

THE NAME AND FAMILY

OF

PRIM (M)

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The name of PRIMM, PRIM, or PRIME is, in many cases at least, of Flemish origin and was taken by its first bearers from their residence at Priem or Pryme, in Flanders. Some writers however, have asserted that Prime was a name given "at primes, first service", and that Prim meant "first born". However this may be, the names are found in ancient European and early American records in the various forms of Priem, Prymme, Pryme, Pym, Prims, Primme, Prime, Primm, and Prim, of which the last three are the spellings most often used in America in modern times.

According to family historians, the founder of the race was Alexander de la Pryme, who followed Philip of Alsace in the second Crusade, in the year 1176 A.D. Varying reasons are given for the first settlement of the family in England, some writers stating that they were Huguenots and fled into England about the year 1628, during the time when the Huguenots were besieged at Rochelle; while others are of the opinion that the family was one of those, of Netherlandish

descent, who were invited by Queen Elizabeth to settle in Lincolnshire in order to instruct the fen folk in making dykes. Most probably both of these theories are correct and merely refer to separate lines of the family in England.

Certainly, in the early seventeenth century, one Charles Pryme came from Ypres, in Flanders, and settled at Hatfield, near Doncaster. He had two sons, Abraham and Mathias or Matthew, of whom the first died in 1687, probably without issue. Mathias or Matthew Pryme, the other son of Charles, made his home at Crowtrees Hall, in Yorkshire, and was married in 1670 to Sarah, daughter of Peter Smagge or Smaque, who had emigrated from Paris, France, to England at a slightly earlier time. To this union were born Abraham, Peter, Sarah, Mary, Frances (died young), David, Jacob, Elizabeth (died young), Mary, Elizabeth, and Frances.

Abraham, the eldest son, was minister at Thorne, in Yorkshire. He died in 1704 unmarried. Peter, the second son of Mathias or Matthew, succeeded to the family estates upon the death of his elder brother. In 1695 he married Frances, daughter of Francis Wood; and their children included two sons, Abraham and Francis. Of these, Abraham left issue by his wife Emelia of James and Emelia, of whom the first removed to the Isle of Man; while Francis resided

at Ferriby, near Hull, and left issue there of Christopher, Elizabeth, Nancy, and Sally.

John Prime or Prim, who went into England from the Netherlands in the early seventeenth century was sent by Charles I to Ireland as Chief Engineer to build and repair forts in County Cork and the South of Ireland. He became a Colonel in the King's service and later purchased an estate in County Kilkenny, Ireland, to which he gave the name of "Castle Eve". Colonel Mark Prim, son of Colonel John, espoused the cause of King William in the latter seventeenth century and served as a volunteer at the siege of Derry. By his first wife, Mary Walters, the daughter of an English officer, he had eight children, Abraham, John, Thomas, Mark, Rachel, Margaret, and two other daughters. Colonel Mark's second wife was a Miss Langley, but there was no issue by this union. He died in Kilkenny in 1745.

Of the last-mentioned brothers, sons of Colonel Mark Prim, Abraham died in 1726, leaving an only son, also named Abraham; Thomas married a Miss Roche and left issue by her of three sons and a daughter, but this line died out in the male descent; Mark married a Miss Nixon and had, among other children, a son named John, but his records are not complete; and John (the second son of Colonel Mark) first married a

Miss Rodgers, by whom he was the father of Mark, two other sons, who died unmarried, and three daughters. By a second wife, Margaret David, John had further issue of John, Henry, and two more daughters, whose names are not known.

Philip Prime, who was living at Hemmingford Abbots, near Huntingdonshire, in the latter half of the seventeenth century, married Mary, daughter of Sir Thomas Bromsall. Their children were Philip, Samuel, and Anne, of whom the first married a Miss Robertson, of Godmanchester, in Huntingdon, and made his home in that place. To this union were born Philip, William, Joseph, Mary, Anne, and Alice Prime. From this line were descended many families of the name in Norfolk and Suffolk.

Although it is not known, in every case, from which of the lines of the family in Europe the first emigrants of the name to America are descended, it is generally believed that the greater number of the Primes, Prims, and Primms of this country derive from the before-mentioned lines in Great Britain.

John Prime, who came to America about the year 1638 and settled first at New Haven, Conn., is believed to have been the earliest of the immigrants of the name to this country. He removed before 1644 to Milford, in the same

colony, and died there in 1685. The name of his wife is not known, but his children were James, Sarah, and Rebecca.

James Prime, only son of the immigrant James, resided at New Milford, Conn., as early as 1702 and had issue by his wife Sarah of ten children, James, Martha, Elizabeth, Joseph, Ebenezer, Sarah, Rebecca, Mary, Deborah, and Hannah.

Of the last-mentioned brothers, James left issue by his wife Anna of William, Martha, James, Anna or Hannah, and Mabel; Joseph settled at Southbury, Conn., and was married in 1728 to Sarah Root, by whom he had issue of Desire, Sarah, Betty, Joseph, and Benjamin; and Ebenezer removed to Huntington, on Long Island, N.Y. In 1723 he married his first wife, Margaret Sylvester, by whom he was the father of Ebenezer (died young) and Margaret. In 1730 the elder Ebenezer married a second wife, Experience Youngs, who gave him three children, Mary, Sarah, and Benjamin Youngs Prime; and by his third wife, the Widow Hannah Carll, whom he married in 1751, he had further issue of Ebenezer and Experience.

About 1643 one Mark Prime settled at Rowley, Mass. By his wife Ann, he was the father of two children, Samuel and Mary.

Samuel, only son of the immigrant Mark, was married

in 1673 or 1674 to Sarah Plats, by whom he had issue of Samuel, Sarah, Mark, and Ann.

