



HISTORY OF ELLIS - BUCKNER
AND ALLIED FAMILIES IN AMERICA,

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THE BUCKNER FAMILY

Due to destruction of court houses and records in Caroline County, Virginia, and in South Carolina, this Buckner family line is incomplete. It seems appropriate to show the early generations in this account since the names appearing later in the proven records are indicative of relationships.

As the story goes - Hugh Buckner originally of Cunmore in Berkshire, England, was Bailiff of Oxford in 1592. His son Thomas was christened there in 1590. The sons of Thomas were the emigrants to the new world about 1667, and first settled in Gloucester County, Virginia.

The arms for Buckners of Gloucester County are given as: sable, three fleur de lis; or crest - A fleur de lis gules, an adder entwined around it issuing from the center leaf ppr.

The name of Thomas Buckner's wife is not known. His sons were:

- i. John born February 2, 1630-1 in Oxford.
- ii. William settled in York County, Virginia where his will was recorded in 1716.
- iii. Phillip, married Elizabeth Sadler, July 15, 1667 in St. James Clerkenwell. He settled in Stafford County, Virginia where he died in 1700, and his will named sons Robert and Andrew. He patented lands south of the Rappahannock in 1672. His sons:
 - (a) Andrew
 - (b) Robert, removed to Currituck County, N.C. where he was Clerk of the Court in 1710. Robert had seven sons, among them were Jesse born 1740, David, Henry, William, and John .

Second Generation:

John Buckner, son of Thomas, born February 2, 1630-1 in Oxford, England, died 1694-5 in Essex County, Virginia.

In the London Register of the Harleian Society is the entry:

"John Buckner of St. Sepulchres; citizen and salter; bachelor age about 31, married July 10, 1661 to Deborah Ferrer of West Wickham, Buckinghamshire, Spinster about 19; with consent of her mother, widow, now wife of Andrew Hunt of the same, at West Wickham."

John was a landed proprietor and vestryman of Petsworth Parish; a member of the House of Burgesses 1683-1692, and Clerk of Gloucester County.

In 1667 he patented 194 acres in Gloucester County. He is thought to have been the first to introduce the printing press into Virginia.

Children of John and Deborah were:

- i. William born 1661 to 1670 was appointed to Office of Surveyor General of William & Mary College in 1708 which position he held until 1716. He was a member of the General Assembly 1712-1714, and again in 1718.
- ii. John, died before 1727 in Gloucester County. He married Ann Bullard, daughter of Thomas of Isle of Wight County. Had:
 - (a) John born _____, died 1740. Juror of Currituck County, N.C. in 1739. By wife Sarah had - Capt. William born 1730 died after March 5, 1783, married first Lucy Thornton and second Mary Madison; Thomas born March 19, 1739-40 died in Currituck County January 5, 1777 and buried near New London, Caroline County, Va.
- iii. Elizabeth, married James Williams.
- iv. Richard born Gloucester County 1670, died 1731 in Caroline County. Married Elizabeth Cook. Richard was Clerk of Essex County in 1703; member of the House of Burgesses in 1713. In 1720 living King & Queen County, and in 1730 a planter in Caroline County. It is quite possible that Richard was grandfather of Bernard whose parentage cannot be established. Richard and Elizabeth are known to have had two children, and perhaps more:
 - (a) William born 1699 died 1760 or 1768 in Caroline County. Married widow Judith (Aylett) Hawes, probably daughter of William of Westmoreland County. Judith died June 19, 1757 and is buried near Port Royal, Caroline County. William was a Justice

of the Peace and was succeeded in that office by his son William. His wife Judith was said to have had an uncontrollable temper and great family pride, and she did not hesitate to horsewhip her coachman on occasion. Her dying request was that she be buried beneath the pavement aisle of Rappahannock Church, "that those whom she had regarded with contempt in life might walk over her dust".

