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**BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS AND SCANDALS  
FROM EARLY KNOXVILLE NEWSPAPERS, 1794, PART 1**

**Abstracted by Steve Cotham**

Editor's note: We continue a series of abstracts from the **Knoxville Gazette** with the year 1794. Each issue is being thoroughly searched, and every item which indicates birth or death is being included in full. Since Knoxville was the capital of the Territory South of the River Ohio, many events reported are from the Miro District, present Middle Tennessee.

**Knoxville Gazette** (vol. 3, no. 2) 2 January 1794 (no. 54)

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**Knoxville, January 2.**

On Monday the 23d ultimo, **Roger Oats**, and **Nicholas Ball**, were killed by Indians, near **Wells's Station** (20 miles from this place) as they were transporting a load of corn to the block houses for the support of their families. This party consisted of ten at least, as that number of guns were fired; they took four horses from the waggon, and a mulatto boy, 14 years of age; and left by the body of Mr. Oats, a speckled stock trading gun, (which they broke in pieces over his head) of the kind which the Spaniards and Pantons have supplied many of the Creeks. Since the 17th of last September, the Indians had fired seven bullets through the cloathes of Mr. Ball, previous to the one which put a period to his existence.

Since Mr. Oats and Mr. Ball were killed, several small parties of Indians have been discovered on the borders of Knox county, supposed to be spies from a larger body to examine the state of defence kept up on the frontiers.

Letters from **General Robertson**, of Mero district, as late as the 15th of December mention, that the Indians have committed no depredations in that district for some time past, except the stealing of twelve horses from **Sumner county**.

Letters from **John M'Kee**, dated at the foot of the **Ocunnee mountain**, frontier of **South Carolina**, inform, that one of the sons of **Alexander Cavet**, whose family were murdered near this place, on the 25th of last September, was preserved by **John Watts**, and is a prisoner with the Creeks---and that one of **Lewis's family**, who were killed in the **Greasy Cove**, is a prisoner among the **Cherokees**, in the **Valley settlements**.

On the 21st and 22d ult., an election was held in the several counties in this Territory (in pursuance of an ordinance of his Excellency **Governor Blount**, for that purpose) to elect representatives to represent the people of this Territory in General Assembly, when the following gentlemen, we hear, were elected.---

Messrs. **Alexander Kelly** and **John Beaird**, for the county of **Knox**.

Messrs. **George Doherty** and **Samuel Wear**, for the county of **Jefferson**.

Mr. **Joseph Hardin** for the county of **Greene**.

Messrs. **Leeroy Taylor** and **John Tipton** for the county of **Washington**.

Mr. **George Rutledge** for the county of **Sullivan**.

Messrs. **William Cocke** and **Joseph M'Min**, for the county of **Hawkins**.

**DIED**---Lately, at **Jonesborough**, **JOSIAH LOVE**, esquire, attorney at law.

-----Mr. **RICHARD SEVIER**, son of **GENERAL SEVIER**.

-----In **Washington county**, Mr. **GEORGE GILLESPIE**, Sear.

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THOSE persons in **Knox county**, formerly part of **Hawkins**, who are in arrears for taxes for the year 1790, are desired to meet me at Knoxville, at the next county court, to be held for the county of Knox, and pay the same, otherwise they will be dealt with according as the law directs.

**Thomas Berry, Sheriff of Hawkins**

Hawkins county,  
December 14, 1793

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**FIFTY DOLLARS REWARD!** Between **Knoxville** and **Capt. Craig's**, the subscriber's saddle bags were opened and One Hundred and Thirty-Five Dollars, in Bank Bills, and several accounts stolen from them. I will give the above reward to any person who will discover the thief or thieves, so that he or they may be brought to justice and convicted of the theft.

December 9, 1793

**John M'Dowell**

Twenty Dollars reward! Strayed or stolen from the range on Tennessee river, about the first of last August, a dun coloured MARE, with a white main and tail, betwixt seven and eight years old, 14 hands and an inch high, a small star in her forehead, trots and paces, and is branded on the near buttock with a heart---whoever will take up said mare and deliver her to **Col. Alexander Kelly**, or to the subscriber, in **Knox county**, shall receive the above reward.

January 1, 1794

**Archibald Lockey**

Public notice. I do once more forbid the Inhabitants of this Town, and its vicinity, having any dealings with the Soldiers of my Company, without permission in writing from the commanding Officer; as they not only involve themselves in difficulty thereby, but injure the public service.-- I have been informed that some persons in the county have purchased articles of the Soldiers--- such as a part of their Regimentals, Public Axes, &c. Should any soldier offer any article of the kind in future, I will reward any person or persons, who will detain, and bring them to me, with the soldier or soldiers, to my camp.

Given under my hand, at Camp, **Knoxville**, (on the Banks of **Holston**) this 29th day of December, 1793

**Wm Rickard**, Commanding Officer, 12th Corp,

3d Sub-Leg. of the U.S.

**Knoxville Gazette** (vol. 3, no. 3) 16 January 1794 (no. 55)

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Knoxville, January 16.

On the night of Sunday the 22d of December last, a party of Indians went to a house on the frontiers of South Carolina, and killed a man and his son, and wounded another with a tomahawk: they then stripped his wife and smaller children entirely naked, and left them, without further injury.

On the first instant, a party of Indians (28 in number as appeared by their trail) fired upon the **Bull-Run block-house**, sixteen miles from this place, and wounded **Robert Leonard**, a continental soldier of **Capt. Rickard's** company. They left a war club on which were cut the marks and figures of the **Wind family** of the Creeks, from which we have reason to believe the party were of that nation.

We are informed that a number of frontier inhabitants, of the neighbourhood where **Oats** and **Ball** were killed on the 23 ult. collected and gave pursuit to the murderers; and pursuing the trail of horses, were led to the **Hanging Maw's** camp, where they killed three men, and we, are sorry to add, that, forgetting the respect due to themselves, they killed seven squaws.

On the 10th instant, **Capt. Evans** of the **Knox county** cavalry, in execution of an order to patrol in advance of the settlements, from the **Eagle Ford**, on **Clinch**, to **Chilhowee**, on the **Tennessee**, for the protection of the frontiers, fell in with a trail of shod horses, which he

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supposed to be those taken at the time when **Oats** and **Ball** were killed; and pursuing it, were led through Tellico plains, to an Indian camp, in a thick laurel, on the ascent of a mountain. The Indians receiving information of his approach, before he could surround the camp, betook themselves to flight; but from the dexterity of his men (as experienced riflemen as any on earth) one was killed, and several wounded, as appeared by the blood, and a boy and girl made prisoners. At the camp was found the scalp of **Mr. Oats** (known from his having been much bald headed) together with several others, and a horse stolen from **French Broad**.

The mulatto boy, supposed to be made prisoner when **Oats** and **Ball** were killed, was lately found dead, near the place where he was taken.

