Preface

Many of the Minutes Books of the Clay County Board of Instruction have gathered dust on a shelf of some closet or another for more than a hundred years. Genealogists generally refer to censuses or military records or land grants for bits of information to extend their family trees – not realizing that the some of the branches are pre-bundled for them in the lists of students each parent is paying fees for. Historians consult ancient maps, surveys and deed books to determine where a settlement might have been located, or where an old building might be – not realizing that the secretaries of the School Board had easy-to-read cursive and had a knack for concisely saying which civic-minded citizen donated an acre of land for a school, which would bear the name of a settlement or the donor. Developers and county planners who want to be sensitive to the historical significance of a place, either to take advantage of it, or to preserve it, may not have any source of information to help them – not realizing that the School Board minutes tell the story of how the people were connected to their land, and creeks, and churches, and buildings.

So the Minutes Books provide important insight into the culture of the 19th and early 20th centuries. Opening to page one, we find the name of Ozias Budington, the first Superintendant. His name appears throughout our County's history. He was the head of a large family, a county judge, a merchant, a large landowner, an officer of an important railroad, a farmer and agricultural leader, a county clerk, a road commissioner and a county commissioner. Of all these roles, the Minute books of the School Board tell his story more than all of our other records. They describe projects he and the board members worked on, show who they interacted with, describe the issues they faced, and put flesh on the bones of statistics that raw censuses and land grant images simply can't do.

We love our children and the Minutes describe life for them as well. They show that parents were concerned about how far their children had to walk to school. They list the approved textbooks – all eleven of them. Our ancestors loved their children as well, ensuring that schools were placed within walking distance – say a mile and a half from each house – showing more precisely than a census can where people actually lived.

Nor are some community issues skirted. The School Board debates whether children whose parents pay higher fees should get a better education (no). The Minutes show whether school buildings were always available for black children (no) and whether black teachers got equal pay (no). Even in 1875, they reveal where all parents were satisfied with public education (no – some insisted on home schooling).

Perhaps surprising to us, even during the first year, trustees (parents) of a school had more flexibility in organizing the school when it met the standards set out by the School Board, and this flexibility was given by extending or withholding school financing.

We wish to thank Ben W_____, the Superintendant of Schools and ______ and _____ in the Superintendant's office for their providing access to the original records, workspace for the project, and gracious support throughout the effort. Thanks to ______ for reviewing drafts of the

work, ensuring summaries were appropriate and errors were corrected. And thanks to the BCC for the wisdom to fund the publication of our work.

We present this transcription as a gift to the Citizens of Clay County and their ancestors. We hope you enjoy learning about the era when every school was a one-room school house and every teacher was a "Miss" Lizzie or Mattie – or a man, properly married. And we hope you discover something about your own family that helps you fill in the missing pieces or your ancestry.

-- The Clay County Historical Commission

How to use this information

This project is intended to give a flavor for the minutes by accurately transcribing word-for-word the first full year of meeting minutes.

Thereafter, the minutes are abbreviated to help the reader more quickly scan the material. Within this abbreviation, several items are left unwritten including rosters of meeting attendees, adjournment proceedings, signatures and other minor administrative matters. However, a summary all important business is provided, and a complete word-for-word transcription is included for the more important, or more unusual items.

The format of the minutes is quite similar to the original minutes, but they were, of course, in cursive in bound books. We have not made a rigorous effort to exactly reproduce where words are on the original pages, but have elected, rather, to format the transcription with page breaks, formatting and tables that make for the easiest reading.

If an exact original quote or precise formatting is important to your work, you might consider using this document as a finding aid to the original material.

If you happen to be electronically searching this document for a name and can't find it, consider consulting a master list of surnames in the Clay County Archives. The list will help you determine alternate spellings that could be helpful to you. There are dozens and dozens of names with alternate spellings, but the most often occurring ones are Borie-Boree, Buddington-Budington, Haas-Hass, Padget-Padgett, and Silcox-Silcock-Silcocks. The many variations of Falana, Frisbee, Hogans, Houston, Mosely and Osteen are often spelled by these variants in the minutes.

Would you be so kind as to cite this work when you refer to it?

