by these presents do remise, release, and quit claim unto the said party of the second part, and his heirs and assigns forever, all the right, title, interest, claim and demand which the said party of the first part have in and to the following described lot, piece or parcel of lands, to-wit:

The North West quarter of the North East quarter of the South East quarter of the North West quarter of Section Nine, in Township Twenty One South, Range Nineteen East, containing Eighty acres more or less.

To Have and to Hold, the same together with all the singular the appurtenances therunto belonging or in anywise therunto appertaining, and all the estate, right, title, interest and claims whatsoever of the said

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to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said
 parts of the second part, his wife and assigns forever
 and the heirs of the said parties of the first part, have here
 unto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written
 Signed, sealed and delivered in presence of } Charles E. Wilson (Seal)
 C. Winston, } Jennie S. Wilson (Seal)
 Annie S. Winston

State of Florida)
 County of Polk) I hereby certify, that Charles E. Wilson and
 Jennie S. Wilson, whose names are signed to the fore-
 going deed, and who are personally known to me,
 came before me this day, and acknowledged that
 they executed the same for the purposes therein express-
 ed as their free act and deed, and the said Jennie
 S. Wilson, upon an examination made separately and
 apart from her said husband, acknowledged before
 me that she executed the same for the purpose of
 relinquishing her dower and right of dower in and
 to the lands therein described, and that she did the
 same freely and voluntarily, and without any con-
 straint, apprehensions or fear of or from her said
 husband.

Witness my hand and seal this twentieth day of September,
 A.D. 1897. L. Winston, J.P.
 L. Winston (Seal)

Filed Oct. 9th and Recorded Oct. 13th 1897
 W. C. Zimmerman, Clerk,
 By B. W. Hancock, S. C.

This Indenture entered into between Richard
 McConathy, as Special Master in Chancery, party of
 the first part, and J. C. Stapleton, as Receiver of The
 First National Bank of Ocala, party of the second part,
 Whereas, on the 18th day of May, 1896, J. C.
 Stapleton, as Receiver of the First National Bank
 Ocala, filed a bill in Chancery against Ch. E. Wilson

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, Made and entered into this the 21st day of March, A. D. 1872, between Jennie L. Wilson and Charles G. Wilson (her husband) of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and J. Hays Allen of the City of Chattanooga & State of Tennessee of the part of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Twenty five Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Remained, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Remain, Sell and Convey unto the said party of the second part, and his heirs and assigns, forever, the following land being, being and situate in the said County of Citrus and State of Florida, to wit:

The East half (1/2) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) and the South half (S. 1/2) of the South West quarter (S.W. 1/4) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) and the West three quarters (W. 3/4) of the North quarter (N. 1/4) of the North East quarter (N.E. 1/4) of the South West quarter (S.W. 1/4) of the South East quarter (S.E. 1/4) of Section Twelve (12) Township Twenty one (21) Range Twenty (20) North East and the West half (W. 1/2) of the North West quarter (N.W. 1/4) Section Twenty (20) Township Twenty one (21) Range Twenty (20) North East and a full acre (1/2) of the South side and end line of Section twenty (20) Township twenty one (21) Range twenty (20) North East and East contain more or less and are bounded and certified five (5) acres more or less. And the said Jennie L. Wilson and Charles G. Wilson do covenant and agree to sever the said J. Hays Allen that they are lawfully seized of the property therein surveyed and that the same is free and clear from all incumbrances except a mortgage for two thousand dollars (2000) due Henry M. Flagler as of record, and they do hereby deed herein conveyed the above property subject to said debt in the said mortgage of two thousand dollars (2000) & interest after date hereof due the said Henry M. Flagler and of record in mortgage Book One, Page 363 No part of the above property is covered by such as the Flagler mortgage & except such taxes as are due of record.

together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances therunto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators to Warrant and Forever Defend the title said premises unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses: J. H. Chapman, J. A. McKeown, J. A. McKeown, Charles G. Wilson, Jennie L. Wilson, Charles G. Wilson

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, COUNTY OF CITRUS, SS.

I, A. J. McKeown

Notary Public in said County and State, do hereby certify that on this the 21st day of March, A. D. 1872, personally appeared before me Charles G. Wilson and Jennie L. Wilson

Montgomery Seal

his wife, to me well known to be the parties described in and who executed and attested the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and severally acknowledged to me that they signed the same for the uses, purposes and considerations therein expressed, and make this acknowledgment to the end justice same may be admitted to record according to law. And the said Jennie L. Wilson, wife of the said Charles G. Wilson, being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said Deed, for the purpose of releasing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the lands therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.

RECORDED This 6th day of April 1872 by A. J. McKeown Notary Public for the State of Florida, U. C. Zimmerman Clerk Circuit Court, Deputy.

