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## Samuel Stuart of Chatham County, N. C. =B: 165

SAMUEL<sup>8</sup> STUART was living in Orange county, North Carolina, on June 1, 1766, when Hugh Linon of that county made his will and appointed "my friends Samuel Stuart and William Lindsay" executors. Linon bequeathed to Stuart "my slave Hannah until she is 18." Linon, who was from Ireland, owned land on Pine Hill creek, a small stream flowing into Cane creek, and when Chatham county was set off from Orange in 1770 most of Pine Hill creek went with it. Samuel Stewart of Chatham county bought Feb. 8, 1777, of Matthew Fike 150 acres of land "beginning at an ash on the river bank" and the witnesses to the deed were Argulus Henderson and George Stewart. This was in Chatham county, and when Samuel Stuart sold this land July 31, 1784, to Charles Morgan, sr., the witnesses to the deed were Joseph Morgan and John Stuart. Samuel Stuart was granted Mar. 3, 1779, 272 acres and also 578 acres on both sides of Pine Hill creek in Chatham county. Samuel was called "weaver" when he deeded 50 acres of the above land to William Neblert, weaver, on Apr. 22, 1780. Samuel deeded Aug. 1, 1785, to Joseph Hadley 384 acres on Pine Hill creek, adjoining John Pyle. The witnesses to this deed were Aaron Harlan and James Stuart. Samuel was granted Oct. 3, 1782, 100 acres of land on the branches of Love's creek, waters of Rocky river, and was designated "weaver" when he sold this tract Feb. 12, 1787, to John Lambart, planter: witnesses, Thomas Beaver and John Stuart. On Dec. 21, 1782, Samuel bought of Joseph Hadley 300 acres of land adjoining Timothy Terrell on Vernon's creek on the waters of Deep river, Chatham county. The witnesses to the deed were Joshua Hadley and Adam Stuart. On May 6, 1785, Samuel Stuart, weaver, bought of William George, planter, 52 acres on Terrell's creek, waters of Rocky river, adjoining Hadley: witnesses, Aaron Harlan and Aaron Terrell. Aug. 9, 1787, Samuel was granted 100 acres on the head of Terrell's creek, adjoining William George.



On Sep. 11, 1787, he deeded to Jacob Cashat 350 acres of land on both sides of Pine Hill creek which had been granted to him. The witnesses to his signature (always Sa! Stuart) were Edward Stuart and James Woolason. That makes five other Stuarts who have signed as witnesses—George, Adam, John, James and Edward.

The census of 1790 showed one Samuel Stewart as head of a family in Chatham county: he had, apparently, a wife, three sons over 16, one son under 16, and a daughter, and five slaves. He lived in a Quaker neighborhood but was probably not a Quaker. One Samuel Stuart, probably the same, bought Sep. 9, 1791, of William Hardin of Moore county 640 acres of land on the waters of Little Brush creek, adjoining Thompson and Greaves, in Chatham county, and the witnesses to the deed were Jacob Teague and Samuel Stuart, jr. There were many more deeds, and one made in 1801 referred to Samuel Stuart as "of Moore county." In Orange county a Samuel Stewart of Orange county bought Nov. 22, 1794, of Thomas Bradshaw 210 acres of land on Meadow creek, and in Chatham county Samuel Stewart of Chatham county bought Nov. 25, 1795, of William Thackston of Lunenburg county, Va., two tracts of land on the waters of Haw river and Meadow creek. Samuel [Sa! ] Stuart

of Chatham county sold the latter two tracts on Aug. 8, 1796, to William Perry. But the Orange county records do not show that the 210 acres there was sold very soon.

Samuel Stewart of Orange county, in his will probated in August, 1827, named his wife Elizabeth and children Anna, Samuel, James, Charles and John.

EDWARD STUART AND WIFE MARY McPHERSON =C: 165

EDWARD<sup>8</sup> STUART, born July —, 1767, married Feb. 13, 1787, Mary McPherson, as shown by bible records gathered by the Alexander Martin chapter of the D. A. R., High Point, N. C., and deposited in the department of archives and history at Raleigh. Mary was the daughter of William McPherson of Orange county, as shown by his will, probated in February, 1818, in which he spoke of Mary and Edward Stewart as "my children." Edward Stewart and James Woolason were witnesses to a deed Sep. 11, 1787, by Samuel Stuart, conveying land on Pine Hill creek, a branch of Cane creek, in Chatham county. On July 10, 1788, Edward Stewart was granted 40 acres of land on Indian creek, waters of Cane creek, beginning at William McPherson's corner on Thaxton's line, in Chatham county. The census of 1790 for Chatham county listed Edward Stewart as having a wife and two young sons. Edward may have been a Quaker, for he used the form "30th day 1st month, 1793," when making a deed to Aaron Lindley, conveying the 40 acres on Indian creek which had been granted to Edward in 1788. He apparently moved to Moore county after that, for on Feb. 11, 1801, Edward Stuart, Edward Ramsour and John Dabney were witnesses to deed by Samuel Stuart of Moore county, selling land on Little Brush creek in Chatham county near the Randolph county line. No record of deaths is available. The births of the children of Edward and Mary (McPherson) Stuart as recorded:①

George, Mar. 22, 1789; m.

Clarissa Dickenson: died June 22, 1874

Samuel, Dec. 16, 1794

Nancy, Sep. 7, 1799

Edward, Aug. 19, 1800

William, Feb. 19, 1803

John, Mar. 1, 1804

Enoch, Sep. 16, 1806

Alexander Stewart of Greene County, Georgia

ALEXANDER STEWART of Wilkes county, Georgia, bought Nov. 16, 1793, of Ewing Morrow of the same county 385 acres of land in Greene county on the waters of the North fork of Ogeechee river, adjoining the lands of A. Reid, Elizabeth Bell and Henry Stewart. There seems to be no record of Alexander Stewart in Wilkes county, and he must have been newly arrived. The Henry Stewart referred to was evidently Henry, =B: 238, the son of Capt. Matthew Stewart of Mecklenburg county, N. C., and was perhaps no relation to Alexander. The land apparently lay in what is now Taliaferro county, created in 1825. Alexander's name did not appear in the deed records again, but part of his will is recorded in Greene county will book E, at page 29. The latter part of the will is missing, with the name of the executor, date, signature and names of witnesses. The year of probate is supposed to be 1807. Alexander bequeathed \$25 to his daughter Ann Irvin if she applied for it within five years. He gave his son John the tract of land "where he lately moved from lying on Ogeechee adjoining Robert McCraney's and Henry Stewart & where I formerly lived," and mentioned a lawsuit which had been brought against part of the tract. He devised to his daughter Elizabeth Walker "the tract of land where I lived on