Of the two sons of Samuel and Sarah, Samuel Jr. married Sarah Jewett about 1706 and was the father by her of Samuel, Mark (died young), Joshua, Sarah, and another Mark; while Mark married Jane Lambert about 1702 and left issue by her of Edna, Jane, Thomas, Mark, Moses, and Mary Prime.

Another early branch of the family in America was founded by John Prim or Primm, who is said to have been the son of Abraham Pryme, of the Isle of Man, and possibly descended from the line mentioned earlier residing at that place. This John settled in Virginia about 1750 and left issue in Stafford County of four sons, William, James, Thomas, and John.

The records of all of the last-mentioned brothers are not in evidence; but John Primm or Prim, son of the immigrant of that name, is known to have served with the Virginia troops in the Revolutionary War and later to have removed to Clair County, Ill. He married Elizabeth Langhead Hansbrough in the year 1777 and had issue by her of seventeen children, William, John, Thomas, James, Peter, Daniel, Peggy, Enoch, Elijah, Silas, Elizabeth, Parmenas, Joseph, Levi, Aram, Lydia, and Mary.

Militantly pious, possessed of deep convictions, and determined of purpose, the Primes, Prims, and Primms are a strong and influential race. They have shown themselves to be, on the whole, resourceful, decisive in action, and intellectually superior.

Besides the before-mentioned John Primm (also recorded as Prime), of Virginia, the rolls of the Colonial forces in the Revolution include the names of Benjamin Prime, of Virginia; Josiah and Captain James Primm, of Virginia; John and Joseph Prim, of Pennsylvania; Lieutenant Colonel Joseph, Joshua Jewett, Josiah, Mark, and Thomas Prime, of Massachusetts; Asa Prime, of Connecticut; and David, Lieutenant Francis, Henry, John, Lewis, Michael, Peter, and Samuel Prime, of New York.

Samuel, William, Charles, Abraham, James, Thomas, Mark, Henry, Benjamin, and Joseph are among the masculine Christian names most often found in the annals of the family.

Among those of the name who have been prominent in America in comparatively recent dates are:

Nathaniel Scudder Prime (1785-1856), of New York, clergyman and author.

Paine Paige Prim (nineteenth century), of Oregon, lawyer and jurist.

Samuel Irenaeus Prime (1812-1885), of New York, clergyman, journalist, and author.

Edward Dorr Griffin Prime (1814-1891), of New York, clergyman, journalist, and author.

William Cowper Prime (1825-1905), of New York, lawyer, journalist, educator, and author.

Frederick Edward Prime (1829-1900), of Italy and Connecticut, military officer.

Samuel Thornton Kemeys Prime (1834-1907), of Connecticut and Illinois, agriculturist and author.

George Wendell Prime (1837-1907), of New York, journalist and author.

Ralph Earl Prime (b. 1840), of New York, soldier, lawyer, and author.

Frederick Prime (1846-1900), of Pennsylvania, educator and geologist.

J. A. Primm (b. 1847), of Arkansas, farmer.

James M. Prim (b. 1877), of California, rancher.

The coat of arms of the English family of Prime, from which it is believed the American Prime, Prim, and Primm lines are in most cases, descended, is heraldically described as follows (Burke, Encyclopaedia of Heraldry, 1844):

Arms.---"Argent, a man's leg erased at the thigh sable."

Crest.---"Out of a ducal coronet or, a lion's gamb, holding a tilting-spear proper."

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THE PRIMM FAMILY

There are two cemeteries in the 16th District of Williamson County in which members of the PRIMM family are buried. One is located on the old PRIMM farm on Crockett Road and has in it only the following two markers:

ROBERT PRIMM, born 1839; died 1899
ELIZABETH PRIMM, born 1843; died 1926

The other cemetery is located on the Lloyd Morgan farm on Concord Road. In it there is only one legible marker:

GEORGE HUNTER PADGETT, son of G.R. and A. M. Padgett, born June 16, 1877; died June 4, 1883

6 graves
There are, however, also buried in this latter cemetery members of the PRIMM family, including the father of the late Johnny PRIMM, who died three months before his twin children were born. MRS. NETTIE PRIMM supplies this information.

Marriages recorded in Williamson County between 1800 and 1850 are:

JOHN (X) PRIMM to ELY BRODWAY, January 17, 1816
CHARLES H. PRIMM to JANE WILLSON April 3, 1835
JEREMIAH W. PRIMM to REBEKAH HAMER September 21, 1805
SHADRACK W. PRIMM to MARY S. HAMPTON November 20, 1838
WILLIAM PRIMM to NANCY C. VAUGHAN March 13, 1834

Davidson County records show the following marriage:

ABRAHAM PRIM to JUDITH JONES November 28, 1804

It is to be noted that JANE HAMER in her will refers to the "GREEN PRIMM portion" of her farm and JOHN HAMER in his deed giving land to Liberty Church describes it as being bounded by the land of GREEN H. PRIMM.

Williamson County records show that a JOHN PRIMM died around 1820.

ROBERT T. CURRIN married ELIZABETH H. PRIMM January 14, 1830
LORENZO D. PRIM (sic) married MARY E. CURRIN November 9, 1831

1820 Census of Williamson County: The following heads-of-household:

1. GREEN PRIMM with 1 dependent male and 2 slaves.
2. JEREMIAH W. PRIMM with 3 dependent males and 2 females and 7 slaves (between 26 and 45).
3. JOHN W. PRIMM with 3 dependent males and 3 females.

