



Finding "descendants of enslaved laborers" who  
built Thomas Jefferson's University

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## Overview



2007-UVA-  
background



Understanding  
Slavery



Understanding  
the challenges



The strategies



The Plan



Going forward

# Students rallied- "That's not enough"

After surveying students, MEL resolved that the University required more of a memorial than the small, easily overlooked plaque devoted to the free and enslaved laborers who had built the Rotunda that was installed in March 2007.



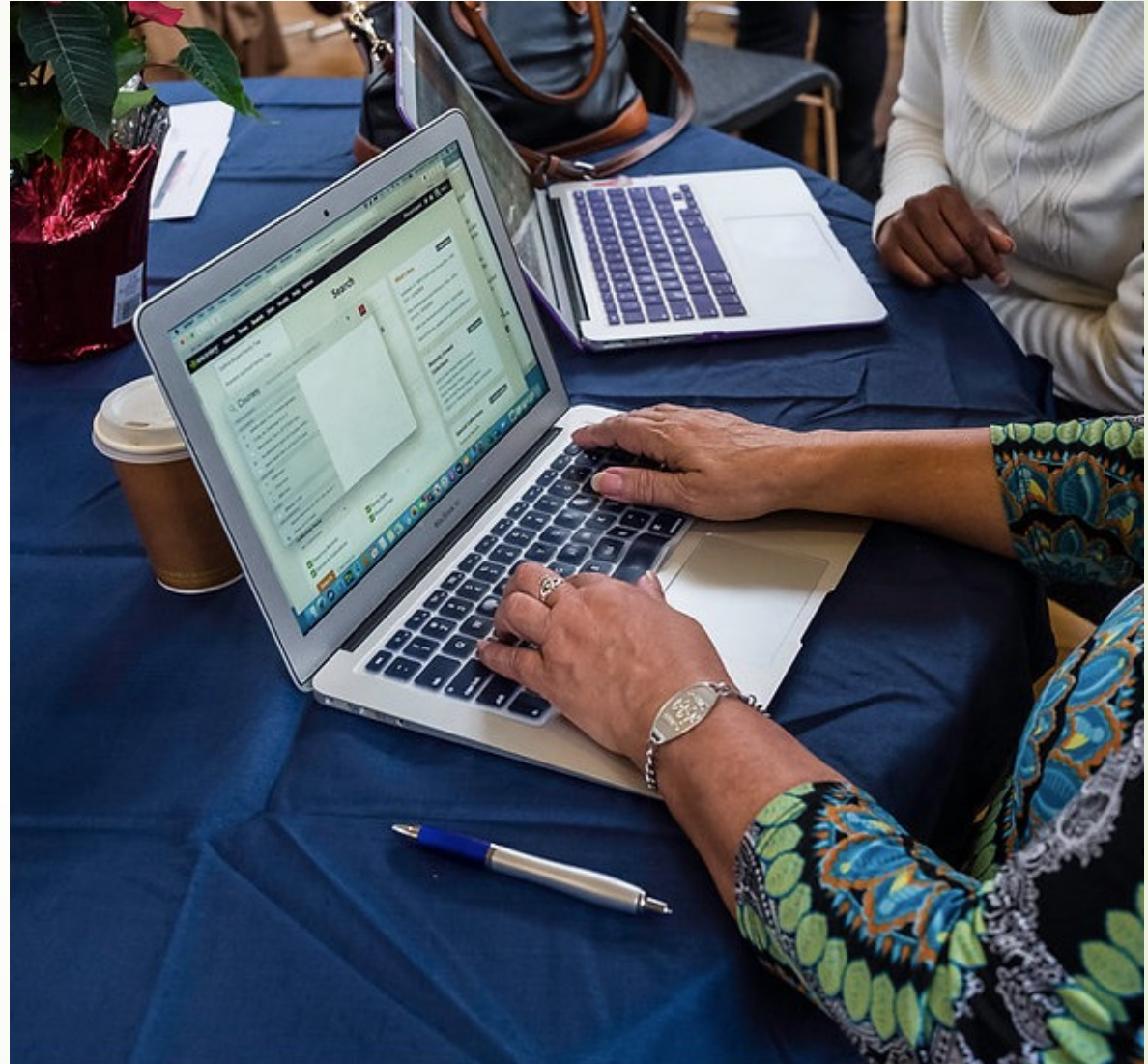
This plaque, between Pavilion I and the Rotunda, was installed in 2007.

- 2007 The Board of Visitors of Virginia apologized for Slavery
- They formed a student led group, Memorial to Enslaved Laborers (MEL) Committee, which engaged in awareness- raising programs that culminated in a 2010 memorial design competition. (can hold up to 4,000 enslaved laborers names)
- Partly in response to the student activism, President Teresa A. Sullivan created in 2013 the President's Commission on Slavery and the University (PCSU).
- <https://www2.virginia.edu/slaverymemorial/>



## What I know:

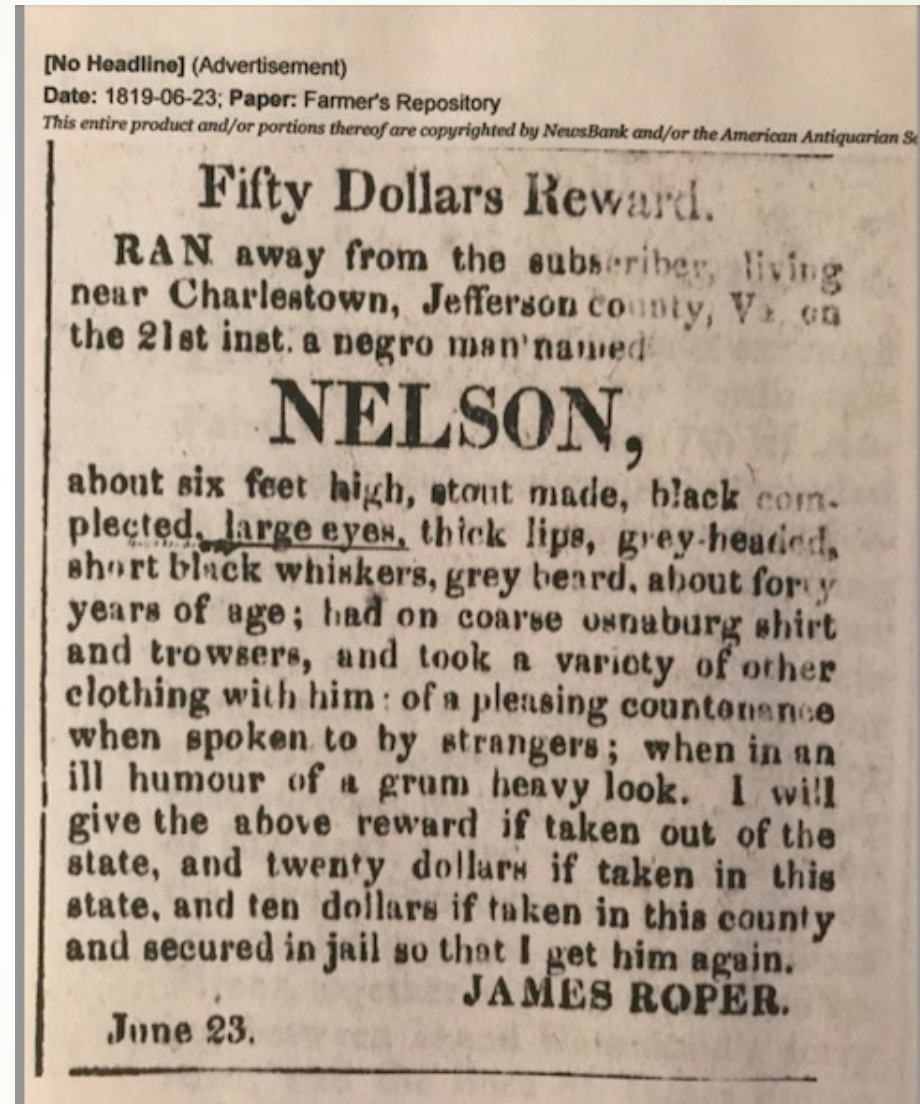
- Local area-Historical Homes, etc.
- Have a passion to see the records and hear the stories
- Wealth of resources and support in the area-Historical Societies & Libraries
- The local community: CVHR, CVGA, BBS AAHGS, Area Historical Societies, UVA Special Collections, Getting Word, Descendant & Descendant groups, individuals and families, etc.
- There will be lessons learned- there will be some that will not be found
- Understand there will be many emotional times





