

(Book Holdings, cont. from p. 8)

Watson, Joseph W. *KINFOLKS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA 1793-1844*. Rocky Mount, NC: Joseph W. Watson, 1985. [Contents, Introduction, 1, 30, 31, 40-43, 48, 49, 54, 55, 108, 109-111, 120, 121, 134, 135-137, 142, 143, 238, 239, Index]

Watson, Joseph W. *ABSTRACTS OF THE EARLY DEEDS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY NORTH CAROLINA 1779-1797*. Rocky Mount, NC: Joseph W. Watson, 1984. [Contents, introduction, foreword, 1, 8, 9, 14, 15, 18-23, 30-37, 40, 41, 50-55, 58-61, 64-67, 70-73, 90-95, 98, 99, 102, 103, 110, 111, 114, 115, 122, 123, 132-135, 138, 139, 142-147, 168, 169, 174-179, 184-189, 192-199, 202-205, index]

SOUTH CAROLINA

Bratcher, R. Wayne. *ANDERSON COUNTY CEMETERIES, VOL TWO*. Greenville, SC: A Press, 1986. [p. 50]

Clemens, (SEE NORTH CAROLINA)

DAR, *SOUTH CAROLINA DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION BIBLE RECORDS*. Greenville, SC: A Press, 1981. [pp. 34-37]

Elliot, Colleen M. *THE KEOWEE COURIER 1849-1851; 1857-1861 and 1865-1868*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1979. [pp. 50 & 51; Joshua Alford was shot and instantly killed October 26, 1858 by Zion Odom.]

Holcomb, Brent H. & Elmer O. Parker. *CHESTER COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA MINUTES OF THE COUNTY COURT 1785-1799*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1979. [pp. 58, 59, 86, 87, 114 & 115]

Holcomb, Brent H. *INDEX TO THE 1800 CENSUS OF SOUTH CAROLINA*. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1980. [pp. 4 & 5]

Holcomb, Brent H. *MARRIAGE, DEATH, AND ESTATE NOTICES FROM CAMDEN, SOUTH CAROLINA, NEWSPAPERS 1816-1865*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1978. [pp. 14, 15, 16 & 17; 3 Alford families mentioned]

Holcomb, Brent H. *MARRIAGE, DEATH, AND ESTATE NOTICES FROM GEORGETOWN, S.C. NEWSPAPERS 1791-1861*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1979. [pp. 204 & 205; Mr. H. H. D. Alford married Miss M. G. Jayroe January 21 on Santee by Rev. Mr. Craps. Both were from Georgetown District]

Holcomb, Brent H. *MARRIAGE, DEATH, AND ESTATE NOTICES FROM SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, VOL I 1837-1860*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1979. [pp. 163, 164, 241, 242, 472, 473, 476 & 477; Alford mentioned 4 times]

Holcomb, Brent H. *MARRIAGE, DEATH, AND ESTATE NOTICES FROM SOUTHERN CHRISTIAN ADVOCATE, VOL II 1861-1867*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1980. [pp. 6, 7, 56 & 57; 2 Alford mentioned]

Holcomb, Brent H. *PROBATE RECORDS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, VOL 3, Journal of the Court of Ordinary 1764-1771*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1979. [pp. 68 & 69]

Holcomb, Brent H. *SAINT DAVID'S PARISH, SOUTH CAROLINA MINUTES OF THE VESTRY 1768-1832 PARISH REGISTER 1819-1924*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1979. [pp. 62, 63, 108 & 109.

Revill, Janie, *SOME SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL RECORDS*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1986. [pp. 36 & 37; Jacob Alfred, Exor of will of William Adams whos daughter Susanna married Jacob. Will was recorded in Barnwell Co about 1803.]

