

BOONE FAMILY FILE # 3

1. Letter to Mrs. Kerr from Paul Raab concerning Whites, Wilcoxsons and Boones.
2. Miscellaneous notes.

Mrs. Kerr.
c/o Clark County Library
109 S. Main
Winchester, Kentucky 40391
Dear Mrs. Kerr,

I talked to you briefly on the phone Friday morning and am sending you the following information in hopes that you might be able to help me find a missing link in my wife's family tree.

All I have is family tradition from 4 different lines of descent of the supposed Boone connection and all say the same thing. Leah Day WHITE b 1807 in KY was the dau of Elizabeth WHITE and Jesse BOONE. Not the other way around. Sound illegitimate to you? I've checked all of the Elizabeth Boones I could find at that time and none are possible matches.

I've only found 2 possible Jesse Boones too. I was Judge Jesse Bryan Boone, son of THE Daniel, he would have been 34 when Leah was born, and he was already married. The other is Jesse Boone (Jonathan, Israel, Squire, George) who would have been 28 when Leah was born. No info on where he was in 1806 or if he married yet, though.

The best clue I have is from Sarah Rockenfield's book (Our Boone Families-Daniel Boone's Kinfolk). "Isaac Wilcoxson (Boone Descendants) m. 2nd Rebecca White in Clark co., KY, 19 May 1797. Isaac Wilcoxson and Rebecca White Wilcoxson had several Children. Rebecca White was dau of William and Elizabeth White. Another daughter Elizabeth White b. Clark co., KY 5 Oct 1805. Married Robert Boucher 11 June 1822 in Howard co., MO, d in Cairo, Randolph, MO.....
Robert Boucher moved to Howard co., MO in 1818 with a number of other KY settlers as Nathan and Daniel Morgan Boone, sons of Daniel Boone..... "

Reading into this, William and Elizabeth White probably had a daughter Elizabeth White named after her mother. She was probably about the same age as her sister Rachel. Rachel's first child was born 1805. Leah, who was Elizabeth Jr.'s daughter, was born 1807. Her sisters family moved to Howard co., MO where Leah was married. Elizabeth Jr. probably lived with her sister or parents when she had the baby and the family went to Howard co., MO.

Another Possibility is that an Elizabeth DAY (note middle name of daughter Leah) married a Mr. White and had Leah Day White, and Elizabeth later remarried Jesse Boone.

The only other clue I have is that Leah Day White said in a later census that her parents were both born in SC. However, most Boone connections are from NC, so I wonder if this is wrong.

Sorry to be so long-winded, but I guess that what I'm looking for is info on

1) The children of the William and Elizabeth White mentioned above (parents of Rebecca (married Wilcoxson) and Elizabeth White (married Boucher) or any other White family that may have a daughter Leah.

2) If there was no daughter named Leah Day White, was there a DAY/WHITE

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connection in the area--specifically an Elizabeth Day married _____ White or even Leah Day married _____ White?

I've been searching for this connection for 10 years, and have accumulated a mountain of info related to the descendants and relatives of Daniel Boone. While it isn't doing me a lot of good, I am, in my own way, trying to help others searching for their Boone connections. If you get anyone you can't help, I am willing to search my database for them (for free) and send them anything I find. If they have internet access, they can reach me at PRAAB@AOL.com or my mailing address (if they will send a LSASE) is:
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Thank You

Winchester Sun (date missing)

C.W. BOONE WAS NOTED TEACHER

Direct descendant of Squire Boone, Brother
of Daniel, spent Life in Clark County.

Cyrus Welch Boone, who departed this life at his home in Kiddville, a few weeks ago, was a man of such outstanding character and who exerted such a beneficial influence on a large number of citizens of Clark County, that more than a passing notice of his life and character should be given; not only as a well merited commemoration of a long and useful life, but as an example of inspiration to others who may believe that they confronted with insuperable difficulties in the way of obtaining an education and all the really good things this life affords.