Clay County Historical Commission (a public commission). 2009. Minute Books of the Clay County Florida Board of Public Instruction commencing in 1875. Green Cove Springs: The Board of Clay County.

A note about the original Minutes Books

The original Minutes Books extend as far back as 1875 when the first School Board was organized. Unlike other county records which were mysteriously stolen when a county clerk left office, or landed in Black Creek when election results weren't to someone's liking, or didn't survive the transfer from Middleburg to the new county seat at Green Cove Springs, the Minutes Books survived intact at the Supervisor of Education's office.

At present, they are safe, both from mischief and the elements, in an air conditioned vault. They have fared fairly well over their first 130 years. The pages haven't suffered much deterioration and the ink is in general quite legible. The hardback bindings are not always in good shape, but the sewn interior bindings are still preventing pages from becoming detached and lost.

Some of the books are easier to read than others. Secretaries had wide ranges of script quality. In the first twenty pages, only three of four letters in thousands of words are indecipherable, and those could be deduced by consulting other public records. But later, unfortunately secretaries didn't take quite as much care, so even items of interest like lists of textbooks are difficult to make out.

Compared to other public records, they are second only to surveys in readability and condition and far more easy to read and use than deeds or colonial records.

The **first Meeting** of the Board of Public Instruction for Clay County Fla was held at Green Cove Springs on the 15th day of March **1876** for

Organization

The Board of Public Instruction of Clay County met pursuant to published notice at Green Cove Springs Wednesday march 15th 1876.

The Board was organized by election of William Long as Chairman and W. D. Colmar as Secretary.

Present William long Ozias Buddington and W. D. Colmar

Absent Lewis C. Forrester M. W. Bowman

A. W. Fowler Esq was unanimously elected Treasurer of the Board. Hon Judge Ozias Buddington was chosen to fill the place of Superintendant as Dr. J. W. Applegate was absent.

The Board adjourned to meet again April 15th at Dr. Colmar's Office in Green Cove Springs at 11 o'clock A. M. In the mean time the Secretary was instructed to notify the absent members and request their presence in attendance on the next Meeting

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Secretary

Copy of Affidavit

State of Florida

County of Clay

Personally appeared before me as Justice of the Peace in and for said County the above parties both personally known to me and made affidavit to the above report.

Given under my hand and seal this 16th day of march One Thousand Eight Hundred and Seventy Six.

Ozias Buddington J. P.

2nd Meeting of the School Board April 15th 1876 at Green Cove Springs

Present William Long W. D. Colmar Ozias Buddington M. W. Bowman and Lewis C. Forrester

Resolved that Pauline Smith be paid from the Treasury for her present quarters tuition and that Jay W. Dewitt and Henry M Henderson be added to the School of Green Cove Springs.

On motion of Lewis Forester, Robert Harris and Elizas Forrester were added to the Magnolia Trustees.

The Treasurer was ordered to pay William Long the sum of \$21.34 as an amount overpaid by the collector to the School fund in 1874.

Resolved that the Board approved of the Manual labor plan being adopted by the School at Magnolia.

Resolved that the Superintendant locate all the School houses with a list of the trustees to be represented at the next Meeting.

Resolved that the County School tax be 4 mills.

Adjourned to the 15th of June 1876.

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary

3rd Meeting of the School Board held at Green Cove springs June 15th 1876

Present William Long W. D. Colmar and Lewis C. Forrester

On Motion it was Resolved that A. W. Fowler be commanded to appear before the School Board with his Books and accounts so that a thorough examination thereof may be had for information of the public and to uses of the School Funds on Thursday June 22nd at Green Cove Springs and that he be notified accordingly.

The Board adjourned to meet on Thursday June 22nd at Green Cove Springs for the purpose of auditing the Treasurers accounts and settling the financial condition of our School Board

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary

4th **Meeting** of the Board of Instruction for Clay County met pursuant to resolution of June 15th at the office of W. D. Colmar in Green Cove Springs Florida.

