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REPORT TO: Allen Peacock [Address Private]

SUBJECT: John C. Follette<sup>1</sup> who married Carrie Parker on 19 January 1888 in Iredell County, North Carolina; great grandfather of Allen Peacock

BACKGROUND: This report is part of an ongoing study to identify the ancestors of Allen Peacock on the maternal side of his family. In a previous report the parents of his grandmother, Myrtle C. (Follette) Peeler, were proved to be John C. Follette and Carrie A. Parker.

#### Federal Censuses

John C. Follette and his household were enumerated in the United States censuses of 1900, 1910, 1920 and 1930. Abstracts and images of these censuses can be found in the report on Myrtle C. (Follette) Peeler. These censuses requested information on the relationship of the members of the household to the head of the household. No individuals were identified as the parents of John. Although this information was not reported, these censuses did provide direct evidence of the date and place of birth of John. They also identify the place of birth for both his father and his mother.

Census	Census Date	Birthdate	Age at last Birthday	Birthplace	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
1900 <sup>2</sup>	1 June	Sept 1863	36	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
1910 <sup>3</sup>	15 April		47	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
1920 <sup>4</sup>	1 Jan		57	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
1930 <sup>5</sup>	1 April		67	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee

On the basis of this census information, it is likely records for John with a birth month of September and a birth year of 1862 or 1863 will be found in Tennessee.

John was not found in the 1940 census.

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<sup>1</sup> Research was done using multiple variations of the Follette/LaFollette surname. This report will spell the surname as Follette except when quoting original records.

<sup>2</sup> 1900 U. S. census, Iredell County, North Carolina, population schedule, Shiloh Township, Enumeration District (ED) 99, sheet 6-B, p. 198 (stamped), dwelling 117, family 117, John C. Follet; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T623, roll 1202.

<sup>3</sup> 1910 U. S. census, Iredell County, North Carolina, population schedule, Coddle Creek, Enumeration District (ED) 72, sheet 12-A, p. 82 (stamped), dwelling 231, family 239, John C. Follette; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T624, roll 1118.

<sup>4</sup> 1920 U. S. census, Iredell County, North Carolina, population schedule, Coddle Creek, Enumeration District (ED) 85, sheet 3-B, p. 263 (stamped), dwelling 63, family 63, John C. Follette; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T625, roll 1305.

<sup>5</sup> 1930 U. S. census, Iredell County, North Carolina, population schedule, Coddle Creek, Enumeration District (ED) 7, sheet 1-B, p. 74 (stamped), dwelling 13, family 16, John Follette; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T626, roll 1700.

Marriage Record

A search done in 2013 at the office of the Iredell County North Carolina Register of Deeds produced an entry for a marriage record for John C. Follett and Carrie Parker. This is an index entry and only names the parties and the date of marriage (19 January 1888).

OBJECTIVE: To identify the parents of John C. Follette.

LIMITATIONS: 20 hours

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**SUMMARY OF FINDINGS**

**John C. Follette, who married Carrie Parker on 19 January 1888 in Iredell County, North Carolina, is the same man as John P. Follette, who was born 10 September 1862 in Greene County, Tennessee.**

**He was the son of William W. Follett and Nancy Emaline Susong.**

**Between 25 August 1887 and 19 January 1888, John began to use “C” rather than “P” as a middle initial.**

***See Research Notes for source-cited explanations supporting this Summary.***

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REPOSITORIES/RESEARCH SITES USED:

Ancestry  
East Tennessee State University – looking for newspaper reporting death of B. C. Follette  
Archives of Appalachia  
Sherrod Library  
Family Search  
Fold 3  
Find A Grave  
*Johnson City Press*, Johnson City, Tennessee—looking for death of B. C. Follette  
Johnson City (Tennessee) Public Library—looking for death of B. C. Follette  
Library of Congress: Chronicling America  
National Archives: Washington, DC (personal visit by mov)  
National Park Service: Soldiers and Sailors Database  
Register of Deeds, Burke County, North Carolina  
Register of Deeds, Iredell County, North Carolina (personal visit by mov)  
RootsWeb: Washington County, Tennessee Obituary Project  
State Archives of North Carolina

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**RESEARCH NOTES**

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**JOHN C. FOLLETTE PUBLISHED SOURCES**

The Genealogical Society of Iredell County, *The Heritage of Iredell County* (Statesville, North Carolina: The Genealogical Society of Iredell County, 1980), 280, "John C. Follette & Family."

Attachment 1

"John C. Follette came to Iredell County during the 1880's from Greene County, Tennessee. He was the son of William LaFollette and Nancy Susong. His father lost an arm in the Civil War. On William's discharge papers he is described as having red hair and blue eyes. There were three children from this union, William, Alice and John Clark. William, Sr. was dead by 1870, and his widow married William A. Smelser. Alice died before her mother (Nancy died Nov. 30, 1912). Clark remained in Tennessee.

John C. Follette came to Statesville selling lightning rods. He met Carrie A. Parker.... They were married Jan. 19, 1888....

John died July 13, 1935 and Carrie, Aug. 26, 1933. Both are buried in Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooresville....

John Follette must have dropped the La from his name when he came to Iredell County. In Greene County, Tennessee, the family went by the name LaFollette. One of John's daughters still used the name when she got married...."

*Comment by mov:*

*This biographical sketch identified the parents of John. It was included in a book compiled and published by the Genealogical Society of Iredell County North Carolina. The publication is a typical county history of that time, consisting of a history of the county followed by biographies of current and former residents. These brief biographies were generally written by family members and often include photographs. As is the case in most of these genealogical "mug" books, the author, Dixie Follette, did not supply the sources for her information.*

*She did provide considerable detail about John and his parents. Dixie Follette was probably Dixie Sims, the wife of Henry Clinton Follette, who was named in the sketch as a grandson of John. If the identification is correct, Henry would have been four years old when his grandfather died. Therefore, neither Dixie nor Henry would have first-hand knowledge of John's parents. This sketch is likely a compilation of multiple sources, including original records, family tradition and the author's interpretation of events.*

**UNITED STATES CENSUS RECORDS**

1870

1870 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 25, Timber Ridge Post Office, sheet 451-A (stamped), p. 8 (penned), dwelling 61, family 61, Nancy Follet; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication M593, Roll 1531.

Attachment 2

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Sex</u>	<u>Profession</u>	<u>Place of birth</u>		
Nancy Follet	26	female	keeping house	Tenn	cannot read	cannot write
<b>John</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>male</b>		<b>Tenn</b>	<b>attended school within the year</b>	
Alice	4	female		Tenn	attended school within the year	
Clark	2	male		Tenn		

*Comment by mov:*

*Nancy Follet was head of a household of young children. The names of the children are similar to those named in the biographical sketch written by Dixie Follette (although she merged the two boys into one son and identified another as William). There was no male of an age to be the husband of Nancy and father of the children.*

*Census records are original records but because they do not identify the informant it is impossible to determine if the information they contain is correct. Based on the make-up of this household, Nancy or a neighbor was the probable informant. This individual would likely have known the names of the children and their respective ages.*

*The neighborhood which included the household of Nancy Follet:*

*Mary H. Russell, Isaac B. Russell, Abraham Russell, John A. Seneker, William Huff, Margaret Huff [includes Rebecca Lefit], James A. Hutten, Andrew D. Susong, James Evans, James M. Campbell, **Nancy Follet**, Wade H. McGill, Rubin Bowers, James A. Taylor, Elizabeth Bowers, Leander Bowers, Harriet Saulsberg, Alferd Brumley, Mary Suatsel, Robert Hinchem, [end of enumeration of Timber Ridge].*

1880

1880 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 3, Enumeration District (ED) 45, sheet 54-B (stamped), p. 34 (penned), dwelling 309, family 311, John Bowers Sen; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T9, roll 1258.

Attachment 3

Name	sex	age	Relationship to head	Occupation	Birthplace	Place of birth father	Place of birth mother
John Bowers Sen	m	68	head	farmer	Tenn	Va	Va
Martha "	f	51	wife	keeps house	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
William "	m	9	son		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
<b>John Follet</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>hand</b>	<b>laborer</b>	<b>Tenn</b>	<b>Tenn</b>	<b>Tenn</b>
Josephine Smith	f	20	cook	cook	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Noah Bowers	m	34	son	farmer	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Vine "	f	8	G Dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Ellen "	f	6	G Dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Frances "	f	4	G Dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn

*Comment by mov:*

*John and Martha Bowers were married; Noah Bowers was widowed; all others were single. John Follet and William, Vince and Ellen Bowers all attended school within the census year. According to the record, John Follet could not write.*

*The age and other identifying information of this John Follet corresponds to what is known about him from other records.*

*The neighborhood which included the household of John Bowers Senior:*

*Len Bowers, Joseph Renner, James Holt, Philip Bowers, Samuel Freshour, Joseph Freshour, James Nelson, Lavinia Cunduff, Andrew Bowers, John Freshour, **John Bowers Sen**, John Bowers Jr., William Linebarger, David Renner, Thomas Evans, John P. Bowers, James Cutshall [end of enumeration for District No. 3].*

*Households headed by individuals with the Bowers surname were neighbors of Nancy Follet in the 1870 census. It is possible the Bowers household John was living in at the time of the 1880 census was headed by someone who knew the Follet family and employed John to work on their farm.*

1880

1880 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 25, Enumeration District (ED) 47, sheet 80-A (stamped), p. 21 (penned), dwelling 68, family 90, William Smelser; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T9, roll 1258.

Attachment 4

Name	sex	age	Relationship to head	Occupation	Birthplace	Place of birth father	Place of birth mother
William Smelser	m	31	head	farmer	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Nancy "	f	36	wife	keeping house	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
<b>John "</b>	<b>m</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>son</b>	<b>laborer</b>	<b>Tenn</b>	<b>Tenn</b>	<b>Tenn</b>
Alice "	f	14	dau	<del>keeping</del>	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Clark "	m	12	son	laborer	Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Florence "	f	8	dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Martha "	f	6	dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Kattie "	f	5	dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Lavinia "	f	3	dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn
Evaline "	f	6/12	dau		Tenn	Tenn	Tenn

*Comment by mov:*

*William and Nancy Smelser were married; all others were single.*

*Despite the enumeration of an individual who appears to be John in the household of John Bowers Senior, the John Smelser enumerated in the household of William Smelser clearly was the son of Nancy and step-son of William. William was too young to be the father of either 18 year old John or 14 year old Alice. The ages of John, Alice and Clark correspond to the ages of the children enumerated in the 1870 household of Nancy Follet. Perhaps John worked on the farms of both households and therefore was reported by each.*

*The neighborhood which included the household of William Smelser:*

*James Smelser, John Suttle, Pinkney Shaw, Alford Sheffey, Augustus Hall, John Hall, Jeremiah Smith, Enoch Hartman, Peter Hauff, Susan Henry, **William Smelser**, James Smith, Daniel Smith, Robert Amos, William Sea, Elizabeth Semons, William Whittenburg, William Hartman, Samuel Janes, Andrew Rader [end of ED 47].*

*None of these surnames appeared in the 1870 neighborhood of Nancy.*

1890

Tennessee

No results

*Comment by mov:*

*No records from Tennessee survive for the 1890 census.<sup>6</sup>*

1890

North Carolina

No results

*Comment by mov:*

*The only surviving records for North Carolina from the 1890 census are for South Point Township and Ricer Bend Township in Gaston County; and Township No. 2 in Cleveland County.<sup>7</sup>*

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<sup>6</sup>"About 1890 United States Federal Census Fragment," *Ancestry.com* (<http://search.ancestry.com/search/>).

<sup>7</sup> *Ibid.*

1900

1900 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, Civil District No. 25 , enumeration district (ED) 33, p. 75 (stamped), sheet 14-A (penned), dwelling 741, family 741, William A Smelser; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T623, roll 1573.

Attachment 5

Name	sex	age	mo/year of Birth	Relationship to head	Birthplace	Place of Birth father	Place of Birth mother
William A Smelser	m	50	June 1849	head	Tennessee	Tenn	Tenn
Nancy E	f	55	June 1844	wife	Tennessee	Tenn	Tenn
Marth M	f	25	Aug 1874	daughter	Tennessee	Tenn	Tenn
Kattie J	f	23	June 1876	daughter	Tennessee	Tenn	Tenn
Willie Eva	f	20	Jan 1880	daughter	Tennessee	Tenn	Tenn
Charles E	m	18	Jan 1882	son	Tennessee	Tenn	Tenn
Lourie M	f	12	May 1888	daughter	Tennessee	Tenn	Tenn

*Comments by mov:*

*Nancy was enumerated as the wife of William Smelcer in the 1900 census in Greene County, Tennessee. The household consisted of five children with the Smelser surname—three of whom were recorded in the household in the 1880 census. According to the dates recorded, the births of all the children occurred after the marriage of Nancy to William Smelcer.*

*The informant for this census reported Nancy had ten children and eight were still living.*

*John, Alice and Clark were not living in the household.*

- *John was enumerated as head of his own household in North Carolina.<sup>8</sup>*
- *Alice married Croford C. Huff on 4 March 1886.<sup>9</sup> She married Rufus Hinkle on 22 May 1895.<sup>10</sup> She likely died prior to the 1900 census since Rufus M. Hinkle, recorded as “single,” was enumerated as head of a household in Greene County Tennessee.<sup>11</sup>*
- *Clark (using the given name Benjamin) was enumerated as head of his own household in Greene County Tennessee.<sup>12</sup>*

*William Follette was not enumerated in any census as head of a household. This correlates with the dates of his marriage and his death. He and Nancy married after the 1860 census and he died prior to the 1870 census.*

<sup>8</sup> 1900 U. S. census, Iredell Co., N.C., pop. sch., ED 99, p. 6-B, John C. Follet.