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, Made and entered into this the Twelfth (12) day of

March, A. D. 1894, between Jennie L. Wilson and Charles L. Wilson her husband of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and E. Hays Allen of the City of Chattanooga State of Tennessee of the second part:

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Four Thousand and no more Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said part of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Bargained, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said part of the second part, and his heirs and assigns, forever, the following land lying, being and situate in the said County of Citrus and State of Florida, to wit:

The North West quarter (N W 1/4) of the North East quarter (N E 1/4) and the South East quarter (S E 1/4) of the North West quarter (N W 1/4) of Section Nine (9) Township Twenty-one (21) Range Nineteen (19) South and East, and the North East quarter (N E 1/4) of the North West quarter (N W 1/4) and the West half (W 1/2) of the North East quarter (N E 1/4) of Section Fifteen (15) and the East half (E 1/2) of the South East quarter (S E 1/2) of the North East quarter (N E 1/4) of Section Thirty-two (32) and the north west quarter (N W 1/4) of the north west quarter (N W 1/4) of Section Thirty-three (33) Township Twenty (20) Range Nineteen (19) South and East, and the West half (W 1/2) of the South East quarter (S E 1/4) of Section Seven (7) Township Twenty-one (21) Range Twenty (20) South and East

containing Three Hundred and forty (340) acres, be the same more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said part of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators to Warrant and Forever Defend the title to said premises unto the said part of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid.

Sealed, Signed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses:

J. A. Chapman
A. P. McKeown

Jennie L. Wilson
Charles L. Wilson

THE STATE OF FLORIDA,) ss.
COUNTY OF CITRUS.

I, A. P. McKeown

Notary Public in said County and State, do hereby certify that on this the Thirtieth day of March A. D. 1894, personally appeared before me Charles L. Wilson and Jennie L. Wilson

his wife, to me well known to be the parties described in and who executed and delivered the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and revealedly acknowledged to me that they signed the same for the uses, purposes and consideration therein expressed, and make this acknowledgment to the end that the same may be admitted to record according to law. And the said Jennie L. Wilson wife of the said Charles L. Wilson, being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said Deed, for the purpose of renouncing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the land therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.

Notary Seal

RECORDED THIS

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day of

June 1894 at Santa Fe, Florida at Santa Fe Clerk Circuit Court

By W. C. Ginnismann Deputy.

THE STATE OF FLORIDA, CITRUS COUNTY.

THIS INDENTURE, Made and entered into this the Twelfth day of March A. D. 1904, between Charles G. Wilson of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and Jennie L. Wilson of the County and State aforesaid, parties of the first part, and J. Hays Allen of the City of Chattanooga State of Tennessee party of the second part: WITNESSETH, that the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of one thousand Dollars, to them in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have Granted, Bargained, Sold and Conveyed, and by these presents do Grant, Bargain, Sell and Convey unto the said party of the second part, and his heirs and assigns, forever, the following land lying, being and situate in the said County of Citrus and State of Florida, to wit:

The South West quarter (SW 1/4) of the South West quarter (SW 1/4) of Section Four (4) and the North half (N 1/2) of the North West quarter (NW 1/4) of Section nine (9) in Township Twenty - one (2-1) Range nineteen (19) South and East

containing One Hundred & Twenty (120) acres, be the same more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise incident or appertaining.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD said land and premises, with the appurtenances, to the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, forever. And the said parties of the first part, do hereby bind themselves and their heirs, executors and administrators to Warrant and Forever Defend the title to said premises unto, the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns, against the said parties of the first part, and their heirs, executors and administrators, and against all persons whomsoever lawfully or equitably claiming or to claim the same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the date aforesaid.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in our Presence as Witnesses:

J. A. Chapman
A. P. McKeown

Charles G. Wilson [SEAL]
Jennie L. Wilson [SEAL]

THE STATE OF FLORIDA,) SS.
COUNTY OF CITRUS.

I, A. P. McKeown

Notary Public in said County and State, do hereby certify that on this the Twelfth day of March A. D. 1904, personally appeared before me Charles G. Wilson and Jennie L. Wilson

his wife, to me well known to be the parties described in and who executed and delivered the foregoing Deed of Conveyance, and severally acknowledged to me that they sign the same for the uses, purposes and consideration therein expressed, and make this acknowledgment to the end that the same may be admitted to record according to law. And the said Jennie L. Wilson, wife of the said Charles G. Wilson

being examined by me separately and apart from her husband, acknowledged that she made herself a party to and joined with her said husband in the execution of said deed, for the purpose of renouncing and relinquishing all her dower, right of dower, or separate property in and to the lands therein described, and that such renunciation and relinquishment is made by her freely and voluntarily and without any constraint, apprehension, or fear of, or from her said husband.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal the date last aforesaid.

Notary Seal

A. P. McKeown [SEAL] Notary Public for the State of Florida at Large

RECORDED This 4

day of June 1904

W. F. Hammett Clerk Circuit Court.
By H. C. Zimmerman Deputy.

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STATE OF FLORIDA,
COUNTY OF MARION.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That before me personally came C. Y. Miller and Augusta Miller to me well known to be the individuals described in and who signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument and who acknowledged to me that they signed, sealed and delivered the foregoing instrument for the uses and purposes therein set forth and expressed.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, That before me personally appeared Augusta Miller, to me well known to be the wife of C. Y. Miller and the individual described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, who, being examined by me separate and apart from her husband, the said Augusta Miller did acknowledge before me that she executed the said instrument for the purpose of conveying and relinquishing her right of dower, separate estate and other rights in and to the said property described in said agreement and for the purpose therein expressed, and that she executed the same freely, voluntarily, and without any compulsion, constraint, apprehension or fear of or from her said husband.

