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ACGS OCTOBER 21 VIRTUAL MEETING

Our October program will be Jan Speare on “Using Ancestry’s ThruLines”.

Jan is an active Daughters of the American Revolution member and has used ThruLines while gathering information data regarding her ancestry lines.

SIGN IN INSTRUCTIONS

ACGS President Stephen Garber is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Time: October 21, 2020 01:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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PURPOSE

- To help preserve genealogical records and public access to them
- To furnish aid and education in genealogical research
- To foster and encourage interest in genealogical research

ACGS monthly meetings are expected to be via ZOOM for the remainder of the calendar year.

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GLOSSARY OF MEDICAL TERMS USED IN THE 18TH AND 19TH CENTURIES

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The following glossary of medical terms was assembled as part of a project on medicine from 1760-1830 but it includes some terms from a wider period. I have drawn on several sources, including, with the permission of the author, *Medical Terms used in the late 18th Century* which appeared on a now obsolete web site written by Melanie McClusky. Additional information was gleaned from an article on the Olive Tree Genealogy Home Page by Lorine McGinnis Schulze.

Information from **Dr Johnson's Dictionary**, first published in 1755, is shown in red. This gives the meaning of the terms as generally understood in the middle of the 18th century. Robert Hooper's *Physician's Vade-Mecum*, published in 1812 has been used as a source of terms in the early 19th century; many of the terms mentioned are still in common use. *Encyclopaedia Britannica* has also been used for some modern descriptions including the names of infectious organisms.

Leprosy: long lasting disease caused by the bacillus *Mycobacterium leprae*. Dr. Johnson describes it as **a loathsome distemper, which covers the body with a kind of white scales.**

Lethargy: **a morbid drowsiness; a sleep from which one cannot be kept awake.** The term appears to have had a more precise meaning in Johnson's time and would seem akin to what we would call coma.

Livergrown: **having a great liver.** (Possibly as a result of high alcohol consumption!)

Lockjaw: see tetanus.

Locomotor ataxia: A movement disorder caused by syphilitic infection of the spinal cord. Synonyms: tabes dorsalis.

Lues: see syphilis.

Lues venerea: venereal disease

Lunatic: **mad, having the imagination influenced by the moon.** Dr. Johnson gives the original meaning of the term but it probably covered a range of disorders such as schizophrenia and congenital disabilities.

Lung Fever: see pneumonia

Lung Sickness: tuberculosis, see consumption.

Lupus erythematosus a chronic disease causing degeneration of connective tissue. It causes red skin lesions, inflammation of joints and lesions of the internal organs. Female sufferers have difficulty in carrying a child. Queen Anne had lupus erythematosus and although she had 17 pregnancies she had no heirs; one child lived to the age of ten.

Lupus vulgaris: A chronic tubercular infection of the skin involving soft yellow swellings, ulcers and abscesses. Synonym: common lupus.

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MEMBERSHIP Dues are \$15.00 per year, per member, except that dues for additional individuals (eighteen or older) who reside at the same address shall be \$5.00 per year for each additional member. New members who join after June 30 need only pay one-half of the current year's dues. Sponsor membership is \$50.00 for 12 months. Membership entitles you to receive our publication, the *Augusta Archivist*, and access to the ACGS library at 1759 Jefferson Highway, Fishersville, Virginia as long as you maintain a membership for the year you wish to use the library. The Augusta County Genealogical Society disclaims responsibility for any

erroneous statements or opinions stated in any article submitted by contributors of this newsletter. Any questions should be referred to the person who submitted the article. At this time, meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month, 1:00p.m., at the location indicated on page one. No meeting in December. Augusta County Genealogical Society is a non-profit corporation. President: Steve Garber, Vice President: Carole Hoffman, Corresponding Secretary: Sharon Sturdivant, Recording Secretary: Leslie Hall, Treasurer: Sandra Jordan, Newsletter: David Riel, and Directors: John Sherwood and Dolores Duncan.