He was born in Clark County, June 21, 1831, about one mile southeast of Schollsville, and was one of a family of eleven boys. His father, Squire Boone, was the son of Thomas Boone, a noted and consecrated Baptist preacher, and he in turn was the son of Squire Boone, brother of Daniel Boone, the famous Kentucky explorer and hunter. He was married to Martha Ecton January, 1855, and to this union were born six children, all of whom, save one, Gilbert, survive him and his widow, also is left to mourn his departure.

He united with the Providence Baptist church, November, 1861 and was ordained deacon of that church the first Sunday in May 1862. After his removal to Kiddville Baptist in 1870 he was elected Clerk of Kiddville Baptist Church and served in that office until March 25, 1906, when he resigned. He was also the Superintendent of the Sunday School of this church for many years.

Studied by Torchlight

Early in life he became possessed with an intense desire to obtain an education and eagerly seized all opportunities that presented themselves to add to his store of knowledge. He studied by the light of the primitive torch of that period long after the rest of the family were in bed and often until one o'clock in the morning.

He told the family that on many occasions when his father thought it more important for Cyrus to attend the crops than for him to attend school, he would drop his hoe in the field as soon as his father was out of sight and steal away to school well knowing that punishment, as severe as certain, awaited him on his return home that evening. He soon became the best educated man in his community and his services as a teacher were in great demand; for which he received a salary, made up mostly by private subscriptions, and which was regarded as almost fabulous in that time and equating the highest salary now paid high school teachers.

His success as an educator, in the highest and best sense of the word, was extraordinary in the beginning and continued undiminished until after fifty years of service in that field, he retired in his modest home and sat down to calmly watch the ever lengthening shadows of life's eventide. He possessed in a remarkable degree, the power of inspiring in his pupils a thirst for knowledge, equal to his own, as one incident of many that might be given will show.

BROUGHT ON SLED

One of the pupils sustained a fractured limb and he had his father to take him to school on a slide over the snow, where lying on a cot he continued uninterrupted his studies and recitations. He taught in fourteen out of the forty odd school districts in Clark County; but never taught outside Clark County. He held for twelve years the office of Superintendent of Public Schools, during which time there was great improvement in the building and esprit de corps of teachers and pupils.

Such was the profound influence that his personality and methods of teaching had upon development of the minds of his pupils and their habits of thinking that a professor of Kentucky University, now Transylvania University sought him to tell him that the members of ~~the~~ faculty of that institution could recognize the pupils of Cyrus Boone by their rapidity of advancement and peculiar mental habits, without being told the fact in advance. His favorite definition of education was "thought and expression of thought". But his conception of an education included more than memory of the interesting and instructive facts of history, the grasp of the fascinating truths of science and appreciation of alluring and inspiring rhythm of literature, it included as an essential foundation of all worth while educating "the fear of God" as the beginning of wisdom and knowledge." He taught that "God giveth to a man that is good in his sight, wisdom and knowledge and joy."

GAVE DAILY LECTURES

He daily gave lectures to the entire school on the importance of right living and his influence on moral development of his pupils was as marked as their advancement in their secular studies.

He has told the writer of instances in which boys that were regarded as incorrigible being sent to him as a last resort and he won them by his tactful approach and converted them to well behaved boys. In one instance in which he failed he had the boys whom he was about to expell to kneel and he kneeled with them and offered a prayer on their behalf before sending them away.

Early in life he read and believed that:

"He that would love life,
And see good days,
Let him refrain his tongue from evil,
And his lips that they speak no guile;

And let him turn away from evil and
do good;
And let him seek peace and pursuit of it."

He so ordered his life and of the promised reward he received good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over. Four score and ten years were the years of his pilgrimage on this earth. He saw a multitude of his friends and companions in youth; the children that he had taught and had grown into manhood and womanhood; and their children whom he had taught and likewise, he saw grow into manhood and womanhood and to be respected and honored and many fill positions of trust and emolument: preceed him into the peaceful silence of the grave. Many visited him in his home and acknowledged the debt of gratitude they owed him for his unselfish devotion to their welfare while under his tutelage. And when the end came, his mind was clear, his faith unfaltering and closing his eyes to the scenes of this world and joyfully went forth to his Lord saying, "Lord, here are talents which thou gavest me and beside them many others which I have gained." and to hear, we doubt not, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of the Lord."