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Marriages - Williamson County

Isabella PRIMM to GEORGE WEDDELL October 4, 1824
MARY R. PRIMM to GEORGE LONG January 18, 1844
POLLY PRIMM to GEORGE WEDLE July 24, 1819

*Table of families from 1819 to 1845 see page 17
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WETTIE PRIMM and
and some more

as recorded in Williams

() PRIMM to ELY BROADWAY, Tenn
H. PRIMM to JANE WILSON April
H. W. PRIMM to REBEKAH HANER Sep
H. W. PRIMM to MARY S. HAMILTON
PRIMM to MARY C. VAUGHAN Mar

County records show the following

1819
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one other tract lying on the north fork of the forked Deer River, being the waters of the Mississippi, containing eleven hundred and seventy seven acres and three quarters conveyed by Anthony Sharp to James Robertson and from him to Frederick Ward and from him to me as by conveyances will appear said four lots named tracts to be divided quantity and quality. I farther leave and bequeath to Charles and William McCrory my two stills with the tubs, et cetera. I leave and bequeath to my sons Thomas McCrory, Liggett McCrory, Charles and William McCrory, all my histories and novels to be divided equally amongst them. 6th Item: I leave to my daughter Rachel McCrory one negro boy named Esack and one negro girl named Phoebe, and bureau that stands in the dairy room. 7th Item. I leave and bequeath to my daughter Hannah McCrory one negro boy named Joseph and one negro girl named Chaney and one bureau that stands in the room. I farther leave and bequeath to my two daughters Rachel and Hannah McCrory one hundred acres of land whereon Charles Liggett lives to be sold or divided as my executors may judge best for them and the proceeds if sold put to their use and I do hereby appoint and make Matthew Johnston, Thomas Cox and Rachel McCrory my said wife my sole executors of this my last will and Testament, and do declare this to be my last Will and Testament and no other. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal the day first above written. Thomas McCrory (Seal). Signed, sealed and published and pronounced to be the last will and Testament of Thomas McCrory and no other in the presence of us: Thomas Malone, Henry Barnes, E. S. Dyer, Joseph Caldwell, Tens Crow. Which last will and Testament as above recited was produced in open court October Session 1819 and was duly proven by the oaths of Thomas Malone and Henry Barnes, the subscribing witnesses thereto and the same was ordered to be recorded.

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* JOHN PRIMM, Deceased; Will - October Session 1819. In the name of God, Amen, I, John Primm, being of body weak but of mind and memory sound and perfect and considering the uncertainty of all human affairs do make, ordain, and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following. In the first place my will and desire is that my plantation where I now live containing fifty four acres more or less remain undivided and I do hereby give and bequeath to my said farm to my two daughters Sally and Polly Primm and to my son Green H. Primm with this restriction that no sale made from one to the other is to be valid nor shall one have power to sell his or her share until the whole three shall with one accord agree to sell it all together and if either of my three children as above named shall think proper to go away and not live on said land, they are not privileged to rent any part of it to any other person but those of them that chooses to stay is to enjoy it until those who go away may think proper to return as to my present wife the provisions that I make for her is this, she is privileged to enjoy the same or equal benefits with my three children above named during her life time or so long as she remain my widow except the children above named may agree to sell the land and in that event if she chooses to go with them her privileges is to continue provided she remains my widow. Secondly all the property of every description that my wife had when we were married together with all that we have

made since our marriage except what has been sold or given away. I do hereby give and bequeath to her, my said wife and to her children forever, two headsteads and twenty-five pounds of feathers and whereas I gave Abraham H. Moses a power of attorney to sell a small piece of land I have in the state of North Carolina for me, if he should sell the land the money arising therefrom is to go to the use of my wife and her two children in the following manner to be put into the hands of the executors of this my Will and by them to be employed in procuring land for my wife and her two children if it can be done to their advantage. I do hereby further give to my son Green H. Primm my rifle gun, a cow and calf, my turner's tools, a set of bench planes, broad axes, hand axe and augers and also a parcel of feathers and a drawing knife, my handsaw, some new chissels and a gouge, I give to my infant son Charles Hardy Primm and also I give a small tennon saw; also I give a small tennon saw to my other infant son Logan D. Primm, the tools given to each of my infant sons is to be kept by my son Green H. Primm until the infant children come of age. I further give my large tennon saw to my son Green H. Primm. I do further give and bequeath to my daughter Sally Primm a cow and calf, a bed and furniture, and my daughter Polly Primm I give a cow and calf, a cotton wheel, a bed, and furniture, my two horse carts and all the farming tools I leave as appendages to the farm to be used for the joint benefit of those my divisus to whom I have left the farm, and to be disposed of in the same manner my stock of hogs. I leave to those named in this my last Will and Testament my large family Bible and Hymn Book, I leave for the use of those of my family who may still reside in my house, three volumes of Mr. Fletcher's works I give to my son Abraham Primm. To my son Jeremiah Primm I give one volume of Mrs. John Wesley's Sermons and one Vol. American Magazine Saint's Rest and Russel's Seven Sermons, I give to my wife Christian Pattern I give to my daughter Sally Devout Exercises by Mrs. Mary Spencer. I give to my daughter Polly the balance of my books to be left amongst them all. I give a handsaw to my son John Wesley Primm. It is my desires above named to pay what little I owe out of what they can spare most conveniently. I do hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my two sons Jeremiah Primm and Abraham Primm and John Mayfield the executors of this my last Will and Testament. John Primm (Seal). Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of John L. Fielder, William Allen. Which last Will and Testament as above recited was produced in open Court, Oct. Session 1819 and was duly proven by the oaths of John L. Fielder and William Allen, subscribing witnesses, thereto, and the same was ordered to be recorded.

THOMAS HENDRIX, deceased, Will - October Session 1819
In the name of God, amen, I Thomas Hendrix of Williamson County State of Tennessee, being of sound and perfect mind and memory. (blessed be God), do this twenty third day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner following, that is to say: first I give and bequeath to my step-son John McCord one hundred acres of land lying in Overton County and State of Tennessee on the waters of Roaring River being the land he now lives on, also one negro boy named Jack to him and his heirs forever. And I give and bequeath to my son Adam Hendrix

thirteen dollars bills on the Fayetteville bank of Tennessee, two dollars on note of hand on Knight and Broome, one thousand dollars which was due the twenty-fifth of Dec'r., eighteen hundred and nineteen, balance due on H. Yarbrough note of nine dollars, one note of hand on R. Graham, thirty dollars twelve and one half cents, on account against N. Chairs, twenty nine dollars, one do. against James Peters, three dollars seventy five cents, one do. against J. Staggs, six dollars, one do. against Nathaniel Chairs and James Peters three hundred and sixty five dollars thirty seven and a half cents, do. Thomas Wells, one dollar. The foregoing is a true inventory of the estate of William Bond, decd., including the one returned to Oct'r. Court 1819. James P. Peters, Admr. Which inventory as above recited was produced in open court January Session 1820 and the same was ordered to be recorded.

