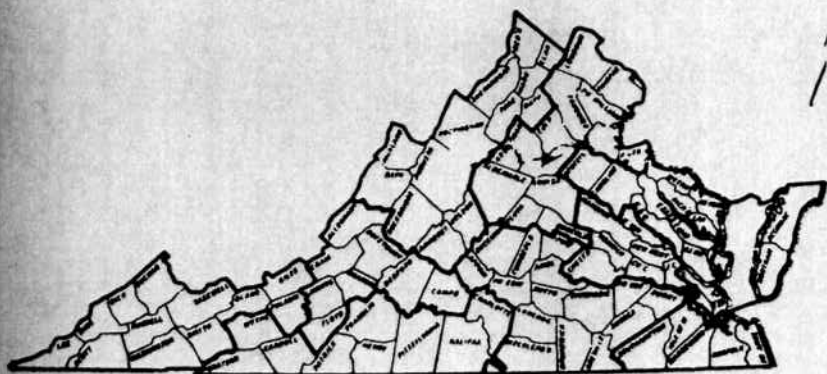


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Microfilm Research. Guides for Local Historians and Genealogists. Number 1. Rockville, Md., 1983. 20 p. \$2.50.

As more and more records become available on microfilm, researchers have the opportunity of consulting materials without the necessity for travel. Lorraine A. Branning, formerly the director, and her associates formerly on the staff of the Genealogical and Local History Programs Unit of the National Archives, after leaving government employment recognized the need for a series of publications which describe various microfilmed records of the National Archives and other repositories and which provide information on events in American history based on those records.

The first guide issued describes two microfilm publications relating to the Army in Florida, 1850-58, and contains articles by Patricia A. McKee, Sarah Larson and Mrs. Branning based on these records. Genealogists will learn of sources often overlooked through examination of the notes appended to the articles.

Copies can be ordered from Microfilm Research, P.O. Box 2302, Rockville, Md. 20852.

Higgs Heritage. Volume One. By Jean Jones Holder. Spokane, Wash., 1982. 31 [9] p. \$5.00.

Mrs. Holder has brought together information about a number of Higgs families contributed by various descendants. Several of these families were originally resident in Virginia. Revolutionary War pension records, entries in the Prince William Co., Va., tax lists between 1782 and 1811, and baptisms, marriages, wills and burials of persons named Higgs are listed.

The compiled genealogies are, unfortunately, without cited references. The documentation of statements made in a genealogical publication is essential and it is to be hoped this will be rectified in future volumes.

Copies can be ordered from Mrs. Holder, S. 2707 Rhyolite Rd., Spokane, Wash. 99203.

Unpuzzling Your Past. A Basic Guide to Genealogy. By Emily Anne Croom. White Hall, Va. [1983] 136 p. \$7.95.

The thrill which every genealogist experiences when a new discovery is made is usually incomprehensible to those who have not been "bitten by the bug". Miss Croom in this guide to research leads the novice through the basic steps to those joys which make

genealogy just plain fun to pursue.

In addition to the clues to sources (from family knowledge to court, census and other primary records), there is information on dates, tombstone rubbing, handwriting and abbreviations, a glossary of terms, a list of libraries and archives in each state, Canadian province and the British Isles, lists of territorial and state census records, and a brief bibliography of general works on genealogy and on searching overseas.

Forms for recording data and abstracting census records are reproduced.

This would make an excellent gift for a 'teen-age relative who has inquired about the family background or for friends who have expressed an interest in knowing more about their ancestry.

Copies can be ordered from Betterway Publications, Inc., White Hall, Va. 22981.

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Each subscriber is entitled to have one or more queries printed, free of charge, but limited to a total of fifty words per year, excluding name and address. All queries must have a Virginia connection and must relate to individuals rather than family surnames. Societies and libraries are excluded from query participation.

✓ 3109. SMITH. Elizabeth Smith, died prior to 1829, married Alexander Jefferson (1779-1858), son of Peterfield Jefferson. Who were her parents?

ALLEN-ARCHER. Samuel Allen of Prince Edward Co., Va., died 1774. He married Martha Archer (when and where?).

BALL. Who were parents and wife of John Ball of Pittsylvania Co., Va., died 1829. Mrs. Linda Pollick Shorb, P.O. Box 1206, Post Falls, Idaho 83854.

3110. CHAMPE-WYCKLIFFE-TAYLOR. Who were parents and wife of John Champe (1704-ca.1763), King George Co., Va.? Who were parents of Ann Wyckliffe who married first John Washington of Westmoreland Co., Va., and second Charles Carter? Who were parents of Elizabeth Taylor who married Ninian Riley, Sr., 1746, in Prince George's Co., Md.? Mrs. V. Irvin Ritchie, 13360 S.E. Oatfield Road, Milwaukee, Ore. 97222.

3111. HASKINS-HOSKINS-STONE. Seek information on Mary Haskins/Hoskins, dau. William, who married Joshua Stone