Letters from **Mr. Seagrove** of the 5th of December, dated at the Tuckahatchee, in the Creek nation, inform, that "peace and good understanding is again established between the United States and the Creek nation; and that all the prisoners in that nation, taken from any and every part of the United States, will be delivered to him, and sent to Augusta." He particularly mentions his having received **Alice Thompson**, taken from near Nashville, and that she, and the prisoners generally, will be sent to Augusta, where their friends may find them."

Extract of a letter from Nashville, dated January 5, 1794.

"The Indians after their fall hunt, as usual, have visited our frontiers in their former hostile manner. On the 23d of last month they fired on **John Nowlin** and **William Montgomery**; the latter received a ball in the thigh, and another, which broke his arm. On the 30th, **Samuel Blair** and **Thomas Wilcox** were fired on, six miles from this place---the former had his powderhorn shot off, and a ball through his clothes, and the latter his horse killed. On the night of the first instant, **John Drake**, and three others, were fired on at their hunting camp. Drake is yet missing, and supposed to be killed, he being an excellent wood's-man. Indian sign is daily discovered in different quarters on our frontier.

**Captain Willbanks** after having made great disturbance amongst the Creeks, and having gone last spring to the northward, with a party of Shawnese, has returned, to the lower Cherokee towns, with several warriors, from Detroit.

We learn from Mero district, that **Doctor James White** is elected a member of assembly for the county of **Davidson**---that **Mr. David Wilson** is elected for the county of **Sumner**---and **Mr. James Ford**, for the county of **Tennessee**.

**DIED**---Lately, in Jefferson county, **JOHN LATHIM**, esquire.

-----In Sullivan county, **Mr. JOHN COLQUHOUN**, of Richmond.

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BY **WILLIAM BLOUNT**, Governor in and over the Territory of the United States of America south of the River Ohio. **A PROCLAMATION**

Whereas by "an ordinance for the Government of the Territory of the United States, North west of the river Ohio," passed July 13, 1787, AUTHORITY is given to the Governor to appoint the TIME and PLACE as soon as Representatives shall be elected to meet together;" and whereas by an act of the legislature of North Carolina, entitled "An act for the purpose of ceding to the United States of America, certain western lands therein described," it is made a condition, that Congress, upon the acceptance of the cession of the said lands, shall execute the government in and over the same, "in a manner similar to that which they support North West of the Ohio:" And whereas Congress did accept the lands, by the said act ceded, on the condition aforesaid, and denominated the same, "the Territory of the United States of America South of the River Ohio.

Now, I the said **WILLIAM BLOUNT**, Governor in and over the said Territory of the United States of America, South of the River Ohio, by virtue of the authority in me vested, DO appoint the

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FOURTH Monday in FEBRUARY next, the TIME, and KNOXVILLE the PLACE, for the persons duly elected to represent the several counties in the said Territory, South of Ohio, to meet together.

Given under my hand and seal, Knoxville, January 1, 1794.

By order, **WILLIAM BLOUNT**  
**Daniel Smith, Sec'y**

THE subscriber has opened a house of entertainment, at No. 17, State Street.---Boarding may be had by the quarter, half year, or year, on the usual terms. The business will be conducted by Mr. **James Montgomery.**

Knoxville, January 12, 1794 **JOHN CHISOLM**

N.B. Every exertion will be made to give satisfaction to those who may favour him with their company.

On the night of the 15th inst. the subscriber's stables were opened, and the following horses stolen from the same, viz.---

A likely well made bay mare, 8 or 9 years old, about 14 hands high, a natural trotter, branded thus H, on the near shoulder. Also, a bay horse, two years old past, likely and well made, his hind feet white, about 14 hands high, a natural trotter, branded thus I T on the near shoulder. Likewise, a brown horse, about 13 1/2 hands high.

One of the horses they took 2 or 3 miles, and stabb'd, the others they conveyed clear off.

I will make ample satisfaction to any person who will give me such information, as will enable me to regain my horses.

**Little Pigeon** **HENRY HAGGARD**  
**(Jefferson county)**  
December 31, 1793

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Knoxville, January 30.

On Thursday last a party of Indians, supposed to consist of twenty, fired upon ----- Jones, on Clinch, and pursued him upwards of a mile.--Seven balls passed through his clothes, none of which touched his skin.

We have the pleasure to inform our readers, that his excellency **Richard D. Spaight**, is re-elected Governor of the State of North-Carolina, for the ensuing year, by a very large majority. [The first native of North Carolina who has arrived at this honor.]

**MARRIED**--On Monday last, the Rev. **SAMUEL CARRICK**, to Mrs. **ANNIS McCLELLEN**.

Just Published, [And for sale, by Mr. Deaderick, Mr. Stuart, and Mr. Cowan, in Jonesborough, Mr. Wyly, in Greeneville, and Mr. Cowan, in Knoxville]

*A Sermon on Psalmody,*

Preached at Salem Church, at the opening of the Presbytery of Abingdon, October 12, 1786;

By **Hezekiah Balch, A.M.**

Pastor of Mount Bethel Church, Greeneville

I DO hereby again notify the undernamed persons to attend at the court-house, in Knoxville, at our county court, on the first Monday in February next, or the next succeeding court, with my obligations, in order to list their grants, as I intend to leave this Territory, or I shall acknowledge their grants in court and sue for my bonds.

<b>Solomon Geeren,</b>	<b>Heirs of Thomas Gillen,</b>
<b>Joseph Cunningham,</b>	<b>Joseph Hines,</b>
<b>Frederick Miller,</b>	<b>Tobias Tillmon,</b>

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Betie Graves, William Walker,  
James Spencer, George Walker,  
Robert Koile, Botetourt Peter Lowrey,  
county, Virginia

JOSEPH BEAIRD

Knoxville, Jan. 25, 1794

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LOST, in Knoxville, about the fifth of November last, a brown Mare, 11 years old, 13 hands 3 inches high, a long star in her forehead, her tail cut square, shod all round, and had a bell on, if any brands, they are not recollected, had a fore back when she went away.---The above described mare was the property of **Richard Sevier**, deceased. Any person who will deliver said mare to **Andrew Miller**, in Knoxville, or at any place where I may get her, shall receive Three Dollars reward.

January 15, 1794

JOHN SEVIER, Jun.

Knoxville Gazette (vol. 3, no. 5) 13 February 1794 (no. 57)

(p. 3 col. 1)

Knoxville, February 13.

Often as we have had occasion to mention the murder of **Alexander Cavet** and family, on the 25th of September last, we have not, until lately, been informed of the manner of their being taken out of the block-house. When the Indians, numerous as they were attacked the house, there were only three gunmen in it, who defended it till they had killed on Creek and one Cherokee, and wounded three others. The Indians then offered terms if they would surrender, viz. that their lives should be saved, and that they should be immediately exchanged for the Indian prisoners among the whites, which were accepted--but, as soon as they left the house, **DOUBLEHEAD** and his party fell on them and put them to death in the shocking manner mentioned in the first account of that inhuman and savage murder, except one son, saved by **John Watts**, as stated in a former paper. The terms were offered on the part of Indians, by **BOB BENGE**, a half breed, who spoke English, and exerted himself but in vain, to save the unhappy victims from the murdering hands of Doublehead and his party. It appears, from the best information yet obtained of the number of the Indians, that there were seven hundred Cherokees and two hundred Creeks.