Graymont was the family estate founded by William which was destroyed by Federal gunboats on the Rappahannock during the Civil War. William and Judith had - William who married Dolly Roy; Thomas born May 13, 1728 died 1795. Captain in the Revolutionary War; married Judith (Presly) Thornton and Elizabeth Taliaferro. He had five children by each marriage and they were 1. Susannah b. 1749, 2. Mary born 1751, 3. William born 1753, 4. Thomas born 1755 married Elizabeth Hawes, 5. Elizabeth in 1757, 6. Robert born 1758 married Mary Hawes; 7. Judith in 1760, 8. Charlotte in 1761, 9. Anna in 1764, 10. Henry born 1766.

Richard, son of William and Judith, born 1730, died after 1793 Westmoreland County, married Elizabeth Ariss, daughter of Spencer and Sarah.

- (b) Richard born 1700, son of Richard and Elizabeth (Cook) Buckner. Had daughter Susannah born 1721, died 1739, married _____ Morton.

The foregoing has been included on the assumption that Bernard Buckner of South Carolina was a grandson of Richard and Judith.

A couple items found in South Carolina would seem to be pertinent and are quoted here:

South Carolina Gazette of September 3, 1737 - "If Thomas Buckner who lately came from Virginia and went to the southward is yet in this Province he may come to the printer, and hear of something to his advantage."

Thomas Buckner did go south. Miscellaneous Records of S.C., P.37 notes "Inventory of estate of Thomas Buckner between July and May records of 1761-2". Appraisers were Adam Culliat, James Glaze, Moses Darquier, all residents of St. Bartholomew's Parish, Colleton County, S.C.

This Thomas would have been of age by 1737 and born circa 1710-1720. May have been a son of Richard and Elizabeth, but not named in any existing records.

It is only a guess that Bernard Buckner born January 19, 1759 was a son of Thomas Buckner who died about 1761 in Colleton County, S.C. Descendants of Bernard are convinced that he was born Caroline County, Virginia. If he was a son of Thomas then he was left fatherless when an infant. His mother was _____ McCord as proven by the will of John McCord, and John McCord may have reared Bernard and sister Jean.

In brief, the will of John McCord, dated January 23, 1771, and proved March 16, 1772 - Planter, of St. Bartholomew's Parish (same place the inventory of Thomas Buckner) leaves his estate to nephew Barnard Buckner and niece, Jean Buckner. Executors were Jacob Tahler and William Freeman.

At the time of this will Bernard Buckner was about 11 years old. In the same parish Benjamin Buckner was witness to the will of William McCormack under date of September 11, 1777. Benjamin Buckner was on the rolls of Georgia in the Revolutionary War, and was probably an older brother of Bernard.

By conjecture Thomas Buckner, married _____ McCord, sister of John and had:

- i. Benjamin who was of age in 1777.
- ii. Jean
- iii. Bernard born January 19, 1759 either in Caroline County, Virginia or in South Carolina

Fifth Generation:

Bernard Buckner, probably son of Thomas, was born Jan. 19, 1759, and died July 30, 1792 in Beaufort County, S.C. Bernard married Sarah Heape in 1779, daughter of Benjamin and Sarah (Davis) Heape. Sarah born 1760 in Colleton County, died 1818 in Beaufort County. Benjamin served in the Revolutionary War as a Lt. under General Francis Marion the "Swamp Fox". He is an established DAR ancestor credited with military and civilian service.

Children of Bernard and Sarah (Heape) Buckner:

- i. Sarah M. (probably Sarah McCord) born 1781, married William Gracen.
- ii. Benjamin Heape born May 10, 1783.
- iii. Richard Aylett born 1784. Had son Aylett Hawes Buckner

iv. Mary

v. Elizabeth (or Susan)

vi. William Bernard born 1791, died in 1847. Married first Elizabeth McLeer, and second, Mary Ann Hardy. Three children by first marriage and seven by Mary:

