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April 6, 1910

NOTICE

ISSUED BY

DUPLIN COUNTY SHERIFF, G. G. BEST

FOR

LAND TAXES

FOREWORD

On April 6, 1910, Duplin County Sheriff, G. G. Best, issued a "Notice" to a number of property owners, facing loss of their lands.

The sheriff's list contains virtually 300 names. The overwhelming majority are identified as "Colored", which makes this article of particular significance for African-Americans looking into the lives of their Duplin County ancestors.

Headlined only as "Notice," the article was printed in *The Eastern Carolina News*, a weekly newspaper published in Kenansville, North Carolina. It can be viewed on microfilm KnECN-1 at the North Carolina State Library in Raleigh.

Whether the newspaper reproduced the original source material correctly, I do not know. I've attempted to copy Sheriff Best's "Notice" exactly as it was reported in the newspaper; except to put the entire list in one long column, instead of three, and use more spacing for easier reading.

I found some inconsistencies in the Notice's layout: While, most of the townships are clearly identified by subheadings. Faison and Warsaw were not. Also, Glisson has no separate list of "Colored" property owners; while Rockfish has a "Colored" list only. I made a few notes to this effect. I cannot know if any of that is a misprint, without locating the original source material.

Hopefully, in the six pages that follow, the names you find here will help lead you to their actual deeds recorded in the Duplin County Register of Deeds office, which can be accessed online and cross-referenced with other source material from 1910, like the U-S Federal Census.

Once again, special thanks to librarians, Kay Tillotson, Steve Case and Rebecca Hyman at the NC State Library and Genealogy Room; Dr. Barnetta McGhee White, author of [Somebody Knows My Name](#); Delilah Gomes, Duplin County Historical Society, recording secretary; Lynn Richardson, librarian, North Carolina Room at Durham County Library; Ben Franklin, genealogist, Family History Library, Chapel Hill; and, Valencia Benham King Nelson, founder of AfriGeneas (<http://afrigenes.com/>), where this document can also be found.

On the AfriGeneas website, you'll also find another 1910 article from *The Eastern Carolina News* that I transcribed from the same microfilm. It is 33 pages long and lists hundreds more Duplin County names. It is entitled "Expenditures by Board of County Commissioners of Duplin County for Fiscal Year Ending November 1910."

Our ancestors are calling. If you happen to find big lists, like these, in newspapers you're researching, I hope you'll share them with the rest of us.

Respectfully,

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NOTICE.

On the 2nd day of May I will sell the following lands for taxes and costs unless same are paid before that day.

G. G. BEST,
Sheriff of Duplin County.

Holland Improvement Co., Warsaw, 100 acres, \$13.87.
C. B. Hatch, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$4.30.
G. W. Johnson, Warsaw, 24 acres, 89 cents.
Willie Merritt, Warsaw, 2 acres, \$5.88.
Jim Merritt, Warsaw, 1 acre, \$4.83.
Miss Bettie Merritt, Warsaw, 2 acres, 74 cents.
J. R. Paterson estate, Warsaw, 16 acres, 70 cents.
Sallie Powell, Warsaw, 12 acres, \$3.21.
Calvin S. Rogers, Warsaw, 65 acres, \$1.42.
J. F. Southerland, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$17.30.
J. W. Winders, Warsaw, 49 acres, \$3.85.
Mrs. R. E. Wooten, Warsaw, 238 acres, \$7.08.

No heading to start the Warsaw list.

Presumably, this ends Warsaw's non-"Colored" list.

Colored.