## Basic understanding of African American Genealogical Research

- Slavery=Economics  
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- People were property
- Buying, Selling, Renting
- Sold to the Deep South=Gone
- Free People of Color



# African American Genealogy Research



Research for African-American ancestors begins just like any other search for ancestors; you begin with **what you know**, then think about **what you don't know**, and then ask yourself **who or what would know?**



**Stop jumping outside of the box. You need to stay inside the box and begin deeper research and analysis.**



Remember every Record should create another Record



Challenges: Expect them, Embrace them and Expand your research skills

# Dealing with the African American Research Challenges

- Records not recorded or destroyed
- Denial-don't want to know, it's in the past
- Knows the info, but won't share-its going to the grave with them
- Online research, hmmm
- Spelling of names, don't count
- Received information that is not reliable-questionable-Oral History
- Families stories & expectations vs. the research
- Someone born early 1800s might not make it to the 1860s or 1870s,
- *Analysis* not done on the records
- Emotional aspects
- 21<sup>st</sup> century thinking



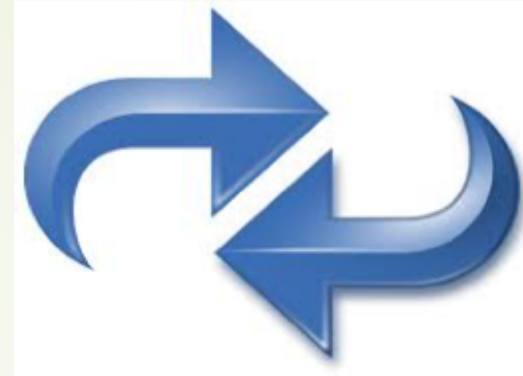
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- ➡ Listen and Ask Questions
- ➡ Stay “**LOCAL**” due to timeframe
- ➡ Learn the Slave Holders, some were TJ’s friends, UVA Professors and more

- Census-(1950 release-April 1, 2022)
- Google-is my friend
- Need to Seek out Descendants
- Need Descendants will find me
- Will use Online databases: Ancestry.com & Familysearch.org, newspapers, military, and much more

## Strategy #2: Reverse Genealogy- aka “back and forth”



- From the list I have, dates, names (first name only, not the same as slave owner); slave owner, status: enslaved and/or free, occupations and notes from the financial ledgers.

- **No location!**

Genealogy is about ***time, place and asking questions:***

- What do I know?
- What do I need to know?
- Who or what would know the information I am missing?
- Plan the research for resources & seek out what I need



## Strategy #3 Slave Era Research and Questions

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- Review the law during the research era!
- Finding Emancipation or Manumission papers
- Slave narratives, family genealogy records
- Bill of Sales, Plantation records: Inventories
- City & County directories, Public notices or records, local courthouse records (wills, probates), city halls & more!
- Find resources where Slave research has been successful...keeping in touch with the local genealogy groups, libraries, and historical societies-local
- Sharing, sharing, sharing

## Strategy #4 Following the rules to find descendants & slaveholders:

Murphy's rule: Follow the ...

Money

Land

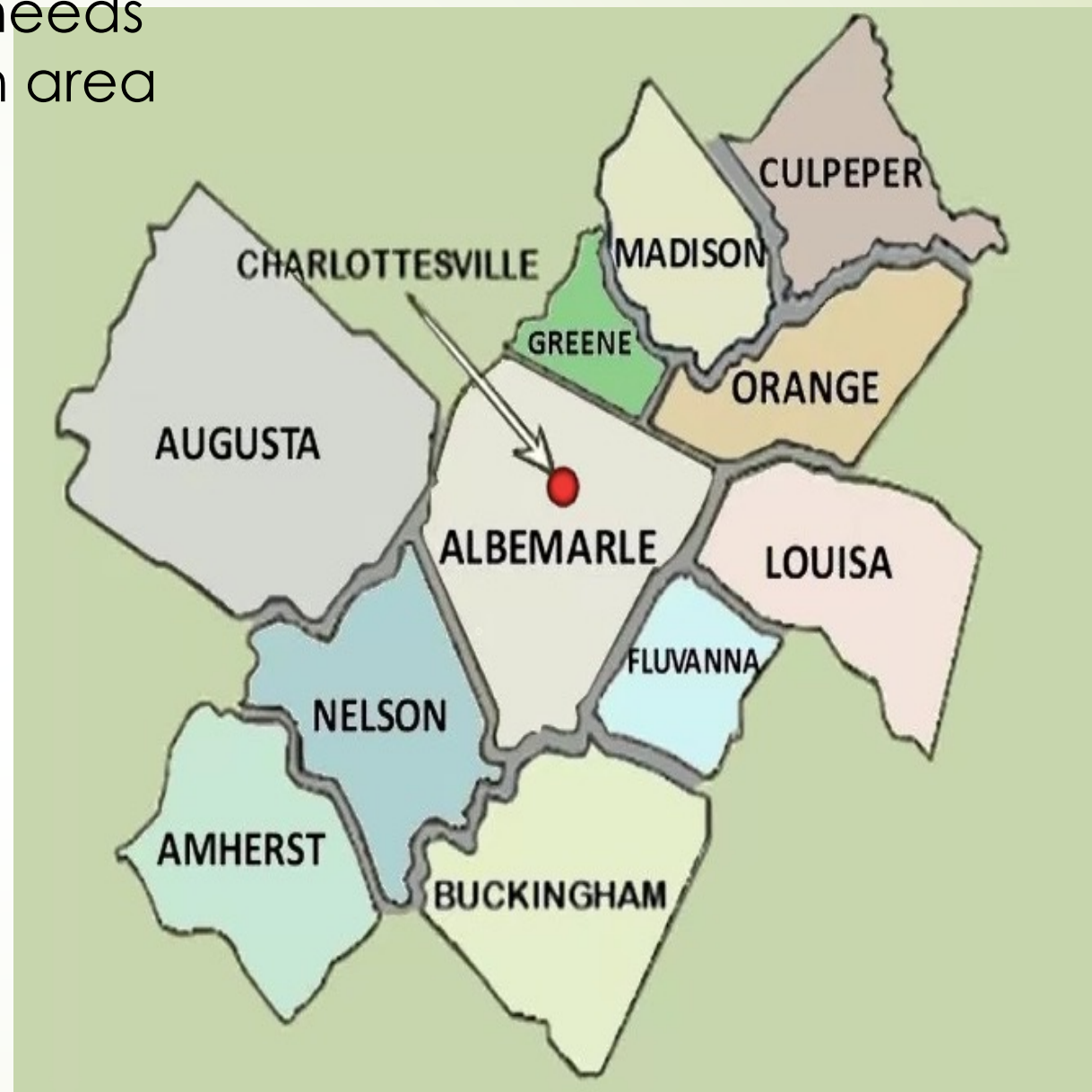
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## Strategy #5 Research always needs a MAP-Determine my research area

