

Story of Prettyman Jones Sr. & his wife, Sarah -
Alfred Jones – Byrd Smith Jones – Rebecca Jones – James Isbell
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Prettyman Jones (Ebernezer⁵, Thomas⁴, Ebenezers³, Thomas², William¹) was born February 22, 1772 in Dagsboro, Hd, Sussex Co., DE, and died Between February 7, 1825 – June 6, 1867 in Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN. he married Sarah (unknown).

Prettyman Jones, baptized December 6, 1772 St. George's Protestant Church, Indian River, Hd, Sussex Co., DE. The first mention of Prettyman in the records after his birth is a suit in Blount Co., TN in March 1796. In that suit he was sued for debt by John Jones, and the Court ruled in favor of John Jones and assessed damages at \$18.06.

In 1797 the Hawkins line was surveyed to determine the boundary between Tennessee and the Cherokees. The line ran northwest crossing the Great Iron Mountains south of the Little Pigeon River and crossed the Holston River east of its junction with the Tennessee River. After the line was completed it was discovered that several white families were living south of the line on Indian Lands. We know that Prettyman was in the families removed from the Indian lands because on April 7, 1798 Governor John Sevier issued a: "Passport into Indian land Prettyman Jones, Zachariah Jones, John Hackney, David Styrhete, Joshua Parsons, David Oatts, John Oree, Christopher Huzey, Alexander Ford, Joseph Gomry for the purpose of removing their cattle and stock from the Indian lands and to care for their growing grain. Some others living on Indian lands were John, Arch & Robert Cowan; Isham Hale; Ebenezer Jones, Moses Justice; Alexander, Humphrey, & James Montgomery; and Joseph Gomery (Montgomery). Also mentioned on the Indian lands was Annis Joans (Ann Jones) Prettyman's mother.

In December 1798 Puteman (Prettyman) Jones was fined \$1.25 for one oath in the presence of the Court. Then in May 1799 he served on a jury. Elisha Case on August 30, 1799 sued Arch Trimble and Putman (Prettyman) Jones. Jury verdict was that defendants did not surrender the principal in discharge of their duties. Also on August 30, 1799 a jury verdict was returned against Prettyman when the jury awarded Michael Coffiel damages of .056 cents.

Prettyman performed his duty by serving in the militia, and he obviously had the respect of the other members of his Militia Company as on September 26, 1799 he was elected an Ensign in the Blount County Militia.

Prettyman and Robert Pearce were summoned, apparently as witnesses, in the suit of Shaw vs Baker on February 24, 1801, and "being sollemly called & not answering forfeits according the Act of Assemble". That was the start of a busy year for Prettyman as early in 1801 he sold corn with \$10.83 to the Indian Agent, Return J. Meigs. Then on September 22, 1801 he was issued a passport to go into the State of Georgia. What was the purpose of his visit to Georgia? Did he go to Greene County, GA to visit his Jones and Marvel cousins, or did he go to visit some problem? A problem did exist at this time for the Indian Agent Return J. Meigs reported on December 31, 1801: "That three horses were stolen from the Cherokees on or about the 5th day of October last (1801). Two horses were stolen from Granny Maw, widow of the Cherokee Chief Hanging Maw, and one horse was stolen from the Cherokee Deer Biter. From circumstances of the most convincing nature, all the horses were stolen by Prettyman Jones, Zachariah Jones, and Edward Stone, all of the County of Blount in the State of Tennessee."

During 1802 Prettyman continued his civic activities. In February he and Abiah Ghormley (Montgomery) were ordered by the Court to take the oversight of the child of Moses Harvey until next Court. On August 23 he was summoned as a witness in the suit of Isaac Charles vs Valentine Mayo, but he did not appear. Then on August 27 he served as a member of a jury.