Members present William Long, Chairman W. D. Colmar L. C. Forrester and William Bowman, Treasure Fowler having presented his books for examination and made his Quarterly report: The latter was passed upon on Motion of L. Forrester being seconded by W. M. Bowman for being duly filed. Approved.

On Motion of L. C. Forrester Seconded by M. W. Bowman a General order was passed accepting and approved all errors and insolvencies for 1874 and 1875 in the Treasurers Report to the Board and in his settlement with Judge William Long the Tax Collector Judge Long having vacated the Chair for this purpose Dr. Colmar acting as chairman pro tem.

On Motion of L. C. Forrester. Seconded by M. W. Bowman the Board adjourned to meet again on 31st of August 1876.

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary

5th Meeting Green Cove Springs Aug 31st 1876

The Board met pursuant to adjournment.

Present William Long, Chairman L. C. Forrester and W. D. Colmar

Meeting called to order and it was decided to let the School of Burney's go on to completion but to establish no new school until the Superintendant shall properly establish them on a regular schedule for the year. On Motion it was Resolved that the School at Green Cove Springs should be run on the same plan of all Public Schools and that the Teacher must agree to this resolution before beginning that any or all the Patrons must be permitted to enter their children at the regular grade price and they must receive the same care and attention as other Scholars whose parents may be disposed to pay more or in simple language it must be considered a free School paid for out of the School fund.

On Motion the Board adjourned to meet again on Thursday September 28th at One of o'clock.

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary

6th Meeting Met pursuant to Adjournment

Chairman William Long and W. D. Colmar

No Quorum being present the Chairman ordered an adjournment until the members might be notified which Meeting was held on Saturday October 7th at the usual place.

Members present Chairman Long and L. C. Forrester W. D. Colmar

| Narrants | To Whom Issued | \$ | Date | |
|----------|---------------------|----------|------------------|------|
| 1 | W. W. Hurst | 21 | Oct 25 | 1875 |
| 2 | Mrs. C. Capers | 16 | Oct 26 | 1875 |
| 3 | F. W. Foster | 78 | Oct 26 | 1875 |
| 1 | Miss Lizzie Peeler | 70 | July 24 | 1875 |
| 5 | George W. Hall | 60 | , Nov 4 | 1875 |
| 5 | Mrs. C. Capers | 16 | Nov 16 | 1875 |
| 7 | L. D. Wall | 20 | Nov 19 | 1875 |
| 3 | W. W. Hurst | 20 | Nov 22 | 1875 |
| | Miss Mattie Haas | 63 | Nov 24 | 1875 |
| 10 | Miss Mary D. Dasher | 54 | Nov 30 | 1875 |
| 10 | William R. Phillips | 69 | Dec 11 | 1875 |
| 12 | D. L. Silcox | 63 | Dec 11 Dec 4 | 1875 |
| 13 | Lizzie Johnson | 20 | Dec 4 Dec 16 | 1875 |
| 13 | Sallie Smith | 20 | Dec 10 Dec 16 | 1875 |
| | | 20 14 | | |
| 15 | Richard Robertson | | Nov 22 | 1875 |
| 16 | Albert Barton | 25 | Dec 16 | 1875 |
| 17 | W. D. Harris | 38 | Dec 20 | 1875 |
| 18 | Miss Sallie Hall | 14 | Dec 2 | 1875 |
| 19 | W. W. Hurst | 25 | Dec 24 | 1875 |
| 20 | Ozias Buddington | 223 | Dec 30 | 1875 |
| 22 | D. L. Silcox | 8 | Jan 10 | 1876 |
| 23 | Ozias Buddington | 24.50 | Jan 10 | 1876 |
| 24 | Richard Robertson | 4 | Jan 7 | 1876 |
| 25 | W. R. Harris | 13 | Jan 10 | 1876 |
| 26 | Elijah Blitch | 8 | Jan 10 | 1876 |
| 27 | A. W. Folwer | 8 | Jan 10 | 1876 |
| 21 | J. S. Griner (?) | 5 | Jan 1 | 1876 |
| 28 | Lewis C. Forrester | 8 | Jan 1 | 1876 |
| 29 | W. W. Bowman | 16 | Jan 1 | 1876 |
| 30 | H. D. Hall | 8 | Jan 1 | 1876 |
| 31 | Henry Ayers | 8 | Jan 1 | 1876 |
| 32 | Miss Mattie Haas | 12 | Jan 17 | 1876 |
| 33 | Miss P. E. Smith | 22 | Jan 24 | 1876 |
| 34 | W. W. Hurst | 27 | Jan 27 | 1876 |
| 35 | Mrs M. C. Capers | 32 | Jan 31 | 1876 |
| 36 | A. W. Fowler | 28 | Jan 10 | 1876 |
| 37 | Lewis Borie [Boree] | 17 | Feb 7 | 1876 |
| 38 | J. C. Longwell | 54 | Feb 7 | 1876 |
| 39 | W. W. Bowman | 34 | Feb 7 | 1876 |
| 40 | Miss Mattie Haas | 21 | Feb 14 | 1876 |
| 40 41 | Ozias Buddington | 86 | Feb 16 | 1876 |
| +1 42 | J. C. Russell | 25 | Feb 10 Feb 16 | |
| | | | | 1876 |
| 43 | Ozias Buddington | 9 | Feb 16 | 1876 |
| 44 | Ozias Buddington | 9 | Feb 16 | 1876 |
| 45 | Elijah Blitch | 4 | Feb 18 | 1876 |