- (a) William Gracen, died young.
- (b) James Bernard
- (c) John Leonidas
- (d) Perry Tripp
- (e) Sophie
- (f) Mattie
- (g) William
- (h) Thaddeus
- (i) Amanda
- (j) Jane Eliza

Sixth Generation:

Benjamin Heape Buckner, son of Bernard and Sarah (Heape) Buckner, born May 10, 1783 in Beaufort District, died January 5, 1826 at Coosawhatchie, S.C. He married September 8, 1808, Susan Ann Riley. Susan Ann was born 1788, daughter of John and Mary Ann (—) Riley. Susan died 1814, and he married second, Mrs. Margaret (Morrison) Veitch (1786-1865), widow of Henry and daughter of Joseph Morrison. Obituary for Susan Ann reads:

"Died at Coosawhatchie on the 28th Ult., Mrs. Susan Buckner, Consort of Benjamin H. Buckner, Esq. in the 27th year of her age. A disconsolate husband; four small children are left to feel the bitterness of this untimely bereavement." (from the City Gazette, Charleston, S.C.)

Children of Benjamin by both marriages:

- i. Milton Julius Buckner born July 20, 1809.
- ii. James Harvey, married Martha Norton of Savannah. He died in 1866.
- iii. Sarah Elizabeth died 1867.
- iv. Benjamin Franklin, married Jane Nichols, had 8 children but only five can be named:
 - (a) Milton Thomas, married Lavinia Reynolds.
 - (b) Benjamin Heape, married Mary Morgan
 - (c) Henry Nichols, married Agnes McPail

- (d) Franklin Pierce
- (e) John M., married Sarah E. Nichols

v. Jane M. Buckner, married Dr. J. F. Griffin. Her record of the Buckner family included at the end.

vi. Emily Ann married Reverend William H. Rice. They had:

- (a) William Henry Rice born Savannah in 1851, married Claudia Dykes.

vii. Josephine, married Dr. Ulysses A. Rice, brother of Rev. William Rice.

Benjamin Heape Buckner's family were active members of the Euhau Baptist Church in Jasper County.

Seventh Generation:

Milton Julius Buckner, son of Bernard Heape and his first wife, Susan Ann Riley, was born July 20, 1809 at Coosawhatchie, Beaufort District, and died June 7, 1875; buried Laurel Grove Cemetery in Savannah. It is said he died of paralysis caused by hardships and privation when imprisoned at Camp Chase, Ohio following capture while serving in the Confederate Navy. He was in the Navy prior to the Civil War. Milton married Caroline Matilda Scudder, July 5, 1885; daughter of Amos and Phoebe (Ross) Scudder. Caroline was born August 1, 1823 at Westfield, New Jersey, and died ~~February 17, 1884~~ of pneumonia at Coosawhatchie. Milton was one of the first members and organizers of Savannah Benevolent Society, organized at the outbreak of the yellow fever epidemic about 1854. He was a member of Solomons Lodge of Masons, and of Chatham Artillery of Savannah. He was a shoe dealer in Savannah.

Children of Milton and Caroline were:

- i. Eliotte Estes born June 1856 in Savannah, died May 14, 1898 at El Paso, Texas, of tuberculosis, and is buried Laurel Grove Cemetery at Savannah. Married Harriet (Hattie) Ann McLean, December 22, 1887. She was born January 9, 1865 at Macon, Georgia. Their children were:
 - (a) Eliotte Estes II, born Feb. 15, 1889 at Macon. He married Carmen Hall, Dec. 24, 1920 in Chicago. Carmen born Sept. 1, 1898 at Fayette, Missouri. Children are: Eliotte Estes III, born Oct. 15, 1921 in Chicago; Donald McLean born April 13, 1929; Calvin Hugh born Nov. 5, 1930; Ronald Lee born March 17, 1938 in Portland, Oregon.