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Lying In: Refers to the period around childbirth. The process of child birth is commonly called parturition.

Malaria: a disease caused by parasitic protozoa of the genus *Plasmodium*, transmitted by the bites of insects such as mosquitoes. Synonyms: ague, congestive fever, marsh fever, paroxymal fever, remitting fever.

Malignant sore throat: diphtheria

Malignant fever: see typhus.

Mania: insanity

Marasmus: progressive emaciation caused by malnutrition in young children.

Measles: an infectious viral disease marked by rash of red circular spots. **A critical eruption in a fever.**

Melancholia: sadness or depression. Literally it means black bile; the ancient Greeks associated four personality types with body fluids - sanguine (dominant fluid blood) choleric (bile), phlegmatic (phlegm) and melancholic (black bile).

Membranous Croup: hoarse cough, diphtheria.

Meningitis: A term in modern usage which is used for inflammation of the membranes on the surface of the brain, involving high fever, severe headache, and stiff muscles in the neck or back. Can be caused by bacterial, viral or fungal infections Synonym: brain fever and cerebrospinal fever.

Menorrhagia: flooding, excessive menstrual bleeding.

Miasma: "poisonous vapours" (bad smells) that were believed to spread infection.

Miliary Fever: small pustules or vesicles on the skin, so called as they resemble millet seed.

Milk fever: from drinking infected milk, such as undulant fever or brucellosis.

Milk Leg: thrombosis of veins in the legs caused by lying in bed too long after childbirth. It leads to ulceration of the skin. Synonym: white leg, phlegmasia alba dolens.

Mormal: gangrene

Mortification: infection, often used for gangrene or necrosis. **A state of corruption, or losing the vital qualities; gangrene.**

Myelitis: literally and inflammation of a nerve.

Myocarditis: inflammation of the heart muscle (myocardium)

Natural decay: death through old age is frequently shown on death certificates as natural decay. Synonym: senile decay.

Nephritis: inflammation of the kidney.

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Loose Papers in ACGS Librariy (Lib) and Findagrave (FAG)

Philip Cox, born circa 15 Nov 1763, possibly Pennsylvania. Death date abt 20th or 30th of January, 1841, in Augusta County, Virginia. Buried New Providence Presbyterian Churchyard, Rockbridge County, Virginia. Government marker. Married circa 1784, Augusta Co., to **Ann Mary Wiseman**, born 20 April 1762, died 4 March 1839; also buried New Providence. (Lib) Anna Mary Wiseman was the daughter of **Johann Peter Weissman and Elizabeth Margaretha Hemm**. Philip was an Revolutionary War soldier serving as an infantryman in Lewis' Company, Virginia Homeguard Militia. From Augusta Co, Virginia, S.A.R. application #57053 (FAG)

James Cochran, born 15 February 1766, died 18 February 1835; buried Union Presbyterian Church. (Lib) Churchville, Augusta Co., Virginia. (FAG)

Arthur Connelly, Sr. died before March 25, 1805, and after 12 Sept 1804, Augusta Co., Virginia. Government marker at Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church. Married Jean (unknown) who died after 1894. Served in Augusta Co., Militia. (Lib) **Arthur Connaly Sr.**, born 1730, died 1805. Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church, Fort Defiance, Augusta Co., Virginia. Taken from inscriptions on markers. (FAG)