<sup>9</sup> “Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002,” database and images, *Ancestry.com* (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 23 July 2014), entry no. 1335, Huff-Follet (1886), Greene County, page 224; citing “Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002, microfilm, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville.”

<sup>10</sup> “Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002,” database and images, *Ancestry.com* (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 25 July 2014), entry no. 260, Hinkle-Huff (1895), Greene County, Marriage Record 6:44; citing “Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002, microfilm, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville.”

<sup>11</sup> 1900 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, Civil District 5, Enumeration District (ED) 33, sheet 7-B, dwelling 245, family 245, Rufus M. Hinkle; NARA microfilm publication T623, roll 1573.

<sup>12</sup> 1900 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, Civil District 25, Enumeration District (ED) 33, sheet 5-B, dwelling 191, family 191, Benjamin C Follett; NARA microfilm publication T623, roll 1573.

## **VITAL RECORDS**

### **Birth Record for John C. Follette**

None

*Comment by mov:*

*Tennessee did not require statewide registration of births before 1908.*

### **Marriage Record of John C. Follette and Carrie Parker**

- 1) Iredell County, North Carolina, Register of Deeds index: entry for Follett-Parker marriage (1888); Iredell County Government Center, Statesville.

“Date Married:       01/19/1888  
John C. Follett  
Carrie Parker  
File Number: 1888-00000012”

- 2) Matthew McCall, Register of Deeds, Iredell County, North Carolina to Mary O’Brien Vidlak, email, 8 July 2014, re marriage record of Follette-Parker; personal correspondence, 2014; Peacock Family, Vidlak Research Files; privately held by Vidlak, Williamsburg, Virginia.

“Unfortunately the only record I have of this marriage is our index entry. I don’t have the actual marriage license. I just pulled the old ledger book from 1788 [1888]<sup>13</sup> that would’ve contained it, but I couldn’t find the entry. It’s possible this may have been shared information we received from a genealogist long before my tenure.

You may want to reach out to the NC Dept of Archives to see if they have anything available.”

*Comment by mov:*

*The index entry was obtained during a visit to the Iredell County offices in 2013. As a derivative record it is more likely to contain errors than an original record. In addition, it does not provide information on the parents of the couple. A subsequent attempt to obtain the original record was unsuccessful. It appears to be lost or misplaced.*

- 3) North Carolina, Marriage Register, 1851-1964, C.054.63001, Iredell County, page 23, entry for John C. Follett and Carrie Parker, 19 January 1888; State Archives of North Carolina, Raleigh.  
Attachment 6

“NAME and RESIDENCE of MAN:

SURNAME:	Follett
GIVEN NAME:	John C.
Residence:	Tenn

NAME and RESIDENCE of WOMAN:

SURNAME:	Parker
GIVEN NAME:	Carrie
Residence:	Iredell Co

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<sup>13</sup> Mr. McCall sent a follow-up email after his initial reply stating that he meant to write 1888.



AGE:  
 Man: 25  
 Woman: 18

White or colored man: W  
 White or colored woman: W  
 DATE of marriage: 1-19-1888  
 BY WHOM MARRIED AND PLACE:  
 Name and title of person officiating: W J Hopkins Min[ister]  
 Place of marriage: Statesville Tnshp  
 WITNESSES: G S Daniel  
 A H Setzer  
 W R Day"

*Comment by mov:*

*In response to a request for the original marriage record, the staff at the state archive sent a copy of the microfilm of a page from the indexed register. Although, this record contains more information than the index entry held in the county office, it too does not identify the parents of John. The indexed register does not even have a column to record information on parents.*

*At present this record is the best available source for a record of John's first marriage. The source provides primary information on the age and residence of John at the time of his marriage. Assuming the copyist did not make an error, it provides documentation for John as a resident of Tennessee at the time of his marriage in January 1888; his age indicates a birth year of 1862.*

*The back side of the copy was stamped: "Please note: Due to the poor condition of the original document Xerox copies may be illegible." The response of the archive clerk which accompanied the record identified the date of the marriage as 18 September 1887, which was the date of the marriage preceding the entry for John and Carrie. In addition, it is difficult to tell who the witnesses to the Follett-Parker marriage were since the names in this column do not clearly line up with the other information. It is possible only two of the three witnesses in the transcription were associated with the marriage.*

**Marriage Record of John Follette and Mae Hewitte**

Burke County North Carolina, marriage certificate no. 19 (1935), Follette-Hewitte; Burke County Office of the Register of Deeds, Morganton.

Attachment 7

"State of North Carolina, County of Burke  
Office of Register of Deeds  
No. 19 ...

Morganton, N.C., 2/7 1935

*Rome Boston Newton N.C. having applied to me for a LICENSE for the marriage of*

*John Follette of Moorsville and*

*Mae Hewitte of Newton, NC*

age 71 years; color white; the son of  
[blank] and [blank]  
the father now [blank], the mother [blank]  
resident of [blank]

age 52 years; color white; the daughter of  
[blank] and [blank]  
the father now [blank], the mother [blank]  
resident of [blank] ...

*Rome Boston* being duly sworn, says: That he knows of his own certain knowledge that the parties applying for License are both over 18 years of age, and so far as he knows or is informed and believes, there is no lawful cause of impediment forbidding said} marriage....

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this  
Feb 7 - 1935 } *Laurence Crouch*  
 } *By HM Walton C.S.C.*

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—Burke County  
 I, *A. P. Causby*, a *Justice of the Peace*, united in matrimony  
*John Follette* and *May Hewitte*, the parties licensed above, on  
 The 7 day of Feb, 1935 at Morganton, N. C. in Morganton Township, in said County, according to law.

WITNESSES PRESENT AT MARRIAGE  
*Fred Bartow* }  
*Frank Talbot Morganton, NC* } *A. P. Causby J.P.*  
*J. M. Clark Morganton, NC* } Officiating Officer.

*Comment by mov:*  
*John married a second time seventeen months after the death of Carrie.<sup>14</sup> Unlike the derivative records found for his first marriage, this license and return is an original record. The information is primary as it was probably supplied by John. The license does ask for information on the father and the mother of each party and the current residence of each parent. Unfortunately, this information was left blank. Neither the individual applying for the license nor the witnesses are known members of John's family. The age given by John does correlate with the birthdate of September 1863 from the 1900 census. There is nothing to indicate where John was born.*

**Death Record for John C. Follette**

1. Death Certificate for John C. Fallett

“North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1976,” digital images, *Ancestry.com* (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 6 July 2014), entry for John C. Fallett, 13 July 1935, Gaston County certificate no. 17; citing “North Carolina Death Certificates, microfilm, North Carolina State Archives, Raleigh.”  
 Attachment 8

Abstract:

Place of death:	Cherryville, Gaston County, NC
Length of residence in town where death occurred:	5 months
Name:	John C. Fallett
Sex:	male
Color or race:	white
Marital status:	married
Husband of:	Lillie Mae Fallett
Date of birth:	Sept 10 1862
Age:	72 years, 6 months, 3 days
Occupation:	not employed

<sup>14</sup> “North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1976,” digital images, *Ancestry.com* (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 9 October 2015), entry for Carrie Alma Augusta Follette, 26 August 1933, certificate no. 52, Iredell County; citing “North Carolina Death Certificates microfilm, North Carolina State Archives, Raleigh.”

Birthplace:	Green County Tenn
Name of father:	William Fallett
Birthplace [of father]:	Green County Tenn
Maiden name of mother:	Sue Susond
Birthplace [of mother]:	Green County Tenn
Informant:	William Fallett
Address:	Mooreville, NC
Burial:	Willow Valey [sic], July 15, 1935
Date of Death:	July 13, 1935
Time of Death:	7:00 a.m.
Principal Cause of Death:	Found dead in bed
Contributory causes of importance:	Cardio-vascular-renal disease
Was there an autopsy:	No

*Comment by mov:  
John died five months after his marriage to Mae Hewitte.*

*Despite the "a" in the spelling of the surname, this is undoubtedly the death record of John C. Follette. It is an original record containing both primary and secondary information. The information regarding John's death is primary. However, the information regarding his date of birth, his birthplace, names of his parents and their places of birth is all secondary. It was supplied by the informant who was not likely to have firsthand knowledge of that information. The relationship of the informant to John was not requested or provided, but he was likely his second son, William, who lived in Mooreville. William would be reporting information he probably heard from his father.*

2. Tombstone for J. C. Follotte

Find A Grave, database with images (<http://www.findagrave.com> : accessed 6 July 2014), memorial 50537809, John Clark Follette (1864-1935), Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooreville, Iredell County, North Carolina; gravestone photograph by Barbara Reid Ruiz.

[Family Stone]  
"FOLLETTE"

[Headstone]  
"J. C. FOLLOTTE  
BORN SEPT. 9.1864  
DIED JULY 13.1935"

*Comment by mov:  
J. C. Follette and Carrie A. Parker were buried in the same plot in Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooreville, Iredell County, North Carolina. The surname on the family tombstone is Follette. The individual stone for John has yet another variation of his surname and his date of birth does not agree with other records. Nevertheless, this is certainly the gravesite of John C. Follette. The location corresponds with the burial information on his death certificate, the date of death is the same and the site is shared with Carrie A.*

*Parker, who is identified as the "wife of J. C. Follette."<sup>15</sup> Since the surname is spelled differently it is possible the stonemason was either given incorrect information or made an error when cutting the stone.*

**Marriage Record for William W. Follett and Nancy E. Susong**

Marriage License

Attachment 9 "Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-841094-12?cc=1619127> : accessed 6 July 2014), Follett-Susong, 13 October 1861; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage Book 3:1103; FHL microfilm 1,148,744. [image of face of license]

"Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-841104-29?cc=1619127> : accessed 6 July 2014), Follett-Susong, 13 October 1861; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage Book 3:1103; FHL microfilm 1,148,744. [image of back side of license]

"State of Tennessee

Greene County

To any authorized Minister or Justice of the Peace.

You are hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the rites of Matrimony between *William W Follett* and *Nancy Emaline Susong*

of said county; and the time of such marriage, with your name signed officially thereto, you shall endorse on the back of this License, and return the same to my office within six months thereafter,

Witness my hand, at office in Greenville, this *12<sup>th</sup>* day of *October* 1861  
*E W Hendrick CLC*

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I Solemnized the rites of matrimony between the within named parties *on* the *13* day of *Oct* 1861

*Daniel D Hull*  
*Justes of the peas*  
*For Green County*

1103 [this no. appears to have been added at a later time when these documents were filed]

*License*

*W<sup>m</sup> W Follett*

*To*

*Nancy E. Susong*

*1<sup>st</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 1861'*

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<sup>15</sup> *Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://www.findagrave.com> : accessed 7 July 2014), memorial 50537806, Carrie Alma Parker Follette (1869-1933), Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooresville, Iredell County, North Carolina; gravestone photograph by Barbara Reid Ruiz.

Marriage Bond

"Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," index and images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-841124-33?cc=1619127> : accessed 6 July 2014) Follett-Susong, 12 October 1861; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage Book 3:1103; FHL microfilm 1,148,744. Attachment 10

"State of Tennessee

Greene County

WE, *William W. Follett + J. A. Farnsworth*

bind ourselves, our heirs, &c., to the Sate [sic] of Tennessee, in the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars,

lawful money of said State, but to be void on condition that there is no lawful cause to obstruct the marriage of said *William W Follett*

to *Nancy Emaline Susong* of said county

WITNESS, our hands and seals, this 12<sup>th</sup> day of *October*, 1861.

TEST,

*Wm W Follet* (L.S.)

*E. W. Hendricks*

*Joseph A Farnsworth* (L.S.)"

*Comment by mov:*

*The marriage license and bond are original records containing primary information regarding the names of the parties, the date and location of the marriage, the bondsmen and the name of the official who performed the ceremony. The individuals involved in this event were all eyewitnesses to it. The absence of a note giving permission for either one of the parties to marry indicates they were old enough to legally marry. Joseph A. Farnsworth was likely a close relative of the couple.*

*The surname given for Nancy corresponds to the mother's maiden name on John's 1935 death certificate. The difference in spelling could be the result of the irregular spelling common to the nineteenth century, faulty memory or misunderstanding based on the way the surname was pronounced. The birth name Sue, which appears on the death certificate, may have been a nickname the family used based on Nancy's maiden name. The maiden surname for Nancy exactly matches that in the biographical sketch. However, the sketch uses the "La" prefix for William's surname.*

*Since John and Nancy were married by a Justice of the Peace this document provides no indication of their religious affiliation (if any). Without such information it is difficult to search for a baptismal record for John. If such a certificate was found, it might provide additional direct evidence of his parents based on primary information.*

Death Record for William W. Follett

*No death record was located in any online database for William.*

*No burial record was found in any online database for William.*

Marriage Record for William Smelser and Nancy Follet

"Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," database with images, *FamilySearch*

(<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-854486-47?cc=1619127> : accessed 9 July 2014), Smelser-Follett, 2 December 1873; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage records, Feb 1873-Oct 1876, entry 1246; FHL microfilm 1,148,758. [face of license]

"Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-854491-90?cc=1619127> : accessed 9 July 2014), Smelsor-Follett, 2 December 1873; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage records, Feb 1873-Oct 1876, entry 1246; FHL microfilm 1,148,758. [back side of license]

Attachment 11

"STATE OF TENNESSEE

Greene County:

TO ANY AUTHORIZED MINISTER OF JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

You are hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the rites of Matrimony between

*William Smelser* and *Nancy Follet* of said County, ...