- (b) Hugh McLean Buckner born Oct. 9, 1891 at Macon, died Oct. 31, 1935 in Savannah. Unmarried. Killed by a taxicab. He is buried Laurel Grove Cemetery.
- (c) Harriet McLean born 1892 at Savannah, died March 24, 1934 of cancer. Unmarried. She was a graduate registered nurse. Buried Laurel Grove Cemetery.
- (d) Caroline Scudder Buckner born March 18, 1894 at Savannah; married John Allen Baxley, Feb. 18, 1917. He was born May 24, 1893 at Augusta, Georgia. John served in World War I in 1917-1918 as a Sergeant. Had son John Allen Baxley, Jr. born Nov. 29, 1918 and died Dec. 2, 1918. They lived in the double house on Hull Street between Barnard and Whitaker in Savannah, which was built by her great grandfather, Amos Scudder.
- ii. Marion Scudder Buckner, born July 30, 1857, died Oct. 30, 1887 of Tuberculosis. Unmarried. He is buried in Laurel Grove Cemetery, Savannah.
- iii. Catie Ann born February 22, 1859, died September 16, 1902 in New York City, following surgery. She married February 1, 1883, Charles Stephen Ellis of Wilmington, N.C. See Ellis family #1.
- iv. Caroline Matilda (Carrie) born March 25, 1864, married Frank Lathrop George who was born August 17, 1857 and died August 6, 1902. They are buried in Laurel Grove Cemetery. Children were:
- (a) Marion Augustus George born Oct. 1, 1888, died 1889.
- (b) Frank Vreeland George born March 25, 1891, married June 10, 1919, Martha McDonald who was born Oct. 6, 1900 at Savannah. Had: Sidney Lanier born July 19, 1920; Frank Vreeland, Jr. born July 4, 1924; Martha Louise born Nov. 14, 1926; Anne born Dec. 15, 1940.

Several records and letters follow which are of interest. The first a Buckner account by Jane (Buckner) Griffin, daughter of Benjamin Heape Buckner, and second wife, Margaret Morrison.

"Benjamin Heape Buckner was the son of Bernard Buckner (Jan. 19, 1759-July 30, 1792) a soldier of the Revolution who died a few years after the war leaving his children too young to remember him. All that they knew of him was that he came from Virginia where his ancestors had settled on coming from England. Recently some facts have been developed showing that they lived

in Caroline County in that State.

Just after the war commenced Bernard married, 1779, Miss Sarah Heape (1760-1818) of Scotch descent, and located in Prince William's Parish, Beaufort District, South Carolina, where her parents lived.

He was a true patriot, going into the strife with earnest zeal. As Lieutenant he fought under General Francis Marion, suffering all the privations of his noble "Partisan Band".

He returned home after peace was declared to find his home in ashes and his family reduced to destitution. After his death, his wife and children endured many hardships.

Benjamin, born May 10, 1783, father of Emily Ann Buckner, mother of William H. Rice, Jr., assisted his mother at an early age, commencing life with a few, if any, advantages. Having gone to school six months, he accepted a clerkship in the Parish, and though the salary was a mere pittance, by the utmost self denial, he educated his younger brother and fitted him for business.

Possessing remarkable traits of character, industry, energetic perseverance, united with sterling principles, honor and high toned ambition, he soon gained the confidence of all who knew him, and gradually became one of the most influential citizens, and efficient public officers.

He was the Commissioner in Equity until his death on the 5th of January 1826. He left a large circle of friends, among them some of the most prominent and distinguished men in the State of South Carolina.

He was an earnest Christian, useful member of the Euhaw Baptist Church at Euhaw Creek, and died with faith in his redeemer. At the age of forty-two, he passed to his reward, "his good deeds lived after him".

In 1808 he was married to Miss Susan Riley, who died in 1814. He then married Mrs. Margaret Veitch (1786-1865) who survived him many years. Mrs. Margaret Veitch was the only daughter of Mr. Joseph Morrison whose parents were Scotch Covenanters who fled to the north of Ireland during the persecutions of the Protestants.