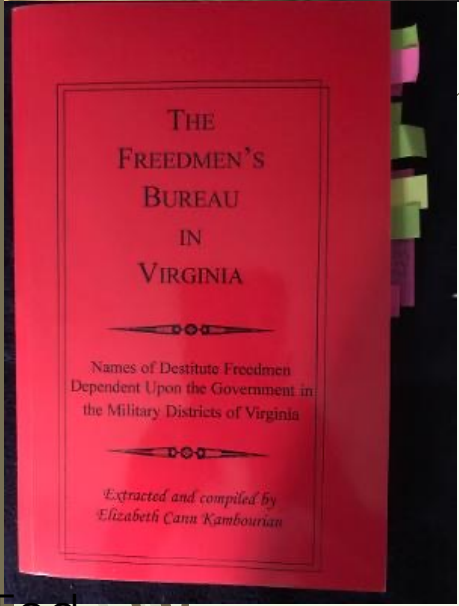
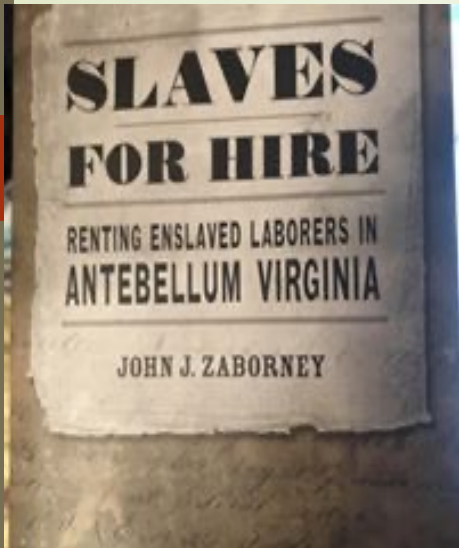
If individuals had ancestors who lived in the central Virginia counties of Albemarle, Buckingham, Greene, Fluvanna, Louisa, Nelson, Orange areas, etc., including the city of Charlottesville.



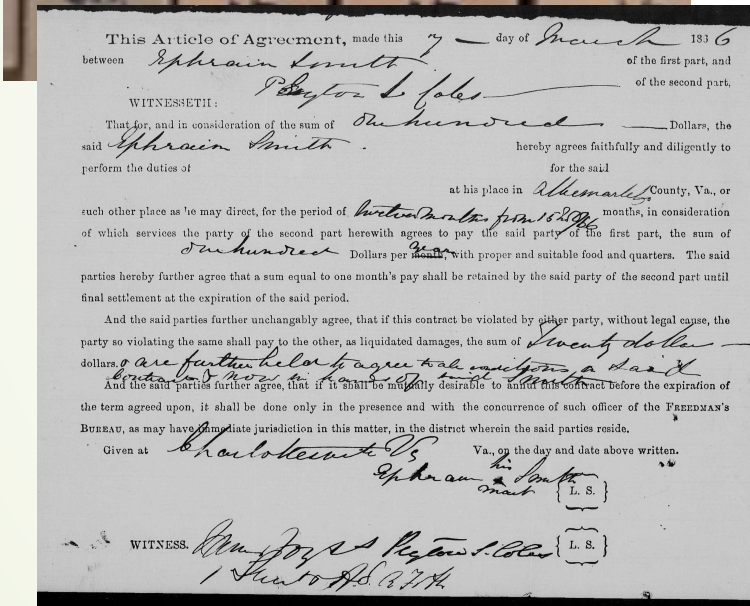


## Strategy #6 Know the Records/Resources for the Enslaved and Free Individuals

- Slave Narratives
- Co-habitation records
- Military files
- Court cases
- University Records-Special Collections, JUEL site, public libraries
- Oral Histories
- Freedman's Bureau Records (Rations, labor contracts, etc.)
- Books, books and more books



Fed  
Census  
Obits, books, libraries,  
societies, etc.



Labor Contracts

| Register of Colored Persons of Culpeper County, State of Virginia, cohabiting together as Husband and V |     |                |           |            |                   |                 |     |                |           |              |  |  |  |
|---|-----|----------------|-----------|------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----|----------------|-----------|--------------|--|--|--|
| NAME OF HUSBAND   | AGE | PLACE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE | OCCUPATION | LAST OWNER        | NAME OF WIFE    | AGE | PLACE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE | LAST OWNER   |  |  |  |
| Red Bank  | 53  | Orange Co.     | Culpeper  | Farmer     | Col. J. Slaughter | Sally Jackson   | 56  | Culpeper Co.   | Culpeper  | W. Slaughter |  |  |  |
| James Jackson   | 25  | Culpeper       | "         | "          | James Biggs       | Martha Robert   | 21  | "              | "         | James Biggs  |  |  |  |
| Richard Jones   | 44  | "              | "         | Sawyer     | Ans. Armstrong    | Martha Bruce    | 30  | Rappahannock   | "         | James Biggs  |  |  |  |
| John Jackson  | 43  | Scotland       | "         | Farmer     | P. Robinson       | Ex. Jarvis      | 31  | Scotland       | "         | P. Robinson  |  |  |  |
| John Williams   | 30  | Culpeper       | "         | "          | Free Born         | Betsy Fry       | 32  | Culpeper       | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| Alfred Fry  | 32  | "              | "         | "          | Isaac Wilks       | Melvin Jones    | 22  | Madison        | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| Louisa Williams   | 24  | "              | "         | "          | Isaac Wilks       | Melvin Jones    | 22  | Culpeper       | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| James Gordon  | 27  | Orange Co.     | "         | "          | Isaac Wilks       | Melvin Jones    | 22  | Orange         | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| Sagittary Fry   | 25  | Culpeper       | "         | Catfish    | Isaac Wilks       | Frederick Wilks | 22  | Culpeper       | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| Emmanuel Bell   | 45  | "              | "         | Farmer     | W. Brown          | Charles Fick    | 20  | "              | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| Wilson Jones  | 44  | "              | "         | "          | Samuel Wilks      | James Wilks     | 30  | "              | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| Cassius Jones   | 40  | Shelby Co.     | "         | "          | Samuel Wilks      | James Wilks     | 30  | "              | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| Bruce Ruf   | 30  | Orange Co.     | "         | "          | Wilson Jones      | Harriet Smith   | 20  | Orange         | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
| John Jackson  | 44  | Culpeper       | "         | "          | John Taylor       | James Wilks     | 30  | Orange         | "         | Isaac Wilks  |  |  |  |
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Co-habitations Records