Witness my hand, at office in Greeneville, *2nd* day of *December* 1873

*V. S. Maloney, CLC*

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I Solemnized the rites of matrimony between the  
within named parties, the *2* day of *December*  
1873

*H C Smith*  
*J.P for GC*

*1246*

*License*

*William Smelser*

*To*

*Nancy Follet*

*1st* [Issued] *2nd Dec 1873*

*Ret 10th April 1874"*

*Comment by mov:*

*This record provides limited information. It does place Nancy in Greene County in 1873. In combination with the 1870 census, it is valid to assume Nancy was a widow at the time of her second marriage.*

#### **Death Record for Nancy E. (Susong) Follett Smelser**

*Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://www.findagrave.com> : accessed 8 July 2014), memorial 45292773, Nancy Emaline Susong Smelcer (1844-1912), Pine Grove UMC Cemetery, Greeneville, Greene County, Tennessee; gravestone photograph by Anna Lane Long.

*Comment by mov:*

*The creator of the Find a Grave page asserts the first husband of Nancy Emaline Susong Smelcer was William W. LaFollette and that the couple had three children: John Calley LaFollette, Benjamin Clark LaFollette, and Eliza Alice LaFollette. There is a link to additional information about Benjamin Clark; no link to John Calley or Eliza Alice.*

*The page includes a photograph of Nancy's tombstone but the engraving is very difficult to read. There is a transcription on the page (presumably from the tombstone) which gives her date of death as 30 November 1912 in Greene County. The page also contains a photograph reported to be of Nancy and the Smelcer children.*

*Also according to the Find A Grave page, Nancy's second husband, William Augustus Smelcer, died on 27 August 1911 and is buried in the same cemetery. There is no photograph of his grave.*

*No citations supply the source of the information vis-a-vis the relationships described on the page. It is obvious the creator of the page had no first-hand knowledge of the relationships she is reporting since the page was created long after the individuals had died.*

### Death Record for Benjamin C. Follette

1. News story

"Johnson City Man Killed by Freight Train" *Johnson City (Tennessee) Press Chronicle*, 11 September 1943, p. 1, col. unk.

"Benjamin Clark LaFollette, 75, of No. 3 Exum street, was killed instantly around 3:30 p. m. yesterday when struck by the engine of a west-bound Southern Railway freight train near the Main street crossing...."

LaFollette is survived by his wife; ... two sisters, Mrs. Frank Kelton and Mrs. [indecipherable due to damaged microfilm] both of Greenville, and one half-brother, Charlie Smelser...."

2. Tombstone for Benjamin Clark Follett

*Find A Grave*, database with images (<http://findagrave.com> : accessed 8 July 2014), memorial 36601845, Benjamin Clark LaFollette (1868-1943), Hartmans Chapel UMC Cemetery, Mosheim, Greene County, Tennessee; gravestone photograph by Anna Lane Long.

[Family Stone]

"FOLLETT"

[Headstone]

"BENJAMIN CLARK FOLLETT

APR 21. 1868

SEPT 10. 1943"

*Comment by mov:*

*This article reported the death of an individual who was almost certainly the brother of John. Unfortunately, the story did not identify his parents or his deceased siblings. The identification of Charlie Smelser as a half-brother implies Mrs. Frank Kelton and the woman whose name is indecipherable are full siblings. In fact, Mrs. Kelton was Lavinia Josephine, daughter of Nancy and her second husband.<sup>16</sup> Other research suggests Eliza Alice Follette died before 1900.<sup>17</sup> Therefore, she was not the sister mentioned in the article whose name is missing. That person would have to be another half-sister of Benjamin.*

*Based on this information, Benjamin Clark was the son of Nancy Smelser and William W. Follet.*

*Ric La Rue at the Sherrod Library at East Tennessee State University checked the paper for the two weeks following the accident and did not find any additional articles.<sup>18</sup>*

*The Find A Grave page does not identify any siblings other than children of Nancy and William Smelser.*

*This is another example of the interchange in the use of LaFollette and Follett as the surname.*

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<sup>16</sup> "Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002," database and images, *Ancestry.com* (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 10 November 2015), entry no. 421, Kelton-Smelcer (1895), Greene County, Marriage Record 6:71; citing "Tennessee State Marriages, 1780-2002, microfilm, Tennessee State Library and Archives, Nashville."

<sup>17</sup> See notes regarding Alice Follett in comments for 1900 census, page 7 of this report.

<sup>18</sup> Ric La Rue, Sherrod Library, East Tennessee State University to Mary O'Brien Vidlak, email, 13 November 2014, re La Follette obit/story; personal correspondence, 2014; Peacock Family, Vidlak Research Files; privately held by Vidlak, Williamsburg, VA.

## MILITARY RECORDS

National Park Service. *Civil War Soldiers and Sailors System*. Database. [www.nps.gov/civilwar/soldiers-and-sailors-database.htm](http://www.nps.gov/civilwar/soldiers-and-sailors-database.htm) : 2014.

*Comment by mov:*

*Even without the clue from the biographical sketch, it is likely an individual of an age to be the father of John was involved in the Civil War. A search of the National Park Service (NPS) Soldiers and Sailors Database for the War produced two possible candidates who were likely to be William:*

- *William W. Follet who served for the Union with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment Tennessee Infantry*
- *William Lafollet/Layfollette who served for the Confederacy with the 61<sup>st</sup> Regiment Tennessee Mounted Infantry (also called the 81<sup>st</sup> Regiment)*

“Civil War Compiled Military Service Records, Union Records,” digital images, *Fold3* (<http://www.fold3.com> : accessed 9 July 2014), Military Service Record, William W. Follet, Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf.; citing NARA microfilm publication “Compiled military service records of volunteer Union soldiers belonging to units organized from the State of Tennessee,” Record Group 94, M395, roll 131. [22 cards and Discharge Certificate]  
Attachment 12

*Comment by mov:*

*The compiled military service record (CMSR) for William W. Follet consists of twenty-two cards documenting his service in support of the Union during the Civil War. These records were created after the War by Federal employees from muster rolls, returns, pay vouchers and other records. They document William’s enlistment on 22 November 1862 at Bowling Green, Kentucky (noting it was 400 miles from his home) for three years in Company F of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment, East Tennessee Infantry.*

*Nothing in these cards provides information on William’s marital status or family. They do, however, document his discharge from military service on 10 June 1865 “by reason of disability.” In addition to the cards, the file also contains a copy of a Certificate of Disability for Discharge.*

“ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES  
CERTIFICATE  
OF DISABILITY FOR DISCHARGE.

*William W. Follet a Private of Captain [blank] Company, (F) of the Second E. Tenn Infty Regiment of the United States Vol was enlisted by Capt Sneed of the [blank] Regiment of [blank] at Bowling Green Kentucky on the Twenty second day of November, 1862 to serve Three years; he was born in Green Co in the State of Tennessee, is Twenty two years of age, Five feet Ten inches high, Fair complexion, Blue eyes, Red hair, and by occupation when enlisted a Farmer. During the last two months said soldier has been unfit for duty [blank] days. (Was wounded in the right arm on the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July 1864 near Jacksboro Tenn while in line of duty)  
(Soldiers Statement)*

Station: Knoxville Tenn  
Date: June 6<sup>th</sup> 1865

J. Machard  
Surgeon U.S.V.



Commanding Company  
*In Charge*

I CERTIFY, that I have carefully examined the said *William W Follet* of Captain [blank] Company, and find him incapable of performing the duties of a soldier because of *amputation of right arm at lower third in consequence of a gun shot wound Disability total*

*J Machard*  
*Surg. U.S.V. in charge*  
*Asylum U. S. A. Genl. Hosp.*  
*Knoxville Surgeon*  
*Tenn.*

DISCHARGED, this *Twentieth* day of *June*, 1865, at *Asylum USA*  
*General Hospital Knoxville Tenn*

*J Machard*  
*Surgeon USV*  
~~Commanding the Reg't.~~  
*In charge*

The *Soldier* desires to be addressed at  
Town *Greenville* County *Green* State *Tennessee*"

*Comment by mov:*

*This Discharge Certificate is an original record with primary information. Barring a deliberate falsehood, all the information on this document was true. The attending surgeon signed the document in three places attesting to the truth of the statements.*

*The information on this document agrees with the information pertaining to his discharge papers in the biographical sketch written by Dixie Follette. William did lose an arm in the Civil War and he was described as "having red hair and blue eyes." However, none of the twenty-two cards in his CMSR or the discharge certificate ever use the surname LaFollette.*

*The discharge further states he was born in Green County Tennessee and gave that location as his future address. This information ties with the location of his 1861 marriage.*

**PENSION RECORDS**

**Invalid Pension Record for William W. Follet**

William W. Follet (Pvt., Co. F., 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War), pension no. Inv. 70,548, Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

*Comment by mov:*

*William received a disability pension for the injuries he received resulting from his service in the war. His file provides considerable details surrounding his service and the cause of his disability. It does not contain personal information other than his age (24 in May 1866; 28 in September 1868) and residence (Greene County, Tennessee). There is no information about his wife or family.*

*It does include a duplicate of his Discharge Certificate.*

**Widow's Pension Record for Nancy E. Follett**

- Widow's Declaration for Army Pension, 3 April 1871, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension application no. 195,140, certificate no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.  
Attachment 13

Extracts:

"That she was married to the said William Follett on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1861, at her Fathers House by one Daniel D. Hull a Justice of the peace; that her name before her said marriage was Nancy E. Susong; ..."

"And my deceased husband left no minor children by a former marriage, and I have not married since the death of my husband, nor abandoned the support of any of our children under sixteen years of age, nor permitted any one for whom pension and increase pension is claimed to be adopted by any person or persons, and that they are the only legitimate children now living of myself and my deceased husband, and their names and ages are as herein stated:

John P. Follett, born September 10<sup>th</sup>, 1862  
Eliza A. Follett, born August 19<sup>th</sup>, 1865  
Benjamin C. Follett, born April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1868."

"her  
 "Nancy + E. Follett  
 mark"

- Statement of Witness to Children's Births, 3 May 1871, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension application no. 195,140, certificate no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.  
Attachment 14

"State of Tennessee }  
 Greene County } Personally appeared before me a clerk of a court of record M<sup>rs</sup> Vina Susong who being first duly sworn says that she was present when M<sup>rs</sup> a widow Nancy E Follett was delivered of the following children, to wit, John Patric Follett who was born on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of September 1862 and Liza Alice Follett who was born on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1865 and that she has no interest in this claim  
 Witness. her  
 W. F. Park Vina x Susong  
 Tho<sup>s</sup> Lane Sr mark

Sworn to and subscribed before me and I certify that I have no interest in the prosecution of this claim. Given under my hand and seal of office, at office in Greenville this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of May 1871.  
 V. S. Malonay clerk  
Greene County Court"

- Claimants Application for Arrears of Pension, 17 May 1880, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension application no. 195,140, certificate no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.  
Attachment 15

Extracts:

“... Nancy Smelcer formerly Nancy <sup>E</sup> Follett widow of William <sup>W</sup> Follett aged about 36 years ....”

“ ... she ... was married again to her present husband William Smelcer on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December 1873. And that the following are the names and dates of the births of said Follett legitimate children yet surviving who were under sixteen years of age at their fathers death –

- John P. Born September 10<sup>th</sup>, 1862
- E. A. “ August 19<sup>th</sup> 1865
- B. C. “ April 21<sup>st</sup> 1868

That she has not abandoned the support of any of his children, but that they are still under her care and maintain[ance] ....”

- Proof of Birth of Children, 26 January 1882, Nancy E. Follett, widow’s pension application no. 195,140, certificate no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.  
Attachment 16

“State of Tennessee            }  
Green County                    }            I, V. S. Malonay Clerk +c do hereby certify that I have faithfully and carefully examined the family record as found in the family Bible recently belonging to William W. Follett and in the possession of his widow and find the following to be a full true and perfect copy of the same, to wit –  
‘John. P. Follett was born Seprtr. 10<sup>th</sup> 1862

Eliza. A. Follett was born Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> 1865

Benjamin. C. Follett was born April 21<sup>st</sup> 1868 [blot; no closing quotation mark]

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal of office at office in Greenville on this the 26<sup>th</sup> day of June 1882

V. S. Malonay Clerk  
By O. B. Headrick DC”

*Comment by mov:*

*The invalid pension portion of William’s file ends with his Declaration for Arrears of Pension which he filed in September 1868. The file continues with Nancy’s claim for a pension as the widow of William. She also filed for additional money for the three minor children of William. This extensive file documents her persistent and ultimately successful attempt to prove William’s death was the result of ill health brought on by disease and the injury he experienced during the war.*

*The widow’s pension portion of the file includes documentation of William’s death on 14 July 1869 in Greeneville, Greene County, Tennessee.*

*Among other things Nancy was required to prove her marriage to William. The documents in the file concur with the marriage license and return dated 13 October 1861. In addition, she was obliged to provide the names and birth dates of their mutual children. This is primary information; Nancy was present at her marriage and at the births of their children. She swore before the clerk of Greene County that her statements were true. She was unable to sign her name but made her mark in the presence of two witnesses.*

*Vina Susong also made a sworn statement and attested that she was a witness to the births of “John Patric” and “Liza Allice.”*

*Nancy was no longer eligible to receive the widow’s pension when she married William Smelcer in 1873. However, she continued to file paperwork and made an application for arrears of pension in May 1880. In this she again identified “the names and date of birth of said Follett legitimate children yet surviving who were under sixteen years of age at their father’s death.” Two years later she carried William’s Bible to the county clerk who examined it and copied out the information regarding the births of their children.*

*All this documentation consistently affirms William W. Follett and Nancy E. Follett had three legitimate children:*

- *John P. born 10 September 1862*
- *Eliza A. born 19 August 1865*
- *Benjamin C. born 21 April 1868.*

*The statements of the witnesses to the births of the children are the only sources for the middle name of each child. They are identified as John Patric, Eliza Alice and Benjamin Clark.<sup>19</sup> It becomes clear with this information that Eliza Alice bounced back and forth between her two given names and Benjamin Clark did the same.*