Joseph Morrison's parents soon removed to America and settled on the Hudson River, and after some years their sons sought homes in the city of New York, and other places. Six sons and two daughters. Many descendants are still there.

The subject of this sketch (Joseph Morrison) came to South

Carolina, and having married Miss Elizabeth Fletcher, bought large estates in Colleton District. His two children, John and Margaret, were educated with great care, regardless of expense. Their mother died young. John, his son, was educated in New York, married a beautiful girl of sixteen, and died leaving two children, son and daughter, Elizabeth who married her cousin, Alexander Ulmer. They moved to Alabama; died leaving two sons and three daughters. Joseph inherited a large estate, married Miss Francis Sullivan of Charleston, South Carolina. His three sons are prominent and useful citizens of the State, and members of the Baptist Church in Lawtonville, Hampton County, S.C.

Margaret, Mr. Joseph Morrison's daughter, was only two years old when her mother died. Idolized by her father, she knew no wish he did not gratify. She was educated in Charleston and spent her vacations on the Ashley River, St. Andrews Parish. When twenty years old she married Mr. Henry Veitch, who had inherited wealth from his parents who were also from Scotland. He was twenty-two years old when they married; in less than two years she became a widow.

After the expiration of six years, she married Mr. Benjamin Heape Buckner and lived in St. Lukes Parish on an estate called Oakhampton, for several years. The duties of his office required him to move to Coosawhatchie, the seat of Justice of Beaufort District, where he died as mentioned. The cares of a large estate devolved upon his bereaved widow, and nobly she did the battle with life's difficulties, challenging the admiration of all who knew her.

In 1839 she bought an estate in St. Peters Parish. Woodlawn was a beautiful, happy home where she lived with her children, esteemed by her neighbors and valued by her friends. Here her sons brought brides, and here amidst the bloom of flowers, her daughters were married and went forth to imitate her virtues as wife and mother.

This beautiful home was to be desolated; the approach of Sherman's lawless army filled the hearts of the people in that part of the state with terror, and they fled from rude soldiers as from wild beasts.

This venerable matron left her home when the marauders were within ten miles. With an invalid daughter, she, followed by her faithful servants, took refuge at Allendale in Barnwell District.

The Yankees burnt everything, dwellings and school houses, barns and churches. Woodlawn shared the same fate; desolation and ruin reigned over fields and groves; orchards and vineyards were desolated and soon many a flower grew wild where once the garden

smiled'.

When the soldiers reached Allendale, pillage was the order of the day and they left nothing of value. Our beloved mother was left without comfort; without necessary food. But the reward came -- the servants who had received kindness and justice at her hands through their lives showed their gratitude and love in the most marked and exemplary manner.

During the succeeding months from February to October 1865, she remained at Allendale, setting an example of fortitude and Christian resignation, and those who were in the same house, and in her society daily, gave testimony that they never heard her utter one bitter expression against those who had so cruelly deprived her of comforts and all that made life desirable.

Her daughter Sarah, who did not survive her long, said she never knew anyone more Heavenly minded than her mother. On the third day of October 1865, she was taken sick, and on the tenth after one week's illness, she was called up Higher, left this world, where partings are no more.

Her sons brought her beloved remains to Robertville, and placed them quietly in the cemetery near the ruins of the church in which she worshiped for many years. Peacefully, after a well spent life, she rests by the side of loved ones, sleeping 'that sleep from which none ever wakes to weep', "Asleep in Jesus, Blessed sleep".

Three sons and four daughters grew up in this united family. Milton Julius who married Miss Scudder of New Jersey. James Harvey married Miss Norton. Sarah Elizabeth who died in April 1867. Benjamin Franklin who married Miss Jane Nichols. Jane Margaret married Dr. J. F. Griffin. Emily Ann married Rev. W.H. Rice. Mary Josephine married Dr. U.A. Rice. All these loved ones have passed away to mansions in the skies, except one. The Lord in His mercy grant when her life is ended, she may meet them on the shining shore, 'where all is joy and love to dwell in that Eternal Home where sorrow never comes' where the anthems of Praise unceasingly roll, and the smile of the Lord is the feast of the Soul.

