Chapter Nine

Robert Mackintosh's E-Mail Reports

These reports are provided to give readers the proper perspective to the importance this writer has placed on the work of Robert Mackintosh, Jr.. Not only did he find the materials, but his interpretations of their meanings and analysis of their direction toward other documents has had a tremendously positive impact on the overall book. These reports will also give future family investigators the guidance to the origin of the data used and Robert's insights.

His work and effort on behalf of the Patricks of York and White Oak is greatly appreciated!

From: Robert Mackintosh, Jr.

Sent: Tuesday, January 27, 2009 11:50 PM

Subject: Re: Thomas Descendants

Dear Mr. Patrick,

My thanks again for your latest e-mail - it was very helpful. I went to the South Carolina Archives on Friday afternoon, Jan. 23rd for two hours, and again on Monday, Jan. 26, also for two hours, and I had good success on both days. I was able to make a number of xerox and microprint copies of records (80 pages in all) relating to Thomas Patrick, his son, John Robert Patrick, and other Patricks and expect to be mailing them out to you this week. Probably the most exciting finds were an 1835 deed from John Blair to Thomas Patrick for 75 acres on Turkey Creek, and a copy of John Robert Patrick's will filed in 1907 in York County even though he died in Fairfield County.

In this first group of material to be sent you will find as follows: xerox copies of published indexes and microprint copies of the original 1820, 1830, and 1840 Census of York County listing Thomas Patrick as head of household with the numbers of persons and age group of family members, and the 1835 deed mentioned above. Also, copies of the printed census indexes and microprint copies of the original 1850, 1860, and 1870 census of York county listing John R. Patrick and family members. The 1880 census is unfortunately so faded on microfilm for that area that it is impossible to copy, but a printed copy was found on the internet showing John R. Patrick, which I am including. The 1890 Federal Census was destroyed in a 1922 fire at the National Archives, but John R. Patrick is on the surviving 1900 Census for Fairfield County and a copy of that was also secured. On the back of all microprint copies of any original

records, you will find that I have placed an S. C. Archives stamp and printed by hand a complete citation including the S. C. Archives microfilm roll number to properly Also included in this package is the 1907 York county document every source. recording of John Patrick's will as well as a copy of the 3 page index to York County Wills and/or estate papers listing four other Patrick estate files that I would expect that you may want to also have copied. This index also has additional early listings for other Patricks that may not be directly related. I am also including in this package microprint indexes of both the Indirect (buyer or cross-index) and Direct (seller) index to land deeds from c. 1800 to 1940 - in all some 15 pages of indexes . In pencil, I have numbered some 28 deeds (to be copied on a later trip) from No. 1 (the 1835 deed already copied) up to No. 28 c. 1907. The majority of deeds are listed for John R. Patrick on Turkey Creek and Broad River, but also include land to Alexander and Samuel Patrick. There are an additional group of 1911 deeds from John R. Patrick that seem to be for land sold by the Clerk of Court that may also be of interest. to the previously mentioned published census indexes is a map of the Bullock's creek area done by Mr. Elmer O. Parker in 1977 as well as an article I published in that same year on Place names in York County with a map of York County showing Blairsville named for John Blair who I footnoted in the article as having first bought land in York County in 1801.

As far as potential records for additional research at the S. C. Archives : based on the records that have already been uncovered by four hours of research, there seems to be several Patrick probate estate files that are worthy of copying, plus some 28 or more county deeds, the John Blair estate package should be examined for possibly additional documentation not found in his 1848 will. There also exists an 1827 York County Tax Return Book in manuscript form only and not indexed or published. There is an 1850 and 1860 Federal slave schedule listing masters names and the numbers of slaves that should be checked for John R. Patrick. Also there exists an 1850, 1860, 1870, and 1880 Federal Agricultural Schedule (not indexed) that list the owners name and for those years includes the amount of land owned (used and unused), how many bushels of wheat, oats, barley, rye, and corn were produced - how many cows, chickens and pigs are on the farm - and the total cash value of the crops and land. All of this material is worthy of being checked as it will help to paint a picture of exactly how John R. Patrick is situated in terms of the type of farm he occupied and his financial situation both before and after the Civil War. Jerry West's book on Bullock's Creek was located at the Archives late yesterday and will be checked at a future date. These are some, but not all, of the records that exist for York County that are available to be researched

With best regards,

Robert H. Mackintosh, Jr.

---- Original Message -----

Sent: Wednesday, February 11, 2009 8:42 PM

Subject: Re: Patrick Family Update

Dear Mr. Patrick,

Thank you for your letter and for the great news that you will be receiving copies of three Civil War letters written by Samuel Patrick! I also have some very exciting news on a major find regarding Samuel Patrick that I found today at the S. C. Archives. Even though Samuel Patrick is not listed on any of the internet indexes, old archives card indexes, and a published index at the S. C. Archives, I tried one more source - our old National Archives index of all Confederates from all states on microfilm, and I finally found him under the listing of S. T. B. Patrick - the same initials that he used on a number of his deeds in York County! Also, the information in his Compiled Service Record file is as good as it gets! He enlisted as a private on Dec. 28 (or 9th - two dates are given), 1861in Co. K, 17th South Carolina Infantry at Camp Hampton which was in Columbia. He was wounded at 2nd Manassas in August, 1862, but survived until he died (as a Corporal) in Kingston, N. C., of small pox on Dec. 15, 1862. In the file is a sworn statement by his widow, Mary H. Patrick that this is true, also that they were married on August 2, 1856. By a great stroke of luck, I am very familiar with both the 17 S. C. Regiment and the 5th State Troops that John R. Patrick also served with. In 1976, I edited and published a book entitled " Dear Martha..." The Confederate War Letters of a South Carolina Soldier Alexander Faulkner Fewell. R. L. Bryan Company, Col. S. C. 207 pages. This is a collection of some 140 letters written both to and from my great-great grandfather from York County, Alexander F. Fewell (I found most of the letters in the attic of his house in 1971), who served in the 17th Regiment, as well as in the 5th S. C. State Troops. In researching the letters, I did a lot of background work on both of those regiments as covered in part in the book. book is now long out of print, but the Rock Hill library has a copy that I think that your son Joe may want to consult, and I think that it is very possible that the Greenwood library also has a copy. What ever the case, I will be xeroxing selected pages and sending it long with the next batch of copies which I hope to mail out by this Friday/or Saturday at the latest.