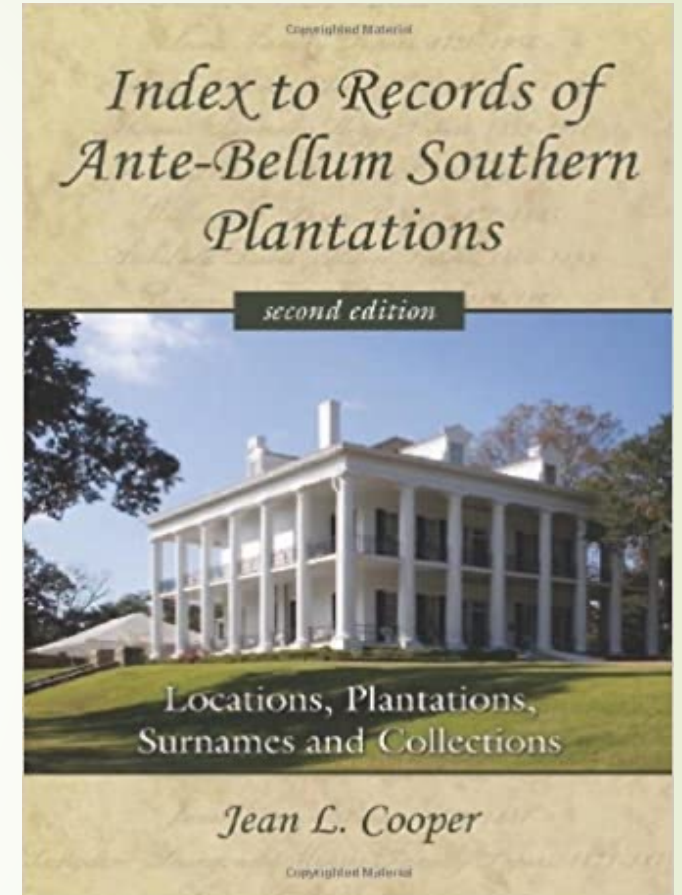


Newspapers, articles, online databases



# Locating Records & Resources

- House Repositories
- Recorded property records-inventories, tax records-Courthouses
- Historical societies, libraries, & archives
- Look for the plantation owners-who were the neighbors? Use the *FAN* principle (E. Shown Mills)
- Plantation owners-find out if there is any information regarding the plantation in local city or county records, historical society. Keep *Jean Cooper's book* and the *Slave Birth Index* close
- Staying close to my local friends in CVHR & BBS and more
- Look for plantation owner descendants-maybe they are looking-build ancestry trees, books, etc.
- Google "surnames" and properties, look for historical events.





# Register of Colored Persons, Cohabiting. Records at the Library of Virginia, etc.

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|---|-----|----------------|--------------|------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------|-----|----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| NAME OF PERSON  | AGE | PLACE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE    | OCCUPATION | LAST OWNER       | LAST OWNER'S RESIDENCE | NAME OF WIFE    | AGE | PLACE OF BIRTH | RESIDENCE    | LAST OWNER      |
| and Bank  | 53  | Orange Co.     | Culpeper Co. | Farmer     | Col J. Slaughter | Culpeper Co.           | Sally Jackson   | 56  | Culpeper Co.   | Culpeper Co. | W. Slaughter    |
| James B. Carter   | 25  | Culpeper       | "            | "          | James Biggs      | "                      | Marie Roberts   | 24  | "              | "            | James Biggs     |
| Richard Jones   | 44  | "              | "            | Sawyer     | Mrs. Armstrong   | "                      | Martha Bruce    | 50  | Rappahannock   | "            | John B. Hill    |
| John A. Craig   | 43  | Goshen         | "            | Farmer     | P. Robinson      | "                      | Ere. Parish     | 31  | Grochland      | "            | P. Robinson     |
| Wm. Williams  | 30  | Culpeper       | "            | "          | Frederic Bom     | —                      | Betsy Fry       | 32  | Culpeper       | "            | Isaac Willis    |
| Albert Fry  | 32  | "              | "            | "          | Isaac Willis     | "                      | Melissa Jones   | 22  | Madison        | "            | Isaac Willis    |
| Louisa Willis   | 24  | "              | "            | "          | Just Jones       | "                      | Melinda Smith   | 22  | Culpeper       | "            | Isaac Willis    |
| Charles Gordon  | 27  | Orange         | "            | "          | Isaac Willis     | Madison                | Martha Smith    | 24  | Orange         | "            | Charles Gordon  |
| Saguard Fry   | 25  | Culpeper       | "            | Catfish    | Isaac Willis     | Culpeper               | Francis Walker  | 22  | Culpeper       | "            | W. P. Johnson   |
| Emanuel Bell  | 45  | "              | "            | Farmer     | Wm. Brown        | "                      | Cecilia Field   | 20  | "              | "            | Henry Field     |
| Wilson Smith  | 46  | "              | "            | "          | Samuel Thompson  | "                      | Jane Collins    | 30  | "              | "            | Samuel Thompson |
| Cesar Moss  | 40  | Spotsylvania   | "            | "          | Samuel Tallies   | Orange                 | Phineas Sanders | 40  | "              | "            | W. E. Tallies   |
| Bruce Ruff  | 30  | Orange         | "            | "          | Wilson Colson    | Culpeper               | Harriet Smith   | 20  | Orange         | "            | Robert Johnson  |
| Harry Jackson   | 44  | Culpeper       | "            | "          | John Payne       | "                      | Frances Lewis   | 35  | Orange         | "            | John Smith      |
| James Jackson   | 60  | Orange         | "            | "          | John Hinton      | Orange                 | John Hinton     | 50  | Orange         | "            | John Hinton     |



# Albemarle County, VA. John Craven's 1841 Will

... done, which will fully appear from the de-  
... which are of record, and finally my Pen-  
... should not elect to take the devise of it  
... life, or else if she should so elect, then the  
... death, The proceeds of such sales, are to be a

2<sup>d</sup> I bequeath to my beloved wife Mary and her heirs forever my negro  
woman Maria and her sons Edmund and William, together with  
all her future increase, I also devise to my wife, as a home for her

... or utensils stock of every description, and a-  
... that may be left after satisfying the beque

# Strategy #7 Getting the word out

- Use Social Media
- Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/Finding-the-Enslaved-Laborers-at-UVA-960038024340461>  
and
- Twitter: @seeking\_uva

The screenshot shows a Facebook interface. At the top is a navigation bar with the Facebook logo, a search bar containing 'Finding the Enslaved Laborers at UVA', and user avatars for 'Shelley', 'Home', 'Create', and notification counts (1, 3). Below this is a secondary bar with 'Page', 'Inbox 20+', 'Events', 'Reso...', 'Notifications 99+', 'Insights', 'More', 'Edit Page Info', 'Settings', and 'Help'. The main content area features the profile of 'Finding the Enslaved Laborers at UVA' with a circular logo that reads 'DESCENDANTS UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA MEMORIAL TO ENSLAVED LABORERS'. The post itself is a photo of a large, dark, curved sculpture on a grassy lawn with a brick building in the background. Below the photo are 'Liked', 'Follow', 'Share', and 'Send Email' buttons. A 'Pages support team will be back soon' message is visible on the right. The post text reads: 'Great success on "Nelson Price". For those of you that have followed my posts, I had a great 2.5 hour meeting today with the descendants. She was, along with her family now know about Nelson Price, an enslaved laborer, who is her 2nd great grandfather. Happy Dance!'. Engagement stats show '333 People Reached' and '67 Engagements'. A 'Boost Post' button is on the right. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Like', 'Comment', and 'Share', and a comment input field with the text 'Comment as Finding the Enslaved La...'. A 'View 1 comment' link is at the very bottom.