JOHN PRIMM, dec'd., Inventory - January Session 1819. Amount of property of John Primm, decd: 1 razor strop, 1 house clock, 1 cart, 2 cart tyers, 8 waggon boxes, a parcel of house joiners tools, 1 coopers howel, 1 cross, 1 pr. of large coopers compasses, 1 inshave, 1 set of shoe makers tools, 4 breast chains, 5 stay chains, 1 large grindstone, some axle trees, and spindles for big wheels, 3 drawing knives, 8 files, 1 rasp, 1 side iron, 1 trumpet, 1 pare of steelyards, 1 mens saddle, 1 box of old irons, 2 hammers, 4 stands of bees, 1 coffee mill, 4 empty barrels, 2 small kegs, 1 steer, 1 pr. of pot hooks, 1 candle stick, 3 stirrup irons, 1 curry comb, 1 pocket compass, 1 mare bridle and saddle to be sold and the money to the use of the last wife and her two sons, ten dollars in cash, this mare and ten dollars, bridle and saddle in what was got for the land willed to them in North Carolina by John Primm, decd., Jeremiah Primm, Abraham Primm, John Mayfield, the executors. Debtors to John Primm, decd: Edwin Austin .87½, Hugh Ray .98½, Alexander Smith 1.50, William Jimerson .75, George Barnes .87½, William Nolen .50, James Sneed 2.75, William Roberts 1., Daniel Hamer .57½, Joshua Cannon .25, David Cummons 1.62½, John Primm, decd., debtor to others, Daniel Nolen .93½, William Wilkins .18½, Jeremiah Primm 15.50, Nathaniel Owen 1.25, Samuel Wilson 2.75, Anthony McClendon .4., Joshua Thompson 2.50. Which Inventory as above recited was produced in open court January Session 1820, and the same was ordered to be recorded.

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JAMES DUPREE, Decd., Inventory - January Session 1820
An Inventory of the personal estate of James Dupree, decd., which is in the hands and possession of Nancy Dupree, his widow, who is Administratrix with the will annexed (viz.) 1 Negro man named Jerry, 1 steed horse, Drybones, 2 horses and 4 colts, 4 cows and calves, twenty three head of hogs, twenty six head of sheep and two steers, 5 bedsteads and four beds and furniture, 1 cupboard, and 1 desk, 1 sugar chest, 3 small trunks, and 4 sitting chairs, 1 womens saddle, and 1 mens saddle, 2 pr. of plough gears, and 1 loom, 5 tables, 1 chest, 4 axes, 4 hoes, 1 flax wheel, 1 cotton wheel, 1 wooden clock, 2 slates, some kitchen furniture, some cupboard furniture, 4 barrels, 2 ploughs.

The following debts appear due by notes of hand : 1 note

William Bond, Deceased, Further accounts of sales-April Session 1820.

Further return of the account of sales the property of William Bond, deceased, made by James P. Peters, the Administrator to Williamson County Court at this April Session 1820. Balance of corn \$182., 196 gallons whiskey sold at .56 \$127.40, balance of whiskey yet in the hands of John Hodge, Esq'r. left with him by William Bond in his life time and not yet delivered to Administrator \$81.55, Rec'd. of William Farr for his whiskey &c with William Bond \$4.50, 9 gallons and 3 qts. of whiskey sold sundry persons \$9.75 - \$405.20. James P. Peters Administrator. Which farther account of sales as above recited was produced in open court April Session 1820, and the same was ordered to be recorded.

JOHN PRINN, Deceased, Account of sales April Session 1820
No account of sales of chattle estate of John Primm, deceased, Jeremiah Primm (Exec't'r.): George Weddle one lot of barrels and kegs \$5.43 $\frac{1}{2}$, Sary Primm one cart and barrel \$1.25, Sary Primm four beehives \$6.31 $\frac{1}{2}$, George Weddle one coffee mill .25, Green Primm four breast chains \$1.31 $\frac{1}{2}$, Sary Primm three slay chains \$1.31 $\frac{1}{2}$, Sary-Primm, George Weddle one grindstone \$5.25, Jeremiah Primm one set of cooper's tools \$4., George Weddle one set of shoe m. tools .25, George-Weddle one shoe box .75, Jeremiah Primm one knife .50, Jeremiah Primm eight files \$2., Geo. Weddle two hammers .93 $\frac{1}{2}$, George Weddle one pr. steelyards \$3., Jeremiah Primm one pocket compass .12 $\frac{1}{2}$, George Weddle four plains \$1., George Weddle three do. .50, John L. Fielder four do. \$1.37 $\frac{1}{2}$, Jeremiah Primm one gongue and groove \$2., George Weddle five planes .56 $\frac{1}{2}$, George Weddle four do. \$1.75, Jeremiah Primm two gouges \$1.51 $\frac{1}{2}$, Jeremiah Primm one lot of old irons .50, George Weddle curing knife and steel .61 $\frac{1}{2}$, Jeremiah Primm one key saw .12 $\frac{1}{2}$, George Weddle one piece of brass .87 $\frac{1}{2}$, Jeremiah Primm four waggon boxes .25, George Weddle four iron bands .62 $\frac{1}{2}$, Jeremiah Primm two waggon tires \$6., George Weddle five do. boxes .50, Jeremiah Primm spindles and axletrees .62 $\frac{1}{2}$, George Weddle one lot of old irons .50, John Hayer two iron hoops .57 $\frac{1}{2}$, George Weddle one clock \$1.25, Jeremiah Primm one razor .12 $\frac{1}{2}$, Sary Primm Trumpet .13 $\frac{1}{2}$, Sary Primm one candlestick .67 $\frac{1}{2}$, Green Primm one steer \$4., George Weddle one mare saddle and bridle \$30.57 $\frac{1}{2}$.