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| 48 | Henry Ayers | 4 | Feb 18 | 1876 |
|----|---------------------|-------|--------|------|
| 49 | Miss Sallie Smith | 36 | Feb 18 | 1876 |
| 50 | W. W. Hurst | 25 | Feb 19 | 1876 |
| 51 | Weston | 32 | Feb 19 | 1876 |
| 52 | H. W. Arendall | 35 | Feb 19 | 1876 |
| 53 | Mrs. M. C. Capers | 16 | Feb 19 | 1876 |
| 54 | Miss Mary R. Dasher | 30 | Feb 19 | 1876 |
| 55 | Miss Mattie Haas | 21 | Feb 19 | 1876 |
| 56 | A. W. Fowler | 10 | Feb 18 | 1876 |
| 57 | Elijah Wilkerson | 26 | Feb 18 | 1876 |
| 58 | Lewis Borie [Boree] | 16 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 59 | W. H. Arendall | 40 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 60 | Isaac Weston | 30 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 64 | A. W. Fowler | 5.75 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 65 | Ozias Buddington | 32.70 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 66 | Elijah Blitch | 2 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 67 | H. D. Hall | 2 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 68 | Henry Ayers | 2 | Mar 7 | 1876 |
| 69 | A. W. Fowler | 2 | Mar 7 | 1876 |

On Motion of L. C. Forrester it was Resolved that the Boards of Trustees for the different schools were empowered to select teachers open their schools and that each School favorably reporting on by the Superintendant should be paid the full pro rata Quota without difference or distinction.

No further business the Board adjourned to meet again on Friday Oct 27th 1876.

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary Green Cove Springs Oct 7th 1876

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7th Meeting

The Board met pursuant to adjournment on Friday Oct 27th

Members Present Hon. Ozias Buddington Supt Chairman William Long and Colmar Forrester Bowman On recommendation of the Superintendant a new school was established at Laurel Grove. W. John Roberts being appointed trustee.

On Motion of Mr. Forrester it was Resolved that the School at present would be allowed to run three months at One dollar per scholar per each month average attendance.

On Motion the chairman assisted the Supt. to destroy the following warrants reaching to the beginning of the last six months

The foregoing being an exact list of said warrants which were burned in presence of witnesses.

On Motion of L. C. Forrester Seconded by M. W. Bowman that warrants be drawn to pay in full each member to include the present Meeting also a sum of Two Dollars and a quarter to William Long for Record Book.

On Motion the Board adjourned to meet on the 15th of November

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary

8th Meeting

The Board met pursuant to adjournment on the 15th of Nov

| Present |
|-------------------|
| Chairman Long and |
| Colmar |
| Forrester |
| Bowman |

On Motion of L. C. Forrester Seconded by M. W. Bowman it was Resolved to let the present school term of the Wilson Settlement be finished as organized for the Quarter. No other business being before the Board it adjourned to meet again on Friday Dec 15th 1876 at the usual time and place.