Young, Willie Pauline, *ABSTRACTS OF OLD NINETY SIX and Abbeville District Wills and Bonds as on file in the Abbeville, South Carolina, Courthouse*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1950, second printing 1977. [pp. 240 & 241; Peachman Alford, along with others, bound to Moses Taggart Jan 22 1838]

Wilson, Teresa E. & Janice L. Grimes. *MARRIAGE AND DEATH NOTICES FROM THE SOUTHERN PATRIOT, 1815-1830, VOL I*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1982. [pp. 80 & 81; Benjamin Alford, son of Mrs. Alford, died September 20th at Camden SC]

Wooley, James E. *A COLLECTION OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL AND FAMILY RECORDS, VOL II*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1981. [pp. 62 & 63; Land of James Alford mentioned in deed for David Criswell in Wilkes Co, GA.]

Wooley, James E. *A COLLECTION OF UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA GENEALOGICAL AND FAMILY RECORDS, VOL III*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1982. [pp. 212 & 213; Etheldred Alford witnessed will dated Aug 3 1816 in Camden SC; mentioned in deed for David Criswell in Wilkes Co, GA.]

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Book Wish List

The following is a partial list of the books we believe might contain Alford information. NOTICE: If you plan to do anything about these books, let Nancy Dietrich know immediately so that an Association-wide effort can be coordinated. Do not buy a book without checking first to see if someone already bought it or extracted from it.

Please read the comments on copyright laws in "The Alford Library" in this issue. If you have suggestions for additions to this list, let us know.

Coldham, Peter Wilson, *THE BRISTOL REGISTERS OF SERVANTS SENT TO FOREIGN PLANTATIONS*. Hard cover 491 pages indexed by servant, master, place of origin and ship. (LHA) \$30 plus \$2.50 postage and handling (MD 5% or MI 4% tax) from Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.

Coldham, Peter Wilson, *THE COMPLETE BOOK OF EMIGRANTS IN BONDAGE, 1644-1775*. Hard cover 920 pages indexed. (LHA) \$60 plus \$2.50 postage and handling (MD 5% or MI 4% tax) from Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1001 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, MD 21202.

Hoffman, Margaret M. *THE GRANVILLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA 1748-1763, ABSTRACTS OF LAND GRANTS, VOL. 1*. Hard cover 209 pages name and place index. (NAD) \$24 (plus 4.5% tax for NC residents) from author, P. O. Box 446, Roanoke Rapids, NC 27870

Hoffman, Margaret M. *THE GRANVILLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA 1748-1763 ABSTRACTS OF LAND GRANTS, VOL. 2*. Hard cover 415 pages name and place index. (NAD) \$36 from same address as above.

Hoffman, Margaret M. *PROVINCE OF NORTH CAROLINA 1663-1729 ABSTRACTS OF LAND PATENTS*. (NAD)

Hoffman, Margaret M. *COLONY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1753-1764 ABSTRACTS OF LAND PATENTS VOL. 1*. (NAD)

Hoffman, Margaret M. *COLONY OF NORTH CAROLINA 1765-1775 ABSTRACTS OF LAND PATENTS VOL. 2*. (NAD)

National Society of the Colonial Dames, *THE PARISH REGISTER OF ST. PETER'S PARISH, NEW KENT COUNTY, VIRGINIA, 1680-1787*. Soft back reprint (1904) 206 pages indexed. (GKA) #N050 \$12.50 plus \$2.50 postage and handling from Heritage Books, Inc., 1504E Pointer Ridge Place, Suite 106, Bowie, MD 20716.



Two Big Breakthroughs—Thanks, AAFA!

In the last issue of *AAFA Action*, a reminder was inserted to remember to check under the "O's" in indexes because Alford's are sometimes indexed under "Olford." This advice from our Genealogist, Nancy Dietrich, was the first and most important step in solving one of my oldest genealogy problems!

For ten years I had failed to find my John P. Alford in any record. I now checked the 1860 Georgia Census Index, and sure enough, there was an "Olford" in the right county, Upson, but it was P.L., not John. I read the census anyway, ecstatic to find the right wife and children!