On Friday last **Peter Bowerman**, (a soldier in **Capt. Singleton's** company of militia, stationed on the frontiers) was fired on by three indians, four miles above **Wells's Station**--one ball struck his hunting shirt.

In the course of last week seven horses were stolen, by Indians, from **Elijah Chisum** and others, near **Pevhouse's station**.

**DIED**--At her house, near **Blountville**, in this Territory, Mrs. **ELizabeth Rhea**, relict of the late Rev. Mr. **Joseph Rhea**, of **Maryland**.

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LOST, yesterday, in Knoxville, a DUE BILL, for twenty dollars and sixteen cents, signed **James King**, dated November 1793, and granted to the subscriber. Any person who will deliver said bill to me shall receive Three Dollars reward--and if it should be offered for sale, I request it may be stopped and notice given to me of the same, for which I will make ample offer it for that purpose, without my order.

Knox county, Feb. 5, 1793

JOSEPH EVANS

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The subscribers have just received a general assortment of **GOODS**, suitable to the season, and are in daily expectation of a larger from the **Philadelphia** market; all of which they will sell at their former seats in **Jonesborough** and **Knoxville**, on moderate terms for corn, rye, oats,

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beef-wax, flax, old Congress money, and Martin's certificates. We have a few Bolting Cloths, very suitable for this country, which we will sell on low terms. Cash will be given for good furs. Those who may favour us with their custom may expect a continual supply of salt and iron. We return our unfeigned thanks to those friends and customers who have heretofore favoured us with their custom, and from our unwearied exertions to accommodate and please, flatter ourselves we shall merit a continuance of their favours. All who are in arrearages to the above stores, will please to come forward and settle their accounts.

Knoxville, Feb. 11, 1794

**N. & S. COWAN**

Lost, between **Knoxville** and **Jonathan Douglass's**, in **Knox county**, a **SADDLE** and **BRIDLE**. The saddle is a single skirt, nearly new, faced with red cloth, with one stirrup only to it. The bridle is a curb, with a single rein. Any person who will deliver said bridle and saddle to the printers of the **Knoxville Gazette**, or to the subscriber, shall receive **Two Dollars** reward.

February 4, 1794

**JONATHAN DOUGLASS**

I INTEND to remove from **Jefferson** to **Sullivan county**, in the course of three weeks from the date hereof:--Those, therefore, to whom I am indebted, are requested to call and receive their dues--and all who are indebted to me are desired to make immediate payment.

February 12, 1794

**JOHN BROWN**

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Two Dollars Reward. Lost in the town of **Knoxville**, on the 9th of August last, a **NOTE of HAND** payable to the subscriber, from **John Gamble**, of **Knox county**, for the sum of **Twenty Pounds**, **Virginia currency**; I do hereby forbid all persons from trading for the said note. Any person who will deliver the said note shall receive the above reward.

Knoxville, February 10, 1794

**THOMAS KING**

### **Knoxville Gazette** (vol. 3, no. 6) 27 February 1794 (no. 58)

(p. 3, col. 1-2)

Knoxville, February 27.

On Monday last the representatives duly elected to represent the several counties in this Territory, commenced their session in this town, in pursuance of a proclamation of his Excellency **William Blount**, calling them together for that purpose.

The business of the session was opened by a pertinent and well adapted prayer by the Rev. **Mr. CARRICK**.

The house then proceeded to the election of a speaker, when **DAVID WILSON**, Esq., was unanimously chosen and conducted to the chair.

**HOPKINS LACY**, Esq., was chosen clerk.

The next day the members preceded by his Excellency the Governor and their speaker, went in procession to the place of worship, when the Rev. Mr. Carrick delivered a discourse from the first and second verses of the third chapter of Paul's Epistle to Titus--"Put them in mind to be subject to principalities and powers, to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work--to speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but be gentle, showing all meekness unto all men."

On Wednesday the 4th instant, **James Russell**, **Robert Shannon**, and **William Cox**, on their way from **Nashville** to this place, were ambuscaded on the **Cumberland mountain**, 18 miles from **South-West-Point**, by a party of Indians consisting of about twenty five, who fired on them, and wounded **Russell** through the body and arm. **Russell** and **Shannon** were coming from **General Robertson** to **Governor Blount** with public dispatches. That these men were not killed may be accounted among miracles. The facts respecting this transaction are as follows--As these men passed **Obed's river**, the preceding day, they discovered a fire, which induced them to push forward about fourteen miles, when they turned off the road, and laid all night without fire, judging they would be followed by Indians. The next morning they kept the woods four miles before they struck the road, and finding no sign of Indians, they pursued their rout in

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confidence that they had not been discovered; but they had not proceeded above half a mile, when they found themselves in a well chosen spot for an ambuscade, surrounded by Indians, the most distant of whom was within thirty feet--they all fired, and many of them threw their tomahawks, without doing any injury, except to Russell; the ball which struck him was turned in its direction by a large metal button, or it would have passed through the most vital part of his body--Mr. Russell is now at the block-house, South-West Point, under the care of a surgeon, and it is hoped the wound will not prove mortal.

On Thursday the 7th instant, a party of the **Hawkins militia**, from **German Creek**, consisting of **James Ore**, **Thomas** and **Edward Mitchell**, and others, to the number of twenty one, went in pursuit of the Indians who stole **Elijah Chisum's** horses, and after following them eighty miles, came up with them on the south bank of **Cumberland river**, near the mouth of **Richland Creek**, two of whom they killed and scalped, and re-took the horses. At their camp several articles of cloathing, belonging to white people, were found; a hunting shirt, in particular, had two bullet holes in it--proofs that these Indians had killed several white people. Too much praise cannot be given such men who make thieves and murderers the objects of their vengeance. The enlightened world applaud acts of bravery and justice, while those who pursue an opposite line of conduct will be viewed with contempt.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in **Sumner county** (Mero district) dated February 8.

"A party of about six Indians, yesterday in the afternoon, fired on **James Gamble**, as he was cutting wood, within one hundred yards of **Capt. John Morgan's** station; they pursued him within fifty yards of his door, when they were fired on by one man. (there being only two in the station) upon which they returned. One ball passed through Mr. Gamble's breast--he is still languishing, but it does not appear that he can recover.

On the evening of the 7th instant, ----- **Helen** was killed, by Indians, at the plantation of **General Robertson**, in **Mero district**.

On the first in January last, a party of Indians fired upon **John Drake**, **Morton Malden**, **Ambrose Malden**, and several others, upon **Big Barren river**, wounded Drake, and took fifteen horses, all their baggage, and arms.

About the last of December **John Dier** and **Benjamin Linsey** were killed below the mouth of **Red River**.

On the 3d of January **Deliverance Gray** was wounded within four miles of Nashville.

**Mr. James Randolph Robertson**, son of **General Robertson**, and **Mr. John Grimes** have been missing since the first of December last, and it is feared they are either killed or made prisoners.