**Finding the Enslaved Laborers at UVA**  
Published by Shelley Murphy ·  
December 30, 2020 at 4:04 PM ·

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333 People Reached 67 Engagements **Boost Post**

You and 16 others 1 Comment 2 Shares

**Like** **Comment** **Share**

**Most Relevant**


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View 1 comment



# Example: Solomon & Salmon/Community Assistance

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 **Finding the Enslaved Laborers at UVA**  
September 21 at 1:10 PM · 🌐


Question to the local researchers: Could Salmon and Solomon be the same families? Have you seen any indication of this? I believe the Wingfield family enslaved the Solomon's in Albemarle. Also, Sammons?

115 People Reached      26 Engagements      [Boost Post](#)


👍 2      6 Comments

👍 Like      💬 Comment      ➦ Share      🗲

Comment as Finding the Enslaved Laborers at UVA      😊 📷 📧 🗨

 **Sam Towler**  
Shirley Soloman said Salmon and Soloman were the same. The 1867 PP tax lists them as Salmon but the 1870 census has them as Soloman (by memory only without looking at it again.)  
👍 1

Like · Reply · Message · 1w

 **Sam Towler**

Several Sammons registered as being free...Ben Ford's list: Collin Salmon is listed as being at John P. Michie's in 1867 (Shirley's ancestor). Sammons who registered as free at the Courthouse (From Ben Ford) Sammons Ann F October 1, 1838 9: 1836-1838  
Sammons Ann F December 4, 1850 14: 1850-1854  
Sammons Ann F April 7, 1856 15: 1854-1856  
Sammons Dolly F October 7, 1850 13: 1848-1850  
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Sammons Ellen F October 1, 1838 9: 1836-1838  
Sammons Margaret F October 6, 1857 16: 1856-1859  
Sammons Margarette F October 7, 1850 13: 1848-1850  
Sammons Mary Jane F October 1, 1838 9: 1836-1838



# Social Media -Twitter

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**familytreegirl** @familytreegirl · Sep 29

Genealogist looking for descendants of "Egbert R. Watson", who would of been in central Virginia, near or in the Charlottesville Albemarle County area around 1863. Please DM me. [#Genealogy](#) [@slaveryuva](#)



**familytreegirl** @familytreegirl · Sep 29

Genealogist looking for descendants of William H. McGuffey, who would of been in central Virginia, near or in the Charlottesville Albemarle County area around 1864. Please DM me. [#Genealogy](#) [@slaveryuva](#)



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**PCSU & PCUAS UVA** @slaveryuva · Sep 29

April 1864: UVA gives free man of color "Mr. Kinney, of Canada, leave of absence" for ten days to visit Richmond. By 1850s "Canada" was name for community just south of the U. where many people of color lived. [#uvalegacies](#) [#slaveryuva](#)



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**Pinned Tweet**



**Descendants of Enslaved Communities at UVA** @descen... · Dec 8

Last year, [@slaveryuva](#) invited a group of us to see the Memorial to Enslaved Laborers before it was completed. We spent the past year organizing ourselves as a descendant community. Follow us here to stay up to date on our progress & news related to descendants. [@slaveryuva](#)



**BlackProGen Retweeted**



**Seeking Descendants of Enslaved Laborers at UVA** @seeki... · 13h

Meriwether is a known name in Albemarle Co. Wonder what surname Charles took, when he became free-Ck the Freedmen Bureau records & the 1870 Fed Population Census. Hold on Charles, we are looking for you & your descendants. [#Genealogy](#) [@blackprogen](#) [@MAAGInstitute](#) [@familytreegirl](#)



**PCSU & PCUAS UVA** @slaveryuva · Dec 19

July 1852: UVA pays \$27.50 to C. Meriwether for the rental of enslaved man Charles. [#uvalegacies](#) [#slaveryuva](#)



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# Strategy #8 Part of the Plan

- Review the spreadsheet & JUEL site, books, other resources
- Have individuals fill out a form or send a link
- Gathering information
- Meeting with possible descendants
- Build from the Descendants info
- Build searchable Ancestry Trees
- Communication-be out there for them to find me
- Google docs
- Work with DEC at UVA-They should complete an Intake form: <https://forms.gle/7WsWetQXsFMBsACy/> if any questions, they can simply email [enslavedlaborersuva@gmail.com](mailto:enslavedlaborersuva@gmail.com)

**To date: over 110 trees, close to working with 100+ people-all at various stages. 55+ descendants identified.**

## INTAKE: Descendants of the Enslaved Laborers at UVA

### Gathering information about your family for genealogy research

What is your name, email and phone number for me to follow-up with you:

|

What are your parent's names, birth location (city or county, state if not Virginia, and if they have passed, please include the death date and location:

Mother's Side:

- 1.
- 2.

Father's Side:

- 1.
- 2.

What are your grandparent's names, birth location (city or county, state if not Virginia, and if they have passed, please

# Strategy #9 Building Trees

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ancestry Home **Trees** Search DNA Health Help Extras Hire an Expert

My Trees Trees Shared with Me

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| Name   | Date Modified | Role   | Tools                         |
|--|---------------|--|-------------------------------|
| Maria Craven-Edward & William Gibbons Family Tree<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>  | 12/18/2020    | <b>Owner</b><br><a href="#">Invite family</a>    | <a href="#">Tree Settings</a> |
| Abner Hawkins Family Tree<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>                          | 12/12/2020    | <b>Owner</b><br><a href="#">Invite family</a>    | <a href="#">Tree Settings</a> |
| Abraham S. Smith Family Tree-BPG<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>                   | 2/24/2019     | <b>Owner</b><br><a href="#">Invite family</a>    | <a href="#">Tree Settings</a> |
| Absalom Ailstock Family Tree-Black Rev War Patriot<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a> | 9/20/2020     | <b>Owner</b><br><a href="#">Invite family</a>    | <a href="#">Tree Settings</a> |
| Addison Maupin Family Tree<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>                         | 12/12/2020    | <b>Owner</b><br><a href="#">1 person invited</a> | <a href="#">Tree Settings</a> |
| Alice Gail Wedding-Parrish Family Tree<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>             | 9/16/2020     | <b>Owner</b><br><a href="#">Invite family</a>    | <a href="#">Tree Settings</a> |
| Allen Boxley Family Tree-MEL<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>                       | 12/9/2020     | <b>Owner</b><br><a href="#">Invite family</a>    | <a href="#">Tree Settings</a> |

Trees Search DNA Health Help Extras Hire an Expert 20 5

My Trees Trees Shared with Me

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|--|---------------|--|---|
| Anderson B Robinson<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>                | 9/28/2020     | <b>Guest</b><br><a href="#">legacy1835</a>       | <a href="#">Remove from list</a><br><a href="#">More Info</a> |
|  | 9/23/2020     | <b>Guest</b><br><a href="#">Lynda_Battersby</a>  | <a href="#">Remove from list</a><br><a href="#">More Info</a> |
|  | 6/5/2020      | <b>Guest</b><br><a href="#">tim_anderson43</a>   | <a href="#">Remove from list</a><br><a href="#">More Info</a> |
| Carter Family Tree<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a>                 | 8/26/2020     | <b>Guest</b><br><a href="#">uneekva32</a>        | <a href="#">Remove from list</a><br><a href="#">More Info</a> |
| Ep 83a, 83b, 121, and 123 Research<br><a href="#">View tree overview</a> | 9/27/2020     | <b>Editor</b><br><a href="#">AtlasFamilyOrg</a>  | <a href="#">Remove from list</a><br><a href="#">More Info</a> |
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# Strategy #10 Record Group 105