**Minors’ Pension Record for John P. Follett, Eliza A. Follett, Benjamin C. Follett**

- Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension, 13 May 1886, John P. Follett, Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors’ pension application no. 339,415, certificate no. 239,204; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.  
Attachment 17

Extract:

“Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension –

State of Tennessee            }  
Greene County                }            On this the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May 1886 Personally appeared before me W H Piker clerk of the County Court, which is a court of record within + for said County in said State of Tennessee William A Smelcer [written in margin “guard”] and John. P. Follett, both residents of the County of Greene in the state of Tennessee aged respectively 37 + 24 years who being duly sworn according to Law make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provisions of acts of Congress granting Pensions to orphans, That the said William A Smelcer is the legal guardian of Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C Follett – Eliza A. Born Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1865, Benjamin C. Born April 21<sup>st</sup> 1868 legitimate children of William <sup>W</sup> Follett who was a soldier in Company F 2<sup>nd</sup> Reg Tennessee vol war of 1861-5 and that the said John P Follett is a son of the said William W Follett now of legal age but who makes application jointly with the guardian Born Sept 10<sup>th</sup> 1862 in order to secure whatever sum may be due him as one of the lawful heirs of the said William <sup>W</sup> Follett decd – that on his account Pension was allowed to himself for + during his life and since his death upon due application Pension has been allowed to the widow of the said Follett and her Children but ending at the date of the remarriage of the widow to wit – Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1873 –

That the names and the date of the birth of all his legitimate children yet surviving, who were under sixteen years at the date of the father’s death have been given and the proof of the same placed on file – also the

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<sup>19</sup> Statement of Witness to Children’s Births (Sarah E. Haynes), 3 May 1871, Nancy E. Follett, widow’s pension application no. 195,140, certificate no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

proof showing the date of the remarriage of the widow to wit Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1873 to Smelcer, is on file – in the Case of the application of the widow for Pension and is numbered <sup>195,140</sup> to which file the Department is most respectfully referred –

Guardian for his wards to wit and the same John. P. Follett who is now of full age make application for whatever Pension may be allowed unto them as the legitimate Children of the said William <sup>W</sup> Follett Decd from the date of the remarriage of their mother the same Nancy. E. Smelcer to the time when each child shall have arrived at the age of sixteen years of age –

That they hereby appoint William H Harmon of Greeneville Green County Tennessee their attorney to prosecute the above claim that their residence is in the County of Greene and State of Tennessee – and their Post office address is “Timberidge”

[signed] William A Smelcer, guard  
[signed] John P Follett”

- Names and Post Office Addresses of Guardian + heir of W. W. Follett decd, 25 August 1887, John P. Follett, Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors’ pension application no. 339,415, certificate no. 239,204; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.  
Attachment 18

“State of Tennessee }  
Greene County } We the Guardian of the minor Children of W<sup>m</sup> W. Follett and the children of said Follett of lawful age have hereto signed our respective names in our own handwriting – giving also our respective Post Office addresses – Done on this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1887 –

	Post Office
x [signed] William. A. Smelcer (Guar)	Timber Ridge Greene Co. Tenn
x [signed] John. P. Follett	“ “ “ “ “ “
x [signed] Eliza. A. Follett – wife	“ “ “ “ “ “
x of [signed] C. C. Huff	“ “ “ “ “ “

[note in margin with left curly bracket encompassing signatures “names”]

State of Tennessee }  
Greene County } I James M Shaw an acting Justice of the peace within + for said County of Greene in the state of Tennessee do hereby [certify] that the foregoing are the genuine signatures of the persons whose names appear on this paper - + in their own particular handwriting = In testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal on this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of August 1887

x James. M. Shaw (seal)  
J P for G.C

State of Tennessee }  
Greene County } I W H Piper clerk +c do hereby certify that James M Shaw is and was an acting Justice of the Peace within + for said County in the said State at the time of subscribing the above jurat. + that all his official acts as such are entitled to full faith + credit in testimony whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal on this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September 1887 –

W. H. Piper Clerk  
By L. F. Self DC

[written on outside of folded pages]

Names +

Post office addresses

Of

Guardian + heir of

W W Follett decd

[stamped – 3 different stamps]

U S PENSION OFFICE SEP 6 1887

SOUTHERN

SEP 8 1887

RECEIVED

SOUTHERN

DEC 10 1887

TO EXAMINE”

*Comment by mov:*

*When Nancy remarried, her claim for a pension ended. However, the children of William were still eligible to claim a minor's pension from the date of her remarriage until their respective sixteenth birthdays. The declaration of William Smelser, as guardian of Eliza A. and Benjamin C., and John P., as an heir of legal age, was filed in May 1886. By that time all three children were over age sixteen. The payments were approved by the pension office in December 1887.*

*The documents are further evidence of the birthdate and parents of John.*

**JOHN P. FOLLETT AND JOHN C. FOLLETTE**

Life Event	John P. Follett	John C. Follette
Birth Date	10 Sept 1862 <sup>20</sup>	Sept 1863 <sup>21</sup> 10 Sept 1862 <sup>22</sup> 9 Sept 1864 <sup>23</sup>
Birth Location	Tennessee <sup>24</sup> Greene County, Tennessee <sup>25</sup>	Tennessee <sup>26</sup> Greene Co, Tenn <sup>27</sup>
Father	William W. Follett <sup>28</sup>	William LaFollette <sup>29</sup> William Fallett <sup>30</sup>
Mother	Nancy Follett, later Smelser <sup>31</sup> Nancy E. Susong <sup>32</sup>	Nancy Susong <sup>33</sup> Sue Susond <sup>34</sup>

<sup>20</sup> Widow's Declaration for Army Pension, 3 April 1871, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension application no. 195,140, certificate no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C. Declaration of Guardian and Heir of Full Age for Pension, 13 May 1886, John P Follett, Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors' pension application no. 339,415, certificate no. 239,204; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1943; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

<sup>21</sup> 1900 U. S. census, Iredell Co., N.C., pop. sch., ED 99, p. 6-B, John C. Follet.

<sup>22</sup> "North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1976," digital images, *Ancestry.com* (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 6 July 2014), entry for John C. Fallett, 13 July 1935, Gaston County certificate no. 17; citing "North Carolina Death Certificates, microfilm, North Carolina State Archives, Raleigh."

<sup>23</sup> *Find A Grave*, database with images, (<http://www.findagrave.com> : accessed 6 July 2014), memorial 50537809, John Clark Follette (1864-1935), Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooresville, Iredell County, North Carolina; gravestone photograph by Barbara Reid Ruiz.

<sup>24</sup> 1870 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 25, Timber Ridge Post Office, sheet 451-A (stamped), p. 8 (penned), dwelling 61, family 61, Nancy Follet; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication M593, Roll 1531. 1880 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 3, Enumeration District (ED) 45, sheet 54-B (stamped), p. 34 (penned), dwelling 309, family 311, John Bowers Sen; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T9, roll 1258. 1880 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 25, Enumeration District (ED) 47, sheet 80-A (stamped), p. 21 (penned), dwelling 68, family 90, William Smelser; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T9, roll 1258.

<sup>25</sup> Widow's Declaration for Army Pension [and other documents], Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension no. 195,140, Civil War, RG 15, NA-Washington. Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension, John P. Follett et al, minors' pension no. 339,415, Civil War, RG 15, NA-Washington.

<sup>26</sup> 1900 U. S. census, Iredell Co., N.C., pop. sch., ED 99, p. 6-B, dwell. 17, fam. 17, John C. Follett. 1910 U. S. census, Iredell Co., N.C., pop. sch., ED 72, p. 12-A, dwell. 231, fam. 239, John C. Follette. 1920 U.S. census, Iredell Co., N.C., pop. sch., ED 85, sheet 3-B, dwell. 63, fam. 63, John C. Follette. 1930 U. S. census, Iredell Co., N.C., pop. sch., ED 7, sheet 1-B, dwell. 13, fam. 16, John Follette.

<sup>27</sup> "North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1976," digital images, *Ancestry.com*, entry for John C. Fallett, 13 July 1935, Gaston Co.

<sup>28</sup> Widow's Declaration for Army Pension [and other documents], Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension no. 195,140, Civil War, RG 15, NA-Washington. Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension, John P. Follett et al, minors' pension no. 339,415, Civil War, RG 15, NA-Washington.

<sup>29</sup> The Genealogical Society of Iredell County, *The Heritage of Iredell County* (Statesville, North Carolina: The Genealogical Society of Iredell County, 1980), 280, "John C. Follette & Family."

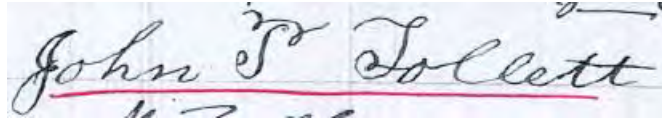
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<sup>31</sup> 1870 U. S. census, Greene Co., Tenn., pop. sch., District 25, sheet 451-A, dwell. 61, fam. 61, John Follet. 1880 U. S. census, Greene Co., Tenn., pop. sch., ED 45, p. 54-B (stamped), dwell. 309, fam. 311, John Follet. 1880 U. S. census, Greene Co., Tenn., pop. sch., ED 41, p. 80-A (stamped), dwell. 68, fam. 90, John Smelser.

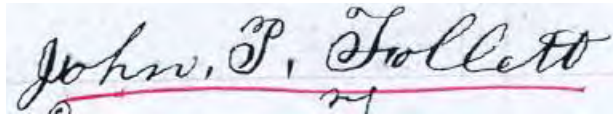
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<sup>33</sup> Genealogical Society of Iredell County, *The Heritage of Iredell County*, 280.

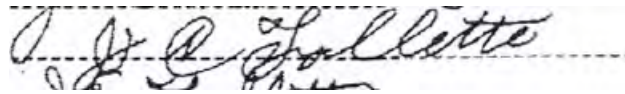
Twenty-four year<sup>35</sup> old John P. Follett of Timber Ridge, Greene County, Tennessee signed his name as an heir of full age for a pension on 13 May 1886.<sup>36</sup>

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John P. Follett". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background and is underlined with a red line.

Twenty-four year old John P. Follett of Timber Ridge, Greene County, Tennessee signed his name in the presence of a Justice of the Peace on 25 August 1887.<sup>37</sup>

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John P. Follett". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background and is underlined with a red line.

Fifty-seven year old John C. Follette of Mooresville, Iredell County, North Carolina signed his name as a witness to the marriage of his daughter Myrtle C. Follett to Lewis A. Peeler on 28 January 1920.<sup>38</sup>

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John C. Follette". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored background and is underlined with a red line.

*Comment by mov:*

*The signature of John P. Follett on two pension documents bears a strong resemblance to the signature of J. C. Follette on the marriage return of his daughter, particularly in the shape of the J and F. The latter signature appears to be a shakier version of that on the pension as would be expected from a man who was at least thirty years older.*

*William did not use the surname LaFollette in his marriage, military or pension records.*

*The information obtained—both primary and secondary—after conducting a thorough search in a variety of sources provides reliable evidence to prove William W. Follett and Nancy Emaline Susong were the parents of John C. Follette. This conclusion is based on the belief that for some reason John P. Follett began to refer to himself in all records as John C. Follette once he moved to North Carolina. No evidence found to date disputes the conclusion that this is one individual.*

## End of Research Notes

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<sup>34</sup> "North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1976," digital images, *Ancestry.com*, entry for John C. Fallett, 13 July 1935, Gaston Co.

<sup>35</sup> The document states he is 24. However, if he was born on 10 September 1862 he would have been 23 years old in May.

<sup>36</sup> Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension, John P. Follett et al, minors' pension no. 339,415, Civil War, RG 15, NA-Washington.

<sup>37</sup> Names and Post Office Addresses of Guardian + heir of W. W. Follett decd, 25 August 1887, John P. Follett, Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors' pension application no. 339,415, certificate no. 239,204; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; Record Group 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; National Archives, Washington, D.C.

<sup>38</sup> Iredell County, North Carolina, marriage certificate no. 24 (1920), Peeler-Follett; Register of Deeds, Statesville.



SUGGESTIONS FOR FURTHER RESEARCH:

1. Probate records: Check probate records in North Carolina for John and in Tennessee for Nancy. Based on information acquired during this phase of research, both may have held some property at the times of their respective deaths. There may be some proof of family relationship in the settlement of their estates.
2. Church records: W. J. Hopkins officiated at the marriage of John and Carrie. Identify his religious denomination and determine what church in Statesville would have been affiliated with it in 1888. Conduct a search for records from that church for the marriage. Such a record may identify the parents of John.
3. City and County Histories: Search for histories of Johnson City, Greeneville and Greene County, Tennessee similar to that produced by the Genealogical Society of Iredell County. It may include entries for Benjamin Clark Follett and members of the Smelser family. These sketches might include information definitively linking John P. Follett and John C. Follette.
4. Obituaries: Search for an obituary or notice of death for Nancy in both Tennessee and North Carolina. (A notice may have been put in John's local paper.) It may include information about her children. Also search for an obituary or notice of death for John. It may contain information about his parents. If a record is found, however, the information is likely to be from the same source as that of the death certificate.
5. Marriage Record: Check records at the North Carolina State Archive in Raleigh in person (or hire a local researcher) for the original marriage license and return for John and Carrie versus the register entry. According to the archive website: "After 1868 NC began requiring certification of marriages at the county level and, for the most part, those licenses are on microfilm."
6. Family Records and Artifacts: Family information and photographs were posted to *Find A Grave* pages for Nancy and Benjamin Clark by Anna Lane Long. Although she did not cite her sources, it appears she has original family materials. Contact her to see what resources she has.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. "John C. Follette & Family"
2. 1870 U. S. census: household headed by Nancy Follet
3. 1880 U. S. census: household headed by John Bowers Senior
4. 1880 U. S. census: household headed by William Smelser
5. 1900 U. S. census: household headed by William A. Smelser
6. Marriage Record of John C. Follette and Carrie Parker – 1888
7. Marriage of John Follette and Mae Hewitte – 1935
8. Death Record for John C. Fallett – 1935
9. Marriage License and Return for William W. Follett and Nancy E. Susong – 181
10. Marriage Bond for William W Follett and Nancy E. Susong – 1861
11. Marriage License and Return for William Smelser and Nancy Follet
12. Certificate of Disability for Discharge for William W. Follet – 1865
13. Widow's Declaration for an Army Pension for Nancy Follett – 1871
14. Statement of Witness to Children's Births from Vina Susong – 1871
15. Claimants Application for Arrears of Pension for Nancy E. Follett – 1880
16. Proof of Birth of Children from Nancy E. Follett – 1882
17. Declaration of Guardian and Heir of Full Age for Pension from William Smelser and John P. Follett – 1886
18. Names and Post Office Address of Guardian and Heir of W. W Follett decd – 1887
19. Client Agreement and Permission to Use Research Results

about by victories of the Revolution.