L. D. Allen, Warsaw, 1 acre, \$4.80.
Wesley Adams, Warsaw, 1 acre and 1 lot, \$3.63.
Owen Barden, Warsaw, 3 acres, \$1.32.
Jacob Brinson, Warsaw, 91 acres, \$5.39.
Dudley Best, Warsaw, 12 acres, \$3.78.
Caroline Best, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$3.05.
John Best, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$4.40.
Lee Best, Warsaw, 5 acres, \$1.71.
J. F. Barden, Warsaw, 7 3-4 acres, \$3.31.
Dave Bowden, Warsaw, 1 acre, \$1.66.
Easter Bowden, Warsaw, 7 3-4 acres, 94 cents.
Flora Chesnutt, Warsaw, 2 acres, \$1.39.
Kelby Carlton, Warsaw, 2 acres, \$4.05.
George Cooper, Warsaw, 16 acres, \$3.79.
Levi Frederick, Warsaw, 3 1-4 acres, \$4.57.
Becky Frederick, Warsaw, 35 acres and 1 lot, \$16.87.
Tom Gillespie, Warsaw, 27 acres, \$2.03.
Baalam Gavin, Warsaw, 8 acres, \$1.80.
Henry Hill, N. R., Warsaw, 52 acres, \$48.03.
A. R. Hill, Warsaw, 20 acres, \$21.82.
Jasper Hill, Warsaw, 2 1-2 acres, \$9.57.
Lizzie Hill, Warsaw, 2 lots, \$12.08.
M. H. Hill, Warsaw, 34 acres and 1 lot, \$19.33.
W. H. Hines, Warsaw, 12 acres and 1 lot, \$5.96.
George Hall, Warsaw, 1 lot, 89 cents.
Jim Joy, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$2.25.
J. W. Johnson, Warsaw, 87 acres, \$8.59.
R. J. Johnson, Warsaw, 59 acres, \$7.28.
Mollie Loftin, Warsaw, 1 lot, 60 cts.
Edna Middleton, Warsaw, 29 acres, \$4.43.
Elbert Morrissey estate, Warsaw, 50 acres, \$4.99.
Masonic Lodge, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$2.98.

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R. J. McGee, Warsaw, 1 1-4 acres, \$6.79.
Monroe Moore, Warsaw, 12 acres, \$5.38.
Jim Moore, Warsaw, 5 acres, \$4.75.
Clara A. Moore, Warsaw, 2 lots, 90 cents.
Richard Moore, Warsaw, 7 acres, \$3.64.
John Manly, Warsaw, 4 acres, \$1.20.
Iley Pearsall, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$7.03.
Mary Powell, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$4.52.
Emma Stanford, Warsaw, 60 acres, \$2.98.
Lula Swinson, Warsaw, 1-2 acre, \$2.02.
Jno. D. Swinson, Warsaw, 4 acres, \$5.44.
B. B. Swinson, N. R., Warsaw, 9 acres, \$5.67.
Tom Smith, Warsaw, 8 acres, \$5.24.
Jas. L. Stokes, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$4.62.
W. L. Waters, Warsaw, 1 lot, \$5.80.
Henry H. Williams, Warsaw, 51 acres, \$8.72.
Lewis J. Williams, Warsaw, 50 acres, \$8.68.
Richard L. Williams, Warsaw, 1 lot, 89 cents.
Tom Williams, Warsaw, 5 acres, \$2.87.
Frank Carter, Faison, 150 acres, \$5.70.
C. B. Hatch, Faison, 12 3-4 acres, \$10.47.
Susan Jones, Faison, 27 acres, \$1.70.
Robert Kornegay, Faison, 125 acres, \$47.30.
Alonza Rich estate, Faison, 2 lots, \$15.93.
S. A. Wooten, Faison, 233 acres, \$33.19.

Warsaw's "Colored" list continued.

Warsaw's "Colored" list appears to end here.
No heading to start the Faison list.

Faison's non-"Colored" list appears to end here.

Colored.

G. W. Brinson, Faison, 4 acres, \$3.36.
J. F. Boyette, Faison, 96 acres, \$6.18.
Geo. W. Carr, Faison, 8 acres, \$3.53.
Willie Faison, Faison, 1 acre, 39 cents.
Jack Faison estate, Faison, 8 acres, \$1.57.
Cicero Faison, Faison, 4 acres, \$1.12.
Geo. W. Hill, Faison, 3 acres, 72 cts.
Robert Herring, Faison, 3 acres, 56 cents.
Charity Holmes, Faison, 13 acres, \$1.58.
John Jackson, Faison, 10 acres, \$1.12.
Mary Lane, Faison, 33 acres, \$1.53.
Daniel Lane, Faison, 6 1-2 acres, \$2.95.
Geo. Stevens, Faison, 4 acres, \$4.04.
Peter Smith, Faison, 93 acres, \$2.78.
J. R. Smith, Faison, 9 acres, \$2.86.
Wiley Shaw, Faison, 1 acre, 72 cts.
J. J. Thompson, Faison, 2 acres, 39 cents.
Edy E. Thompson estate, 13 acres, \$2.26.
Will Taylor, Faison, 6 acres, \$2.65.
A. L. Thompson, Faison, 2 acres, \$4.19.
Allen Williams, Faison, 9 acres, \$3.60.
Henry Ward, Faison, 3 acres, \$1.69.