This is a list of the records that I was able to copy in the 4 trips that I have made to the S. C. Archives since the last package that I mailed to you:

(1). 31 York County deeds numbered on the back in pencil from No. 2 to 32 (you have No. 1 which is the 1835 deed of Thomas Patrick). The deeds are arranged and numbered in chronological order from 1854 to 1913. Some of the deeds were not recorded until some years after they were written, thus the sequence of volume numbers in the York County deed office does not reflect the date that the instrument was actually drawn up. Thus by arranging them by their written date, not the recorded

date, you can then follow the sequence of land purchases and sales by the Patricks in the order in which they actually occurred. I have made a detailed description on the reverse of each deed along with the pencil numbering system which can be changed should another deed appear that needs to be added. The most extreme example of a later recorded deed was an 1870 deed was not recorded at the court house until 1908! There is also one volume that the Archives for some reason did not microfilm and which we have to hope survives in the courthouse - this is York County Deeds Volume 32 which has several posthumous deeds from the estate of John R. Patrick and a plat of 392 acres of his land made in 1911. I hope to check further on the status of this deed book to see if it has survived. Also, when you receive these copies, I believe that you will notice that deed No. 2 is an 1854 deed from Alexander, Samuel, and Eliza Patrick to John R. Patrick for \$1,400 for an unspecified amount of land on Turkey Creek. I would think that this is most likely the 197and 4/5 acres inherited by them from John Blair in 1848, which later went to John R. Patrick. Deed 3, also in 1854, shows that \$700 is being paid for 102 acres on the same day - so doubling that amount brings you to about 200 acres. Please let me have your thoughts regarding that deed and any other deeds that are of particular interest. I hope that by comparing the neighbors described in these deeds, the boundaries of the land, along with the work done on that area by Jerry West and Elmer O. Parker, that we will be able to eventually identify the current site of the land owned by Thomas Patrick and his son John R. Patrick. Even though John R. Patrick's home site has already been identified by Jerry West and our mutual cousin Earle P. Barron, Jr., you will see that there is a discrepancy with the 1872 deed described by Jerry West and with what is actually recorded in the York County deeds.

(2) Four estate packages and a real estate filing as follows:

A. The 1859 estate file of Alexander Patrick administered by John R. Patrick. This file reveals in

detail everything in the house of Alexander Patrick at the time of his death, and the Sale Bill shows

describes dozens of items purchased by John R. Patrick from the estate and the price he paid for

each item

- B. The 1863 estate file of Samuel Patrick.
- C. The 1863 estate file of Mary A. Patrick, the widow of Samuel who also died in 1863.
 - D. The 1866 estate file of Samuel Patrick continuance from the earlier filing.
- E. Two pages from a York County real estate book dealing with the land of STB Patrick.
- (3). Civil War record of John R. Patrick, plus I page caption and record of events, and a possible listing

of him in the 2nd S. C. Reserves.

(4). Civil War record of Samuel T. B. Patrick along with the caption and record of events of the company.

- (5). Published indexes and copies of the original 1850 and 1860 Slave schedules for the Patrick family.
- (6). Four Death certificates Samuel Ross Patrick, R. A. Patrick, William Minter Patrick.

and Thomas Gilfillan Patrick.

(7). The Fairfield County Grantor (Direct, or Seller's Index) and Grantee (Indirect or buyer's) index to

Fairfield Co. Deeds - showing numerous purchases of land by the Patrick family beginning in 1874.

I hope to copy selected deeds from this index once the York County records have been exhausted.

Sent: Tuesday, February 17, 2009 8:03 PM

Subject: Re: White Oak

Dear Mr. Patrick,

It was a great pleasure to be able to speak with you yesterday, and to also receive a copy of one of the most touching Civil War letters that I have ever encountered - the letter written by your great-great uncle Samuel Patrick shortly before he died on December 15, 1862. I hope that the sketch of the History of the 17th Regiment, enclosed with the last package of copies, will be of help in describing the regiment's movements and battle actions in the period that he served - Dec. 1861 to Dec. 1862. My sincere thanks for sending and sharing with me a copy of this great letter!

All of your emails have been very helpful in charting the exact areas of research that you want me to follow, and I hope to be able to go back into the S. C. Archives towards the end of this week and later as needed. In chronological order this is what I hope to be able to check at that time and in any necessary subsequent visits:

1. Deed No. 1, John Blair to Thomas Patrick, 75 acres in 1835 - this deed states that John Blair purchased this land from John Gallespie (or Gillespie). Finding this deed will provide us with the date that John Blair acquired it from Gallespie, which would in turn be the earliest possible date that Thomas Patrick could have been on the land prior to his receiving it in the 1835 as a gift from John Blair. Also, by tracing the purchase from Gallespie back to its original owner, this should in turn lead us to the original State (or Royal) Grant and Plat of the land. Also, to be examined at some point should be the neighbors of Thomas Patrick as spelled out in the 1835 deed - namely John Gill, Charles Williams, William Robinson, and John Burris. Their deeds of land, depending on when they purchased property, may show Thomas Patrick as a bordering neighbor prior to the 1835 date. Other neighbors of Patrick to be examined again at some point, if desired, should be those listed next to Thomas in the 1820,

1830, and 1840 Federal Census. Their deeds or any possible plats could show Thomas Patrick as a neighbor.