A school was also established by William near the old Center Church site, and at one time he paid the teacher's salary. In his will he specified that one of his slaves, Lindsey, and his family should be emancipated. This, of course, being before the Civil War, indicated his visionary civic concepts.

William and Mary were the parents of John, Betsey, Libitina, Elon, Sally, Abner, Mary, Rufus, and Harriet, all born at Liberty Hill. The oldest son, John, had a plantation near his father and his (John's) five children are the ancestors of many Iredellians. John's daughter, Mary, married Silas Davidson Sharpe and lived on the Sharpe plantation near Fourth Creek, just off Midway Drive in what is now the Midway Methodist Church Community. Their nine children: Margaret Sarah S. Douglas, Isabella S. Douglas, Mary Ann Gunn, Fidelia Barrett, Jane Rickert, John Ivey, William F. Clayton and James M. Sharpe, have many descendants in Iredell.

William's wife, Mary Sharpe Feimster died in 1810. He was married the second time on Nov. 28, 1816 to Jerusha King (b. May 3, 1783, d. Jan. 20, 1859) at Liberty Hill.

Upon William's death in 1842, his only living son, Abner, took over the leadership of Liberty Hill and his descendants owned it until after the Civil War. William and Mary are both buried in the old cemetery at Snow Creek Methodist Church in the Snow Creek Community in North Iredell, not too far from Liberty Hill.

The William Feimster house has been recommended as a designated historical structure.

— Mary D. Warren.

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John C. Follette, son of William LaFollette and Nancy Susong LaFollette.

John C. Follette came to Iredell County during the 1880's from Greene County, Tennessee. He was the son of William LaFollette and Nancy Susong. His father lost an arm in the Civil War. On William's discharge papers he is described as having red hair and blue eyes. There were three children from this union, William, Alice and John Clark. William, Sr. was dead by 1870, and his widow married William A. Smelser. Alice died before her mother (Nancy died Nov. 30, 1912). Clark remained in Tennessee.

John C. Follette came to Statesville selling lightning rods. He met Carrie A. Parker, daughter of J. Weston Parker and Ellen Elizabeth Setzer. They were married Jan. 19, 1888. They lived in the Celeste Henkel School area.

They later moved to Mooresville and built a home on North Broad and raised a family. John traded horses and mules. There are a lot of his land transactions on record in the courthouse, maybe land was traded too.

John died July 13, 1935 and Carrie, Aug. 26, 1933. Both are buried in Willow Valley Cemetery, Mooresville. There is a will on record for Carrie in the courthouse. She left the home to one of her sons but it has been torn down in the past decade.

The eight children of John C. and Carrie A. Follette were: 1. Charles Robert (b. Sept. 10, 1889) married Janie Smith in 1925; ran a livestock barn in Bennettsville, S.C.; no children. He died in 1958. 2. William Waitsell (b. May 27, 1892) married Etta Ramsey from West Virginia. He was a horsetrader. No children. He died in 1960 and is buried in Mooresville. 3. John Edger (b. Oct. 16, 1893) married Nell Bumgardner from Mountain City, Tenn. He died Aug. 29, 1973. He was a barber and traded ponies on the side. They had one daughter, Betty (b. July 4, 1928). She has one son, Scott Trail (b. Nov. 17, 1955).

4. Clarence Clark (b. May 2, 1895; d. 1968) married Lucy Frances Horton. Clarence "Coot" was a horse and mule trader and he and his brother, Bob, started a riding stable in New York back in the 1940's. Two of his sons and their families still go there each summer. Children: Christine married John L. Bowman; they live in Florida and have two sons, John and Jeffery. Rufus John married Virginia Oliphant of Mooresville; he is a food broker and lives in Winston-Salem. Children: Rufus John, Jr. married to Nancy and live in Ohio and Judy (b. Oct. 27, 1956) married to Eddie Shaffer. Henry Clinton (b. May 1, 1931) married Dixie Sims of Concord. They lived in Mooresville and operated a western store. They moved to Rowan County in 1972 and raise horses. Children: Lisa LuJane (b. Oct. 25, 1955) married to Richard Brian of Allentown, Pa. on June 9, 1979 and Sue Ann, born May 7, 1962. Rose Etta (b. Feb. 8, 1931) married Harvey Clinton Foust from Snow Camp. They lived in Mooresville and now live in Morganton where he is with the recreation department. Children: Harvey Clinton, Jr. (b. Oct. 16, 1956) and Clarence Michael (b. Mar. 1958), Charles Richard (b. Aug. 19, 1934). "Babe" is a horse trader and operates a riding stable in Lake George, N.Y. He has been mar-

ried five times. He married Julia Horner of Camden, S.C. They have two children: Katherine Ann (b. Feb. 16, 1964) and Charles Richard, Jr. (b. Jan. 6, 1967). From his last marriage there is a daughter, Desiree Dawn (b. March 1979).

5. Carrie Myrtle (b. Dec. 1, 1896, d. Apr. 1, 1938) married Lewis Peeler. Children: Alma Augusta (b. 1921) married William E. Hamaker, Jr. of Portsmouth, Va.; Clara Nell, Doris Louise (b. 1923) married Dr. Jaap Keldermand of Holland, Lewis, Jr. (b. 1925) married Mary Evelyn Walsorof of Salisbury, Evelyn Eugenia married Kenneth Peacock from Forest Hill, L.I., New York, Celia Clarice (b. 1932) married Carmen John Mellilio, Thelma Loraine (b. 1935) married Jack A. Murfin from Colorado, and a child Camilla Ann, adopted and name changed to Romona Teller.

6. Eula Francis (b. Mar. 4, 1897) married Croft Ludwick. They had a son, Paul. 7. George Clinton (b. Mar. 13, 1898) married 1st Eula Williams, 2nd Reba Miller. He was a horse trader and lived in the homeplace until his death in 1953. He had one son from his second marriage, Jerry, who lives in Louisville, Kentucky. Jerry is married to Carol Jean Epstein.

8. Henry Franklin (b. Jan. 19, 1901), not married; died 1927 in a car accident in Concord, Montgomery County while on a peach buying trip.

John Follette must have dropped the La from his name when he came to Iredell County. In Greene County, Tennessee, the family went by the name LaFollette. One of John's daughters still used the name when she got married. The newspaper article called her Miss LaFollette.

— Dixie Follette.

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The Genealogical Society of Iredell County, *The Heritage of Iredell County* (Statesville, North Carolina: The Genealogical Society of Iredell County, 1980), 280.



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See Inquiries numbered 7, 16, and 17 are not to be asked in respect to Indians. Inquiries numbered 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 20 are to be answered by an affirmative mark, as /.

SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in Civil District 25<sup>th</sup> in the County of Greene State of Tennessee, enumerated by me on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of July, 1870.

Post Office: Timber Ridge W. H. Russell, Asst. Marshal.

1	2	3	4			7	8		10	11-14				15	19		20
			4	5	6		8	9		11	12	13	14		19	20	
		Samuel W. 18 M. D.							Y. Co.								
		Alfred W. 27 M. D.							Y. Co.								
		William Francis 18 M. D.				Large Cooper			Y. Co.								
		Wm. H. 2 M. D.							Y. Co.								
50	50	W. H. 52 M. D.				Farmer	1500	750	"								
		Alonzo 60 M. D.				Keeping house			"								
		Marshall 22 M. D.				Farmer		100	"								
		William 16 M. D.				ill. Farmer			"								
		Andrew J. 15 M. D.				" "			"								
		Julia 6 M. D.				" "			"								
56	56	John Margaret 55 M. D.				no occupation			Y. Co.								
		Rebecca 65 M. D.				Keeping house			Y. Co.								
57	57	William James 33 M. D.				Farmer		600	"								
		Beula 21 M. D.				Keeping house			Y. Co.								
		W. C. 4 M. D.							"								
		Eda J. 6 M. D.							"								
		Samuel 7 M. D.							"								
		James B. 1 M. D.							"								
58	58	George Andrew 49 M. D.				Merchant	4500	6500	"								
		Caroline 29 M. D.				Keeping house			"								
		William Baptist 15 M. D.				house keeper			"								
		Pratt James 6 M. D.							"								
59	59	James James 52 M. D.				Farmer	1500	4000	"								
		Caroline 60 M. D.				Keeping house			"								
		Caroline 15 M. D.				ill. Farmer			"								
		Thackerford James 10 M. D.				" "			Y. Co.								
		Ellie Margaret 2 M. D.							Y. Co.								
60	60	Campbell James 41 M. D.				Merchant	2000		Y. Co.								
		Emma 26 M. D.				Keeping house			Y. Co.								
		James E. 7 M. D.							"								
		Enkela 16 M. D.							"								
		Caroline 3 M. D.							"								
61	61	Walter Nancy 16 M. D.				Keeping house			"								
		John 7 M. D.							"								
		Allice 4 M. D.							"								
		Charles 1 M. D.							"								
62	62	McCoy 64 M. D.				Well digger			Y. Co.								
		Rebecca 55 M. D.				Keeping house			Y. Co.								
		Michael 20 M. D.				day laborer			Y. Co.								
		William 19 M. D.				"			"								

No. of dwellings 4 No. of white females 19 No. of males, foreign born 0  
 " " " " colored males 2 " " " " " " 6  
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1870 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 25, Timber Ridge Post Office, sheet 451-A (stamped), p. 8 (penned), dwelling 61, family 61, Nancy Follet; National Archives and Records Administration microfilm pub. M593, Roll 1531.

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Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1880, and ends May 31, 1880.

Superior's Dist. No. 1

Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. No others will. Children BORN SINCE July 1, 1880, will be OMITTED. Members of Families who have DIED SINCE June 1, 1880, will be INCLUDED.

Enumeration Dist. No. 45

Note C.—Questions Nos. 13, 14, 15, and 16 are not to be asked in respect to persons under 10 years of age.

SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in Dist. No. 3, in the County of Greene, State of Tennessee, enumerated by me on the 1st day of June, 1880.

Table with columns for name, sex, age, color, and marital status. Includes handwritten entries for families such as the Bowers family at dwelling 309.

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1880 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 3, Enumeration District (ED) 45, sheet 54-B (stamped), p. 34 (penned), dwelling 309, family 311, John Bowers Sen; National Archives and Records Administration microfilm pub T9, roll 1258.

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Schedule Dist. No.  
Enumeration Dist. No. 47

Note A.—The Census Year begins June 1, 1880, and ends May 31, 1881.  
Note B.—All persons will be included in the Enumeration who were living on the 1st day of June, 1880. All others will be omitted. DEAD PERSONS WHO DIED SINCE JUNE 1, 1880, WILL BE INCLUDED.  
Note C.—Persons aged 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, will be included.

Recd July 1, 1880

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SCHEDULE I.—Inhabitants in Twenty-fifth District, in the County of Greene, State of Tennessee, enumerated by me on the 10th day of June, 1880.

J. J. [Signature]

Vertical list of handwritten notes on the left margin, including names and numbers such as '68', '69', '70', '71', '72'.

Table with multiple columns containing names, ages, genders, marital status, and occupations. The table is densely populated with handwritten entries.

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1880 U. S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, population schedule, District 25, Enumeration District (ED) 47, sheet 80-A (stamped), p. 21 (penned), dwelling 68, family 90, John Smelser; National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) microfilm publication T9, Roll 1258.

TWELFTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES.  
**SCHEDULE No. 1.—POPULATION.**

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Supervisor's District No. 27 Sheet No. 14  
 Enumeration District No. 33

Name of Institution, None Name of Institution, None  
 Date of June, 1900, June 1, 1900 Enumeration

Name of township, city, town, or village, within the enumerated division, Greene  
 Enumerated by me on the 1st day of June, 1900, W. B. Smith

LOCATIONS	NAME	RELIGION	FIREARMS POSSESSION	ACTIVITIES	CITIZENSHIP	EDUCATION	INDUSTRY
1	William Smelser	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
2	John Smith	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
3	James Brown	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
4	Robert White	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
5	Thomas Green	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
6	Charles Black	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
7	Edward Taylor	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
8	George Miller	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
9	Frank Wilson	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
10	Henry Moore	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
11	John Davis	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
12	William Martin	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
13	James Jackson	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
14	Robert King	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
15	Thomas Lee	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
16	Charles Hall	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
17	Edward Young	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
18	George Hill	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
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24	Robert Perez	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
25	Thomas Roberts	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
26	Charles Turner	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
27	Edward Phillips	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
28	George Evans	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
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30	Henry Green	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
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73	James Carter	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
74	Robert Mitchell	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
75	Thomas Perez	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
76	Charles Roberts	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
77	Edward Turner	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
78	George Phillips	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
79	Frank Evans	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
80	Henry Stewart	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
81	John Green	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
82	William King	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
83	James Lee	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
84	Robert Hall	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
85	Thomas Young	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
86	Charles Hill	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
87	Edward Adams	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
88	George Baker	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
89	Frank Nelson	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
90	Henry Carter	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
91	John Mitchell	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
92	William Perez	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
93	James Roberts	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
94	Robert Turner	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
95	Thomas Phillips	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
96	Charles Evans	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
97	Edward Stewart	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
98	George Green	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
99	Frank King	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None
100	Henry Lee	Methodist	None	None	None	None	None

1900 U.S. census, Greene County, Tennessee, Population schedule, District 25, Enumeration District (ED) 33, p. 75 (stamped), sheet 14-A (penned), dwelling 741, family 741, William A. Smelser; NARA microfilm publication T623, Roll 1573.