Wolfscrape.

J. C. Brock, 98 acres, \$3.45.
Gaston Browning, N. R., 101 acres, \$2.87.
Mrs. L. H. Boyette, N. R., 66 acres, \$2.54.
Albert Jones, N. R., 18 acres, \$3.70.
Robert Kornegay, N. R., 200 acres, \$14.70.
Charlie Moblin, 150 acres, \$6.58.
H. M. Powell, N. R., 166 acres, \$2.70.
Nancy Rogers, 96 acres, \$1.53.
Dr. W. C. Steele, 525 acres, \$35.02.

Colored.

Richard Chesnutt, 8 acres, 40 cents.
Major Graham, 78 acres, \$2.89.
Haywood Miller, 4 acres, 63 cents.

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Glisson.

James W. Branch, 43 acres, \$3.20.
Rosetta Branch, 53 acres, \$1.72.
Sam Branch, 109 acres, \$2.73.
Rufus Branch, 67 acres, 34 cents.
Thos. M. Hayes, 41 acres, \$3.32.

There appears to be no Glisson "Colored" list.

Limestone.

James M. Howell, 209 acres, \$6.28.
Henry A. Williams, N. R., 50 acres, \$1.53.

Colored.

J. R. Hall, 100 acres, \$3.48.
Ned D. Hall, 16 acres, 80 cents.
Curt Hall, 36 acres, \$4.49.
Moses Judge, 16 acres, 74 cents.
Mary Murray, 49 acres, \$1.89.
Sam Stallings, 38 acres, \$1.90.
Addie Stallings, 4 acres, 40 cents.
Ned Williams, 18 acres, 97 cents.

Cypress Creek.

Rebecca Butts, 20 acres, \$1.06.
Alfred Cole, 57 acres, \$2.09.
A. M. Casteen, 96 acres, \$3.24.
R. T. Fountain, 75 acres, \$7.42.
W. G. Fountain, 106 acres, \$13.40.
Andrew Jones, 167 acres, \$3.88.
Eli W. Mobley, 135 acres, \$5.70.
L. M. Williams, 100 acres, \$4.74.

Colored.

Issac Brown, 4 acres, 55 cents.
Henry Barden, 2 acres, \$2.72.
Wm. Dixon, 35 acres, \$2.20.
Richard Farrior, Sr., 105 acres, \$4.20.
Will Judge, 2 acres, \$2.73.
Nancy A. Judge, 22 1-2 acres, 44 cents.
Moses Judge, 6 acres, 89 cents.
Lilly B. Kornegay, 3 acres, 44 cents.
Hardy Kenan, 6 acres, \$3.10.
Allen Kelly, 3 acres, \$1.02.
Hamlet Loftin, 6 acres, \$2.76.
Amanda Lanier, 4 1-4 acres, 78 cents.
Geo. Pickett, 1 acre, \$2.24.
Joshua Pickett, 50 acres, \$4.70.
D. R. Pickett, 3 acres, \$1.64.
Wesley Spearman, 6 3-4 acres, \$2.68.
Grant Spearman, 4 acres, \$3.70.
J. R. Stallings, 9 acres, \$1.94.
G. G. Savage, 2 acres, \$2.87.
Ben Waters, 8 acres, 46 cents.
L. W. Williams, 1 1-2 acres, \$2.40.
Mike Williams, 14 1-2 acres, \$3.48.
E. B. Alderman, 6 1-2 acres, \$5.81.
Julia Alderman, 3 acres, 89 cents.
R. L. Brown, 5 acres, 46 cents.
John Bryant, Sr., 30 acres, \$10.60.
John Boney, 34 acres, \$3.36.
E. D. Boney, 3 1-2 acres, \$2.73
Jere Brice, Jr., 23 acres, \$2.84.
Perry Brice, 37 acres, \$3.85.
Jerry Brice, Sr., 40 acres, \$1.77.
Frank Brice, 36 acres, \$3.61.