- 2. The will of John Blair in 1848 indicates that the children of Thomas Blair are to receive 197.8 acres mentioned in your e-mail of 2/16 that you suspect was a tract of land adjacent to Deed #1. If Deed #2 and Deed # 3 are indeed dividing up this tract in 1854 between brothers John R. Patrick and Alexander Patrick as we suspect, then the best way to prove this is to check the Indirect Index to York Co. Deeds to find if John Blair purchased this exact amount of land (or a similar amount / or combination of the 75 acre and 197.8 acre tract), when it was purchased, and from whom. Then we can again attempt to find the original State Grant and Plat to the land the boundary of this original plat should match at least one side of the original State Plat of Deed # 1 of 75 acres, and thus prove that they are adjacent lands. These State Plats if they can be found will be invaluable in truly proving the current location of the land in York County.
- 3. Deed No. 23, written in 1878, John R. Patrick, 425 acres to T. W. Erwin. I believe that you are absolutely correct in wanting to follow up on this seemingly very important deed. Your reasoning in your e-mail letter of 2/16/ for the existence of an 1844 plat (tied to the death of Thomas in 1842, and Mary in 1843), the subsequent plat of 1854 relating to Deeds #2 & #3, and the 1868 plat relating to Samuel Patrick's land, is nothing short of a brilliant deduction of cause and effect I will do my very best to find these plats if they exist! I certainly hope that they do still exist!
- 4. Examination of the White family connection as mentioned in your email of 2/17, and referred to in an earlier e-mail. I will check the York County (& Fairfield Co.) Estate index to the surname White and try to find an estate with hopefully John R. Patrick as the Executor (if a will exists) or as the Administrator (if no will, but with him as appointed Administrator over the estate).
- 5. The Fairfield/ White Oak connection. I will copy the J. R. Patrick deed of 3 tracts dated 1874, Deed Book AE, pg. 241, and the Deed of John R. Patrick to T. G. Patrick, Deed Book AO, pg. 185 dated 1875(possibly the 1875 purchase of the store you mentioned in today's email), and the other remaining deeds of John R. Patrick. Additional deeds of T. G. Patrick will be copied as needed or at your request. I will also check for any earlier Patrick deeds in the Fairfield area prior to the date mentioned above, 1874.
- 6. Your letter of 2/17 mentions that Thomas G. Patrick was a postmaster at his store in White Oak. The S. C. Archives also has Federal records of appointments of postmaster's listed by county with the date of each appointment. I will try to secure a copy of these records should they contain a listing of his appointment and any subsequent appointment.

Thank you again for your emails regarding the specific areas of research that you want to have investigated. I can assure you that your analysis of the research already

conducted and your suggestions of future areas to study and concentrate on are both welcomed and greatly appreciated by this researcher!!

With best wishes and regards,

Robert H. Mackintosh, Jr.

Sent: Sunday, February 22, 2009 9:47 PM

Subject: Patrick Family Update

Dear Mr. Patrick,

I hope that you have had a good week! I was able to make a 3.5 hour trip to the S. C. Archives this past Thursday (Feb. 19th) and hope to go back next week to continue the research. In my last letter of Feb. 17th, I listed 6 main objectives for the next visit to the S. C. Archives, and here is a quick rundown on the results of the above mentioned trip:

- (1). Deed No. 1 John Blair to Thomas Patrick 75 acres in 1835 purchased from John Gillespie. I found that John Blair purchased three tracts of land in one deed from John Gillespie on Dec. 3, 1814 (York Co. Deed Book H pgs. 52 -53) consisting of 219, 180, and 126 acres and all are located on Turkey Creek. The deed in turn describes the original grants (starting in 1783) from a number of different people and the dates granted grants that were divided up and eventually comprised the three tracts sold to John Blair. The question of whether it was possible for Thomas Patrick to have been on the 75 acre tract prior to it's purchase in 1835 has been answered by the date of 1814 which proceeds his suspected arrival time of 1817, and his first listing on the Federal Census of 1820.
- (2). The origin of the 197.8 acre tract willed in 1848 by John Blair to the children of Thomas Blair. It would seem probable that this tract originated from the group of three tracts listed above as the known forerunner Thomas Patrick's 75 acre tract. I hope to be able to locate the State plats or land surveys to all of the grants that made up this land and also to be able to track down at the same time evidence of the 197.8 acre tract as adjoining land. John Blair actually purchased numerous acres between the years 1801 and 1847, so my hope is that the three tracts purchased from Gillespie will be the origin of the land willed to John R. Patrick and his siblings.
- (3). Deed No. 23 written in 1878 from John R. Patrick to T. W. Erwin. As of yet, none of the three plats described in this deed have been found. I have however, began a forward tracing of this land which was sold soon after it was purchased by T. W. Erwin to an E.A. Neely who in turn sold it to a B. Neely Moore who in 1885 sold the property to W. B. Moore, who in 1890 sells the intact 425 acre tract to J. R. Lindsay in 1890. I hope to continue a forward tracing of this land with the expectation that eventually a plat may show up that will give us a true idea of how the tract appeared. The most interesting thing that I noticed was that the same individual who is buying the land in 1878 from John R. Patrick, is also the same individual living in Fairfield County who sells John R. Patrick three tracts of land in 1874 in one deed which is the first

purchase by any Patrick of land in Fairfield County - See No. 5 below for more of a description.