On the night of the 19th inst. **William Robertson** was shot as he was sitting in his house, on **Holston**, about 30 miles from this place. Robertson had some months past given information against a set of counterfeiters and thieves in North Carolina; and it is believed that some one of this gang has added the murder of Robertson to their other atrocious offences.

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**JAMES ORE** begs leave to inform the public and his customers, that he has just received from the markets of Philadelphia and Baltimore, and is now opening at his **NEW STORE**, No. 23, corner of state street, **KNOXVILLE**, and at his **STORE HOUSE** on **GERMAN CREEK** a very general assortment of **GOODS**--Which he will dispose of for public securities--all kinds of merchantable skins and furs--bees-wax--tallow--hogs lard in white walnut kegs--butter--pork--seven hundred linen--new feathers--a few good horses--and cash  
February 15, 1794

**LIST of LETTERS** remaining in the Post Office, **Abingdon**, January 18, 1794.

**Robert Simpson**, Lead Mines--**Robert Preston**, Washington, Virginia--**Charles Deyerle**, Russell county--**Thomas Crow, Jr.**, Head of **Holston**--**Thomas N. Clarke**, **Holston Iron Works**--**Jacob Sheopman**, Clinch--**William Coda**, Sullivan court-house--**Joseph Akers**, Washington county--**Edward Baker**, Powell's Valley--**John Arthur**, Powell's Valley--**John Howel Jones**, near the Salt works.  
**PETER BURKHART**



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(p. 2, col. 1-2)

Knoxville, March 13.

On Sunday morning last, **Samuel Martin** was killed by Indians near **Henry's Station**, on the path to his father's house: And about sun-set, on the same day, **James Ferguson**, his sister, and **David Craig's son**, were fired upon by Indians from an ambuscade, between **David and John Craig's stations**, and killed **Ferguson**: the other two happily made their escape to **John Craig's station**.

The information from **Seneca**, in **South Carolina**, as late as the 20th of February, is that the Chiefs of the valley towns of the **Cherokees** have given assurances of their peaceful disposition towards the **United States**--that the lower **Cherokees** continue their determination for war--that the upper **Creeks**, notwithstanding their assurances to **Mr. Seagrove** to the contrary, are determined for war against the frontiers of this Territory--and that **Doublehead**, of the lower **Cherokees**, with his usual activity, was lately recruiting a party to waylay the **Cumberland and Kentucky roads**, and harrass the frontiers of **Mero district**.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman near **Nashville** to a member of assembly in this town, dated February 27.

"I doubt not you are anxious to know in what state **Mero district** has been since your departure. As the murder of **Helen** was perpetrated by the Indians before you left this, you expressed your apprehensions, that, notwithstanding the assurances of peace re-echoed to us from **Mr. Seagrove**, the death of **Helen** was the prelude to the accustomed horrid scene of blood. Your conjecture, alas! has been but too well founded. Every quarter of this district has been infested with their depredations, and almost every path and plantation marked with destruction. I have not known a more general invasion from the savages for ten years past. Thus it appears that the voice of **Mr. Seagrove** pronouncing peace is ominous of our destruction. So it was when we first heard of his peaceful negotiations with the **Creeks**. At the very time he was lulling us into security, it cannot be forgotten that near one thousand of these barbarians invaded us in a manner they hoped sufficient to effect the utter extirpation of this country. You must recollect the flattering assurances given to us just before the attack on **Buchanan's station**. Exactly similar has been our case at present. Hardly had **Mr. Seagrove's** peaceful talks reached us, when they were followed by Indian alarms on every quarter. There are but few horses belonging to this country that they have not stolen; and although, fortunately, many hostile attempts on our lives have been frustrated, they have effected the butchery of thirteen of our fellow citizens. In their usual line of inhumanity they left the divided limbs of some of the sufferers scattered over the ground. However, these invaders did not succeed in every instance: **Jonathan Robertson**, with three lads of the name of **Cowan**, were fired on by five Indians; one of the lads was slightly wounded, and a ball passed through **Robertson's** hat; but the whites returned the fire, and drove off the savages, two of which appeared to be badly wounded, if not killed.

I have now the pleasure to inform you, that the murder of **Helen** has been fully avenged, **Capt. Murray** followed, with a party from the spot where the act was committed; he pursued the Indians on their track 120 miles, with a manly and meritorious, perseverance, until he came up with them on the bank of the **Tennessee**, and destroyed the whole party to the number of eleven. It adds a lustre to this officer's vigilance in his duty, that two women of the company of those atrocious invaders captured by him, and treated with humanity.

It is worthy attention, that this party were of the nation of the **Creeks**, which **Mr. Seagrove** so positively asserts to be at peace. In what a light of credulity must this man appear to us, who have seen and felt how strangely and how repeatedly he has been deceived, and has deceived Congress! a body whom I am sorry to say seem predisposed to receive the delusion. In those two captive **Creek** women the deceitful and artful spirit of the nation appeared, by their endeavoring to conceal the nation they were of. They called themselves **Cherokees**, but were ignorant of the

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language; and in a few days they appeared in their true lights, avowed Creeks belonging to the town of **Eusawties**.

Subjoined are some of the names of the persons killed. **Benjamin Lindsay, Daniel Road, Ezekiel Caruthers, Jacob Evans, Frederick Stull, Jacob Morris, James Davis**; the names of the others I do not recollect.

Extract of a letter from a gentleman in **Wilkes county, Georgia**, to his friend in this town dated February 20, 1794.

I am sorry to inform you, that your good friend, **Major Forsyth**, was shot through the head a few days since, in the execution of his duty as federal marshal. This horrid act was committed by **Beverly Allen**, a methodist preacher, who has long been in the habit of committing every species of villany. He is confined in irons, and no doubt will be hung in March.

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To his Excellency **William Blount** Governor of the Territory of the United States South of Ohio

We, the representatives of this Territory, beg leave to entreat you on behalf of our fellow citizens of this frontier, exposed to the utmost distress, from the well known hostile intentions of the savages, that something farther be done for their protection.

If the only effective means of safety, offensive operations, come not within your present authority, we humbly conceive that any means of defensive protection, short of establishing a chain of block-houses round the frontiers, at convenient distances, must fall far short of the wished-for purpose: we therefore suggest the propriety of obstructing the principal inroads of the Indians into our country by erecting posts at the following places

In the county of **Washington**--One in the **Greasy Cove**, at or near the house of the widow **Dillard's**.

In the county of **Greene**--at the **Warm Springs** on **French Broad** river, and on at the mouth of **Big Creek**, on said river.

In the county of **Jefferson**--One at the head of **Cozby's creek**, a branch of **Big Pigeon** river; one in **Jones's Cove**, on the little Far Fork of **Little Pigeon** river; one in **Richardson's Cove**, on the Middle Fork of **Little Pigeon** river; one in **Wear's Cove**, already erected.