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It being property not attached to the main account of sales belonging to the two youngest children of the deceased, Jeremiah Primm Exc't'r., Abraham Haury, Exc't'r., John Mayfield, Exc't'r., which account of sales as above recited was produced in open court at April Term 1820, and the same was ordered to be recorded.

THOMAS W. STOCKETT, Deceased, Inventory April Session 1820
an Inventory of the estate of Thomas W. Stockett, deceased: 600 acres land warrant, 2 negroes, household furniture, 6 feather beds, 6 bolsters, 8 pillows, 8 pr. of sheets, 5 pr. of pillow cases, 3 rose blankets, 5 woolen coverlids, 7 quilts, 3 cotton counterpins, 1 stand of curtains, 3 curtain bead, 12 napkins, 6 table cloths, 6 towels, 2 dining tables, 2 small cns, side board, desk and book case, 2 candle stands, 1 doz. windsor chairs, 8 split bottom, 1 doz. dining knives and forks, 1 doz. breakfast, 1 knife box, set of tea china, 27 pieces, 1

DEEDS

Bk A. pg. 475 - 1804 - 63a

Geo Martin to John Primm

White oak fielders south corner marked M - 48 p to a stake in Fielders line, W 217p to dogwood in G Hunts line, S 48 p. to persimmon E to beginning

Bk E, p.97 - 1816 - 35 3/4 a

John Primm for lone and affection to son Jone Mial Primm Heney locust, N 52 p to state in Hammer line, W 102 p. to dogwood in Hunt line, S 56 p to persimmon in Stones line, E 104 p

Bk E, p. 107 - 1814 - 6+a

James Davis of White County to John Primm

Begin 4 1/2 p. E. of Elm on John Primm's other corner, s 33 p. to stake on Jeremiah Prim's corner, S 83 E to stake on John Fielder line, N 37p to poplar on John Prim's other line

Bk E, p.124 - 1814 - 14 1/8 a

James Davis to John Primm

Begin at elm on John Primm's corner, S 86 p. to stake in the field bering John Primm's other corner, E with his line 35p. to stake on John Fielder's line, N 83W with John Primm line to stake near fence his corner, 33p to stake on John Primm's line W4p

DEED

Jan 8, 1813

James Davis to John Primm \$90

On waters of Mill Creek-adjoining the land of Ed Johnson the Son the Begin white oak to Jeremiah Primm running with sd Primm S 15p. to oak - E 104p. to black oak and dogwood - N 19p. to white oak-corner of sd John - w 104 p to beginning
witnesses-Joel Riggs and Jeremiah Primm

DEED

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March 18, 1818

John Hammer to Jeremiah Primm

553/4 a for \$644

On Mill Creek

Begin rock in Winstead N boundary line - W 82 1/2 p. with his line to her corner dogwood and Spanish oak - N with Hunt 140 1/2 p. to his corner Mulberry in Edmondson South boundary - E 27 p. to a stake - to beginning

Witnesses-John Primm- Green H. Primm

Magler Place

DEED

Registered July 1, 1828

18a-no date

Green Primm and Jeremiah from George Weddle

for the full term of 17 years provided Weddle should live

Originally granted to coffee, and since granted to John Primm - it being his dividend or moiter obtained by his wife Polly Primm

Bound by John Hammer

W by Wm Allen

S by Polly Winstead

E by Jabez Owen

Witnesses-Elizabeth H. Primm-John Frost-Wm Pomeroy

TAX ROLLS 1802 John Primm

1803 John Primm

1804 Abram Primm, W. Jeremiah Primm, John Primm

1805 John Primm, 63a, Mill Creek

1806 Jeremiah Primm, 31 1/2 a - John Primm, 31 1/2a

1807 John Primm, 63a - Jeremiah Primm

1808 John Primm, 60a Mill Creek - Jeremiah Primm

1809 John Primm, 63a, Mill Creek - Jeremiah Primm

1810 Jeremiah Primm, 63a, Mill Creek

1811 John Primm, 31 1/2a, Mill Creek - Jeremiah Primm, 31 1/2a,
Mill Creek

1812 John Primm, 43 3/4a Mill Creek - Jeremiah Primm, 163 1/2a,
Mill Creed

1814 John W. Primm lot at sale/Nathaniel Barnes

1816 John Primm, Sr. listed as creditor of estate of Nathaniel
Barnes

1818 John Primm received payment from estate of Arthur Bland

1812 John Primm owned the estate of Lyn Christmas

1838 Sally Primm died leaving will. Green H. Primm qualified as
Admr.

1838 Will of Sally Primm died in 1838

Western Weekly Review

Isaac Primm d. July 23, 1840, age 14 or 15, son of Green Primm,
Methodist.

DEED

Feb. 17, 1887

John Primm to R.L. Fly \$1,100

West Fort of Mill Creek

Begin stake at Liberty Road J.M. Winstead N.E. of Currins line, with road N 86 W.55 poles to stake Winstead N.W.

South 1 1/2 West 28 1/3 poles to stone

North 88 1/2 West 30 2/3 poles to stone

North 1 1/2 East 53 2/3 poles to stake

North 89 West 10 1/2 poles to pile of rocks

North 4 1/2 East 8 poles to stone Jane Homes S.W.C.