- (4). The White family connection. I was able to find and copied selected pages from the 1865 estate of Matthew White whose estate was eventually handled by John R. Patrick. I also found an 1872 guardianship of the White children and again made selected copies of those pages important to your research on John R. Patrick who handled the guardianship. I am going to continue the investigation on the White family connection because neither of these estates seemed to produce enough money for John R. Patrick to have greatly benefited since he is not a direct heir. * Also, by our phone conversation, I checked and copied the 1843 estate package of Elizabeth Cairnes, but unfortunately, no signature of Thomas Patrick or further information on him appears as she died in 1843 and Thomas was already dead by that time. The good news, however, is that the inventory has the signature of John Patrick in 1843 as one of the appraisers he would have been only 22 at this time and this is probably his earliest existing signature.
- (5). The Fairfield/White Oak connection. I copied all 12 deeds for the Patrick family that span 1874 to 1879 - namely John R. Patrick, T. G. Patrick, R. A. Patrick, and J. B. Patrick. Also copied were the two remaining deeds after that time frame for John R. Patrick in 1887 and 1890 (as well as the National Register material describing the White Oak settlement that is on the S. C. Archives web site). The biggest surprise was the size and cost of the first deed where John R. Patrick buys 3 tracts of land from T. W. Erwin on Feb. 20, 1874, containing 416 acres, 229 acres, and six acres on the water of the North and South forks of the Wateree creek for \$9, 200.00. This is the earliest Patrick deed listed in Fairfield County. In the 1880 and 1890 period forward there are numerous deeds listed for T. G. Patrick and others in the Patrick family as described in the grantor and grantee indexes that you received in Package No. 2. * At this point I would like for you to indicate to me if you want me to start to copy any or all of the deeds both to and from William Minter Patrick, who you mentioned to me as the next primary focus in Fairfield County, after that of his father, John R. Patrick. If so, I will be glad to copy his deeds also which continue into the `1920's or any other deeds as desired. Please let me know how to proceed on this when possible.
- (6). Still to be researched Postmaster records showing Thomas G. Patrick listed as a postmaster.

Mr. Patrick, tomorrow is my wife Kathy's birthday which you wisely advised me not to forget!! My sincere thanks for that excellent advice which I am taking to heart! I trust that the above description of the material discovered on last Thursdays trip will be of great interest to you, and I will be returning this week again to the archives and will let you know the results of that trip as well. Once enough material has been gathered (probably after 3 or 4 trips), then I will be mailing Package No. 3.

Have a great week! With best regards, Robert H. Mackintosh, Jr.

From: "Jody and Robin Patrick" < <u>JodyandRobin@embarqmail.com</u>>

Date: February 24, 2009 6:13:19 PM EST

To: < Touchnotthelion@aol.com>

Cc: "Joe personal Patrick" < joepatrick@earthlink.net>

Subject: Change of Position

Robert,

I first believed that the info from Jerry West was wrong and that John R lived on the tract that he inherited from John Blair.

One term in the Deeds has messed my mind up. The term is "on the waters of ------". Some Deeds say "on the waters of Turkey Creek", or "on the waters of Bullocks Creek". I took this to mean that the land laid beside the "waters".

Now I think the reference is an area reference-- meaning within the water-shed area of , say Turkey Creek. On Deed #10, the wording is " on the waters of Bullock Creek & Turkey Creek, waters of Broad River". Turkey Creek and Bullocks do not come together anywhere so this tract could not be on both "waters".

I thought all of John R's land was on the creeks and the map from Jerry West showed a ridge road position with no water.

After re reading Jerry West very complete and accurate genealogy of Thomas, I took my "Blinders" off and looked at things again.

West says, "In 1872, the house was sold to John Miller Sherer (1826-1914) and the Patrick family moved to White Oak, South Carolina. So, I went back and looked at the Deeds. Deed #20 1874, has R A Patrick selling 158 acres to a John Sherer on Bullocks Creek for \$2000. The high price would mean it has a house on it. Tracing back, Deed #17 - 1870, has J R to R A - 108 ac on Bullock Creek for \$500 (probably no house).

This seems to be from Deed #10 - 1865, G L McNeil to J R Patrick- 176 ac on Bullock Creek and Turkey Creek for \$1750 (probably a house).

So, I now think that Jerry West's two circles are correct.

Did I send you that one page write up when I sent the map?

Jody Jody Patrick 718 Chinquapin Rd. Greenwood, SC 29646 (864) 229-7492 jodyandrobin@embargmail.com ---- Original Message -----

Sent: Sunday, March 01, 2009 9:08 PM Subject: Patrick Family Research Update

Dear Mr. Patrick,

I hope that you are doing well! I am a little under the weather (no pun intended) this weekend, but I wanted to email you to let you know that I did go to the archives Friday and made more progress towards completing the copies of the William Minter Patrick deeds. I have now copied 48 Fairfield County deeds, 34 of which are W. M. Patrick and the others, John R. Patrick and the very earliest Patricks in the 1874 to 1879 period in Fairfield County. I have copied all of the W. M. Patrick deeds up until about 1914. There are 8 more deeds that I hope to secure on the next trip - I believe that the remaining ones listed on the grantor indexes are going to be posthumous deeds dating after his death in 1933, and located still in the Fairfield County deed office. have also over the last several days completed all of the descriptions on the backs of these deeds and have assigned numbers on the reverse similar to the method used on the York County deeds but with one difference. For ease of use and to keep your copies separate from the York Deeds, I am marking these Fairfield deeds on the reverse in pencil in the top right corner as "FA 1" up to (as of today) "FA 48" in order to distinguish the deeds at a glance without having to check the description. These copies, as with the York deeds, are in exact order by the date that the deed was written.