In the county of **Knox**--One at a place known by the name of **Tuckaleechea**, on **Little River**; one on the head of **Crooked Creek**, known by the name of **Black's block-house**; one at the plantation of **Mr. Slone** on the waters of **Nine Mile Creek**; one on the north side of **Tennessee**, known by the name of the **Tellico block-house**; and one on said river below, at or near the **Coyatee ford**, on the north side of **Little Tennessee**; one on the north side of **Holston** river, at the mouth of **Town Creek**, already ordered; and the garrison of **South West-Point** to be kept up; one at the **Popaw ford** on **Clinch** river; one at the **Eagle ford**; one on **Bull Run** at the great salt lick, already erected; one on **Hinds's Creek**, central between **Byram's** and **Reed's**; one at **William's cabbins** on the north side of **Clinch** mountain.

In the county of **Hawkins**--One on the north side of **Clinch** river, on the north side of the **Kentucky** road, at the big spring between **Clinch** and **Cumberland** mountain, on said road; one in **Stanley Valley**, near **Capt. Forgey's**.

In the county of **Sumner**--One at **Bledsoe's Lick**; one at **Morgan's station**; and one at **Gibson's** on **Cumberland** river.

In the county of **Davidson**--One at **Hays's station**, on **Stone's** river, and the others as **General Robertson** shall judge most proper.

In the county of **Tennessee**--One on the **Spring Creek** of **Sycamore**, and the others as **Col. Ford** shall judge proper.

Your Excellency is no stranger to the situation in which the frontier citizens of the United States lay exposed; and until they are better secured, it will be impossible for them to raise their crops, which will force them to evacuate their plantations, and will have the effect of leaving

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others in the same destitute circumstances. These reasons, we flatter ourselves, will induce you to extend your authority for the above purpose, relying on the humanity and goodness of Congress.

We further take the liberty to mention, from the general sentiment of our constituents, that the militia drafted for these stations, conceive they would find a greater convenience and ease in being kept from home for not more than two months at one tour. We therefore recommend that such tours, be for two months.

The members of this house from the district of Mero, having to return home through a dangerous and mountainous wilderness, by the path where the express who now lays languishing fatally received his wounds, we apprehend there is the utmost danger of their being cut off unless protected by a guard: we therefore entreat your excellency that a guard for that purpose may be ordered out.

Signed

DAVID WILSON, S.H.R.

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A NUMBER OF GRANTS, belonging to the following persons in Sullivan county, are lodged in the subscriber's store. The owners are desired to pay the fees thereon and take them away.

John Young	James Denton
Samuel Harris & Thomas	Alexander Hambleton
Ketcher	George Nadever
William Worsent	Samuel Smith
John Miller	Henry Harklerode, 2
Samuel Currey	George Seevers
Larkin Pearpoint	Charles Parker
Thomas Morrison	Daniel Lambert
John Lyon	Thomas Miller
John Cotrell	Stuart Anderson
James Hogard	Joshua Hambleton
Edmund Warren	Henry Hughs
James Morrison	John Miller
William Simpson	Henry Shrite
James Anderson, 3	George Vincent, 2
James Patterson	Samuel M'Corcle
William Jolley	Daniel Allen
Joseph Crockett	William Wallace
Moses Calcutt	Peter Moore
Benjamin Brown	James Denton
George Smith	John Shoemaker
Thomas Rook	Robert Jackson
Peter Jackson	

JOHN SHELBY, Junr.

Sullivan, Feb. 27, 1794

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Knoxville, March 27.

### INDIAN DEPREDACTIONS

On the 12th instant the post-rider from Kentucky to Hawkins court-house, and twelve travellers who were in company with him, were fired upon by Indians from an ambuscade, by the road side, near Middleton's station, and four men killed, three of whom were preachers: two of the Baptist society, viz. Messrs. Haggard and Shelton--the names of the others have not been reported to us.

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These Indians are supposed to be Creeks and Cherokees, headed by **Doublehead**, alias **Tucalatague**, who, with his own hands, since the Treaty of Holston, to which he was a signer, has shed as much human blood as any man (not a Jacobite) of the age.

Early in the morning of Sunday, the 16th inst., a party of Indians, who lay in ambuscade, near the path leading to the house of **William Russel**, on **Beaver Dam** creek, fired upon **John** and **Robert Wood**, shot both their horses, and wounded the former through the body and leg, who now lays languishing, and of whose recovery it is very doubtful.

**Col. Kelly**, with a few of the **Knox militia**, who went in pursuit of the murderers of **Martin** and **Ferguson**, recovered, at **Tillassee**, nine horses which had been stolen from the adjacent frontier.

On the 19th instant, a party of Indians were discovered near the **Bull Run** block-house, but made no attempts on it. The same evening several Indians ascended the logs of **David MacBride's** dwelling, adjacent to the block-house, but on finding themselves discovered, leaped down and ran off.

We learn from **Beaver-Dam-Creek** settlements, that since **John Wood** was wounded, on the 16th inst., sixteen head of horses have been stolen, from that settlement, and seven head of cattle killed and left to waste.

On Saturday the 22d instant, two horses were stolen from **Mr. Wilson**, on **Pigeon**.

Accounts from Mero district, as late as the 9th instant, state, that four men have been killed, and many horses stolen since the 27th of February.

Married on Thursday last, **Robert Houston**, Esq., of Knox county, to Miss **PEGGY DAVIS**.  
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**BARK**. WANTED to purchase, a quantity of **BARK**, to be delivered on the North East side of the creek, opposite to the town spring of **Knoxville**, for which twelve shillings per cord for chesnut oak bark, in cash or store goods, will be given, and ten shillings for all other kinds of oak bark; as I am determined to carry on the tanning business in this place, the ensuing Fall.

Knoxville, March 26, 1794

**NATHANIEL COWAN**

**James & Samuel Miller**, Have just received from **Philadelphia**, a general assortment of **GOODS**, Which they are determined to sell on the lowest terms for Cash or any kind of Merchantable Produce. **Knoxville**, 27th March 1794.

THE subscriber has, in his possession, at **Capt. Stone's**, in **Knoxville**, **GRANTS** for land in **Cumberland**, Mero District, belonging to the under-named persons, viz.

### DAVIDSON COUNTY

**Daniel Turner**, **James Blair**, **Richard Gains**, **John Brown**, **John Davis**, **John M'Farland**, **Isaac Henry**, **William Hood**, **John Buckhanon**,<sup>2</sup>, **Joseph Evin**, **Wm. & Moses Maxwell**, **Samuel Murray**, **Moses Hizard**, **Joseph Reafroe**, **James Supers**, **Benjamin Herndon**, **John King**, **Ebenezer Brooks**, **Henry Hannaws**, **James Blair**, **James Blair**, **John Kessiger**, **John Elliot**, **Edward Bradley**, **John & Harriot Rice**, **John Forde**, **George Bradwell**, **John Brown**, **John Smith**, **Hugh Logan**, **Nathaniel Hays**, **William Elliot**, **Daniel Sellers**, **Samuel Murray**, **John Hord**, **Henry Hughes**, **James Crocket**, **Robert Hays**, **John Gowen**, **George Carthey**, **William Campbell**, **Nicholas Imbrey**, **Edwin Hickman**, **Joshua Howard**, **Alexander Nelson**, **Thomas Elliot**, **Thomas Meggenson**, **Edward Latimore**, **Isaac Roberts**, **James Harris**, **John M'Murry**,<sup>2</sup>, **John Elliot**, and **James Hays**.