James Craig, born 23 July 1745, Augusta Co., Virginia. Died 1807 Augusta Co., Virginia, before June 22. Government marker at Augusta Stone Presbyterian Church. Married **Jane Stuart**. (Lib) **James Craig Jr.** married **Jean Boyd STUART** "Jane" daughter of **Archibald STUART** and **Janet BROWN** on 18 Aug 1772 in Augusta Co., Virginia. Jean was born after 1737. She died in 1816 in near Mt. Meridian, Augusta Co., Virginia. In his will, dated 19 April 1807 and probated 22 June 1807, at Staunton, James names his wife, Jean, and twelve children: **John, James, Samuel, George, William, Elijah, Robert, Sarah, Betsey, Agnes, Jane** and **Mary, wife of. John McGill**. This James Craig, along with his brother **William**, inherited that portion of their father's estate which lay between the forks of Middle and North Rivers. He lived on the northwest side of the said stream a short distance below Mount Meridian (Wm. F. Boogher, Gleanings of Virginia History) Jean's will dated 19 Nov 1816, and proved on 27 Jan 1817, names only the following : daughter **Mary Magill**, daughters **Elizabeth and Jane**, daughter **Nancy Hamilton**, son **Robert Craig** (called into the service), **Jean Craig** (under age 20), daughter **Sarah Hamilton**, and son **Elijah Craig**. Executors were sons **Elijah Craig** and **James Craig**. Witnesses were **James Stewart**, **James Craig Sr.**, and **William Craig**. (Chalkley's Chronicles) She probably rests next to her husband but many of the older gravestones are missing.

William Craig, born 8 January 1750, Augusta Co., Virginia. Died 8 September 1829, Augusta Co., Virginia. Marker at Augusta Sone Presbyterian Church. Married in 1778 to **Jean Anderson Allen**, widow of **Hugh Allen**. Served in Capt. John Givens Company, August Militia. (Lib) Taken from Inscriptions from Augusta Stone Church (oldest cemetery), Ft. Defiance, Augusta Co., Virginia, by Mrs. C. F. Rudolph, Washington, DC., 1953. Aged 79 years. From "Gleanings of Virginia History" by William Fletcher Boogher, Genealogical Publishing Co., 1965, p289. Birth and Death Records from the Tombstones of the Old Stone Church Grave Yard in Augusta County, Virginia. Craig, William, born 1750; died Sept 8, 1829. This humble tribute is offered to the memories of William Craig and to His Wife who by his request repose in one common grave. Jane Craig departed this life June 9th 1811 aged 67 years. William Craig departed 8th of Sept'r 1829 aged 79 years. Thier (sic) latter days were marked with that hope and assurance which survives the grave, and is full of immortality. They were long esteemed members of the Presbyterian Church, and died believing they should have a glorious resurrection. (FAG)

Alexander Craig, born cira 1757, Augusta Co., Virginia. Died 30 January 1825; buried Lebanon Presbyterian Church near Craigs-ville, Augusta Co., Virginia. Married **Martha Crawford**, born 1757-1758 Augusta Co., Virginia. Died 27 May 1828, Augusta Co., Virginia. Served in Captain **James Bell's** Company, Augusta Militia. (Lib) Husband of Martha Crawford Craig, whom he married in 1780. *Alexander fought as a Captain in the Revolutionary War.* It is said that they had many children, most of whom moved west, except son **Robert Craig**, who died in Craigsville in 1872. "Lebanon Church was organized in 1784 at the home of **William Hodge**. The first elders were **William Youell, Alexander CRAIG, John Montgomery, John McCutchen, Joseph McCutchen**, and **Samuel McCuthceon**. The first meeting house stood close to the Augusta line, the second a half-mile to the south and in Rockbridge. As a consequence there are two cemeteries." Buried beside his Wife in the Old Lebanon Cemetery in Craigsville, Augusta County, Virginia.

Staunton Spectator

Marriages and Death Notices

Staunton spectator, October 20, 1868

Married

On the 8th inst., near Churchville, by Rev. A. A. P. Neel, Mr. **THOS. W. EUBANK** to Miss **ANNIE E. PROFFETT** both of Augusta County.

At the residence of Mr. E. W. Schott, near Staunton, on the morning of the 15th instant, by Rev. Geo. B. Taylor, Mr. **WILLIAM TANNER** to Miss **MARY SUSAN COOK**, all of this county.

At "Collicello," the residence of the bride's father, on Monday evening, the 12th instant, by Rev. Thos. U. Dudley, Mr. **ROBERT C. PAUL** and Miss **ETTIE C.**, youngest daughter of Capt. **David S. Jones** – all of Harrisonburg.