This is written Nov. 27, 1884.

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November 28, 1884

My dear Nephew:

Very cheerfully have I complied with your request, taking pleasure in writing an account of your worthy parents, my Sainted father and mother. Brief and imperfect as it is, I trust it may serve some good purpose in future years, and only regret so few incidents connected with our ancestors, have been transmitted to us - they might have served 'to point the moral'.

Our younger sister, who married your uncle, Dr. U.A. Rice, was only two years old when the dark winged Angel of death crossed the threshold of a happy home and bore the beloved husband and beloved father from all cares, to a home 'beyond the skies'. Thus passed away Benjamin Heape Buckner, leaving an honoured name and noble example of integrity, piety and usefulness to his seven children. Being too young to profit by his instructions or to be stimulated by his injunctions, they always felt his early removal.

The loss, great as it was, however, in a great measure, was supplied by the judicious care and teachings of a mother, whose superior qualities and high toned characteristics raised her above ordinary standards. "Duty" was her watch word through life's checkered path.

She lived for her children, and great cause they had to bless her memory. No opportunity was ever allowed to pass without impressing us with admiration for the traits of character she so much admired in him whom she loved to the last hour, anticipating a joyous reunion "beyond the river".

From her, we learned his daily habits, his appreciation of character, his decided views of man and measures.

In every effort for our welfare and education she was aided by our oldest brother, and faithfully did he discharge his duty as son and brother, every member feeling he was the head - the advisor and protector. All honor to his name. In saying this I do not cast a shadow of reflection upon our dear brothers, James and Benjamin. "No sisters ever had better brothers" was the dying testimony of our sister Sarah. To this we all gave with gratitude a sincere assent. Deprived now of their sympathy, I realize this more forcibly. All have gone, and 'whither the grave can tell' I alone remain, the last link of this household chain. When the summons comes, may I join them 'in the Bright Forever' and the chain be re-united where parting is unknown.

But this pleasant task (rather this delightful privilege) of writing of loved ones who have 'only gone' before would be incomplete my dear Willie, if special mention were not made of your beloved and deeply mourned Mother. A very, very dear Sister to me. Every day I could speak of her rare virtues - a theme I love to dwell upon.

From my earliest remembrance, and throughout life, I was impressed with her freedom from 'self seeking and self pleasing'. Humility and sincerity adorned her daily walk and conversation, an unusual charm to her many admirable qualities. "None knew her but to love her, none named her but to praise." God grant "in the day, when He makes up His jewels" the children whom He gave her, may meet her at the marriage supper of the Lamb and worship before The Great White Throne throughout the Ages of Eternity.

You are dear, Willie, a worthy son of your noble mother and may you live to fulfill her hopes - a long life of happiness to yourself and a blessing to all within your influence, is the earnest prayer of your affectionate

Aunt Jane

Notes from Caroline Scudder Buckner, wife of Frank L. George, and daughter of Milton Julius Buckner -

"My father was asked to run for Mayor at one time; politics were not like they are now. He was also offered the Captaincy of the Chatham Artillery, and was very high in Masonry - Solomons Lodge which is the oldest lodge, I think".

My father was born July 20, 1809, the day seems to be right in the book you read but not the year. I did not know he was ever in the Navy, but he was in the shoe business after the Civil War, I know, for I remember having many a pair of shoes fitted there. Now, he may have been in the Navy when he was real young because you will see he was 46 when he married, February 7, 1855, passed away June 7th, 1875 instead of June 17th. My mother was born August 1st, 1824, passed away February 17th, 1884. I always understood my father had a brother named James, married a Miss Norton, left no family.

Yes, there is a family bible. Your aunt Hattie has it. The Bible has a history. My father bought it while in the War between the States. Two or three times the boat he was on came near being sunk; the bible was soaked on these occasions, and the men felt the bible had been their safeguard."