South 89 East 109 poles to oak

South 1 1/2 West 24 poles to stake

With road to beginning 35 acres

RECEIPT

Mammie Primm and John Primm from Mary F. Primm, Guardian - Jan. 16, 1908

DEED

Jan. 12, 1876

John H. Primm to J.W. Primm \$25, 1 acre

Begin with corner - South 89 East 13 poles to stake J.W. Primm

South 1 West 18 6/6 poles to stone in center of Franklin Road

South East corner with road N 85 West 13 1/2 poles to J.M. Winstead N.E. corner

North 2 East 17 8/6 poles to beginning

RENT PAYMENT

Between J.H. Primm and J.E. McPherson

Oct. 21, 1880

Miss Jane Hammer form

The son the two stalk fields, one east, one west at the house

70 or 80 acres in wheat

McPherson to furnish

Agree not to plant any cotton

Agree to repair field and land deeded

July 20, 1871

Julius S. Morel to J.W. Primm

\$1000 - 33 acres

Begin Liberty Road, Winstead N.E. corner on Currins line

(same as 1887 deed)

DEED

November 21, 1865

Benjamin F. Wilson to Joshua N. Fly

\$725

Distribute share of estate of deceased uncle Samuel Winstead, being one of the children of his sister

Mason Wilson, deceased

Test-R.B.B. Cannon - R.T. Primm

PRIMM

1860 C.H. Primm-51 J.M.-43f R.-21m J.W.-18m A.-16f T.A.-14m Betty Thompson-16 Mary Thompson-12 F.A. Bell-9f

1860 J.W. Primm-78-10,000-30,000

1860 L.D. Primm-53-4,000-2,000 M.E. Primm-53 N.M.-25 m teacher J.A.-23f L.E.-22f

DAVIDSON COUNTY MARRIAGE

Abraham Primm to Judith Jones
November 28, 1804

Lorenzo D. Primm to Mary E. Currin
November 9, 1831

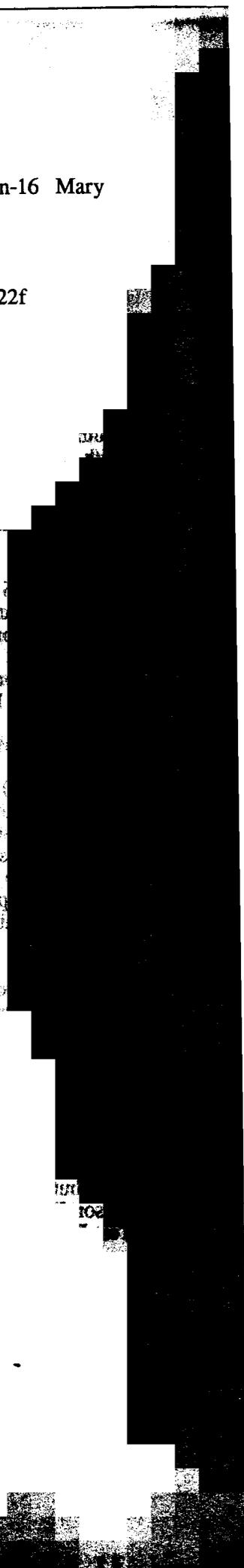
John Primm from Mary

to J.W. Primm 203 1 2018
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 17 840 poles to destination

TRUST
 Abraham and J. E. Davidson

and were
 and shall be held one and one west of the poles
 north of a
 line
 north and north
 school bus line

to J.W. Primm
 W. Primm



JOHN L. PRIMM
Office Procedures Consultant
6134 MONTICELLO AVENUE
DALLAS 14, TEXAS

February 18, 1972

Mrs. William Houston Sipes
217 East College Street
Jackson, Tennessee 38301

Dear Mrs. Sipes:

When I returned home tonight I received word that you had been talking with Mr. Bob Champion of our city. This only reminded me of the fact that I have been holding your letter of August 3, 1971 to Kirby Primm of Nashville, Tennessee, which had been given to his brother Edgar L. Primm to answer. He sent it to me just as I was leaving for a trip to Europe. I have been thru Jackson twice, hoping to see you, but time was short, so now I will try to give you the best that I know of the Primms.

Please note the two enclosures. The Media Research article is very interesting to me. I can not tell you definitely the connection that my family of Primms has with anyone mentioned in this article; however, Hubert W. Lacey of Dayton, Ohio thought that I probably was descended from Captain James Primm of Virginia or Thomas Primm, each being brothers of the John Primm that moved to Clair County, Illinois. I might even be descended from another brother named William.

Please note my second enclosure, namely, a letter that I wrote to Mr. William Wilson Primm of Mt. Pleasant, Michigan. I have never received a reply to this letter. I was in Michigan and tried to contact him in 1968, but did not succeed. This William is unknown to me. To the best of my knowledge, he is not the son of either William or John Primm as mentioned in this letter.

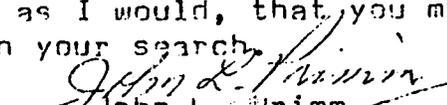
According to the best information that I can get, my family of Primms, beginning with Jeremiah W. Primm that married Rebekah Damar, came to Tennessee from Virginia. It is understood, also, that this Jeremiah W. Primm visited with Primms in Murfreesboro and with some west Tennessee Primms; however, I have been unable to get any detailed relationships.

I have visited the cemetery in Murfreesboro and have seen numerous graves with the names of Primms that are common with names in my family; however, I do not have any details of definite relationship.

Some book on the wills of Virginia might be helpful to you. I have been told that it contained valuable information that could possibly lead to some relationship with the Tennessee Primms.

Edgar W. Primm, 4320 General Gates Drive, Nashville, Tennessee 37204 is in possession of more Primm history than any other Primm that I know, but I do not believe that he necessarily has as much information as I do. He would greatly appreciate any information, as I would, that you may gather about the Primms. Any way, best wishes in your search.