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NAME and RESIDENCE of MAN		NAME and RESIDENCE of WOMAN		AGE	SEX	DATE	BY WHOM MARRIED AND PLACE	WITNESSES
SURNAME <small>Enter on Blue Lines</small>	GIVEN NAME <small>Residence</small>	SURNAME <small>Enter on Blue Lines</small>	GIVEN NAME <small>Residence</small>					
Foard	York	Foard	Mary Ann	-	C	-	P Tomlin J P	-
					C	5-18 1886	-	-
Foot	James	Foot	Phebe	-	C	-	C R Jones J P	-
					C	8-30 1886	-	-
Foard	Z M	Harris	M E	-	-	-	J A Johnston J P	-
					-	9-20 1886	-	-
Foard	J M	Davidson	M E	21	W	-	D G Caldwell Min	G M Foard Jno Foard
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	20	W	7-22 1885	Iredell Co	-
Foard	G M	Ivey	Emma L	26	W	-	D G Caldwell Min	A D Parks L C Caldwell Mrs D G Caldwell G S Daniel A H Setzer W R Day Arch Campbell Jas M Sharpe W Hampton
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	19	W	9-18 1887	Statesville Tnshp	Abner Summers Frank Turner West Summers James Fowler Ed Bailey S A Campbell H B Woodward A Heath Chas Leonard J S Pressly N O Reynolds W H Belk Wm Patterson Lee Patterson
Follett	John C	Parker	Carrie	25	W	-	W J Hopkins Min	-
	Tenn		Iredell Co	18	W	1-19 1888	Statesville Tnshp	-
Foote	James W	Feimster	Flora E	28	W	-	J O Shelley Min	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	24	W	2-3 1897	Concord Tnshp	-
Foote	Orange	Summers	Cora E	36	C	-	W H Crawford J P	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	25	C	10-20 1898	Bethany Tnshp	-
Foot	Henry	Kicks	Elvira	22	C	-	D C Rhyne J P	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	19	C	10-25 1898	Sharpsburg Tnshp	-
Foard	Jno Columbus	McCubbins	Ida Elнора	22	W	-	Edw S Reavis Min	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	21	W	6-27 1901	Statesville N C	-
Foard	Robt	Combs	Zula Cadellia	22	W	-	E E Pressly Min	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	14	W	11-16 1901	Concord Tnshp	-
Foote	Enoch	Patterson	Mary Bell	22	C	-	Z R Tharpe J P	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	20	C	12-29 1903	Union Grove Tnshp	-
Foil	Ernest L	Plummer	Ila Bell	24	W	-	Frank Siler Min	Madge Rowland Quince Siler
	Rowan Co		Rowan Co	19	W	9-8 1906	Statesville Tnshp	Beal Siler S L Hillard L W Heath Fem C Tharpe Emma Dobbins Ray Webb
Foote	Augustus	Campbell	Victoria	35	C	-	Chas C Tharpe J P	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	42	C	12-8 1907	Eagle Mills Tnshp	-
Foot	Henry	Webb	Zola	31	C	-	C F Lackey Min	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	22	C	5-20 1911	Statesville Tnshp	-
Fogtz	B F	Ritchie	Cora	25	W	-	J C McLean J P	Mrs D F Moore J F Campbell D F Moore J A Brady H J Brown
	Rowan Co		Rowan Co	19	W	7-9 1911	Coddle Creek Tnshp	R C Deitz Fannie Morris A G Parks
Foard	John Davidson	Houston	Lillian Ervin	31	W	-	J H Pressly Min	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	20	W	2-27 1918	Statesville Tnshp	-
Foote	Augustus	Morris	Hager	52	C	-	J M Wall Min	-
	Iredell Co		Iredell Co	50	C	12-17 1919	Turnersburg Tnshp	-
Fogle	Frank Eugene	Holland	Etta Louise	25	W	-	C W Guthrie Min	I J White F H Mason J P Renkin Robert Privette Luella Privette
	Forsyth Co		Iredell Co	16	W	6-30 1927	Olin Tnshp	Charles Fuman Hall Audie Caffuth Maudie Roberts
Fogleman	Howard Clay	Baker	Isabel	21	W	-	R H Satterfield - Minister	-
	Leaksville NC		Leaksville NC	21	W	5-24 1947	Statesville NC	-
Foote	James	Cairuth	Arlene	27	W	11-18	E. Roberts Min	-
	Iredell		Iredell	19	C	1948	Statesville NC	-
Follette	Rufus	Cliphart	Virginia Marie	21	W	2-5	N. S. Leftwick Min	Willie Cliphart Harold Cliphart Henry Follette Everett V. Frazee Mrs. Everette V. Frazee Mrs. P. T. Brock
	Mooreville NC		Mooreville NC	18	W	1954	-	-
Fleming	Paul Carter	Croxdale	Martha Louise	30	W	10-11	Paul T. Brock	-
	Mooreville NC		Mooreville NC	22	W	1954	Mooreville NC	-
Floyd	Millard	Scott	Helen W.	25	C	10-1	E. Gettys Nunn	-
	Statesville NC		Statesville NC	28	C	1949	York SC	-
Flowers	George Washington	Alexander	Doris Evelyn	20	C	6-12	Homer L Good, Min.	H A Day Nellie Reynolds Janet England
	Stony Point, N.C.		Taylorsville, NC	16	C	1954	Iredell County	Mrs. Frances F. Coley Doris Flowers George Flowers
Flowers	Tommy Lee	Parsons	Annie Lue	38	C	10-29	Rev. Alonzo G. Coley	Frank Krider Fleming Frank Andrew Mills, Jr Jacob C Troutman
	Statesville NC		Taylorsville NC	29	C	1954	Statesville NC	-
Fleming	David Scott	Mills	Jacqueline Louise	25	W	11-27	Rev. Robert Marahburn	-
	Cleveland		Statesville NC	25	W	1954	Statesville NC	-

North Carolina, Marriage Register, 1851-1964,  
 C.054.63001, Iredell County, page 23, entry  
 for John C. Follett and Carrie Parker, 19  
 January 1888; State Archives of North  
 Carolina, Raleigh.

# State of North Carolina, County of Burke

## Office of Register of Deeds

No. 19 any Ordained Minister of any Religious Denomination or any Justice of the Peace of said County Morganton, N. C., 277 1935

Rom Boston Furton, Jr. having applied to me for a LICENSE for the marriage of John Folllette and Joe Hewitte of Morgan, N. C. ; the son of age 52 years; color white ; the daughter of age 71 years; color white and

the father now \_\_\_\_\_, the mother \_\_\_\_\_, resident of \_\_\_\_\_, the father now \_\_\_\_\_, the mother \_\_\_\_\_, resident of \_\_\_\_\_

And the written consent of \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, to the proposed marriage having been filed with me.

And there being no legal impediment to such marriage known to me, you are hereby authorized, at any time within sixty days from date hereof, to celebrate the proposed marriage at any place within the said County. You are required, within two months after you shall have celebrated such marriage, to return this License to me, at my office, with your signature subscribed to the Certificate under this License, and with the blanks therein filled according to the facts, under penalty of forfeiting \$200.00 to the use of any person who shall sue for the same.

Rom Boston being duly sworn, says: That he knows of his own certain knowledge that the parties applying for License are both over 18 years of age, and so far as he knows or is informed and believes, there is no lawful cause or impediment forbidding said marriage.  
Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 7th day of Feb, 1935 } Lawrence Couch }  
By John Folllette } By John Walton B.S.C. }  
Deputy. Register of Deeds.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA—Burke County  
I, A. J. Cauley, a \_\_\_\_\_, united in matrimony with John Folllette, the parties licensed above, on the 7th day of Feb, 1935, at Morganton, N.C., in Morgan Township, of said County, according to law.  
WITNESSES PRESENT AT MARRIAGE  
John Folllette }  
J. M. Ward }  
A. J. Cauley, Jr. }  
Officiating Officer.



B. V. S.—Form 7

NORTH CAROLINA STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

2018

1. PLACE OF DEATH

County Gaston Co  
Township Cherryville  
City Cherryville

Registration District No. 16 62 Certificate No. 17  
or Village

Length of residence in city or town where death occurred yr. 5 mo. 5 (If death occurred in a hospital or institution, give its name instead of street and number) St. Ward  
2. FULL NAME John C. Fallett (If New born in U. S. if of foreign birth? yes no na.)  
(a) Residence: No. 1045 St. Ward

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS

3. SEX Male  
4. COLOR OF RACE White  
5. If married, widowed, or divorced Married  
6. DATE OF BIRTH (month, day, and year) July 13, 1933  
7. AGE 22 Years 6 Months 3 Days 3 Hours na. Minutes

8. TRADE, PROFESSION, OR PARTICULAR KIND OF WORK DONE, AS EMPLOYEE, LAWYER, BOOKKEEPER, ETC. Not Employed

9. INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH WORK WAS DONE, AS TAILOR, LAWYER, BANK, ETC.

10. Date deceased last worked at this occupation (month and year)

11. Total time (years) spent in this occupation

12. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) Cherryville, S. C.

13. NAME William Fallett

14. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) Cherryville, S. C.

15. MAIDEN NAME na.

16. BIRTHPLACE (city or town) (State or country) Cherryville, S. C.

17. INFORMANT William Fallett (Address) Cherryville, S. C.

18. BURIAL, CREMATION, OR REMOVAL Place Cherryville Date July 15, 1933

19. UNDERTAKER Cherryville (Address) Cherryville, S. C.

20. FILED 8 1933 W. F. Fallett REGISTRAR

MEDICAL CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

21. DATE OF DEATH (month, day, and year) July 13, 1933  
22. I HEREBY CERTIFY, That I attended deceased from May 3, 1935 to July 4, 1935  
I last saw deceased on July 4, 1935 at 10:35 death is said to have occurred on the date stated above, at 7:00 P. M.  
The principal cause of death and related causes of importance in order of cause were as follows:  
Found dead in bed,  
Cardio-vascular-renal disease

Contributory causes of importance not related to principal cause: ?

Name of operation None Date of na.

23. If death was due to external causes (violence) fill in also the following: Accident, suicide, or homicide? na. Date of injury na.

Where did injury occur? na. Specify whether injury occurred in industry, in home, or in public place. (Specify city or town, county, and State)


Manner of injury na. Nature of injury na.

24. Was disease or injury in any way related to occupation of deceased? na. If so, specify (Signed) W. F. Fallett (Address) Cherryville, N. C.

MARGIN RESERVED FOR BINDING  
2. R.—WRITE PLAINLY, WITH UNFADING INK—THIS IS A PERMANENT RECORD. Every item of information should be carefully supplied. AGE should be stated EXACTLY. PHYSICIANS should state CAUSE OF DEATH in plain terms, so that it may be properly classified. Exact statement of OCCUPATION in very brief form. See instructions on back of certificate.

"North Carolina, Death Certificates, 1909-1976," digital images, Ancestry.com (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 6 July 2014), entry for John C. Fallett, 13 July 1935, Gaston Co. Cert. no. 17; citing "NC Death Certs., microfilm NC State Archives, Raleigh."

1861 October 12 - October 19  
1101-1110



*State of Tennessee,*  
*Greene County.*

**To any authorized Minister or Justice of the Peace.**

You are hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the rites of  
Matrimony between *William W. Follett*  
and *Nancy Emeline Susong*  
of said county; and the time of such marriage, with your name signed officially thereto, you  
shall endorse on the back of this License, and return the same to my office within six months  
thereafter,

Witness my hand, at office in Greeneville, this *12<sup>th</sup>* day of *October* 1861

*W. Madrick*

"Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-841094-12?cc=1619127> : accessed 6 July 2014), Follett-Susong, 13 October 1861; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage Book 3:1103; FHL microfilm 1,148,744.

1861 October 12 - October 19  
1101-1110

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1103  
License  
Wm H. Hollett  
to  
Mary Whisong  
13 Oct 1861

I solemnized the rites of Matrimony between the within named parties on  
the 13 day of Oct  
1861  
David S. Hill  
Pastor of the pres  
byterian Church  
Greene County



Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950, database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-341104-29?cc=1619127> : accessed 6 July 2014), Follett-Susong, 13 October 1861; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage Book 3:1103; FHL microfilm 1,148,744

1861 October 12 - October 19  
1101-1110

**STATE OF TENNESSEE,**  
**GREENE COUNTY,**

WE, *William W Follett & J. A. Farnsworth*  
bind ourselves, our heirs, &c., to the State of Tennessee, in the sum of twelve hundred and fifty dollars,  
lawful money of said State, but to be void, on condition that there is no lawful cause to obstruct the mar-  
riage of said *William W Follett*  
to *Nancy Caroline Susong* of said county  
Witness, our hands and seals, this *12<sup>th</sup>* day of *October*, 18*61*.