Also, on the Friday trip, I have made progress on researching the 1814 deed from John Gillespie to John Blair (York Co. Deeds Vol. H, pgs. 52-53) a copy of which will be in the next package that I hope to send out after one or two more trips to the This time I was able to find three early 1780 period plats and an 1807 plat, parts of which are the land that John Gillespie sold to John Blair in 1814, who then in turn deeded a 75 acre portion of the land he received from Gillespie to Thomas Patrick in 1835. One thing is very clear to me at this point - your theory that Thomas Patrick was on the land as early as 1817 can now stand up to documentary proof as follows: The 1814 deed (which traces a very complex assortment of land owners on several tracts, plus the original owners granted the land prior to the 1814 owners) states that part of the land purchased by John Blair has the names of Allen Dowdle, William Robinson, and John King as bordering the land in 1814. On the 1820 Census (in your copies sent in Package One) you will find in order, the names of : Allen Dowdle, Thomas Patrick, William Robinson, and John King as neighbors. By the time of the 1835 deed, the neighborhood has changed somewhat as John Gill, Charles Williams, William Robinson, and John Burris are on the borders of the 75 acre tract - with only the name of William Robinson being the same. I am hoping to see if I can narrow down the exact area mentioned in the very complex 1814 deed, plus check between the years 1814 and 1835 to see when the three new named individuals purchased land around Thomas Patrick, and thus perhaps pick up more information on him in relation to his neighbors.

I hope that I will be able to return to the archives this coming week, and I will continue to let you know of any progress as it is made. Also to be investigated will be the exact deeds you mentioned in your previous email which you indicated are more in line with the statement made by Jerry West. I am looking forward to continuing the hunt!

Have a great week!

With best regards,

Robert H. Mackintosh, Jr.

---- Original Message -----

Sent: Sunday, March 08, 2009 5:14 PM

Subject: Patrick Family -Contents of Upcoming Package No. 3 & 1814 Deed

Transcription

Dear Mr. Patrick,

I hope you are doing well! Unfortunately, this past week I have continued to be under the weather all week and am still on medication, but I did go back to the archives Friday for two hours and was able to finish copying all of the Fairfield deeds on William M. Patrick that are at the S. C. Archives. I now have a total of 55 Fairfield County Deeds covering the years 1874 to 1920 with the majority of the early deeds being those of John R. Patrick, and with the remaining group containing over 40 deeds of William Minter Patrick. I am planning to correspond with the Fairfield Deed Office and request copies of the remaining William Minter deeds that are not at the S. C. Archives (including the 1942 deed you mentioned earlier), and also request from York County, Deed Book 32 (missing from the S. C. Archives microfilm) which has several posthumous deeds and a plat dealing with the estate of John R. Patrick. Once these copies are secured, I will then send them up to you with receipts of their charges for the My younger brother John, who is in the Local Records Section of the S. C. Archives (and there for the last 29 years) and who has dealt with all of the counties on a regular basis, suggested this as the best way to secure copies and more cost effective than traveling to the courthouse. Also, I believe that at Fairfield County they should have the complete estate files (wills, inventories, appraisals, and sales) for both John R. Patrick (1905) as well as the full estate of William Minter Patrick (1933). If you wish, I will contact the Fairfield County Probate Judge and ask for a price quote on the cost of copying both estates.

In the next package (Package No. 3) of material which I hope to send up to you this next week, I will be including the following:

- 1. York Co. Will and selected estate pages of Elizabeth Cairnes 1843 estate, Case 73 File 3592. Her 1841 Will mentions Thomas Patrick as one of the executors of her Will, but he died prior to her death in 1843. Though Thomas Patrick's name does not appear again in the estate, his son, John R. Patrick helps with the appraisal.
- 2. York Co. Will and selected estate papers of Matthew White, Case 53 file 2368 filed in 1865 John R. Patrick is appointed to settle the estate.
- 3. York Co. Guardianship papers of the children of Matthew White file in Case 82, File 4027 and handled by John R. Patrick in 1872.
- 4. Copy of York Co. Indirect Index to deeds for John Blair showing land purchases from 1801 to 1847, also, a copy of the Index to York Co. Probate papers for the surname White other cases still to be researched for possible connections with John R. Patrick.
- 5. 55 Fairfield Co. Deeds dating from 1874 to 1920 and numbered on the reverse in pencil "FA 1" to "FA 55" as mentioned in the first paragraph of this letter.
- 6. Xerox copy of the National Register Nomination and photographs (and the 1891 newspaper article) on White Oak Historic District in Fairfield County.
- York Co. Deeds Vol H. pages 52- 53 John Gillespie to John Blair, plus the transcription of this deed along with all associated grants and plats, etc. that comprised the land referred to in this 1814 deed (see details below).