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Henry W. Bowden, 1-2 acre, \$3.78.
Chas. R. Carr, 9 acres, \$3.88.
Richard Carr Estate, 27 acres, \$1.53.
Manson Carr, 20 acres, \$2.18.
Susan Carr, 163 acres, \$2.87.
J. C. Carr, 5 acres, \$2.80.
Eliza Carr, 3-8 acre, 56 cents.
Wm. Corbett, Sr., 1-2 acre, \$3.43.
Richard Corbett, 8 acres, \$2.68.
W. J. McClung, 20 acres, \$2.89.
R. H. Dixon, 13 acres, \$3.03.
W. E. Dixon, 33 acres, \$4.28.
J. H. Dixon, N. R., 11 acres, \$1.00.
Ben Douglass, 25 acres, \$2.90.
Sarah Flowers, 1 acre, 70 cents.
Pearlie Fennell, 1 acre, \$1.57.
Henry Filyaw, 31 acres, \$2.87.
R. V. Graham, 8 acres, 40 cents.
Robert Gavin, 2 acres, \$4.65.
Wm. Gavin, 10 acres, \$1.25.
Jno. E. Gavin, 10 acres, \$3.31.
Buck Grantham, 3 1-4 acres, \$2.74.
Easter Highsmith, 9 acres, \$1.30.
David Hufham, 3 acres, \$4.80.
Robert Hayes, 7 3-4 acres, \$2.92.
K. A. Hayes, 3 3-4 acres, 42 cents.
Maggie Herring, 2 acres, 63 cents.
Bryant Johnson, 1-2 acre, \$3.78.
John A. Johnson, 5 acres, \$3.43.
L. L. Kenon, 23 acres, \$4.70.
Muriah Kenan, 2 acres, \$1.42.
Elizabeth Love, 2 acres, \$1.42.
Charlotte Ann Love, 26 acres, 53 cents.
John T. Lawrence, 1 acre, \$2.58.
John Murray estate, 8 acres, \$1.00.
W. E. Murray, 7 acres, \$2.74.
Ephraim Murray, 2 acres, \$3.71.
Harvey Murray, 2 acres, \$3.95.
Mack Murray, 1 acre, \$3.45.
Tilda Murray, 40 acres, \$3.87.
Margaret Murray, 15 acres, \$1.58.
Hilary Murray, 5 acres, \$1.00.
Enoch Murray, 2 acres, \$3.14.
Nancy Murray, 2 acres, 36 cents.
Frances Murray, 2 acres, 56 cents.
Baalam Murray, 10 acres, \$1.30.
Joe McMillan, 3-4 acre, \$3.51.
C. W. McMillan, 1 acre, \$2.46.
H. F. McMillan, 5 acres, \$6.20.
Enoch McMillan, 6 acres, \$3.88.
W. J. F. Murphy, 1 1-2 acres, \$3.90.
John Murphy, 1-4 acre, \$3.25.
J. D. Murphy, 8 acres, \$1.20.
Leonard Newkirk, 3 acres, \$4.04.
Alfred Newkirk, 7-8 acres, 64 cents.
John Newkirk, 1 1-2 acres, \$3.75.
Lucy Powers, 4 3-4 acres, \$1.15.
Kate Powers, 3 acres, 80 cents.
Anthony Pickett, Sr., 250 acres, \$3.53.
Hicks Stallings, 14 acres, 98 cents.
Emanuel Stallings, 35 acres, \$2.10.
Willie Stevens, 1 acre, \$5.25.
Jim Stevens, 1 1-2 acres, \$1.43.
Jas. A. Stevens, 3 3-4 acres, \$4.11.
Rose Stokes estate, 6 acres, \$1.42.
Bryant Stokes, 3 acres, \$3.01.
Eliza Sloan, 18 acres, 87 cents.
Francis Sheppard, 5 acres, \$2.16.
Martha Stokes, 3 acres, 44 cents.

Cypress Creek "Colored" continued.

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Rose Teachey, 12 acres, 86 cents.
Ella Teachey, 2 acres, 80 cents.
C. C. Teachey, 1 acre, 65 cents.
Grace Williams, 5 acres, 80 cents.
Joe Williams, 2 1-2 acres, \$4.82.
Willie Williams, 31 1-2 acres, \$2.90.
Obed Wells, 15 acres, \$4.51.
J. R. Wells, 1 acre, \$2.46.
J. L. Wells, 17 acres, \$8.80.
Brister Wells, 15 acres, 87 cents.
Willie J. Wells, 1 1-2 acres, \$3.80.
Jake Williams, 4 acres, 81 cents.
Tom Wright, 2 1-2 acres, \$2.73.