Test,

*W. W. Follett*   
*J. A. Farnsworth* 

*C. H. Radrick*

"Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," index and  
images, *FamilySearch*  
[https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-  
3-41124-33?cc=1619127](https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-3-41124-33?cc=1619127) : accessed 6 July 2014) Follett-  
Susong, 12 October 1861; citing Greene County,  
Tennessee, Marriage Book 3:1103; FHL microfilm

1873 November 21 - December 2  
1238-1247

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**STATE OF TENNESSEE.**  
**Greene County.**

TO ANY AUTHORIZED MINISTER OR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

You are hereby authorized and empowered to solemnize the rites of Mar-  
riage between *William Smelser* and *Martha*  
*Letitia* of said County, and the time of such marriage, with your hand signed  
officially thereon, you shall endorse on the back of this License, and return the same to my office within six  
months thereafter.

WITNESS my hand, at office in Greenville, *21st* day of *December* 1873  
*W. J. Johnson, Clerk*

Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," database with images, *FamilySearch* (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-4?i=54486-47?cc=1619127> : accessed 9 July 2014), Smelser-Follett, 2 December 1873; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage records, Feb 1873-Oct 1876, entry 1246; FHL microfilm 1,148,758.

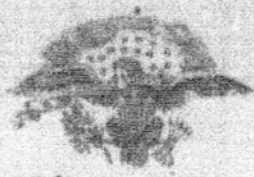
1873 November 21 - December 2  
1238-1247

1873 - Folder 20 of 23

	<p>1873 Licenses William Venable 21 Sarah Venable 21 22<sup>nd</sup> Dec 1873</p>	<p>1 I attended the rite of matrimony between the said named parties, the 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 1873 W. A. Smith Pastor</p>
	<p>Present</p>	

"Tennessee, County Marriages, 1790-1950," database with images, FamilySearch (<https://familysearch.org/pal:/MM9.3.1/TH-1-159364-854491-90?cc=1619127> : accessed 9 July 2014), Smelsor-Follett, 2 December 1873; citing Greene County, Tennessee, Marriage records, Feb 1873-Oct 1876, entry 1246; FHL microfilm 1,148,758.

ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES  
CERTIFICATE  
OF DISABILITY FOR DISCHARGE.



William W. Follet a Private of Captain  
Company, (H) of the Second Tennessee Infantry Regiment of the United States  
was enlisted by Capt. Smead  
the Regiment of at Bowling Green Kentucky  
on the twenty second day of November 1862. He served three years; he was born  
in Couch Co. in the State of Tennessee, in twenty four  
years of age, five feet ten inches high, fair complexion, blue eyes,  
red hair, and by occupation when enlisted a Farmer. During the last two  
months said soldier has been unfit for duty days. Was wounded in the  
right arm on the 23rd day of July 1864 near Jackson  
Tennessee in line of duty.

(Soldier's Statement)  
STATION: Knoxville Tenn.  
DATE: June 6th 1865

A. Magcham  
Dunwoody, Tenn.  
Commanding Company  
In Charge

I CERTIFY, that I have carefully examined the said William W. Follet  
of Captain Company, and find him incapable of performing the duties of a  
soldier because of amputation of right arm at lower  
third in consequence of a gunshot wound  
his ability total

A. Magcham  
Surgeon U.S.A. in charge  
of the Medical Dept.  
Knoxville, Tenn.  
Surgeon

DISCHARGED this twentyth day of June 1865, at General Egan  
General Hospital Knoxville Tenn.  
A. Magcham  
Dunwoody, Tenn.  
Commanding the Regt.

The Soldier desires to be addressed at  
Town Greenville County Tenn. State Tennessee

\* See Note 1 on the back of this. † See Note 2 on the back of this.  
[A. G. O. No. 120 & 101-2 vol.] [DUPLICATES]

"Civil War Compiled Military Service Records, Union  
Records," digital images, Fold3 (<http://www.fold3.com> :  
accessed 9 July 2014), Military Service Record, William  
W. Follet, Pvt., Co. F, 2nd Tennessee Inf.; citing NARA  
microfilm publication "Compiled military service records of  
volunteer Union soldiers belonging to units organized  
from the State of Tennessee," RG 94, M395, roll 131.

# Widow's Declaration for Army Pension.

County of Greene } ss.  
State of Tennessee }

On this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April 1871 before me, a clerk of the County Court in and for the County and State above named, personally appeared Mrs. Nancy E. Follett aged 27 years, who, being duly sworn according to law, declares that her post-office address is Timber Ridge in the State of Tennessee and that she is the widow of William Follett who was a Private in Company "F" commanded by Captain David Fry in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment of Tennessee Volunteers, and who died at Greenville Tenn. on or about the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 1867, by reason of a wound and Malarial disease contracted while in the service of the United States.

That she was married to the said William Follett on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October A. D. 1861 at her father's house by one Daniel G. Hull a Justice of the Peace; that her name before her said marriage was Nancy E. Susong; and she states that she believes there is a public record of her said marriage, a copy of which is herein enclosed

that her husband, the aforesaid William Follett died on the day above mentioned.

And my deceased husband left no minor children by a former marriage, and I have not married since the death of my husband, nor abandoned the support of any of our children under sixteen years of age, nor permitted any one for whom pension and increase pension is claimed to be adopted by any person or persons, and that they are the only legitimate children now living of myself and my deceased husband, and their names and ages are as herein stated:

<u>John P. Follett</u>	born <u>September 10<sup>th</sup></u>	18 <u>62</u>
<u>Eliza A. Follett</u>	born <u>August 19<sup>th</sup></u>	18 <u>65</u>
<u>Benjamin C. Follett</u>	born <u>April 21<sup>st</sup></u>	18 <u>68</u>
	born _____	18____

She also declares that she has not in any manner been engaged in or aided or abetted the rebellion in the United States, and that she is not now in receipt of a pension under any act of Congress.

She makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the pension to which she may be entitled under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 14, 1862, and hereby constitutes and appoints Samuel S. Linn her attorney, with power of substitution, to prosecute her claim and procure a pension thereon, hereby authorizing and empowering her said attorney to do all necessary and lawful acts and things whatsoever in the premises, except drawing the money, which will be hereafter provided for, and revoking and countermanding all former authority that may have been given for the above specified purpose.

Samuel S. Linn  
Attorney

Nancy E. Follett  
her

Widow's Declaration for Army Pension, 3 April 1871, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension app. no. 195,140, cert. no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications, 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; RG 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; NA, Washington, D.C. [1 of 2]



Sworn to, subscribed, and acknowledged before me, the day and year first above written; and also personally appeared John D. Sluder & W. A. Parsons a resident of Lawrence, Kentucky

persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit, who, being duly sworn according to law, declare that they are personally acquainted with Mrs. Nancy E. Follett who has made and subscribed the foregoing declaration in their presence, and were acquainted with her and her husband before he entered the military service of the United States, and know that they lived together as man and wife, and were so reputed and acknowledged by those who knew them. That she is the widow of the identical William Follett who performed the military service mentioned in said declaration, and has remained a widow since his death, and they believe that all the statements made by her in the foregoing declaration are true. That their knowledge of the identity of her husband with the soldier and of their marriage was derived from Living in the immediate neighborhood

And they further state that they have no interest in the prosecution of this claim.

(14) John D. Sluder  
W. A. Parsons

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April 1887; and I hereby certify that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim; and that the contents of the within affidavit were read and explained to declarant and affiants before signing the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF I have herunto signed my name, and affixed my official seal.

G. S. Maloney, Clerk  
Lawrence, Kentucky

No.           
**Claim for Pension**  
MILITARY SERVICE.  
ACT OF JULY 14, 1862.

Mrs. Nancy E. Follett  
WIDOW OF  
William Follett  
Co. F. 2<sup>nd</sup> Regt. Tenn. Vols.  
Dec'd. 14<sup>th</sup> July 1869

~~CHARLES C. FISHER~~ ATTORNEY  
Lewis H. Self  
Greenwell  
Green

**INSTRUCTIONS.**

Where a widow survives the soldier she is entitled to the pension in preference to all others.  
**Proof of Marriage.**—If there is a county, town, or church record of the marriage, a duly certified copy of such record should be sent with the declaration. Other evidence of the marriage is not admissible until the absence of record proof is accounted for. If the custodian of the record is not a public officer, using an official seal, he will make affidavit to the correctness of the copy, and the official character and signature of the custodian be certified to in the usual manner. Record proof will be required in every case where the marriage was in a State or county in which marriages were recorded at the time such marriage was solemnized, or its absence must be satisfactorily accounted for. If there is no public record, the testimony of the person who married them, or of others who were present must be produced if possible, and if such testimony cannot be had, the cause of its absence must appear by the testimony of the witnesses. If proof of marriage is the testimony of the minister or magistrate who married them, he should state whether he has a record of the marriage, and if so, copy it in his affidavit, and state that it is a true copy of the original. Testimony to cohabitation and conjugal repute as man and wife will not alone be sufficient proof of the marriage, unless either public record evidence or the testimony of persons who were present can be obtained, and the witnesses must state fully the facts and circumstances which induce their belief that the parties were man and wife.

- NOTES.**—1. **JUROR OR DEPUTY.** The declaration must be taken before an officer of a court of record, authorized by law to administer oaths, and having custody of its seal.  
2. **TITLE OF THE COURT** of which the officer is judge or clerk.  
3. **COUNTY OR STATE,** her first name written in full.  
4. **HER POST OFFICE ADDRESS.** If she resides in a large town or city, the street and the number of her residence must be stated.  
5. **SOLDIER'S NAME,** with first name written in full.  
6. **RANK** or **WAR SERVICE,** private, or as the case may be.  
7. **THE LETTER** of his Company.  
8. **THE NUMBER** of his Regiment.  
9. **THE STATE** to which the Regiment belonged. If the service was in the Regular Army, the word "Volunteers" should be erased and this blank filled with the words and letters: "Infantry, U. S. A." or "Cavalry, U. S. A." or as the service may have been.  
10. **DATE OF DEATH.**  
11. **THE CAUSE** of his death.  
12. **THE RANK AND AGE** of the Captain of the soldier who wore under sixteen years of age at the date of his death. Proof of their precise ages or the dates of their birth must be forwarded. If none survive and it should be so stated.  
13. **SIGNATURES OF WITNESSES.**  
14. **WITNESSES' SIGNATURES.** If they sign with X marks, the magistrate will certify that the affidavit was read and fully explained to them before signing.

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Widow's Declaration for Army Pension, 3 April 1871.  
Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension app. no. 195,140, cert. no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; RG 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; NA, Washington, D. C. [2 of 2]

State of Tennessee ) Personally appeared before me, a clerk  
 Greene County } of a Court of Record, Mrs. Vina Savory  
 who being first duly sworn, says that she  
 was present when Mrs. Widow Money & Follett  
 was delivered of the following children, to wit,  
 John Patric Follett who was born on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of  
 September 1862, and Liza Alice Follett  
 who was born on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of August 1865  
 and that she has no interest in this claim

witness.

Vina Savory  
 mark

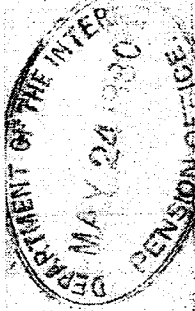
W. F. Parks

Thos. Lane Jr

Sworn to and Subscribed before me, and certified  
 that I have no interest in the prosecution of  
 this claim. Given under my hand and seal  
 of office, at office in Greeneville this 5<sup>th</sup> day of  
 May 1875.

V. H. McAlany clerk  
 Greene County Tenn

statement of Witness to Children's Births, 3 May 1871, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension app. no. 195,140, cert. no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; RG 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; NA, Washington, D.C.



State of Tennessee } On this the 17<sup>th</sup> day of  
 Greene County } May 1880 Personally appeared  
 before me V J Matney Clerk  
 of the County, Clerk of Greene County and state  
 aforesaid Nancy Smelser formerly <sup>EN</sup> Nancy ~~Stoddard~~  
 widow of William <sup>W</sup> Stoddard, aged about 36 years  
 who being sworn according to law, makes  
 the following declaration, in order to obtain  
 the annuity of Pension provided by act of  
 Congress granting annuity to soldiers -  
 That she is the widow of William <sup>W</sup> Stoddard, who  
 under the name of William <sup>W</sup> Stoddard enlisted at  
 Knoxville On the 22nd day of November 1862 to  
 serve three years or during the war of 1861 and  
 who served, on the day of <sup>gunshot</sup> w, wound  
 in the right fore arm, which necessitated  
 amputation of the hand and part of the arm,  
 in the service aforesaid, that he bore at the time  
 of said injury the rank of Private in said  
 Company and Regiment, and that his said  
 husband was duly murdered - and drew pay  
 therefor from the Government up to the date of his  
 death which occurred June 1869

That she was married  
 under the name of Nancy <sup>E</sup> Susong to said  
 William <sup>W</sup> Stoddard, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of October  
 1861, by Daniel <sup>D</sup> Hull who was a justice of the  
 peace, in Greene County, there being no legal

barren to such marriage, that neither she  
nor he had been married previously  
But that she has not remained single  
or unmarried to the present time, but was  
re-married again to her present husband  
William Switzer on the 2nd day of December  
1873 And that the following are the names  
and ages of the children of said legitimate  
children yet surviving who were under  
Sixteen years of age at their father's death

- John P, Born Sept 10<sup>th</sup>, 1862
- E. A, " August 19<sup>th</sup> 1865
- B. C, " April 21<sup>st</sup> 1868

That she has not abandoned  
the support of any of her children, but that  
they are still under her care and maintenance  
That she has not in any manner been  
engaged in, or aided, or abetted the rebellion  
in the United States, that no prior application  
has been made for awards of Pension or  
Pension since the date of husband's death  
to the date of her remarriage

That she hereby  
affirms William A. Harmon of Greenville  
County Kentucky Tennessee, her attorney to prosecute  
this claim, her Post Office is Santer Ridge

Claimants Application for Arrears of Pension, 1/ 1714,  
1880, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension app. no. 195,140,  
cert. no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co.  
F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved  
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Greene County Tennessee

James F. Kirk

J G Brobeck Nancy Smulcer

Also appeared before me ~~J G Brobeck~~ and James F. Kirk persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to credit and who being by our duly sworn say that they were present and saw Nancy Smulcer formerly Nancy Follett, widow of William Follett, the Claimant sign her name to the foregoing declaration, and that they have every reason to believe from the appearance of said Claimant and their acquaintance with her that she is the intended person, she representing herself to be, and that they have no interest in the proceeds of this Claim - the name of J G Brobeck blotted before signing

James F. Kirk  
J G Brobeck

State of Tennessee, Personally appeared before me the Greene County, Claimant Nancy Smulcer, and the Subscribing witnesses James F. Kirk and J G Brobeck and made Oath in due form of Law that the facts set forth in the above Declaration & Affidavits are true and that the facts contained were fully explained and made

Claimants Application for Arrears of Pension, 1/ Ms, 1880, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension app. no. 195,140, cert. no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2nd Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; RG 15; Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; NA, Washington, D.C. [3 of 4]

Known to all the parties before receiving and  
that I have no interest in the prosecution  
of this claim.