What follows is a transcription of the deed of sale from John Gillespie to John Blair on Dec. 3, 1814, as recorded in York Co. Deeds, Vol. H, pgs. 52 - 53. This sale of land to John Blair comprised three tracts of land consisting of 219, 180, and 126 acres all on Turkey Creek. In order to understand what land is being conveyed and to discover what portion of the land described is that later owned by Thomas Patrick, the 1814 deed of land is transcribed below in it's entirety. This deed on microfilm did not copy very well, thus it was necessary to make three copies of page 52 in order to be able to get all of the text of the deed. Page 53 (top only) is the witnessing of the deed. You will also notice that at the end of this transcript, I have footnoted the grants (and included references to the plats to those grants) and any deeds mentioned and that copies of those that have been found to date will be included in Package No. 3. Based on a close reading of this deed and after studying all of the grants and plats that were found,

I believe that the first tract of 219 acres is the land that was later divided up in 1835 with 75 acres being deeded to Thomas Patrick. First, in this 1814 deed the exact boundaries of this tract of land are described including a mention of it's location on Turkey Creek and that it is "on the creek then up the Creek about 37 chs (chains) to a mulberry near the West fork" . Next there are three State Grants (listed in the deed by name and date of the grant) and one county deed that are cited as the origin of the 219 acre tract (footnoted below as 1 to 4). Third, I believe, is the description of the neighbors around this 219 acres tract of land: "Bounded North by Samuel King East by Wm. Robinson South by John Gill and Wm. Robison West by Allen Dowdle". 1820, the Federal Census lists the neighbors in this order: "Joseph Dowdle, Allen Dowdle, Thomas Patrick, William Robinson, John King..." . In the 1835 deed of 75 acres from John Blair to Thomas Patrick the land is described in this fashion " all that parcel or tract of land conveyed to me by John Gallespie lying on the East Side and bounded by the present meanders of the East fork of Turkey Creek on the West and on all other sides by lands of John Gill, Charles Williams, Wilm. Robinson, and John Notice that on the Jerry West map that you sent me - the circled area of the location of the Thomas Patrick land appears to be west and below the east fork of Turkey creek with the names of Hugh Burris and AA Burris nearby. The documentation revealed from an analysis of this 1814 deed seems to be in agreement with your Email of Feb. 24, and the belief that this is the location of the Thomas Patrick home site! important to also study the other two tracts mentioned in the deed because they may still have future implications as to the above site or that of the home site of John R. Patrick which is still being researched. In time, we will ascertain the origin of the Jerry West map which I think might be a copy of a portion of an 1898 Township map which I have seen a few xerox copies of years ago, but which is not in the S. C. Archives collection of maps. I will also try to find any modern topographical and highway maps showing the Turkey Creek area - these maps should be helpful in correlating any earlier maps or plats of that area.

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York District of the State and District above named (planter) for and in consideration of two hundred Dollars to me paid by xxxxxx John Blair Esquire (Merchant) of the State and District before mentioned have Granted Bargained Sold and Released and by these presents do Grant Bargain Sell and Release unto the said John Blair all that tract of land lying on Turkey Creek beginning at a red oak stump Darraughs corner and Runs No. 69 E. 23.50 to a crooked post Oak S41 E. 29-25 Oak marked I S. 40 E. 17 to a Black Oak

S 41 E 8 to a white Oak So.70 E.5 to a Stake S.16 W.23 to a Gum No. 87 W. 18.50 post oak.No.16.50 pine

S 70 W 8 to a post oak South 15.50 to a post oak. West 7 to a live oak on the Creek then up the Creek about 37 chs to a mulberry near the West fork between a ditch and said fork S.70 West 33 to a small black oak North 1.50 to a Stake S70 W6.25 to a small post oak N 29 W

26.50 to a Hickory N 70 E. 25 to Darraghs Corner then to the Beginning containing two hundred and Nineteen acres, more or less being land Granted at different times different persons Viz. to James Darraugh bearing date May 30 1783 (1) part of tract Granted by patent to George King June 4, 1786 (2) Also part of a tract Granted Allen Dowdle bearing date January 21, 1785 (3) Also part of a tract conveyed by Benjamin King (4) Bounded North by Samuel King East by Wm. Robinson South by John Gill and Wm. Robison west by Allen Dowdle Also part of a tract of land Granted to John Gallaspie bearing date Septem ber 7, 1807 (5) Beginning at a Post Oak and runs S. 70 to 12.50 to a Stake No.20 W 6.20 to a black Oak no. 77 W. 49 to a pine So.20 E. to the beginning containing One hundred and Eighty Acres more or less Bounded North by Chas. Gilmore East by J. Scott South by Allen Dowdle West by Ben Dowdle Also another tract of land being part of a tract Granted George King June 5, 1786 (6) Beginning at a small Oak and runs No. 8 E. 57 to a Stake. No. 70 W. 12 Stake So.20 w 50 to a Stake then to the Beginning containing One hundred and twenty six Acres more or less Bounded North by Hugh Miller South by Allen Dowdle East by John Stinson West by James Scott together with all and singular the rights members hereditaments and appurtenances to the said premises belonging so in any wise incident or appertaining To have and to hold the premises before mentioned unto the said John Blair his heirs and Assigns forever And I do hereby bind myself and my heirs to warrant and forever defend the premises above mentioned unto the said John Blair against my self and my heirs and against every person whomsoever lawfully afirming, or to claim the same or only part thereof In Witness whereof I have here unto set my hand and seal this third day of December One Thousand Eight hundred and fourteen and in the thirty ninth Year of American Independence.

Signed Sealed and delivered (Recorded Nov. 11, 1815) John Gillespie {LS]}
in presence of State of South Carolina
Jas. Scott } I James White one of the Justices
John Lockert } of the Quorum on and for York District do hereby certify unto
all who it may concern that Rebecca Gillespie wife of the
within named John Gillespie did this day appear before me

Footnotes:

- (1). James Darraugh, "May 30, 1783 " State Grant?. This is an error in transcription occurring in
- the original deed I was finally able to find this James Darragh grant which is dated **May 30, 1763,** not **May 30, 1783** and is as follows: James Darragh, a Royal Grant for 200 acres on Turkey Creek, May 30, 1763, Royal Grants Vol. 11, page 120 and with the corresponding plat appearing in Colonial Plats, Vol. 7, page 338. Also, a memorial, or registration of land for tax purposes, was found in S. C. Memorials, Vol. 6, page 107 and is dated Dec. 14, 1763. * The plat for this grant can be viewed on the S. C. Archives on-line index.
- (2). George King, June 4, 1786 State Grant A 1785 grant and plat has been discovered and I am still trying to reconcile it with the date shown above.