The problems came into his life as in September 1802 he was indicted by the Roane County, TN Grand Jury. The Court had a hard time finding him but he was finally arrested, and appeared in Court in June 1803. Then in September 1803 he was found guilty by a jury of his peers. He filed an appeal, but the verdict was sustained in December 1803, and he served as a member of a jury.

He was in the Blount County Court in November 1802 as Puteman Jones, where he sued James Roddy and was awarded damages of \$78.63 $\frac{2}{3}$. Then in February 1803 he was sued by John Drew and had to pay damages of .01 cent. In May he again served on a jury.

He moved from Blount County in 1804. Prettyman probably moved to Buffalo Valley with his brother Zachariah Jones, and William Hitchcock. There they joined or were joined by John Clemons, Moses Justice, George and William Skiles, and David Wallace from Blount County.

Sometime between 1808 to 1810 he moved back to Buffalo Valley. On January 20, 1810 as Prettyman Jones of Jackson Co., he sold the 100 acres in White Co. to Zachariah Jones.

Prettyman was involved in the War of 1812. As a result of "General William Carroll's call in November 1814 for volunteers to defend New Orleans against an expected attack by the British" Colonel James Raulston formed the Third Regiment of Tennessee Militia. Prettyman and Thomas Jones were in Captain Matthew Cowen's Company of this Regiment. The Company was mustered into

service on November 15, 1814 at Camp Flynnes, Jackson Co., TN. On November 21 they left Nashville by boat, and arrived in Clarksville on November 24. "They made a fairly fast trip to New Orleans for they were at the mouth of Cumberland on December 1, Natchez on Wednesday, December 14, and finally landed on December 20, 1814 about four miles above new Orleans. They had traveled 1300 miles by boat in about 30 days.

After the Battle of New Orleans, Prettyman returned to Buffalo Valley. He was living there when the 1820 Census of Jackson was taken. It lists him with 2 males under 10, 3 males 10-16, 1 male 16-18, 3 males 16-26, and 1 male over 45, 3 females under 10, 1 female 10-16, 2 females 16-26, and 1 female over 45. His son John R. was listed separately. If all the ones listed are his then he had 10 or 11 sons and 6 daughters. He is not on the 1830 census. The last reference we have found on him is a reference in the Jackson County Ranger Book when he reported a stray horse on February 1825. Between this date and June 6, 1827 when his wife Sarah entered 200 acres of land in her own name his death must have occurred.

The 1820 census list his as a farmer with two slaves.

Sarah Unknown

We do not know what Sarah's surname was. It could have been Carr, Skiles, Vance or Wallace. We feel at this time she was probably a Hitchcock and the daughter of John Hitchcock. She was an unusually strong women as it was uncommon for women to acquire land in their own name, but she entered 200 acres on June 6, 1827 by selling two pairs of socks for 25 cents, and on June 14, 1834 she sold four pairs of socks for \$1.00. On April 11, 1837 she purchased coffee and one pair of shoes, and the merchandise was picked up by Jink. And on January Jink picked up merchandise for Mrs. Sarah Jones. Sarah is on the 1830 Jackson census with 2 males 15-20 years of age, 1 male 20-30, 1 female 10-15, 2 females 15-20, and one female 50-60. The order of the census is Alfred Jones, John Jones, William Jones, and Sarah Jones. After 1840 we can find no further record of Sarah, and feel she must have died between 1840 and 1850.

Prettyman was a Captain in Company F 25th Division , TN If. CSA

Children of Prettyman & Sarah Jones

...John R. Jones – ca. 1793, TN – After 1870, Silver Point, Putnam Co., TN
and Jane "Jennie" Sullivan – ca. 1820 – b. ca. 1798, TN – d. After 1870,
Silver Point, TN. *John was granted at least 169^{1/4} acres of land in Buffalo
Valley bordering land of Prettyman Sr., Byrd S. & Alfred Jones. In 1850
He was living in the 8th District of DeKalb Co., TN & in 1870 was in Putnam, Co.*
...Alfred Jones – 1796, Blount Co., TN – Between 29 October 1855 &