Letter from Gladys Buckner of Augusta, Georgia, to Sallie Shepard Ellis:

500 West Avenue
 Augusta, Georgia
 October 25, 1948

My dear Cousin:

We really are cousins! According to my figuring we are half second cousins. I am enclosing a sketch that indicates our relationship. See if you agree with me.

I do thank you so for your letter and information. It is very interesting to discover new relatives in all parts of the country.

At the time that I wrote you I also addressed a letter to Mr. Salley of the South Carolina Historical Commission, and I have quoted on the enclosed sketch what he wrote me about Sarah Heape. However, your information is fuller.

Thank you for your offer of the letter written by our Aunt Jane Griffin but I already have a copy. Do you know where she lived and where she is buried? Some years ago there was an old lady, 93 years old, Mrs. Rebecca Felton of Cartersville, Georgia, who was appointed to the United States Senate. She in some way was related to the Buckners, I think through the Griffin branch. I would like to determine the relationship.

Anent, the matter of John Buckner, the colonist: My mother, sister, and I during the summer of 1946 took a trip up through Williamsburg, Yorktown, Stratford, etc. We spent one night at Gloucester and ventured out to Marlfield, the ancestral home of the Buckners in Virginia. It was an uncomfortable experience in that the road was so overgrown - we had to get a colored man to hold the bushes aside so that we could penetrate the wilderness - but we finally arrived at the old place which is in a sad state of dilapidation. However, it still gives evidence of having been a rather livable place with flowers, etc. The colored man who said he had formerly worked on the surrounding farm lands, told us that there is an old family cemetery nearby with markers but we had had such a harrowing time trying to get to the house - the road was such that we could not turn back - that we were afraid that we might startle a snake if we attempted to go to the cemetery. I have regretted since that we were not more persevering. The colored man said that the lands are now in the possession of a Dr. Gray, a druggist of Gloucester. I wrote him but never received a reply. I should think the place is accessible in the fall, spring, or even winter, and since you live not so far away as I, and if you are of an adventurous nature you

investigate the graves. We might thus find out something new about the family.

According to my notes Richard Buckner, a son of John, the colonist of Marlfield, went to live in Caroline County, Virginia. Evidently he is the ancestor of Bernard. I have wanted to write to the county seat of Caroline and make some inquiries of a genealogist there, but so far I have not been able to find out the name of the county seat. Do you know? I believe this is our most promising prospect of determining the parents of Bernard Buckner.

I am enclosing a note giving you permission to examine my records, but since I joined on the record of Bernard, and my other records which I have ready, but which I have not yet sent in, stem from the Morrisons and some lines on my mother's side: I don't think the letter will be of any use to you.

My sister, Mercedes, and I live at home with our mother. We teach together in one of the Augusta schools. We had one brother who was also a teacher but he died in March 1947. He left a widow and one daughter, Elizabeth, whom we call Betty. She is twenty and is now and is now a senior in college, at Columbia, S.C.

Since our family is small we are glad to hear of a new relative. Should you ever visit in Savannah try to route your trip through Augusta. We shall be so glad to meet you.

Again I wish to thank you for your nice letter, and I assure you that I shall be glad to share with you any information that I have or may get. Write again when you can.

Sincerely,

/s/ Gladys Buckner

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CORRECTIONS

- X Page 22, 7th Generation, Line 4 - Charles Stephen Ellis,
born January 10, 1835, died May 23, 1921, not 1931.
- X X Page 39, 5th Generation, line 5 should read Bernard, not
Benjamin Buckner
- X X X Page 41, 7th Generation, line 9, Milton Buckner, married
Caroline Scudder, July 5, 1855, not 1885.
- X X X X Page 41, 7th Generation, Coosawhatchie should be omitted
as place of death not established for Caroline
Scudder Buckner
- X X X X X Page 42, Under IV should read Frank Lathrop George died
August 6, 1933, not 1902.