- (3). Allen Dowdle, Jan. 21, 1785 State Grant. This grant is for 300 acres has been located in State Grants Vol. 3, page 444 and is dated Jan. 21, 1785, and the plat of the land was found in State Plats Vol. 6, page 13 and is dated Aug. 6, 1784.
- (4). "Part of a tract conveyed by Benjamin King". This seems to be referring to a deed from Benjamin King to John Gillespie if so, it has not yet been found in the York Co. deeds indices.
- (5). John Gillespie, Sept. 7, 1807 State Grant. There are actually two grants that were found dated Sept. 7, 1807 to John Gillespie and both are for land on Turkey Creek. They are as follows: John Gillespie State Grants, Vol. 53, page 523 for 232 acres dated Sept. 7, 1807 with the plat in State Plats, Vol. 41 top of page 143. Also, John Gillespie, State Grants Vol. 53, page 524 for 323 acres dated Sept. 7, 1807, with the plat in State Plats, Vol. 41, bottom of page 143.
- (6). George King, June 5, 1786 State Grant. This grant is for 190 acres and was found in State Grants Vol. 12, page 293 dated June 5, 1786, with the plat appearing in State Plats, Vol. 9 pg. 326 and dated Nov. 22, 1783.

Mr. Patrick, before mailing Package No. 3, I hope to be able to return to the archives for at least one more trip this week in order to secure copies of the items mentioned in Footnote (1) which were finally unearthed this weekend by checking all of the S. C. Archives on-line indexes. On the same trip I hope to be able to figure out the misdated (?) State Grant in footnote (2) and again try to find the missing deed referred to in footnote (3). If time allows on that same trip, I hope to continue an examination of the sale in York Co. Deeds of the McNeel land by Robert A. Patrick in 1874 to John M. Sherer (Deed No. 20). I took a look last time at the Direct Index to Deeds sold by the Sherer's in order to trace the sale of the suspected home site of John R. Patrick, but did not have initial success. It is possible that Sherer willed the property rather than deeding it - this will be examined in full as this project continues.

I trust that the above analysis of the all important 1814 deed will be of great interest to you, and I look forward to receiving your input and thoughts on any and all of the above discoveries and conclusions. Also, I will be notifying you by email (after the next trip to the archives) in advance to let you know when Package No. 3 is being mailed, the hours of research conducted, and cost of copies being sent.

Robert H. Mackintosh, Jr.

Sent: Thursday, March 12, 2009 7:51 PM

Subject: Patrick Package No. 3 to be Mailed Friday, March 13, 2009

Dear Mr. Patrick,

Thank you for your most recent email and especially for your observations regarding the West Fork of Turkey Creek! I think that with further study of that area, the use of the plats referenced from the 1814 deed, anticipated maps/plats of the Turkey Creek area to be discovered, and a consultation with Jerry West, we eventually will be able to find the area on Turkey Creek where Thomas Patrick resided on his 75 acre tract.

I was able to return to the S. C. Archives yesterday and was able to request and have pulled the original grants and plats that comprised the land sold by John Gillespie in 1814 to John Blair. I was also allowed to dismantle the books (they have all been laminated and are bound in a post binder) and to make copies on the spot in the Reference Room on their xerox machine. This was done in order to insure that larger and hopefully better copies could be made of several of the plats and grants that I had copied in a smaller format from microfilm (listed as Item 7 in the last email). *There were two plats that I still think I can improve on copying with the proper machine and I will send them along in the future at no additional cost. In addition to the 7 listings of material to be mailed in Package No. 3 (as mentioned in the last email), I was also was able to copy and will be sending along a 21 page treatise on the basics of mapping which I have used and recommended over the years for researchers doing land research to consult. It is from a book entitled North Carolina Research, but with little exception, it can also be used as a primer for understanding the mapping of South Carolina land grants, plats, and deeds. I have read it and re-read it and hope to put some of it's suggestions to use. I hope that you will find it of interest and worthwhile to have in conjunction with the type of research that we hope will lead us to the Thomas Patrick home site. This chapter from their book entitled "Mapping" is the best in-depth published background work up on the subject that I have ever encountered. Also, last night I made a phone call to Brent Holcomb, a genealogist who has published some 130 books mostly on South Carolina Genealogy over the last 38 years. I basically asked him if he knew if Mr. Elmer O. Parker (you have a copy of his map of land plats in the Bullock's Creek area) had ever put any of the original plats together for the area around Turkey Creek. Brent, however, was not sure about whether Mr. Parker had plated or compiled plats for that exact area, but he confirmed that all of Mr. Parker's research material is at the Washington Memorial Library in Macon, Georgia. I will either write or call them to see if anyone at the library has made an inventory of the Parker collection which he willed to them prior to his death in 2002. I will also be writing both the Fairfield and York courthouses for the deeds and probate records that they still have in their possession as mentioned in the last email.