Sincerely,


John L. Primm

JOHN L. PRIMM
Office Procedures Consultant
6134 MONTICELLO AVENUE
DALLAS, TEXAS 75214

July 12, 1967

Mr. William Wilson Primm
217 Hersee Building
Mt. Pleasant, Michigan 48858

Dear Mr. Primm:

I am at a loss in not knowing to whom I am writing. Last December I asked several relatives in Nashville, Tennessee, whether you might be the son of either of my first cousins, William Anderson Primm (1905 - 1928) or his brother John Wesley Primm of Detroit, Michigan. No one could identify you for me, so I rather assume that you are the son of William Anderson Primm or some other person. Anyway, I wish you luck in trying to track down the Primms.

The father of the above William Anderson Primm and John Wesley Primm was William Hill Primm (4/10/1868 - 1955), a brother of my father John Hamer Primm (6/8/1878 - 5/17/61).

The name "Wilson" in your name is of interest to me, because the grandmother of my father was named "Jane Wilson", who was the wife of Charles Madison Primm (Born around 1814 and died in October, 1885). Also, in the preceding generation of my mother's family, her ~~great~~ great grandmother was a Wilson that had brothers named Jim, John, Sam, Will, and Bob, any one of which could have been the father of Jane Wilson. I dare say that this could not be established at this time; however, it seems reasonable to assume that it is entirely possible that my mother and father are related distantly, two generations back for my father and three generations back for my mother.

I have been interested in obtaining the Primm family record for many years. There is considerable doubt in my mind whether you can establish our heritage back more than five generations (for me); however, I wish you luck. My best record on the Primms is as follows:

1. Jeremiah Primm had a wife named Rebekah Hamer. They were married September 21, 1805. This Jeremiah's middle initial was "W", which may be for William or Walker, most likely, because my grandfather was named Jeremiah Walker Primm. Jeremiah and wife Rebekah lived near Liberty Church in Williamson County. It is known that this Jeremiah visited relatives at Murfreesboro, Tennessee, but the relationship is not known. It is understood, also, that this Jeremiah Primm had a brother named "Green" (spelling uncertain) that moved to West Tennessee. During the 1930s I contacted the Primms in Decatur County of West Tennessee; however, they could not give me any family tree information.

2. Charles Madison Primm (Born around 1814 and died in October, 1885). He had a brother named Dowell and a sister named Jenny. This Charles married Jane Wilson, as mentioned in the third opening paragraph of this letter. The children of this Charles and Jane were Robert, Lizzie, Addie, John Hamer (in whose home Jane died), and Jeremiah Walker Primm (1/1/1842 - 3/14/1913), the latter being my grandfather.

3. The above named Jeremiah Walker Primm married Sara McPhail Whitfield, first, and had these children: Mamie Mai (1905 - 1980), William Hill (1868 - 1955), Charles Madison (1871 - 1930), Tennessee Irene (1873 - 1957), George Staley (1876 - 1936), John Hamer (1878 - 1961), my father, and twins Nannie Lou and Sally Rebeimkah (1882 and lived only six and seven months, respectively); and then married a second time to Mary Connors and had children named Ella, Annie, Albert Melvin, Talmage Dewitt, Jerry Myer (actually named at birth J. W. Primm, Jr. for his father), McIyre (now known by the name of Mack), Mamie Cold, Fannie, and Robert.

4. My full name is John Lunsford Primm. I am the son of the above named John Hamer Primm and Haud Muller Turner Primm. I was born February 18, 1910. I had only one sister, Sara Estelle (3/18/1911 - 3/17/1956). She did not have any children. I do not have any brothers. I have only one child, who is listed below.

5. John Hieserman Primm, (11/11/1948) is the son of the above named John Lunsford Primm and Gertrude Hieserman. He is a sophomore at the University of Texas.

I regret very much that I have not had time previously to write this letter. I have considerable information on all of the individuals mentioned, particularly on my uncles and aunts and the generation of my grandfather. I have made a habit of picking up names and addresses from various cities in different states, which I should like to use some time for writing for more information. Would you like to have these names?

I have contacted various Primms in Dallas, Texas. They are there from five different states and I am unable to find any relationship; however, I feel sure that we are related.

Did you know that a General Prim of Spain is probably a relative, having gone to this country following some conflict in England? ? ?

May I suggest that you write to Hubert W. Lacey, 7240 Union Schoolhouse Road, Dayton, Ohio. He is related to the Primms. I last heard from him in 1963.

Have you ever seen the Media Research material of the 1930s?

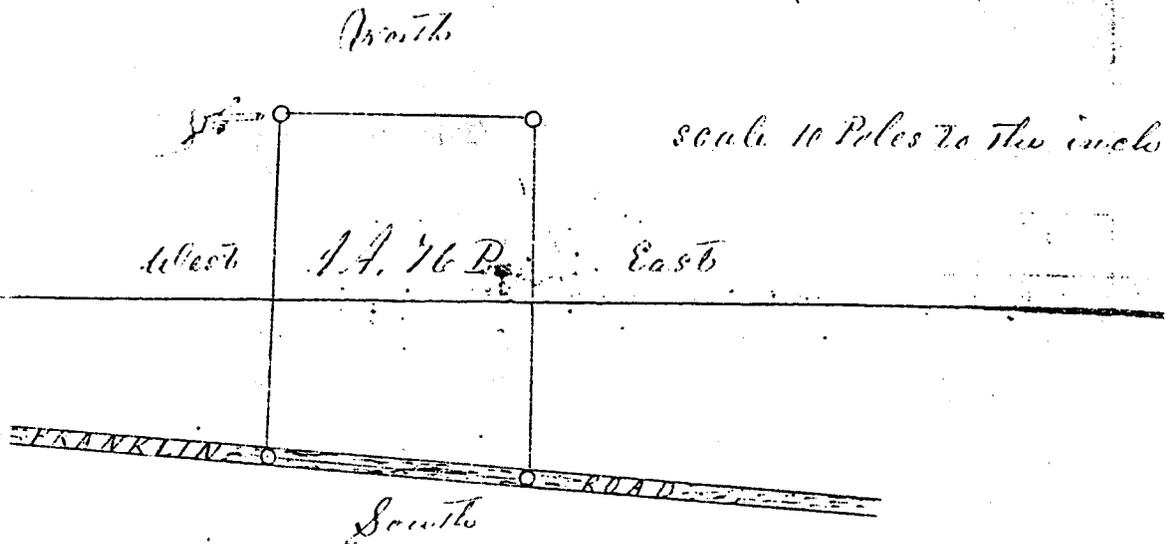
It is well known that the Tennessee Primms came from Virginia. It is my guess that Captain James Primm may have been the father of the first named Jeremiah Primm named in this letter and that the latter came to Tennessee to seek his fortune. This Jeremiah owned a number of slaves, so he was a man of wealth, but he wasted his substance away, so I feel, by drinking too heavily. I understand, also, that he was a cruel master to his slaves. I have met and talked to a number of the decedents of these slaves, who have the usual typical first names of the Primms, but did not learn anything of the family tree from the negros questioned.