- 1 December 1855, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN - md Elizabeth Nichols –
16 February 1850, DeKalb Co., TN. *Alfred was granted at least 175 acres of land in Buffalo Valley, TN. His 100 acre grant was entered by Henry M. Carr, and Byrd S. Jones purchased it after Alfred's death. Later Byrd S. Jones sold this land to his son, Alfred Moore Jones.*
- ...Rebecca Jones – ca. 1803/1809, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – Between 1840/50, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN - md John Carr- ca. 1826 - b. ca. *They lived in Illinois in 1829 & 1830, then moved back to Buffalo Valley. At one time they lived on a 25 acre grant of Alfred Jones. John Carr received A 25 acre land grant in Buffalo Valley, in what was then Jackson County, next to the Jones's. Mitch Jones of FL, has the original.*
- ...William H. Jones – ca. 1804, TN – After 1880, DeKalb Co., TN – md - Elizabeth Exum , md - Louisa M. Palmer. *He received a 50 acre land grant in Buffalo Valley.*
- ...Byrd S. Jones – 14 February 1808, White, TN – 25 April 1864, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN - Buried: Putnam Co., TN md Hannah Johnson – ca. 1833 - b. ca. 1815 – d. 23 July 1885 Buried: Putnam Co., TN *Byrd S. Jones was a devout Methodist Listed in 1860 TN Agriculture Census as owning a farm valued at \$4000.00.*
- ...Sarah Jones – ca. 1810, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – Before 1860, Buffalo Valley, Putnam Co., TN **md - Gallant "Gallant" Anderson** – By 1827 s/o Thomas & Judith (Robinson) Anderson. *They lived in Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN, next to or on land owned by Prettyman Jones, Sr.*
- ...Lotty Jones- 1810/20, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN. *Possibly never married.*
- ...Luvina Jones – ca.1812, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – 21 March 1887, Putnam Co. TN - md Creed Tucker- 21 April ca. 1829, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – *Creed H. Tucker was a veteran, War of 1812.*
- ...James R. Jones – ca. 1813, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – md Agnes____ md – Nancy____.
- ...Prettyman Jones Jr.– ca. 1814, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – After 1880. md – Charlotte____, md Catherine____.
- ...Lewis Jenkins "Jink" Jones – November 1815, or ca. 1816, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – After 1900, Putnam Co., TN – md Anna Winfrey – md Martha Butts - 26 May 1882.
- ...Mary Ann Jones – b. ca. 1801 - md Phillip Sadler
- ...Cynthia Jones – b. ca. 1804, TN - md Macajah Duke
*A daughter married Andrew Carr

Alfred Jones

On January 26, 1826 Alfred entered 25 acres of land in Buffalo Valley, and it included where John Carr lives. The land was surveyed on June 26, 1827 with John Carr and John Jones as chain carriers. By 1831 Alfred had acquired the 50 acres granted to Henry M. Carr in 1825. Then on January 2, 1833 as the assignee of Henry M. Carr he was granted 25 acres in the head of Buffalo Valley adjoining the "East boundary of said Carr's 50 acres now occupied by Alfred Jones. Alfred also acquired a 100 acre grant of Henry M. Carr. Henry had entered this land on June 8, 1827, and had it surveyed on May 29, 1831. This land began at South boundary of the 70 acres of Prettyman Jones, and adjoined on the East the 25 acres of Alfred Jones and the 50 acres of Nathan Jared. He owned this land by 1836 as the 1836 Tax List of Jackson County lists him two 25 acre tracts, a 50 acre tract, and a 100 acre tract.