On yesterdays trip, I was able to finally find Thomas G. Patrick on the list of Postmaster Appointments and a copy will be enclosed in the upcoming package. The record indicates that he was appointed the Postmaster at White Oak on Dec.10, 1874. Additionally will be enclosed a copy of an 1873 map of York County titled as a Geological and Agricultural Map. I also checked the York Co. Index to Estate Papers to see if John M. Sherrer had an estate file (c. 1914, the year of his death) that might mention the John R. Patrick home place purchased from the Patrick family in the 1870's. Unfortunately, there is no estate listed under his name, but I hope to check later for a possible deed that might have taken effect at his death. Two more items of interest (to be included in Package 3) I actually found in my own home library and I don't remember having sent them to you previously. One is a reference from the book, A Fairfield County Sketchbook by Bolick, which shows the home (a sketch or drawing) once owned by T. G. Patrick. The other item is quite interesting - it is a published full page photograph of Robert A. Patrick and his wife plus an article written and submitted

by the Patrick family in 1934 for Volume 4 of David Duncan Wallace's History of South Carolina. The first three volumes of this four volume set were written entirely by Wallace and are a comprehensive history of the state, but the fourth volume was From my own knowledge of this set, I can tell you that compiled by the publisher. Volume Four is called the biographical volume and was basically created by the publisher in order to help the sale of the four volume set which was being marketed in the depths of the depression. The idea was that if you would agree to purchase the four volume set (priced at \$37.50), they would allow you to send to the American Historical Society Publishing Company, a sketch of your family's history for \$3.00, and for an additional amount they would publish at least one full page photograph, if submitted. Thus this fourth volume of over 1,000 pages has hundreds of family history sketches written in the early 1930's and submitted to the publisher for the fourth volume. It is entirely possible that you already have a copy of this family article, but nonetheless, I am enclosing it with this package. Of particular interest is that the article states that "about the year 1875 he (Robert A. Patrick) removed from his native place to the White Oak section..." John R. Patrick is mentioned as his father, but unfortunately the earlier My copy of this volume is bound very tightly making Patrick forebears are not named. it difficult to copy, but fortunately the article is on the right side of the page which allowed it to be copied with no blurring - I trust you will find it to be of great interest if not previously seen.

Sent: Sunday, March 15, 2009 12:56 PM Subject: Patrick Family Research Update

Dear Mr. Patrick,

My sincere thanks for your most complimentary letter regarding the work that has been done to date on the Patrick family! It has been a great pleasure and true honor to be able to research this very interesting family line and to be conducting research for someone who has provided this researcher with their own remarkable insight and knowledge into the background of this family. The suggestions and analysis that you have provided to me in your emails has been of great assistance every step of the way in helping me to "stay on the path" when researching the Patrick family! My thanks also for the excellent quote from Joseph A. Gilfillan - it is as good a reason to research one's ancestors today as it was in 1907!

As we tie up the loose ends described in your letter, here is an update on where we stand on the work still being completed. I called Jerry L. West using his phone number that came from two different sources - so I hope that it was accurate. No answer to two calls made on Friday, so I left a message on his machine (it did not identify itself as the West residence) late Saturday morning. If I do not hear from him I will be attempting a couple more calls then I will write him at his current address in Sharon. Also, I have constructed three emails - the first to David Hamilton, Clerk of Court of York County, to order six John R. Patrick deeds and one plat (all dated 1911) from Vol. 32 that hopefully still exists in the York County Courthouse. Next, I have an email ready to go to Ms.

Betty Joe Beckham, the Clerk of Court in Fairfield County, to request some 18 County deeds (c. 1922 to 1939) dealing with William Minter Patrick that are all still in their possession. I will also request the 1942 deed from the Union Central Life Insurance Company to TM, JH, and JH Patrick, but I may need to verify the Volume and page number of this deed if you have the exact reference? For some reason, I seem to be missing this page in the index that shows the reference for that 1942 deed. Finally, I have a third email set to go to Pamela W. Renwick, the Probate Judge of Fairfield County, to request copies of the estate of John R. Patrick (1905) and that of William Minter Patrick (1933). Prior to sending these emails, I am going to contact by phone all three offices on Monday to make sure I understand their procedure for requesting copies, then I will send up the request. Once the requests are in, I will pay any cost involved in securing the copies and will then mail all copies to you with the only charge being for reimbursement of the cost of copies and mailing cost. I trust that this procedure will meet with you approval - I think you are right to want to acquire the remaining John R. Patrick and William Minter material in order to compliment and complete your collection of all of their county deed and probate records.

Also, by Monday or Tuesday, I hope to be able to call Mr. Mark Baxter, Elmer O. Parker's cousin in Macon Georgia, because he was responsible for the care of the material delivered to the Washington Memorial library. I remember that Mr. Parker kept small composition notebooks in which he drew his own plats copied from the surveyor general's plats - most dealing with areas he was interested in researching in both Chester and York Counties. The key to this material is whether he ever worked on any of the original land plats along Turkey Creek, but then even more importantly - did he ever join those plats together into a large map that can then be placed over a topographical or aerial map to reveal it's location today? Mark Baxter is a prominent attorney in the Macon area and was always very interested in Mr. Parker's work, so my hope is that he may know the answer. If not, then hopefully, he will know who to contact at the library in Macon, and then I will check with them on the status of the collection to see if an index exists or if it can be checked for any research work done by If nothing develops from these inquiries, there Mr. Parker on the Turkey Creek area. are other ways to continue this type of research which involve checking selected plats of interest listed in the Camden District by entering "Turkey Creek" on the Archives on-line index, plus checking the surrounding neighbors already listed on the plats associated with the 1814 deed. Actually, I already copied a 450 acre and 1,000 acre tract to George King on Turkey Creek while searching for the missing grant in footnote 2 and will be mailing those up very soon (no charge for these) . I was trying to first figure out if either could be the missing plat before sending them up.

With best wishes and regards,

Robert H. Mackintosh, Jr.