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary

9th Meeting

Board met pursuant to adjournment

Present Chairman long Supt Buddington and W. D. Colmar

Judge Buddington reported on location of School Houses No 20 retaining its position at the the church unchanged, but as a compromise it is allowed at the present quarter only after which it must return to permanent location as that is the most central position of School District

Judson W. Strickland was allowed a warrant of Twenty Eight Dollars having taught school No 28 (Burleys).

The following warrants being canceled were burned

| 61 | E. Wilkerson | 26 | Apr 17 | 1876 |
|----|-------------------|-------|--------|------|
| 11 | Miss M. R. Dasher | 15 | Apr 26 | 1876 |
| 10 | H. W. Arendall | 25 | Apr 26 | 1876 |
| 9 | C. L. Peck | 24 | Apr 11 | 1876 |
| 4 | Elijah Wilkerson | 27 | Apr 29 | 1876 |
| 3 | ? Weston | 26.90 | Apr 26 | 1876 |

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| 2 | W. S. Forrest | 31.94 | Apr 22 | 1876 |
|---|------------------|-------|--------|------|
| 1 | Elijah Wilkerson | 28 | Mar 21 | 1876 |

In the presence of the Board the following is amended list of the

County School Houses

| No | Name | Location | Post Office |
|----|-------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1 | Whitesville | Ditto | Webster |
| 2 | Hickory Grove | Ditto | Green Cove Springs |
| 3 | Piney Grove | Near Geigers | Wilderness |
| 4 | Magnolia | Ditto | Green Cove Springs |
| 5 | Honey Hill | Ditto | Webster |
| 6 | Sweetwater Head | Ditto | Ditto |
| 7 | Hibernia | Ditto | Hibernia |
| 8 | Gadara Church | Ditto | Etoniah |
| 9 | Little Black Creek | At or near bridge | |
| 10 | Thomasville | Ditto | Wilderness |
| 11 | Kingsleys Pond | Ditto | Starke |
| 12 | North Prong Black Creek | Ditto | Webster |
| 13 | William Dowlings | On Bull Creek | Webster |
| 14 | Near Normans | Center of Settlement | |
| 15 | Green Cove Springs | Ditto | Ditto |
| 16 | Greens Creek | Near Burney's | Green Cove Springs |
| 17 | Wilkerson's | Peter's Creek | Ditto |
| 18 | | | |
| 19 | McBird's Ford | Church North Prong | |
| | | Black Creek | |
| 20 | Moody & Week's | Centre of Settlement | |
| 21 | Laurel Grove | Robert's place | Laurel Grove |

These are all at present established. The Board adjourned to meet again February 15th at usual time and place.

William Long Chairman

W. D. Colmar Acting Secretary

9th and Last Meeting for 1876 [this meeting written in entirely in the margin][sic – it was the 10th mtg]

The following warrants were ordered to be issued to William Long \$4 W. D. Colmar \$3 L. C. Forrester \$2 M. W. Bowman \$2. Which is in full pay for duties for 1876

10th Meeting

Board of Public Instruction met on the 15th of Feb 1877 at the usual time and place.

Present

Chairman Long

Supt Buddington

W. D. Colmar and

Marlborough Bowman

On Motion the Supt was ordered to pay the members what is due to wit to M. Bowman \$4 to L. C. Forrester W. D. Colmar and William Long \$2 each.

1877 [from here on, I abbreviate]

1st Meeting Mar 27

Present

Dr. W. D. Colmar

Rev. W. Lake

Colmar was elected chairman.

County Supt is Marion F. Geiger

2nd Meeting April 10

The present chairman inquired of the previous one under what authority he collected money for timber on school lands and to what use the money, if any was collected, was applied.

On Motion the Board agreed to accept the donation of one acre of land for a school house site No 19 near Long Branch to be selected by the Supt. and W. Lake.

3rd Meeting May 15

Supt salary was set at \$300.