ASA BARROW

Excerpts from Circular Letter

Of the North District Association of Old Baptists, Begun and Held with the Church at Liberty, Estill County, Ky. on Friday, Sat. and Sunday Aug. 26, 27, 28, 1904.

" in 1801 and 1802, there having existed different names for the same people, such as "Regular" and Separate Baptists, by mutual agreement between Elkhorn and South Kentucky Association, it was agreed to drop all such distinguishing names and adopt the name of "United Baptists"

These terms of union were formed and entered into by the following well-known ministers: Ambrose Dudley, John Price, Robert Elkin, Daniel Ramey, Thomas F. Chilton, Joseph Reddin, David Barrow, Moses Bledsoe and Samuel Johnson.

North District Association, being thus constituted, started out in peace and prosperity with 31 churches and a membership of 2,383. With Robert Elkin moderator and Moses Bledsoe, clerk, it seemed indeed that prosperity would attend them.

The first disturbance came in 1805 when Bracken Association presented charges against Elder David Barrow, he having embraced and preached the doctrine of emancipation of slaves. North District appointed five ministers to deal with Elder Barrow. In the year 1806, Elders Robert Elkin, Moses Bledsoe, James Quisenberry, James Haggard and Leonard Turley reported that agreeable to the provision made at the last Association for trial of ministers, they had been dealing with Brother Barrow and Brother Barrow manifesting no disposition to alter his mode of preaching as to the aforesaid doctrine they proceeded to expel him from his seat in the Association. In 1807 the Association re-considered the whole of the business of their last Association, in regard to Elder Barrow, and, on motion of James French, revoked all their proceedings in his case; also rescinded the advice given Providence and Boone's Creek churches.

.....Rev. Robert Elkin, the first moderator of this Association was a man of great piety; perhaps not a brilliant preacher, but his preaching was mostly experimental. It is said of him, when some disturbance ~~te~~ in regard to some new doctrine or practice was being introduced he was accused of being in his dotage, his reply was: "Grace never dotes," Few men were ever esteemed higher for their Christian deportment than was Elder Robert Elkin. The minutes of 1822 say: "Our venerable, well beloved and extensively useful brother in the Lord, Elder Robert Elkin, in the seventy-seventh year of his age, and fifty-first of his ministry, rested from his labors on March last.

Elder David Chenault, moderator for a number of years, was a man of great firmness of character, would make no compromise with error from any source, and given to hospitality. He entertained his brethern bountifully and freely. He died the 9th day of May, 1851, much beloved by his brethern and neighbors.

Elder Thomas Boone, who served as moderator for years, left perhaps as many friends and as few enemies, if any of the latter, as any public man that ever lived within the bounds of the Association. He died September 22, 1855, and his brethren and friends erected a monument to his memory in the meeting house yard at Lulbehrad.

Elder James Edmonson, who was moderator for a few times, had a great gift of exhortation. He died in September, 1861, with perfect resignation and uncommonly bright prospects for a better world.

James French, a long time clerk of the Association, a man of fine intelligence, well acquainted with the history of the Baptists, Unswervable in his belief, would not compromise with error either in doctrine or practice when introduced among the Baptists. The Association perhaps is under as much obligation to him as any one man for their perpetuity in the trying times of 1829 and 1830.