### SUMNER COUNTY

**James Kennady**, **Mathew Anderson**, **Archibald Raylor**, **Thomas Hamilton**, **Philip Philips**, **Michael Campbell**, **John Brown**, **Thomas Hasler**, **John Boggs**, **John Crutchfield**, **James Brown**, **Ezekiel Boggs**, **Thomas Burges**, **John Smith**, **John M. Hickman**, **Edward Gain**, **Archibald Taylor**, **Charles Arrington**, **Demspey Harrison**, **Anthony Hart**, **William Hogan**, **Edwin Hickman**, <sup>3</sup>, **Mary Henry**, **James Kendley**, **Rody**

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Hanner, 2, David Reard, George Hooks, Hugh Bradshaw, Noah Sugg, Robert Mitchell, Lawrence Byrum, Frackner Elliot, Evan Evans, John Ford, James Brown, James White, John Scott, Alexander Montgomery, John Black, James Hays, James Scott, David Hughes, Thomas Harris, and John Herd.

### TENNESSEE COUNTY

Nathaniel Holley, Thomas Johnston, 8, Thomas Hays, 2, Sarah Hays, John Hays, Edwin Hickman, James Berry, Chamberlen Hutson, John Deason, Hadon Wills, William Hill, Solomon Turpine, John Phillips, Jesse Burton, Anthony Black, James Renfree, Titus Murray, David Allison, Jesse Renfree, John and Harriet Rice, 3, John Milner, Adam Tate, John Henley, William Crawford, and James Griffen.

Knoxville, March 25, 1794

Wm. TERRELL

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Sheriff's Sale. By virtue of a writ of Venditioni Exponas to me directed, will be sold, for cash, on Wednesday the sixteenth day of April next, two hundred and sixty acres of land, the property of Andrew Paul, administrator to the estate of James Paul, deceased, lying Knox county, on the bank of Little River, near Martin's station, to satisfy a judgment and costs obtained by Jacob Tarwater against said Paul, in the county court of pleas and quarter sessions of Knox. Attendance will be given on the premises at twelve o'clock, at which time the sale will commence, unless the said judgment and costs should be previously satisfied.

Knoxville, Feb. 14, 1794

Robert Houston, Sheriff

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Knoxville, Thursday, April 10.

On Sunday the 30th ult. James Ore, with a party of the Hawkins militia, and a detachment of Capt. Lewis's company, of Virginia troops, commanded by Ensign Colvin, (17 in all) returned to this town from a pursuit of upwards of one hundred miles, after the Indians who way laid, killed and robbed the travellers on the Kentucky road, the 11th ult. Mr. Ore reports, that the party of Indians, as appeared by their marks and figures, engraved on trees, were twenty six in number; that they had taken four scalps, and one from the beard of a Dunkard preacher.--It appeared from the tracks, that they had sixteen stolen horses.--The difference of numbers, as above stated would not have induced Mr. Ore to give over the pursuit; but it was discovered that the Indians were increasing in number, from camps in the mountains, and not making for their towns, but probably to form a large camp, and strike another stroke upon the Cumberland or Kentucky road, or some part of the frontiers before they returned home.

On Tuesday the 1st instant, a party of Indians supposed to consist of from 30 to 40, ambuscaded a path near Colvin's block-house on Crooked creek (a branch of Little river, distant from this place fourteen miles) and fired upon Samuel Wear, his two sons, and William M'Murray, as they were going from the block-house to work, at their farms; one ball passed through the clothes of M'Murray. Upon their retreat to the station, another party of Indians, who had also waylaid the path, fired upon them but did no injury.

The same day, a party of Indians consisting of from 40 to 50, ambuscaded the road from the Crab Orchard, leading from Knoxville to Nashville, and fired upon a company of travellers, consisting of five persons, killed Thomas Sharp Spencer, wounded James Walker, killed two horses and wounded a third.--Spencer had with him about one thousand dollars in gold, and many valuable articles, which fell into their hands.--These travellers left the block-house, at South West-Point, in the early morning, and the survivors returned there the same night.

On the night of the second instant, a party of Indians, consisting of twenty-five, secreted themselves near the block-house at the mouth of Town Creek, commanded by Sgt. Herrod of the 12th company 3d sub legion of the United States, and early the next morning fired upon and



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old shoes on, and was lame in his off hind foot-lock joint. Whoever will deliver him to me, or give information to the owner, so that he may be had again, shall receive Two Dollars reward.  
April 2, 1794 **William Small**

**STOLEN** from the subscriber's waggon, on **Second Creek**, near **Knoxville**, on the evening of the 28th of March, a **BRIGHT BAY HORSE**, 14 hands one inch and an half high, has a star and snip in his face, trots and canters, and is much shaved with the gears. I will give Six Dollars reward to any person who will deliver me said horse, or Twenty if the thief is apprehended and brought to justice.

Knoxville, April 2, 1794

**Abner Witt**

N.B. Said horse was formerly the property of **William Boyd** near the head of **Holston**.

A **NUMBER** of **PATENTS** for Land in the Counties of **Jefferson** and **Knox**, formerly part of **Greene**, belonging to the undernamed persons have been registered in the Register's office of **Greene** county; and are now in my possession. The owners of them are desired to pay the fees thereon, and taken them away.

**David Campbell**  
**Henry Nave**  
**James Wood Lackey, 2**  
**Archibald Lackey**  
**Jonathan Langdon**  
**John Patterson**  
**Anthony Patton**  
**Thomas Galliher**  
**John Wright**  
**Andrew Lewis**  
**John Hannah**  
**John Walker**  
**Abraham Swagerty**  
**Robert Carson**  
**Alex. Kelly & Archi-**  
**bald Larkey, 2**  
**Alex. Kelly, John Cowan,**  
**Archibald Lackey, &**  
**James W. Lackey**  
**Wm. Whitfield, 2**

**Needham Witfield, 3**  
**Alexander Kelly**  
**William Clark**  
**Robert M'Tear**  
**Geo. Brown**  
**William Hughes**  
**David Lindsey**  
**William Tate**  
**William Hutton**  
**Samuel Montgomery**  
**Samuel Thompson**  
**James Galliher**  
**Abner Chapman**  
**Joseph Long**  
**Josiah Leath**  
**William Willcock**  
**Mathew Williba**  
**Samuel Wear, 2**  
**Isaac Taylor, 7**  
**Hugh Beard.**

Knoxville, April 4, 1794

**JOHN STONE**

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I John Herron do publicly acknowledge and say, that I do believe that **Patrick Slatery** was wronged in what is set forth in an advertisement signed with my name, and that the matters in the said advertisement against him set forth are untrue. Given under my hand this 15th day of October, 1792 Teste **James Mitchell**

**JOHN HERRON**

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Knoxville, Tuesday, April 24.

### Journal of Indian Depredations

February 16. **Lewis Shelton** and **William Smith**, spies on the frontiers of the state of **South Carolina**, were killed and scalped, by Creeks, at their encampment, on **Deep creek**, a southern branch of **Tugelo**, and their horses and baggage taken.