4th Meeting June 25

On the 26th of June 1877, the Supt of Schools proceeded to make timely inspection of the county, to ascertain the localities in which schools should be established or discontinued, the number of you who would attend each school, and who are, or who shall be appointed to act as trustees, etc, etc.

The following is his report

School No 1 Situated at Whitesville Trustees W. H. Knight and E. Blitch

| Patrons | Pupils | | |
|---|--------|--|--|
| O. Budington | 2 | | |
| E. Blitch | 1 | | |
| Mrs. Whitmore | 1 | | |
| H. D. Wall | 3 | | |
| M. H. Knight | 4 | | |
| G. W. Tedder | 2 | | |
| Mr. McCormick | 3 | | |
| Henry Ayers | 3 | | |
| John Dillaberry | 3 | | |
| M. A. Taratus | 1 | | |
| H. S. Chalker | 3 | | |
| Rebecca Haas | 2 | | |
| B. Frisbee | 2 | | |
| Levi Whitmore | 1 | | |
| B. M. McRae | 2 | | |
| Antonia Falana | 1 | | |
| George Long | 1 | | |
| Total | 39 | | |
| The regular school house should be | | | |
| used instead of the old Court House as | | | |
| it is situated nearer the center of the | | | |
| community, is a good house and | | | |
| belongs to the county. | | | |
| | | | |

School No. 5 Honey Hill This is a "colored" school Situated between Middleburg and Hull's Mill.

Trustee – Josepto Robinson

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| Joseph Robinson | 4 |
| Isaac Hogans | 4 |
| Total | 8 |

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School No. 3 At Piney Grove Trustees – Aaron Geiger and E. W.

Geiger

Number of

School No. 9 Situated at Little Black Creek Trustees -- V. O. Doyle and Peter Jimmison

| Names of Patrons | Pupils | | Number of |
|------------------|--------|------------------|-----------|
| Aaron Geiger | 7 | Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| E. W. Geiger | 6 | J. Q. Adams | 4 |
| William Monton | 4 | Peter Jimmison | 3 |
| Louis Wilson | 5 | J. P. Doyle | 5 |
| Jesse Wilson | 2 | ? V. Williamson | 5 |
| L. D. Wall | 4 | Washington Johns | 4 |
| Mrs. Green | 3 | Joseph Knight | 2 |
| Mrs. Johnson | 4 | Eliza Baxley | 1 |
| Ashley Wyne | 3 | Joseph Burrus | 2 |
| Nancy Thomas | 1 | Mr. Roberts | 3 |
| Total | 39 | David Bryon | 3 |
| | | Fred Houston | 2 |
| | | W. W. Snell | 1 |
| | | | |

School No. 10 Situated at Thomasville Trustees – Martin Fouts and H. B. Drew

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B. F. Collier

Total

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| R. B. Drew | 7 |
| Louisa Thomas | 3 |
| James White | 4 |
| John Stanley | 2 |
| Martin Fouts | 3 |
| Josiah Wilson | 3 |
| Charlie Conway | 2 |
| William Harris | 4 |
| Rebecca Wilson | 2 |
| Edward Norris | 1 |
| Total | 31 |

School No. 8 at Gadara Church Trustees – Lyman Hall and James Weeks

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| James Swindle | 4 |
| Mrs. Daniels | 2 |
| Rebecca Lane | 3 |
| Mrs. H. Prevatt | 3 |
| George Ward | 1 |
| William Osteen | 7 |
| Lyman Hall | 7 |
| Agnes Dyers | 1 |
| Nancy Minton | 3 |
| Emiline Giddins | 2 |
| L. G. Sibley in | 3 |
| Putnam County | |
| Total | 36 |

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School No. 20 "Moody and Weeks" Situated at Peters Creek Trustees – Bry Wilkerson and Jesse Moody

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| ?. D. Rivers | 4 |
| Mr. Childers | 3 |
| Jackson Conway | 5 |
| Mr. Kinzy | 2 |
| Bry Wilkerson | 2 |
| Jesse Moody | 3 |
| Mr. Crafford | 3 |
| Total | 22 |

This is a "colored school." Have no school house but speak of building one soon.