In Abingdon, on Wednesday, 15th inst., by the Rev. James McChain, **C. E. HOGE**, Esq., of Staunton, VA., to Miss **A. B. FRENCH**, of Abdon, Va.

On Thursday evening, Oct., 1st 1868, at the residence of the bride's mother, by the Rev. Francis McFarland, D. D., Mr. **JOHN W. HAYS** to Miss **FANNIE V. WRIGHT**, all of Augusta Co.

October 15th, at the house of the bride, by Rev. J. I. Miller, **JOHN R. ARGENBRIGHT** and **HENRIETTA V. ZIMMERMAN**, both of Augusta.

Deaths

In Staunton on Sunday morning last, the 19th inst., Mr **GEO. H. CONKLIN**, aged 57 years and 7 months.

At his residence, near Waynesboro, on Monday, the 12th inst., **BRAXTON DAVIS**, in the 74th year of his age.

Staunton spectator, March 29, 1870

Married

On the 11th day of March, at Covington, by Rev. J. M. Rice, **ZACHERIAH HAMILTON** to Miss **DORA PRING** – both of Rockbridge

On the 16th day of March, by same, **ROBERT HAMILTON** to Miss **NOVELLA BARTLEY** – both of Rockbridge

Deaths

In Edwardsville, Kansas, on the morning of the 19th inst., **HALLIE ORLETA**, infant daughter of **Wm. H. and Ella Strasburg**, aged 2 months and 10 days.

On Wednesday the 17th inst., near Conrad's store, Rockingham county, Va, - Maj **GEO. W. MILLER** – in the 45th year of his age.

Transcribed by JoAnn Pendley

Abbreviations Found in Genealogical Research Compiled by David Riel

CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Dom (occupation/relationship) Domestic
do/" ditto (which means "same as line above")
DOW - Died of Wounds (military)
dp - dropped plain dress (Quaker)
dpl. - death place
DR - Daughter of the Revolution; Diocesan Registry
dr - doctor; dram drinking to excess (Quaker)
dr. (dutch) (v.) dochter (van) daughter (of)
drpd - dropped (Quaker)
DRT - Daughters of the Republic of Texas
DSDI Descendants of the Signers of the Declaration of Independence
d.s. - document signed; died single
ds. - deaths; daughters
dsct. - descendant
d.s.p. - *decessit sine prole* [Latin], died without issue, childless
d.s.p.m. - [Latin] *decessit sine prole mascula*; died without male issue
dt - date daughter daughters
dtd - dated
dto. - ditto
dtr. - daughter
 dt's. - delirium tremens
DUE --- Daughter of UEL (1 st gen. only)
dum. or **d. um.** - died unmarried
dup - duplicate
DUP - Daughters of Utah Pioneers
DUVCW Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War
dv - divorce
DVA - Department of Veterans Affairs
DVF - Society of the Descendants of Washington's Army at Valley Forge
D.V.M. Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
d.s.p. - died without issue (from Latin: *decessit sine prole*)
d.v.p. - *decessit vitae patre* [Latin], died in father's lifetime
Dw (occupation/relationship) Dish Washer
d.w. = Died widow?
d.y. - died young

E

E. - East or eastern
EAD—Encoded Archival Description
easi. - easily

EBB—Electronic Bulletin Board
ecux. - executrix; a female executor
E.D. - Enumeration District
ed. - edited; edition; editor
Ed.D. Doctor of Education
educ. - education; educated
EM - Enlisted member (military)
Emp (occupation/relationship) Employee
En (occupation/relationship) Engineer
Eng. - England
ENHA - East Anglia National Heritage Area

et ux"and wife."
ETO - European Theater of Operations (military)
EUS - Evacuated to the U.S. (military)
ev. luth. (dutch) evangelisch luthers Evangelical Lutheran
exec. executor.
exor. executor.
exox. executrix
exs. - executors
exx. - executrix