March 15. Nineteen horses were stolen from the farm of **General Pickens**, at the foot of the **Occunnee**, frontier of **South Carolina**.

March 18. The house of **Thomas Harris**, in **Tennessee county** was set on fire; the flames were extinguished without doing much damage.

March 20. **James Bryan** was fired upon, from an ambuscade, near a path, within four miles of **Nashville**; and on the same day **Charles Bratton** was killed and scalped near the house of **Major White**, in **Sumner county**.

April 6. **Mrs. Livingston**, the mother of **Peter** and **Henry Livingston**, and two children were killed and scalped, near **Moccasson Gap** in **Virginia**, and the wives of **Peter** and **Henry Livingston**, and three negroes made prisoners.--A party of the neighbouring militia, commanded by **Vincent Hobbs**, gave immediate pursuit, killed two of the Indians, regained the two women, and two of the negroes. One of the Indians killed is believed to be the Cherokee chief **Bench**, long, from his repeated murders, the terror of the frontiers.

April 13. Sixteen horses were stolen from the settlement on **Beaver-Dam Creek**, and many more from the frontier of **Jefferson county**.

April 14. A party of Indians pursued **Moses Stogall**, on north side of the copper ridge, so closely that he was forced to abandon his horse to effect his escape.

The same day three horses were stolen from --- **Buchanan**, two from --- **Holmark**, two from --- **Forgey**, and two from **Henry Lower**.

April 15. Ten horses were stolen from --- **Gibbs** and others. [Thus we find, that the Indians have stolen, within the course of a few days, upwards of fifty horses from the frontier inhabitants, the most distant of any two are not ten miles--some of whom are left destitute of a horse to draw the plough.]

April 21. **Anthony Bledsoe**, son of **Colonel Anthony Bledsoe**, and **Anthony Bledsoe**, son of **Colonel Isaac Bledsoe**, were killed and scalped at a stone quarry, near the house of **Secretary Smith**, in **Sumner county**; at the same time, two horses and a negro fellow were taken from **Mr. Smith's** waggon. **Col. Anthony** and **Isaac Bledsoe** were both precipitated out of life by Indians.

April 22. **William Casteel**, his wife, and five children, were killed, on the south side of **French Broad**, eight miles from this town. Several guns were heard, about day break, near the same place.

Letters from **Mr. Seagrove** (who has resided in the Creek nation since November) as late as the 20th of March inform, that the Creeks and Cherokees gave assurances of their determination to desist from war, and be at peace with the United States.

The Chickasaws have lately killed **Will Webber**, a rascally half-breed Cherokee, and two other Cherokee warriors, of the lower towns; and made two families of women and children prisoners. The cause of this commencement of hostilities between Chickasaws and Cherokees, we have not yet understood.

**MARRIED**--In **Hawkins county**, on the 10th instant, **Mr. THOMAS MITCHELL** to Miss **FRANCES DYER**.

**DIED**--On the 12th ult., in **Jefferson county**, **Mrs. MARY COX**, the wife of **WILLIAM COX**, Esquire.



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ALL persons indebted to the estate of **James Kennedy**, late of **Jefferson county**, deceased, are requested to call on the subscriber and make payment, otherwise they will be dealt with according to law; and all those to whom the said estate is indebted are desired to come and receive their dues.

Jefferson county, April 10, 1794

**Robert Chapman**, Adm'r

WHEREAS I gave my note to **Joseph M'Connel**, from one hundred bushels of corn, and upwards of one hundred pounds of lead, to be paid December 1793, for the purchase of a mare of said M'Connel, which he warranted to be found, but proved otherwise, and died soon after. I therefore forewarn all persons from trading for said note, as I am determined not to pay it.

Jefferson county, April 19, 1794

**GARRET FITZGERALD**

WHEREAS several years past I purchased a tract of land from **William Davidson**, which land lies on the south side of **Holston river**, above **Harrison's Ford**, and below where **James King** now lives, for which I fully paid him. And the said **William Davidson** having brought a suit by ejectment against me for said tract of land, in trial of which I have recovered. This it to forewarn all and every person from purchasing said land from said **William Davidson**, or any person for him, as I intend, if law and equity will enable me, to hold said land.

Given under my hand this 19th day of April 1794.

**Lanty Armstrong**

Lost, or stolen, on the night of the 19th of March, 1794, at **Jonesboro'** Washington county, a Saddle, Snaffle Bridle, Saddle bags, an Oil-cloth cloak, and an old Bag. The saddle is not full welted, (having no seem in the seat.) It has been wore through at the fore part, and a new piece put in; the upper part of the pad is leather, and the lower part tow linen, faced with black cloth, and stuffed with cow hair; the staple part of some of the bottles are iron, and the other part pewter. The cloak is large, made of about seven hundred linen, and is near the colour of the oil, a little brightened with gold discharge; the colour of it is of fustian. The Saddle Bags are of the old fashion (not the wallet kind) have one new buckle strap; they are middling large, the outside part of one end is considerably softer than the other. Any person who will give me such information of the person that took them, and of the said plunder or such part thereof as shall enable me to prosecute the thief with effect, shall be entitled to the above reward, or Three Dollars for the property alone, or in proportion for any part from me living on **Little Limestone**, below **Jonesborough**.

April 10, 1794

**THOMAS EMBREE**

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Knoxville, Tuesday, May 8.

On Friday the 25th ultimo, **Capt. Beard** returned to this place from the pursuit of the Indians who stole the horses from **Beaver Dam Creek**. He followed the trail upwards of one hundred miles, overtook them, killed three Indians, wounded four others, and retook thirteen horses--he also took three guns, ten shot-bags, and fourteen blankets. One of the fellows killed was richly dressed, and wore a medal engraved with the arms of the United States--from the date it was presented in 1789.

We are informed from good authority (via the Cherokee nation) that between the 20th and the 28th ult. a large body of Creeks passed the lower Cherokee towns, for war against the Cumberland settlements.

On the 30th ult. **Lieut. Col. Kelly**, with a party of the **Knox militia**, went in pursuit of the Indians who killed **Casteel's family**, as mentioned in our last, and on the day following, about day break, an advanced party of his command, forded the **Tennessee**, near **Tellassee**, where

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they found the Indians encamped, fired on them, killed one fellow and wounded another; one squaw was killed, contrary to the wishes or intentions of the party; the Indians betook themselves to the almost inaccessible spurs of the mountain, but by the exertions of the men, who ascended it, in the face of very heavy fire, they were routed, five warriors killed, and several squaws and children taken prisoners, who were set at liberty. Col. Kelly brought off three horses, lately taken from the frontiers. He left undisturbed, their corn, horses, and other property, which he found in Tellasee.

**MARRIED**--Lately, in Hawkins county, Mr. **EDWARD MITCHELL** to Miss **BETSEY SMITH**.--At Jonesborough, Mr. **SAMUEL COWAN**, merchant, of this town, to Miss **JANE MONTGOMERY**, of Salisbury, North Carolina.--Mr. **DAVID CALDWELL**, to Miss **ELIZABETH KELLY**, daughter of Col. Alexander Kelly of Knox county.