School No. 12 North Prong Black Creek

This school will not be continued; as there are but six scholars on that side of the creek and they prefer uniting with the Whitesville school.

School No. 21 At Laurel Grove Trustees – E. D. Souter and James Kein

| Names of Patrons | Number of Pupils |
|------------------|---------------------|
| James Kein | 4 |
| Mr. Burgers | 2 |
| James West | 3 |
| Lloyd Hall | 4 |
| Total | 13 |

Green's Creek Trustees – None

School No. 16

| Names of Patrons | Number of Pupils |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Benjamin Moody | 6 |
| Robert Batten | 3 |
| John Batten | 3 |
| Robert Hogarth | 2 |
| James Manning | 1 |
| Louis Myers | 1 |
| Mrs. Riggs | 2 |
| John Manning | 5 |
| Mr. ?illis | 4 |
| Total | 27 |

James Burney has 4 children that ought to attend this school but says he will

School No. 7 Situated at Hibernia On Fleming Island Trustees – M. Bowman and Henry Thompson

| | Number |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | of Pupils |
| Henry Thompson | 3 |
| Jacob Bryant | 2 |
| Eliza Russ | 2 |
| Blackwell McCoy | 1 |
| Travis Frasier | 3 |
| L. Phillips | 1 |
| Owen Frasier | 1 |
| Catherine Favent | 2 |
| M. Bowman | 2 |
| James Lussey | 1 |
| Phibbe Grey | 2 |
| Total | 20 |

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not send them as he prefers having them taught at home.

School 19 Yellow Water Trustees – Steven Padget, Daniel Bell, and Mr. Byrd

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| Stephen Padget | 5 |
| Daniel Bell | 5 |
| Celia Nolan | 2 |
| Mrs. Osteen | 3 |
| A. Hatcher | 3 |
| Elijah Padget | 3 |
| M. Byrd | 1 |
| Jackson Hatcher | 2 |
| Willis Prescott | 5 |
| Total | 29 |

School No. 14 Situated at Clay Hill Trustees – Darling Carter and C. B. Mosely

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| C. B. Mosely | 3 |
| C. H. Hammilton | 4 |
| W. Mosley | 4 |
| J. W. Carter | 1 |
| Elisha Green | 4 |
| Mary Brantly | 2 |
| Jane ?illis | 2 |
| ? Manning | 3 |
| Darling Carter | 7 |
| James Norman | 4 |
| Wiley Bennett | 2 |
| Total | 36 |

BOARD OF EDUCATIONS MINUTES TRANSCRIPTION (PARTIAL)

School No 18

At

Long Branch

Trustees – J. ? Bunker, and Alonzo Allen

| | Number of |
|-------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| W. Padget | 6 |
| George Woodside | 2 |
| John Padget | 3 |
| L. Harris | 5 |
| Joseph Wilkerson | 3 |
| Elisha Wilkerson | 2 |
| Gad Wilkerson | 2 |
| William Wilkerson | 3 |
| Thomas Caldwell | 1 |
| Berry Friggis | 6 |
| W. W. Bowen | 2 |
| Elijah Padget | 1 |
| Total | 36 |

School No. 11 At Kingsley Lake Trustees – A. Strickland, L. Kickliter and W. H. Edwards

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| W. H. Edwards | 2 |
| A. Strickland | 4 |
| Joe.? Prevatt | 4 |
| David Silcox | 4 |
| L. Kickliter | 2 |
| M. Anderson | 1 |
| R. Griffis | 3 |
| John Griffis | 4 |
| Total | 34 |

School No 22 Near William Conway's Trustee –

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| W. Conway | 7 |
| Y. Warren | 3 |
| Gilliard | 3 |
| Total | 13 |

School No. 6 Situated at Sweet Water Head Trustees – J. K. Prevatt, J. J. Prevatt and J. Starling

| | Number of |
|------------------|-----------|
| Names of Patrons | Pupils |
| J. Starling | 4 |
| J. J. Prevatt | 1 |
| J. K. Prevatt | 4 |
| Isaac Norman | 3 |
| Thomas Warren | 3 |
| Mrs. Reed | 3 |
| George Carter | 5 |
| Total | 23 |
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