I FURTHER CERTIFY, That I am a duly commissioned Justice of the Peace, duly authorized to take acknowledgements of instruments of conveyances in Florida, and that my commission does not expire until the 1st day of January A. D. 1909.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this the 2nd day of December, A. D. 1905.

C. R. Veal,
Justice of the Peace.

Filed January 13, 1906, and recorded January 17, 1906.

Walter J. Warrick Clerk

THIS INDENTURE, Made this 21st day of December, A. D. 1905, between Charles G. Wilson and Jennie L. Wilson, his wife, formerly of Citrus County but now of the County of Duval and State of Florida, parties of the first part and the Clark-Ray-Johnson Company, a Florida corporation of Martel of the County of Marion and State of Florida, party of the second part,

WITNESSETH, That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of Two Hundred and Forty Dollars (\$240.00), in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, have remise, released and quit-claimed, and by these presents do remise, release and quit-claim unto the said party of the second part and its heirs and assigns forever all the right title, interest, claim and demand which the said parties of the first part have in and to the following described lot, piece or parcel of land, to-wit:

The North-east (NE $\frac{1}{4}$) quarter of Section Twenty-five (25) in Township Eighteen (18), Range Eighteen (18), South and East in the County of Citrus and State of Florida.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and all the estate, right, title, interest and claim whatsoever of the said parties of the first part, either in law or equity, to the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the said party of the second part, its heirs and assigns forever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

signed, sealed and delivered in presence of
M. C. Papan.
M. Waxler, Jr.

Chas. G. Wilson (SEAL)
Jennie L. Wilson (SEAL)

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF DUVAL.

I HEREBY CERTIFY, That on this day personally appeared before me, an officer duly authorized to administer oaths and take acknowledgements, Charles G. Wilson and Jennie L. Wilson, his wife, to me well known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and they acknowledged before me that they executed the same freely and voluntarily for the purposes therein expressed.

AND I FURTHER CERTIFY, That the said Jennie L. Wilson, known to me to be the wife of the said Chas. G. Wilson, on a separate and private examination, taken and made by and before me, separately and apart from her husband, did acknowledge that she executed the foregoing deed for the purpose of relinquishing, alienating and conveying all her right, title and interest, whether of dower, homestead or of separate property, statutory or equitable, in and to the lands described therein, and that she executed said deed freely and voluntarily and without any compulsion, constraint, apprehension or fear of or from her said husband.

WITNESS my hand and official seal at Jacksonville, County of Duval and State of Florida, this 21st day of December, A. D. 1905.
My commission expiring April 3, 06.

W. W. Anderson
N. P.

(Notary Seal)

Filed January 10th and recorded January 17, 1906.

Walter J. Warrick Clerk

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

GENERAL INQUIRY

Office of Historical Resources - Museum

Notice:

Name: Beverly B. Green

Address: P.O. Box 1296

This is for the ~~Wilson~~ Wilson family who lived in Mansfield and many are buried there. We should start a family file on them. They should be forwarding more information in future.

Kathy

Describe what information is requested

Lucinda ~~Great~~ Great - B Wilson / Lewis. Any

on Wilson who were buried there as Lewis.

request.

Other information requested. (check yes or no)

If yes, list each request on reverse side of this inquiry form.

INFORMATION PROVIDED

Be sure to list what the source is for the requested information.

Source: maybe old copies of Citrus County Star, pole tax record books (always include date & year)

Inquiry Information:

Office Use:

(docent, other volunteer)

Initials of History Associate who located information. _____

How was information provided to requestor? By phone Xeroxed for Mailing

If mailed, were other pages xeroxed & included with copy of Inquiry Page? How many pages: _____

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

GENERAL INQUIRY No _____

Office of Historical Resources- Museum & Archives

Date: November 19, 1996

Name: Beverly B. Green Telephone (904) 692-2130

Address: P.O. Box 1296 City St. Augustine State Florida Zip 32085

Describe what information is requested. (Be brief but with enough detail.)

Lucinda - Great Great - Great Grandmother
Wilson / Lewis. Anything on Mansfield
on Wilson who were buried there as Lewis.

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Initials of
 museum docer
 or volunteer
 receiving the
 request.

Other information requested. (check yes or no)

If yes, list each request on reverse side of this inquiry form.

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Source: Maybe
old copies of Citrus (always include date & year)
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MANNFIELD CEMETERY (FMSF 8Ci 445)

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Location:

Cemetery site is located on east side of Highway 491 in mid-western portion of the Withlacoochee State Forest, Citrus County, Florida.

Period of Significance: 1887-1891

Mannfield was the first county seat location which was determined by the state Legislature in 1887 when Citrus County was established. In 1891, the county seat was re-located permanently to Inverness. By 1895, the Mannfield community had dwindled to no population as other nearby settlements were established.

Site Recorders: Ed Kohl, Virginia Schimdt, and Vern Gray.
History Associate Volunteer Program
January 1995.