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Mr. Roulstone,

As an extract of a letter from Georgia has been published in your paper, stating that **Major Forsyth** was murdered by a Methodist preacher--I beg leave, by the same medium, to undeceive them.

**Beverly Allen** was publicly excluded from the Methodist church years ago (as soon as it was evidenced that his conduct was unchristian.) Therefore he could, with no more truth or propriety, be called a Methodist preacher when he perpetrated the above enormity, than **Benedict Arnold** could have been called an American officer after his execrable treachery and flight--or that **Judas** could have been denominated a disciple of Christ, after he had betrayed him, and was gone to his own place. I am, Sir, &c.

Greene county April 4, 1794

**BARNABAS M'HENRY**

Mr. Roulstone,

Be pleased to give the following statement of facts a place in the Knoxville Gazette.

**Capt. Parmenas Taylor**, of Jefferson county, on his return from the campaign, under **General Sevier**, in October last, had his horse taken with what is called the foot evil, and left him with **Capt. Amos Bird**, of Knox county, to feed and take care of till Capt. Taylor should call for him. On the 17th instant Capt. Taylor called for his horse, and tendered payment for his keeping, when Mr. Bird had the conscience to demand the moderate sum of Eighty Dollars; but on remonstrance of Capt. Taylor and his friends, Mr. Bird abated the demand to Fifty Dollars. It is to be remembered that the horse, when in perfection, was valued at One Hundred Dollars.

This statement is submitted to a candid public, without any comments, who will judge of the righteousness of the charge.

The writer of the above statement does not think proper to put down his name; but you are at liberty, sir, to make it known to Mr. Bird, or to any other person whomay call on you for that purpose.

April 20, 1794

**Dr. THOMAS McCOMBS**, informs the public, that he intends to remove to, and settle in Knoxville, about the 15th of May next, where he purposes entering into the practice of physic.--He hopes his long studies and experience under the most eminent physicians, in the Atlantic states, and his attention to his profession, will ensure him the patronage of the public.--He will constantly have on hand a large and general assortment of genuine Medicine.--Persons in the country may have Medicine put up, with directions, on the shortest notice, and on the most moderate terms.

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NOTICE. ALL persons that are indebted to the subscriber, by book, account, or otherwise, are desired to make immediate payment, otherwise he will be obliged to put their accounts in the hands of a lawful officer to collect, as he is obliged to make payment to those that he is indebted.  
Knoxville April 30, 1794  
**Joseph West**

NOTICE. ALL persons indebted to the estate of **James Gillespie, dec.**, are desired to make immediate payment, or renew their bonds.  
May 4, 1794  
**William Gillespie,**  
**John Cochran,** guardians

Eight Dollars Reward. Deserted from my company of the **Washington regiment**, commanded by **Col. Gilbert Christian, George White Cotton**, September 2, 1793, from Jonesborough, about 5 feet 10 inches high, light complexion, and fair hair--**John M'Queen**, September 14, 1793, from Knoxville, six feet high, dark complexion and dark hair--**James Wright, Senr.**, November 12, 1793, from Knoxville, dark complexion, dark hair and eyes, who took with him public arms and accoutrements.

Any person who will secure or deliver the above deserters to me, shall receive the above reward and moderate expenses paid.

**GEORGE NORTH, Capt.**

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LOST, in **Knoxville**, in the month of October last, a due bill granted by **James King**, Contractor, to **John Chisolm**, of Knoxville, for Forty Dollars, being for the purchase of a horse for the Chickasaw Indians. Any person who has found the same, and will deliver it to **George Roulstone**, in Knoxville, or to the subscriber, shall have Five Dollars reward, And I do forbid **James King** to pay the said bill, without my order, and all persons from trading for the same.  
Knox county, April 17, 1794  
**John Ish**

I have been informed, that **James Glasgow**, Esquire, Secretary of the State of **North-Carolina**, says that he issued a deed to me for two hundred acres of land, lying on **French Broad river**, and sent it by one of my neighbours. I can get no information of it: therefore take this method of informing the public, that I will give a generous reward to any person that will deliver said deed to me, on **Long Creek, Jefferson county**.  
April 10, 1794  
**Michael Bacon**

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Knoxville, Friday, May 23.

In expectation of dispatches from the **Mero district**, the publication of the Gazette was postponed till this morning.

On Tuesday the 5th instant, **Peter Pearcifield**, was killed by Indians, near **Wear's Cove**, in **Jefferson county**.

**MARRIED**--On Wednesday, the 14th instant, Mr. **JOHN M'CLELLAN** to Miss **POLLY WALLACE**, daughter of **William Wallace**, esquire, of **Knox county**.

-----Last evening, Mr. **JOHN SOMERVILLE**, merchant, of this town, to Miss **ELIZABETH CHISOLM**, daughter of **John Chisolm**, esquire.

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STRAYED, or stolen from my plantation, on **Beaver Dam Creek**, about the middle of March last, **TWO MARES**, viz.--A sorrel Mare, three years old, 13 hands and an half high, a blaze in her face, branded on her fore and hindquarters thus, J: the brands are dull. A black mare, three years old; 13 hands and an half high; both her hind feet white and white face: branded on the near shoulder and jaw with J; a natural pacer. Any person who will deliver me said mares, or give me such information that I can regain them, shall have Three Dollars for each. And if stolen, and the thief convicted, I will give Ten Dollars for each.

Knox county, 16 May 1794

**JAMES ROBERSON**

The subscriber informs the public, that he hath a ferry established on **Holston river**, by order of Knox county court, on the main road leading to Knoxville, where the most punctual attendance will be given, and ferriages gratis to all those who may please to favour him with their custom.

Travellers may be supplied, on the lowest terms, with liquors, corn, oats, and fodder.

Knox county, 15th May 1794

**William M'Be**

STRAYED or stolen from **South West Point**, on the last of April, a **Bright Bay Horse**, nine years old, nearly sixteen hands high, no white on him, except on his back, occasioned by the saddle, branded on the near-shoulder with a small figure of three. Said horse was seen at the **Town Creek** block house, on the first of May, making for Knoxville, and from many circumstances supposed to be stolen. I will give Ten Dollars reward to any person who will deliver me said horse, or Fifty Dollars, if the thief is apprehended and convicted of the theft.

Knox county May 11, 1794

**JOHN LACKEY**

TAKEN up on Wednesday the 7th inst., between **Powell's** and **Clinch river**, about eight miles above the mouth of the former, a bright bay horse, 14 hands and an inch high, appears to be six or seven years old, has no brand that can be perceived, nor any white about him. The owner is desired to call on the subscriber, at **Sharp's station**, upon Clinch, prove his property, pay charges, and take it away.

Knox county, May 9, 1794

**JACOB SHARP**

NOTICE. The Subscriber positively assures all persons indebted to him, that if they do not come and settle with him, or make payment within twenty days from the date hereof, he will bring suit against them.

Knoxville May 19, 1794

**JOHN STONE**