Cypress Creek "Colored" continued.

Cypress Creek's "Colored" list appears to end here.

Rockfish—Colored.

Apparently, only Rockfish "Colored" are listed.

Francis Boney, 38 acres, \$1.03
Famin Boney, 100 acres, \$2.87.
Peter Boney, 12 acres, 60 cents.
Elder Boney, 12 acres, \$2.94.
Isaiah Bland, 8 acres, 61 cents.
Annie Batts, 60 acres, \$2.20.
Haywood Crumpler, 4 acres, \$3.24.
Dennie Crumpler, 3 acres, \$2.30.
Harvey Faison, 15 acres, \$2.70.
J. D. Hufham, 12 acres, \$3.44.
Isaiah Hufham, 38 acres, \$4.52.
Tate Hufham, 10 acres, \$2.50.
M. Herring heirs, 90 acres, \$2.01.
Sam Herring estate, 6 acres, 54 cents.
J. V. Highsmith, 71 acres, \$5.62.
W. F. Highsmith, 27 acres, \$2.84.
Henry Hayes, 9 acres, \$2.46.
Wm. Johnson, 2 acres, \$3.45.
Ellen Lock, 50 acres, \$1.26.
Mary Moore, 10 acres, 36 cents.
Kate Moore, 36 acres, \$1.44.
F. M. Maynor, 75 acres, \$3.56.
J. A. Murray, 15 acres, \$4.67.
Jerry Newkirk, 9 acres, \$2.03.
T. R. Newkirk, 50 acres, \$2.99.
W. H. Peterson, 9 acres, \$3.71.
Joe Stringfield, 1 acre, \$3.22.
Nancy Thompson, 105 acres, \$5.56.
C. F. Teachey, 65 acres, \$3.53.
J. A. Tate, 3-4 acre, \$3.22.
Willie Williams, 16 acres, \$2.68.
John Wallace, 2 acres, \$3.63.

Rose Hill.

C. M. Steinmetz, 34 acres, \$28.71.
Mrs. J. C. Steinmetz heirs, 118 acres, \$36.62.

Colored.

Chas. R. Boney, 4 acres, \$2.84.
J. Ernest Boney, 9 acres, \$3.37.
Oscar Boney, 3 acres, \$2.84.
Wynn J. Fennell, 2 acres, \$2.44.
Toney Fennell, 11 acres, \$4.72.
Ed. Fennell, 1 acre, \$2.71.
John L. Fennell, 14 acres, \$3.13.
W. E. Fennell, 1-2 acre, \$3.03.
Geo. Williams, 9 acres, \$2.62.
W. K. Williams, 3 acres, \$9.49.

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Magnolia.

L. H. Anderson, 3 1-10 acres, \$2.20.
Dixie Company, 384 acres, \$10.65.
Mrs. Annie Faison, 1 acre, \$6.03.
Mrs. Lucy C. Hall, 667 acres, \$17.90.
W. E. Hobbs, 20 acres, \$3.40.
C. W. Hollingsworth, 71 acres and 1 lot, \$8.58.
W. E. Pope, 1 lot, \$6.03.

Colored.

David Bass, 4 acres, \$3.83.
Pat Berty, 17 acres, \$1.17.
A. H. Boone, 87 acres, \$4.18.
Haynes Bowden, 7 3-4 acres, \$5.56.
Willie Carr, 10 acres, \$4.41.
Fred Carr, 1 acre, \$3.82.
Oscar Carlton, 3 1-20 acres, \$3.17.

Kenansville.

Julia Griffin estate, 70 acres, \$1.53.

Colored.

Addie Carroll, 14 acres, \$2.84.
Owen Carroll, 5 acres, \$2.42.
John H. Carroll estate, 26 acres, \$1.78.
J. H. Dobson, 81 acres, 64 cents.
Cicero Graham, 25 acres, \$3.46.
Tom Hussey, 2 acres, 80 cents.
Jerre Middleton, 25 acres, \$3.00.
Sam Wilson, 25 acres, 53 cents.
Jacob Williams, 37 acres, 70 cents.
Joe Williams, 52 acres, 97 cents.

The Sheriff's entire published list ends here.