F

* **f. / F.** - father; female; folio; feast; feet; farm; following
fa. - father
F.A. - Field Artillery
Fa.H (occupation/relationship) Farm Hand
Fa.L (occupation/relationship) Farm Laborer
Fa.W (occupation/relationship) Farm Worker
F&AM - Free and Accepted Masons
FAAO - Fellow of the American Academy of Osteopathy
FACC - Fellow of the American College of Cardiology
FACCE - Fellow, American College of Child-birth Educators
FACD - Fellow of the American College of Dentists
FACE - Fellow, American College of Endocrinology
FACFP - Fellow of the American College of Emergency Physicians
FACFAS - Fellowship of American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons

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- FAM** - Free and Accepted Masons
fam. - family families
FARC - Federal Archives and Records Centers
 (branches of the National Archives)
FAS - Fellow of the Antiquarian Society
FASG - Fellow of the American Society of Genealogists
father-in-l - father-in-law
FAQ - Frequently Asked Questions
F.B. - Family Bible
FBG - Friends burial ground
FC&AGR—French Canadian and Acadian Genealogical Review
f.e. - for example
FEEFS Federation of East European Family Societies
ff. - following (pages), foster father
FF's - First Families
FFHS—Federation of Family History Societies
FFV - First Families of Virginia
FG—French Grants
FGRA - Family Group Record Archives
FGS - Family Group Sheet
FGBS Fellow, New York Genealogical and Biographical Society
FGSP Fellow, Genealogical Society of Pennsylvania
FHC - Family History Center, branch of the FHL
FHL - Family History Library, genealogy library in Salt Lake City, Utah, maintained by LDS church
FHLC - Family History Library Catalog
FHS Family History Society
Fi Fireman
FIGRS - Fellow of the Irish Genealogical Research Society
fidel. - fidelity
f-i-l/ fil./ f.inl / FL - father in law
fil./ f-i-l/ f.inl / FL - father in law
f.inl/ f-i-l/ fil./ FL - father in law
filius - son of (remember this as: ends in "us" = male)
filia - daughter of (remember this as: ends in "a" = female)
First C First Cousin
FI Father-In-Law
f.m. - free mulatto
FM - foster mother
fmc - free man of color
f.n. - free negro
FNGS - Fellow of the National Genealogical Society
FNHC - Founders of the New Haven Colony
fo / f - folio
Fo.B Foster Brother
Fo.S Foster Son
Fo.Si Foster Sister
FOE - Fraternal Order of Eagles
FOIA - Freedom of Information Act
FOP - Fraternal Order of Police (USA)
form - formerly
fpc - free person of color, neither Caucasian nor enslaved
fr - from
FR family register
FRACP - Fellow of the Royal Australasian College of Physicians
FRAM - Fellow of the Royal Academy of Music
FRCP - Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians
FRCPE - Fellow of the Royal College of Physicians of Edinburgh
FRCSI - Fellow of the Royal College of Surgeons of Ireland
FrdS - Friends (Quaker)
freem. - freeman; freemen
FSA Fellow, Society of Antiquaries (in England)
FSA Scot Fellow, Society of Antiquaries of Scotland
FSAG Fellow, Society of Australian Genealogists
FSG - Fellow of the Society of Genealogists
Fstw—farm steward
ft. - foot; fort
FTB - Family Tree Builder (Online Sync Software by MyHeritage.com)
FTM - Family Tree maker (software) genealogy program from Banner Blue Software) FTM - Family Tree Maker,
FTP - File Transfer Protocol (networking, technical)
FTW - Family Tree Maker for Windows (software)
FUGA - Fellow of the Utah Genealogical Association
fwc - free woman of color
fwf - free white female
fwm - free white male

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Notification from the ACGS September 16, 2020 Board Meeting

There was considerable discussion about the possibility of the present board remaining in place for the 2021 fiscal year rather than holding an election to elect new board members, assuming each board member was willing to serve another term. Sandra Jordan moved that due to current circumstances that the current board remain in place for the following term (2021). Sharon Sturdivant seconded the motion. This motion was passed unanimously.

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