- The **Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen, and Abandoned Lands** (also referred to as the Freedmen's Bureau)
- Federal Record-under the military
- Created March 3, 1865 at the end of the Civil War to supervise the relief efforts including education, health care, food and clothing, refugee camps, legalizing of marriages, employment, and labor contracts
- **The collection covers the years 1865 to 1872. Pre-Bureau Records-1863 Mississippi**
- Various records, Marriage, Destitute, Ration, Transportation and much more



# Who's who in the Bureau?



Freedpeople working at the James Hopkinson plantation at Edisto Island, South Carolina. (NARA 64-CN-8971)

The Bureau is full of “Federal Records”

**WAR IS OVER!**

- Refugees: Poor White
- Freedmen: Formerly Enslaved
- Abandoned Lands: returning land to former landowners, etc.

# The Gems of Information in the Bureau

- Marriages
- Letters, Complaints, Reports
- Transportation
- Rations
- Labor Contracts
- Teachers reports, Education
- Applications for Land
- Miscellaneous, and much more
- Medical conditions
- Former location before the Civil War
- Military information
- Relationships, and more
- Includes time, place and locations
- Event dates
- Ages
- Race
- Occupations
- Residence/Locations
- Birth dates
- Marriages, also former marriages and children
- Death dates
- Former slave owners
- Other family members
- Records after the Civil War
- Names & Ages before 1870 Federal Population Census

# The Enslaved Laborers-"the list"

- Received a list of names and dates (abt. 2000+ entries, from 1817-1867) which some enslaved individuals with a first name only, a few had surnames, some had slave owners, and the duties the enslaved conducted

|      |      |        |                  |              |          |         |  |   |       |
|------|------|--------|------------------|--------------|----------|---------|--|---|-------|
| 1873 |      |        |                  |              |          |         |  |   |       |
|      | 1863 | 31-Dec | Egbert R. Watson | Nelson Price | Enslaved | unknown |  | "Wm. A. Pratt Supts Dept. - Income Account to Nelson Price per Rect No. 72" | 18.00 |
| 1874 |      |        |                  |              |          |         |  |   |       |

- There is "no location" as to where the slave owner and enslaved individuals lived. Some of the duties the enslaved conducted included: brickmaking, carpentry, etc. and so the research begins.

|      |        |               |                            |          |            |      |   |        |
|------|--------|---------------|----------------------------|----------|------------|------|---|--------|
| 1822 | 26-Nov | John Nunn     | Squire, John, Nelson       | Enslaved | Slave hire | 1822 | "John Nunn for hire of Squire, John & Nelson"                                     | 187.50 |
| 1822 | 26-Nov | John Kelly    | Willis                     | Enslaved | Slave hire | 1822 | "John Kelly for hire of Willis"   | 70.00  |
| 1822 | 26-Nov | John Douglass | John                       | Enslaved | Slave hire | 1822 | "John Douglass for hire of John"  | 65.00  |
| 1822 | 26-Nov | Richard Price | James                      | Enslaved | Slave hire | 1822 | "Richard Price for hire of James"   | 65.00  |
| 1822 | 26-Nov | Edmund Bacon  | Isham, Lewis, John, Wilson | Enslaved | Slave hire | 1822 | "Edmund Bacon for hire of Isham, Lewis, John & Wilson \$280, off agreed on 61.66" | 218.34 |
| 1822 | 26-Nov | David Watts   | Harry                      | Enslaved | Slave hire | 1822 | "Labour Acct. for Dft to David Watts for the hire of Harry"                       | 5.50   |
| 1822 | 2-Dec  | Unknown       | Unknown                    | Enslaved | Harvest    |      | "Labour Acct. for hand hire in harvest"   | 3.00   |





## Freedmen's Bureau Field Offices

This map marks the sites of Freedmen's Bureau Field Offices and Contraband Camps. You can scroll in to see the sites nearest your area of research interest. When you click on a marker, you will see the microfilm rolls for that location. If the microfilms are online, you can click the link to go directly to the microfilm to begin reading!

You can also scroll down this page for a detailed tutorial on using the maps on this site.



### More Maps

#### Freedmen's Bureau Hospitals

In addition to Freedmen's Bureau Field Offices and contraband camps, we have mapped Freedmen's Bureau Hospitals, Freedman's Savings Bank Branches and USCT Battle Sites.

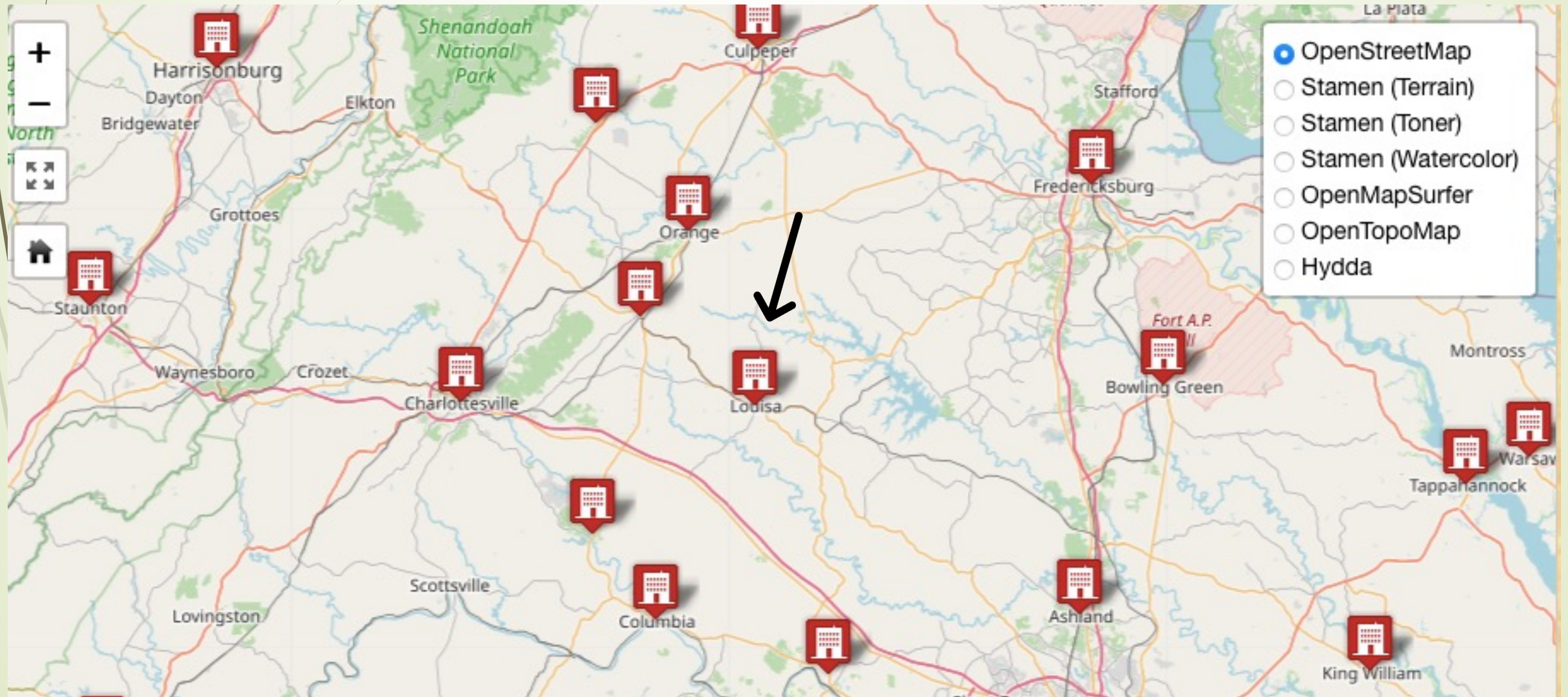
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#### Freedman's Bank Branches