Alfred was the administrator of Prettyman's estate. He and his brother, Byrd S. Jones were the administrators of the estate of John Carr as they were sued by Alexander B. McNichols as administrators of John Carr's estate on November 5, 1841. By 1842 McNichols of Wilson Co., TN had recovered a judgement of \$225. But the suit continued as the depositions of the following witnesses were taken on October 1, 1846 at the Buffalo Valley Meeting House: Charles R. Blair, Zachariah Kirkland, Garland Anderson about 37 years old, Joshua Bartlett, Thomas Anderson, William H. Jones, and James R. Jones about 33 years old.

Alfred was a farmer. The 1850 Jackson Co. Agriculture Census shows that he had 80 acres of improved land, and 70 acres of unimproved land. He had two horses, two mild cows, two oxen, four other cattle, 20 hogs, and 25 sheep. On his farm he yearly produced 500 bushels of corn, 8 bushels of peas and beans, 150 lbs. of butter, and 100 lbs. of beeswax and honey. The value of his land was \$300, value of farm implements \$10, value of livestock \$200, value of home manufacturing \$25, and value of animals slaughtered was \$50.

On January 11, 1855 he was a witness for Joshua Bartlett in a land suit filed against Bartlett by Edward Anderson. In his deposition he said he was about 58, that the boundary line crossed Valley Road just about woods pasture of Amonett, the Buffalo Valley Road was a dividing line between Bartlett and Anderson, and that he had been acquainted with the land 40 years or upwards.

He made his will on October 29, 1855 and it was probated on December 1, 1855. To his wife Elizabeth, one third plus one beef cow, two hogs, etc; mentions Thomas Jones & Gillahn; two daughters, Charlotta Hazzard and Nancy D. Jones, \$25; and balance of my estate to be divided between all my children except Rebecca Isbell she having received in the price of land. Witnesses to the will were N.G. Duke, F.N. Patterson, and A Palmer. After his death William H. Jones sold to Bryd S. Jones his interest in the land that belonged to his father on September 11, 1856. Witnessing the deed were James R. and Alfred Jones. On

September 16, 1856 James R. Jones sold his interest in his father's land to James Isbel for \$50. On October 1856 term of Putnam County Court a decree was entered which shows that Bryd S. Jones and Thomas Jones Executors of Alfred Jones deceased. Lott Hazard and wife Charloty Jones, Gillahn and wife Nancy, and James Isbell filed a petition to sell 100 acres of land of Alfred Jones.

Children of Alfred Jones and Tabitha Unknown are:

William H. Jones – b. ca. 1824

Thomas Jones – b. ca. 1826

John Jones – ca. 1829, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN

James R. Jones – ca. 1832, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN

Charlotta H. Jones – ca. 1835, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN
md Lot Hazzard

Nancy D. Jones – ca. 1840, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN
md John Gillahan

Children of Alfred Jones & Elizabeth Nichols are:

Rebecca Jones –b. January 30, 1822 –d. Between 1850-1851, Buffalo Valley, TN
md James Livingston Isbelle

William Jones – b. September 1824

Thomas H. Jones – b. March 19, 1826

Byrd V. or S. Jones – b. September 3, 1829

James R. Jones – b. July 14, 1832

Nancy Jones –

Charlotta Jones –

Bryd Smith Jones – was born February 14, 1808, and died ca. 1864. He married Hannah Johnson.

Children of Byrd Jones & Hannah Johnson are:

...Alfred Moore Jones, Sr.- 18 May 1836 – ca. 1876 - md Adelaide Anderson -

19 August 1857 -d/o Edward (Ned) & Lucinda Mahaney Anderson

...John L. Jones – 1 September 1844 – 16 February 1911, UT

md Nancy Clemmons – d/o George Edwin & Ruth Jones Clemons

...Nancy D. Jones – ca. 1848 – md Samuel Harris – b. ca. 1845 –

Pvt. L Co., 5th Cav.