V. S. Maloney, clerk  
By W. B. H. Radnick  
Deputy County Clerk  
Clerk for your honor  
In

Declaration  
for  
James G. Follett

Nancy Emileon  
widow of  
William Follett

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
MAY 24 1890  
PENSION OFFICE.

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State of Tennessee, V. S. Maloney Clerk  
 I do hereby certify that  
 I have faithfully & carefully  
 examined the family record as found  
 in the family Bible recently belonging  
 to William W. Hollett, and in the  
 possession of his widow and find  
 the following to be a full true  
 and perfect copy of the same, to wit-

"John P. Hollett was born Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> 1862.

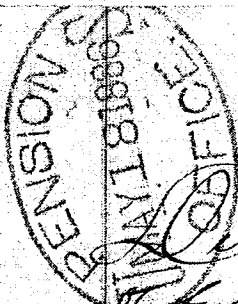
Eliza A. Hollett was born Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> 1865.

Benjamin C. Hollett was born April 21<sup>st</sup> 1868.

In testimony whereof I  
 have hereunto set my hand and  
 affixed my seal of Office, at Office  
 in Greeneville on this 26<sup>th</sup> day of January  
 1882

V. S. Maloney, Clerk  
 By O. B. Heald, Adm. Clk.

Proof of Birth of Children, 26 January 1882, Nancy E. Follett, widow's pension app. no. 195,140, cert. no. 220,630; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files; RG 15: Records of the Department of Veterans Affairs; NA, Washington, D.C.



Declaration of Guardians and heir  
of full age for Pension

State of Tennessee } On the 13<sup>th</sup> day of  
Greene County } May 1886 Personally  
appeared before me the

Plur Clerk of the County Court, which is  
a Court of record within & for said County  
in said State of Tennessee William A. Smelton

and John P. Hollitt, both residents of  
the County of Greene in the State of Tennessee

aged respectively 37 & 24 years who being  
duly sworn according to Law made the  
following declaration in order to obtain  
the benefit of the provisions of Act of  
Congress regarding Pensions to Artisans,  
That the said William A. Smelton the legal

Guardian of Eliza A. Hollitt and  
Benjamin C. Hollitt - Eliza A. Born  
Aug 19<sup>th</sup> 1865 - Benjamin C. Born Nov 21<sup>st</sup>  
1868 legitimate children of

William<sup>sr</sup> Hollitt who was a soldier  
in Company H 2<sup>nd</sup> Reg Tennessee 200  
War of 1861-5 and that the said John P.  
Hollitt is a son of the said William A.  
Hollitt now of legal age but who makes

Application jointly with the guardians  
Born Sept 10<sup>th</sup> 1862

Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension, 13 May 1886, John P. Follett, Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors' pension application no. 339,415, certificate no. 239,204; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files;

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in order to name whatever sum may be due him or one of the lawful heirs of the said William <sup>Hollid</sup> ~~Hollid~~ <sup>Hollid</sup> that in his Account Pension was allowed to himself for & during his life - and since his death when an application Pension has been allowed to the widow of the said <sup>Hollid</sup> ~~Hollid~~ <sup>Hollid</sup> and her Children but expiring at the date of the remarriage of the widow to wit Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1873 -

That the name and the date of the birth of all his legitimate Children yet surviving, who were under sixteen years at the date of the father's death have been given and the proof of the same placed on file - Also the proof showing the date of the remarriage of the widow to wit Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> 1873 <sup>to wit</sup> ~~to wit~~ is on file - and the case of the application of the widow for Pension and is numbered <sup>195</sup> ~~195~~ <sup>140</sup> ~~140~~ <sup>to</sup> ~~to~~ <sup>what</sup> ~~what file the Department is most respectfully referred -  
 Guardian for his words - to wit~~

Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension, 13 May 1886, John P. Follett, Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors' pension application no. 339,415, certificate no. 239,204; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files;

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and the said John P. Follett who is now of full age make application for whatever sums may be allowed unto them as the legitimate children of the said William<sup>11</sup> Follett deceased from the date of the remarriage of their mother the said Mary E. Smelson to the time when each child shall have arrived at the age of sixteen years of age.

That they hereby appoint William H. Harmon of Greenville County Tennessee their Attorney & present to the above claim that their residence is in the county of Greenville and state of Tennessee - and their Post office address is "Whitewater"

x William A. Smelson  
 x John F. Follett

Also personally appeared W. H. Harmon and G. W. Lister both residents of Greenville County in the state of Tennessee persons whom I certify to be respectable and entitled to full faith and credit & who being duly sworn say they they are present and saw W. H. Harmon and G. W. Lister both sign the above declaration that they have every reason to believe from them

Declaration of Guardian and heir of full age for Pension, 13 May 1886, John P. Follett, Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors' pension application no. 339,415, certificate no. 239,204; service of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf., Civil War); Case Files of Approved Pension Applications ..., 1861-1934; Civil War and Later Pension Files;

We acquainted with said Persons they they are  
the intended persons they represent themselves  
to be and they they have no interest  
in the prosecution of this claim

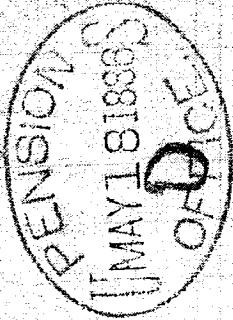
x W. J. Harmon  
x G. W. [unclear]

Sworn to and subscribed before me and  
I hereby certify that the contents of the above  
declaration were fully read known to the  
claimants and the witnesses before swearing  
and that I have no interest in the pro-  
secution of this claim

W. J. Harmon

Application for  
Pension of Wm. Follett  
John P. Follett

Chickamauga  
Wm. M. Follett  
Company 7 and 8th  
Tennessee Inf.



Filed by  
Wm. J. Harmon

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James and Post Office Addresses of Guardian + heir of  
W. W. Follett decd, 25 August 1887, John P. Follett,  
Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors' pension  
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of William W. Follett (Pvt., Co. F, 2<sup>nd</sup> Tennessee Inf.,  
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State of Tennessee We the Guardian  
of the minor Children  
of W. W. Follett  
and the Children of said Follett of  
lawful age have hereunto signed  
our respective names in our  
own hand writing - giving also  
our respective Post Office addresses  
Done on this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August  
1887-

names -

- Post Office
- x William A. Smelcer (Guar) Timber Ridge Greene Co. Tenn
  - x John P. Follett " " " " "
  - x Eliza A. Follett Wife " " " " "
  - x J. C. Huff " " " " "

State of Tennessee I James M. Shaw an acting  
Justice of the Peace within & for  
said County of Green in the State  
of Tennessee do hereby certify the foregoing are the  
genuine signatures of the persons whose names  
appear on this paper - & in their own particular  
hand writing - In testimony whereof I have hereunto set  
my hand and seal on this the 20<sup>th</sup> day of August  
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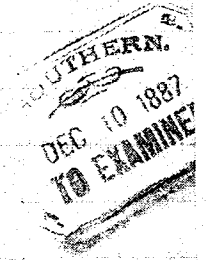
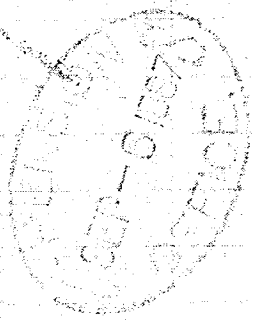
James M. Shaw (Seal)  
J. P. for G.C.

State of Tennessee, I W. H. Piper Clerk of  
 Greene County (being called by James M. Shaw  
 is and was an acting  
 Justice of the Peace within & for said  
 County in said State at the time of  
 subscribing the above jurat. & that all  
 his official acts as such are entitled  
 to full faith & Credit in testimony  
 whereof I have hereto set my hand and  
 Seal on this the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of September  
 1887 -

W. H. Piper Clerk  
 By L. J. Self D.C.

Shaw &  
 Post office always  
 of

James M. Shaw  
 W. H. Piper Clerk



Names and Post Office Addresses of Guardian + heir of  
 W. W. Follett decd, 25 August 1887, John P. Follett,  
 Eliza A. Follett and Benjamin C. Follett, minors' pension  
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Mary O'Brien Vidlak  
5560 Brixton Road  
Williamsburg, Virginia 23185

16 June 2014

Mr. Allen Peacock  
[Address Private]

Dear Allen:

You have asked me to undertake professional genealogical services for you. This letter, with the accompanying *Permission to Use Research Results*, describes the agreement between us regarding these services. If you agree with the terms, please sign both copies in the space provided at the end and return one to me. I also ask that you review the *Permission to Use Research Results* and initial all of the statements that apply and return that form to me.

The focus of this research is to determine the parents of your great grandfather, John C. Follett, who married Carrie Parker on 19 January 1888 in Iredell County, North Carolina. As we discussed, I will spend 20 hours on this work and it will be done on a pro bono basis. You agree to pay all expenses incurred in obtaining documents, including, but not limited to, costs of certificates, microfilm rental, computer scans and photocopies, postage, parking and facility fees.

This is a continuation of research I have already conducted for you on the Follett family. That material will be used as the starting point for this work.

I will perform this work as an independent contractor in accordance with prevailing professional standards in genealogy, including the Code of Ethics of the Association of Professional Genealogists, the Genealogist's Code adopted by the Board for Certification of Genealogists (BCG), and the newly revised *Genealogy Standards* published by BCG this year. I have included copies of the codes of each organization in our previous agreements.

After I have analyzed your problem, completed the research and reached my conclusions, I will provide you with a full research report.

You understand and agree that I can make no guarantees regarding what information, if any, may be found or what conclusions may be drawn from it. You further understand and agree that I cannot predict in advance the time needed to find information or to prove facts or relationships, and there is a risk of nondiscovery or of discoveries contrary to those desired.

I will hold confidential any information you provide that is not already a matter of public record or public knowledge. I will treat with discretion, even if they are already matters of public record, issues that concern living persons, their parents or immediate families. Otherwise, I

Mr. Allen Peacock

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retain the right to make further use of the results of work done at your request, including publication in articles or books, with acknowledgement of your sponsorship of the research, unless you request anonymity.


You agree that if you distribute to others or publish any information taken from my report, including my findings and conclusions, you will report them accurately, you will include any qualifiers (for example, the words *probable* or *possible*, when accompanying a conclusion) and you will credit my report as the source. I retain the copyright to the report and the manner in which I have expressed the information in it. You may make a limited number of personal copies as a "fair use" of the copyrighted report, but you agree that you will not otherwise publish or make multiple copies of the report without my written permission.

We both agree that if any dispute arises out of this agreement, we will use the arbitration services of Dart Law, PC, Williamsburg, VA and accept as final and binding on both of us the arbitration decision. In addition, we both consent to the entry of the decision as a final judgment in any court that may have jurisdiction over either of us.

This letter and accompanying *Permission to Use Research Results* reflect the full scope of our agreement and replace any earlier, tentative commitments by either of us. Any changes will be effective only if they are also made in writing.

I thank you for the opportunity to continue to help you in researching your family.

Sincerely,

  
Mary O'Brien Vidlak

ACCEPTED:

 \_\_\_\_\_   
Client Date

PERMISSION TO USE RESEARCH RESULTS

Mr. Allen Peacock  
[Address Private]

Dear Allen:

As a professional genealogist, I not only conduct genealogical research and compilations but also lecture, teach and write in the genealogical field. I like to use examples of my research in my teaching and writing, however, I do not use client-sponsored research without the client's permission. If you would allow me to use the work I do for you in this way, or to use you as a reference, please initial all the following statements that apply and return the form to me.

Thank you for considering these requests.

Sincerely,

Mary O'Brien Vidlak

- I permit Mary O'Brien Vidlak to use the genealogical research report she prepared for me in a portfolio of her work to be reviewed for certification by the Board for Certification of Genealogists.
- I permit Mary O'Brien Vidlak to use parts of the genealogical research I commissioned as examples in genealogical lectures.
- I permit Mary O'Brien Vidlak to use parts of the genealogical research I commissioned as examples in genealogical publications.
- If the genealogical research I commissioned is used in genealogical publications, I want my identity to be kept confidential.
- If the genealogical research I commissioned is used in genealogical publications, I want my commissioning of the research to be acknowledged.
- If the genealogical research I commissioned is used in genealogical publications, I want my address to be included.
- I permit Mary O'Brien Vidlak to use my name as a reference.

Comments:

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Signature Allen Peacock Date 6/21/14