Please let me hear from you relative to the progress that you are making. Also, when in Dallas, come to see me.

Yours very truly,

John L. Primm

P. S. Please excuse the appearance of this letter. I will try to do better the next time.



State of Tennessee
 Williamson County
 I have by the request of John
 H. Primms surveyed a tract or lot of land he sold
 to J. M. Primms lying in the 16th District of said
 County on the waters of West fork of Mill Creek and
 bounded as follows.

Beginning on a Stake the N.W.C. of the tract running
 thence South 89° East 13 Poles to a Stake said J. M.
 Primms S.E.C. Thence South 9° West 18 1/4 Poles to the
 center of the Franklin Road, thence with said center
 North 85° West 15 1/2 Poles to a Stake in said center John
 M. Minstead's N.E.C. thence North 2° East 17 1/4 Poles to the
 beginning and contains by survey one acre and twenty
 six Poles (1 A. 76 P)

Surveyed Jan 11th 1876

W. H. Hunt Surveyor

I, John W. Primm have this day bargained and sold and do hereby transfer and convey to J. W. Primm and his heirs and assigns forever, for the consideration of the sum of (\$25.00) twenty five dollars to me in hand paid. The receipt is hereby acknowledged for a tract or lot of land lying in 16th Civil District, Williamson County State of Tennessee on the West of Bull Creek, and bounded as follows. (to wit).

Beginning on a Stake it being the North West Corner, the tract running thence South 87° East (13) Thirteen Poles to a Stake said J. W. Primm's S. E. C. Thence South 1° West (18 1/2) eighteen and six tenths Poles to a Stone in the center of the Franklin Road. Thence with said center North 45° West (13 1/2) Thirteen and one half Poles to a Stake in said center of J. W. Primm's North East Corner. Thence North 2° East 17 1/2 Poles to the beginning and contains by estimation one acre and twenty six Poles to the same more or less.

To have and to hold the same to the said J. W. Primm, his heirs and assigns forever, I do covenant with it. said J. W. Primm. W. J. Primm

FRANKLIN, TENN. July 16 - 1908

Received of Mrs. Mary E. Primm pay-
ment in full of the amounts due
each of us from her as co-
guardians as shown upon the
guardian account books in the
County Court of Williamson Co
we having arrived at 21 yrs of age
in Feb 1907.

Mammie Primm

Johnnie Primm

State of Tennessee } Personally appeared before me
Williamson County } J. F. Mays Deputy County Court Clerk
in and for said County and State Mammie Primm
and Johnnie Primm the within named ~~burgess~~ ^{whom}
we personally acquainted and who acknowledge that
they executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes
therein contained, witness my hand and seal of office
at office. This July 16 - 1908.

J. F. Mays, D. C.

I Benjamin J. Wilson of the County of Richland
and State of Illinois, do for and in consideration of
the sum of seven hundred and twenty five dollars to
me in hand paid by Joshua N. Fly, of the County
of Williams and State of Tennessee the receipt of which is ^{herely} acknowledged
I do hereby grant, confirm, transfer and convey
unto the said Joshua N. Fly, all and singular
the right title claim and interest I may now
or hereafter have to a distributive share of the
estate of my deceased uncle Samuel Wilson
under and by his will as one of the children of his
sister Maria Wilson deceased, to have and to hold
the same to the said Joshua N. Fly, his heirs and
assigns forever and a quiet for my self and
heirs to warrant and defend all the title claim and
interest or right to such distributive share or what
thereof I may now or hereafter may have in the estate
of my said uncle under his said will to the said
Joshua N. Fly, his heirs and assigns forever against
the lawful claim of all persons whatsoever
also an interest in a small tract of land not mentioned
in said will

This 21st day of November 1865

Wm B. Cannon
J. Pinner

B. J. Wilson



State of Tennessee--Williamson County.

Personally appeared before me, *Wm. L. Lewis* Clerk of County: Court of said County, *H. B. B. Cannon & J. N. G. G.* subscribing witnesses to the within, and attached *B. J. Wilson* who being first sworn, depose and say they are acquainted with *B. J. Wilson* the bargainer, and that he acknowledged the same in *their* presence to be *his* act and deed on the day it bears date. Witness my hand at office, this *3rd* day of *December* 186 *5*

Wm. L. Lewis Clerk.

B. J. Wilson
yo 3 Transfer
J. N. G. G.

<i>Chk per</i>	<i>23</i>
<i>Wk per</i>	<i>1.05</i>
<i>paid</i>	<u><i>130</i></u>

received

Dec 5, 1877 A.M. 1865

State of Tennessee
Williamson County
John G. G. G.
in my office in
at office this

Wm. L. Lewis
Clerk