...Byrd Laster (Bob) Jones – 12 October 1849 – 24 February 1914 –

md Mary Elizabeth Dyer – b. 25 February 1850

...Henry P. Jones – ca.1852 – ca. 1933– md Phileca Maddux -

ca. 1855-1932 -d/o Silas F. Maddux – b. ca. 1822 – d. 1900 &

Jane P. (Simmons) Maddux. *G. Grandparents of Ted Huddleston*

...Sgt. Josephus Jones – 17 December 1845 – 20 February 1915 –

Sgt., Co. J 1st TN Mts. Inf.,/ Capt. Purt Jones

- md Martha Anderson – b. 28 December 1846 - d. 1 December 1910
 d/o Thomas Shirley Jr. & Louisa (Alexander) Anderson–
sistor to Angeline Anderson
- ...Martha Ann Jones – ca. 1834 - md Purtamen (Henry) Puckett
- ...William Wade Jones – 23 July 1838 –11 November 1907
 C.S.A & Union Army – 1st Sgt. C.S.A. Co F, 25th Inf; Capt. Co C, 1st
 md Rebecca Peranna Bartlett – d/o Joshua & Annie (Anderson) Bartlett
- ...Nora Jones – md Mr. Steele
- ...Capt. Prettyman “Purt” Jones – 23 July 1841 – 7 July 1917
 C.S.A & Union Army- Capt., Co. F, 25th Inf. C.S.A, and
 Co. H, 1st TN Mtd. Inf. (Union)
 md Angeline Anderson – 24 February 1863
 b. 7 March 1842 – d. 24 February 1888
*“A precious one from us gone,
 A voice we loved is stilled,
 A place is vacant in our home,
 That never can be filled.”*
 d/o Thomas Shirley Jr. & Louisa (Alexander)
 Anderson-sister to Martha Anderson
 md Matilda Smith Garner & md Martha Ann “Dollie” Denny
 d/o Martha & James/Timothy Denny
 Buried - Capt. Prettyman & Angeline Anderson Buffalo Val. Rd, TN
- ...Hannah A. Jones – ca. 1858 – md James (Jim) Mitchell
- ...Mary E. Jones – ca. 1855, md Doss Ervin
- ...Robert Jones – md Elizabeth Dyer

Rebecca Jones – d/o Alfred Jones and Elizabeth Nichols
 b. 30 January 1822 – d. Between 1850-1851, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN
 md James Livingston Isbelle – b. 16 September 1815 – d. 26 April 1880
 Buried Cookeville City Cemetery, Cookeville, TN
 s/o John Isbelle and Rachael Parsley

James Livingston Isbelle purchased 50 acres of land from Alfred Jones on October 19, 1855. On September 16, 1856 he purchased the interest of James R. Jones in Alfred Jones land. In the 1840 and 1850 Census of Jackson Co. he lived in District 13, and 1860 and 1870 Census he is in District 9, Putnam Co., TN. He was a farmer and in 1860 Agriculture Census of Putnam Co., he is listed with 75 acres improved land, 75 acres of unimproved land, 3 horses, 2 mules, 4 milk cows, 2 oxen, 7 other cattle, 20 sheep, and 60 hogs. His farm produce per year was: 51 bushels wheat, 1 bushel rye, 1250 bushel corn, 60 lbs. wool, 50 bushel irish potatoes, 10 bushel sweet potatoes, 50 lbs. butter, and 10 lbs. maple sugar.

Hannah Isbell, sister of James married William Milton Crownover. Father of Archibald Crownover husband of Amanda Frances Mitchell.

3rd wife Angeline Allison died about 1892, Putnam Co., TN
Allison Stand Inn was owned by James Isbell and Angeline Allison Isbell, who was the remarried widow of the Inn's former proprietor, Joseph Allison. Located at the corner of the Nashville Road, now Highway 70, and the old Sparta road, the Inn stood about two to three miles from Jim Brassell's home near what is now the Double Springs community, and it provided food and shelter for travelers passing through the area.