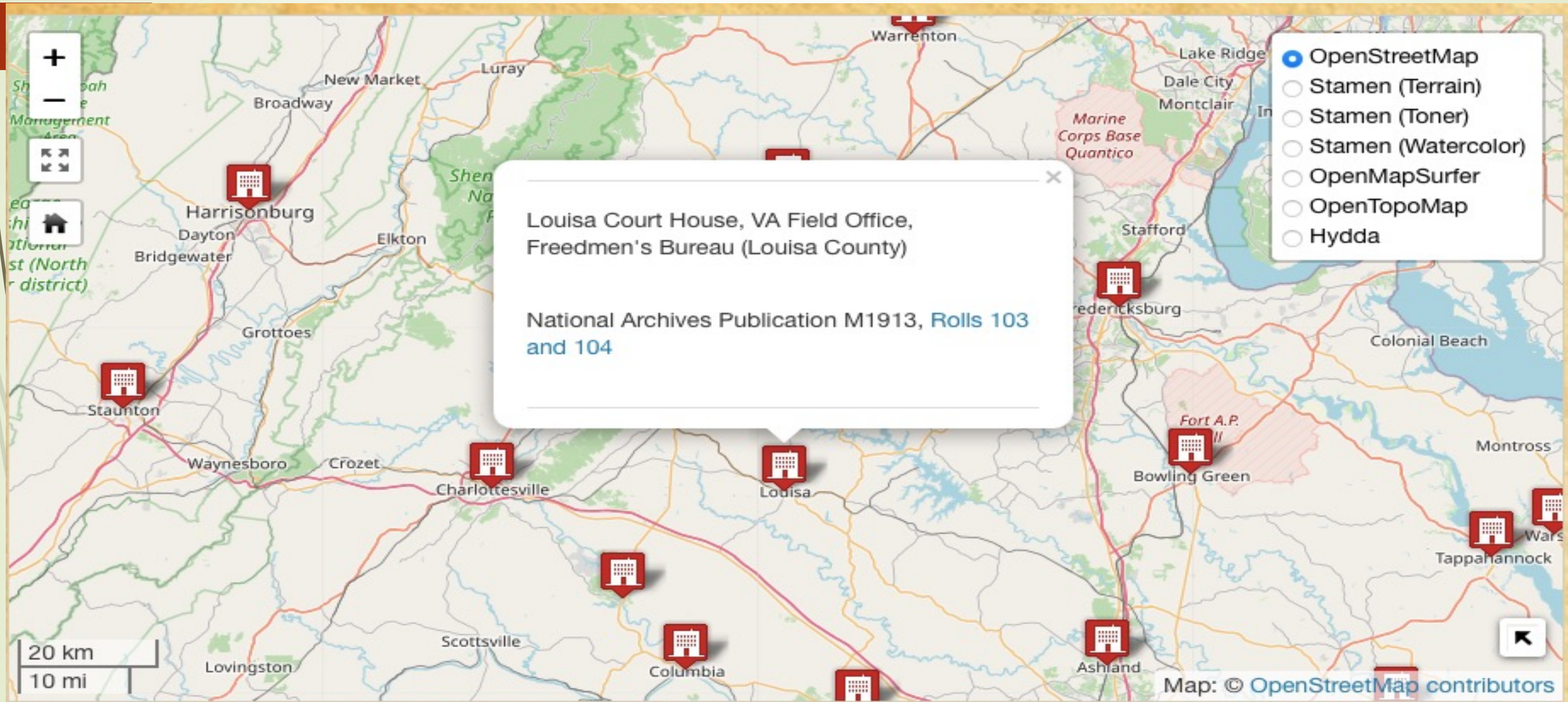
#### USCT Battle Sites



# Louisa Courthouse Field Office







# Virginia Field Offices

Virginia, Freedmen's Bureau...Office Records, 1865-1872 ▾

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## Freedmen's Bureau Office or Subordinate Field Location

Abingdon (assistant subassistant commissioner, 2nd division, 8th subdistrict)

A descriptive pamphlet

Alexandria (superintendent)

Amelia Courthouse (assistant superintendent)

Appomattox Courthouse (assistant subassistant superintendent)

Ashland (assistant superintendent)

Bowling Green (Caroline County, assistant subassistant commissioner)

Boydton (Mecklenburg County, assistant subassistant commissioner)

Dinwiddie Courthouse (Dinwiddie County, assistant superintendent)

Drummondtown (assistant subassistant commissioner)

Fairfax Courthouse (Fairfax County, assistant subassistant commissioner)

Farmville (assistant subassistant commissioner)

Farmville (subassistant commissioner)

Fort Monroe (assistant subassistant commissioner)

Fort Monroe (department of negro affairs, 1863-1865; departments of Virginia and Virginia and North Carolina)

subassistant commissioner, 3rd division, 3rd subdistrict)

Lawrenceville (assistant subassistant commissioner)

Leesburg (Loudoun County, assistant subassistant commissioner, 3rd division, 10th subdistrict)

Lexington (assistant subassistant commissioner)

Liberty (assistant subassistant commissioner)

List of book records

Little Washington

Louisa Courthouse (assistant subassistant commissioner)

Lovington (Nelson County)





# Louisa Courthouse (assisted Subassistant commissioner)

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Virginia, Freedmen's Bureau Office Records, 1865-1872

Louisa Courthouse (assisted Subassistant commissioner)

Source Box

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NARA Roll Number-Contents

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| Roll 103, Letters and orders received, 1865-1866 | Roll 104, Contracts, May 1865-Sep 1866           | Roll 104, Register of black persons in Louisa legally married by act of Virginia assembly passed Feb 27, 1866 | and endorsements sent at Gordonsville, Feb-Aug 1867      |
| Roll 103, Letters sent, Jul 1865-Sep 1867        | Roll 104, Letters and orders received, 1866-1868 | Roll 104, Register of letters received  | Roll 104, Reports and bills of lading, Sep 1865-Nov 1866 |