The next breakthrough came as a direct result of my participation in AAFA and Gil's dedication to helping Alford's find their ancestors. Discussing the upcoming annual meeting with Gil on the phone, I mentioned that it appeared that P.L., not John P., was my ancestor. That same week, Tom Queen of Austell, GA, read about the AAFA meeting in the newspaper and called Gil to see if he had anything on a P.L. Alford! Gil made the connection and Tom went to the meeting in Atlanta, where we met and shared information—apparently the only two P.L. descendants researching that line! Tom had some valuable documentation leading us to Alabama that I would probably have never found.

Gil says that similar connections are made regularly through the Association files. To this member, it was a miracle!

Pamela Thompson
Publications Editor

(President's Precept, cont. from p. 1)

One decision we made was to hold our next annual meeting in East Texas, probably in October. A committee is already working on the arrangements, and don't be surprised if the location turns out to be the western part of East Texas, namely Central Texas. Gil will concentrate publicity in Texas for the next meeting, and we believe this will be a great help in building our membership since that state has by far the largest number of Alford's in the population, about twice as many as the next two runner-up states, California and Florida.

A consensus developed at the meeting that we can accomplish much more in Alford research if we proceed on a broad front in a concerted effort by all or nearly all of our members. Our Genealogist-Historian, Nancy Alford Dietrich, is working on a research plan for the Association, which she will present to the members. We request your participation and cooperation with Nancy as she develops plans for this most important effort of AAFA.

Finally, while many of us have laughed at and ridiculed claims that Alford's have similar physical characteristics, I was astounded at the meeting to see some of the attendees with the same peculiar upper eyelid skin folds as is common in my line of Alford's! Maybe this, like beauty, is in the eyes of the beholder. But what was not simply my imagination was the spirit and chemistry which prevailed among us who, except for spouses, had never seen each other before. In my six hour drive back to my home on the coast of Georgia, I was full of euphoria about the meeting and prospects for AAFA.

In that spirit, let me send best wishes for all in the Holiday Season, and I look forward to working with you and serving as your President in 1989.

Lodwick H. Alford, AAFA President

Alford Cemeteries

An extensive discussion of Alford cemeteries at the Annual Meeting led those present to recommend that the Association undertake aggressive action to gain cognizance over Alford burial places, if necessary acquiring ownership of some sites.

President Lodwick Alford will be appointing an AAFA Cemetery Committee to look into the subject and make recommendations to the Association. The general plan is to:

1. Compile, with the help of AAFA members, a list of all Alford burial locations and cemeteries.
2. List all the Alford's buried in these sites.
3. Determine how best to maintain and preserve Alford burial sites, particularly those isolated.
4. Determine if it is practical and/or necessary for the Association to

acquire ownership of any Alford burial sites.

Considerable information has already been compiled on Alford burial sites. Future issues of *AAFA ACTION* will contain cemetery listings as the information becomes available. Those who have Alford burial data should send it to the Association if it has not already been sent to Gil Alford.

In
Memory of
Mr. Alford

1770-1870

If you would like to serve on the cemetery committee, send your name with an indication of your interest either to the AAFA mail box or directly to Captain Lodwick Alford, P. O. Box 742, Sea Island, GA 31561. The information this committee gathers and makes available is extremely important and will be very much appreciated by all Alford researchers!

AAFA at Work

No member is able to see, hear, or otherwise be aware of all that is taking place within the Association, but much is working and with success.

The most apparent item is the newsletter, and through it members will be kept abreast of much of the Association work. Most members have been involved to some extent with Nancy Dietrich and Gil Alford's effort to prepare ancestor tables on each of the members. Those at the annual meeting gained first-hand information about much of the Association work.

One of the success stories is the

regularity with which the Association is able to help members, and even some who are not members, by providing additional information on their family lines and/or by making connections with heretofore unknown cousins. It is unusual when the Association hears from a new Alford or Alford descendant but is unable to connect those Alford's to a known line.

Be sure to read *AAFA ACTION* to keep informed of the many areas in which the Association is operating successfully. If you find a topic that interests you, volunteer your help. Get involved!