Elder William Rupard, who served as moderator longer than any moderator of this Association, beginning in 1859 and continuing until and including 1903, died on the 20th day of February, 1904. He was born on February 4th, 1825, was brought up on the farm and received such education as the country schools afforded through the winter months, being employed in laboring on the farm during the summer. He was raised by Baptist parents, his father being a deacon of Goshen Church for a great many years. He was very firm and correct in all his dealings with his fellow man and it was correctly said of him in his obituary (written by Eld. J.J. Gilbert) that his word was as good as his bond. Elder Rupard's mother was a daughter of Bartlett and Martha Haggard, she was always mild and pleasant in disposition and a firm Baptist, both in precept and example; no sick neighbor lacked for attention when she was able to see to their wants. Elder Rupard was converted when about 16 years old, joined Goshen Church in August, 1842, and was baptised by Elder Thomas Boone. He was impressed soon after he joined the church with the work of the ministry, but met with determined opposition from his father, and no less opposition from his first wife and flattering inducements of lucrative positions offered him from other sources. Having obtained considerable education, and being a popular teacher, his mind was greatly troubled, but, as was his usual custom, he appealed to his pious mother, who quickly settled the question for him by saying: "If the Lord has called you to preach you had better preach." During this conflict in his mind, he kept up family worship and would often pray and talk in public. He was licensed to preached by the church at Goshen, and exercised his gift among the churches mostly at Liberty in Estill County and Log Lick in Clark County, Ky., until these two churches called for his ordination, in 1853, and he was ordained to the full work of the ministry the fourth Saturday in December, 1853, by Elds. Thomas Boone and James Edmonson. He continued pastor of Liberty Church from this time until his death, and continued pastor of Log Lick for a number of years. He spent the year of 1855 in Illinois, but soon after the death of Eld. Thos. Boone, Goshen and Lulbehrad called for his services and he returned to Kentucky and took charge of them, also continuing his services at Log Lick and Liberty.

He was also called to the care of Cane Spring in Madison County, Kentucky., and for a number of years had the care of Howard's Upper Creek Church and preached for the church at Richmond, Ky., probably for about one year in 1883. He preached for several years to Lick Creek and Williams Creek churches in Indiana. Besides these regular charges he did a great amount of preaching for families and neighborhood and visited associations far and near. There are very few members of North District Association but whom he baptised, and numbers that are not in this association were brought into the church under his ministry. While he had many advisors--among them being Elder Thomas Boone, whom he called his father in the Gospel- his best adviser to whom he always listened and received instruction was his devoted Christian mother; even in the last days of his life he often talked of her and expressed a desire to have her faithful counsel. He died as noted above peacefully after only a few hours sickness.

OLD BETHLEHEM CHURCH GRAVEYARD Schollsville Road, Jenks farm)

We are indebted to Mrs. Martha Barrow Jenks for the following information taken from the papers of her father, Mr. Asa C. Barrow, who received it from his mother, Mrs. Rachel Risk Barrow.

Names of persons buried at old Bethlehem Church graveyard, whose graves are not marked:

"Sally Montgomery, spinster, was probably the first person to be buried there. She is buried in the northwest corner of the graveyard and in 1820, according to the best information. The wife of Abraham Scholl, probably a Denton before marriage and her daughter, Celia Martin. Mrs. Sally Hadden's grandfather Beall (Zachary). Also some of a family named Liggett. Their relatives afterward moved to Missouri.. Eleanor McCullough, daughter of Sam and Eleanor McCullough. She died when she was about grown. William Huls, a brother of John Huls was buried near where William Anderson is buried. Richard Huls, brother of aforementioned John Huls, whose wife was Sally Barrow, daughter of Rev. David Barrow. This Huls was the grandfather of Jack, Pleasant, Achillis, etc. Huls (Note, there is some doubt about the foregoing statement, though it is probably true, A.C.B.) The aforementioned Sally Barrow married a Montgomery for her second husband.

In the northeast corner of the graveyard are negroes, servants and slaves of Joseph Risk. The first grave is that of Cynthia commonly called Chane, the rest those of Hiram (Hi) and other negro servants of John Huls. Some other negroes are buried on the south end of Joseph Risk's lot which is the width of a panel of fence along the entire length of the east side of this yard.

Infant daughter of Elizabeth Elliott buried beside little Richard Huls.

Infant daughter of Paul Huls, Mary. Paul Huls was a son of John Huls, Sr. Other members of the Huls family whose names have been forgotten