# Louisa County FB Marriages 1866

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|                                 |          |                |                             |               |        |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------------|-----------------------------|---------------|--------|
| 470. dipscomb Sandy             | 62       | Elizabeth      | 45                          | Fleming       | Louisa |
| 471. child of                   |          | deceased       |                             | granddaughter | Orphan |
| Quaker Harrison                 | deceased | Elizabeth      | deceased                    |               |        |
| 472. Price Nelson               | 48       | America        | 46                          | "             | "      |
| 473. Dickerson Thomas           | 36       | Martha J.      | 35                          | "             | "      |
| 474. Sims William               | 34       | Lucy           | 30                          | "             | "      |
| 475. Jackson Andrew             | 25       | Mildred        | 24                          | "             | "      |
| 476. Robinson Oreston           | 30       | Lucy           | 19                          | "             | "      |
| 477. Wumberly Taylor            | 24       | Paul           | 30                          | "             | "      |
| 478. Bow Henry                  | 45       | Judy           | 40                          | "             | "      |
| had a former wife               |          | Sarah          | living with another man     |               |        |
| had the child by her            |          | Washington     | living                      |               |        |
| Judy had a former husband named |          | Ann Brackstone | she had by him two children |               |        |
| both now living                 |          | Henry          |                             |               |        |
|                                 |          | Robert         |                             |               |        |
| 479. Mop Ben.                   | 29       | Charlotte      | 28                          | "             | "      |
| 480. Scott Washington           | 45       | Eveline        | 39                          | "             | "      |
| 481. Green Lewis                | 69       | Celia          | 60                          | "             | "      |
| 482. Price Simon                | 49       | Martha J.      | 37                          | "             | "      |
| 483. Betz Isaac                 | 47       | Ann Eliza      | 36                          | "             | "      |
| 484. Anderson William           | 26       | Ellen          | 24                          | "             | "      |
| 485. Leves Addison              | 35       | Eliza J.       | 26                          | "             | "      |
| 486. Andrews Cyrus              | 33       | Amanda         | 30                          | "             | "      |
| 487. Fyler Matt.                | 66       | Sarah          | 50                          | "             | "      |
| had a former wife named         |          | Jenny          | dead                        |               |        |
| has children by her             |          | Reba           |                             |               |        |
|                                 |          | Ben.           |                             |               |        |
|                                 |          | Stephen        |                             |               |        |
|                                 |          | Jessie         |                             |               |        |
|                                 |          | Lewis          | dead                        |               |        |



# Strategy #11 Research everyone in the family

## U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current

View Record

**Name** Mrs Gussie Price

**Birth Date** 12 Feb 1904

**Birth Place** Moultrie, Colquitt County, Georgia, United States of America

**Death Date** 26 Dec 1982

**Death Place** Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, United States of America


**Cemetery** Allegheny Cemetery

**Burial or Cremation Place** Pittsburgh, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, United States of America

**Has Bio?** N

**Mother** Mary Lucille Jackson

**Children** Harriet Lucille Baker; Margaret Price



### Gussie Price

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#### Sources


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Ancestry Sources

 1910 United States Federal Census

 1920 United States Federal Census

 Ancestry Family Trees


 Pennsylvania, U.S., Death Certificates, 1906-1967


 U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current

#### Family

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Biological Parents


 **Joel Warren Price**  
1889-1961


 **Mary Lucille Herd**  
1886-1972

[Additional Parent Relationships](#)

Spouse & Children

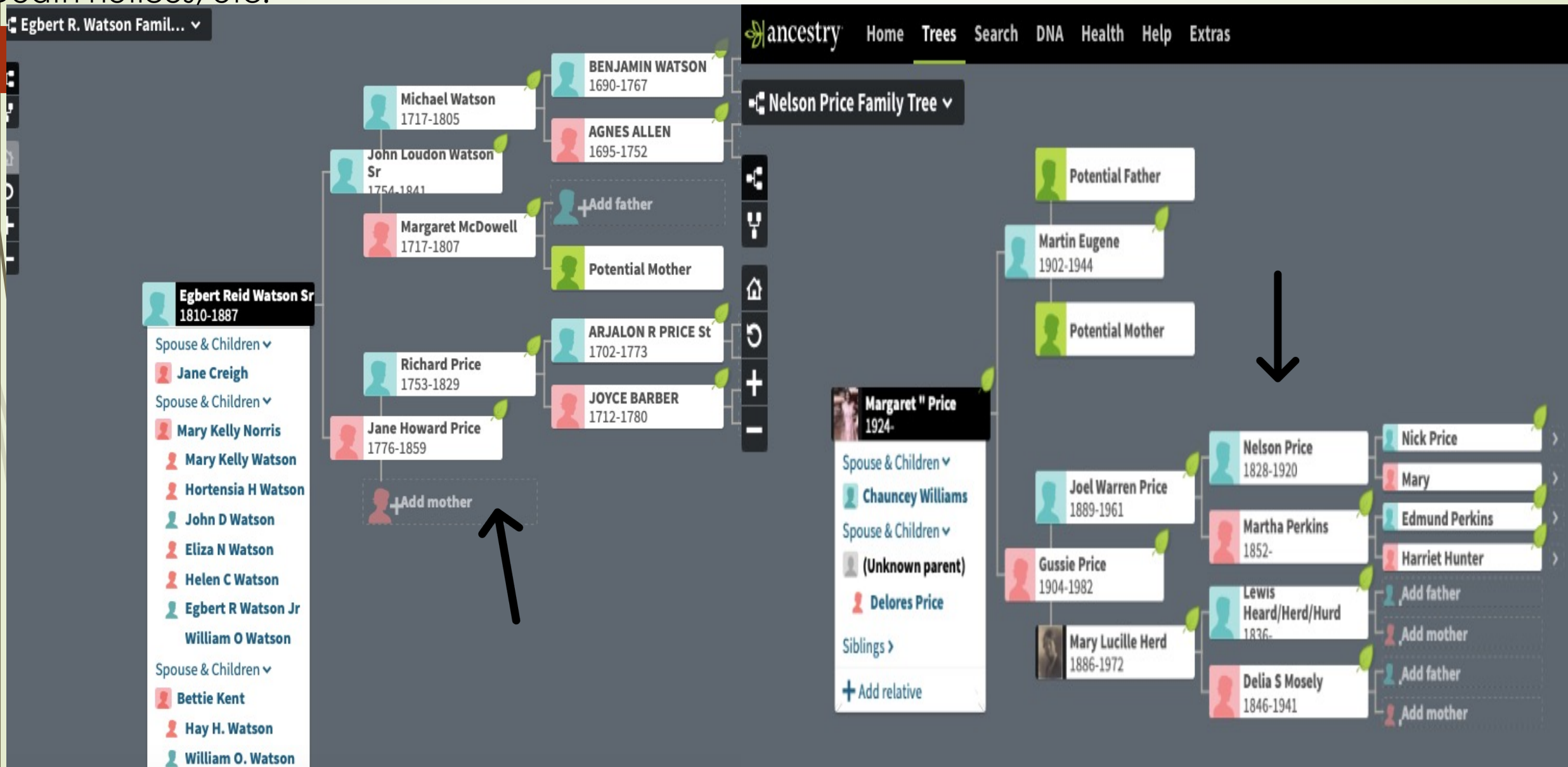
 [Add Spouse](#)

 **Harriet Lucille "Skipper" Price**  
1922-1996

 **Margaret "Peggy" Price**  
1924



Egbert R. Watson Famil... ▾





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## Going Forward

- A private & public virtual event happened in April 2021
- Continue to work with Descendant Enslaved Communities, a nonprofit & helps locate more descendants, etc.  
(<https://www.descendantsuva.org>)
- Continue to seek Slave owners and Enslaved Descendants