Children of Rebecca Jones and James Isbell are:

William Jefferson Isabelle – b. 23 December 1840, Buffalo Valley, Jackson Co., TN – d. 20 March 1895, Cookeville, Putnam Co., TN – md Sara M. Cameron, 3 February 1861 – md Amanda Helen Starnes 1 August 1867, Laurel Hill, DeKalb Co., TN.

William Jefferson Isbell – Buried: Cookeville City Cemetery, Cookeville, TN
In 1869 he along with Captain Prettyman Jones and Prettyman Puckett were trustees of the Methodist Church. In 1870 Census of Putnam Co. he was in District 9, and is listed as a school teacher. He owned the Isbell Hotel in Cookeville, TN. In 1880 Census of Putnam Co., TN he was in District 1, and was the Putnam Co., Court Clerk. Later he was the County Trustee.

**William Henry Tucker Jr.*

e-mail from Mitchell Jones on the subject of William Henry Tucker Jr.

William Henry Tucker Jr. first husband of Martha Ann "Dollie" Denny is also a Jones descendant. Their son William H. Tucker III said that Capt. Prettyman was the idea step father. I thought that was quite a saying for stepson to say.

1176. WILLIAM HENRY⁹ TUCKER, Jr., (William Henry⁸, Luvina⁷ Jones, Prettyman⁶, Ebenezer⁵, Thomas⁴, Ebenezer³, Thomas², William^{A-1}), b Feb 1879 Putnam Co., TN d bef 1910 Putnam Co., TN m 4 Apr 1901 Putnam Co., TN Martha Ann "Dollie" Denny b ca 1886 Putnam Co., TN dau of James Denny and Martha _____.

She married second #2275 Capt. Prettyman Jones. In 1910 she was living in District 13 Putnam County. The 1910 census shows she had two children and with one living. Children:76b

+ 1227. (i) WILLIAM HENRY¹⁰ TUCKER b ca 1903 Putnam Co., TN m Wilma Patterson

1227. WILLIAM HENRY¹⁰ TUCKER, (William Henry, Jr.⁹, William Henry⁸, Luvina⁷ Jones, Prettyman⁶, Ebenezer⁵, Thomas⁴, Ebenezer³, Thomas², WilliamA-1), b ca

1903 Putnam Co., TN d _____ m Wilma Patterson dau of Evander McIver Patterson and Minnie Lee Patterson. Children:

+ 1228. (i) WILLIAM HENRY¹¹ TUCKER b 1 Oct 1931 Nashville, Davidson Co., TN m Barbara Hunt.

1229. (ii) MARY RAE¹¹ TUCKER b _____ m James Anthony Lyne, Jr.

1230. (i) James Evans¹² Lyne. James teaches aeronautical engineering at University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee. He has Ph. D, and is M.D.

1228. WILLIAM HENRY¹¹ TUCKER, (William Henry¹⁰, William Henry, Jr.⁹, William Henry⁸, Luvina⁷ Jones, Prettyman⁶, Ebenezer⁵, Thomas⁴, Ebenezer³, Thomas², WilliamA-1), b 1 Oct 1931 Nashville, Davidson Co., TN d 4 Feb 1996 Nashville, Davidson Co., TN m Barbara Hunt b 23 Aug 1937 Cheatham Co., TN dau of George Thomas Howard Hunt and Charlie Mae Gupton. William is a graduate of George Peabody College in Nashville, Tennessee where he was Senior Class President. He was the baseball coach at Overton High School for many years, and won several Tennessee State Baseball Championships. Overton High honored him by naming the baseball field "Bill Tucker Baseball Field". He retired after about 35 years with the Davidson County, Tennessee school system. Bill and Barbara live at 819 Evansdale Dr., Nashville, Tennessee. Children:

+ 1231. (i) LISA ANNE¹² TUCKER b 16 Apr 1958 Nashville, Davidson Co., TN m Hubert N. Moore.

+ 1232. (ii) WILLIAM HENRY¹² TUCKER III b 25 Jan 1962 Nashville, Davidson Co., TN m Nina Faye Lane.